LOCAL BUSINESSES REVITALISED

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Micheal Latinto initially took over the former Lancefield Take-Away. After extensive renovations with all new equipment, the Take-Away was relaunched as Smokin Moe's with a whole new menu including HSPs, kebabs, parmas, falafels, ribs and wings, lasagne, home-made potato cakes and pizzas. The shop also offers free home delivery Friday and Saturday.

Michael is a high achiever in his industry; he is a professional chef specialising in French cuisine and has worked all over Australia and overseas in highend restaurants. As well as running Smokin Moe's, Michael and his partner, Jodie Philippe (of The Hair Room, Lancefield) have a new venture which they are passionate about. They have just taken over The Lancefield Corner Store, a mixed business of newsagency, café and take-away food. At the Corner Store they are focusing on providing locals with additional options in their choice of eat-in or take-away food. The Lancefield Corner Store is specialising in home cooked food such as home-made chunky pies, Lebanese pastries, traditional fare, such as Bangersand-Mash, Stir-Fry and home-made soups and are very excited about introducing vegan and vegetarian options.

Michael and Jodi also pride themselves on their freshly made cakes and coffees, chai, turmeric and rosewater latté's. VOL. 28 NO 7 AUGUST 2018









'Lancefield Dreaming' is a project to create a film about the community of Lancefield, highlighting its welcoming, friendly and inclusive nature. So much so, that Lancefield is not only seen as home by everyone, but the community is also seen as family.

One of the main aims of the project is to help children recognise the specialness of their society, and to enable them to join in with helping to protect and preserve this very special place.

Over the last couple of years Harry Nanos, Mike Smith and Paul Carter have, with the help of others, fund-raised,



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bought camera equipment, filmed, recorded music, written narrative and edited their material. They are now delighted to announce that a 16-minute short version of 'Lancefield Dreaming' has now been completed. This short version will be used for further promotion to raise the money necessary to complete the rest of the project. One evening a couple of weeks ago, members of the Board of the local Bendigo Bank had a private viewing. They were very enthusiastic about what they saw – so fingers crossed that funds might follow!

Dr Paul Carter



LANCEFIELD TENNIS CLUB WELCOMES ALL NEW MEMBERS!

We are a friendly club that welcomes all players from junior to senior. Please contact Rhonda Franks for membership enquiries 0409709605 or check our Facebook page for updated info. The Spring season for night comp and ladies has begun but new players are welcome mid-competition. Congratulations to the Lancefield Section 1 team for winning the MRTA Thursday night grand final and congratulations to the Tuesday Ladies Section 4 team for a great effort in Runners Up.



- 1. What is the 17th letter of the alphabet?
- 2. Which nuts are used to make marzipan?
- 3. In which sport can you win the Davis Cup?
- 4. Which device is used to look at the stars?
- 5. What is the first book of the Old Testament?
- 6. What is another name for eggplant?
- 7. What is Joan Miro known for?
- 8. Can you name the 3 primary colours?
- 9. What type of angle has 90 degrees?
- 10.Which country is represented by this flag?

Answers on page 33



IMPORTANT NOTICE PUTTING OUR WASTE TO GOOD USE

The recycling of key items of household waste from the Macedon Ranges Shire is back on track again, following on from a change in the Council contract. Following issues with the disposal of recyclable waste earlier this year, I'm pleased to see that we're again contributing to a waste-reduced environment. Four Seasons has been engaged as our waste collection contractor and has recently taken over from Wheelie Waste. This new arrangement is already working well, with all waste streams being collected and treated to a high standard.

Recyclable items collected by Four Seasons Waste is bulk hauled to a registered material recycling facility, where it is processed for products such as cardboard, paper and glass material. The better we can sort our rubbish into what can and can't be recycled, the better it is for all of us. For a ready reckoner on what rubbish goes into what bin, there's a good document on the Council website: http:// www.mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Bins-Rubbish-Recycling/Waste-Index-A-Z

For example, did you know that key recyclables include empty aerosol cans, detergent bottles, pet food tins, juice cartons and wrapping paper – and the one that annoys us most, junk mail! I take great satisfaction in dumping junk mail straight into the recycling bin. If you're diligent about recycling, you're just not benefiting the environment – it's a plus in several ways. Recycling saves money—the more we recycle, the less we pay to the State Government for waste going into landfill. It also reduces greenhouse gas—the more materials going into

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Phone (03)5429 1433 Mobile 0419 541 914 Fax (03) 54292233 Email fostelec@telstra.com landfill, the more greenhouse gases we produce. We also need to be diligent to ensure we don't inadvertently spoil the efforts of everyone else.

One contaminated bin can send the entire truck load to landfill, as it's not cost-effective for recyclers to have to sort through everything. In terms of our new contract and arrangements, general waste is being disposed of at Sunbury Landfill until 30 September, and after that will be bulk hauled to Patho Landfill, up past Echuca.

Bulk haulage has been Council's priority not only for cost savings but also to reduce carbon emissions through fewer truck movements. Our new disposal arrangements go hand-in-hand with our main focus – to reduce the generation of

waste. A key secondary consideration is treating waste as a resource that can be reused and repurposed, and our new contract ensures that we are achieving this aim.

Environmental benefits and reduced costs for the community are the result of a targeted waste management and reduction strategy, and I'm keen to support community-minded residents who want to do the right thing.

As well as the ready reckoner on recyclables on the Council website, there's plenty of other information to help people do the right thing and understand the benefits. Have a look – http://www.mrsc.vic.gov.au/Live-Work/Bins-Rubbish-Recycling and start sorting now!

Cr Henry Bleeck

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MACEDON RANGES COUNCIL SAY 'BE PART OF THE **PLANNING PROCESS** IN LANCEFIELD'

Macedon Ranges Council is looking for community feedback on a planning scheme amendment proposing to apply planning controls in Lancefield.

Following extensive community consultation, Council has prepared the amendment for three large residentially zoned areas located to the east, north and northwest of Lancefield's town centre. The purpose of the amendment is to provide clearer guidance for future subdivisions and development in the nominated residential areas, and ensure any further development is coordinated, sustainable and respectful of the town's character.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Council is looking for community input on the proposed change to the planning scheme. To view the amendment

documents, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/yoursay or drop-in to a Council service centre in Kyneton, Gisborne and Romsey.

Plans will also be on display at Lancefield Neighbourhood House, 78 High Street, Lancefield, with residents encouraged to come along to a communitydrop in session on Tuesday 17 and Tuesday 24 July from 3pm–8pm.

Council officers will be on-site to discuss the proposal, its purpose and any concerns residents may have. Feedback can be sent to Macedon Ranges Shire Council, PO Box 151, Kyneton VIC 3444 or emailed to mrsc@mrsc. vic.gov.au by Monday 13 August.

For more information, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/yoursay or call 5421 9502.

