

Romsey Golf Club Women's Report

Saturday July 14th, only Jan and Sharon went out for the exercise in heavy conditions but gave up after 4 holes. The Women only played a game of 9 hole Ambrose Stableford on Wednesday July 18th due to the soggy condition of the course. Lorraine (29) and Kath (27) teamed together to win by one point with a score of 16pts over Denise (45) and Leila (32). The fairways and surrounds were very heavy and Denise had further to travel to avoid the mud in her cart, as the dams had been overflowing.

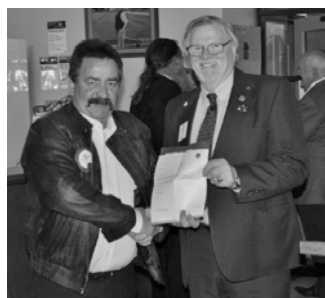
At Bacchus Marsh West on Thursday July 19th, Kath (27) 30pts, Lorraine (29) 22pts and Jan (45) 23pts travelled down to compete in their Bowl. The weather threatened rain but we were lucky with fine weather. Others travelled through severe fog to get there. The fairways were in good condition and surprisingly dry due to their breezes, even if their dams were full. Kath managed to cope better with the hills this time and the large fast greens.

After the AGM on Saturday 21th of July, Jan, Kath, Lorraine and Sharon played 12 holes with Sharon being the winner on the day with 16 points. Congratulations Sharon for improvement in your golf game and Jan for your Gobbler. It was a cool day on Wednesday July 25th of July, when only Kath (114-27-87) (33 putts) and Leila (118-32-86) (35 putts) contested the Monthly Medal playing Stroke in very heavy conditions as others were all away in sunnier climates. We doggedly kept going and I for one was glad that I had not given up as we finally completed the game with Leila winning.

It was good that Jan could join Lorraine and Kath when we played 9 holes Stableford on Wednesday August 1st. The scores were not good due to the heavy conditions but Kath (27) won on the day with 14points.

Lancefield - Romsey Lions Club

The Lions Club held their Change Over Dinner on Saturday night 11 August, at the Lancefield Golf Club. The night was a cold and misty one, but all were warmly welcomed at the door and invited in to join the group enjoying the cosy room and the blazing fire. Lion Pat Sullivan acted as Dinner Chairman for the night. The induction of office bearers was carried out by Life Member Lion Doug Newnham. The incoming committee executive is:
President - Ken Coulson
Vice President - Julie Starec
Treasurer - Ged McLaughlin,
Secretary - Werner Ladzik.
District Governor Phillip Sheriff presented special awards, to Lion Julie Starec a Guiding Lion Certificate, Lion Russell Neyland a 30 year Monarch and Lion Allen Collins a 20 year Monarch. Anyone interested in attending a Lions meeting please contact the Membership Officer Julie Starec 0411 643



Travelling to Kilmore, for the WGDD Jean Wallder Bowl on August 6th, Lorraine (118-29-88), Kath (109-27-82) and Beryl (107-24-83) played stroke and we did not have good scores. Stroke is not a forgiving game if you get into difficulties. In fact, there were no really good scores on the day, probably due to the conditions. Rain threatened and we had a couple of light showers, enough to put up the umbrellas and don wet weather gear, only to remove it all several minutes later as the sun came out, warming everything. Balls had the habit of becoming plugged into the soil, so it was just as well that we could lift and clean them. On Wednesday August 8th, no golf was played due to the extremely cold icy winds and the damp weather. Cuppas and company were enjoyed in the golf house in the warmth instead.

Wednesday 15th saw another cold day, but as it was fine 4 brave souls headed out for a hit. We paired up and played Pinehurst. As the morning progressed it seemed to get colder so we retired back to the clubrooms after 10 holes. No winners on the day as we play better without score cards. The course remains very wet.

Recipe for this month

Chocolate Afghans

220gm butter
3oz caster sugar
6oz flour sifted
1 tablespoon cocoa
2½ cups crushed weet-bix
Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy
Add dry ingredients and place teaspoons of mixture onto baking sheets, pressing down lightly with a fork.
Bake at 180 C for 12-15 mins.
Ice when cold if wished.
Kath Jekabsons
54295411



Romsey & Lancefield Probud Club

President: Mrs. Jean Buist 5429 1116
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



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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.

On Wednesday September 19th we are planning a visit to the William Ricketts Sanctuary at Mt. Dandenong.

Our September meeting will be on Thursday 27th.

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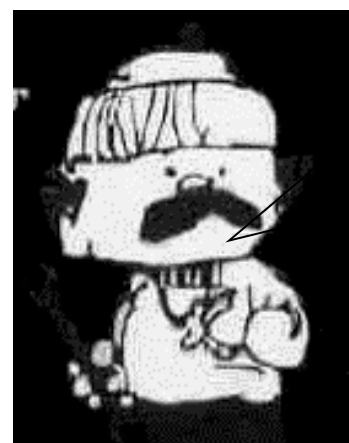
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A National Year of Reading or the end of books?

This year, 2012, is the National Year of Reading. It is about encouraging children to read, to keep keen readers engaged and to make Australia a nation of readers.

In Victoria we have a long history of encouraging and acknowledging the importance of reading. The Victorian Premier's Literary Awards were established in 1985 by John Cain and Victoria continues to be a national leader in literature.

I think we all acknowledge the importance of reading to children. It provides a strong positive influence and can install a lifetime of benefits. But we now have a changing literary landscape with the emergence of Ipads and e-books that is causing much discussion amongst parents, teachers and researchers. Some schools are even removing the books from their libraries and totally replacing them with online databases.

There are some that say children will choose an e-book over a print book and that their comprehension is just as much, or better, than with a print book. Others say old school books have time and research on their side – we know that the number of books in the home and family literacy behavior is highly predictive of positive educational outcomes for children.

So who is right? Time will tell, but what everyone seems to agree on for now is that getting kids interested in reading, and firing up their imagination, is what is important, regardless of the format.

Whatever the outcome of the research for children's learning outcomes with new or old technology, chances are e-books and old school print books will have some overlap and each will offer some unique benefits as well as limitations.

Personally, as a keen reader, former librarian, and a member of the Ministerial Advisory Council on Libraries I hope the reports of the death of the print book are greatly exaggerated (apologies to Mark Twain).

Warm regards

Joanne Duncan

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Romsey Golf Club – Men's Report

<http://romseygolfclub.net>

Saturday August 11th

Heavy rain during the week lead to excessive casual water over much of the course and the day's round was cancelled.

