

### Romsey Golf Club Women's Report

Saturday golf for ladies is still on so come and join in. If you just want to come for a couple of weeks before you join to check us out please do so. Hit off time is

Wednesday 16 May: In good conditions the first round of the singles knockout was held. Beryl was the winner with a 78 net.

May 17, in fine warm weather for May, Lorraine, Kath, Denise and Beryl travelled to Broadford for their tournament. We all managed to play well but not well enough to bring any trophies home. At lunch there was much discussion about the run on the course.

Lorraine, Kath and Denise supported the Trentham Falls Plate on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May. We were worried Denise would not make it as she was unusually late. She was stuck in the freeway traffic and claimed she would have had time to read the paper, if she had one, from cover to cover and have a coffee as well. Thankfully she made it in time and played a good game(28). The day stayed fine but cold and the fairways were in their usual excellent condition. Four of their greens were temporary ones but the shortened conditions did not assist my golf game. After struggling up one of the very steep hills I jokingly said, "Where are the heart pills?" and was promptly offered some, so I did not comment on their hills again.

Again in good weather the second round of the singles knockout was played on May 23, with Leila winning. Even though the course is good and we are enjoying fine weather we are struggling to play to our handicaps. Beryl, Kath, Leila and Lorraine all qualified for the singles knockout and will go on to play handicap match play.

30 May we played 9 holes with 3 clubs, which Wendy won with a 39½ net. After this we went to Soltan Pepper for a quick meeting in the warm with good coffee. Lunch followed and we held a couple of silent auctions and some of us learnt strategies.

May 31, after an early rise, Lorraine, Kath and Beryl hit the road to Marysville for their bowl. It was interesting watching the outside temperature change as we travelled north then south. The frost was still on the ground at Marysville and it was certainly crisp in the early morning sunshine. As the day progressed it did warm slightly. Kath won a nearest to the pin, while Lorraine and I enjoyed the day. We all managed to lose a ball to the fast running stream.

June 6: In cold weather the few who turned up to play decided 9 holes was enough and Wendy won the Stableford event.

Denise represented us at Euroa on June 7. Despite it being a gloriously sunny morning, with a picture blue sky, it was a bit on the chilly side. She was excited to play with Jessica Pickwick from Kilmore who is currently on a summer break from University in Texas, on a golf scholarship. Jess's play also inspired her and she was happy with her score. Den-

ise found the course was in excellent condition, greens were variable.

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of June, Romsey was invited to attend a President and Captain's Day at Bacchus Marsh West. The day started out fine but the Melbourne weather finally caught up with us. Luckily we did not need the wet weather gear for long. Kath and Wendy were able to support this day and Wendy starred, which made her day extremely enjoyable. She will be less reluctant to join us in the future. We combined with ladies from Midlands (Ballarat) and managed to come in third playing a game called Irish Sixes, which uses Stableford scoring and only the best scores are used.

June 13: With numbers down we played Canadian. Weather was fine with a slight breeze which kept us moving. Kath and Beryl were winners.

More temperature gauge watching as Denise, Kath and Beryl travelled to Avenel to play in their Silver Salver. It was raining as we left Romsey, but thankfully we only had a couple of spots while playing and the umbrellas frightened anything else off. After much raking and scraping it was good to get back to the clubrooms for a wash and lunch. The highlight for us was Denise and Beryl winning a raffle prize each.

#### Recipe of the Month:

##### Chocolate Sauce Pudding

3/4cup S R Flour  
2 tbsps cocoa  
1 1/2 teasp instant coffee powder  
Pinch Salt  
125g butter  
2 eggs slightly beaten  
1/2 teasp vanilla essence  
1-2 tbsps milk

##### Sauce

3/4cup firmly packed brown sugar  
1 tblspn cocoa  
2 cups hot water

Sift flour, cocoa, instant coffee and salt. Cream butter and sugar until light, gradually beat in eggs and vanilla.

Add a little flour mixture with last few additions of egg, then fold in remaining flour and enough milk to mix to a fairly soft consistency.

Spoon mixture into well greased oven dish and spread evenly.

Sprinkle with dry sauce ingredients and pour over hot water.

Bake in a moderately hot oven for 40 mins.,

Beryl Cole

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### “DEMOCRACY – WHO CARES?”

“To make democracy work, we must be a nation of participants, not simply observers. One who does not vote has no right to complain” - *Louis L'Amour*.

I wonder what the American author would make of the Lowy Institute survey that shows many Australians are quite indifferent about democracy and younger Australians in particular do not believe democracy is the best form of government.

Of those aged 18 to 29, 23 % believe that it doesn't matter what kind of government we have.

37 % say non democratic rule can be best, and only 39 % believe democracy is better than other forms of government.

This disconnection of young people from the political system is a problem. While they may seek to excuse themselves from political engagement they are possibly more affected by the outcomes of the democratic process than others. The impact of political decisions today will have a decisive and cumulative effect on their socio-economic circumstances across their lifetimes.

Are they disengaged because we have a stable political system, they don't like the major political parties, or is it just youthful boredom?

What will it take for our younger citizens to embrace and participate in democracy and how do engage them? I am interested in your thoughts.

Warm regards

**JOANNE DUNCAN MP**  
State Member for Macedon

### THE GISBORNE SINGERS PRESENT...

### MORE MUSIC AND ART FOR PLEASURE

The Gisborne Singers are busy rehearsing for their mid- year concert at Holy Cross Primary School, New Gisborne on Sat 28<sup>th</sup> July.

This will be a variety type/cabaret style concert with choral, duet and solo items carefully selected to appeal to a wide audience and will be a serious break from their traditional classical choral work. Proceedings will commence with an art and craft exhibition from people in the Macedon Ranges.

Patrons will be seated at round tables and bring their own food and refreshments.

The programme is diverse and includes medleys of Les Miserables and Beatles as well as a carefully selected range of classical favorites of Byrd, Bach, Haydn, Rutter and Schubert, and including some wonderful foreign songs.

The show will include an oboe solo, Banjo Patterson recitation, Flanders and Swan skit, a piano duet and many more.

Where-----Holy Cross Primary School

When-----Sat 28<sup>th</sup> July 2012

Doors open-----6.00 p.m. Art and Craft Exhibition

Show starts-----7.00 p.m.

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All tickets must be prepaid. This is a one off concert and based on previous years early booking is highly recommended for individuals or groups, as tables and individual bookings are selling fast.

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## Romsey Golf Club – Men's Report

<http://romseygolfclub.net>

### Saturday June 16th 2012 - Stroke

On another cold Romsey winter's day an excellent field took to the course to contest the club's stroke competition. Inconsistent, gusting winds again made life difficult on some holes and the cold air and soft fairways greatly reduced distances off the tee. On another tough day on the course the day' results were;

Winner Kevin Dunn - 97/23/74 on a countback from Pat Chisholm - 95/21/74 and Rob Rea - 94/18/76.

NTPs went to 15 - Anthony Freeman and 16 Ron Walker.

### Monday June 11th 2012 - Queens Birthday Stableford

Only a Roman augur could have predicted the almost total change of conditions from just two days ago. It was a beautiful clear day, blue skies, almost no wind and a temperature of ~17C as members took to the course for the public holiday stableford competition. The fairways were still quite soft but the greens were very receptive to attacking golf so players had it a bit each-way. On a relaxed winter's day the field was able to enjoy the afternoon's golf. The day's results were: Winner, on a count back; John Freestone 18/38 pts from Andrew Laing 18/38 pts and Steve Poulton 36/35 pts. The only NTP to go off was the 15th - Kev Milner. The \$200 jackpot also went as Kev put his ball to within 40cm of the hole.

### Saturday June 9th 2012 - Stableford

The intermittent, heavy rain, temperature below 10C and gusting winds from the SW caused some players to weigh up staying in the rooms as against teeing off in the club's Stableford competition. The conditions also lead to a slightly smaller than usual field and all who took to the course are to be congratulated on their tenacity and love of a good challenge. On a real Romsey winter's day scoring was always going to be tough, the results were; Winner: Gary Watts (down from sunny Sydney) 13/34 pts, good rounds also came from Les Gaunt 5/31 and John Laing 23/27 pts, Darren Watts 32/27 pts, Pat Chisholm 21/27 pts and Jim Patton 19/27 pts. All fine performances under the difficult conditions. NTPs went to 15 - Les Gaunt (The hole remains worth \$200) and 16 - Graeme Clement. Members are urged to put their names down for the John Laing Shield, handicap matchplay, which begins in July.

### Sunday June 3rd 2012 Romsey Open 24 Hole Stroke

The 2012 Romsey Open saw players from Bacchus Marsh West, Broadford, Buninyong, Cape Schank, Croydon, Central Park, Heathcote, Lancefield, LaTrobe, Melton, Northern, Sanctuary Lakes, Romsey and Woodend Golf Clubs out to take on the challenge of the narrow fairways and smaller greens of Romsey G. C. For the second day running there was almost no wind and a temperature of 17C. With great conditions and the course in top nick there were no excuses for poor returns.