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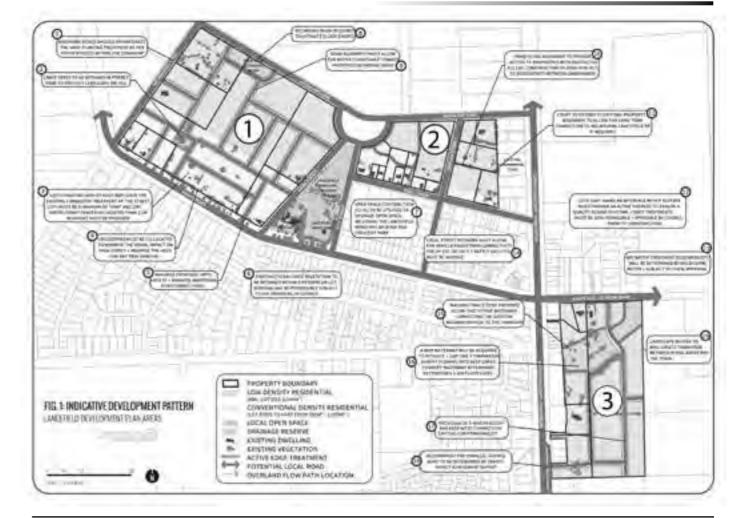
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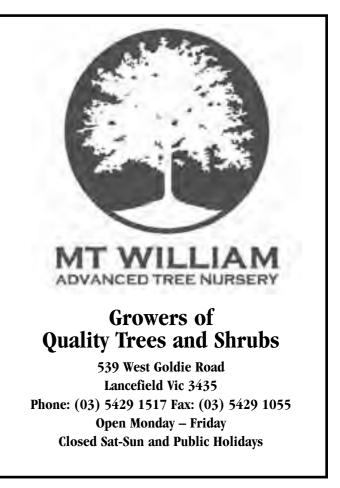
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CONNECT AND **CELEBRATE WOMEN IN BUSINESS**

Council is encouraging local businesswomen to take a lunch break with two passionate and pioneering entrepreneurs at The Women in Business Networking Lunch. The lunch is being held to acknowledge the achievements of women in business within the Macedon Ranges and will feature guest speakers Diana Abruzzi and Catherine Cervasio. Diana is a local resident and founder of the International Women's Federation of Commerce and Industry (IWFCI), with a 40-year career spanning family businesses, to serving in government forums and on government boards. Catherine Cervasio is the founder and owner of Aromababy-an internationally recognised skincare brand, and the recipient of multiple business awards. Don't miss this opportunity to gain insight into their success. Limited places are available, so book early.

The Women in Business Networking Lunch is on Thursday 9 August from 12-2pm in the Macedon Valley Room, Macedon Hotel & Spa, 652 Black Forest Drive, Macedon. Cost is \$40 for Macedon Ranges businesses, and \$60 for businesses based outside the shire. This event is part of the Small Business Festival, a month-long program in August comprising of hundreds of business events all around Victoria. For more information, or to book visit mrsc.vic.gov. au/business-events or call 5421 9616.

WHAT'S ON

From the classical to the popular, and even world-famous opera, Macedon Ranges Shire Council presents a program of live music that transcends boundaries during August.

FOUR HANDS AT THE PIANO

Experience an evening of musical adventure, as ARIA awardwinning pianist Tamara-Anne Cislowska teams up with globally renowned composer Elena Kats-Chernin, to present much-loved works in a new light. On Friday 3 August from 7.30pm, the duo will perform with four hands at the piano, improvising live, and offering audiences a thrilling voyage into the world of collaboration. Tickets are \$45 adults, \$42 seniors and \$40 concession. To find out more, or to book tickets, visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets or call 1300 888 802.

PAVAROTTI

On Friday 24 August at 11.30am, the life and music of one of opera's biggest voices, Luciano Pavarotti, will be unleashed in the musical biography, Pavarotti: King of the High C's. Opera star David Rogers-Smith stars as the late, great Pavarotti - and weaves together stories, anecdotes, exquisite arias and popular songs into an extraordinary tribute, for an extraordinary man. Tickets are \$25 adults, \$22.50 seniors and \$20 concession. To find out more, or to book tickets. visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/buytickets or call 1300 888 802.

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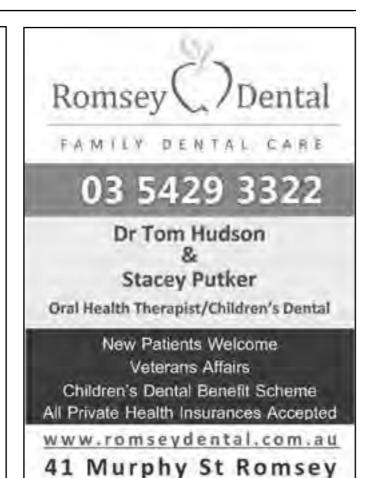
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There are aa variety of reasons why women join the CWA. The following are some of the reasons our current members joined up:

'Probably the main reason is that my mother was a member. It appealed to me to join a group of friendly, like-minded women who make a contribution to the community in many ways.'

'When I moved to Lancefield in the late 1980s, my mother-in-law was a member of the Lancefield CWA and I was taking her to meetings and then picking her up afterwards. After about 8 months she said, 'Why don't you come to the meetings with me? So I did and I've been with the Lancefield CWA ever since. I found members to be very friendly and I got on well with everyone.'

'When my mother wanted to join the CWA after moving into town from our farm, I went along also. We both wanted to meet some of the ladies from the area, perhaps make a friend or two and participate in whatever

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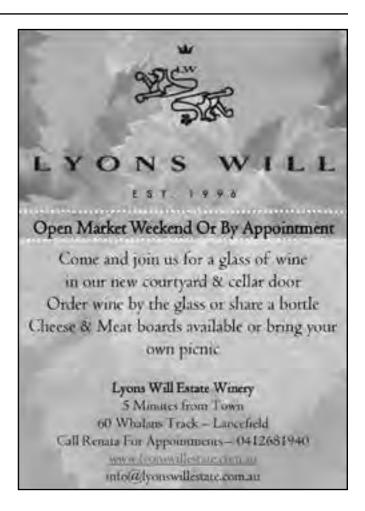
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crafts, cooking or functions that were on. Well, that did and so I have.'

'The cheerful and kind help offered by other members when learning new craft or cooking skills, the friendship, fun and just generally being a part of an organisation for women that contributes so much to our everyday lives makes belonging to the CWA very important to me. I look forward to our meetings, craft days and other events. I'm pleased to be able to say CWA offers something for all women.'

So, as you can see, our backgrounds and interests are diverse, but we all have a dedicated interest in our wider community. Although we are a small branch we are very friendly and would warmly welcome any new members. Our meetings are held on the Fourth Friday of each month in the Neighbourhood House at 10.00 for a 10.30 am start.

For enquires contact: Maybelle Briggs on 5429 1624.



ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL LANCEFIELD

AS BUSY AS EVER

Well Term 3 began on 16 July and the term promises to be as busy as ever. We hope everyone enjoys a fulfilling learning journey in the term ahead.

BUTTERFLIES IN PREP

Our Preps Inquiry focus for Term Two was the Lifecycle of Butterflies. The term began with a visit to the Melbourne Zoo. A must see was the Butterfly House to prepare the students for some future visitors to our school. A few weeks into the term, they received their caterpillars in the mail from Butterfly Adventures.