Saturday August 4th - 4th rd John Laing & Stableford

With only minimal rain and more sun during the week the course had begun to dry out so conditions were on the improve. However there was still casual water on a number of holes and little or no run on the still soft fairways, add in the chilly air and you again had difficult conditions for the round. Our six visitors, two from Mt Macedon and four from the city, soon learnt that local knowledge was a valuable commodity; however, under challenging conditions on an unfamiliar layout they all produced creditable scores before enjoying the hospitality of the clubrooms for a quiet drink and a few laughs.

John Laing Shield: The remaining semi-final was to be played however Pat Chisholm was laid up in bed. Andrew Laing D Pat Chisholm W/O. The final will be played on Saturday 11th

Stableford results;
Winner - Andrew Laing (17) 35 pts from Mick Nicholls (27) 34 pts and Dean vanDenHeuval (16) 34 pts

NTPs went to 15th - Kev Milner and 16th - Heath Rea

Saturday July 28th - July Monthly Medal - Stroke & Putts

With over 20 mm of rain bringing a wet end to the week the whole course was again badly effected by casual water so relief, to a hand-span, through the green was given. The round began in still, almost sunny conditions, however this lasted for only the first hole then steady rain began to fall and a cold north-easterly wind swept across the course. After 20 minutes the rain slowed and the wind dropped. Occasional showers continued to fall throughout the remainder of the round making the course so soft that

many groups spent time looking for plugged balls in the middle of the fairway. On a difficult day the results were;

Winner and July Monthly Medalist; Dave Richardson - 99/28/71 (to go with his June Medal) from Jim Patton; 92/19/73 and Heath Rea - 88/15/73

NTPs went to 1st & 15th - Jim Patton (Jim also picked up an eagle on the 438 m Par 5 14th), 16th- Andrew Laing

Least Putts - Heath Rea - 26

Saturday July 21st - 3rd Rd John Laing Shield & Stableford

A small rise in the weekly temperatures and almost no rain meant that the course had begun to dry out; walking the fairways was no longer accompanied by a squishing sound. Casual water still affected a number of holes and the greens, after so many weeks of heavy rain, were extremely difficult to read. The afternoon remained clear and there was some sun to warm the players as they fought out matches in the John Laing Shield or took part in the Stableford competition. John Laing Shield results were;

Andrew Laing (17) D Heath Rea (15) 3/2
Rob Rea (19) D Steve Poulton (36) 2/1
Rob will play the winner of the Andrew Laing V Pat Chisholm match in the final.

Stableford results were;
Winner - Pat Chisholm (22) - 39 pts from Tony Freeman (23) - 33 pts and Dave Richardson (28) - 32 pts

NTPs went to 1 - Chris Gaunt, 15 - Pat Chisholm
Ladies winner was Sharron Carroll - 24 pts (12 holes)

The club held its AGM in the morning, the new club executive is; Pres - Anthony Lakey, Vice Pres - Kevin Dunn, Secretary - Jan Harver & Treasurer - John Boyce.

The 2012 club championships A, B & C Grade, will be played on Saturdays September 1st, 8th and 15th. All club members are urged to put their names down for this competition.



Romsey Uniting Church is holding a

Christmas Market & Car Boot Sale

Sat December 1st
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from 9.00am onwards

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FATHER'S DAY 2012

Cat's In The Cradle - Lyrics by Harry Chapin

My child arrived just the other day, He came to the world in the usual way
But there were planes to catch and bills to pay, He learned to walk while I was away
And he was talkin' 'fore I knew it, and as he grew
He'd say "I'm gonna be like you dad, You know I'm gonna be like you"

And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon, Little boy blue and the man on the moon
When you comin' home dad?
I don't know when, but we'll get together then son, You know we'll have a good time then

My son turned ten just the other day, He said, "Thanks for the ball, Dad, come on let's play
Can you teach me to throw", I said "Not today, I got a lot to do", he said, "That's ok"
And he walked away but his smile never dimmed,
And said, "I'm gonna be like him, yeah, You know I'm gonna be like him"

And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon, Little boy blue and the man on the moon
When you comin' home dad?
I don't know when, but we'll get together then son, You know we'll have a good time then

Well, he came home from college just the other day, So much like a man I just had to say
"Son, I'm proud of you, can you sit for a while?", He shook his head and said with a smile,
"What I'd really like, Dad, is to borrow the car keys, See you later, can I have them please?"

And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon, Little boy blue and the man on the moon

When you comin' home dad?
I don't know when, but we'll get together then son, You know we'll have a good time then

I've long since retired, my son's moved away, I called him up just the other day
I said, "I'd like to see you if you don't mind", He said, "I'd love to, Dad, if I can find the time
You see my new job's a hassle and kids have the flu,
But it's sure nice talking to you, Dad, It's been sure nice talking to you"

And as I hung up the phone it occurred to me, He'd grown up just like me, My boy was just like me!

Father's day is a time to bless our Dads. But it should also be a time of reflection for each dad to evaluate how his role as a father is shaping his kids. It is a well known fact that if a girl does not get the love she needs from her father, then she WILL try to get it from the first male that comes into her life.

The bible says that God is a father to the Fatherless.
(Psalm 68:5)

We would love to introduce you to God the PERFECT FATHER, both as an example to Fathers who are always looking to be the best Dad they can be to their kids, and a Father to the fatherless.

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 happy to be of assistance to you.

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Macedon Ranges Shire's Volunteer Emergency Services benefit from equipment grants

Volunteer emergency services in the Macedon Ranges Shire will share in a record \$11.95 million Coalition Government investment in operational equipment, vehicles and amenities upgrades across Victoria, Donna Petrovich said today.

Mrs Petrovich said Newstead CFA, Romsey CFA, Benloch CFA, Woodend SES and St John Ambulance Australia – Woodend Division were among 261 volunteer emergency services units across Victoria to receive funding under the 2012/2013 Volunteer Emergency Services Equipment Program (VESEP).

Mrs Petrovich said Newstead CFA will receive \$47,267 and Romsey CFA \$55,000 for Field Command Vehicles, Benloch CFA will receive \$1,000 for amenities upgrades, Woodend SES will receive \$25,819 for Homatro Rapid Intervention Kits and St John Ambulance Australia – Woodend Division will receive \$1500 for Heartstart defibrillator training, pads and administrative support.

"The VESEP funding supports the crucial role of local volunteer groups in protecting lives and property in emergencies," said Mrs Petrovich. "The Coalition Government recognises the selfless efforts of Victoria's dedicated emergency service volunteers and these grants support their work and enhance their capability to assist the community in times of emergency."

Mrs Petrovich said that in addition to the VESEP grants, the State Government is investing \$57 million to emergency services in the State Budget, including \$22.9 million to build or upgrade rural fire stations across the state.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Emergency Services Peter Ryan said Victoria's 90,000 emergency services volunteers were fundamental to the state's ability to prepare for and respond to emergencies.

