

Romsey Golf Club Ladies Report

At long last we are back playing golf. The first day of play was 9th Jan when we played our Monthly Medal, with Beryl Cole winning 98-29-69.

2nd Feb we played par. This is not a favourite game for everyone, but if we can't score in summer whenever will we be able to? With the ball sitting on our well grassed green fairways Lorraine Robb (40) took full advantage and was the winner with -4. The course is in really good condition and the men are doing a great job of keeping the mowers going.

9th Feb. we hosted a Bring a Friend day and it was great to welcome some new ladies and others who had not been before to come along and play 9 holes Ambrose with us and enjoy a light lunch. We are planning another Bring a Friend day in March and this is an ideal day to come and try golf to see if you like the game. No clubs or experience needed. You are also welcome any Wednesday—just come at 9am for a 9.30 hit off. You can play as many or as few holes as you wish.

Lorraine and I have started travelling by going to the Broadford 4BBB on the 10th Feb and being runners up in "B" grade with a score of 47 pts.

The Romsey Birdies Charity Golf Day was again very successful with all funds raised going to our Relay for Life team. Many Thanks to our major sponsors Sapore Nostro Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria in Sunbury, The Romsey Butcher and Moonee Valley Racing Club. Winners on the day were "The Vegies" who were a Bowling Club team with a net score of 35.83. Runners up were "The Hacks" 36.25 net. The BBQ lunch and sweet slices and sponge cakes were enjoyed by all.

Feb 4, 5 & 6 Elaine Lorraine Wendy and I volunteered at the Australian Women's Golf Open at Commonwealth golf course. The quote for the Open from one of us was "Their swing is nothing like mine". I wonder why?? After dropping Elaine at the gate on the Thursday morning the rest of us proceeded to the motel, parked the car and walked ½ hour back to the course for our later starts. Play was suspended late afternoon due to a violent storm approaching. We were told to go home as we were no longer needed for the day, but we didn't fancy walking home in the storm so waited around and eventually coned the courtesy bus driver (driving to the car park) to take us to the motel. It poured during the night and we got up wondering whether there would be play on the Saturday. After several phone calls we found we were not needed. Friday's round had to



be completed, then the 18 holes for Saturday but as the forecast was not good no spectators were expected so no hole marshalls or leader board scorers were required. It didn't take us any time to change out of our bright pink T-shirts and head off to Chadstone Shopping Centre for the day. We had an excellent learning day and it didn't cost our husbands too much. We now know about Ipods and apps and also you cannot play Wii on a Playstation. Sunday was fine with a cold breeze so the pink jackets were appreciated. It was an interesting three days and we got to see some good golf up close. Next year the Open is being held at Royal Melbourne and there is talk of volunteering for the four days and staying at a better class motel (with no working girls).

Recipe for this month

Corn Beef

1 piece corned beef
1 cup water
2 tbsp golden syrup
4 tbsp white vinegar
peppercorns
1 bay leaf
½ lemon

Soak corned beef 30 mins. Prior to cooking. Combine fresh water, golden syrup, vinegar, seasoning & lemon cut into wedges in jug. Place drained beef in microwave bowl and pour jug contents over. Cover microwave bowl and set power to 50% and calculate time allowing 18-20mins. Per 500g. Stand, covered 15-20 mins. Or until ready to serve. Serve with parsley sauce and veg. Or try spinach, topped with sliced beef, cheese sauce and beetroot on a slice of toast for Sunday tea. This recipe was given to me by a friend but for old fashioned people like me who don't do meat in the microwave this can be done on the stove top. Just cover the meat with extra water and ingredients and cook slowly as usual.

Beryl Cole
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Family Services in Macedon Ranges

Cobaw Family Services provides support and assistance to families with children experiencing difficulties, living in the Macedon Ranges Shire. The Family Services team aims to assist and support families to address issues, stress or other factors that might be impacting on them and their families' health and wellbeing.

Our team also provides parenting focused group programs that are open to the whole community. Currently we run Tuning into Kids and Mother Goose programs at different times throughout the year.

Tuning into Kids is a parenting program that helps children learn to understand and regulate their emotions. It is a 6-8 session group parenting program. The ideas and techniques taught in the program are useful for parents of children of all ages, but are particularly relevant for parents of preschoolers.

Mother Goose is a fun interactive group for parents and their children with songs, rhymes and storytelling. This program enhances the relationship between parents and their children through shared words, actions, images and feelings of rhymes and stories.

Our group programs are always in great demand but due to recent changes in state government policy we are restricted in our capacity to run these programs at a level that would meet our communities' needs. Family services are committed to continuing to offer these valuable programs throughout the shire and will continue to lobby state government to support and deliver these important community programs. If you are interested in finding out more about the family services program or the groups we run call Deanne on 5421 1680. Check out our website at www.cobaw.vic.gov.au for our full range of services.

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World Day of Prayer – first Friday in March

On Friday 4th March Romsey Uniting Church (Pohlman St) will be the venue for the annual World Day of Prayer in the Lancefield/Romsey area.

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year. This year the service has been prepared by the women of Chile. Men and women from all denominations are invited to attend the Service at 11am which will be followed by lunch. Offering money will be for Bible Society projects in Australia and in Chile.

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Welcome back to all the Cubs, Scouts and Parents of 1st Romsey Scout Group!

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Romsey Golf Club Report

Saturday January 22nd; Par competition saw a strong field take to the course. There were a few areas that were still wet or boggy after the recent heavy rains, however in general the fairways and greens were in good condition. Winner on the day was junior Jarrad White with +2, other good performances came from Dave Richardson +1 and another junior Ben Noel with 0.NTPs went to 15th Jarrad White.

Romsey junior, Daniel Wright (16 Yrs), had a wonderful day at Heidelberg Golf Course on Thursday, January 20th. Playing in the Heidelberg Junior Open, Under 14/16/18 (boys and girls), as an under 18, he distinguished himself with a four under par 68 to win the title by two strokes. His round include two bogies (Holes 1 and 2), 10 pars and six birdies (including the last two holes). Daniel now has a handicap of 0.2, equivalent to 0, an amazing golfing performance for one so young.

Saturday January 29th; Monthly Medal, Stroke and putts. There had been an enormous amount of growth across the whole park and many hours of volunteer labour to get the course into good condition for the January Monthly Medal. The fairways were in generally excellent but, after the recent flooding rains, there were still bare areas where pooled water had killed the grass so relief, on the fairway played, was given. A wonderful, sunny day brought out a good field, including many low markers, so good scoring was expected and many players delivered; **Daniel Wright 71/0/71, Mat Hall 71/5/66** (This is the 1st time for many years that the course has been parred by two players on the same day) and another excellent effort from junior's vice captain Ben Noel 83/17/63. After such good scores it was going to take a great performance to win the January Monthly Medal and junior captain, Jarrad White was the man for the moment with an excellent 78/18/60. NTPs went to 1 - Dean Van DenHeuval, 15 - Ben Noel, 16 - Jarrad White.

On Friday January 28th Romsey junior, Daniel Wright competed in the Golf Victoria, Junior Summer Competition Final at Eastwood Golf Club. After his four under par win in the Heidelberg Junior Open last week the pressure was on and again Daniel delivered with a 76/0/76 to take out 2nd place behind Luke Petherick from Mooroopna with 75/2/73. The club held its last Junior Clinic on Fri 28th. There was an excellent roll up and it is hoped than many of these juniors go on to become golfers and members of the club.

Saturday February 5th; The 1st round of the 2011 Singles Knock-out competition was cancelled due to heavy rain on Friday night and Saturday morning.

Saturday February 12th; 2011 Singles Knock-out competition, stableford with the top eight players to go on to sudden death handicap match play. Both dams were full to overflowing, the fairways were in excellent condition and the greens were continuing to improve; with a bit of luck they will be back to their best come pennant season in March. A good field hit off in cool, windy conditions. Winner on the day was club captain Andrew Clement with 11/37, runner-u was Daniel Wright 0/36.NTPs went to 1 - Jim Menzies, 15 - Daniel Wright and 16 - Mat Hall. The eight players to continue in the competition are; A Clement V L Gaunt, C van derVliet V A Lakey, D Wright V K Milner and M Hall V J Menzies.

BBQs, – The golf club was overwhelmed by calls offering us BBQs, we would like to thank all those people and for their very kind offers. We now have three BBQs in the shed. They will all be of use and will be wonderful during events such as the Romsey Open, 1st Sunday in June, allowing us to offer a hot sausage etc at multiple locations around the course.

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Broadband for Seniors is a \$15m Australian Government initiative to increase the skills of older Australians using computers and the internet. The aim is to get seniors in our community better connected, enabling them to discover a whole new social experience on the web and to help them to stay in touch online with friends and family, along with offering access to the wealth of information available online.

The free kiosk will feature two computers with broadband access and will offer training and support to those who are new to computers and the internet. The kiosk will be up and running soon. If you would like more information or you know someone who may be interested in accessing or learning more about computers please contact Julie on 54 280 300

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Of all the fine gardens on “The Mount”, Duneira is regarded as one of the very finest. Its 38 acres are a botanical wonderland, and its avenue of Dutch Elms is thought to be the longest in the Southern hemisphere.

This season in the Macedon Ranges has been such that all the gardens are greener than they have been for years. The 150 year old trees are growing taller than ever before, and the plants in this cool climate are flourishing.