The students were able to watch them consume leaf after leaf as they grew and shed their skins. They also learnt how they breathed through pores in their skin. Eventually the caterpillars climbed to the top of their home where they attached themselves and spun a chrysalis.

Students patiently waited another couple of weeks until finally one after another our beautiful Monarch Butterflies hatched and spread their nearly formed wings. Students learnt about the butterfly life cycle as it occurred before their eyes and what an amazing and wonderful experience it was for all involved!

MINI VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

In aid of homelessness, our Mini Vinnies are running a Winter Appeal to gather donations for those doing it tough on the streets. We are asking for donations of:

- Blankets
- Sleeping Bags
- Beanies
- Warm Socks

Do you have any of the above that you no longer use? Could these keep someone in need a little more comfortable throughout the cold winter?

If you are able to donate, please drop items at the school office. All donations are appreciated.

ENVIRONMENT GROUP

Near the end of Term Two our Environment Group completed another session of water testing for Deep Creek at Sheehans Crossing. As part of the River Detectives program we have opted to do this testing once a month throughout the remainder of the year. Our testing shows that the water is very clear and of good quality. This term with thanks to the Bendigo Bank we will be able to hire a bus to take the group back to the site for another excursion to do further water testing and check on the water bugs and the general landscape.

ST MARY'S READING CHALLENGE

Our school Reading Challenge was launched on Tuesday 26 June. At 11.45 am we counted down to our own Simultaneous Story Time with all classes reading 'Hickory Dickory Dash' by Tony Wilson. This was followed by activities which related to the story. At 1.00 pm we all gathered in the school hall to have the Reading Challenge rules explained and everyone's first book 'Busting' by Aaron Blabey was read by Mrs McDougall to kick things off!! The aim of the Reading Challenge is to promote the love of reading among all students at our school. The Reading Challenge will run throughout Term 3 and we encourage families to take this opportunity to come and explore and



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BREAKFAST CLUB - FAMILY BREAKFAST

In the last week of Term 2, we invited all family members to join us for Breakfast Club. A big thank you to Bec Beaumont and our parent helpers for supplying the hungry hoards with lots of yummy treats such as croissants, pikelets and hash-browns! A delicious breakfast was enjoyed by all who attended.

REMEMBRANCE GARDEN

Our student SSEA Group has been working hard throughout Term 2 to raise funds for our school Remembrance Garden. They successfully sold many raffle tickets during our Grandparents Day, they've been selling Zooper Dooper icy poles at lunchtime every Wednesday and at the end of the term with assistance from our Mini Vinnies they did some baking and had a giant Cake Stall. So far they have raised \$927.50! A brilliant effort by all. Stay tuned as the garden begins to take shape this term....

Jo Shannon Community Liaison Leader



ANCEFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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HELP IN MANY SHAPES

TAX HELP

Support with basic tax returns is available at the Neighbourhood House from mid-July to October. This is a free service. We can help you set up a My Gov account if required and help you complete your tax return on line. Phone the House on 5429 1214 to make an appointment.

TAI CHI

Macedon Ranges Tai Chi are now running classes at the Neighbourhood House on Wednesday. This gentle style of Tai Chi specialises in help for arthritis sufferers and for falls injury prevention. Their purpose is 'to empower people to improve their health and wellness'. Classes run during school term dates on Wednesdays at 11.30 am for one hour. Cost is \$10 for casual rate or \$80 for 10 sessions. If you would like to do an early morning or evening classes contact Susie on 0421 017 161.

SCRAPBOOKING AND CARD MAKING

Charlotte Burns is offering Scrapbooking, Card Making and stamping. Take some time off for yourself and join us for your choice of card making or scrapbooking. \$10 entry

includes Morning Tea, 2 cards or 1 scrapbook page. First class Free! No experience necessary. Contact Charlotte on 0438 855 925 for more details, or to register.

FORM FILLING SERVICE

The Neighbourhood House can help with all that difficult paperwork. This is for when you want help to fill in a form, or you are getting totally frustrated with everyone asking you to do things on-line and you don't have a computer. We can set up an email account for you and help you work through the process. A free and confidential service – phone the House for an appointment.

FANCY THAT

We have an amazing fancy dress shop in Lancefield with outfits for all occasions. Phone Mark on 0434 467 704.

DELIVERY PERSON NEEDED

The Op Shop needs people with a ute, van or trailer who can occasionally help with collecting or delivering furniture. Phone the House if you would like to volunteer.



COMMUNITY NURSERY

We would like to start a community nursery as a fundraiser for the food pantry project. Please phone the House to find out more or come to our planning discussion on Wednesday 16 August at 10am. To get started we will need a supply of potting mix, cuttings and some man power. If you can help with any of these things, please let us know on 5429 1214.

SKATEPARK

The Neighbourhood House has been supporting the efforts to get a skatepark in Lancefield for 18 years. We are incredibly happy that Lancefield now has a fantastic new facility. \$40,000 of Op Shop funds have been donated towards the cost of the construction and the finishing touches of the skatepark. The rest of the skatepark was funded by money from the Shire (from the sale of the old Maternal Health Centre), a state government grant the Shire was successful in getting, DELWP fire recovery funding, a Bendigo Bank grant, funds donated by the Youth Space committee when it closed and fundraising done by young people several years ago.

FACEBOOK

The Lancefield Neighbourhood House facebook page is now linked to the Lancefield.org.au website and will have all the up to date information about what is happening in Lancefield. This page is for posting events and activities that are happening in the area.

> **Denis Linehan** Your local dedicated representative







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LANCEFIELD COMMUNITY WEB SITE

The Lancefield web site has information about current local news, a calendar of events, contact details for all the community organisations and a growing directory of local businesses. The aim of the website is to have a central communication point for Lancefield. Please support this project and help make it a strong and useful resource by subscribing for updates, on the News page, and listing your news, events and activities, on the Contact Us page. www.lancefield.org.au

LANCEFIELD BOOMERANG BAGS

On the second Wednesday of the month from 10am -12 noon we will be making Boomerang Bags. We will be up-cycling fabric to make reusable bags which will be available at the shops for people to use instead of plastic bags. The process involves cutting, ironing, screen printing our logo and sewing. We are also after some people who can sew some bags at home.

OTHER ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST

To find out dates for the sewing classes, our August Movie night and the Grandparents support group – as well as our regular activities – phone the House on 5429 1214, visit the Neighbourhood House Facebook page, visit the Lancefield Community web site or check out the posters in The Town House window.



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We were all saddened by the very sudden death of one of our members and friend Jean Clement. Our sympathy has been extended to the family.

WHO ARE WE?

Probus is an Association for active members of the community and for those no longer working full time to join together in clubs for a new lease of life. Its basic purpose is to advance intellectual and cultural interests amongst adult persons; to provide regular opportunities to progress healthy minds and active bodies, through social interaction and activities, expand interests and to enjoy the fellowship of new friends. All our members are active and aged between 60-90+ years. We enjoy each other's company and have made good friendships along the way. Always plenty of chat and laughter whenever we are together.