"VESEP funding provides vital equipment for our volunteers who give up their time and energy and are selfless in their efforts to protect lives and property during an emergency," Mr Ryan said.

"The Victorian Government contributes \$2 for every \$1 of funding contributed by local volunteer groups, demonstrating how much can be achieved when community, government and emergency services agencies work together."

Romsey Primary School News



Enrol NOW for 2013



Enrolments for 2013 are currently being taken for all year levels. Parents of 2013 Preps are requested to bring enrolment forms and your child's birth certificate and immunization record to the school office. If you require an enrolment package please contact the school office either in person or by phoning 5429 5099.

Fresh Fruit Friday

We are very excited by the support we have received from the local community in support of the Fresh Fruit initiative and would like to thank both the Romsey Fruit Shop (Frank Doria) who has generously offered to sponsor the continuation of this program and Kids Can Fitness (Melanie and Anthony Traynor) for their once a month sponsorship.

Shining Stars – Our Aerobics Girls!

The Romsey Primary School sports aerobic teams continue to shine. After competing at Wyndham Vale Leisure Centre one sub junior team, the level one junior team, the level two junior pairs and the level two junior team have all qualified to compete in the Australian Aeroskools Championships in Brisbane this month. Congratulations and best of luck girls.



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Macedon Ranges Shire—Council Elections
October 2012
East Ward

Dear Resident,
In October 2012, Council Elections will take place throughout Victoria (election day is 29th October).
Macedon Ranges Shire Elections will be by postal ballot. Residents should receive their ballot papers in the mail from October 9th.

About Me

By way of introduction, my name is Geoff NEIL. I will be a candidate for the East Ward in these elections. Pam and I moved to Romsey in 1977. We have raised a family and, along the way, participated in the many community groups that make this area a vibrant and wonderful place. I have worked in the Macedon Ranges since 1978, serving the community as a local Policeman. I am currently the Officer in Charge of the Macedon Ranges Highway Patrol based out of Kyneton.

My involvement in Local Government came about when the independent local kindergarten shut its doors and another was needed to take its place. The Romsey Kindergarten/IWC facility which we have today was the result of hard work by a group of likeminded residents in partnership with the then Shire of Romsey

Local Government Experience

Councillor – Shire of Romsey 9 years (Shire President - 2 terms)

Councillor – Shire of Macedon Ranges 9 years (Mayor - 2 terms, Deputy Mayor - 1 term)

My Commitment

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Stallholders / car boot sellers still welcome! \$10 inside space \$5 outside
Pizza, tea & coffee available

ART SHOW
Friday night 19th October 2012.
Art Show Opening with Peter Moon 7-10 pm
\$15 entry—includes light supper
“forty acre wine” tasting and sales also available
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st October 2012.
Art Show-Exhibition & Sales 10.00 am-4.00 pm. Gold Coin entry
“Forty Acre Wine” and Devonshire tea & coffee available

Saturday 27th October 2012.
Annual Fire ‘n’ Friends. From 6.00 pm-late.
Donation Entry
Hesket-Kerrie (& Cherokee) CFA - We are still building the Bonfire!!!
BBQ dinner and supper available.
BYO or purchase beverages.

FAMILIES WELCOME TO ALL EVENTS

MP ENCOURAGES LOCAL WOMEN TO NOMINATE FOR COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Speaking in Parliament this week Donna Petrovich encouraged women in her electorate of Northern Victoria to consider running for the 2012 local government elections. Mrs Petrovich said that despite making up over 50% of our population and being major consumers of local government services, women represent only 29% of local councillors across Victoria.


“Gannawarra, one of the municipalities in by electorate has no women councillors, while Greater Bendigo, Loddon and Swan Hill have only one woman each,” said Mrs Petrovich. Mrs Petrovich served as a councillor for the Macedon Ranges Shire for several terms and was the first female mayor elected to the municipality.

“My experience of serving on council was very positive and rewarding,” said Mrs Petrovich. “Getting involved in local government is a fantastic way to help your local community and really become a part of the fabric of that community.” Mrs Petrovich said it is usually women who deal with local government services like maternal and child health services, kindergartens and aged care services and it is important that women’s views are adequately represented on council. “Northern Victoria has a wealth of intelligent, talented and accomplished women who would bring a great deal of knowledge and experience to local government,” said Mrs Petrovich.

“I urge them to get involved in local government for the betterment of their communities.”

Lancefield Romsey Little Athletics Centre

2012 - 2013 Season



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Romsey Community House Update

We are not too far off leaving winter behind us and what better way to get out and about as we prepare for spring? It’s a great time to be learning a new craft or skill just in time for Christmas—whether this be to create some handmade gifts or to get yourself fit and svelte for the holiday season.

New Coordinator at the Romsey Community House

The Committee of Management has recently appointed Judi Nicholson as the new coordinator and we invite you to drop in and say hello. Judi joins us bringing new skills in community development and well-being. Judi lives locally and is delighted to be supporting the community. At present she is generally available between 10am and 3pm on Mondays and Wednesdays in the office, and the office is also open on Fridays between 10am and 1pm, manned by our wonderful volunteers. (Just to clarify, our new coordinator Judi with an “i” shouldn’t be confused with Judy with a “y” who has volunteered at the House on many occasions.)



Volunteer Support

In addition to our new coordinator we have a dedicated team of volunteers who generously contribute their time and expertise to the RCH week in, week out. We are always on the lookout for other volunteers and would be keen to hear from anyone who is community-minded, friendly and able to commit to a regular shift.

Expressions of interest—Term 4 Program

We are well underway with our Term 3 program, and looking ahead to term 4. We are currently taking expressions of interest for continuing programs, but also for new and potential ones. If you have a particular interest or seek to learn something currently not on offer, then we would very much enjoy hearing from you.

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The show will be held on Fridays and Saturdays from 12 to 27 October, at 8 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday 20.

Ticket sales open from 8th September online through TRYBOOKING.COM.AU.

Lancefield Spring Show and Handicraft Exhibition

Organised by the Lancefield Branch of Country Women's Association of Victoria

Friday And Saturday September 7th and 8th 2012 at the Lancefield Mechanics Institute

Admission: adults \$2.00 Morning Tea / Afternoon tea: \$5.00

Entries to be lodged with Mrs. R. Bucknell Ph. 5429 1568 by Wednesday 5th September 2012. Cost 50c. Per entry Entries to be staged by 9.30am on Friday 7th September and collected between 3.00 and 4.00pm on Saturday 8th September. Rules are printed on the back of the schedule and must be adhered to.