We urge people to come and see this glorious garden, and to refresh your souls while helping our local Health Service!

Kyneton District Health Service wish to thank the Stone-man Foundation and its Director, Dr Jacky Ogeil, for the use of Duneira.

Further information can be obtained from:
www.kynetonhealth.org.au
 Jo Clancy – Phone 54271909
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A Message from the Mayor

2011 is definitely shaping up to be a busy year with many projects and new initiatives to be rolled out in the coming months.

The recent extreme weather resulted in Council receiving thousands of requests for assistance in relation to flash flooding of properties and roads, overloaded drains, fallen trees blocking roads, damage to fencing and wandering livestock. Most flood-impacted municipalities are in similar situations and recovery will take time. The cleanup effort will continue for many months. The Council assisted by offering free disposal of clean green waste at transfer stations until the end of February 2011. Green waste is recycled into mulch and can be purchased and collected from local transfer stations for your garden to help prevent weed growth and reduce moisture evaporation.

Loads can be picked up or delivered to your property by prior arrangement – 6 cubic metres \$170 or 10 cubic metres \$250. See Council's website for further information, including locations and opening hours of transfer stations in Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend.

Following Council's successful funding application in round two of the Australian Government's Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program in 2010, of which Council was allocated \$407,000, upgrades to existing infrastructure and community facilities in Woodend, Lancefield, Gisborne and Macedon are nearing completion. These works have seen the construction of new footpaths, car parking spaces, upgrades to sporting facilities and accessibility improvements and pedestrian linkages in open spaces.

Lastly, there is much happening from now to the end of March and detailed below are just some of the events planned throughout the shire. For further details about these events and more, visit www.mrsc.vic.gov.au

Coming up:
8 March: International Women's Day 100th Anniversary Morning Tea, Gisborne
13 March: Craft Markets Australia at Hanging Rock
19 March: Camp Out at Hanging Rock
22 March: Business Networking Evening, Macedon
26 March: Microchipping Day, Woodend

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• Monday and Wednesday sessions also available for ages 0-5.

Romsey Branch— Australian Red Cross



Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th March, 2011 at 1.30pm at the Uniting Church Hall, Pohlman Street (Off Murphy Street). Our next fund raiser will be a **Blumes Fashion Parade** (just in time to stock up for winter) on **Thursday 31st March, 2011 at the Uniting Church Hall from 10.30am**, A light lunch will be served. Further details will be in the next Romsey Rag and notices will be placed around town well beforehand.

Please consider joining your local Red Cross Unit, we are not just about money raising, we have an Emergency Services Team and new members are always most welcome. Any queries please contact Julie Reynolds PH: 54293161.

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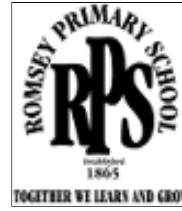
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Romsey Primary School News

School Values Program

Each year we start school with our value's program. This is a 5 day program in which students explore our school values of responsibility, resilience, relationships and learning in depth and set up expectations of behaviour and work quality. Each class also spent time on understanding our school purpose statement which says:



At Romsey Primary School

we strive to be self motivated, engaged and happy learners in a technology rich environment
and to be active, resilient members of a community.

Classes then came up with their own purpose statement. An example of this is Year 5KB which agreed to:

In 5KB we encourage each other to persevere with challenges and continuously improve our skills and knowledge together. We are honest and well mannered students who have trust and display respect to fellow students and all teachers. We will endeavour to be self motivated learners who work hard during class time to achieve our goals and meet any challenges.

During this week classes also met with their "buddy" class for the year. This is valuable for our younger students as they get to know and feel confident with an older student who can support them particularly when they are in the yard. During this session students worked together to make a crown to celebrate their identity and a fun time was had by all during the school parade.

Improving Communication Between Parents and the School

This year we are trying to keep families better informed about the classroom programs and have held information evenings for each year level. These have been well attended and have given teachers a chance to give detailed information about the curriculum, expectations and special programs. Additionally families have a better opportunity to know their child's teacher and to be better informed about the school's program. We are also establishing Class Parent Representatives. We see this as an initiative to help with the smooth running of the school. The parent representative's role includes acting as a contact person for the class teacher, encouraging social links between parents, exploring ways of enriching school life by volunteering to help with school initiatives and school events, acting as an ambassador and supporting the classroom teacher with special days and events.

School Uniform

Our new uniform policy has been a huge success. Wherever you are in the school everyone looks fantastic. This policy engenders a sense of pride and belonging amongst Romsey Primary School students and maintains and enhances the positive image of the school in the community. As the cooler weather approaches students will have the opportunity to wear the new black polar fleece vests and the girls will be able to wear the check pinafore.

The Daily Timetable

This year we have moved lunch time to a later part of the day starting it at 1:30pm. This gives the teachers two "two hour" blocks increasing their flexibility and allowing a greater emphasis on literacy and numeracy. The literacy block has always been 2 hours and numeracy traditionally one hour. Research indicates when students have more time on task their learning outcomes improve. With the additional two hour block teacher can have much longer teaching session for numeracy. Student and teachers have reported they are enjoying the change to the lunch break and students are more focused.



Romsey Uniting Church

Pohlman Street, Romsey. 3434

Minister Rev. Dr. Avril Hannah-Jones: 5429 5351

Mobile: 0408 380 962

Church Council Chairperson: Noel Shaw - 5429 5509

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You are most welcome to come to the Romsey Uniting Church

Sunday@Six

Are you busy on Sunday mornings?
Are you looking for a relaxed, informal worship service?
Romsey Uniting Church will be holding evening services on the fourth Sunday of the month throughout the year.

There will be a light meal at 5.30 pm and worship will start at 6.

The service on **March 27** will give thanks for our emergency services, particularly the volunteers with the CFS, SES, Victorian Council of Churches' Emergency Ministry and the Red Cross. Everyone is welcome to come, give thanks, and be thanked.

Ash Wednesday Service

7.30 pm, 9 March
Mount Macedon Uniting Church
A short service to begin Lent.

Joy –

The harvest of the Spirit is ...Joy Galatians 5:22

"I have spoken thus to you, so that my joy may be in you, and your joy complete." John 15:11

"The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the humble, to bind up the broken-hearted... to comfort all who mourn, to give them garlands instead of ashes, oil of gladness instead of mourners' tears, a garment of splendour for the heavy heart."

Isaiah 61: 1a, 3

Life offers a mixture of sorrows and joys, people say; You must take it as it comes.

So I think of the joys I have known,
There is joy in a job well done, however exhausting,
There is joy in discovery, in learning something new,
There is joy in the trusting grasp of a small child's hand,
and in the welcoming smile of a lifelong friend.

But when I look further around me, Lord, I wonder.
There is so much suffering, so much hurt and despair.

Our newspapers and television tell us of violence, and crime, and war, of the road toll, and suicide rates and disasters abroad and at home. The disasters that have happened in our own country – floods, cyclones, bush fires etc. We have all seen the devastation that these natural disasters have caused. The loss of homes and death of family members and friends. The terrible destruction of communities and the struggle to help the people come to terms with their loss. Many volunteers have been working hard physically and emotionally to help those people affected.

Must I shut myself off from the cries of those who suffer the anguish of hunger, and cold, and unrelieved pain?
Must I turn a blind eye to injustice and exploitation, and must I deny the reality of sorrow,
If I would know joy?

Lord, you didn't shut yourself off. You have been called "A man of sorrows", and you worked long hours bearing the burdens of others – yet you spoke of joy; The joy of dwelling in your father's love. This is the joy you have offered to us, Lord, too –

A joy deep and lasting, quite independent of things that may happen to us day by day.

A joy that is real in the very midst of sorrow.
When our spirits grow faint, Lord, grant to us your joy.

Church Services during March 2011

6th	9am.	Worship Service conducted by Brian Charters
13 th	9am.	Worship Service and Eucharist conducted by Rev. Avril Hannah-Jones
20 th	9am	Worship Service conducted by Lay Worship Team
27 th	9am	Worship Service conducted by David Noble

GREEN THUMBS

Participants in the Lifestyle Enhancement Program attend the Mt Macedon Horticultural Society on the 1st Tuesday night of the month to take part in a great evening including informative guest speakers, raffles and supper. If you have an interest in gardening and require support to attend the sessions please contact Amanda on 5428 0391

Amanda McCarthy
Lifestyle Enhancement Program
Macedon Ranges Health Services
5 Neal St Gisborne 3437
(PO Box 588 Gisborne)



Romsey Playgroup Inc.

Romsey Community Hub,
Main Street, Romsey

Romsey Playgroup has resumed after the Christmas holidays and we would like to invite you as new members to our group!

Come along and engage your little one with some fun and social interaction.

Playgroup is located at the Romsey Community Hub at the back of the facility and operates during school term on the following days & times:

Tuesday	9.30am – 11.30am	0-4 year olds
Wednesday	9.30am – 11.30am	0-4 year olds
Thursday	9.30am – 11.30am	0-4 year olds
Thursday	1.30pm – 3.30pm	0-2 year olds

Playgroup provides families and carers of young children a fun & safe environment to participate in semi-structured play outside the home. It offers age appropriate toys, craft, painting and physical activities. Outdoor activities include sandpit, pirate ship with outdoor play kitchen, swing sets, small bikes, balls, hula hoops and slides

If you would like to enquire further, request a brochure or enroll for playgroup please do not hesitate to contact the following committee members:

Melissa 0438 831 427
Emily 0405 125 156

Email romseyplaygroup@gmail.com

Romsey Toy Library

2011 has started with a bang at the Toy Library!