The par 90 event; two rounds of 12 holes, began (after a great breakfast of bacon and egg sandwiches) with a shotgun start at 9.30 am. There were A Grade (+2 to -9) B Grade (-11 to -19) and C Grade (-20 +) scratch and handicap awards as well as am and pm handicap prizes and a number of NTP and Longest Drive awards.

The Romsey Open, first played in 1982, was well support-

ed by Romsey Collision Centre, CIIC Insurance, Hogan's Hotels, Nautalis Marine, Hunter Premium Funding and Jones Berkley.

The 2012 Romsey Open results were;

**A Grade Scratch** - Chris Lingard (Lancefield) - 0/95

**A Grade Handicap** - Connor Whelan (Woodend) - 92 1/3

**B Grade Scratch** - Andrew Clement (Romsey) - 10/109

**B Grade handicap** - Graeme Drummond (Southern) on a

C/B from Dean vanDenHeuval (Romsey)- 90 1/3

**C Grade Scratch** - Phil Drummond (Heathcote) - 21/124

**C Grade Handicap** - Keith Hocking (Romsey) - 92 1/3

**Am Handicap** - Terry Reilly (Northern) on a C/B from K

Hocking, **PM Handicap** - Connor Whelan

**NTPs; 1st** - Dean Jones (Romsey), **8th** - Connor Whelan,

**9th** - Pat Mackay (Croydon) & **10th** - D Davenport

(Bacchus Marsh West).

**Longest Drives; A** - Ed Carracher (Boadford), **B** - Dean vanDenHeuval & **C** - J Woods (Buninyong).

The day concluded with a boisterous afternoon tea, a number of raffles and presentation of the day's awards. The club would like to thank all the event's sponsors and let everyone know that the **32nd Romsey Open** will be held over the weekend **Sat/Sun June 1st/2nd 2013**.

### Saturday June 2nd 2012 - Romsey Open 4BBB - Stableford

The day was still, the weather clear and the course in magnificent condition when players hit off in the club's 4BBB Stableford Pairs competition. 24 pairs, from 16 clubs, teed off and made the most of the excellent conditions to record good scores; many of the teams returned scores well under their handicaps. A number of players used the event as the warm-up round for Sunday's 2012 Romsey Open. As usual there was much good natured banter throughout the afternoon with everyone catching up for a social drink and a hearty afternoon tea during presentations. The day's winners were;

**Relative Pairs** (A Romsey G. C. shield event) - John & Andrew Laing - 40 pts - 2nd year running these gents have taken out this shield

**Men's Pairs** - Ron Walker & John Freestone - 43 pts

**Mixed Pairs** - Beryl Cole & Dean VanDenHeuval - 43 pts.


Again, 2nd year running this pair has won this event.

### Saturday May 26th 2012 - Monthly Medal - Stroke & Putts

There was a real nip in the air and the fairways had softened considerably when players hit-off in the May Monthly Medal. The colder, heavier air meant less distance off the tee and more challenging approach shots. The greens continued to give good value for attacking shots allowing the courageous/gambling golfer to make up for the an error earlier in the hole. However it was another tough day on the course with many players rueing lost opportunities, the day's results were;

May Monthly Medalist; Kev Milner- 84/9/75 on a C/B from Bob Dwyer - 100/25/75.

NTPs went to 15 - Les Gaunt and 16 - Kev Milner. Kev also won the least putts - 27.



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H o s p i t a l i t y

**\$16 million in Volunteer Grants now available**  
Federal Labor Member for McEwen, Rob Mitchell is encouraging local not-for-profit organisations to apply for funding under this year's *Volunteer Grants* initiative The Gillard Government is again providing volunteer organisations across Australia \$16 million in grants funding to help them continue their great work in the community.

"Volunteer Grants are just one way the Gillard Government is saying thanks to our local volunteers for their selfless work and commitment to making our communities stronger," Mr Mitchell said. "Organisations can apply for grants between \$1,000 and \$5,000 to purchase much-needed equipment, contribute to fuel costs, transport costs, provide training courses and background checks for volunteers.

"Last year, more than 60 organisations in the McEwen electorate received a total of nearly \$220,000 in Volunteer Grants, which helped purchase computers and laptops, buy fuel and conduct training courses.

"The Gillard Government recognises and values the important work of volunteers, who play a crucial role in our communities, from supporting cultural and sporting events to preserving our environment and heritage.

"They are out in our communities every day, helping the vulnerable, disadvantaged and those who have hit hard times.

"There are more than six million volunteers in Australia, working tirelessly to help others, promote active citizenship, build connections and assist in creating stronger communities.

"The *Volunteer Grants 2012* initiative will provide practical and tangible support to community organisations across Australia to support volunteers and encourage more people to take up volunteering," Mr Mitchell said.

Applications close on 25 July 2012. To apply or for more information, visit [www.fahcsia.gov.au](http://www.fahcsia.gov.au) or call 1800 183 374.

*FAREWELL TO FR. GEORGE O'CONNOR*

Father George O'Connor, our parish priest of St. Mary's Lancefield/Romsey for the last 17 years will be retiring from our parish on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2012. The 10.00am Mass at Lancefield on the **29<sup>th</sup> July** will be his last Sunday Mass in the parish as parish priest. At 2.00pm on that afternoon we shall be farewelling Father at an afternoon tea and presentation in St. Mary's Primary School Hall, Raglan Street, Lancefield. If you are attending the afternoon tea, to assist with catering, would you please RSVP by 14<sup>th</sup> July to any of the below contacts. *RSVP:*

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## Romsey Primary School News Should a Secondary Campus be Built at Romsey Primary School?

Recently we received a visit from Martin Dixon the Minister for Education and Donna Petrovich, MLC for Northern Victoria. Their purpose was to announce that the government has set aside \$250,000 for a feasibility study for a secondary campus at Romsey Primary School. This study would cover the Macedon Ranges area and make a recommendation. It is to begin this year and there will be an opportunity for community feedback.



On the same day we were pleased to welcome the new Acting Regional Director, Jeanette Nagorcka and Sue Cook, the Macedon Ranges Regional Network Leader. The visitors enjoyed a tour of the school and had the opportunity to talk with our school captains Abbie Quigley and Keith Traill and a number of students. They were particularly interested seeing the preps doing spelling, the Maths games in a number of rooms and the Netbook program in years 5 and 6 and to learn about how students use the Ultranet. We received many compliments from our visitors and they made particular reference to the quiet classrooms.

### CWA Donation

We are very grateful to the CWA for their donation of 50 art smocks for our Visual Arts program. The continued support of the CWA is very much appreciated.



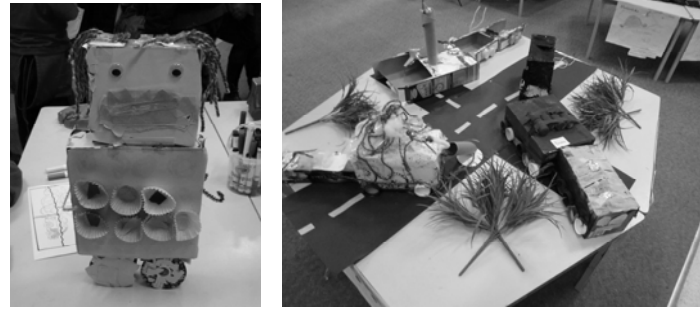
### Cobaw Winter Sport

The winter sport's carnival was held at Woodend for our senior students to compete against local schools in football, netball and t-ball. Our girl's netball team had an outstanding day, winning all their games and progressing to the Cobaw District championships. Our other teams all competed to the best of their ability, and had a great day. The footballers were not as successful but enjoyed their games and tried their best. The boy's netball team played well winning all but 1 game. As always, they represented Romsey Primary School in a very positive way, with their good sportsmanship.

### Prep Toy Expo

To culminate the year preps' inquiry learning on Moving Things they invited their parents to see the wide variety of toys they had made with moving parts. There was a range of pull along toys and many robots. Parents enjoyed see-

ing the diagrams they drew for their design brief and were impressed with the quality of their work.



### School Walkathon

Recently our Parent Club held a highly successful Walk-a-thon as a fundraiser for the school. We are delighted that \$11,371 was raised. This money is going towards the purchase of new classroom chairs and partly to support curriculum programs. Students loved the changes Parent Club made to this function by putting activity stations around the oval. Students could select to walk the balance beam, crawl under the commando net, jump hurdles, leap from the vaulting box or crawl through a tunnel.



Amazingly the most laps covered by a prep- 2 student was 22, and a year 3-6 student was 30 laps. We would like to thank the following local businesses who supported our fundraiser with donations to sponsors; Soltan Pepper, Bay Tree Café, Romsey Hotel, Romsey Pharmacy, Romsey Mitre 10, Main Street Fish'n'Chips, Romsey beauty Spot and IGA Romsey.

The Parent Club at Romsey Primary School did a fantastic job of organising and coordinating this event, and we thank them as well as all the parents, families and friends who sponsored our students. Congratulations and well done!

### Dance Spectacular

Our Year 5 and 6 students really dazzled their parents when they presented their performances after 6 weeks of training with Footsteps. At the beginning of this program we had some very reluctant participants, but by show time it was obvious that all students really enjoyed what they had learned, and they surprised even themselves by how good they were at dancing. They showcased 2 dances—the jive and modern dance based on Michael Jackson's "Thriller".