Schedules are available in the Hub and the Post Office.

Lancefield & Romsey Community Bank® branches Bendigo Bank

Update: Community Investment Program and Sporting Sponsorships

Thank you to all of the community groups and sporting clubs who submitted applications for the Community Investment Program and Sporting Sponsorships.

We are budgeting to again spend over \$100,000 this year on grants and sponsorships to community groups, sporting groups, schools, emergency services branches and local events.

All submissions for community grants are now going through an evaluation process by an Independent Panel.

We will be announcing the recipients of the Community Investment Program and Sporting Sponsorships at our annual event which will be held on **Wednesday the 10th of October, 2012**. We look forward to further supporting our local community.

There's always a lot happening with our Banks – your Banks – in our community, so please make sure that your friends and family are supporting us so we can continue to support you!



Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc.

E-mail: lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com
Website: www.lancefieldcourthouse.org

P.O. Box 101
LANCEFIELD 3435

The Society has been quite busy of late.

We conducted a Christmas in July morning tea at Seymour Cottage, then our Winter Luncheon at Lancefield. The attendance was a little disappointing but there is often the possibility of another group conducting an event on the same date. We are endeavouring, as are other groups, to establish a calendar through RRABATA in Romsey and the Neighbourhood House at Lancefield so as to avoid this in the future. Our Sausage Sizzle conducted at the July Lancefield Farmers Market was a success and we thank both those who manned the stall as well as those who purchased our tasty food.

Sunday 5th August was our Annual Family History Day as part of National Family History Week. This day was highly successful, with a good number of people visiting our Archives at the Lancefield Courthouse.

Don't forget that our Society will be conducting a stall at the **Lancefield Show** on 21 October. The main theme for our display will be the Obituaries Book published by the Socie-

ty. The Lancefield Cemetery and some family histories of those buried in the Cemetery will be included at our stall. As History Week runs from 21 October to 28 October, this will be our way of celebrating this event.

The heritage records of the district held at the Lancefield Courthouse include district newspapers that go back to 1870. For more information on these and other archive material including photographs of the people and their district, contact the Society's Archivist Robyn Miller tel. 0418 172 659. The Courthouse is staffed between 10-2 Monday, Wednesday & Friday. Arrangements can be made with the Archivist to visit the resources by Appointment.

Seymour Cottage will again be open to visitors on 16 September.

The Cottage Co-ordinator would appreciate the donation of pennies and halfpennies for our display. If any person has any spare firewood a donation would be greatly appreciated.



Lancefield Romsey Lions Club Children of Courage Award

Lancefield Romsey Lions club hosted a Children of Courage Award last month. This was the first for this year. (Remembering our Lions year starts in July) These awards were introduced in 1983 to acknowledge a special group of young Australians and their families in the hope that such recognition would act as encouragement for their future, help them to believe in themselves and increase their self-worth.

To be eligible for an award a child needs to be between the ages of five and fifteen. Children of Courage Awards are awarded in three categories:

- **Special needs**, Children with special needs who have shown courage in the face of adversity. This includes disabled children, or those who have undergone long periods of medical treatment, surgery or hospitalisation, causing pain or trauma.
- **Bravery**, Children who, without regard for personal safety, have been instrumental in the preservation of life and/or property, or who have rendered assistance in an accident, or whose concern for others is worthy of recognition.
- **Sporting**, Children who have overcome personal hardship and/or disadvantage to achieve a high degree of sporting prowess, either individually or as a team member.

This award is given to these children so that they can be recognised with an Inscribed Plaque, Inscribed Trophy and a Lions Teddy.

The recipient to get this award was Eliza Consiglio from Lancefield. Her parents Christine and Colin and other family members were joined by many of the Lions club members to see Eliza receive her award. Eliza's journey began back in 2007 she had been seriously unwell for several months, previous that had led to two separate hospital admissions. Eliza had a **Sacroccocygeal teratoma** (A tumour at the base of her coccyx bone) Stage 1V which has been removed. The tumour took the space of her whole pelvic cavity and had spread to her lungs, spine and ribs. Eliza has endured endless stays in hospital, needles, general anaesthetics, blood transfusions, over hundreds of diagnostic tests and the list goes on and on, without the major player of all being the intensive chemotherapy. Today we see a determined, bright, cheeky little girl who has proven beyond all doubt what it means to have courage and give everything her best shot.

The Children of Courage Awards is an important and worthwhile annual project for the Lancefield Romsey Lions Club. If you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate for these awards, or would like to know more about other lions projects, we meet every second Tuesday evening (Business) and every fourth Tuesday evening (Dinner). Please don't hesitate to call me on my mobile 0411 643 407 or at home 5429 1990 Lion Julie Starec.





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When you work towards achieving goals in a field that you are passionate about, your life will seem so much richer. Well how did you go with your attitude of gratitude last month? Where are you on a scale of 1 to 10 in Happiness?

Now we can start to realize what the things are that make us happy, you need to make sure these things are a part of your life right now!

Before we go there though, we need to be aware of the things we need to continue on our journey through life. On an individual level there are six areas that I believe are crucial to our individual happiness, we need to be able to **contribute** and have **variety** in our life, we need to feel **important** and **loved**, we need to be able to **grow** and have the **freedom** to be ourselves.

Now we have the above, **balance is the key between the things you have to do, what you need to do and what you want to do** in all major areas of your life. Finance, Career, Relationships, Spirituality, Emotional and Health.

Now does this make sense? It's a lot to take in, it normally takes a full day workshop to explain this in greater detail.

Many of us desire financial success, but is getting a hefty paycheck really something that alone is going to make you happy? Just having money will not bring happiness into your life. In order to be happy with what you are doing you need to be doing something that you like.

So awareness and an understanding of where you are at right now is also crucial to your Happiness.

Your task this month is to ask yourself and write a list of all the things that make you happy, actually I want a list of 100 things that make you happy. It could be as simple as a thank you for a job well done, or a smile from your little one. Have fun with this and you can't make a mistake; it's all perfect.

Until next time, love, laugh, dream, believe and inspire. Be empowered to live the life you deserve.

Gillian, from Life Circle Solutions.

For more information contact Gillian on m: 0409 801 082 p: 5429 25448



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 73 Main St, Romsey VIC 3434
 Contact us at:
 Ph: 5428 5418 or 5429 6354
 email: muddy27@bigpond.com



Macedon Ranges Masonic Lodge

**Meet 1st Thursday except January
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ALL BRETHREN WELCOME

Romsey Red Cross Unit

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent Cake Stall. Your support is appreciated.

Thank you also to our retiring officer bearers – President: Isobel Hood and Vice President: Lyn Van Arkel. Their hard work on behalf of Red Cross over many years will be an inspiration to the incoming officer bearers.