Our AGM was held in December 2010 with some changes to the committee. Hannah Ellis has been elected Treasurer/ Secretary and myself, Fiona Quigley, as President. Leanne Manton and Marg Redmond have stepped down from these positions but will remain on the committee. Special thanks to Leanne and Marg for all their hard work in running the Romsey Toy Library over the past 5+ years.

Hannah and I are excited about making some changes to the Toy Library in 2011, including a new fee structure, changes to opening hours and borrowing procedures and of course purchasing lots of new and exciting toys!

Our full-price annual membership fee is \$25 per family. Playgroup members and grandparents are able to join for the discount price of \$15. We are currently completing a stocktake of all our toys and we look forward to putting some new toys on our shelves in the coming months.

We are planning to hold an Open Day on the Saturday 16th April 2011 between 9.30am & 11am at The Hub. Please drop by for a chat and check out the range of toys we have available to borrow. Look out for more information in this column and flyers within the library.

Also, we now have a generic email address that we will be using for general correspondence, membership renewals and keeping members updated on the purchase of new toys. Please contact us via email or phone anytime for enquires and feedback: -

Email - romseytoylibrary@gmail.com

Fiona Quigley – 0408 110 054

Hannah Ellis - 0401 085 125

What's New at the Romsey Library!

The library has now got free wifi available to the public, all you need is your library card and you can come in and access the internet on your own computer free of charge!

Our Story Time and Rhyme Time sessions have started again for the year, don't forget that the Rhyme Time has been changed to Thursday at 11.30, and Story Time is still on at 10.30 on a Tuesday.



Romsey Mowing, Maintenance & Property Care.

Lawn mowing (including ride on)

Gardening - Edging.

Weed spraying - Pruning.

Mulching - Fertilizing.

Tree lopping - Gutter cleaning.

Rental clean ups.

Full yard clean ups.

General maintenance.

Window cleaning.

Rick Hammond

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Half A Year In Romsey

The Romsey Fruit Shed has now been open for 6 months @ 126 Main St. Romsey under the management of Joe and Kitty Schembri who also run the highly successful Lancefield Fruit Shed.

At the Romsey Fruit Shed you can expect to see premium quality fruit and veg. at competitive prices, always at its freshest with Joe going to the Footscray Wholesale Market daily buying for both shops. Joe challenges people to compare his prices with the major supermarkets and is confident, bar a special or two from the major chains, pricing will be on par or less at his two stores.

In addition to the fresh fruit and veg. you will find a number of quality tasty lines ranging from the extremely popular Evia yoghurt to yummy cheeses, Istra smallgoods pastas, dips, gluten free and organic lines. We try to cater for everyone's taste and save people from needing to hop into the car to get something a little different.

Fresh flowers are also proving to be a handy addition to the Romsey Fruit shed with Kitty, a qualified florist with over 20 years experience, able to make a wonderful arrangement to suit any budget or occasion, as well as many fresh bunches of flowers to take home to brighten up your home.

The Romsey Fruit shed can also help cater for your next party or function with a large range of different salads, fruit and antipasto platters available to be ordered. No order is too big or small and we pride ourselves on making these at the most appropriate time for you so it is at its freshest when you serve it.

The Romsey Fruit Shed also offers tea, coffee, ice cream, and a selection of chocolates and lollies as well as local delivery of the flowers and fruit and veg. with some new and exciting initiatives coming soon, so if you haven't been down to the Romsey Fruit Shed, pop in, have a look around and say G'day to Joe and Kitty—we're only too happy to help.

Romsey

Fruit shed

NOW OPEN UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

- Fresh Fruit & Veg Daily
- Fresh Fruit & Cheese Platters
- Fresh Flowers
- Freshly Squeezed Juice
- Gourmet Cheese
- Sensational Evia Yoghurt
- Milkshakes & Smoothies
- Deluxe Ice Cream Range
- Gourmet Dips & Smallgoods

*come in & see our
huge range
also a huge range of gluten free
and organic lines*

Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 6:00pm

Sat: 9:00am - 1:00pm

Do You Like Driving?

A very worthwhile role is played by our volunteer drivers at Macedon Ranges Health Services. The Carers Support Services funds us to provide essential transport to clients in the community. We need volunteers who are interested in driving locally or to Melbourne. Volunteers bring skills and knowledge to this role and provide pleasant outings and socialisation to the residents and clients. Please consider this as something you might like to do to help our community. Please ring 5428 0446 for more information.

Get Fit, Get Fit—Walk For Your Life!

The Walking Group meets near the Bay Tree Café every Tuesday morning at 9.30 for a leisurely walk. Return time is approximately 10.15am.

Dogs—please bring your owners (if they are friendly!)

All ages welcome.

Please feel free to ring Eileen for any enquiries on 0412 787 213.

Advanced walkers meet at the Laundromat at the same time.



Romsey CWA


Romsey Branch of the Country Women's Association meets at the Mechanics Hall Supper Room at 10 am on the first Thursday of each month. Our project for the next couple of months, on Craft Days which are held on the third Thursday of the month, also at the Mechanics Institute, are to make Pamper Pack bags for flood victims both in Victoria and Queensland for families who have experienced devastating flooding in recent times. These bags will be filled with toiletry items supplied by Head Office for families in need of a new toothbrush, tooth paste, face washer, etc. We will also be working on making items for our forthcoming Mother's Day stall to be held outside IGA Supermarket on May 7th.

April 7th we will have Peter Smith from Channel 9 as our Guest Speaker.

This gentleman is a wonderful speaker and not to be missed, and we hope that you will be able to attend. Flyers for this gentleman's attendance are posted around our town. Many other events are in the pipeline, such as State Conference in Ballarat in May, Central Highland Group Creative Arts Exhibition in Trentham March 18th/19th as well as lots of other fun events to attend.

Should you wish to attend our day with Pete Smith, please book with Val Jordan, 5429 2311. This wonderful day will cost \$5, but includes a wonderful CWA afternoon tea - NOT TO BE MISSED!!

All enquiries re joining our wonderful group of friendly and compassionate ladies can be made to Secretary Val, 5429 2311.



Macedon Ranges Basketball Association

Modified Basketball

Welcoming people with a disability

The Macedon Ranges Basketball Association would like to encourage people of all ages and level of ability to come along and learn the basic skills of basketball. Get active, make new friends, have fun and participate in a modified basketball environment.

WHEN: Saturdays
(Starting 12th February, 2011)

WHERE: Buffalo Sports Centre
1-29 Forest Street, Woodend

TIME: 12.00 noon - 1.00pm

COST: \$3 per week &
\$30 annual insurance fee
for new participants only



Don't forget to wear your sneakers & bring a bottle of water


HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

CONTACT: Michael Grantham on 0414 931 185 or
Deb Stidwell on 0407 556 825
You can also visit www.macedonrangesbasketball.net.au
for further information and to view the photo gallery.

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT:
Contact the club for a registration form or come along and get one on your first day. If you are a new participant a \$30 annual insurance fee is to be paid at your first session. \$3 payment to be made weekly or you can make alternative arrangements to pay upfront. Make cheques payable to Macedon Ranges Basketball Association.

Supported by Sports Focus, Access for All Abilities Program Provider
Supporting Sport and Recreation opportunities for ALL
www.sportsfocus.com.au



We Care for your Health

QUICK CLINICS

Romsey Medical now offers bulk billed quick clinic appointments on a daily basis for your convenience. Quick clinic appointments are available to all patients in need of urgent repeat prescriptions, lost prescriptions, re-referrals (not new), vaccinations, flu vaccinations and desensitisation injections. You can still request urgently needed prescriptions over the telephone if you cannot make the quick clinic at a cost of \$20, this is a one-off prescription given (no repeats) to provide you with medication until a routine appointment can be made.

NEW DOCTORS ARRIVING SOON

Doctors and staff at Romsey Medical welcome two new doctors joining the team from February 2011. Dr Emerson Tantoo & Dr Aye Aye Kyaw will be available to all patients most days and will bulk bill patients with a current concession card, pensioners and children under the age of 16.

LANCEFIELD MEDICAL

Work has commenced on refurbishment for our new medical practice in Chauncey Street in Lancefield. Doctors and staff look forward to taking care of all your health needs at the new practice in the near future.

ROMSEY MEDICAL ON THE NET

You can now stay up to date with Romsey Medical News on the internet. To view information about the practice, doctors and staff, visiting specialists, fee information, opening times, and lots more about us visit our website: www.romseymedical.com.au

Check it out, tell us what you think of our new logo, abbreviated name and image update.

Clinic Hours
Monday to Friday: 8.30am to 8.00pm
Saturday: 8.30am to 1.00pm
Sunday: CLOSED

After Hours Services
When the clinic is closed, we have an on-call doctor available for urgent matters.
Please call 1300 557 512 to speak to a nurse who will contact the doctor on duty if required.

