



The Lancefield Skate Park was funded from numerous sources, such as LancefieldCommunity Bank, Regional Development Victoria, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Lancefield Neighbourhood House, existing funds from the Lancefield Skate Park/Youth Group, Lancefield Op Shop,



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and the Lancefield Park Renewal Grant. The project owes much to former Macedon Ranges Shire Council South Ward councillor Ian Blyth and current Bill West, local policeman Roger Barr, Lancefield Neighbourhood House, MP Mary-Anne Thomas, the Lancefield Recreation Reserve Committee, the young people of Lancefield who participated in the early design workshops and the previous skate park committees.

The official opening for the Skate Park is on Saturday 23rd of September. We would like to invite everyone in the community to this event - more details will be forthcoming.

Pictured above are the Lancefield girl guides planting the indigenous flora on the skate park site, and Deep Creek Landcare volunteers on National Tree Day. Please contact Lancefield Neighbourhood House for further information, ph. 54291 214.

Amy Bell





LANCEFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

SO PROUD OF ALL OUR STUDENTS

This Term has been a very busy one so far at Lancefield Primary School...

This past month has seen all of our students out and about in the community participating in a variety of excursions and sporting events. We have received much positive feedback to say how amazing our students are!! This includes students being ...'polite, well-behaved, showing great sportsmanship and at the same time having lots of fun!'

The Lancefield community should all be very proud of the students and the great community that you live in. Our Year 5 students have visited the Lancefield Kinder on Monday 31st July and Tuesday the 8th August in their roles as Transition Leaders for the 2018 Prep students.

From 21-25 July, the Prep to Grade 2 students travelled to Kyneton Aquatic Centre each day for swimming lessons. Every student demonstrated so much resilience and organisation skills for the whole week, and made the most of every lesson – We thanked all parents, grandparents and teachers for helping out during this week, it couldn't have run as smoothly without their help.

SAND SCULPTURE EXHIBITION - BY RYLEE MCRAE (GRADE 3)

On the 27th of July the Grade 3 up went to Romsey to see the Sand Sculpture excursion. There was lots of different









varieties of sand sculptures. There was one with planets on it and there was a couple that looked 3D if you stood back. All of the sculptures were made out of burgundy brick sand but a couple of them used mud to make a different 'mud' colour.

My favourite thing about the sand sculpture exhibition

was that everyone that made them, all the creators were from Italy.

It was good and I would encourage people to and see it, it was interesting and fun!!

BENDIGO ART GALLERY

On Thursday 10th August, the Grades 2/3 students visited the Bendigo Art Gallery. The students explored the different parts of the gallery with a guide and attended a workshop. During the workshop session, students were shown different pieces of Rona Green's artwork. Rona's art has both human and animal characteristics.

The students used these pieces as inspiration to create their own works of art.





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DEBORAH GOLD MINE

Also on Thursday 10th August the Grade 3-6 students visited the Deborah Gold Mine in Bendigo. Maddy Rowe has given us her account of the excursion.

On the 10th of August, LPS went to Bendigo to go see the Deborah Gold Mine. When we got there we split in to 4 groups, my group went down to the mine and saw some machines that miners used in the old days, such as The Widow Maker which killed a lot of men because of the dust that flew around when the machine was running. I learnt a lot of things but the most interesting thing was how the gelignite was displayed in patterns and if one did not blow someone after the shift will have to delicately set it off. My opinion on this place was fun but personally a bit nerveracking because of being 61 meters down.

LPS SPORTS REPORT...

On Tuesday 1st August 18 LPS students, (a boys and a girls team) travelled to Sunbury Boardman Stadium to compete in the Interschool Basketball competition against 11 other schools from our Region. It was a fun day; the boys competed in 10 games, winning six, drew two, and lost two. The Girls Team competed well in all of their matches and improved throughout the day. All students showed great sportsmanship throughout the whole day. Thank you to Mr Lewis and Ms Cole for taking the students.

On Wednesday 23rd August 39, LPS students will be travelling to Bendigo to compete in District Athletics. We wish them all the best...

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION

On Wednesday 9th August our Preps and Year Ones celebrated the Preps 100th day of school together. What a fabulous celebration was had by all! We counted our bags of 100 objects by 100s to find the total and checked each bag to ensure they really did contain 100 objects. We found that counting by fives and especially tens made this more efficient. We made 100 paper chains, 100 days ties and bracelets, a tower with 100 cups and iced a very special 100 cake! To culminate our celebration, Niamh, Hailey, Amelia and Lucy (our youngest and oldest preps) blew out the candles our celebration cake.

We wish our Prep students all the best as they continue through their journey at school. Thank you to our Pre-service Teacher, Mrs. Warren, for making the cakes and all our



wonderful parents for helping their child locate and count 100 items at home.

Wendy and Andrea

GARDEN TO TABLE PROGRAM

We had some very special helpers on Friday 4th August to help our Prep/1s and the G2T program. Mrs Joan Gibbs (retired principal of Romsey Primary school), was thrilled to come along and work with the students, teachers and Sue. Mrs Gibbs is a long-time advocate for kitchen garden programs and truly believes in the benefits to student's wellbeing and learning outcomes that are derived from their participation in a program such as ours at LPS. Our other special visitors were Lynn and Emma from Sunbury Bunnings who brought along for our school a new wheelbarrow, a range of tools and plants. We are very grateful for their ongoing support!

These young students are learning such valuable skills and building fabulous knowledge ... so proud of this program and our school! Students in Prep and Grade 1 have learned the skills of peeling, grating and spreading this term!

ENROLMENTS 2018

If you have a child starting school in 2018 and are yet to enrol, please contact the school office for enrolment forms. We have School Tours happening this term on Thursday 31st August and Wednesday 20th September at 9.15am. Please contact the office on 5429 2307 to book in or arrange an alternate time if these times do not suit.

Come and see what our wonderful school has to offer you and your child.

Transition sessions for Kinder to School are happening on: Session 1: Thursday 2nd November 2-3pm

Session 2: Thursday 9th November 2-3pm

Session 3: Thursday 16th November 2-3pm

Session 4: Thursday 30th November (Teddy Bear's Picnic) 2.00-3.15pm

Session 5: Whole school transition: Tuesday 12th December There is still so much more happening this term with the Book Fair on 21-25 August, the Comedy Gala evening on 26

August, as well as Grade 5/6 City Camp on 6-8 September! Until next month...





The CFA Chief Officer, The Bureau of Meteorology and the CSRIO Seasonal Outlook indications are that this year's Fire Season may start in eight weeks' time. CFA and other agencies across the state are bringing forward their preparations for the Fire Season.

You will see the Brigade out and about doing our preseason training from September onwards. Every operational member is required to participate in this training before they are allowed to respond to a fire or incident once the Fire Danger period has been declared.

Members are required to perform such things as: Entrapment Procedures - Burn over drill; Grass Fire Tanker Tactics; Map Reading; Draughting; Use of small hand tools; Radio Procedures and Maintenance checks on all appliance and equipment.

The Brigade suggest you start Preparing your homes and properties now for the coming 2017/18 fire season.

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WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO LEAVE

Know your trigger factors to leave (The Fire Danger rating, visible smoke). Organise where you will go. (The nominated hot day location, the next town etc). Plan your route (which way is the fire going). What do you do before you leave. Know when it is safe to return home.

The CFA website www.cfa.vic.gov.au has information on preparing your property for summer. You can call in at the Lancefield Fire Station any Sunday. We have brochures and booklets available and are happy to answer any questions.