President:	Karen Hermann	5429 6658
Vice-President:	Ann Krstic	5427 0252
Treasurer:	Leeanne Eames	5429 5658
Secretary:	Robyn Stephens	5789 1457
Regional Rep:	Trish Dunn	5429 6761

We all look forward to a successful year ahead. If you would like to join us, or just come along for a chat and cuppa, we met on the second Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm at the Uniting Church, Romsey.

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"A Romsey Pool"

The issue of the proposed Gisborne Aquatic Centre expansion has received a lot of media attention and has resulted in some confusion. The Macedon Ranges Shire Council Aquatic Strategy holds a vision of indoor aquatic facilities in Kyneton, Gisborne & Romsey. The Gisborne Pool was built in 2005 and the Kyneton Pool in 2011, two excellent facilities. The third spoke to the aquatic strategy, being a Romsey pool, is subject to a council funded feasibility study this year.

In Aug 2011 a \$7.85m expansion of the Gisborne facility was put to a council vote and not supported. In July 2012 the same proposal was put to a Council vote and once again not supported. The July 2012 decision was challenged at a Special Council Meeting on 8th Aug 2012 and again not supported. The decision was further challenged at a Special Council Meeting on 15th Aug 2012. On this last occasion, the challenge was withdrawn moments after the meeting commenced.

There are certainly strong arguments as to why the Gisborne pool should be expanded. Gisborne is the largest and fastest growing town within the shire and its pool is expected to reach capacity by 2016.

I did not support this proposed expansion for the following reasons.

- We are now in the last 8 weeks of the current Council's term and such a major decision should be left to the incoming Council.
- As we are entering times of economic uncertainty what may be argued an "affordable" increase in your rates today may be less affordable in the near future.
- Shire wide equity. One way to ease the pressure on the Gisborne pool would be to fulfill Council's aquatic strategy and develop a facility in Romsey. It has been argued that the local community does not have the population to sustain such a facility however as Romsey/Lancefield residents currently travel to the Gisborne pool, excess Gisborne patrons could also travel to a Romsey pool. It's the same distance each way.

When you ask what your Councillors have done over the last four years there are number of significant and tangible achievements that can be listed; however to appreciate the full picture one must also take into consideration what your local Councillors have prevented from happening. This is but one example.

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 (GRAAP Inc.)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 15th October 2012 7.30pm

at Romsey Community Hub

All positions are declared open

Enquiries can be directed to:

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Raelene M: 0428 928 908

CALL OUT FOR ARTISTS TO PLAY KYNETON MUSIC FESTIVAL 2013

The inaugural Kyneton Music Festival was launched in March 2012 as The Kyneton Boots & Roots Festival run by a committee of locals with a passion for live music and a thirst to draw talent out of their hills. They liked what they found and now they are hungry for more.

In its second year, the not-for-profit festival continues to be run by a small group with big enthusiasm for providing accessible platforms to showcase local musicians and to offer new and exciting social opportunities for artists and the community. Kyneton Music Festival celebrates all genres of live music on festival weekend and at events throughout the year.

This year Kyneton Music Festival is excited to also present BeardFest 2013. BeardFest will be held in Kyneton over festival weekend and will celebrate bands, beer & of course, beards.

Applications for local artists to play at Kyneton Music Festival in March 2013 are open August 1st – October 31st 2012. Check out website for more details.

www.kynetonmusicfestival.com.au



St. Mary's Parish - Lancefield & Romsey

Parish Priest:	Fr. Sebastian	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
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

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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.

Welcome to Fr. Sebastian who is temporarily in the parish from 12th August until Fr. Arnold arrives on the 24th September.

Farewell

My deep thanks to all of those who made last weekend such a very special and deeply moving farewell. Thanks to the committee, those who brought food and waited on the day and for the many gifts and prayers people have offered. The parish is very special and will always be in my prayers.



Fr. George

Congratulations to all parishioners that contributed to making Fr. George's farewell so special for him last Sunday afternoon. For all those who helped in so many ways, from welcoming people at the Masses, musicians, youth choir, special ministers, our school teachers and families for the Saturday night Mass and festivities afterwards, also our teachers and school children who decorated the school hall.

We would also like to thank the parishioners who helped with the wonderful catering on the day. Our speakers and the hospitality shown by our parishioners to guests and other community members.

Thank you **ALL** for your generous donations towards Fr. George's gifts and all who contributed to the memory book. The day was fantastic because you all were there to share the love and affection of a wonderful man and shepherd to our parish. "Well done, good and faithful servants".

Fr. George Farewell Committee

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Plenty of Books.

Thank you to the Lancefield Opp shop for donating money so we could update and renew the 'Take home' and Guided readers for the students. Amber Ryan, Benjamin Sankey and Kobe Memmolo are reading a book from the collection. Mrs Walker, Mrs Tame and Mrs Gale are a part of the Literacy team.



Sacred Heart College Kyneton

Congratulations to the following former students from St Mary's who are in the top 10% in their year level in academic progress.
Year 7 : Jemma Clayton, Kate Redmond
Year 8 : Gabrielle Veal
Year 9 : Abbie Bennetts, Tayla Halpin, Fiona Redmond

Fr George O'Connor

Last Saturday we said goodbye to Fr George on Saturday night with Mass followed by supper in the hall. Mrs Kylie Sankey thanked Fr George for his support of the Parents and Friends committee and their endeavours including the Landscape Master Plan. Mr Andrew Memmolo thanked Fr George for his support of the School Board especially in regards to the new school buildings and facilities. Kayla Dyer and Jack Ryan (Year 5/6 students) thanked Fr George for making Mass a joyful experience and having a positive influence on the school community. Life moves on and we welcome Fr Arnold who will be with us in September. In the meantime Fr Sebastian will be celebrating Mass from August 11.

Prep/1/2 Olympic Afternoon.

The students in Grade Prep -2 were involved in Olympic afternoon earlier this week as a part of their Inquiry Unit of work. The students were assisted by many parents (thanks) as they made scones, produced art work and competed in physical activities. The students all received a medal for competing and being good sports. Go Australia.

Year 5/6 Camp

On Monday 6th Aug the year 5/6 students and staff travelled to the Phillip Island Adventure Camp Resort. The behaviour of the students was excellent and there were many positive comments from the staff at the resort concerning the student's manners and organisational skills. The activities included a giant swing (18m), twin flying fox, canoeing, initiative games and rock wall climbing. The students supported and encouraged each other to try each activity. The students and staff arrived back on Wednesday afternoon, tired but happy. Again many of the students have declared it the best camp they have been on. Thank you to Ms. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Ryan for organising the camp and to Mrs. Gale and Mrs. Rachel Dyer for their support.