Youth Health Expo at Macedon Ranges Health

Macedon Ranges Health Services will hold its annual Youth Health Expo in late March 2011. The Expo is for Year 9 students from the Gisborne Secondary College who attend the Health Centre and meet local Youth Health Workers. Students will meet Community Health Nurse Louise Beer and Dr. Alison Bailey from the EYES Youth Health Clinic, Joe Grbac, Youth Resource Officer from Victoria Police, Pauline Neil from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Youth Unit, and Paul Ross, manager of the Gisborne Fitness Centre.

Feedback from past students indicates that they really enjoy and appreciate the opportunity to participate in the event. It introduces young people to some of the Youth Health Services that exist in the Macedon Ranges Shire and addresses issues related to both physical and mental health. Students enjoy the opportunity to ask questions, discuss health issues and participate in some fun events, such as warm-up games, try on beer goggles, and complete short surveys. Past students have stated that they have learned, "A lot of stuff about our health and what services are available"....

"That there is help there if you need it"....

"How much alcohol can affect you"....

"It's OK to talk about problems"....

The event is organised by Teresa Perri, Student Welfare Coordinator from Gisborne Secondary College and Ian Huke from Macedon Ranges Health Services.



Pastor's Parables . . .



Ph 5429 6327

Why not make this New Year one of peace & freedom?

The world that Jesus was born into was filled with slavery. Israel itself was under the domination of Rome. Scholars estimate that approximately one half of the Roman Empire was enslaved. Nations were conquered and people were dominated. This was not unique to Rome. Almost all civilizations had slavery: Egypt, Greece, India, China, Korea, Russia, and Brazil.

It has continued throughout human history down to this very day. Slavery was permitted in Saudi Arabia until 1962 and in Peru until 1964. In practice, slavery still exists in Niger and Sudan. The northern Arab groups routinely take and sell countless women and children from southern Sudan. The captured women are forced to be domestic servants and concubines. The boys are often used as farm labourers. They have hard servitude with a bleak future.

Slavery is a horrific human evil, yet even in free societies another kind of slavery exists. People are enslaved to addictions such as alcohol, drugs, pornography, gluttony, greed, gossip, gambling, fornication, and materialism. Jesus said: *"Every one who commits sin is a slave to sin"* (John 8:34). We are all either slaves to our sinful nature or we are servants of God and have a new nature. There is no other choice. Either we will let our natural desires master us or we will submit to God as our Master. We cannot serve both. Jesus said: *"No one can serve two masters"* (Matthew 6:24).

How are we set free from our sinful nature? Jesus said: *"If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free"* (John 8:31). Jesus is the only one who is able to set us free. Jesus is the only one who can give us a new nature. He referred to this as being "born again." Jesus said: *"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God"* (John 3:3). We must be given a new heart to become part of God's kingdom. This happens when God gives us His Holy Spirit. As a result, our desires change and we desire the things of God rather than the things of the world. How do we receive this gift of the Holy Spirit? The Apostle Peter said: *"Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit"* (Acts 2:38). This will set us free. Jesus said concerning Himself: *"If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed"* (John 8:36).

Jesus was born to set men free from sin. However, it was necessary that He give His life's blood on the cross to pay for our sins. We can submit to this Saviour and find true freedom only found in submission to Him, or we can be masters of our own lives and remain enslaved. Following Jesus may bring suffering, yet it brings lasting freedom. And with this freedom comes peace – a peace the world cannot supply. Jesus said: *"My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you"* (John 14:27).

This New Year, come to the only One who can set you free and bring peace to your soul!

If you would like to learn more about God and His unconditional love for us feel free to join us at either of our Sunday services or any one of our Mid week Life groups. Or contact us at our Church office on 5429 6327 - we would be happy to be of assistance to you.

Living Word Christian Church - Regular Sunday Service Times:

10am Morning Service - 7 Mitchell Court Romsey

6pm Evening Service - Woodend Community Centre High Street Woodend

Mid-Week Life Groups: Children's Ministry, Women's Ministry & Men's Ministry


For more information:

Ph: 5429 6327; Email: livingword@iprimus.com.au; Web: www.livingwordcc.com.au

Australian Christian Churches

KidZone Program Before & After School Care Program


Ph Elsie Parkinson Program Coordinator Ph 5429 6327 / 0422 860 486



Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge

73 Main St, Romsey VIC 3434

Contact us at:
Ph: 5428 5418 or 5429 6354



Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge

Meet 1st Thursday except January
Installation - June

ALL BRETHREN WELCOME

Anyone For Tennis?

Friday Social Mixed Tennis.
Beginners most welcome.
Meet each Friday morning at the Romsey tennis courts on Park Lane
Time: 9.00am—10.00am

Membership: \$75 per year.
Ages: 50-80 (Plus or minus)!!!!

For further details contact Eileen French on 0412 787 213.
Come along and enjoy our friendly group.



Pay less tax LEGALLY!!

Many people think that the only way to significantly reduce your tax involves off shore bank accounts or risky investments. But there is another option and it's approved by our Government – in fact it's encouraged and we all know something about it – superannuation.

Most people are aware of many of the rules around superannuation with compulsory saving for retirement however there is more to superannuation than just a retirement savings plan. Many of the benefits derived within the superannuation environment are driven by the generous tax concessions offered on both putting money into superannuation and then the earnings on the funds retained within superannuation.

A quick summary of the tax concessions are:

- Eligible salary sacrifice contributions are taxed at 15% rather than the marginal tax rate (often in excess of 31.5%)
- Earnings on funds are taxed at 15% rather than the marginal tax rate (often in excess of 31.5%)
- Eligible Capital Gains are taxed at only 10%
- Eligible funds withdrawn from superannuation after the age 55 are **tax free**
- Earnings on eligible funds held within superannuation after the age of 55 are **tax free**

The key to accessing these significant taxation savings and tax free income is planning so that the bulk of the funds held within the superannuation environment fall un-

der the definition of "eligible" within the above dot points. This strategy is possible for most people who earn an income and are prepared to put aside a regular amount of money to help save for their retirement (no matter how small).

Of course, as with any asset or investment strategy one solution is not suitable for every situation. While most Australian residents can take advantage of this strategy, whether employed or self employed, it should be considered carefully. It is imperative that you speak to an advisor or accountant who has experience in this area before you enter into a superannuation arrangement.

To assist in making these very personal and important decisions, Tim McCarthy of McMahon Osborne Group is running a series of **free one hour information sessions** locally to outline the costs and benefits of a SMSF arrangement and some of the key matters you should consider. The team at McMahon Osborne Group assists in the management and administration of in excess of 100 SMSFs and is experienced in helping decide if an SMSF is suitable for your personal circumstances.

The next local session will be held at the Romsey Bowling & Golf Clubs – Park Lane, Romsey on Tuesday 15th March from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Registration for the session will commence at 6.15pm. Bookings for this FREE session can be made by calling 03 9744 7144 or email karen@mcmahonosborne.com.au.



St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey

Parish Priest: Fr. George O'Connor
Pastoral Worker: Mrs. Joanne Reuther
School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls

Presbytery: 5429 2130
Presbytery: 5429 2130
St. Mary's Primary: 5429 1359

MASS TIMES

Saturday:

7.00 p.m. (summer time) Lancefield

6.00 p.m. (winter time) Lancefield

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month:

8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey

2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month:

8.00 a.m. Romsey and 10.00 a.m. Lancefield

RECONCILIATION

After weekday Mass or by arrangement.

BAPTISMS

February, April, June, August, October, December.

For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

REGULAR EVENTS

SVDP Drop-In: First Thursday of each month, 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey.

All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free lunch.

Spiritual Guidance: Last Tuesday/Wednesday of each month at the Presbytery, 27 Chauncey Street, Lancefield.

John Stuart, Counsellor and Guide. Appointment necessary.

Tel: 5429 2130 for more information.

RCIA : Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We are praying for Shane Power who will be baptised this Easter as he embraces Christ in his life. He will be presented to the Archbishop at St. Patrick's Cathedral on the 20th March 2011.

PREPARATION FOR EASTER

Our preparation time for Easter is the period of 5 weeks of Lent. This period begins with **Ash Wednesday on 9th March**, the day we commit ourselves to pray and penance with the placing of ashes on our forehead with the sign of the cross. There will be on this day, Ash Wednesday, a Mass with the school children at **10.00am Lancefield and 7.30pm Romsey**. A special night for **Reconciliation will be held on the 5th April at Lancefield at 7.30pm**.

Times for Holy Week will be in April's addition.

BINGO!! BINGO!! BINGO!!

Every Thursday evening
St. Mary's Church Hall at Romsey

Doors Open 7.00 p.m.

EYES DOWN 7.30 p.m.

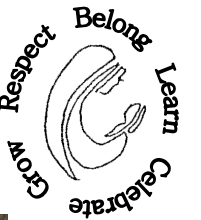
\$3.00 per 15 game book

No entry fee Canteen facilities

Free tea and coffee

Dear Parents and Children,

A warm welcome to all families and I trust we can look forward to a positive and fruitful 2011. Here are two of our new prep students eating lunch. The children and staff are excited and keen to start the year.



Welcome mass:

On Wednesday the 9th of February we celebrated a whole school mass in order to welcome everybody to be a part of our community, especially the new families.