## Seven Steps to Happiness

**Happiness is something that every man and woman desires and works towards attaining.** No matter what it is that you want to bring more of into your life, finding happiness is all about taking an honest look within and being willing to make the changes necessary to get what you want.

**So What is Happiness?** The dictionary definition is : Happiness is a state of well being and contentment, a pleasurable satisfying experience.

'Happiness is When ,What you think, What you say and What you do are in Harmony.'

**Mahatma Gandhi**

**When you can be honest with yourself and the world around you which is not an easy thing to do,** then you can take things in the right way and work positively towards what you want to achieve.

**Let Your Light Shine!**

**So where do we start?**

Below are 7 steps that can get you thinking about the happiness you have in your life or lack of.

**1. Appreciate the little things.** When you take the time to appreciate the little things in life, you'll realize just how important and pleasurable they are. Grow an attitude of gratitude.

**2. Do that which makes you happy.** In order to be happy with what you are doing you need to be doing something that you like. There needs to be a balance between what you want to do, what you have to do and what you need to do.

**3. Get up and go for it!** Take action! Set goals and achieve: there are no mistakes, only positive learnings. Although sometimes actions can have negative consequences, you can't let the fear of that keep you from doing something.

**4. Find people to share your life with.** Everyone needs a positive environment that will support them to be true to themselves. We will never be truly happy if you do not have people to share your joys of life with.

**5. Appreciate what you have.** If you cannot be content with that which you already possess, then you will forever feel like you are chasing something elusive. Believe in who you know you are, not in what other people say you are.

**6. Live in the here and now.** Remember that you live in the present. What you do today will affect your future.

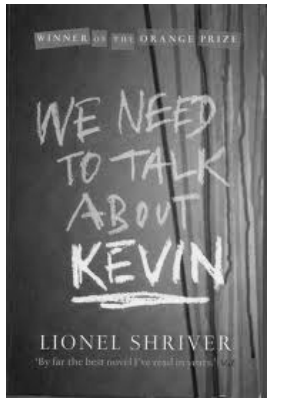
**7. Your outlook on life matters.** Happiness is something that exists within the mind. If you can maintain a positive outlook on life, then you are far more likely to attain happiness.

**Be Empowered To Live The Life You Deserve!**

Written by Gillian Gorrie **Life Circle Solutions.** Check out my Facebook page and make a comment.

## Book Review

"We need to talk about Kevin" is fictional, although the personality and traits of Kevin and his mother, Eva (who is the narrator), may be loosely based on real people. After all, there are numerous mentions of real life experiences of high school shootings and massacres. The story is a series of letters written by Eva to her husband, although she never sends them, in which she reflects on Kevin and tries to answer the question - was it all her fault?



The letters recount details of Kevin as an extremely manipulative and calculating child, even at the age of 3 years old he is able to plot revenge against his mother. Eva details conversations she has had with Kevin as a child and these conversations give Kevin a sense of intelligence and rationality which doesn't seem to fit with the behaviour of a 'normal' child of comparative age, but then again, perhaps this is exactly the point? Do we question the accuracy and perspective of Eva as she recounts her memories or alternatively do we challenge our own ideas of what is 'normal'? Furthermore, the debate of nurture vs nature is essentially the basis of this book; if Eva had done something different, would Kevin be different? If she had loved him more, would he have done what he did? OR would it all be exactly the same?

Star - reading enjoyment 2, discussion 5,

Verdict : Not an easy read, however it is worth the effort as it is extremely well crafted and promoted lively discussion.

Macedon Ranges Book Club  
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Whether you are going away, recovering from illness or spending long days away due to work... you need someone to visit and care for your dog/s. An experienced handler (and genuine dog lover) can visit daily to feed & water your pets, and will play with or walk your dog. Mental stimulation is important to dogs. They are pack animals that require exercise and company. I can give them that. I am currently studying a Certificate 3 in Companion Animal Services, so your much loved family member will be in confident, capable hands.

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## GRAAP News

### Old Primary School Site Update

GRAAP has recently received an update from the Infrastructure and Sustainability Unit of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) regarding the old Primary School site. The Executive Director has advised that, following a meeting with representatives of the Macedon Ranges Shire Council in April, DEECD has instructed the Valuer-General to undertake a valuation of the site. Once this is completed, it will be offered to MRSC for con-

sideration to purchase the site.

Likewise, MRSC representatives have indicated they will be giving us an update over the next few weeks.

GRAAP remains hopeful that this significant Romsey land will soon be formally controlled by MRSC. This would enable plans for a very special outdoor community space to be finalised.



### Another Sizzle, More Great Public Support!

A cold morning in mid June saw GRAAP at Romsey IGA serving scrumptious egg and bacon sandwiches and sausages off the barbeque! This sizzle, whilst complementing fundraising efforts, was also a great opportunity to chat with members of the community about the GRAAP project and its preferred site. The community support at this most recent sizzle was great, with a number of spontaneous donations being made.

For further information regarding GRAAP, please contact -

**Raelene Mottram** (President)

Phone: 0428 928908

Email: [graap@exemail.com.au](mailto:graap@exemail.com.au)

P.O. Box 53, Romsey, 3434.

Romsey Primary School News continued

### Year 5 and 6 Camp

The Year 5 and 6 students stepped back in time when they had their recent camp at Sovereign Hill, Ballarat. As well as experiencing classroom activities as they were held in the olden days, they learnt about the history of the Victorian goldfields, with the chance to pan for gold. Despite the very cold conditions, a highlight of the camp for everyone was the night time presentation of "Blood on the Southern Cross", which explored the history and events surrounding the Eureka Stockade. This camp supported their enquiry based learning on Democracy and Government in Australia.



### Prep Enrolments for 2012

Prep enrolments for 2012 are open. Enrolment packages have been delivered to Romsey Kindergarten and the Early Education Centre in Ewing Drive (Romsey), or they can be picked up from the school's office.

Parents need to bring the enrolment forms to the office along with your child's birth certificate and immunization record.

Tours of the school with the principal can be organised by phoning the school on 54295099, or are available on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> August, 23<sup>rd</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> September .

**Romsey  
Street Art Festival  
2012  
Sat 24th Nov 2012**

**3pm – 7pm**

Vintage Cars  
Bike Races  
Stalls  
Rides & entertainment  
Umbrella competition ( as it has a  
tendency to rain!)  
Talent Show  
Comedians  
Performances & More

**Would you like some experience  
with events or just like to help  
your community?**

Romsey Street Festival organisers are seeking any persons who wish to assist in the organisation of this years festival

All enquiries can be directed to Vanessa Meredith  
P:5429 6532 or M: 0429 313 977

All Welcome

**Sponsors Required**

**2012 Romsey Street Art Festival**  
The Romsey Street Festival Organising Committee will be approaching organisations and potential sponsors in July .

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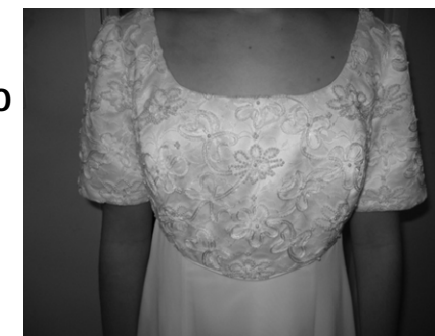
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## MP ENCOURAGES NOMINATIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND COMMUNITY AWARDS

Donna Petrovich encourages individuals, businesses and community groups, clubs and organisations that are making a significant difference in our community to nominate for the 2012 Regional Achievement and Community Awards. "These prestigious awards pay tribute to regional and rural Victorians who are the pillars of our communities" said Mrs Petrovich. "These community members contribute so much to making our community a better place to live and they deserve acknowledgement and recognition. I encourage you to consider making a nomination on behalf of someone that deserves a pat on the back," said Mrs Petrovich.

Nominations are now open in the following categories:

- Prime Super Community Group of the Year Award**
- Regional Development Victoria Business Achievement Award**
- Blue Scope Distribution Leadership and Innovation Award**
- Medibank Healthy Participation Award**
- Department of Sustainability and Environment Water Efficiency Improvements Award**
- Parks Victoria Environment and Sustainability Award**
- Regional Development Victoria Trade and Career Achievement Award**
- Parks Victoria Regional Achiever Award**

Great prizes include television exposure on Prime Television (conditions apply) or a share in \$12,000 in Goalsaver Accounts from the Commonwealth Bank. The Awards Gala Presentation Dinner will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2012 at the All Seasons Bendigo and everyone is welcome. Three finalists in each category will be presented and winners announced at the event. Nominees who do not make the finals but attend the Awards evening, will be presented with framed certificates on stage.

Nomination forms and posters are available from Mrs Petrovich's office at 84 Sydney Street Kilmore or by calling 5782 2011. The Awards Office can also be contacted on 9720 2277, email: vic@awardsaustralia.com or by nominating online at [www.awardsaustralia.com/RACA\\_vic.html](http://www.awardsaustralia.com/RACA_vic.html).