Now you are retired or close to retiring from work come and join the friendly folk in the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club and learn more about what Probus can offer to assist you in staying active. Alternatively phone us to enquire.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are at 10am, on the fourth Thursday of the month in St. Mary's Church Hall, Main Street, Romsey. Our outing on August 15th is to Barringo Cafe/ Restaurant in New Gisborne.

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 23rd August, 2018. Guest Speaker: Kathryn Kirby from the "Tree House Program at Kyneton Hospital. Our group enjoy fortnightly coffee mornings and the alternate week 10 Pin Bowling at AMF Bowling Watergardens. The dates for August Coffee morning - 10th & 24th, 10am at Cookies Cafe Romsey.

Check out our website for information about the Romsey & Lancefield Probus Club rlprobus.org.au.

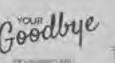
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A VERY WORRYING PROPOSAL

Mitchell Shire Council are considering approval of a development 7km north of Lancefield. The plan is causing great concern amongst the local residents who have many reasons to oppose the development. We understand the local CFA have also expressed concern to Council about the inappropriate congregation of large numbers of people in an area of known bushfire risk.

The plan proposes housing 1,000 people on a 54 hectare forested site in a farming zone, with a Bushfire, Environmental, and Salinity Management Overlay's despite there being no water supply or sewage on the property. In addition to bushfire safety and environmental concerns, the proposal would result in a quadrupling of peak traffic volume on a road that is already struggling to accommodate existing traffic.

The proposed development is said to be based on the existing Belgrave Heights Convention Centre located in the outer suburbs of Melbourne. However, unlike Nulla Vale, Belgrave Heights has water, sewage, is serviced by a developed transport network and is not in a high danger bushfire zone. If this proposal goes ahead the hills will be alive with the sounds of amplified broadcasts from 9am until 9pm followed by the post-event rumble of heavy garbage trucks clearing dumpsters of rubbish.

For more information, contact Chris on 0417 340034 or email sunkenjam@spin.net.au

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ROMSEY & LANCEFIELD **SOCIAL CLUB**

Inviting men and women 55 to 105 who are retired, who are helpful and wish to make new friends. We meet every Monday in the back rooms of the Romsey Mechanics Hall from 11am to 3pm for lunch and afternoon tea. Hot soup, rolls, nibbles and biscuits and cake are provided for \$5.

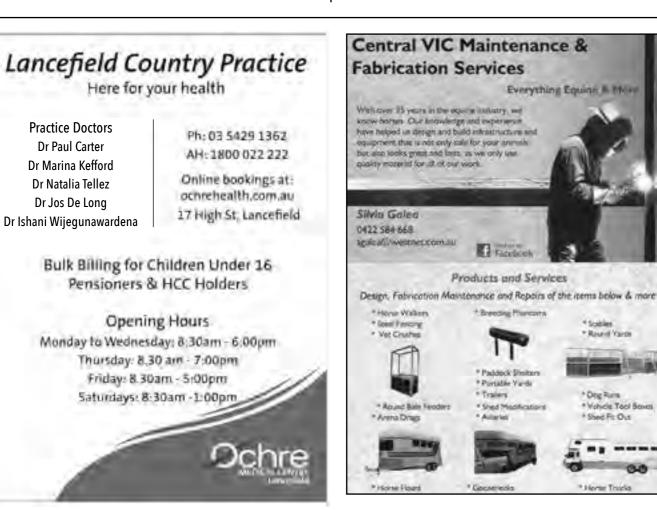
Some groups play cards, others sit and chat and now we have Bingo. For those who don't drive, we have a council bus that will pick you up and drop you off.

Once a month we have professional cooks who come in and give us a 2-course lunch. This meal is \$10.

We also have Bus Trips to some very interesting places on the first Wednesday of the month with a 2-course meal and morning tea. Trips are \$45 including lunch.What a bargain!

We do not have an age limit, maybe you are retired and want a break from driving, maybe you just want an excuse to get out of town or even just have a fun day with like minded people who enjoy exploring and visiting new places or revisiting somewhere you visited a long time ago.

Come along and give us a try! For enquiries, please contact: Eileen French, 0412 787 213



NEW COMMUNITY BANK PROGRAM TO BENEFIT LOCAL EVENTS

Our Lancefield and Romsey Community Bank® branches are continuing to help our community to thrive, with today's announcement of 13 event sponsorships worth more than \$16,000.

Lancefield and Romsev Community Bank® Chair, Suzie Ewart, said more than \$1.3 million had now been given to community groups and clubs around the district over the past 17 years. "This funding will be given back to the community via our new Event Sponsorship Program," she said.

"Each year, we benefit local groups with significant funding via our Community Investment Program. However, we acknowledge that not all funding requests will sit within our Program's timeline. In response to this, we have developed a second funding program, as a coordinated way to help support events of a more ad hoc nature."

Ms Ewart said the local events will benefit thanks to the unique profit-sharing arrangements under the Bendigo Bank Community Bank® model.

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- Launch of 'Feed it Forward' a Lancefield and Romsey **Community Lunch Program**
- · Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association's annual Business Breakfast
- · Romsey Bowling Club's Annual Fours Tournament
- · Community Walk at Woodend Children's Park, organised by the Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group
- Open Day for the Lancefield Romsey Little Athletics Centre
- 2018 Landcare Photoprize, coordinated by the Nulla Vale Pvalong West Landcare Group
- 2018 Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibition
- Dog high jump event at the Lancefield Show
- Romsey Kennel Club Shows
- Extinct! Lancefield Megafauna Festival
- · Romsey Primary School Comedy Night



BENETAS AND MACEDON RANGES HEALTH OFFICIALLY BECOME ONE

It is with great pleasure and excitement that Benetas and Macedon Ranges Health announces the official amalgamation of our two organisations as of 1 July 2018. This exciting new chapter of the amalgamation is the start of delivering our vision for Macedon Ranges Health. Over the past seven months and more, Benetas and Macedon Ranges Health have been working hand-in-hand towards amalgamation. 1 July becomes an important date in the history of both organisations, signifying the momentous milestone where legally, the two became one.

Sandra Hills OAM, CEO of Benetas, thanked the Macedon Ranges community, the Macedon Ranges Health Board for their vision and leadership, and all those involved in working to make the amalgamation a reality. 'Through the amalgamation journey, we have seen firsthand that Benetas and Macedon Ranges Health are truly united in our strong community values and our unwavering commitment to the care and respect of our residents, clients and staff,' she said. 'By working together, our shared vision has never been clearer to deliver high quality, for purpose services for all in the region including those most vulnerable in our

community, while investing in services to meet growing needs and creating local employment opportunities. Benetas is thrilled to continue our exciting work in delivering our unified vision for Macedon Ranges Health to best support current and future residents, clients, volunteers and staff. We are absolutely committed to ensuring the benefits of the amalgamation flow throughout the growing region. While the amalgamation may now be official, Benetas will continue to learn and work with the community to deliver the best Macedon Ranges Health possible.'