Enrolments for 2013 Preps.

Please ring for a tour or a chat.
Our students go onto Assumption College Kilmore and Sacred Heart College Kyneton after being at St Mary's for Prep - year 6.
Call Principal Tony Falls 54291359.

Macedon Ranges Squash Club



Players sought for squash at Romsey

New players are being welcomed by a group of squash enthusiasts who meet weekly for social competition at the Romsey Squash Courts.

The competition is among activities organised by the Macedon Ranges Squash Club which holds competition from courts at both Romsey and Kyneton.

Romsey competition organiser Bruce Morgan said social competition at Romsey every Tuesday evening had been successful as it catered for all ages and abilities.

"We use a scoring and handicap system that gives everyone a fair go and the opportunity to play others of a higher standard and therefore improve their game.

"It's a social competition played in good spirit followed by a supper and we can cater for players with not much experience, to the very experienced."

The Macedon Ranges Squash Club also offers coaching and practice sessions from the courts at Kyneton for those wanting to improve. And there are two mid week competitions held at Kyneton - Monday and Thursday evenings. Squash was rated recently as the healthiest sport in a survey conducted by the widely respected and influential US business magazine Forbes.

For enquires about squash at Romsey contact Bruce Morgan on 0402595368. For enquiries about squash at Kyneton contact Bill Hutcheson on 0488348898.

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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

In September the Romsey Uniting Church Adult Fellowship group will be visiting the residents at Karinya Aged Care in Lancefield. We will be providing them with afternoon tea and spending time with our senior members of the community.

Advance Notice:

On Saturday, December 1st, 2012, the Romsey Uniting Church are holding a Market/Car Boot Sale in the church grounds at 25 Pohlman Street. For further information and contact address and phone number, please see Advertisement in this issue of the Romsey Rag.

Standard of Living – or Quality of Life?

At first sight it might seem that these are one and the same thing; that they necessarily go together; that you can't have one without the other. But further reflection will show that this is not always so. A high standard of living does not guarantee a good quality of life, and, conversely, a good quality of life does not depend on a high standard of living.

For instance, some primitive races enjoy a good quality of life through their own culture and customs and practices, even though their standard of living is quite meagre and mundane. Some indigenous peoples had a very acceptable and appropriate quality of life until they were overtaken by a civilisation that attempted to improve their standard of living, sometimes with unfortunate results.

Of course they can and often do go together, and there are many instances where quality of life can and does live comfortably with a high standard of living. But there are others where the emphasis, the concentration on standard of living has an adverse and sometimes disastrous effect on quality of life.

Perhaps the most valid and valued aspect of the Gospel message is its close, sometimes uncomfortably close, relevance to modern life. In the Sermon on the Mount,

Jesus tells us not to be anxious about material possessions, but to seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and these other things will fall into their rightful place. This anxiety about material things referred to by Jesus can be related to concentration on standard of living, and seeking first the Kingdom of God to quality of life.

There are a number of ingredients that go to make up quality of life. For many it is centred in belief in God and his abiding goodness and love and in seeking to live in accordance with his will and purpose.

This subject has so many facets that it is not possible, in a few short paragraphs to do much more than touch the fringes of it. But perhaps it is enough just as a reminder that life can hold something eminently satisfying that does not depend on the attainment of a high standard of living.

Church Services in September

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| 2nd. | 9am. | Worship Service conducted by the Worship Team |
| 9 th . | 9am. | Worship and Holy Communion conducted by Rev. Avril Hannah-Jones |
| 16 th . | 9am. | Worship Service |
| 23 rd . | 9am. | Worship Service conducted by Rev. Avril Hannah-Jones |
| 30 th . | 10.30am | Combined 5 th Sunday Service at Mt. Macedon conducted by Rev. Avril Hannah-Jones |

GRAAP NEWS

Old Primary School Site Update – Meetings with Local Members



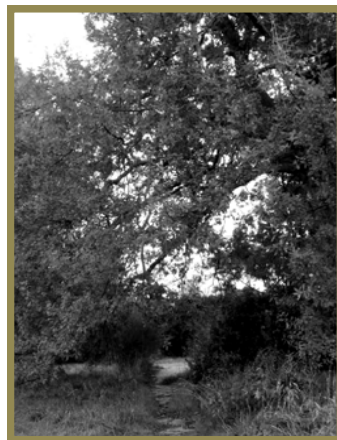
GRAAP members and Macedon Ranges Shire Council (MRSC) East Ward councillors have recently met with the State Member for Macedon, Joanne Duncan MLA, to further discuss the acquisition of the old Romsey Primary School site as a community space. Joanne has offered to have further dialogue with the Minister for Education and his department (DEECD) which currently controls the land. MRSC will continue to investigate its preferred option of leasing the land from DEECD for community use.

Meanwhile, a meeting has also been secured in early September with Donna Petrovich MLC, State Member for Northern Region.

GRAAP is most grateful for its support from all stakeholders in this discussion – MRSC, state government departments, local members and the Romsey community – as it strives to secure the old primary school site as an iconic community precinct for the Romsey region.

As this historically significant and potentially beautiful site slips into a dilapidated state, it is hoped that its future as a community resource can be soon finalised.

For further information regarding GRAAP, please contact - **Raelene Mottram** (President) Phone: 0428 928908 Email: graap@exemail.com.au P.O. Box 53, Romsey, 3434.



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Join in! Sign up for this popular course before **Friday 12 October 2012**. Dates and times will be confirmed closer to October.

Register your interest today! Phone the Healthy Communities Team at Macedon Ranges Shire Council on 5422 0216 or email healthycommunities@mrsc.vic.gov.au.

The Macedon Ranges Healthy and Active People Initiative programs and activities are funded by the Australian Government. They are run by Macedon Ranges Shire Council in partnership with Cobaw Community Health and Macedon Ranges Health.



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For details, please ring Rae Hooke on 54291602.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The Romsey Community House Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting on **Tuesday October 9th 2012** at 7.00pm at the Romsey Community House, (Romsey Hub), 96 Main Street, Romsey.

All committee positions will be declared vacant and a new committee of management will be elected. A light supper will be served. All welcome. Nominations will close at 4.00pm on Monday October 8th and nomination forms can be obtained from the Community House.

To be eligible for nomination you need to be a financial member of the Romsey Community House. For further information please call in at the House or ring 54296724.





Women Gathering to Share & Celebrate Friendship Celebrating Our 1st Birthday!