Nominations close Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

## New \$3.5 million gymnasium for Gisborne Secondary College

Gisborne Secondary College students will soon be jumping for joy in their new gymnasium, thanks to \$3.5 million in funding from the Victorian Coalition Government. Education Minister Martin Dixon today and the Member for Northern Victoria, Donna Petrovich, visited the school to see the plans for the new gymnasium.

"I am thrilled that the Coalition Government is able to provide \$3.5 million for the fourth stage of works at Gisborne Secondary College," Mr Dixon said. "This funding will mean Gisborne students can enjoy a state-of-the-art gymnasium, which will make a huge difference to the school's sports curriculum. Schools are the hearts of their communities, and having a fully-equipped gymnasium means Gisborne students will soon be benefitting from this wonderful facility."

Mr Dixon also visited Romsey Primary School, where he discussed the Coalition Government's announcement of a \$250,000 feasibility study, announced in last month's State Budget, to determine whether the area needs a new secondary college.

"The Coalition Government has commissioned this study to see if the Romsey and Lancefield areas have the population to support a secondary college," Ms Petrovich said.

## Autumnal Photo Competition Winners

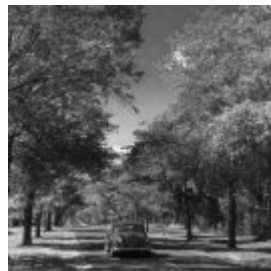
Congratulations to all of our entrants, we received so many amazing photographs that highlights the beautiful the Macedon Ranges.

The Winners of the Autumnal Photo Competition are;

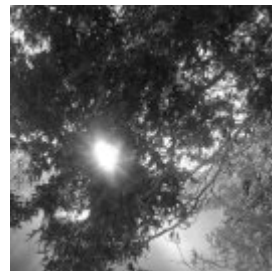
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2nd Bronwyn Farrugia

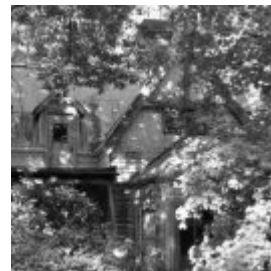
3rd Philip Holgate



Honour Ave, Macedon



25 Pinchoff Lane  
Mount Macedon,



Fonteinbleu,  
Mount Macedon

## Winter Wonderland Photo Competition

Our seasons are so magnificent in the Macedon Ranges that we are running a Winter Wonderland Photo Competition – we want you to share with us your best image of winter in the Macedon Ranges. All entries must be in by the 31st August 2012

On entry, please ensure when you post your picture/s you include:

Name of your picture

Location in the Macedon Ranges

Name of... Photographer and/or entrant

## Conditions

The winner must like Tourism Macedon Ranges Facebook page

If you have not taken the photograph yourself you must have permission from the photographer and credit the photographer in your entry.

All events are free

# Spookfest

at Gisborne, Kyneton,  
Romsey and Woodend Libraries

## July School Holiday Programme

Monday July 2 - Friday July 13, 2012

[www.ncgri.vic.gov.au](http://www.ncgri.vic.gov.au)

## Romsey Playgroup

### JOIN US AND HAVE SOME FUN AT ROMSEY PLAYGROUP

We are joining the whole of town garage sale in September and on this day we will be having a kids garage sale and Playgroup and Toy Library Open Day.

For the Open Day we will have face painting, jumping castle and play stations for the kids to enjoy while you browse the toys and clothes and purchase delicious home-made cakes....

If you have any children's toys or clothes that are in good condition and you would like to donate to playgroup to assist in raising funds for a shade sail please drop them off in playgroup times. Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 9.30am – 11.30am (during School Term) or leave them at the library internal door of playgroup in the dedicated box. If you have any questions please send us an email [romseyplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:romseyplaygroup@gmail.com)

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**Lions Celebration**

Lancefield/Romsey Lions Club present and past members and partners travelled to the celebration of Loins Club of Broadmeadows Inc. 50<sup>th</sup> year of Charter Anniversary. The dinner was held at the Northern Golf Club Glenroy. Broadmeadows Lions Club was the sponsoring club for Lancefield/Romsey Lions Club when it was formed, so we thought it right that we go and join in their celebration of such a milestone. A very pleasant dinner, and entrainment, was enjoyed by all who attended and the Lancefield/Romsey Lions table scooped the pool of raffle prizes.



Lancefield/Romsey Lion members and partners at the Broadmeadows 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mr Doug Newnham, Mrs Julie Starec, Mrs Carol Newnham, Mrs Badger, Mr Milos Starec. Not in picture Mr & Mrs Ged McLaughlin, Mr Bill Badger, Mrs Pam Amezdroz and Mr Amezdroz



Lighting the candles on the commemorative cake.



The gentleman cutting the cake is a Charter member & president of Broadmeadows Lions Club Mr Robert Conlin

**LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT FARMERS' MARKET SAT 22ND JULY**

Rug up on your visit to the market this month, this winter has been icy!! New stalls to the market include; Stone Rise Farm, with their high quality essential lavender oils & hydrosols (floral waters) produced in Lancefield, soap, made from central Victorian olive oil in Elphinstone, plus Boolarong Free-range Eggs of Longwood, who are filling in for Rainbow Eggs while they have a break for the Winter. Come along & make them welcome!

The Lancefield & District Farmers' Market is the best place for shopping consciously - supporting local producers & encouraging small farming enterprises means that we are able to look after ourselves as a food producing community into the future.

The market is an initiative of the Lancefield Neighbourhood House and is open to new producers wishing to apply for stalls. For more information on this process or to assist with market operations please call Meggs Hannes, market coordinator on 0407860320.



Pictured: Lorenzo Perito serves customers with his produce grown in Lancefield.



Amanda McClaren of Yapunya Meadow Grazed Chickens - Graytown - enjoys a spot of Yum Cha from Taste of the Orient.

**It's On Again!**  
**HESKET PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**ANNUAL DANCE**  
**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> of August**  
**Kyneton Town Hall 7.30pm**  
**\$35 per ticket,**

*Bookings on 5427 0330 or 0409954391*

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**Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.**

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P.O. Box 101  
 LANCEFIELD 3435

We are pleased with the reaction around town to our plaques. Their existence is apparently widely known as we had a phone call from a gentleman in Landsborough. He was visited by a member travelling through his area and the information he required delivered to him personally.

The on-going projects are quite active: the rate books are on their way to be scanned, the History Trail booklets have been commenced, as has the Schools project. We have a volunteer who is trying to sort through press articles on sport in this area, and she is succeeding.

**The Christmas in July Morning Tea to be held at Seymour Cottage is fast approaching. Commencing at 10.30 a.m. on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Entry is \$5.00**

**The Winter Lunch on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 12 noon at Christ Church Hall. Cost is \$10. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Greg Buist and his topic will be Freemasonry.**

We have a new request on the Springfield area, we are seeking photographs of the following men – Douglas Brumley, Reginald Brumley, George Cottam, William Day, Farquhar Hodges, Algernon James, Colin James & Arthur Knight. The service records of these men were held by Springfield School and as we are putting a booklet together for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the First World War thought a small photograph would enhance each of the records.

We have a Family History Day at the Courthouse on **5<sup>th</sup> August 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** We have local papers from 1870s to 1960s, Birth, Death & Marriages CDs for all of Victoria and a good collection of local histories.

We recently received a donation of the 12 volume set of Official History of Australia in the War of 1914-18.

If you do not have transport to any of our events and wish to attend, you can contact Shirley 0402 248 540, Robyn 0418 172 659 or Wendy 0421 599 876.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

*Lancefield had its own brewery?*

*First Post Office in the area was at Royal Mail Hotel, the building on the corner of Lancefield Road and Ochiltrees Road.*

*Mrs Jeannie Gunn, wife of Mr. Aeneas Gunn and author of "We of the Never Never", had lived in Lancefield (the house next to the Hay & Grain).*

The Lancefield Courthouse is open 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday Wednesday & Friday. Visitors are most welcome

Seymour Cottage, Palmer Street Romsey, is open 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Entry is \$3 Look for the sign on the corner of Robb Drive and Main Road.

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## Alice's Mad Hatters Tea Party May 25th 2012

Thank you to all the fantastic attendees decked out in their hats and of course our generous sponsors whose support for the Biggest Morning Tea held at Black Range Business Group in May at Romsey helped us to raise over \$400 for the Cancer Council.