Burn off notification: 1800 668 511, Bushfire Information Line: 1800 240 667

Community Safety Coordinator Jenny Davis

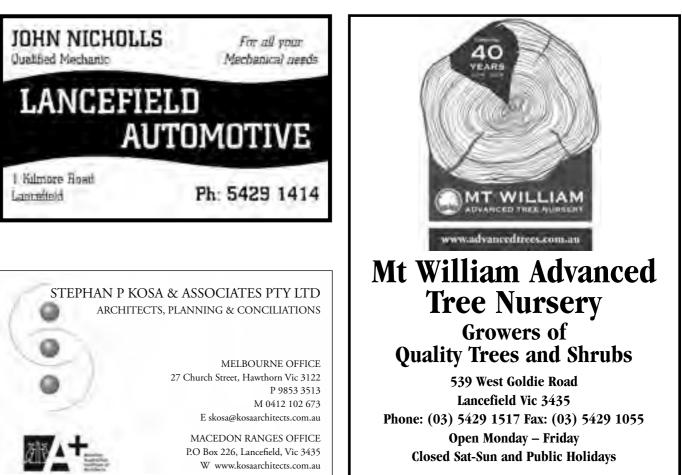
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LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT FARMERS' MARKET SEEKING NEW PRODUCERS

The Lancefield & District Farmers Market is now in its 14th year of operation, each month gracing the High Street plantation with a wide & varied selection of primary produce & associated value added products from the local region & beyond. Over the years, the market has grown substantially, from the 23 stalls it began with back in March 2003.

Locals will have noticed that in recent months the stall numbers are down, as winter has set in and we have seen some producers move on to work on other areas of their business. There is an opening for locals who have been considering attendance at the market, be it on a regular basis, seasonal or one off. Market coordinator Meggs Hannes encourages people in this boat to get in touch with her on 0407860320 to discuss options available for trade at the market, which runs on the fourth Saturday of the month (except in December when it is held on the third Saturday.)

Passionate home cooks may like to consider the option of value-adding some of the local produce of the region in the new commercial grade kitchen located in the Lancefield Mechanics Hall, fully registered to satisfy





council requirements for home-made items on sale at markets.

Buskers are also welcome to attend on market days. Market organisers would like to thank local patrons for their support of the producers over the winter period, a difficult time for markets in the Macedon Ranges due to the challenging weather conditions at times.

The Lancefield & District Farmers' Market is an initiative of the Lancefield Neighbourhood House, is proudly plastic bag free & accredited with the Victorian Farmers' Markets Association www.vfma.org.au

BE INSPIRED, IT'S IN OUR NATURE

Planet Ark celebrated 21 years of National Tree Day and Schools Tree Day - Australia's largest community treeplanting and nature care event. On Sunday July 30, to participate in National Tree Day, Deep Creek Landcare Group, Lancefield Skate Park committee members Damien Choate and Amy Bell and generous members of the community came together to conduct some planting at the Lancefield Park at the site of the anniversary of Landcare garden and the new Lancefield skate park. 145 trees, shrubs and grasses were planted to enhance the landscape of the new skate park of which a feature garden was created and established trees planted out and mulched. The already established Landcare anniversary garden was also planted out to enhance the native vegetation doing so well already there.

It was a very rewarding day with friends made and children getting excited about playing at the skate park which they are being a big part of beautifying it by planting trees and shrubs. The grass turf has already been laid and the Diprotodon climbing feature is an amazing and popular asset to a wonderful community area.

A follow up planting was later conducted at this same site on Monday 7th August with the girl guides who assisted the Deep Creek Landcare Group and members of the skate park committee by planting out 140 grasses to assist in gaining their Enviroguide badges. Lots of concentrating faces and eruptions of giggles ensued along with some muddy shoes and hands but it was a job well done by all who participated. Thank you girls.

Want to know more about Landcare in your local area? Please email deepcreeklandcare@gmail.com or drop into a meeting and share in a coffee and a chat.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 11th September @ 8pm at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall Annexe. All are welcome.

Hayley Goodman









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LANCEFIELD POLICE A WIN FOR ALL

SKATE PARK

Firstly I would like to take the time to congratulate all those who put time and effort into getting this wonderful facility up and going.

In particular the young people who pushed for better facilities and were prepared to get out there and raise funds by washing cars and running raffles and other fundraisers.

The parents who supported the project and the young people in their endeavours and joined committees and submitted funding applications and were prepared to shed a few tears along the way.

The Councillors who added their support and kept it on the Priority List and the Shire and DEWLP for their support in planning and funding this facility.

The Park Committee for providing a wonderful location. It looks great and is a great asset.

I was up at the skate park the other day and number of young people using this facility was wonderful and the ages varied from very young -3-4 year olds to those in their mid 20's, all sharing the facility together and bonding in the enjoyment of their chosen sport.

Well done to all those involved.

RECENT ISSUES: TRAILER PROTECTION

Over the past 12 months there have been a number of trailers stolen in the Macedon Ranges area. Others have been recovered but have been unable to be identified due to a lack of serial numbers or Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN). If your trailer has a VIN number on an easily removed aluminium plate then the chance of finding your trailer if stolen or having it returned to you is diminished. I would suggest stamping or welding a number on your trailer in an obscure location (Preferably your licence number prefixed by the letter V) to identify it so it could be traced back to you.

Keeping trailers away from prying eyes is also a good idea. If possible don't leave them on nature strips or in the front yard. If you must store your trailer in a visible location ensure it is fitted with a commercially manufactured trailer locking device. This obviously applies to caravans and boat trailers as well.

If you are on acreage then it is equally important to have your trailer securely locked. There have been a number of occasions where the offenders have used the victims trailer to cart away the victims quad bikes fire pumps etc.

EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

On Thursday the 11th of August a home made explosive device was thrown at a house in Rose Boulevard Lancefield.

This device made from a plastic bottle appears to have ruptured when striking the ground so did not achieve its purpose of exploding.

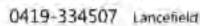
This is not the first incident of this nature in Lancefield in recent months and Police are very concerned at the danger devices of this nature pose to the public, the offender and to the attending emergency services.

The public are warned that if they come across a bottle the contents of which seen unusual ie containing a mixture of liquids and foil they should not approach or handle the device and should immediately contact police via 000. The contents of these devices should they explode are often very dangerous and corrosive and may result in serious injury to persons in the vicinity.

Although the offenders may have seen their actions as being a prank, police view them seriously. Some very serious offences are involved, including Reckless Conduct Endangering Serious Injury which could see the offenders jailed.

Any person having any information regarding these incidents are asked to contact Senior Detective Andrews at Macedon Ranges Criminal Investigation Unit at Kyneton on 54 212900 or myself at Lancefield Police on 54 292000 or 0439 010 708.

BUSTER'S Maintenance HAIRDRESSING **Driveway Maintenance** 90 H/P Tractor with 3 way Box Grater **Bobcat and Tipper Hire** Post Hole Augers AFFINAGE Grass Slashing **60in Zero Turn Finishing Mower BIOLAGE** Stump Grinder Contact: Buster Richmond







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- · Transport On time and in comfort
- Nursing Care When expert care is needed



FOCUS ON ROADS

The Council has adopted a new roads strategy, and I'm keen to see the commitment to our residents followed through. The strategy sets new response targets and performance commitments which can be found on the shires web site, so let's make sure that issues with roads or road repairs are dealt with promptly. The total length of the road network across the Shire is more than 2000km – but we're not responsible for all of it. VicRoads manages around 15% (237 kilometres) of it, comprising the major roads - the obvious ones like the Melbourne-Lancefield road and the Calder Highway, and also the major connecting roads between towns. VicRoads is responsible for the repair and maintenance of those roads, but everything else falls to Council – and it's these roads I want to see maintained. In Lancefield, the roads and streets which are VicRoads' responsibility include Chauncey St, Main Rd, Lancefield/Woodend Rd, Kilmore/Lancefield Rd, Melbourne Rd and Tooborac Rd. Residents wanting to call in action on one of our roads needing maintenance, or an issue needing repair, can phone the Council Customer Services on 5422 0333.