We are celebrating our 1st Birthday in style this month at The Bentinck of Woodend. The first Friday of every month The Bentinck opens to the public and holds Friday night drinks with live music entertainment. This is sure to be a fun filled, fabulous night out and a great excuse to kick off your slippers and get glammed up for a change. We will be arranging a bus service to pick up and drop off for those who want to soak up the warm open fire atmosphere and enjoy a few Friday night drinks.

**RRWN 1st Birthday – Friday Night @ The Bentinck
8 Carlisle Street, Woodend
Friday 7th September – 7.00pm
Members Only & Pay your own way event**

Please RSVP via our email address below as soon as possible so that we can confirm numbers and also advise if you would like to take advantage of the bus service. Cost of bus is \$10 per person and there are limited seats available so get in early!!

Lastly, membership fees for 2012/2013 were due at the end of August. The annual fee remains at \$20. If you haven't yet paid you can either do so by dropping into see Tracey at CharlLu or direct deposit into our account. Please insure you include your name as reference and email confirmation that you have paid so that we can issue you a receipt: -

Acc Name: Romsey Region Women's Network
BSB: 633 108 ACC: 144096146
We will resume our meetings to the 3rd Thursday of each month in October. If you are curious but unsure about what we are about, please come along to one of our monthly meetings. You are under no obligation to pay the membership fee the first night unless you decide there is something you will benefit from joining our gatherings. Our intent is to provide a safe environment for women to gather together, exchange ideas, share about their lives and have some laughs. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Romsey Region Women's Network Inc.
Annual membership: - \$20
111 Main Street
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Email: info@rrwn.com.au

Masterchef comes to Heskett Primary School

As part of both Literacy and Numeracy the grade 3 / 4 children have enjoyed Masterchef activities. The children note take and print a Masterclass recipe each Monday and then with 1 hr on the clock they must follow the recipe to recreate and improve the dish. The children work quickly cooking, plating up, publishing their recipe and waiting for the grade 5 / 6 judges to post their awards.



The children are producing recipe books. Dishes have included gourmet pizzas, rice paper rolls and tacos. Presently they are cooking pizza and salad lunches for the rest of the school and the profits made from this venture will pay for the ingredients needed for a Greek Feast they are planning.

There are excellent advantages in teaching literacy, mathematics, science, technology, health issues and studies of society through such a cooking program – apart from the eating afterwards! And, the kids love it!!

Bolinda & Monegeeta News COMMUNITY NEWS:

58mL (207 pts) of rain last month (July) and all is looking quite wet ... a few bogged vehicles where people have forgotten that grass is not always a solid surface in the wetter years...

SPRING FAIR: *Hope you have marked your calendars for the Daffodil Show and Spring Fair on Sunday, September 9th, 10:30 to 2:30. It's a great family day- something for parents, grandparents and children - with the lovely flower show for adults, terrific local hamburgers and lamb sausages for lunch, a great range of stalls (plants, produce, etc) and the "kids special" (that's a one-up fee for unlimited rides on our sponsored activities. We've added a Jumping Castle this year to go with the Hay Ride, Train Ride, Archaeology Dig, Lamb Nursery, Picnic Races...) And a great Western Water Showbag for the kids, a magnificent Clydesdale to admire... See you there at Bolinda Hall, Melways 609 J10!*

HISTORY: *Bolinda History book available at Monegeeta Store. 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 Monegeeta communities.*

FROM THE MINUTE BOOK: *There's some fascinating articles in the Hall Minute books! In June 1930, the 18th Annual Report of the Bolinda Mechanics Institute reported a credit balance of 20 pounds, 7 shillings, 'after having spent the large sum of 39 pounds, 7 shillings and 6 pence in painting the Hall and other improvements'. That compares with the \$35,000 (approx) for Hall painting etc(Shire stimulus) in 2009/10! There were 525 novels in the library – an important community asset in the days before the communication boom of to-day.*

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: *Another wild winter's day predicted for our Garden Club trip to Spring Hill Nursery at Tylden, but one again we enjoyed a mild and sunny afternoon...our Garden Club sure can beat the weather! There was a great range of winter performing plants for color, perfume and sheer beauty so we had a great oppor-*

tunity to add to our gardens. Hellebores and Daphne and Winter Sweet were some of my favourites. A chance to pick up an enormous range of roses and peonies (among others) for spring/summer. We admired the lovely gardens, fantastic espaliered apples, olives, etc and displays of art, old tools... a great day. We enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea at The Albion, Kyneton; hospitality here was all we could have asked for. Next meeting is the 25th of August, when we head up to Macedon to visit Yvonne's Garden and partake of her hospitality. We would love you to join us! Meet at Bolinda Hall at 1:30; we're going to have a look at some of the varieties of daffodils so that you will know what and how to enter them in the local shows - especially Bolinda Show. Competition is becoming a bit fierce among some locals.

PEOPLE OF THE MONTH: The folk of McIntyre Lane
One of our most community minded families, the McIntyres, are our feature this month. Leslie Argyle McIntyre and his wife Mary (Heath) settled at Condah Park, Bolinda, just after WW1. Argyle had decided he no longer wanted to teach, so turned to the farming life. The area was timbered, so as he cleared the land, he supplied many folk from Romsey with firewood. Their mixed farm included sheep and cattle, and crops of oats and wheat. They had four children – Kenneth (now lives in Rushworth), Doug (dec), Joy (Pattinson, Lancefield) and Jillian (Challis, Romsey). Doug married Margaret Mollica and they had 4 children Robert, John, Peter and Linda (lots of grandchildren now, too). Sport (cricket, tennis, badminton amongst others) and community support were notable features of the family and this continues with the great encouragement and community work of Margaret and Rob.

Cheerio from Bolinda & Monegeeta (Enquiries: John and Ruth Green54285347; 0415256911)

'AN EVENING OF OPERA & ART'
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Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA)

UPDATE



Urgent Attention: Business Breakfast

It is not too late to book a seat at the 3rd Annual RRBATA Business Breakfast to be held on **Friday 7th September 2012**. RRBATA wishes to apologise for any inconvenience with this rescheduling. Do not miss out on a great Soltan Pepper breakfast to start your day with the possibility of winning a lucky door prize! Guest speakers include **Peter Johnston**, Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Chief Executive Officer, and **Patrick Quigley**, financial consultant with Akambo Private Wealth. Don't forget the

lucky door prize up for grabs! 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 for bookings or further queries.