Staff for 2011

Principal: Tony Falls
D.P: Rosalie Baldwin.
R.E.C: Louise Newnham.
Maths/Literacy Coord: Sue Gale
ICT Coord: Erin Pearson.
Reading Recovery: Cheryl Walker.
Admin staff: Geraldine Clarke.
Aides: Maureen Milner, Trish Tame, Michelle Clayton.
Library/Aid: Michelle Kilpatrick.

In 2011 we will have multi age classes throughout the school:

Prep/1: Mrs Dwyer,
Prep/1: Mrs Martin,
Year 2: Miss Inglis,
Year 3/4: Mrs Gale and Mrs Thrum,
Year 3/4: Mrs Baldwin and Mrs Pearson
Year 5/6: Mrs Zarb and Mrs Miller.
Year 5/6: Mrs Newnham and Mrs Vecchio.

Specialist Teachers:

Music: Rita Vecchio.
Art/Drama: Melinda Giles.
Japanese: Fumie Cox
Phys Ed: Rebecca Guiliani

School Motto/Logo

The staff has worked on a draft logo for our school which you can see above. The teachers and students have unpacked what these words mean to us at St Mary's and will continue to do so throughout the year. We will be seeking student and parent input into this logo for our school.

A new arrival.

Congratulations to Jenny and Tim on the safe arrival of Sarah May Turner who is sister to Madeleine P/1M.

St Mary's Website

<http://www.stmarys-lancefield.com.au>

Yours sincerely,
Mr Tony Falls
Principal

We're now open for dinner!

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coffee shop

Exciting dinner menu
Friday and Saturday Nights
Dinner from 6:00pm onwards

Wed, Thurs & Sun 8:30am to 4:30pm
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WONDERFUL WORLD OF DRAMA

The world of drama is exciting and fun when it is offered with children's own interests in mind. At a very young age, pretending and acting out little scenes comes naturally. As children mature, taking on more thoughtful and realistic roles provides enormous pleasure and satisfaction. All children are capable of being involved in a drama program. As long as it represents a little slice of life, garnished with some fun and frivolity, the benefits are many. Parents have commented on improved school reports with children participating more fully in class. The confidence to try new activities and discuss thoughts more fully are just some of the ongoing benefits that can result.

While the Helen O'Grady Children's Drama Academy encourages children and teenagers to develop their creative sides, the Academy's foremost aims are to develop all students' self-confidence, self-esteem and communication skills. The founder and Executive Principal, Helen O'Grady, became aware of the need for more self-confidence in many young people when she was hosting a TV show for Channel 9. In 1979, Ms O'Grady took a break from TV and began the Academy, using her own carefully designed curriculum. "People came initially because of who I was, but they stayed because of what we did," explains Helen. "Young people really enjoy the medium of drama and we get them talking, and to feel good about themselves. Classes are half entertainment and half educational." The Academy is international, spanning 30 countries around the world.

Ms Justine Sapiano is the Principal for the Academy in the North western suburbs and runs classes in Sunbury and says "Communication skills are really at the core of the program, and parents are really appreciating what we are doing. Those who have been with us for some time are thrilled with the development in their child's attitude, self-confidence and their communication skills.

New enrolments for Term One are now open and information can be obtained from Justine Sapiano on 9305 6787.

**Kids Love Drama
Parents Love
the Results!**



Weekly Classes:
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Newport
Keilor Downs
Sunbury

Helen O'Grady Drama Classes encourage students aged 5-17 to develop confidence and communication skills. They provide excellent preparation for growing up in today's competitive world. **They'll just love it!**

Phone 9305 6787 to find out more about our classes.
www.helenogrady.com.au



Celebrating 100 Years of International Women's Day!

International Women's Day (IWD) is a global day celebrating the economic, political and social achievements of women past, present and future. It is a day when women are recognised for their achievements without regard for divisions, whether national, ethnic, linguistic, cultural, economic and political.

The first International Women's Day was held in 1911 and the Global Centenary will be celebrated on 8 March 2011. Kate Ellis, Federal Member for the Status of Women, said: "*The centenary of International Women's Day is an opportunity for us to celebrate the extraordinary women who have broken down so many barriers throughout the last 100 years.*"

The Zonta Club of Kyneton is one of many organizations holding special events in March to mark this occasion. As part of a global service organization whose charter is the advancement of the status of women worldwide, the Club sees this as an important opportunity to bring together women from the Macedon Ranges in an evening of celebration.

The guest speaker for the dinner will be **Linda Beilharz**, the first Australian woman to ski from the edge of land to both the South and North Poles. Ms Beilharz will share stories of her extraordinary adventures as she speaks about resilience, team work and environmental sustainability.

The IWD Dinner will be held at the Kyneton Town Hall on Tuesday 8 March, 6:30 for 7pm start. Tickets are \$35, catering is by "*Monsieur Pierre*", drinks are BYO. The dinner will be supported by sponsorship from the Macedon Ranges

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Romsey's Relay For Life Charity Golf Day

Sunday February 13th "Relay For Life" charity golf day, a 4-ball Ambrose competition, attracted 18 teams. Club captain, Andrew Clement, sent the players off in cool, overcast conditions. However, by the end of the round, it was much warmer and the wind had died down considerably. The event was played over the club's 12 hole, par 45, Championship Lay-out. The day was typified by much laughter and good-natured cheering echoing around the course as team members applauded some wonderful, and some less spectacular, golf shots.

Winners on the day were the Romsey Bowling Club team, "The Vegies" with a fine 47/11.17/35.83. Team captain, Graham Cuthbert, thanked everyone involved with putting on the day and stated that the bowlers were so impressed by their performance that they would be again entering a team in the 2012 event. Runners up were "The Hacks" with 48/11.75/36.25.

NTPs went to 8 - P Shannon and 9 - P Watts. Longest Drive went to M Lakey and Straightest Drive went to R McLennan. A wonderful lunch and a variety of raffles and other fund-raisers followed the awards for the day's golf.

Ladies' president, Beryl Cole, thanked the event's major sponsor, Sunbury restaurant Sapore Nostro and congratulated the volunteers who had presented the course in such fine condition before announcing that the day had raised just over \$1,400.00 for the Lancefield Relay For Life.

The Relay For Life will be held at Lancefield Park on the 5th and 6th of March, all monies raised will go to cancer research. Donations can be made on line, www.relayforlife.org.au

ROMSEY / LANCEFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS Meet each Monday.

Come and enjoy lunch, a game of cards, indoor bowls or just a chat with a very friendly group of people. Bus trips arranged each month.

For details, please ring Rae Hooke on 54291602.

RIDDELLS CREEK LOCAL FOOD FAIR



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SATURDAY 19 MARCH 9AM-2PM:

Shop at the regular monthly Farmer's Market.

Find out about:

- 10 am Local food - From paddock to plate, Su Dennet
- 11am Saving seed - Why we should and how, Rosemary Stevenson
- 12pm Permaculture - Designing sustainable human settlements, David Holmgren (\$5 per talk, under 15 free)
- 1:15pm Official launch of Transition Town Riddell, David Holmgren

Local chefs from 10am

Karen Ashby from Longview Winery
Deb Murray from Seasons Bistro
Chefs from the Riddells Creek Hotel

Delicious Local Lunch \$6.50

SUNDAY 20 MARCH 10AM-1PM:

Open Food Gardens

Booklet available Saturday from community stall, or Sunday from primary school food garden.

Thanks to: MLA for Macedon, Joanne Duncan and MRSC Councillors, Joan Donovan, Joe Morabito & Henry McLaughlin, for their generous support



Riddells Creek Primary School
Saturday 19 March 9am-2pm
Sunday 20 March 10am-1pm

Much of the food we consume is transported over large distances. This is only possible because of an abundance of cheap oil. However, as oil supplies reach their peak, this resource will become increasingly expensive and so will the goods it is used to transport.

At the Riddells Creek Local Food Fair, you can sample the delights of locally produced, low 'food-mile' food, whilst enjoying the atmosphere of the farmer's market.

David Holmgren, co-ordinator of the Permaculture concept, will be on hand to discuss the ideas that led to creation of the Transition Town movement. Join David as he launches Transition Town Riddell. Su Dennet will share her knowledge about growing and sourcing food locally, and Rosemary Stevenson, heritage seed curator, will teach you more about seed saving - why it is important and how to do it.

Let Celebrity chefs show you how to prepare a 'local' feast, then share in a 'local' lunch. And if that's not enough, come along and learn more about preserving produce, composting, Permaculture and a whole lot more...

Garden-lovers won't miss out with Open Food garden tours on offer. With local musicians on hand to entertain you, why not make it a day out for the whole family.

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please contact:

Tamara Hannan, local demonstrator on
5429 7596, 0425 735 006 or email tamstupperware@hotmail.com

“Take Control”

The Office of the Public Advocate enable representatives to present sessions to community groups informing them about the relevance and importance of Enduring Powers of Attorneys.

This training is titled “Take Control” and addresses planning ahead for future financial, legal and medical decisions.

The Office of the Public Advocate (OPA) recommends that everyone over the age of 18 years should appoint an enduring power of attorney. This is the only method by which an individual can have control over who will make decisions on their behalf if they are ever unable to do so. An individual may lose the capacity to make decisions permanently, such as through dementia or an acquired brain injury from a car accident, or temporarily, by becoming unconscious as a result of an illness or accident.