And if you're not satisfied, call one of your East Ward Councillors. Henry Bleeck







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MASS TIMES

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month: 8:00am Lancefield and 10:00 am Romsey 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month: 8:00 am Romsey and 10:00am Lancefield

COMMUNION SERVICES

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

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Saturdays 9:45am Romsey

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BAPTISMS

2017 – Romsey Church – November 5th.
2017 – Lancefield Church – October 8th & December 10th.
2018 – Romsey Church – January 7th, March 4th, May 6th, July 1st, September 2nd & November 4th.

2018 – Lancefield Church – February 11th, April 8th, June 10th, August 12th, October 14th & December 9th. For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

SACRAMENTS

Parents with children not attending St. Mary's School who are scheduled to receive Sacraments in 2018 are invited to email their details to the secretary at lancefield@cam.org.au to register your child.

Information will be sent out early in 2018 with the Sacramental schedule for the year.

Like us at https://www.facebook.com/ stmarysparishlancefieldromsey/ to keep up with parish activities and news.

PARISH NEWS

It's been wonderful to have some familiar faces back in the parish to help us celebrate Mass while Fr. Vinoth is in India. Fr. George, Fr. Arnold and Fr. Brian, along with Fr. Martin have been ensuring our parish has Mass each Sunday. Fr. Vinoth is recovering well from his injuries and is scheduled to be back in Australia early September.

We look forward to his return to the parish in mid September to once again celebrate Mass at St. Mary's.



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LANCEFIELD SMALL BORE RIFLE CLUB

Lancefield Small Bore Rifle Club held their AGM at their Club Rooms on 14th August. All of the members attended and welcomed our guest, Cr Bill West, who received a tour of the newly roofed in range.

Did you know about the club and that it has been in existence for over 64 years? It may be a small group but a number of its members hold State Championship titles and have done so through many years. Recently Roger Brooks won gold in the A grade division of the Target Rifle Victoria President's Air Rifle Competition 2017 and Max Joiner brought home a silver medal in the same event. Our newer members are receiving awards also. Tarsha Walters won a gold medal in B grade division of the TRV President's Air Rifle Competition.





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We meet two nights a week and shoot target cards both for practice and competition. There is a 20 metre range for prone and bench rest target shooting and there is also a 10 metre supported air rifle range. The Club has been competing in the Pennant competition for the past 10 weeks and preliminary results have Lancefield A Prone team tying for first place with a shoot off to be arranged shortly to decide the winner.

Lancefield Small Bore Rifle Club currently has 15 members, both male and female and of a wide age range. If you would like to find out more about the sport or are new to the area, have shot before and would like to get involved once again, please give Max our Secretary a call for further information 54292259

MAMMA MIA! MACEDON RANGES TO HOST SHOWBIZ LEGENDS

Rhonda Burchmore, OAM is one of Australia's biggest stars who was in the original record breaking production of the ABBA musical, Mamma Mia! Her 'partner in crime' on stage. was Lara Mulcahy who also starred in the show on the West End. The pair are selfproclaimed 'ABBA-tragics' loving the music and mystique surrounding the 70's Supergroup.

"We have created a new, funny show, ABBA – Solutely Fabulous, which is touring nationally and heading to the Macedon Ranges in early September" Rhonda told the Lancefield Mercurv.

"I can't wait to revisit 'The Ranges'. Many of my clever friends have moved to the area settling in Lancefield, Mt Macedon and Kyneton so I've seen how great the lifestyle is, which is being enhanced by entertaining, professional shows making it a priority to play here."

"It also doesn't hurt that Lancefield boasts such great wines, that I assure you, keeps

the cast and our very talented band 'highly motivated'. Said Rhonda with her trademark grin.

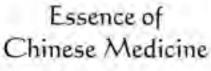
"Lara and I grew up as ABBA fans. We wanted to be Frida and Anna. In the performance, we explore and live out our ABBA fantasies, performing their hits with a really hot live band in a fun show for all ages."

Rhonda's show is on the same weekend as Kyneton's Daffodil Festival.

"The Festival brings a huge influx to Kyneton, which is great

but I don't want people in areas like Lancefield to miss out on good seats, so I urge anyone who wants to join us for a special night to get tickets early." Said Rhonda.

Info/Tickets- Kyneton Town Hall -Ph 1300 888 802; Macedon Ranges Shire Offices or Website. rhondaburchmore.com-Performance- Friday September 8th 2017 at 8pm.





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TO THE END OF THE AGE

Do you think there will come a time when this world ends? Jesus Christ did! Jesus' last words to His followers were, "And surely I am with you always ,to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:20). There have been many predictions over the years as to when this would be but as Jesus has stated no-one knows the day or the hour just when that will happen, only the Father in heaven.

More than anything else that Jesus taught, it ' was the end of the age' as we know it and His second coming. His advice was to watch and pray and be ready! We are living in very troubled times which are not new but now we are experiencing them on a worldwide scale.

Jesus predicted : Nations will rise up against nations : Wars and rumours of wars : Famines : Earthquakes : and these are just the beginning. His Church, Christians, will suffer great persecution, even death because of their faith in Him. This has already happened in the Middle East where many thousands have been killed and driven from their lands where they have lived for over 2000 years. Also happening in many other parts of the world. Now here in Australia Christians are seeing the signs of such discrimination already raising its ugly head! Jesus encourages Christians to stand firm, remain faithful to Him, even though the going gets tough. We are living in times when good is called evil and evil is called good, which is being seen in our society today. Jesus said, "Because of the increase of wickedness the love of many will grow cold, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved." (Matthew 28:12-13).

- We have His promise that He will be standing with us or those coming after us through all these troublous times.
- "The sands of time are sinking; the dawn of heaven breaks,
- and glory, glory dwells, in Emmanuel's land." Mrs. A. R. Cousin.

NEWS

Thank you all who supported the Snowball sales which money goes to the Anglican Men's Society Welfare Fund, helping many worthy causes. Betty and Max Dansey delivered a car load of supplies to Anglicare for Melbourne's needy. We are appreciating Rev. Daniel's ministry as we get to know him and his visitation of parishioners.



Greetings to our friends whom we miss at our services of worship due to their ill-health, - Meryl and Robert Green, Jean Hassall and Florence Carter, our love and prayers to you all for your improved health.

Happy Birthday to loved Laurie Thomson, who celebrates his 90th birthday on the 14th of this month.

Thurs.7th Sept.8.pm.A.M.S Meets in Christ Church Lancefield. All men welcome! Enq. Tom .. 5429..6060.

Sun. 24th Sept. 2pm art raffle for the on-going -Restoration of Christ Church Lancefield.

The Art Show commences at 2pm in Christ Church Lancefield. The artists will be speaking about their work. The raffle will be drawn in the Church Hall during afternoon tea.

Raffle tickets available from Trish on 5429-2347 (Lancefield) or Glenice on 5429-6418. (Romsey)

Doreen Morgan Correspondent

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Previous projects funded through the program include:

- interactive signage boards at Woodend Children's Park
- kitchen upgrade at Tylden Community Hall
- a fitness zone at Riddells Creek Park
- plaques for the Romsey historical sites

• lighting equipment and technical skills development workshops for the Bluestone Theatre

preparation of a master plan for Woodend Kindergarten
development of the 'Discover Historic Kyneton' booklet and map to activate the historical places in Kyneton.

Eligible local community groups with ideas for place making projects are encouraged to read through the guidelines and discuss their ideas with Council. Applications close on Monday 18 September 2017.