Hats were a must and so very well done at this year's event. The Knitter's Hat worn by Aline Durston won the best hat prize. Aline took home a wonderful Electric Blanket valued at over \$70 donated by Mitre 10



### A Big Thank You to all Sponsors

- Black Range Business Group — Venue, Cappuccinos, Lattes Teas, Hot chocolates, Food & hand made bickies
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- The Beauty Spot—\$20 Voucher
- Romsey Bargains—Gift box
- Romsey Pharmacy—Garnier Pamper Pack
- Romsey Fresh Wholesale—Fruit Platter
- Romsey IGA—Bread & Cakes
- Tintara Consulting—Ikea hanger
- Alice—Shampoos & coat hangers
- Eileen—Spotty Dustpan & broom

To the organisers and helpers— Alice Frost, Felix Durston, Hunter Durston, Helen Clarke, Judy Nicholson, Carola Spinks, Eileen French, Angie Jackson, Tracey Roberts—Thank you for volunteering your time to speak with sponsors, prepare food, deliver drinks on the day, set up & clean up. With great friends, good help, good food, great hats and great company—all the ingredients for a good day. Keep an eye out for this annual fund-raising event registered with the Biggest Morning Tea in late May next year

Vanessa Meredith  
Black Range Business Group Pty Ltd  
106A Main Street Romsey

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Alice's Mad Hatter's Tea Party  
Friday 25th May 2012  
10am—12 noon  
Hats a must!  
106A Main Street Romsey  
Admission \$5 includes Morning Tea, Raffles & Lucky Prize Draws

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## 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

Secretary: Jeni Clampit - 5429 5480



You are most welcome to come to the Romsey Uniting Church Services and share in fellowship and worship

### Ecumenical Service Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July, 10am.

An Ecumenical Service for all the churches in Romsey and Lancefield will be conducted in St.Mary's Catholic Church in Lancefield on Sunday July 8<sup>th</sup> at 10am. Congregations from the Anglican, Catholic, Living Word and Uniting Churches will all join together in worship on that day.

### PATIENCE

"The harvest of the Spirit is ..... Patience."

Galatians 5:22

"We would urge you, brothers, to admonish the careless, encourage the faint-hearted, support the weak, and to be very patient with them all.

1 Thessalonians 5:14

"What credit is it, if when you do wrong and are beaten for it you take it patiently? But if when you do right and suffer for it you take it patiently, you have God's approval."

1 Peter 2: 20

I'm afraid I'm not a patient person, Lord. If I plant a few seeds, I'm impatient to pick the fruit. I'm inclined to try to do everything at once, and to override people, in order to get things done.

You always had time for people – yet you did so much. So help me to be patient.

Patient with a child just learning to tie his own shoes: Patient with those who are feeble and slow, yet need to feel independent, and do things for themselves;

Patient with those who are slow to understand, and with those who are sad or disgruntled, careless or weak;

Patient enough to let others be themselves, and yet help them to grow. And help me to be patient when I feel I've been let down, or taken for granted, or treated unfairly, or slighted, or just ignored.

May I not be discouraged by the indifference of others or by the sneers of the cynics. For patience is not just a passive thing, I feel; It may mean standing firm when the tide runs back, it may mean an uphill climb when I'm feeling tired.

So grant me strength to be patient when patience is needed, for to be patient is to be strong, not weak, and patience grown out of faith and hope and love

Conversations with God by Joy Merritt

### Church Services in July 2012

1 <sup>st</sup>	9am	Worship Service conducted by The Worship Team
8 <sup>th</sup>	10am.	Ecumenical Service at St.Mary's Catholic Church in Lancefield.
15 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Worship Service
22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am	Worship Service conducted by Rev. Avril Hannah-Jones
29 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Combined 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship Service at Romsey Uniting Church.



### The hits keep coming for visitmacedonranges.com

The leading local tourism website [www.visitmacedonranges.com](http://www.visitmacedonranges.com) is drawing thousands of visitors month on month, with over 31,000 hits (visits) for the months of April and May.

The site focuses on the Macedon Ranges and features events, accommodation and attractions. Tourism businesses can gain access to these thousands of prospective visitors by obtaining a listing on the site – and the good news is a basic listing is FREE. A range of other listing types are available for a small fee, including a mini site, accommodation bookings and shopping.

According to Tourism Macedon Ranges Inc Chairman, Patrick Bell, 'The website is the regions key tool in attracting visitors with 8 out of 10 of people now planning holidays online. Tourism Macedon Ranges Inc encourages all local tourism businesses to take advantage of the free listing offer and gain wider exposure for their business.'

Tourism Macedon Ranges Inc has recently made additions to the site such as including social media (Facebook and Tripadvisor) and direct links to businesses and further enhancements are planned.

For information about any of these listing types or to receive a FREE business listing contact [dphyl-land@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:dphyl-land@mrsc.vic.gov.au) or call 5421 9638.



### **Bolinda & Monegeetta News COMMUNITY NEWS:**

45mL (179 pts) of rain last month (May) and all is looking fresh again. Some very frosty mornings! The Hall Committee is starting a short series of (short!) meetings to prepare for the annual Daffodil Show and Spring Fair. We were delighted to have 3 new families join our committee. It shows our district has much to look forward to when we have the parents of young families showing a great community spirit. Thanks to Tuula Ferraro, Tom Christensen and Glenn Langdon for representing their families and our district. We would love to have any suggestions, either for the Spring Fair or for the general use of the hall, so please come and join us if you have any ideas – or if you are simply interested in the local community.

We are also starting to prepare a great program for the Bolinda Hall Centenary and would love to hear from you if you have any stories, anecdotes or photos from the Bolinda and Monegeetta communities.

**HISTORY BOOK** Bolinda History book is now available again. There will be some copies at the Monegeetta General Store, so you might like to pick up a copy there. Still just \$10.

**BOLINDA HALL**(Melways 610 J9; cnr Mullaly's and Melb-Lancefield Road): *Don't forget our community hall is available for hire at very cheap rates. We want to see it used by the community. Not available for 18ths or 21sts however, because of Council regulations.*

### **BOL-DARRA (Bolinda-Darraweit) GARDEN CLUB:**

A damp day didn't dampen our enthusiasm for a garden get-together. We met at the Bolinda Hall as usual, and had some lovely, hardy 'Purple Shamrocks' to share. Then up to Macedon to visit David Dettmann's garden – and to collect as many bits 'n pieces as possible! We got some beautiful Salvia cuttings (including a glorious bright dark blue, up to 2m high! Stunning!) and some of the lovely species Fuchsias. Both of these are a wonderful attraction to native birds, especially New Holland Honeyeaters and Eastern Spinebills.

The visit included afternoon tea at Sitkas - a delicious affair.

### **BOLINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL:**

It was great to see the Bolinda Hall abuzz with district (and further afield) folk to celebrate an 'Australia's Biggest Morning Tea' event hosted by the school. It was all very quietly dignified until the children came to join us and enliven us with their chatter and enthusiasm. A delightful morning tea was served and \$290 raised for the AntiCancer Council. The money was raised through direct donation and also through the sale of some very stylish coffee mugs which the students had decorated. Grandparents were particularly keen to purchase these keepsakes.

*If you are a trivia buff, keep in mind July 28<sup>th</sup> for the school's annual Trivia Night. There's some challenging questions and some very interesting items for auction – and all in aid of the school. It's at 'Seasons' restaurant in Riddell so you know you'll have a delightful meal. More information from Kari at 54 285 331.*

**'PEOPLE' OF THE MONTH:** We are saddened to say farewell to Carol and Jim Heath who have sold their farm 'Greenvale' and are heading for the warmer climate in Maryborough. However, we wish them all the very best as they settle into their new environment and enjoy 'retirement'. The Heath family have been in the district over 100 years and have contributed greatly to their community.

At the recent Hall Committee meeting we noted: "President Jim Heath and his wife Carol have sold their farm and are leaving the district to settle in Maryborough. Jim spoke of his long association with Bolinda district. He expressed thanks for all the wonderful years and pleasant memories – to folk present and also those no longer here. He has very clear memories of the rejuvenating of the Hall. He noted that the advice was 'to get a bulldozer and bull-doze the Hall!' What a blessing that that idea was not carried through! Other advice from the then local MP was 'to sell and declare a dividend'...! Jim expressed pride at the major work, flooring and roofing included, which had been done, including on the steep-pitched roof by John Green and Klaus W. John commented that both he and Klaus were now a 'bit ricketty' for another job like

that! Jim also noted that while meetings were generally held only annually at Bolinda we had done better than another Hall Committee in the Shire, which had not met for 7 years! In-coming President, John Green, thanked Jim for his many years service to the people of Bolinda. John commented that when he arrived in the district in 1951, there were only 3 families – the McIntyres, the Heaths and the Amess Family. All of these families had connections with Jim, through birth or via marriage. John recalled that Grandma Heath walked all the family to the Bolinda Church (Hall) where she played the music. It was quite non-denominational, as one week she played for the Anglican Service and the next week for the Presbyterian Service! John noted that Jim had spent many years as a successful shearer, competing vigorously with his mate for tally honors! John again thanked Jim for 'more than pulling his weight' over the years. The Committee wish Carole and Jim health and happiness in their new environment."

**Cheerio from Bolinda & Monegeetta** (Enquiries: John and Ruth Green 54285347; 0415256911)

## **Romsey Red Cross Unit**

Next Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> July, and the AGM will be held on the 14th August.

New members would be most welcome. We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at the Uniting Church, Pohlman Street, Romsey at 1:30pm. Membership is \$5.00 per year.

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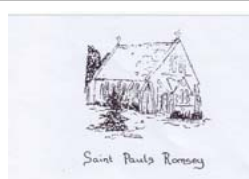
In recent months our Lancefield and Romsey branches have allocated more than \$64,000 to worthy local groups and projects. The latest round of grants includes \$10,000 to the Lancefield Cemetery Trust to build much-needed toilet facilities, \$2000 each to the Romsey, Springfield, Lancefield, Bolinda/Monegeetta, Benloch and Nulla Vale fire brigades, and \$2000 to the ambulance auxiliary.