Former CEO of Macedon Ranges Health, Don Tidbury, will join Benetas as General Manager Primary Care, which will see him continue to be part of the provision of services for the region. 'It has been a privilege to serve as the CEO of Macedon Ranges Health with the wonderful support of our visionary Board and outstanding staff to deliver exceptional care and support to the local community,' Mr Tidbury said.

The amalgamation represents a major investment by Benetas over the next eight years with \$60 million set to be invested to upgrade, expand and redevelop the facilities and services that Macedon Ranges Health provides.





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FINE ARTS IN LANCEFIELD

LYNN MUNN, PAINTER

Born in rural East Sussex, England, Lynn Munn grew up on a farm with sheep, cattle and horses. She and her husband David (a keen and talented photographer of local landscapes) have been living in Lancefield for the past two years. Something must be in the air, because soon after moving here, Lynn took up a paint brush for the first time – that was in January 2016. Her progress as an artist has been an accelerated one. Without formal training, Lynn is now painting in pastels and oils, capturing landscapes, still life and the personalities of animals.

In a very short space of time, Lynn's artwork has been sold locally and overseas and her art has been entered in local art shows to great acclaim. She has wons *Highly Commended Pastel* at the Trentham Easter Art Craft Show 2017, the Major prize at the Woodend Art Group 40th Annual Art Show 2017 and Best Pastel at the Trentham Art show 2018. Lynn is still thrilled to have been awarded Highly Commended for the Gweneth Portrait Prize at the Trentham Art show 2018.

JAN GUEST, POTTER

After more than 30 years living in Gisborne, in semiretirement, Jan and her husband Dennis moved to Lancefield just nine months ago. Her interest in pottery started 25 years ago when she completed a 3-year course at Macedon Ranges Further Education in Gisborne. Jan's main interest has been domestic ware using majolica and underglaze techniques. She is currently working on crystalline glazes. Very recently, while she and her husband began packing up to move to



Lancefield, Jan started making Raku pots (horse hair). She had participated in various workshops, including Raku, Tee Pee and Pit firings which lead her to the Horse Hair and Saggar (sealed) firings.

After her course, Jan joined Koorakooracup Potters (now Macedon Ranges Potters) and became a member of the Boilerhouse, Sunbury and Buttlejorrk Inc., and was a founding member of The Gallery Mt Macedon more than 15 years ago.

Jan is always keen to exhibit her work in the Macedon Ranges area. To date she has exhibited at Druscilla on Mt Macedon, Dromkeen at Riddells Creek, The Boilerhouse in Sunbury, at the Woodend Winter Arts Festival, Paramour Farm outside Romsey, at the Black Anther Woodend, in Castlemaine and at the Warrandyte Potters.

Jan has a kiln at home, however she tells us that the right weather conditions have to prevail before she can fire the kiln. She says that she is enjoying the quieter lifestyle in Lancefield and now has more time to spend on her pottery.

PAT DANKO, 'ART TO WEAR'

On Wednesday 4 July, Lancefield's Pat Danko was one of about 15 exhibitors in The Gallery Mt Macedon's 2018 'Art to Wear' fashion parade held at the Jubilee Hall, Macedon. This parade has been running for 13 years and is an event looked forward to by artists and audiences from far and near.

The Gallery Mt Macedon provides a range of exhibitions each month, and this month their feature was the fashion parade. The collective of artists are all local to the Macedon Ranges and demonstrate a vast array of skills and media

types. This was evident at the parade of beautifully crafted garments - jumpers, dresses, pants, jackets and wraps. Accessories such as jewellery, tights, scarves, hats and felted pieces were all works of art.

Pat Danko contributed three items to the parade. She made a loose fitting linen suit of pants and a jacket that was lined with eco dyed



silk facing using eucalyptus leaves and a stunning dress featuring Shibori dyed silk, appliquéd to the hemline of the dress. Some of the audience expressed the view that this was one of the most striking garments presented on the day. We congratulate Pat and trust she will exhibit more items in 2019. The MC for the afternoon was Colleen Westie of The Gallery Mt Macedon who described the work of the artists with ease and professionalism. Colleen is herself a wellknown artist who specialises in felting and dyeing silk that

included a glass of bubbly as well as a wonderful array of sandwiches and small items such as quiches and sausage rolls. Despite the fact that the event was held mid-week, it is hardly a wonder this day was fully booked. To my way of thinking though, a larger audience would be achieved if the event was held on a weekend. Nevertheless, I will be looking out for notices for the event in 2019.

she makes into beautiful garments. Pat was also involved in the scripting and typed up the order of the parade. The minimal cost of entry fee to the parade (\$25.00)

Why not? According to Wei-min-wu, Dr.Criddle and Ms Brandon, researchers at the Stanford University in the USA, mealworms digest plastics. It was already known that these worms digested polystyrene (plastic used in packing). However, the more common plastic is polyethylene. Describing their experiments in Science & Thechnology, they found that 90% of the worms they used in their 32 day experiments, found a polyethylene diet, was also very agreeable. The worms gobbled up 48% of the plastics. What is more, these worms are commercially available. They are used as fish bait. Google states, that one finds best results when the worms are given a little bit of bran, with their plastic diet. By the end of the experiments the worms converted 50% into carbon dioxide. Their excretions were like rabbit droppings, bio degradable and safe as soil Then the researchers dissected

REMEMBERVIETNAM VIETNAM VETERAN'S DAY 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATING THE 26-DAY BATTLE OF CORAL-BALMORAL (12 MAY - 6 JUNE 1968)

The Romsey-Lancefield RSL will conduct a ceremony at the Romsey cenotaph on Saturday, 18 August, 2018 at 10am

All Vietnam veterans, other ex-Service men and women, RSL sub-branch members and members of the community are most welcome. A small wreath laying service will occur at



The Lancefield Mercury Young Writers Award 2018 aims to encourage our primary school children to develop their love of books and writing as well as the art of illustrating. Children from Grades 3 to 6 will have the opportunity to develop their imagination on the page.

The Lancefield Mercury Young Writers Award will recognise the writing talents of local children by providing them with the opportunity to have their stories published in the

Lancefield Mercury. Prizes will be in two divisions - grades 3-4 and grades 5-6 and each division will have two sections short story and illustrated story.

The winner of each category will receive a \$100 Red Door Book Shop voucher.

The shortlisted entries in each category will each receive a \$50 Red Door Book voucher and all entrants will receive a Certificate of Achievement. The winning story and runners up will be published in the Lancefield Mercury.

All children living in the 3435 postcode area who are



attending Lancefield Primary School or St Mary's Primary School or attending or eligible to attend Grades 3 to 6.

A panel will judge the entries based on the award criteria. The Judging Panel will comprise three to four judges which can include teachers, parents and Lancefield Mercury representatives.

Submissions will be judged based on the use of language, originality, grammar, spelling, writing style and story plot and structure. Picture books will also be judged on the illustrations.

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Entries close: Friday 10 August 2018 Winners announced: Lancefield Mercury September 2018 More information from Lancefield Primary School, St Mary's Primary School, or email editor3435@gmail.com



FROM WASTE PLASTICS TO GARDEN SOIL?

the worms and found differences in bacteria of these worms, fed on plastics. 1,000 mealworms would devour 0.32 grams of polyethylene in a day. How much does a plastic bag weigh? It is quicker than waiting, many hundreds of years in land fill. The worms thrive better in non-compacted landfill.