For more information, call Jodie on 5422 0247 or visit mrsc.vic.gov.au/places-for-people



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LANCEFIELD MECHANICS' INSTITUTE HALL HAPPENINGS

Well it's been a while since the last Hall Happenings but be assured a lot has been happening. As many would know since early May this year we have been into a major works project to upgrade the Institute toilet facilities. So what's changed in one word, everything! The former ladies toilet is now an all abilities toilet: the old library area has been converted to become the main toilet block with separate women and men facilities; the former men's toilet is now a storage room; along with improved access to these facilities from both the fover and back Annex. If you haven't already done so I suggest you take a look at the plans on the notice board near the foyer entrance.

As I write the tiling work has just started and we are on the home stretch with a planned completion of Sept 18th. This has been a challenging design and build exercise first to achieve a much-improved toilet layout, then all the surprises that get uncovered when renovating a more than 100-year-old building as well as trying to keep the hall operational for user groups and functions.

The Committee apologize for the inconvenience to our Community during this period but would also take this opportunity to thank you for your understanding and support. We would also like to thank Andrew Holloway and his team (Holloway Building Solutions) for their great work on this project and their support to enable some functions to go ahead despite the build still ongoing.

While on the thankyou path – I personally want to thank the sub-committee team for their tireless work to first get the Toilet Upgrade project off the ground and then to deliver a fantastic upgrade and on budget. Aileen Webster, Sandra Clark and Peter Chiller deserve high praise from all our community in bringing this much-needed improvement to this key community asset. We should also note this Project could not have gone ahead without the generous grant and support provided by DELWP.

This toilet upgrade project completes major development works identified as a priority by the Lancefield Community

Planning Group way back in 2009 - Heating of the Main Hall, Upgrade of the Kitchen, Upgrade of the Toilets and Upgrade of Services (Electricity, Water, Bottle Gas to natural Gas (the latter due Q4 2017).

Still plenty of improvements and refurbishment to go. If you would like to be part of the team responsible to operate and further develop the Hall complex I urge you to nominate for the Committee at the upcoming Public Meeting on Oct 11th (see below).

John Sevenson (President, LMI CoM)

BOOKINGS:

For enquiries regarding bookings of the whole or part of the hall complex Contact: Mob: 0437 313 564 Email: lancefieldhall@gmail.com

NOTICE IS GIVEN OF A PUBLIC MEETING

To be held at the Lancefield Mechanics' Institute (Supper Room) on Wednesday, October 11th 2017 commencing at 7:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to nominate no less than three (3) nor more than nine (9) persons as the Committee of Management (CoM) for the Lancefield Mechanics' Institute & Library for a term of three (3) years.

The current committee's term will expire on October 17th 2017. All positions will be declared open on the night and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night. Nominations from women are encouraged.

Further information, nomination forms and nominee declaration forms may be obtained by contacting our local (Bendigo) Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning office or at the meeting.

For further enquiries please contact the CoM President: John Sevenson on mob: 0414 407 034.





We are in the process of organising a few new courses; social media - Facebook and Instagram, knitting socks and learning to weld. Please let us know if you are interested and when you would be available if you are.

VOLUNTEER

Research shows that volunteering is good for your health. It can be a great way to meet people and often helps people looking for work to get a job.

If you've ever thought of volunteering in the community the Neighbourhood House would love you to join us.

We are currently looking for volunteers for;

- Op Shop shifts particularly Tuesday afternoon.
- Social Media/ promotions for the Megafauna Festival.
- · Office/ administration at the House on Mondays.
- Saturday morning at the Townhouse.
- House history scrapbooks to be kept up to date.

Contact the Neighbourhood House for more information about any of these opportunities.

BOOMERANG BAGS

Boomerang Bags Lancefield aims to make several hundred reusable bags from upcycled materials. Our Boomerang Bag Lancefield screen print has arrived so each bag will have a pocket with the logo.

To do this we need some help screen printing so if you already know what to do, or would like to learn how give the House a call.

We are meeting on the second Wednesday of the month at 10am to make bags. This involves cutting material, sewing, ironing, screen printing, chatting and having fun, while you contribute to reducing plastic pollution.

The Mens Shed are making a portable holder from which bags can be collected.



SKATEPARK OPENING

It's great to see the Skatepark teeming with children and some adults. Almost 20 years in the making, the facility is a credit to every single person who contributed over that time. The official Skatepark opening is being held on Saturday 27 September. Besides the official bit there will be live music, demos and a BBQ. Watch out for posters around town in the next few weeks or you could subscribe to Lancefield updates on www.lancefield.org.au on the News page.

LOCAL TRANSPORT

Along with Romsey Neighbourhood House we have received some funding to look into community transport options in the two towns. Ever been unable to get to a medical appointment? Have to sometimes wait hours to get home from Uni? Would like to go out and have some fun without driving sometimes?

Fill in the survey to help us workout what our transport needs are.

You will find hardcopies of the survey at The Town House and the Doctors surgeries. You can fill-in on-line at www. surveymonkey/r/neighbourhoodhousetransport or phone or email the House for a copy.

LEARN TO RIDE

The Cobaw 'Learn to Ride' five week beginner course starts on Friday 8 September 9.30-10.30 am. Starting off inside the Laurie Green Pavilion and building up to joining the weekly social bike ride around town. Cobaw also offer children's and adolescents learn to ride programs - contact them on 1300026229 for information on these.

Phone or email the House to book for the beginners course or register at https://www.stickytickets.com. au/53762

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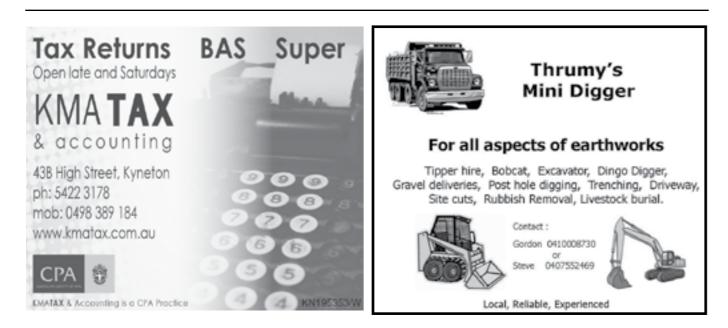


Your local Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society is requesting your assistance for the very significant and historic Seymour Cottage

The Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society Inc is the community's guardian and repository for historic documents, artefacts and research on local history. The society is also the owner and maintainer of the government registered historic Seymour Cottage (c1856) and land in Palmer Street Romsey. Rather than calling it an asset Seymour Cottage is an 1856 'heritage liability' with many maintenance and restoration issues that are swamping the limited local funds that the society members generate. Grants and sponsorship are the big hope for restoration and meeting recurrent operational costs that are over and above our society's current resources.

A recent inspection documented the extent and real concern of extensive old termite damage especially effecting the stability of wall framing and contributing to potentially dangerous structural failures of several roof and ceiling support beams. The Society has reluctantly decided to close Seymour Cottage to public access while temporary safety propping is undertaken along with a further detailed safety assessment. A further financial assessment of the repairs and maintenance works will take time and involve Heritage Victoria. All this will continue to put further strains on the Society's already very limited resources.

Consequent to this and the recent departure of the Cottage Coordinator the society is seeking to re-form the 'Friends of Seymour Cottage' advisory sub-committee under a new coordinator. The need is for strategic master planning



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in cooperation with Heritage Victoria and the Macedon Ranges Council along with exploring financial support grants and community sponsorships. Are there are other 'arrangements' for preserving and restoring this important historic community asset that are not readily apparent to us?

If you are currently or have previously been involved with Seymour Cottage and the Romsey & Lancefield Districts Historical Society please consider re-joining the Society and contributing to saving this important and unusual 1850s Gold Rush era building. Your financial support along with your ideas and submissions are welcome to be lodged with the Society's Secretary.