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**ALL BRETHREN WELCOME**



### ROMSEY BRANCH OF C.W.A.

*St Peter went to open the Pearly Gates and saw two fellows standing waiting to come into Heaven. They were wearing hoodies and masks. He said to them "Just wait a moment, please".*

*St Peter ran to God's chamber and said, "There are two fellows waiting to come in and they are wearing hoodies and masks." God replied, "We must not be judgemental. All are welcome into Heaven, to be loved and prayed for. Please allow them entry, St Peter."*

*St Peter left, but was back in a couple of minutes saying "They're gone". God said, "That is very sad. You mean to tell me those two gentlemen have gone?" "No" said St Peter, the Pearly Gates have.*

Approximately 50 art smocks have been delivered to Romsey Primary School and these were much appreciated by the Principal, Mrs Joan Gibbs, as well as the Art Teacher, Annie Betts. Some of these were displayed at the Open House evening at the school attended by Shirley, Elaine and Val.

Further art smocks will be constructed once we have results of our application for a Grant from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. Ninety smocks were on the school's "wish list" so we are more than half way there. Purchase of material for the original ones were paid for from our limited bank account and should we be fortunate to receive a Grant, the expenses for material and ancillary items will be put back into our working account for distribution as donations at the end of our CWA year.

Four members attended the State Conference, this year in Swan Hill, and found it to be most interesting and informative.

Our Branch was the Hostess Branch at our Group Meeting in early June where many decisions and arrangements were made for the 2013 Creative Arts Exhibition to be held at the Mechanics Hall in Romsey in April next year. This exhibition will be worthy of noting in your diaries to come along and see the wonderful display of cooking, floral art and craft made by the members of our Group. More about this in the coming months.

Four large bags of goodies have been forwarded to Head Office for International and Community Support. Articles included trauma teddies, dolls and teddies for children in the various hospitals, including Peter McCallum Institute, pamper bags for filling with toiletries, etc. for flood affected families still coming to grips with their losses.

Other Pamper Bags have been filled with necessary toiletries for indigenous prisoners at the Dame Phyllis Frost prison.

Our Branch has just about completed its Community commitments for this year, and we now plan to spend our Craft Days learning new skills.

We shared a luncheon in late May with the Lancefield Branch of CWA. The menu was based on our Country of Study, Cambodia, and what a wonderful choice of dishes from this country was served. Chicken, beef and vegetables served with rice were delicious, as well as tasty desserts, followed by tea or coffee. This was the first time we have combined to hold such a function, and as it was so successful we plan to make in an annual event with the theme of the country allocated for that year being the basis of our menu. Mrs Jean Buist from Lancefield gave an informative talk on her holiday in Cambodia as well as a DVD presentation.

Invitations keep rolling in, namely a couple of fashion parades, a Christmas in July luncheon as well another luncheon conducted by the Romsey Uniting Church ladies. This day should be interesting as the guest speaker is a member of the Flying Doctor Service, namely Ms Annette Allison.

As you can see with all the lunches we have attended, our next trip should be to Jenny Craig, Weight Watchers or somewhere similar!!!!

For details regarding our busy, busy Branch please contact our Secretary: Val Jordan - Telephone 5429 2311 or email jordanval@bigpond.com

We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month at 10.00 am at the Romsey Mechanics Hall Supper Room and for Craft Days on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 10.00 am. BYO lunch to Craft Days because if we are busy, we extended our day into the afternoon.

### Bear Fruit That Lasts Forever

There was a comedy programme on television the other day in which a doctor apologized to one of the nurses about a mistake he had made. She replied, "I don't mind, but you had better be sure to get your story straight before you meet Jesus."

So what's your story? When you see Jesus, as you surely will, how are you going to account for yourself? What have you done, either for your fellow humans, Jesus' other children, or His Church?

It is a challenge to us as individual Christians, but also to us as Churches: how can we better serve the Kingdom of God? There are churches which live only for themselves as safe little communities, where everything stays the same and change is resisted, and strangers are not welcomed. In that sort of situation the chapel or church becomes a kind of pleasant social club for the few. Nice though the people might be, lovely thought the worship might be, are they truly obeying Jesus' demand that Christians bear fruit? In the Partnership we have always striven to look out-

wards, risks have been taken, challenges have been accepted that the Kingdom might go forward. But the process goes on, we must keep trying to understand through prayer and careful thought what it is that Our Lord expects from us. The happiness gurus, now popping up on television and in newspaper articles, say there is an important link between serving others and our own levels of happiness. And they attribute that to feelings of gratification at being altruistic; a kind of "I'm being good" glow. But I think it is much more profound than that. I believe that when we obey Jesus' commands to serve His Kingdom and serve His children we are aligning ourselves with God's purpose, matching His footsteps as it were. And there is a rightness and spiritual beauty in doing this which makes us happy at a deeper level than anything we can have or buy.

Blessings  
Rev Bill Carroll, Interim Vicar  
St Paul's Anglican Church, Romsey



### Draft Municipal Fire Management Plans Released for Community Com- ment across Loddon Mallee Region

The Municipal Fire Management Planning Committees of the Loddon Mallee Region have each proposed draft fire management plans for community comment as part of the integrated fire management planning process in the region. Municipal Fire Management Planning Committees have been established over the last 18 months. The new committees have a greater scope of responsibility and a broader span of representation than previously required for Municipal Fire Prevention Committees. The new Municipal Fire Management Planning Committees are linked to the Municipal Emergency Planning Committees, thereby ensuring greater alignment between emergency management and fire management. The plans have been prepared in line with new requirements established by the Emergency Management Manual of Victoria.

The Chair of the Regional Fire Management Planning Committee and Regional Director of the CFA, Mr Patrick O'Brien, said: "The new Municipal Fire Management Planning Committees provide a great forum for a more cooperative and effective approach to fire management. The Municipal committees have identified their own community engagement strategies and plans, in line with the community needs, undertaken detailed risk analysis focused on bushfire and prepared draft plans for the community to comment. I encourage all to take the opportunity to review and comment, as our experience was that every comment added some extra content, perspective or nuance that needed to be incorporated."

Draft plans will be available for review from a range of resources with some Committees including workshops, drop-ins or other specialized community engagement activities. All plans will be placed on the IFMP website: [www.ifmp.vic.gov.au](http://www.ifmp.vic.gov.au)

Inspector Colin Renton, the Regional Emergency Inspector from Victoria Police, observed: "The Municipal Committees have come a long way in the last 12 months and are to be congratulated for the rigor and determination with which they have approached the task to truly understand the real risk that communities face, and the sources of the risk. The work done, and the information before us, allow us to make significant inroads into building community resilience with regard to bushfire and translating that to other hazard environments."

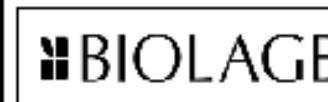
Municipal plans fundamentally coordinate the different programs that are put in place and bring greater cohesion and collaboration between the fire and emergency services, land owners and managers, the utility and transport sector, the community and business and industry. The plans are not static with the intent to continuously improve, meaning that an improvement plan is incorporated in each. The plans will have a three year life and be reviewed annually. For more information contact Julian Harrison-Rogers, acting Loddon Mallee IFMP Network Manager 0407 929 572

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For further information please contact Romsey Primary School on 5429 5099.



**RRBATA Invited to Lancefield's Community Dinner**

RRBATA representatives recently attended the Lancefield Community Dinner at the invitation of Lancefield Neighbourhood House. The purpose of this event, catered for by the Lancefield Tennis Club, was to facilitate networking between community groups and to foster better support between the groups. The premise was similar to that of the RRBATA-organised Community Group Round Up evening earlier this year. The night was very well attended with most community and sporting groups represented. Jenny Stillman from RRBATA explained Romsey's experience and the desire to take the next step in the coordination process with "Round Up 2" to be scheduled for late September. The value of the two towns being coordinated together was also emphasised, especially given the number of community groups which service both communities.

**Business Breakfast**



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual RRBATA Business Breakfast is coming! Please keep **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012** free for a great Soltan Pepper breakfast with exciting guest speakers and a lucky door prize! Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Chief Executive Officer, Peter Johnston, will chat about his

journey as a Romsey boy to his professional role as a local government CEO. He will also crystal ball gaze into Romsey township's future! A second speaker is being finalised as this article goes to press, so keep a watch out in local media for details on this. The cost for this networking and social opportunity will be \$15 per person for RRBATA members and \$20 per person for non members. Please contact Jenny Stillman 0412 349849 [jennystillman@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jennystillman@optusnet.com.au) for bookings or further queries.

**Town Entry Signage**

After an initial approach from the Romsey Lancefield RSL, RRBATA is investigating the possibility of town entry signage which acknowledges the service clubs and community groups which are the fabric of our community. Currently, there is a sign which sits parallel to the main road opposite the Community Hub. This is barely noticeable and is aesthetically unattractive. RRBATA is facilitating discussions with VicRoads on this matter and will report an update in the next Rag.