The three areas of Enduring Power of Attorney are:

1. Financial
2. Medical
3. Guardian

1. Financial

- **What is an enduring power of attorney (financial) and how does it operate?**

An enduring power of attorney (financial) is a legal document where an individual can give another person the legal right to make financial and legal decisions for them. This may include managing matters such as banking, property, and paying bills. ‘Enduring’ means the power continues (endures) even when an individual is unable to make these types of decisions for themselves due to accident or illness resulting in incapacity, either temporary or permanent.

This power can be executed by completing an *Enduring Power of Attorney (Financial) form*, giving power of attorney to a chosen person. The form must be signed and witnessed. The time at which the powers take effect can be specified on the form, as can conditions on any decisions made.

Everyone loves a drive in the country.

So goes the slogan for the GREAT Macedon Ranges Grand Tour, a fully catered annual touring event for cars older than 25 years. This year, the eighth Tour will be run on Saturday 2 April starting with a hearty breakfast at the Gisborne Bowling Club, from there the cars will cover about 230 kilometres stopping for morning and afternoon tea, lunch and dinner. Over the route the cars will pass through most of the towns and villages of the Macedon Ranges Shire with a lunch stop in Heathcote.



Entries which close on 8 March are open to all makes of cars and usually include everything from exotic sports cars, gorgeous vintage cars through to family sedans of the fairly recent past.

The featured marque this year is the famous Italian make, Alfa Romeo which has just clocked up 100 years of continuous production.

For those entrants wanting to make a weekend of it, there is a dinner in Woodend on Friday 1 April featuring well known car buff, local vigneron and raconteur Gordon Cope-Williams. Gordon will speak on his motor racing history as well as no doubt some of his many other passions.

On Sunday after the Tour organisers are hosting a casual Show and Shine at the John Aitken Reserve in Gisborne which will be followed by a picnic in the park. The reserve is adjacent to the venue for the famous Gisborne Olde Time Market which is run by the Tour's naming rights sponsor GREAT, (Gisborne Region Events Activities & Tourism Association).

Details are on line at; www.macedonrangesgrandtour.com.au or email macedon.grandtour@gmail.com or 03 5428 5197

- **What type of decisions can an attorney make?**

An attorney appointed under an enduring power of attorney (financial) can make the same financial and legal decisions that an individual would make for themselves when competent. An enduring power of attorney (financial) cannot be used to make medical treatment or lifestyle decisions such as where a person lives. On the form limitations or conditions can be placed on how the attorney(s) are to carry out their responsibilities.

2. Medical

- **What is an enduring power of attorney (medical treatment)?**

An enduring power of attorney (medical treatment) is a legal document where you (the donor) appoint someone (the agent) to make medical decisions for you. These may include agreeing to medication, surgery, and other medical procedures. Enduring means that it continues (endures) when you are unable to make these types of decisions for yourself.

3. Guardianship

- **What is an enduring power of guardianship?**

An enduring power of guardianship is a legal document where you (the donor) appoint someone (the guardian) to make personal and lifestyle decisions for you – like where you live and the health care you receive. Enduring means it continues (endures) when you are unable to make these types of decisions for yourself.

Local presentations to community groups are available. Please contact Louise Beer at Macedon Ranges Health Services on 54280300.

For more information contact:

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CUTTINGS refreshes for a new Season

March heralds a new season in the Macedon Ranges and CUTTINGS Kitchen, Garden, and Homewares is ready with a new store layout. The shop has recently been completely rearranged in order to feature all the new season's merchandise, which is now arriving daily. Now in its 4th year in a gorgeous old building in the heart of Romsey's main street, the shop is currently displaying many new lines of merchandise, along with some of its ongoing favourites. Now is a great time to revisit one of the best homewares shops in Victoria, and be one of the first to enjoy the new layout and selection.

A new and beautiful range of etched red/white Wine Glasses and Water Stemware has arrived, along with other fine Glassware, Bone China cups and cake stands. London Pottery Infuser Teapots and kitchen Canisters have also arrived. Many of these items are lovely gifts for weddings, anniversaries, and birthdays. An extensive seasonal range of Candles; both pillar, glass container and votive style, are all in-store in several favourite scents. The extra large 3 wick pillar style is a feature this season.

A brand new extensive selection of homewares has arrived as well, featuring all the beautiful Autumn tones that are so lovely this time of year. Stunning new designs of decorative cushions and throws in subtle russets and earth tones can easily refresh tired sofas, bedrooms, and lounge rooms. Unique and distinctive wall art is also a very individual way to enliven the home.

There is still plenty of time in Autumn to enjoy the mild, tranquil weather outdoors, and CUTTINGS has some lovely Outdoor Furniture on sale. Hammocks and Outdoor Occasional Chairs also provide comfort and enjoyment to any garden space. Newly arrived, sturdy Willow Pet Baskets and cute Doggy Bowls complement the Outdoor selection. Back indoors, Crosshatch Bookshelves, Rattan Desks, Dining Chairs and Antique Cupboards all feature in the Furniture selection. **** **For a limited time only, please take an extra 20% off the marked down price on ALL SALE FURNITURE; available store-wide.**

The COFFEE 2 GO part of the shop features takeaway GRINDERS coffee, Lygon Street's best roast coffee, and is accompanied by several varieties of yummy Byron Bay Biccies. Chai Latte, white and dark Hot Chocolate and traditional Iced Coffee are all also available. CUTTINGS COFFEE 2 Go is always a handy place to pop in when in need of a takeaway caffeine fix, and “phone ahead” orders are always welcome. Be sure and join the shop's COFFEE CLUB for frequent customers.

Gourmet pantry items have been restocked as well, with favourites such as Coconut, Lime and Coriander Marinade and Caramelized Onions in Balsamic in stock now. All flavours of infused, cold pressed, Kyneton Olive Oils are also a feature for the season. Customised, Gourmet Gift Hampers are the perfect gift for those that are hard to buy for.

As always, generous lay-by terms and complementary gift-wrap are part of CUTTING's service. The shop is open 7 days for your convenience. There is truly no better time to come by and enjoy the new selection of merchandise at CUTTINGS, and get your home ready to enjoy the new season. CUTTINGS Culinary and Botanica - Ph 5429 3636. Enjoy!

Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.



P.O. Box 101

LANCEFIELD 3435

E-mail: lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com

Website: www.lancefieldcourthouse.org

The year has started well for the Society with the news in early February that Seymour Cottage in Romsey has received Heritage Listing. Hopefully this will enable the Society to maintain and preserve the cottage for future generations. We would hope to hold a celebration later in the year to showcase this historical building.

By the time this paper is published Romsey 150th will have been celebrated. The Society had a range of merchandise and information available on the day, this is also available at the Courthouse during office hours Mon, Tues, Wed & Fridays. So if you missed buying some item of interest come & visit us.

Seymour Cottage will be open on Sunday 20th March 1.30 – 4.30 pm. Further contact please Ring Jean on 5429 5652 The next general meeting of the Society will be March 29th at Seymour Cottage starting at 7.30 pm Everyone is welcome to attend and to share a cuppa afterwards.

Our President, Wendy has been very busy sorting out our Map Collection, and they are now in mylar bags and placed on the hanging rack and are available for perusal.

The newspapers from 1870 to 1920 for both Lancefield and Romsey are available to read on computer at the Courthouse. Births, Deaths and Marriages are also available on computer. Photographs from our collection are also available for sale. For any enquiries please contact Shirley on 0402 248 540 or Robyn on 0418 172 659.



fun, interactive music sessions for young children and their parents/caregivers

Children aged from birth to school age and their parents/caregivers join together for a fun, thirty minute music session, followed by morning tea and play time. Throughout the session children develop gross and fine motor skills, language, imagination, maths and pre-reading skills as well as socialize with others. Each mainly music is associated with and is run by volunteers from a local church.

time | Wednesday's 10.00am – 11.30am during school terms

venue | 7 Mitchell Court, Romsey Living Word Christian Church

cost | \$5.00 for 1 adult and 1 child plus \$1 for each additional child and \$2 for each additional adult

For more information | Georgia Emonson 5429 5484 or Church office 5429 6327

www.mainlymusic.org.au

Macedon Ranges Health Services is supporting the Leukemia Foundation in the World's Greatest Shave

Every March thousands of people shave, colour and wax their hair to raise funds for the Leukemia Foundation. It's one of Australia's biggest fundraising events; it's also the most fun! Since 1998, World's Greatest Shave has raised in excess of \$106 million and support for our biggest source of income has never been more important. Every hour, someone in Australia is diagnosed with leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma. Every two hours, someone dies from one of these blood cancers. The money raised will be used by the Leukemia Foundation to fund services to support patients and families living with leukemia's, lymphomas, myeloma and related blood disorders. Help us to raise \$3.29 million in Victoria! You'll be funding research and free services to support more than 2,300 Victorians families who will feel the impact of a new blood cancer diagnosis this year, and thousands more who live with it today.

Macedon Ranges Health Services will be supporting the Great Shave. Physical Activity Leader Nicolette Caggiati-Shortell will be participating in the World's Greatest Shave by going all the way! The big chop will take place at Macedon Ranges Health Services on Thursday 10th March at 12.30pm, so come along and show your support.