For further background to the Society https://cv.vic.gov.au/organisations/romsey-lancefielddistricts-historical-society-inc/

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and the historic Seymour Cottage and land can be obtained from the Society's Secretaryby eMail to lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com. Or inspect the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR H2248) citation on the web at http://vhd.heritagecouncil.vic.gov.au/places/4334

The Lancefield Mercury would like to correct a couple of factual errors which made it into Historical Society article in the July Edition and to apologies to Ruth Green for the unauthorized changes to her article. The arrival of the Seymours in Australia is generally held to be 1841 and Heritage accreditation of Seymour Cottage was in 2013.

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and ministering in her down to earth approach which will inspire you to experience breakthrough in all areas of your life. Debbie has witnessed God perform many miracles and ministers throughout Australia. Asia and the USA

No cost to attend - love offering/donation will be taken on the night. Small upper provided

RSVP 5429 6327 by Friday September 1.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 6.30 TO 9.30 PM

Youth event With Guest Speaker: Tim Emonson Tim has a heart for the Word of God, and helping people to deepen their relationship with God. With a passion for apologetics, and an ability to convey the complex in simple

terms, he preached his first sermon when he was 16. Tim is now the assistant pastor at Encourage Church in Romsey, and is married with three teenage boys. He enjoys anything to do with sport (he is a rare Collingwood supporter with teeth) and playing with his Lego collection

Free Admission Sausages & soft drinks available for purchase Come along & enjoy a great night featuring: Music * Basketball * Henna * Chill Zone & More

If you would like to know more about faith in Jesus Please contact Pastor Marilyn or our Church office Ph 5429 6327. We would be happy to help you find true peace and joy in life. Encourage Church: "Encouraging one another to be ALL we can be in life and in God". You are invited to join us at our regular Sunday Service: 10am at 7 Mitchell Court Romsey OR one of our fortnightly Life Groups, Fortnightly Youth events and weekly Children's Programs.

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Senior Pastor Marilyn Hunter - "Encourage Church"



THE MOUNT PLAYERS HAPPENINGS

'LET IT GO' IN THE **FULL MONTY**

The Mount Players production of 'The Full Monty' opened its season on Friday 18th August to a packed house and has entertained full houses since!! With an incredibly talented cast, fabulous orchestra and a witty script it is little wonder this show is enjoying such success. If you haven't seen it there may be a few stray tickets left but by the time this article is published it may well be too late.....but please try all the same! For bookings go to our website www.themountplayers. com.

The last production for 2017 is a Noel Howard classic, 'Present Laughter' which has now been cast and in rehearsal. Director, Andrew Meldrum (a true Noel Coward fan) directed a previous Howard classic 'Private Lives' in 2013 which enjoyed a very successful season so we look forward to this wonderful comedy to wind up another memorable year.

Karen Hunt



THE IMPORTANCE OF A FAMILY.

We all want to belong. Creatures big and small, animals, birds, insects and people. Whether it is kangaroes, koalas, cows and sheep (herd animals) or Lancefieldians, they all want to belong. There are even people that want to belong to the Magpies or Bulldogs and Wallabys. These are all families, and they are important. I don't mean just Mums and Dads, brothers and sisters, uncles and aunts. We are not all born the same, some of us not even at the same address.But these are a group of similar related things or people. In a family we find friends and sometime a real "Mate". Whether it is related friends, footballers, golfers or the like. They all form a society. Roger Federer belongs, so does Margeret Court. We also belong to the excellent family of the Macedon Council, which we elected. Many people flock to our town and our Farmers' Market. The fact is that they want to belong to the 'Lancefield Scene'. We even have a doctor who heads an opera company, who is proud of our town. He encourages everybody to be a member. Although I did blow-in some years ago, I am glad that I quickly became a Lancefieldian, to enjoy the pleasures of belonging to a happy family.

Murk Schoen

CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS

My Dog Mouseby Eva Lindstrom. RRP \$26.99

Can I take Mouse for a walk? I ask. and I'm always allowed. We set off, very slowly. Mouse walks at a snail's pace. He stops at lampposts and fences and sniffs for a long time. Sometimes he looks up at me and then I usually say something. I maybe say old man in a very nice voice, not my usual one.... I wish Mouse was mine. My Dog Mouse offers friendship, humour and gentle heartache in one dog walk. This is a book for anyone

who knows what it is to love an old slow dog, with ears as thin as pancakes.



Once there wa

there was a Fox who lived in a deep, dense forest. For as long as Fox could remember, his only friend had been Star, who lit the forest paths each night. But then one night Star wasn't there, and Fox had to face the forest all alone... This is the moving story of a fox, a star and an eternal friendship, written and beautifully illustrated by the award-winning Coralie Bickford-Smith.



Ready Steady Hatch! By Ben Long and David Cornish. RRP \$16.95

Age range 2 to 5 yearsRound and bright, and creamy white, amid the pumpkin patch, a clutch of eggs was sprouting legs. Ready, steady, hatch! Ten chicks are excited to discover the world outside their eggshells, but the smallest is soon separated from the rest. Where can she be? A rollicking adventure about curiosity, camaraderie and, above all, having a play along the way!

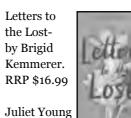
TEEN FICTION



Ages 8 to 11 years. Jorge lives in a shanty town on the outskirts of Paris. Bill, a controller, has an army of child thieves at his command-and Jorge is one of them. But soon Jorge faces an even bigger threat. His home is to be bulldozed. Where will Jorge sleep? What will happen to his friends, Ada and Gino? Could a burgeoning friendship with Australian chef, Sticky-Ricky, help Jorge to stop Bill and save the army of child-thieves? And will he do it before he loses



Ada forever? Jorge can't keep fighting to live-now he must live to fight. A harrowing, humbling story about one boy's desperation to escape a life of crippling poverty.



always writes letters to her mother, a world-travelling photojournalist. Even after her mother's death, she leaves letters at her grave. It's the only way Juliet can cope. Declan Murphy isn't the sort of guy you want to cross. In the midst of his courtordered community service at the local cemetery, he's trying to escape the demons of his past. When Declan reads a haunting letter left beside a grave, he can't resist writing back. Soon, he's opening up to a perfect stranger, and their connection is immediate. But neither Declan nor Juliet knows that they're not actually strangers. When life at school interferes with their secret life of letters, sparks will fly as Juliet and Declan discover truths that might tear them apart.

Bodyguard: Assassinby Chris Bradford. RRP \$17.99



The new and explosive book in Chris Bradford's Bodyguard series. Russia - the most dangerous place on earth to be a bodyguard. Teenage bodyguard Connor Reeves faces his



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deadliest assignment yet. In a country governed by criminals, he must protect Feliks, the only son of Russian billionaire and politician, Viktor Malkov. Viktor wants to change Russia for the good of all its people. But the mafia have different plans and a contract is out for the billionaire's life. With Feliks being the one chink in his father's armour, Connor must join forces with his rival Jason to act as a bulletproof shield against blackmail, assassination and kidnapping. This is the first mission Connor and Jason have worked together. And with a deadly assassin on the loose it could be their last...

ADULT FICTION

Mad- by Chloe Esposito. RRP \$32.99 'There's something you should know before we go any further: my heart is in the



wrong place. Now don't say I didn't warn you . . .' Perhaps that's why nothing in Alvie's life has ever gone right? Until now. She can finally abandon her credit card debt - and her fruitless three-way relationship with Tinder and Twitter - when fate gives her the chance to steal her identical twin's perfect life. It's just a shame Beth had to die to make Alvie's dreams come true. So begin seven days of violence and unapologetic selfies - one wild week that sees Alvie break every rule in the book. She never did have much respect for boundaries. It might be madness, but rules are meant to be broken. Right?