**Streetscaping News**

With the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Gallipoli landing approaching, RRBATA, supported by the RSL, is in dialogue with Macedon Ranges Shire Council to further enhance the prominence and awareness of the Gallipoli Lone Pine. This was planted from a Gallipoli seed in the Main Road adjacent to the old Primary School site. The fence around it has been painted which is great. However, discussion with Council is ongoing to investigate the removal of some of the surrounding shrubbery. In addition, it has been suggested that signage to highlight the significant tree and its story should also be installed.

**Romsey Online Update**

And don't forget, *ANYONE CAN BE A REPORTER!* Whether it is sporting results, photos, reports on events etc, the website is waiting for your "news". Please ensure a note of consent from people featured in any photographs accompanies your submissions. Remember, the website is only as good as the information fed to it at [info@romsey.org.au](mailto:info@romsey.org.au).

**Thinking About Membership?**

RRBATA is only as good as its membership. Membership is \$50 per annum which includes a complimentary listing on Romsey Online (worth \$20) as well as reduced prices for events such as the Business Breakfast. 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 32055  
Email: [hages10@optusnet.com.au](mailto:hages10@optusnet.com.au)

**Next RRBATA Function:**




**RRBATA Business Breakfast**  
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2012 at 7.00am for 7.30am**  
**At Soltan Pepper**  
**RRBATA Members \$15pp, Non Members \$20pp.**  
**ALL WELCOME**

**Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club**

**President:** Mrs. Jean Buist 5429 1116  
**Secretary:** Mrs. Jeni Clampit 5429 5480

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

Probus 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 wishing to have more information please contact the President or Secretary at the above phone numbers.

**On Wednesday July 18th, we are traveling to Trentham and Daylesford.**  
**Our July meeting will be on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July.**

*It is with much regret that we farewell Alice & Geoff Long from our club. They are moving away from the area. Both have been very valued members of Probus and will be greatly missed. We wish them all the best for the future.*



**St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey**

Parish Priest:	Fr. George O'Connor	Presbytery:	5429 2130
Pastoral Worker:	Mrs. Joanne Reuther	Presbytery:	5429 2130
School Principal:	Mr. Anthony Falls	St. Mary's Primary:	5429 1359

**MASS TIMES**

**Saturday:**  
6.00 p.m. Lancefield  
**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month:**  
8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey  
**2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Fr. George** will leave Lancefield/Romsey at the end of July. All welcome to come to a cup of tea or coffee with him on

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm**

at the St. Mary's Primary School Hall, Raglan St. Lancefield. The new parish priest for our area will be Fr. Arnold

Heredia who will take up towards the end of September. Fr. Sebastian will reside at the presbytery until then.

**WELCOME!**

*Our Catholic community welcomes those who are searching....*

- Have you ever thought:
- \*what am I searching for in life?
- \*am I satisfied with my life?
- \*where am I going in my life?
- \*what is the purpose in my life?
- \*do I wish to learn about the catholic faith?
- \*have I thought of becoming catholic?
- \*do I wish to rediscover my faith?

You are invited to come to our enquiry night on **Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm. Catholic presbytery, 27 Chauncey St. Lancefield.**

Enquiries: Joanne Reuther, Pastoral Associate, 54292130. "Come and See"

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**Grandparents Day at St Mary's Lancefield**

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> of May, the students of St Mary's Lancefield invited their grandparents to visit them at school. The children shared lunch with their grandparents and showed them around the school yard at lunch time. During the afternoon the grandparents joined in some of the special activities which were happening in the classrooms.



Top left: Thomas Knott's granddad enjoyed kicking the footy at lunch time, but was happy to find a seat for the afternoon's activities.

Top centre: Matthew Sankey was surrounded by his grandparents.

Top Right: Caitlyn Brown and Caitlin Mitchell created some "Out in Space" art works with their grandmothers.

Bottom Left: Alan Sinclair's nana remembers writing on a slate board when she went to school, which was a little different from the computer driven interactive white board in Alan's classroom.

Bottom Right: Just one look at Riley O'Meara pictured here with his grandma tells you they're from the same family.

## A NEW NAME . . . . .



### Pastor's Parables

Two men, both seriously ill, occupied the same hospital room. One man was allowed to sit up in his bed for an hour each afternoon to help drain the fluid from his lungs. His bed was next to the room's only window.

The other man had to spend all his time flat on his back. The men talked for hours on end.

Every afternoon, when the man in the bed by the window could sit up, he would pass the time by describing to his roommate all the things he could see outside the window.

The man in the other bed began to live for those one hour periods where his world would be broadened and enlivened by all the activity and color of the world outside.

The window overlooked a park with a lovely lake.

Ducks and swans played on the water while children sailed their model boats.

Young lovers walked arm in arm amidst flowers of every color and a fine view of the city skyline could be seen in the distance.

As the man by the window described all this in exquisite details, the man on the other side of the room would close his eyes and imagine this picturesque scene.

Days, weeks and months passed.

One morning, the day nurse arrived only to find the lifeless body of the man by the window, who had died peacefully in his sleep. She was saddened and called the hospital attendants to take the body away.

As soon as it seemed appropriate, the other man asked if he could be moved next to the window. The nurse was happy to make the switch, and after making sure he was comfortable, she left him alone. Slowly, painfully, he propped himself up on one elbow to take his first look at the real world outside. He strained to slowly turn to look out the window besides the bed. It faced a blank wall.

The man asked the nurse what could have compelled his deceased roommate who had described such wonderful things outside this window. The nurse responded that the man was blind and could not even see the wall. She said, 'Perhaps he just wanted to *encourage you.*'

There is tremendous happiness *in encouraging* & making others happy, despite our own situations.

Just as God *encourages* us in our daily walk with Him, (Romans 15:5) we at the Living Word Christian Church believe that we have been called, in Jesus' Name, to be *ENCOURAGERS* to the people of our Community (1 Thessalonians 5:11).

Hence after 21 years of being known as The Living Word C.C. we are now changing our name to be "**ENCOURAGE CHURCH**" where we pray you will always find *encouragement* in your time of need.

If you would like to learn more about the Christian Faith you are invited to join us at one of our Sunday Services, one of our fortnightly Life Groups; or simply contact us at our Church office on **5429 6327**

We would be blessed to be of assistance to you.

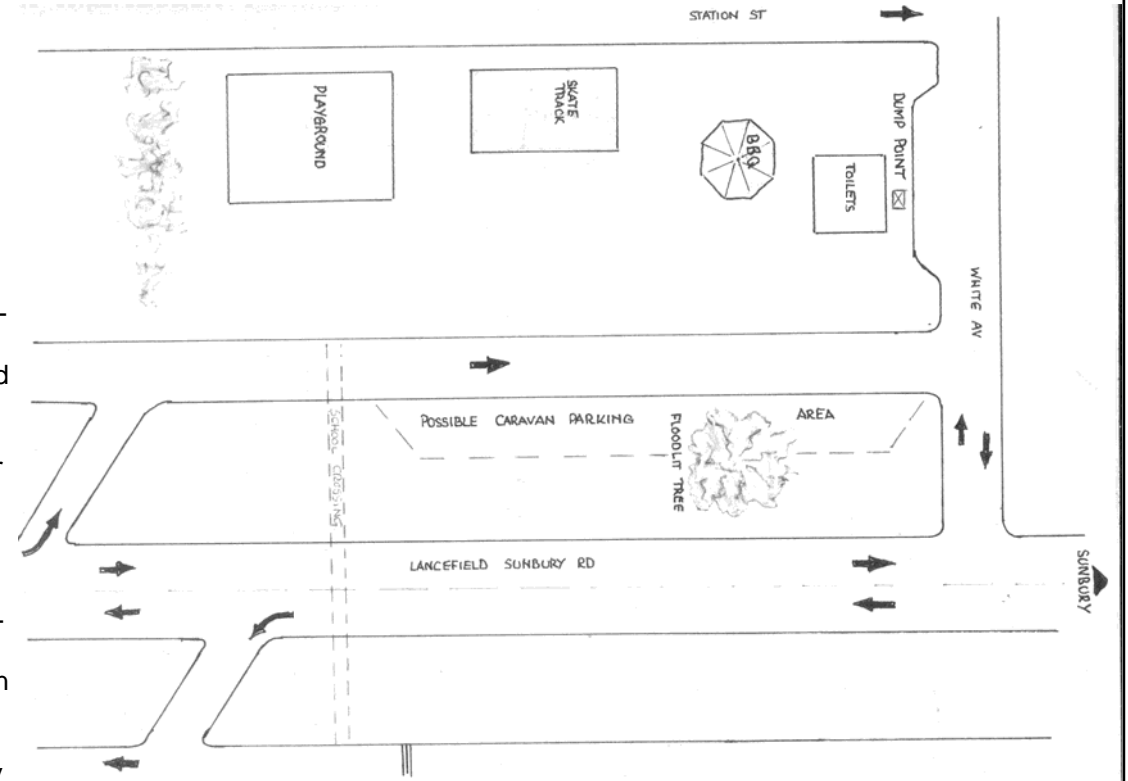
Pastor Marilyn Hunter – Senior Pastor - "**ENCOURAGE CHURCH**"

### Lancefield-Romsey Lions Club Skate Park Development

The Lions Club of Lancefield and Romsey would like to update and modernize the Lions skate park situated at the southern entry to Romsey (corner White Avenue and Main Road).