Call us for further details on how you can join the World's Greatest Shave or simply just make a donation at:

Macedon Ranges Health Services
5 Neal Street, Gisborne Vic 3437

Ph 54280300

Or donate direct www.worldsgreatestshave.com.au

PH: 1800 500 088

NOT TOO OLD AT EIGHTY -- PLUS

If you happen to be visiting "The Oaks" Nursing Home or "The Elms" Hostel in Gisborne on a Thursday you may be surprised to hear the voices of the residents singing tunes they remember from years gone by. For just on twenty years, locals, Wally Martin and Laurie John have entertained the residents, Wally on piano and Laurie leading the "Sing-a-long", together with a solo or three. It is said that music lifts the spirit, and this certainly appears to be the case for the thirty or so residents who join in this activity.



During his teen years, Wally felt he would like to learn to play piano, but it was not until 1940 that was he able to have two years of tuition. After leaving school he took up dancing and the interest in piano surfaced once more to the point he started a program of self teaching. The program came to a sudden halt when he found himself in the armed forces, and it was not until 1980, after buying an organ, that was he able to take up his interest once again. Later he bought a piano and his skill improved to the point that he obtained a job playing in a pub/restaurant in Yarraville and then at the Crown Hotel in Williamstown.

Following his move to Gisborne, Wally continued his interest, and was subsequently engaged to play at 'Misty's On the Mount'. He has been very generous with his time in playing for many local community stage shows – including "The Kelly Gang".

Singing has always played a large part in Laurie's life. He has been a member of a number of choirs. He first began choir work whilst living in Greensborough, then on the Mornington Peninsula as a resident of Red Hill South, and more recently in Gisborne. He also plays piano by using a unique 'piano stick'.

Seventh-Day Adventist church

Food handling course is back! As a result of many enquires about next food handling course – we are going to have one on Sunday the 20th March. This course enables you to obtain Level I certificate. The cost is \$10 and registration is necessary. Contact Bosilka on 54283575.

On the very first day on the New Year, 1/1/11 two young people committed their lives to Christ by immersion baptism. The joyful event was attended by over 150 people, followed up by a fellowship lunch. Congratulation to Philip and Seneca.

On Sabbath the 26th Jan. we welcomed our new pastor and his wife, Graham and Pauline Sutherland. After a very inspiring church service, we had a fellowship lunch and a lovely time with our pastor and each other.

Our country stood in amazement as we watched the natural disasters hit several states. Our prayers and thoughts were with the people. We also opened our hearts and purses to relieve to some degree their material losses. Our Own ADRA (Adventist Development, Relief Agency) was, and still is there helping out, and also donated a substantial amount to the Premier's appeal/fund. We, like all other churches know that giving is an on going matter, and certainly not a one off donation.

Church services time: Saturday 9:30 Sabbath School, 11:00 church service.

Church radio in Gisborne is on 88.0FM 24/7
18 Barring Rd. New Gisborne, contact nu. 54283575



Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA) UPDATE

"Happy 150th Birthday, Romsey"



Only a short Rag contribution this month, but RRBATA takes great pleasure and pride in declaring "Happy Birthday" to our town and its community.

The next Romsey Rag will feature extensive coverage of the Community Gala Dinner and Tree Illumination Family Night, both of which were RRBATA organised activities to help the town celebrate this special event.

These events were designed to be **about** Romsey and **for** Romsey! They were about giving people an opportunity to celebrate and have fun with our town as a focus.

Special thanks needs to be given to the following people:

- *Benny Dyer* – Benny was the initiator and driver behind the tree illumination project!
- *Milos Staric* – Milos was the electrical contractor who so willingly committed to getting the tree lighting job done with a great spirit.
- *Joanne Hagan* – Jo was the driving force behind the organization of the Gala Community Dinner.
- *Louise Noel and Anna Quigley* – These non RRBATA members enthusiastically gave up their time to be a part of the Gala Community Dinner organizing committee.
- *Cedric Richardson* – Cedric gave up many, many hours of his time to design the tickets, menus, Romsey Passport and commemorative glass for the Gala Community Dinner.
- *Macedon Ranges Shire Council* - MRSC's support to RRBATA for the birthday projects was outstanding.

These events involved a big team of contributors – more will be reported next month.

Thinking About Membership?

RRBATA is only as good as its membership. Consider being a beneficiary of the exciting initiatives planned ahead by becoming a RRBATA member so as you can be heard!!

Membership Enquiries:

Joanne Hagan (Secretary) Phone: 0432 320553
Email: hages10@optusnet.com.au

Next RRBATA Meeting: General Meeting
Monday 21st March 2010 at 7.30pm
Romsey Community Hub
Supper Provided.

ALL WELCOME

Romsey Outdoor Sports Facilities – Update

Council is proceeding with the detailed design for the second sports oval for Romsey which is expected to be completed in March. Following this, tendering of these works can occur. Commencement of construction is subject to the finalisation of a usage agreement with the State Government. This agreement is important to ensure that the community's use of the facility is guaranteed given the investment by the community of over \$1m.

Council has also been seeking confirmation of funding details of the Federal Government's election commitment to improving the facilities at Romsey Park and providing additional funding to the Romsey second oval development. A number of meetings have been held with the new local member Rob Mitchell and hopefully Council will receive details of the commitment shortly so it can commence the planning and design of the facilities in consultation with user groups. It is hoped construction of the enhancements can commence towards the end of 2011.

Mayor, Henry McLaughlin





**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR BUSINESS
WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH**

TUESDAY 8TH MARCH 2011 – RECORD KEEPING

5.00pm – 8.30pm at the Woodend Neighbourhood House
Cost: Free
Facilitated by: The Australian Tax Office
Small business operators will gain a better understanding of the basic concepts of record keeping for their business. The workshop involves a mixture of hands-on practical exercises and some general record keeping principles. Please note – these workshops do not cover commercial accounting software programs. Practical exercise will cover keeping good records, how money flows through a business, typical business transactions, recording your income and sales, expense and purchases records, motor vehicles and log books, income tax records, recording wages in a wages book, completing a business activity statement (BAS). Record keeping evaluation tool and bank account and records

TUESDAY 22ND MARCH 2011 – BUSINESS NETWORKING NIGHT

6.30pm – 9.00pm at Rasputin's Bar, 40 Victoria St, Macedon

Cost: \$25.00 includes finger food
Guest Speaker: Alisa Page from AP Marketing Works
The first Business Networking Event for 2011 will be held on a Tuesday night which we hope will bring out many new businesses who normally cannot attend when the events are held later in the week.

This time we are joined by Ailsa Page, Marketing that Works who presented at the Big Business Seminar held in Kyneton last year. Ailsa is a dynamic speaker who is down to earth and very approachable. Ailsa is a qualified marketing professional with over 18 years experience and specialises in small business services.

Just turn up and learn how even with no money you can still increase business! Ailsa will cover the following topics:

- No money for marketing don't stress!
- Using creativity instead of cash to grow your business
- Creative marketing ideas utilizing your number one assetyou.:
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Bookings are essential to download the booking form or for more information, visit www.mrsc.vic.gov.au and follow the links to Tourism and Business.

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SUNDAY LUNCH @ PIZZA MONTANARA
A perfect Winter warmer! Enjoy the authentic taste of freshly cooked pizza straight from a wood-fire oven. Price: \$7 - \$18.
Open Sunday from 12pm to 3pm
Kids Eat Free* A perfect family venue
*Conditions apply.

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The Macedon Ranges Junior Tournament

In October 2009, after the success of individual club junior golf events, (The Gary Watts Shield at Romsey and the Lancefield Junior Tournament) junior co-ordinators from Romsey, Lancefield and Woodend Golf Clubs planned a junior tournament that would include rounds at each course, creating the Macedon Ranges Junior Tournament (MRJT).

The 2nd MRJT will be held the Labour Day weekend (March 12/13/14). The tournament is for 18&U, 16&U & 14&U boys and 18&U girls. Playing the three courses tests all golfers as each course offers many unique challenges. The families of many competitors stay in local B & Bs or guest houses and take the opportunity to both see some excellent junior golf and to see the sights of the Macedon Ranges and surrounds.

This 54-hole tournament, which is a Victorian Golf Association sanctioned Geoff Ogilvy Trophy event and a Women's Golf Victoria Ranking event, will again draw a good number of single figure handicap players from all over the state.

The boy and girl who record the best gross score, over the three rounds, will be named the Macedon Ranges Junior Champions, the boy and girl who record the best nett score, over the three rounds, will win the Chris Gaunt Cup. There will also be daily gross and nett awards for each group as well as a variety of NTPs and Longest/Straightest Drive prizes.

The Romsey, Lancefield and Woodend golf clubs all have strong records when it comes to producing wonderful junior golfers. Perhaps the best known are current professionals Daniel Gaunt (European Tour) and Chris Gaunt (One Asia Tour), however names such as Danny Bellchambers, Trevor Lambert, Darren Freestone, Andrew Newell and Mat Hall also come to mind as very successful juniors who have continued their success as adult golfers.

Today players such as Daniel Wright, Brad Kimivits, Hugh Parks, Connor Whelan, Shannon Wright, Mason Memmolo and Thomas Perkins carry on this fine tradition, in their home club competitions, at tournaments around the state and in Dalhousie and other District Pennant Golf competitions.