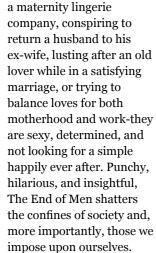


Mad is the first in the sexy, shocking and compulsively readable Mad, Bad and Dangerous to Know trilogy.

The End of Menby Karen Rinaldi. RRP \$29.99

Isabel, Anna, Beth, and

Maggie are women who aren't afraid to take it all Whether spearheading



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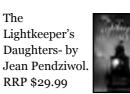
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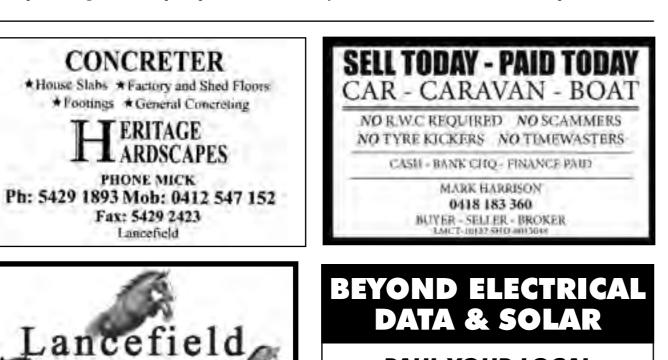
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Elizabeth's eyes have failed. She can no longer read the books she loves or see the paintings that move her, but her mind remains sharp and music fills the vacancy left by her blindness. When her father's journals are discovered

on a shipwrecked boat, she enlists the help of a delinquent teen, Morgan, to read to her. As an unlikely friendship grows between them, Elizabeth is carried back to her childhood home - the lighthouse on Porphyry Island, Lake Superior - and to the memory of her enigmatic twin sister Emily. But for

Elizabeth, the faded pages of her father's journals reveal more secrets than she anticipates.



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in a World that Can't Stop Talking. She inspired millions of people, and permanently changed the way we see introverts - and the way introverts see themselves. Now she takes the Quiet Revolution to a younger audience. Childhood, adolescence and your early twenties are times wrought with insecurity and self-doubt. Your search for your place in the world can seem daunting. Focusing on the



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strengths and challenges of being introverted, Quiet Power is full of examples from school, family life and friendship, applying the breakthrough discoveries of Quiet to readers that so badly need them. This insightful, accessible and empowering book is eyeopening to extroverts and introverts alike. Unlock your hidden superpower and give yourself the tools to make a mark - in your own quiet way.

Modern Mindfulnessby Rohan Gunatillake. RRP \$19.99

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Gunatillake, creator of the best-selling buddhify app, argues that to lead more mindful, calm and happy lives, switching off is the last thing we need to do. Instead he gives you the ideas, principles and techniques to bring

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mindfulness approach of Modern Mindfulness presents a way to get the benefits from meditation however busy your life is.

Mindfulness for Mums and Dads- by Dr Diana Korevaar. RRP \$29.99

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As a parent, it can be all too easy to live life on automatic pilot - fulfilling one demand after another while missing out on much of the journey. And though you can't control every situation, you can influence the outcome

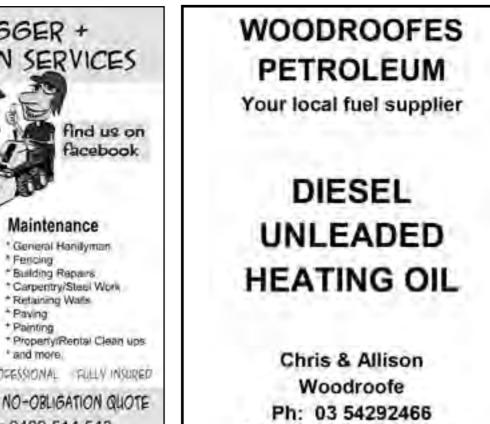
by learning to change how you react. Dr Diana Korevaar, a practising perinatal psychiatrist, uses mindfulness practice as a powerful tool to help parents calm down, connect and reframe the challenges they face in

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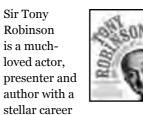
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Email: woodroofe@people.net.au www.woodroofespetroleum.com.au order to experience life more positively. Grounded in science, Mindfulness for Mums and Dads features dozens of case studies, as well as simple mindfulness practices that can be carried out anywhere. These are practical tools for anyone seeking to actively engage in their own recovery from anxiety or depression, or for those no longer content to 'just exist' in life, hoping that things will get better in the future. In as little as three minutes a day, it is possible to take control of your life, become calmer and more compassionate, and be fully present for the small moments in life that create true and lasting happiness.

ADULT NON FICTION

No Cunning Plan- by Tony Robinson. RRP \$19.99



Sir Tony

Robinson

is a much-

lasting over fifty years. Now, in his long-awaited autobiography, he reveals how the boy from South Woodford went from child stardom in the first stage production of Oliver!, a pint-sized pickpocket desperately bleaching his incipient moustache, to comedy icon Baldrick, the loyal servant and turnip aficionado in Blackadder. It wasn't all plain sailing though. Along the way he was bullied by Steve Marriott, failed to impress Liza Minnelli and was pushed into a stinking London dock by John Wayne. He also entertained us with Maid Marion and Her Merry Men (which





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he wrote and starred in) and coped manfully when locked naked outside a theatre in Lincoln during the live tour of comedy series Who Dares Wins. He presented Time Team for twenty years, watching countless gardens ruthlessly dug up in the name of archaeology, and risked life and limb filming The Worst Jobs in History. Packed full of incident and insight, No Cunning Plan is a funny, self-deprecating and always entertaining read.

Queen Bees- by Sian Evans. RRP \$22.99

Queen Bees looks at the lives of six remarkable women who made careers out of being society hostesses, including Lady Astor, who went on to become the first female MP, and Mrs Greville, who

cultivated relationships with Edward VII, as well as Lady Londonderry. Lady Cunard, Laura Corrigan and Lady Colefax. Written with wit, verve and heart, Queen Bees is the story of a form of societal revolution, and the extraordinary women who helped it happen.In the aftermath of the First World War, the previously strict hierarchies of the British class system were weakened. For a number of ambitious, spirited women, this was the chance they needed to slip through the cracks and take their place at the top of society as the great hostesses of the time. In an age when the place of women was uncertain, becoming a hostess was not a chore, but a career choice, and though some of the hostesses' backgrounds were surprisingly humble, their aspirations were

anything but. During the inter-war years these extraordinary women ruled over London society from their dining tables and salons - entertaining everyone from the Mosleys to the Mitfords, from millionaires to maharajahs, from film stars to royalty and their influence can still be felt today.

Australia's Second Chanceby George Megalogenis. RRP \$24.99

Most nations don't get a first chance to prosper. Australia is on its second. For the best part of the nineteenth century, Australia was the world's richest country, a pioneer for democracy and a magnet for migrants. Yet our last big boom was followed by a fifty-year

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bust as we lost our luck, our riches and our nerve. and shut our doors on the world. Now we're back on top, in the position where history tells us we made our biggest mistakes. Can we learn from our past and cement our place as one of the world's great nations? Our country's most insightful big-picture commentator, George Megalogenis crunches the numbers and weaves our history into a riveting argument, brilliantly chronicling our dialogue with the world and bringing welcome insight into the urgent question of who we are, and what we can become.