We are in the planning stages of this project. Our objective is to make the grounds, rotunda and toilet block appealing.

The park at present is utilized by local community groups and residents. We therefore invite written submissions from the community with thoughts and suggestions that may be of value in developing this valuable land.



Above: A conceptual sketch of how the park could be developed

If you would like to have an input into this project please submit your thoughts in writing no later than Friday 20th July to: Lancefield-Romsey Lions Club  
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Under 14 Basketball Competition  
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Senior Mixed Netball Competition

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\*Please note: All programs are subject to minimum numbers to operate.  
(n): New in 2012. Expressions of interest required

## Learn about good nutrition and exercise for mature age adults

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### Exercise and nutrition information session – Gisborne

Are you interested in learning more about healthy eating and exercise?

Join us for a one hour Healthy Living information session as part of the Macedon Ranges Healthy and Active People Initiative.

Learn about good nutrition relating to physical activity.

Ever wondered about:

- Should I be eating before physical activity?
- How much water should I be drinking?
- Does my metabolism change with age?
- Does medication have an effect on physical activity?

Come along to find out the answers to these questions and more. This is also a great opportunity to hear about healthy living programs and activities available in the shire. This information session will be held in Gisborne with Dietician Sally Mitchell from Cobaw Community Health as the guest presenter.

**When:** Friday 20 July from 11.30am - 12.30pm  
**Where:** Macedon Ranges Further Education Centre, Hamilton Street Gisborne  
**Cost:** Free, with a light refreshments provided  
**RSVP:** Register to attend by Wednesday 18 July to the Healthy Communities Team on phone (03) 5422 0216 or email healthycommunities@mrsc.vic.gov.au

Please note – if you need assistance with transport to the session please contact the Healthy Communities team.



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## Romsey Community House Inc.

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### Health, Fitness & Wellbeing

#### Romsey Garden Club (New)

Expressions of interest for this new group are now being taken at the house. The first meeting was held at the end of June, new participants always welcome.

#### Yoga

**Mondays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House**  
\$14 per class when Term Paid before end of Week 1  
\$18 Casual Contact: Leisa Kirk 0408 934 656  
**Thursdays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House**  
\$15 per class when Term Paid before end of Week 1  
\$18 Casual Contact Lisa Moore: 0448 345 338

#### Sun Style Tai Chi

**Tuesdays 1pm-2pm**  
\$8 per class (Minimum Numbers Apply)  
To join—Contact Romsey Community House

#### Gentle Exercise for Over 50's - \$5 per class

Every Monday 10am - 11am. These classes are designed to be fun and are specifically tailored to meet the capacity of each participant. Can assist with balance, mobility, bladder control and joint pain. Chair based exercises also available. Register now. Cost \$5 per class

**\*join us after class for a cuppa and morning tea (\$2/ Gold Coin Donation)**

#### Heart Foundation 'Walk Together' Program

**Tuesday's 9.30am - 10.30am.** Meet Eileen at the Lions Park, near the creek.

### Social & Creative Activities

#### Art Classes

**Adult's Classes:** Tuesdays 10.30am - 12.30pm (weekly)

**Children's Classes:** Thursdays 3.45pm - 4.45pm (weekly)

For all bookings call **Tanya 0400 053 829** or Romsey Community House.

#### Line Dancing

**Mondays 9.30am - 10.30am** at the Mechanics Institute Hall. Cost: \$6 per class. Open Age

#### Craft Group

**Thursdays 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.

#### Writers Group

Meets on the 2nd **Tuesday** of each month. We share our work and ideas whilst providing encouragement, feedback and support. Gold Coin contribution.  
For further information call Jack 54296095 or Lila 5429 3732

**Workshops for Children and Adults** (with Stavroula)

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**Workshop 2** Sound vibration session using Tibetan drums, flute, crystal bowls and circle dancing

Include: 'Introduction to Therapeutic Sound', 'Drum Circle and Peace Dance', 'Adult Chakra Dance' and 'Spiritual Development'

**Children: Every 1st Wednesday of the month. 4.30pm-5.30pm**

**Adults: Every 1st Monday of the month. 10.30am-12.30pm**

**Adults: Every 1st Wednesday of the month 7pm-9pm**

For more information or to book – Contact Stavroula: 0400 032 518

#### It's All About You' 4 Women.

Sessions will be led by Gillian Gorrie, Life Circle Solutions, Tutor, Teacher, NLP Practitioner.

This is a women's group that meets in a relaxed, supportive environment once a week on a Wednesday morning 9.30-11.30am, Monday or Friday afternoon, 1.30 -3.30pm.

Let's get together If you have something you want to share, learn or understand, please come along as you are most welcome. Sessions include relaxation and guided meditation and different topics each week (if needed).

#### Meditation will commence on Tuesday the 17th July

Meditation for relaxation, and de-stress will be held on Tuesday and Saturday morning 8.30-9.30am, and Tuesday night 7.30-8.30pm

For more information contact Gillian on H:0409 801 082 or H:54295448

#### Open House

Our 'Drop in Room' is open to the public weekdays 9.30am - 5.00pm. Enjoy a quiet cuppa alone or socialise with friends. Gold coin donation.

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Learn the basics of Microsoft Office Word 2010. This is an 8 week course that run on Tuesdays from 12.30pm - 3pm. Cost \$165.00 / Concession \$60.00

Minimum Numbers Apply

#### Computer Basics 2

Build your knowledge around computers, Microsoft Office and Word 2010. This 8 week course will on Thursdays from 12.30pm - 3pm

Cost \$165.00 / Conc \$60.00.

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### Upcoming: Romsey Community House will host : Town Garage Sale Saturday 15th September 2012

For All Bookings & Enquiries

Phone: 5429 6724

Office Hours 10am-1pm

Monday-Wednesday - Friday  
(Closed Tuesdays and Thursdays)

Public Internet Access Available

10-1pm

Monday-Wednesday-Friday

## St Mary's Primary School thanks Bendigo Bank

Recently St Mary's Primary school received a special grant from the Bendigo Community Bank, to purchase a new set of footy jumpers. It's with great pride and excitement that the students will be wearing their new guernseys at their upcoming footy matches.

Pictured is Kobe Memmolo, holding the school's colours and thanking the Lancefield branch manager Mr James Smithwick.



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Prospective Candidate Information Sessions  
Tue 3rd July 10.00am-12.30pm & Tue 14th Aug. 6.30pm-12.30pm  
Gisborne Administration Centre—40 Robertson St., Gisborne.

The Romsey Lancefield RSL  
is proud to announce the annual  
**ANZAC SPIRIT AWARD 2012**



The RSL invites any Lancefield or Romsey district resident or organisation to nominate a local adult, youth, child, or community group who has carried out a voluntary deed with exceptional commitment, unselfishly and with great enthusiasm to benefit any section of the local community within the last twelve months.

This award is an annual event. The award consists of a 20 cm high bronze statue mounted on a wooden base and is held on display in the Romsey Hub.

The RSL selection panel will decide the winner and their decision will be final.

The winner will receive a medal and a cheque for \$150.00.

Nomination forms have been distributed throughout the community.

If you wish to obtain a nomination form contact our secretary Hilary Simpson on 0400 833 426.

Nominations close at close of business on the 10th August 2012.

Presentation night will be Tuesday 21st August at 7pm at the Romsey Hub.

**NOMINATION FORM**  
**ROMSEY LANCEFIELD RSL ANZAC SPIRIT AWARD**  
**Nominations close end of business 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012**

Name of nominee:

Name and phone number of person nominating candidate:

The deed for which you think this candidate is a suitable nominee for the ROMSEY LANCEFIELD ANZAC SPIRIT AWARD in no more than 100 words. Please attach a separate sheet to this form if you run out of space.

Please post nominations to the Romsey Lancefield RSL, PO Box 315 Romsey 3434.

All nominations must be in by COB 10<sup>th</sup> August 2012.



**Want to meet some great everyday local women?**

The Romsey Region Women's Network is a group that aspires to connect local women in our rural communities in a warm and welcoming environment. It's a great way to meet new people in the local area, tap into the wealth of knowledge local women have to offer, gain inspiration and have some laughs.

Our group is not only a great way to network in a business/professional sense but also meet like-minded women and form new friendships. The intent is to provide a safe environment for women to gather together, exchange ideas, share about their

lives and learn from each other.

We meet at 7pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at varying venues in the area. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July at Kammy's Indian Restaurant @ 7pm**, so take some time out for yourself and please come join us for a glass of wine, some nibbles and a chat.

To complement our monthly meetings it is our goal to hold significant interest activities/events throughout the year and some of these events will also be open to non-members. These are some of the events we have planned for 2012: -

- Bring out the Artist in You – Life Drawing with Kathryn Bowden
- Cooking Class @ Monsieur Pierre, Kyneton
- High Tea @ Campaspe House, Woodend
- RRWN 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Party – Friday Night Drinks @ The Bentinck, Woodend
- Christmas Party - Barefoot Bowling Family Day, Romsey

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Enquiries: -**  
**Romsey Region Women's Network Inc.**  
111 Main Street  
Romsey VIC 3434

**Annual membership: - \$20**