Our thanks to the Shire of Macedon Ranges, ClubTech, MTM Golf Clubs and the Gisborne Branch of the CBA; who are all sponsoring the Tournament.

Entry forms available at the following web sites;

- <http://romseygolfclub.net>,
- www.woodendgolfclub.com,
- www.lancefieldgolfclub.com.au,
- http://www.golfvic.org.au/source/MeetingscMeetingFunctionDetail.cfm?setion=Macedon_Ranges&product_major=11_MACJUN&functionstartdisplayrow=1®ister=current
- <http://wgvic.miclub.com.au/upload/wysiwyg/upcomingevents/MRJT2011Entry.pdf>

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**Macedon Ranges Junior Tournament
Sat 12th, Sun 13th & Mon 14th March 2011
54 Hole Tournament**

Round 1 - Woodend – Saturday 12th March
11.00 am - Registration/lunch 12.15 pm - Tee off.
4.30 pm - Afternoon tea/presentation of daily winners

Round 2 - Lancefield - Sunday 13th March
11.00 am - Registration/lunch 12.15 pm - Tee off.
4.30 pm - Afternoon tea/presentation of daily winners

Round 3 - Romsey – Monday 14th March
(The 5th Gary Watts Shield)
9.00 am - Registration 9.30 am - Tee off.
1.30 pm - Lunch and presentation of daily winners and overall champions

Ages as at 15/3/11
**Entry fees
\$20.00 per
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74 Newlands Road, Coburg North VIC 3058
Email: clubtech@optusnet.com.au

Entry forms will be available at the above club sites or the golfvic & wgvic web sites

Enquiries:
David – 5429 3444 Mob; 0400 390 062
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The Mount Players

Our first production for the year, *The Woman In Black* will have its gala opening 11 March. Don't miss out on this much talked about play, directed by Frank Harvey and featuring the very talented David Runnalls, Adam Gehling and Georgina Barley. *The Woman in Black* is regarded as the most spine chilling ghost story ever told on stage and is our 2011 Victorian Drama League Awards entry.

Season : Fri 11 Mar – Sat 2 April.
To book on line, go to our website
www.themountplayers.com
or phone bookings 1300 463 224 Tues – Sat 10am – 5pm.

Your local theatre company, The Mount Players, now offers preview nights to local charities, schools or services. If you are looking for a new and exciting way to raise money, then drop us a line to
secmountplayers@hotmail.com.au.
We would love to hear from you!



Program Term 1 2011

Romsey Community House Inc.

A Learning and Activity Centre
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Email: romseyhouse@bigpond.com
Ph/fax: 03 5429 6724

Health, Fitness & Wellbeing

Pilates

Wednesday's 12.00 - 1.00pm. For bookings/enquiries phone April on 0427 150 976. \$12 per class, term enrolment at end of 1st class. Casuals welcome once minimum class numbers are met \$14 per class.

Overeaters Anonymous

Meets every Tuesday at Romsey Community House 1.30 - 2.30pm. All enquiries please contact Debbie on 0403807739.

Walk Together Program

Meet Eileen at the Lions Park, near the creek. Tuesday's 9.30am.

REGISTER NOW FOR THESE UPCOMING CLASSES

Yoga

Gentle Exercise for Over 50's

Social & Creative Activities

Art Classes

Through the support of the Macedon Ranges Shire Council, The Romsey Community House is running a series of *subsidised* age specific art classes. In Term 4, 2010 we presented a 5 week Introduction to Drawing course.

Introduction To Painting - 8 Week Course

In Term 1 2011 Gillian Gorrie will run the following classes on Thursday's 10/02/11 - 07/04/11. No Classes will be held on 10/03/11

Adult (Daytime): Time: 1:30 - 3:00pm. Term Cost: \$80

Adult (Evening): Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm. Term Cost: \$80

6 - 8yrs: Time: 3.45-4.45pm. Term Cost: \$60

9 - 12yrs: Time: 5.00- 6.30pm. Term Cost: \$80

Expressions of Interest are being taken for:

13 -18yrs: Wednesday's 9/2/11 - 6/4/11 Time: 4:30 - 6:00pm Cost: \$80

For all bookings/enquiries call the Romsey Community House. Class sizes are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Over 50's Information and Activity Group

Postponed until further notice Watch the Romsey Rag for more details.

Writers Group

Meets 2nd Friday of each month 9.45-11.45am. Gold Coin contribution.

Craft Group

Every Thursday 10.30am - 12.30pm. Come and practise a variety of crafts including; quilting, card making, knitting, smocking, embroidery etc. Gold coin contribution on the day.

Drop in for a Cuppa

Any week day 9.30am - 5.00pm. Gold coin donation.

Writing Workshops with Dee White

Includes How to create great characters, Where do I start & Finish, Story Ideas Plus other necessary attributes for authors of all ages.

Hey De Ho Classes for Kids

Come and join Erin for lots of fun. Ages 6mths - 4yrs. Commencing in March 2011. Bookings Essential.

Certificate Courses - Accredited Training

Computer Basics 1

8 week course on the basics in Microsoft Office Word 2007. Commences 31st May, 2011. 12.30 - 3pm. Cost \$165.00 / Concession \$60.00. Call 5429 6724 to register. Minimum numbers apply.

Computer Basics 2

Build your knowledge around computers, Microsoft Office and Word. This is an 8 week course commencing in Term 2. Cost \$165.00 or Concession \$60.00 Call 5429 6724 to register.

Construction Induction (Formerly Red Card)

Thursday 3rd March, 2011. Cost \$180.00 Time: 9.30 - 4.30pm This course will also be run In July 2011. Register now.

Upcoming Accredited Courses - Register Now

Quickbooks Advanced

RSA -Responsible Serving of Alcohol

Follow Workplace Hygiene Procedures

Food Supervisors Course

Level 2 First Aid and CPR Refresher

Drink Driver course (June 2011)

Certificate I - Work Preparation (May 2011)

Certificate II - Retail (July 2011)

Certificate II - Business (Sept 2011)

Non-Accredited Training Courses

Computer Maintenance

Wednesday 30th March, 2011. Time: 7pm-9pm. Cost: \$20. Book Early

Learn to Use the Internet

Wednesday 5th April, 2011. Time: 7pm-9pm. Cost: \$20. Book Early

Upcoming Non-Accredited Courses

Introduction to Quickbooks

Internet Safety for Kids

Introduction to Microsoft Excel

Volunteer Induction Courses

Customer Service & Telephone Skills Workshops

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Phone: 5429 6724

Office Hours: 10am - 1pm

Monday - Friday

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Monday - Friday 10am - 1pm

Art Exhibition in April:

The art students from the Community House Art Classes will exhibit their work at the Hub at the end of term 1 (April). Watch the Romsey Rag and the RCH window for more



Romsey & Lancefield Probud Club

President: Mrs. Alice Long 5429 6567 **Secretary:** Mrs. Jeni Clampit 5429 5480

Probud Meetings are held at St. Mary's Hall, Main Street, Romsey at 10am on the fourth Thursday in each month.

Probud is a mixed club for men and women

There is a guest speaker at each meeting.

We have an outing on the third Wednesday of the month. (Either a trip or luncheon)

Friday Morning Coffee



Musical Afternoons each month.



Ten Pin Bowling each fortnight.

Persons interested in this club and wish to have more information please contact the President or Secretary at the above phone numbers.

The outing on 16th March, 2011 will be trip to Mt. Lonarch Fine China Gallery at Beaufort.

Our next meeting will include the AGM on Thursday, 24th March followed by lunch at Soltan Pepper.

GISBORNE OUTDOOR CINEMA EVENT for NATIONAL FLOOD RELIEF

Local Event Managers have vowed to help out all Victorians and Queenslanders affected by the recent floods, by hosting 'Cinema Under The Stars' at Gisborne's Sankey Reserve on Saturday the 5th March - with all proceeds going to the National Flood Relief Efforts.

The recent floods have been a devastating blow on the affected communities, Event Promoter Siobhan Wynn says, "This has been a major disaster and in true Aussie spirit we will band together and do what we can to help provide support for the victims". Event Organiser Raphael Sammut from Gisborne is passionate about this cause saying, "Many of my friends were either evacuated or stranded, with some losing their homes, it is a very traumatic experience and we want to help out in any way that we can".

As well as helping out flood victims, this event is set to be a fun night out for the whole family; Toy Story 3 will be screened, with gates opening at 6pm and the presentation commencing at 7:30pm. Families are invited to bring their picnics and blankets, although alternatively beanbags will be available for hire and food can be purchased at the event. Tickets are priced at \$10 for adults and \$7 for children (under 12yrs) online at www.moshitix.com.au <<http://www.moshitix.com.au>> Management can be contacted by phoning 0425 564 472.

This is a great way for the community to pitch in and help those affected by the floods whilst having a fun night out with their family and friends. (All money raised from the event will be divided evenly between the Australian Redcross Victorian Floods Appeal and the Queensland Premier's Disaster Relief Fund).

RUN4RYAN

6th March 2011

Riddells Creek Reserve
Sutherlands Road
10am - 2pm

3km Social event

Under 13 - \$10

Over 13/Adults - \$15

Family 2 Adults + 2 Children (under 13) - \$40

10km Run/Jog/Walk event

Under 13 - \$15

Over 13/Adults - \$30

Relay Team (4 people) - \$100

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