The Charge- by David W. Cameron. RRP \$35.00

The Turkish Gaza-Beersheba line extended for 40 kilometres between

the Turkish bastion of Gaza and the heavily fortified town of Beersheba, and stopped any Allied advance into Palestine proper. It needed to be breached, and Beersheba - on the eastern flank of this line - became the scene of the historic charge by the Australian Light Horse on 31 October 1917 - one of the last successful cavalry charges in history. After two failed attempts to attack Gaza, Allied forces decided to outflank it by turning the Turkish line at Beersheba. The attack was launched at dawn on 31 October but by late afternoon the British 20 Infantry Corps had made little headway towards the town and its vital wells. The Australian Lieutenant, General Harry Chauvel, commanding the Desert Mounted Corps, ordered the 4th Light Horse Brigade forward

to attempt to secure the position. Australian Brigadier William Grant responded by ordering troopers of the 4th and 12th regiments to charge at the Turkish trenches, using their bayonets as 'swords', and the momentum of the surprise attack carried them through the Turkish defences. The water supplies were saved and over 1000 Turkish prisoners taken. The fall of Beersheba opened the way for a general outflanking of the Gaza-Beersheba Line. and within months enabled the capture of Jerusalem. Drawing from first-hand accounts, David Cameron pieces together how this important battle unfolded and captures the courage and strategic brilliance of the Australian Light Horse - and the significance of this victory in the broader context of the Great War.

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Resonance String Orchestra in Concert with acclaimed cellist Zoe Knighton (Flinders Ouartet)

In September, Resonance String Orchestra will appear in concert with Zoe Knighton, a cellist of great acclaim. Knighton is renowned for her work as both soloist and chamber musician, and is a founding member of the Flinders Quartet, one of the finest string quartets in the country. Knighton has brought incredible energy, enthusiasm and insight to her work with the orchestra, and the concert they are putting together promises to be unmissable.

Another aspect of this project has been Resonance's work with residents at the Woodend Aged Care facility: orchestra members have spent time interviewing residents, hearing stories of the significance of film and music in their lives, and they have performed concerts of works in progress at the facility. The result has been an intergenerational dialogue and exchange that has been meaningful for all involved. Our September performance will reflect this ongoing relationship in many ways.

For the performance, Knighton has worked with Resonance on a number of works from film scores, producing a program that will resonate with audience members across the generations. Audiences will recognise music by the



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great soundtrack composers, including Yann Tierson, Ennio Morricone and John Williams, with themes from films from 1950s-present including Dambusters, Breakfast at Tiffany's, Star Wars, Amelie and Harry Potter, and more. The slow movement from Schubert's C major double cello quintet will be easily recognisable to film-lovers, and will be performed by Knighton and Resonance staff group Quartet Con Spirito. Knighton will also feature as a soloist in Moon River and the achingly beautiful Schindler's List theme.

The concert will also feature special guest items from the Woodend Primary School Choir and 'String Club'.

Mary Maloney Theatre, Sacred Heart College, Kyneton, Sunday 10th September, 3pm.

Tickets \$20/\$15 or \$60 for family of four: https://www. trybooking.com/RIUT

Resonance is accepting members into both string ensembles, so if you play a string instrument and would like to play with others in a friendly and musically challenging environment, please contact us. Please see www.resonancestringorchestra.org.au or contact Heather Cummins, Director of Music, on heather.violin@gmail.com or 0418 128 894 if you have any other queries.

THE COURSE IS IN **EXCELLENT CONDITION**

Whilst many of our members have become 'grey nomads' over these past months, with the exception of the Tuesday competition, Saturdays and Wednesdays have had reasonable fields. The welcome rain at the beginning of August has meant the big dams on course have now reached their capacity and the course is in excellent condition. July 1st saw Steve Climas come to the fore winning the Monthly Medal with an excellent 69 Nett; then on July 9th was in the winning team with Glenn Cook, Hugh Parks and Chris Lingard with a score of 138 pts to take out the "Winter 1000" event sponsored by the Lancefield Hotel, then on July 15th won the Final Singles Knockout Matchplay 4/3 over Dale Schmitt and yet again on 22nd July Stableford event came in with a great 43 points. Needless to say Steve has been enjoying the weekly \$20 Town Voucher prizes. We don't know what he did on July 8th because David Plunkett snuck in under his guard to win with 43 pts. On July 24th the Tuesday Legends finally had a field and the winner on this occasion was Mark Cruise on count back from Richard Philippe with 35 pts. We welcome another new member in Peter Robbins with a handicap of 4 who won the Short Course event on Saturday 15th with 67, (this was whilst Steve was busy in the Matchplay Final). The Ladies have continued to have good fields despite the fact that half of their players

are up north and it was remarked that if we had everyone in the field at the same time we would be playing with 24 players regularly. Some shining lights during the month saw Di Brennan win the July Monthly Medal, and win again in the first round of the Captains Trophy on a count back from Robyn Stevens.

July 26 was a 9 Hole 3 Person Ambrose with the winning team comprising of Di Rohde, Jenny Colson and Lyn Murchison with a net 31 pts. From this team emerged another star in Lyn Murchison who has swept all before her into August winning the Monthly Medal on a count back from Kaylene Cruise on 75 nett. Then again winning on the 9th August in the 4th Round of the Silver Spoon where she also took out the Nearest the Pins on the 3rd and 5th holes. Kaylene Cruise is feeling very much the bridesmaid of late having been beaten on count back on 3 separate occasions.

Men's August Monthly Medal was won by Chris Lingard with 69, and on Saturday 12th the 4BBB was won by the team of Mark Cruise & Jodie Kefford. Runners up were Wayne Mee & Glenn Holland.

Something new in Spring: The Club has introduced the "Fast 4" Course which takes in 4 holes for those who are time poor ie want to have a hit but don't have 4 hrs. For \$5.00 you



can play these holes which consist of : 1 x Par 3; 2 x Par 4s; 1x Par 5 holes. Special tickets which include the score card will be available in the green fee box or books of 10 can be purchased from the Club for \$50. Families are welcome and children under the age of 12, providing they are accompanied by an adult, are free. Restricted times apply.

The Christmas in July event was again another outstanding success with excellent entertainment by Jodie

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING HUB

Improving mental health and wellbeing are an urgent priority for the Macedon Ranges. As a result Macedon Ranges Health (MRH) will be opening a new Mental Health & Wellbeing Hub at the MRH Centre in Lyell Street, Gisborne.

The new hub will comprise four new consulting rooms and a meeting space to expand the delivery of counselling, psychology, social work and family violence programs offered in the centre. The hub will also support the delivery of workshops, classes and community programs to support better mental health and social inclusion across the region.

Gisborne & District Community Bank® Branch of Bendigo Bank has donated \$40,000 towards the new Mental Health & Wellbeing Hub. MRH greatly values the ongoing support provided to the organisation by Bendigo Bank. In November 2015 MRH received the keys to a brand new Toyota Commuter bus also donated by Bendigo Bank. Don Tidbury, CEO of Macedon Ranges



Kefford - Marina decided to have a night off as she felt her fingers hadn't had enough practice for the keyboard - and the 3 course meal was outstanding.

The next coming event is the "September Stakes" Par 3 Event to be held on Sunday 10th September, \$100 to be won on every hole; and stay tuned for the upcoming 'Quick Flick' Clearance Sale to be held at the Harness Club Track later in the year.

Health, said, "With mental health being a major issue for the region, the Bendigo Bank's wonderful donation of \$40,000 towards the new Mental Health & Wellbeing Hub will enable MRH to expand services to address this urgent challenge. We are very grateful for the ongoing generous support they have provided to assist MRH to support the vulnerable and the aged in our community."

Works will commence on the \$80,000 project in August with the new hub expected to open in October. Macedon Ranges Health is a local community owned, independent, 'not for profit' Health and Aged Care provider that delivers an extensive range of primary health care, home care and residential aged care services.