Professor Jun Yang of the university of Beihang in China recorded similar results. At the university of Cantabria in Spain, Dr. Frederica Bertocini found that wax-worms devoured plastic in a similar way. However, Wax-worms do attack beehives, to eat waxy honeycomb.

If plastic waste is such a nuisance, why is there little research such as this, done in Australia? Would there be a place for meal-worm farms to convert a plastic bags into garden soil?

Murk Schoen

the Lancefield cenotaph at 10.00am. Following the service, light refreshments will be served at Soltan Pepper, 118 Main Street, Romsey. All RSL members, affiliates and families plus friends are most welcome. Medals should be worn. Lest we forget





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COMMUNION SERVICES

Tuesday 9:00am Romsey Church Saturday 10:00am Romsey Church

ROSARY

Saturdays 9:45am Romsey

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2018 - Romsey Church - September 2nd & November 4th. 2018 - Lancefield Church - October 14th & December 9th. For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTS

Registrations are now open for all Sacraments to be received in 2019. Please send your details to the secretary at lancefield@cam.org.au to register your child. Like us at https://www.facebook.com/ stmarysparishlancefieldromsey/ to keep up with parish activities and news.

WANTED - SECOND HAND BOOKS

Romsey-Lancefield & District Ambulance Auxiliary Our auxiliary is having a second-hand book sale on Saturday 8 September and we are looking for donations of good quality second hand novels and children's books.

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LABOR WILL ESTABLISH NBN GUARANTEE

On Tuesday 3 July, Rob Mitchell, MP, Member for McEwen, stated that Labor will deliver a better deal for NBN consumers in McEwen with a plan to establish an NBN Service Guarantee that will set regulated timeframes and wholesale service standards for fault rectification, Installations and missed appointments. Visiting Goonawarra Medical Centre in Sunbury, Rob Mitchell said problems with the NBN rollout were costing local businesses thousands of dollars. 'The bungled installation of the NBN is a real problem for local businesses...Locals are sick and tired of the delays, the missed appointments and the shoddy connections. They are sick and tired of waiting on the phone for hours and never seeming to get anywhere.

Accompanying Rob Mitchell was Labor's Shadow Minister for Regional Communications, Stephen Jones MP. He said Labor's NBN Service Guarantee will be enforced through financial penalties that will apply if service standards are not met: 'A Shorten Labor Government will also establish stronger penalties to protect small businesses on the NBN, because we understand the stress and financial harm caused by the loss of telephone or internet services. For further details contact Rob Mitchell, ALP, Canberra.



PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO FARM IN VICTORIA

The Andrews Labor Government is making planning fairer, simpler and easier to understand for Victoria's animal industries with the launch of significant reforms to Victoria's planning scheme. Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas says: 'This is about getting the balance right between advancing our agricultural sector and safeguarding our environment for decades to come.' The Minister for Agriculture, Jaala Pulford, joined Mary-Anne Thomas on 27 June 2018 to announce the sweeping reforms, which includes a \$450,000 training and education initiative targeted to pig and poultry producers.

The Labor Government consulted extensively to develop these reforms as part of the government's response to major changes in our animal industries. The new reforms bring clarity to land use planning definitions and balances the needs of agricultural businesses with environmental protection and the community. The reforms introduce new land use definitions and associated planning controls for animal industries into the Victoria Planning Provisions and



all planning schemes in Victoria. New definitions and controls have been developed for grazing animal production, intensive animal production, pig and poultry farms, and poultry hatcheries.

The reforms provide farmers with greater flexibility to manage their farms, enabling them to make the most of market opportunities and manage seasonal risks. The reforms also introduce simplified planning processes to support outdoor pig and poultry farms that operate with low environmental and amenity risks. Alongside the planning reforms, an extensive information and support program will be implemented. Information sessions for local government, planning professionals, industry and community will be delivered in 11 locations across Victoria, commencing in July.

The changes are expected to be gazetted and come into effect in September 2018. For more information visit www.agriculture.vic.gov.au/planning-animalindustries.



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LANCEFIELD FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB **SEASONS GOING FAST!**

Since the last edition the Lancefield Football Netball Club have enjoyed the following social events and achievements. We hosted sponsors at a home game against Rockbank on Saturday 7 July with the Netballers winning in both B and C grade and our footballers recording wins in both Reserves and Seniors with Jack Morgan sealing the game late in the last quarter for the Seniors. It was also great to see a large turnout of supporters on the day with many staying back to enjoy the get together after the game. Congratulations to Rebeccca representing the Bendigo Bank who won both the door prize and chocolate raffle.

The Club is looking forward to a strong turnout on 21 July for the Past Players Reunion when we host Diggers Rest at home. A large number of former players have already confirmed their attendance and to re-live great

days at the Club. Both Matt Bowden and Jordan Kindred are back on the park after injuries, however, unfortunately we have lost Nathan Malone for the rest of the season after a workplace accident. The Netballers and Footballers enjoyed some off-field time at the Mid-Year Ball which took place at Mount Macedon Winery.

The next major fund raiser for the Club is the \$10,000 draw to take place Saturday 18 August at the Clubrooms. There are only 300 tickets @ \$100 each giving excellent odds to win either \$5,000 1st prize, 2nd \$3,000 and 3rd prize \$2,000. Barry Hunt, who must have sold many thousands of dollars of raffle tickets over the years, hopes to sell a record number of tickets this year for the \$10,000 draw. It is hard to believe there only a number of weeks left in the season!

WATER PRICES TO REMAIN STEADY FOR NEXT TWO YEARS

Western Water customers will see bills increase by inflation only for the next two years following the Essential Services Commission's final decision on Western Water's 2018 price submission.

Managing Director, Neil Brennan, said "thousands of customers were involved in our consultation for our price submission and we heard their concerns about affordability. We have worked hard to find efficiencies to avoid price rises for the next two years despite the region's fast growing population."

From July 1, the impact of inflation on Western Water's typical owner/occupier customer bill will be around \$19 a year. For the typical tenant, the inflation impact will be less than \$5 over the year.

"Annual bills for Western Water's customers remain among the lowest in Victoria," said Mr Brennan, "and they represent great value for money. For less than \$3 a day,

customers receive a guaranteed, quality water supply and safe sewerage disposal and treatment."

Western Water's customers will benefit in other ways also from the two year plan including improved service standards, enhanced e-billing, increasing SMS advice for supply interruptions, more community and environmental activities, and expanded programs to support customers in hardship.

Mr Brennan said, "Western Water has begun work on its 2020 price submission. Customer input is vital to offer the best service as we address the challenges of climate change and unprecedented population growth".

"It has never been more important to get the balance right between affordability and service delivery."

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When we grasp this great truth we are "born again/anew' and our new life begins. This is the only reference to the Holy Spirit's 'work in the world', then He begins His work of Sanctification/Righteousness in the lives of believers. He now convicts of *righteousness* and our need to grow into the likeness of Jesus, Who is the *righteous one*.