Road Signage Issues

RRBATA has now received advice from Vic Roads as to the process for getting tourist signage to highlight the Lone Pine tree outside the old Primary school site at the northern approach to town. RRBATA, with prompting from Romsey and Lancefield RSL branch, has also made inquiry with Vic Roads regarding service club signage at the north and south entry points to town. Apparently, despite the fact such signs feature in most towns state wide, Vic Roads are no longer advocating such signs be on roadsides as they are perceived as a hazard. Rather, they would prefer they reside in parks! All currently existing roadside service club signs will be removed once they enter a state of disrepair. Given that most towns in Victoria feature service club signage adjacent to town signs, RRBATA is keen to continue dialogue with both Vic Roads and MRSC on this matter. It is important that we showcase the array of community groups which contribute to the town's fabric. So, WATCH THIS SPACE.



Media Commentary

Recently, RRBATA was contacted by The Free Press in relation to the health of Romsey region business as a point of difference in a story being run about depressed Gisborne business climate. RRBATA. This highlights the important role of RRBATA as a public voice for Romsey region business and tourism. In order to continue this activity, RRBATA needs local businesses to seriously consider becoming members. 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 320553 Email: hages10@optusnet.com.au

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.

Next RRBATA Functions:

RRBATA Business Breakfast

Friday 7th September 2012 at 7.00am for 7.30am
At Soltan Pepper Members \$15pp, Non Members \$20pp **ALL WELCOME**

RRBATA Annual General Meeting

Monday 29th October 2012 at 7.30pm
At Romsey Community Hub

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COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION – ROMSEY BRANCH

Two frogs fell into a deep cream bowl,
One was an optimistic soul
But the other took the gloomy view,
"We'll drown" he said, "I'm telling you".

Without much ado, and with a last sad cry,
He flung his legs up and said "Goodbye".



Quoth the other frog with a steadfast grin,
"I can't get out, but I won't give in,
I'll just swim around till my strength is spent,
Then I'll die, the more content".

Bravely he swam to work his scheme,
And his struggles began to churn the cream,
The more he swam, his legs a-flutter,
The more the cream turned into butter.
On top of the butter at last he stopped,
And out of the bowl he gaily hopped.

*What is the moral? It's easily found,
If you can't hop out, keep swimming around.*

This month things have been a little quieter than usual. The weather has been so cold. Even so, many functions have been attended. Our Group Conference and meeting were held at Trentham early August and 3 ladies learned of future activities of our Group and Head Office, namely, Christmas meeting/break-up/International luncheon, State Fair 2013, Royal Agricultural Show, etc.

We were fortunate to be awarded a Grant from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council for our continuing commitment to our Community and the Romsey Primary School with

art smocks, the purchase of a sewing machine and cabinets in which to store our machines and other incidentals.

Bendigo Bank has also advised we are eligible to apply for a further grant. This application has been forwarded, and if successful, we will be purchasing pure new wool to knit or crochet toys for our Ambulance Station, Fire Brigade, doctors' surgeries, or wherever they can be handed to children needing comfort at a trying time. By using pure new wool, we will also be supporting the Australian Wool Industry in this, the "Year of the Farmer".

We would like to thank both our Shire Council and the Bendigo Bank for their generosity in supporting our small branch of the Country Women's Association.

Ladies enjoyed a day with Sunbury Branch at their Dutch Auction. Many well wrapped parcels were bidden on, and opened with anticipation of hopefully finding a wonderful treasure.

We will be heading to Kyneton Masonic Hall for Kyneton Branch's Daffodil Festival where we have been allocated the Pre-loved stall. This is a fun day, and certainly shows "one man's trash is another man's treasure". This is on September 8th and 9th, and also Lancefield have their Spring Show on Saturday, September 8th.

We are making plans for our Creative Arts Exhibition to be held at the Mechanics Institute in April, 2013. This is shaping up to be a great show and we hope you will support us with your attendance to see what clever ladies we have in our Group, and of course, to enjoy our famous lunches, as well as morning and afternoon teas.

For information regarding becoming a member of Romsey CWA, please contact our Secretary, Val Jordan on 5429 2311.



**Program
Term 4 2012**

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

A variety of programs promoting health and vitality are offered to suit a range of needs

Yoga

Mondays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House
\$14 per class when term is paid before end of Week 1
\$18 Casual Participation: Enquiries to **Leisa Kirk on 0408 934 656**

Thursdays 7pm-8.30pm @ Romsey Community House
\$15 per class when term is paid before end of Week 1
\$18 Casual Participation: Enquiries to **Lisa Moore on 0448 345 338**

Sun Style Tai Chi

Tuesdays 1pm—2pm

\$8 per class (Minimum Numbers Apply)

To join—Contact **Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219 900**

Gentle Exercise for Over 50's

Mondays 10am - 11am. These classes are designed to be fun and are specifically tailored to meet the capacity of each participant. This class may

assist with balance, mobility, bladder control and joint pain. Chair based exercises also available. Cost \$5 per class

Enquiries to **Jan on 5428 1223 or 0412 219 900**

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

Heart Foundation 'Walk Together' Program

Tuesdays 9.30am - 10.30am. Meet with group leader Eileen at the Lions Park on Main Road (near Five Mile Creek).

Social & Creative Activities

Providing opportunities for you to join in; express yourself and have fun in a supportive environment

Art Classes

Adult's Classes with Tanya Salter : Tuesdays 10.30am - 12.30pm (weekly) \$150 for a ten week term.

\$15 for new students (newcomers trial class) and \$135 for remaining 9 weeks.

Learn to draw and paint in watercolour, oils and acrylics.

Bring all your own materials.

Children's Classes with Tanya Salter: Thursdays

3.45pm - 4.45pm (weekly)

\$80 for a ten week term.

\$8 for new students and then pay \$72

Bring you own materials.

Advice available on improving your career in the design and art sector.

For all bookings call **Tanya 0400 053 829**

Line Dancing

Mondays 9.00am - 10.30am at the Mechanics Institute Hall. Cost: \$6 per class. Open Age. All enquiries to **Anne on 5429 1650**

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. Contact **Leanne on 0407 053 806**.

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 **Sue 5428 6951** or **Lila 5429 3732**

Workshops for Children and Adults

Workshop 1 Expressive movement through dance and sound. Includes meditation

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**

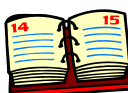
It's All About You' 4 Women.

Let's get together and chat in a relaxed, safe, fun and supportive environment. If you have something you want to share, learn or understand please come along to the Romsey Community Hub. Sessions include meditation, a free cuppa and a different topic each week (if needed). Sessions will be led by Gillian Gorrie, Life Circle Solutions, Tutor, Teacher, NLP Practitioner. For more information contact **Gillian on M:0409 801 082 or H:54295448** .

Open House — We'd love to see you!

Our 'Drop in Room' is open to the public weekdays 9.30am - 5.00pm. Enjoy a quiet cuppa; peruse our community brochures or spend some time socialising with friends. You never know you might even make some new ones! Gold coin donation applies.

For the Diary...



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