Not only does He show us the standard. He also imparts God's gift of righteousness to us; enabling us to 'put on' the righteousness of Christ that comes from God through our faith in Him. Righteousness, is absolute integrity, purity of heart and sincerity, not being a self-satisfied somebody, well-pleased with oneself.

In these dark times in which we are living, there is a longing in many hearts for a better world. Why do we not turn to God asking Him to pour His Holy Spirit into our minds, hearts and wills so transforming us into the likeness of Jesus, Who came that we might have Life and that to the full.?

My hope is built on nothing less, Than Jesus' blood and righteousness,

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' Name.

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.

E. Mote.

JULY

The month of July has passed quietly except for the going and coming of our clergy. We farewelled Rev.



Heather Vander Reest whose friendly ministry we have all appreciated, and on 22 July, welcomed the Rev. Judi Pollard to be our permanent Intentional Minister. She will be living in the Christ Church Vicarage so it will be full of light and warmth again. A more formal welcome will be held later on when Bishop Philip Huggins will attend.

AUGUST

Our Bible studies continue at 10am each Tuesday at Christ Church Lancefield. We have now completed Paul's 2nd letter to the Corinthians and the studies are now centered on the 8th Century BC Prophets, Nahum, Habakkuk and Zephaniah. Come along and join us and find out what these long ago men of God have to say to us today.

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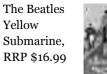
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This is a book that faithfully sticks to and tells the story of The Beatles Yellow Submarine album. The book sticks with the same story following Captain Fred as he escapes from the Chief Blue Meanie and his army to go find the Beatles to ask them for help. It has the same interesting art style and sends a good message "love is all you need!".

Here We Are Notes for Living on Planet Earth – by Oliver Jeffers RRP \$24.99

Here We Are Notes for Living on Planet Earth is a very enjoyable book about



are really good and it is interesting with a lot of cool facts and good messages about acceptance and "how we are all people". It's a great book for children to learn about the Earth and its people.



Hello Horse - by Vivian French and Catherine Rayner RRP \$27.99

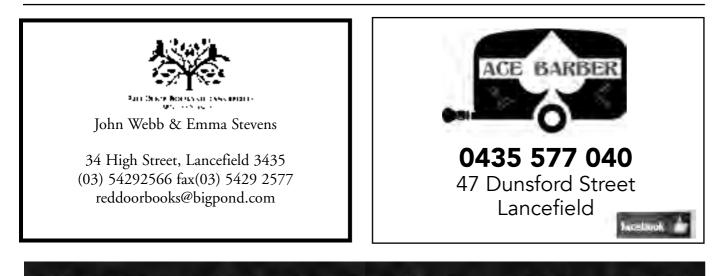
A great book for animal

and horse lovers telling the story of a little boy making a new friend in Shannon the horse. At first the boy is scared of Shannon, intimidated by the horse's size, but step by step he warms to her, first feeding her then leading her and eventually riding her. The illustrations in this children's picture book are amazing and this is shown on the beautifully illustrated page 29.



Phillip Bunting RRP \$24.99 Mopoke is a

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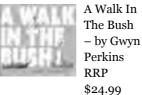
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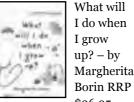
as depicting a Mopoke (owl) with a moustache and the accompanying text Mopoke. Many more jokes are included in this book which make this simple book so much better.



to create funny lines such

This is a book that follows Grandad and his cat Iggy. Iggy doesn't want to go outside but Grandad doesn't give him much of a choice. They begin their adventure and run into many animals including birds, kangaroos and a goanna. By the end Iggy finds he actually enjoys spending time with Grandad. This is a good picture book for

children showing off lots of Australian wildlife.



\$26.95 One of the best picture books to help teach children about some of the many jobs and occupations out there today. This book focuses on some of the most popular jobs such as cooks, teachers, builders and more giving examples of what they do and why they're important. The art style is simple but effective illustrating people doing their jobs and the tools needed to complete their jobs. This book is good for helping children understand which occupation does what.

WANT TO WIN AN APPI F WATCH?

How would you like to hear from Council and what would you like to know? The community can help improve Council's communication and engagement activities by participating in an online communications survey. Complete the survey and go into the draw to win an Apple Watch. The survey will provide feedback on residents preferred methods of communication for Council events, activities and initiatives, and also consultation methods, which can be used to inform the upcoming review of Council's Community Consultation Framework. The survey is available online at mrsc.vic.gov.au/yoursay and will take about 10 minutes to complete. Print copies are available at Council offices in Gisborne, Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend.



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WORK EXPERIENCE AT RED DOOR BOOKS

My experience working at Red Door Books was enjoyable if a little boring at times but that's ok because I love books. Emma Stevens and John Webb were very nice and friendly and they treated me well during my work experience. I was usually stacking books and cleaning shelves but Emma made sure to find some interesting tasks to do such as when I went down and read to the Grade Two's and Preps at Lancefield Primary School. They loved all the books but a big favourite was Mopoke - they enjoyed it and so did I! Another interesting task that I was given was to create some reviews on some of the books I read. This was a new experience and I had fun with it. I also got some insight into how the business works, like what type of books they order, how they order them, and what they do with them if they don't sell. I found doing my work experience at Red Door Books to be a great choice and I had a good time working there.

Cooper Rowe

THE MERCURY QUIZ ANSWERS FROM P4

1. Q. 2. Almonds. 3. Tennis. 4. Telescope. 5. Genesis. 6. Aubergine. 7. Being an artist. 8. Red, yellow, blue. 9 Right Angle. 10. Spain

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OXYGEN MASK

With air travel, it is standard practice for flight attendants to demonstrate safety procedures in case of an emergency. Should the cabin air pressure drop, an oxygen mask must be worn by everyone. Parents are told to fix their own mask before placing one on their child. At first, this may seem selfish and a little callous – surely, a loving parent should look after the child's needs before their own? We can answer that question with another one. What good would the parent be if he or she blacked out from lack of oxygen while trying to save the child?

God tells us to love Him above all else. This is not a selfish command from a jealous God, but wise counsel from a loving God. If our first love is God and Christ, we actually increase our ability to love our family and friends. Furthermore, if we are occupied with Christ, we will not faint in times of adversity.

When we focus on God, we have the strength necessary to help those desperate for the oxygen of grace. However, it is important to first fix the mask-of-grace on ourselves by making sure we have the right relationship with God before we try helping others with their spiritual life. In having God in our lives, we can claim His promises, push our problems on Him and relax. When we put other people's spiritual needs before getting right with God ourselves, we may soon feel the effects of a lack of grace in our own spiritual life. Then, if we 'spiritually black out' by getting discouraged, depressed and despondent, what use are we to those loved ones around us? (Matthew 10:37)

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LANCEFIELD GOLF REPORT

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

The Club goes from strength to strength with Lancefield, for a second year in a row, being selected by the Dalhousie District Golf Association to hold three of the five Divisions of the Men's Pennant and all the Ladies Pennant Finals. This was due to the excellent presentation of the course which is no mean feat. Congratulations go to David Brown and his volunteers who diligently prepared this course every week to an exceptional standard. The course held up really well over the short rainy period in June and continues to be the only course in the district on which you can play 12 months of the year without ending up in a bog or having your cart wheels caked in mud. Well done everyone.

Since the last report the Club has received a number of enquiries as to whether the "Golden Brick" Project is open to non-members of the Club. I am happy to report that anyone is able to put their names down for a brick to help the Club reach its goal to provide fairway watering. The words are limited – but if you just want to advertise your company this is an option, or just have your name or family name above the fireplace forever, that's an option as well. If you are interested in helping the Club with this project at \$100 a brick, please contact the Club on 5429 1922 and leave a message for our Treasurer, Alan Inman who will gladly contact you.

The "Christmas Eve" function held on 30 June was again another outstanding success with 54 people in attendance, which at first looked like a doctors' convention, with Marina Kefford, then Sally Carter, and Jos de Jong all arriving with their partners. Excellent music and entertainment by Jodie Kefford and a wonderful 3-course meal provided by the ladies ensured all in attendance had a wonderful night. The

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"12 Days of Presents" raffle was also a huge success as were the edible Christmas Tree table decorations.

Winter is now in full swing and, whilst there have been some freezing mornings, the days have been calm which is a blessing and without the chilling south wind blowing; there is nothing like being out on the course enjoying the surroundings with a brisk walk in between shots!

After many weeks of knock-outs, the Winner of the Men's Singles Knock Out Final for 2018 is Steve Climas who defeated Peter Robbins 1UP. Congratulations Steve and well done to all those who participated. The July Monthly Medal was won by Mark Andrews 90 (15) 75.

Whilst the ladies are missing a number of their members who have headed elsewhere for the sunshine, the field is still well supported, especially on Medal Days when Soup for Lunch on a roster system is the order of the day. This has been so well accepted that the "soup de jour" has now been extended into November. The July Monthly Medal was won by Sheena Carter 109 (32) 77.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who attend the Lancefield Hotel on a Friday night and support our raffle which is run by Mark Cruise. These funds are most welcome and help the Club meet its commercial obligations to maintain the course to the present standard.

If you are interested in joining or helping the Club by being on Committee then please contact the Club as the AGM will be held in the coming weeks and your interest will be acknowledged.

Good Golfing Carole Mee



WOMEN'S **WAR** STORIES

Kyneton Museum explores the lives of women more than a hundred years ago in its latest exhibition, Women of Empire: Homecoming. The sequel to last year's Women of Empire 1914–1918, which travelled through Australia and New Zealand examined the role of women in World War One, this exhibition follows-on from that time, revealing the challenges and opportunities facing women returning from War.

The collection of treasures includes costume pieces from Scottish racing car driver, suffragette and ambulance driver Muriel Thompson, and also the trailblazer Moina Belle Michael, who created the idea of using poppy flowers as a symbol of remembrance. Discover the stories of women that returned from service overseas, who nursed the wounded and infirm, who mourned the loss of their love, who took up 'soldier settlement', and much more.

Whether they were mothers, sisters, wives or sweethearts; the women of the era transcended the ordinary, to assume extraordinary roles in a time of global upheaval.

Women of Empire: Homecoming is on at Kyneton Museum, 67 Piper Street until Sunday 16 September. The museum is open Friday to Sunday, from 11am to 4pm. Museum entry fees apply. For more information, visit mrsc. vic.gov.au/museum or call 1300 888 802.

LANCEFIELD SMALL BORE RIFLE CLUB MORE SUCCESS

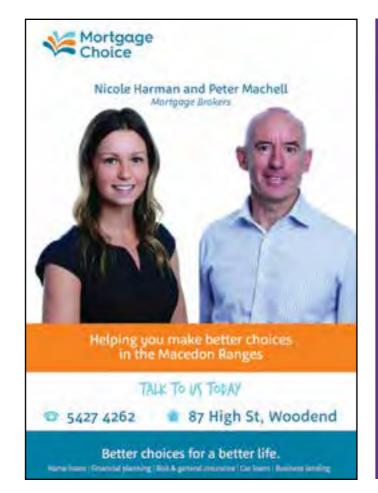
This month we have news of more success for the Lancefield Small Bore Rifle Club in various Target Rifle Victoria competitions. Results are finally through that the Club team has won the shoot-off for first place in the TRV Pennant for 20m Rimfire Bench Rest. In the TRV 10m supported Air Rifle competition, our team continues to lead the comp every week so far, and with only two weeks to go, we are hopeful of defending the 2017 title.

At the TRV State Congress last month, prizes were awarded for the 2017 competitions. The winning 10m supported Air Rifle team are pictured right. From left to right David, Max, Anita, John and Rodger. Absent from the group was Tarsha, pictured separately with the team trophy and her individual Bronze medal. Max and Rodger also brought home a swag of medals from the two days of competitions held in conjunction with the Congress at Wangaratta.

The TRV 20m Prone Pennant rounds have begun. Our winter meeting nights are busy with the eight prone shooters attending to shoot their weekly comp targets. There are also other club comps to enter, so it keeps us all practicing and competing.

Club members are happy to share their knowledge with newcomers. If you would like to come along for a look/ try or know more about our activities, please ring our Club Secretary Max on 54 292259.





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LANCEFIELD-KILMORE RAILWAY



On Saturday 14 July members of the Romsey, Lancefield & District Historical Society – with Macedon Ranges Councilors Henry Bleeck and Bill West – friends and wellwishers, gathered to launch the much-awaited, A Pictorial Guide to the Long Lost Lancefield and Kilmore Railway, the Society's latest publication. Two representatives of the Romsey and Lancefield Bendigo Community Bank, who had provided a grant to the Society for the publishing of the book, were also present. A crowd of around 40 people attended the launch, appropriately located at the Old Station Bed & Breakfast, 42 Main Road, Lancefield.

The book by Kylie McKay and Bob Tomkins took two years to research, write, photograph and produce. The launch took place amid great excitement. Wendy McDonald

from the Historical Society acted as MC for the afternoon's events. She introduced Ian Jenkin of the Australian Railways Historical Society (Victorian Division), who officially launched the book. Ian provided context to the building of the railway and gave us a potted history of the lifetime of the railway line. He commended the authors on their efforts, acknowledging that in producing their book, they had broken new ground in their approach to the history of the line. Rather than simply concentrating on the actual history of the line, they had provided a guide for those interested in the railway to explore the complex collection of relics. When co-author Bob Tomkins responded to Ian Jenkin's words, he pointed out to the audience the significance of the date of 14 July 2018. Not only was it Bastille Day, but 14 July marked the 115th anniversary of the final closure of the Lancefield-Kilmore Railway line. He also conveyed to the audience the threefold purpose in publishing this book. First, to explain the background to the railway line; secondly, to encourage people to view the remnants without going onto private property; and thirdly to raise money for the local historical society which is solely run by volunteers. Kylie McKay thanked everyone for their support and assistance in the production of the book. Following the launch, Kylie and Bob happily signed copies of the book.

Red Door Books at 34 High Street have stock of the book which is selling well!

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