For further information: Kelly Milne - Community Engagement Manager, 5428 0300 0419 319 429 kelly.milne@mrh.org.au

MACEDON RANGES SUICIDE PREVENTION ACTION GROUP WALKING TO RAISE AWARENESS OF SUICIDE PREVENTION

Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Action Group (MRSPAG) invites everyone to the Macedon Ranges Suicide Prevention Walk.

World Suicide Prevention Day is on Sunday 10th September – there is so much we as a community can do to help shine a light on this important issue. The theme of the World Suicide Prevention day is 'Take a minute, Change a life'. Talking, listening, sharing, caring and assisting others to find help if needed is one way to do this. A caring, connected community can only help as a suicide prevention strategy.

A group of community members have joined forces with Local Government and Community Organisations to continue to build a robust response to suicide prevention in the Macedon Ranges - this walk, will be the fourth one for the Macedon Ranges and is one of those responses.

Last year more than 200 people walked 'Out of the Shadows and Into the Light' in Woodend - Everyone from the local and surrounding community are invited this year to join MRSPAG and walk together, united....

...to remember those loved and lost to suicide,

supporting family and friends.

...to acknowledge and support those who have attempted suicide or have suicidal thoughts, their families and friends.

...to raise awareness and to reduce the stigma around mental health issues and suicide prevention in our local and surrounding communities

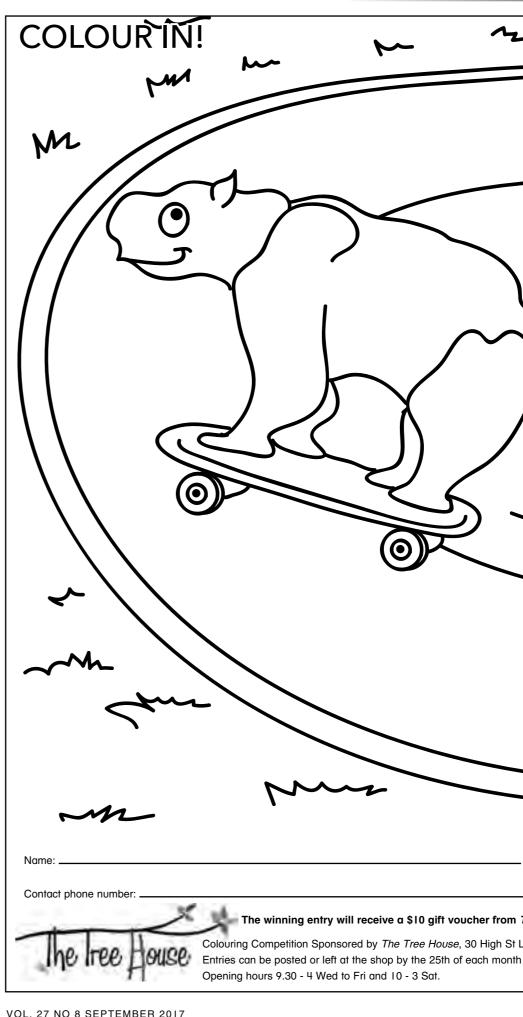
When: Sunday 10th September – Registration from 8:30am. Where: The walk will commence from the Woodend Children's Park (Nicholson St) and continue into Woodend township and then along beautiful 5 Mile Creek before returning to the park where breakfast will be available. (approx.3 kms). Cost - FREE

Please RSVP your attendance direct to the MR SPAG website - macedonrangesspag.com.au (click What's On) or wspd.org.au/events/ (click 'Connect to a community event') For more information please call 0400509896 or

email macedonrangesspag@gmail.com

If you are concerned about yourself or someone you know please call: Lifeline 13 11 14, Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800





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Lancefield Tennis Club are holding their annual membership registration day on Sunday 22nd October From 12:30PM at Lancefield Park

New locks are being fitted to the courts and keys will be issued for all fully paid memberships.

A family tournament and BBQ will be held in conjunction with the membership day.

New members are encouraged and always welcome. Membership payments can be made via cash, cheque and EFTPOS. For enquiries contact Emma 0428 291 904 or Karen 0412 203 186

BUDDING ARTISTS REQUIRED

After 123 years, Kyneton's garden club needs a new logo. The theme is to represent a relaxed impression for a collective of gardening enthusiasts. Entries are open to all ages to capture the spirit of the club which meets once a month and hosts two flower shows each year. The competition will run from 1st August until 1st October 2017 and the winning entry receives \$200. Please send your submission with your name and contact details to: Nicholas Scott, Kyneton Horticultural Society Logo Competition, P O Box 686, Kyneton 3444

THE KYNETON HORTICULTURAL SPRING FLOWER SHOW

The Kyneton Horticultural Society is once again hosting its popular annual Spring Flower Show. This is a must see event for any gardening enthusiast as part of the successful Kyneton Daffodil Festival. The flower show attracts many people and is one of the largest in regional Victoria. Displaying a wide variety of flowers, potted plants, floral art, cactus and succulents covering 164 categories there is bound to have something that will capture your imagination! There is even a children's section. The flower show runs over two days: Saturday, 2nd September from 1pm to 5pm and Sunday 3rd September from 10am to 4.30pm and is held at the Watts Pavilion, Mollison Street, Kyneton Showgrounds, Kyneton. The official opening will be launched by the King and Queen of the Daffodil Festival at 3pm on Saturday. A plant stall is offered and there is also Devonshire teas.

For all show entries please contact the Show Secretary, Arnold Jenkins on 5422 6449 or 0407 844 220. All other enquiries contact the President, Nicholas Scott on 0438 664 849.

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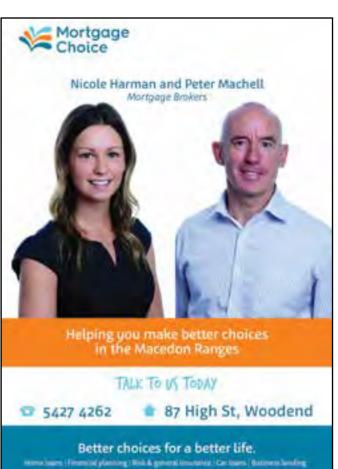
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Fancefield Mercury

Advance notice – the Megafauna festival is on again!

November 25th on the same day as the Farmers Market. Entertaining and Educational! If you want to become involved get in touch with Vivien at the Neighbourhood House.



VICTORIA'S NEWEST WINERY OPENS CELLAR DOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Lyons Will Estate will be opening the doors of their newly built cellar to the public door on September 23rd and 24th. The Lyons Will Estate vineyards were established over 20 years ago and were taken over by Oliver Rapson and Renata Morello in 2013. Both are wine makers making fine wine in their newly created winery onsite, blending traditional methodology with modern wine making approach.

The couple chose the Macedon Ranges because it is still relatively undiscovered and full of potential, yet it's



less than an hour from Melbourne and the perfect place to grow varietals that are close to their hearts - Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Riesling and Gamay. Since taking over the vineyard the boutique winery has almost doubled in size to also include Gamay and Riesling. With four vintages under their belt and a series of accolades, the couple decided that a cellar door was a natural next step.

They will be open to public on the fourth weekend of every month from 11am - 5pm and. Naturally you can also visit their winery by appointment anytime. Good grapes coupled with a minimalist wine making approach has resulted in a good honest wine with a great acid balance and a clean linear finish. This is the first commercial Gamay vineyard in the Macedon Range. Wine maker Renata Morello who is also the only female owner/winemaker in the region said "We really look forward to releasing our debut Gamay and Riesling vintages, the climate here is perfect for these wines to shine".

The Rapsons firmly believe that most of the hard work is done in the vineyard. "In an attempt to express to you what is uniquely ours we don't buy or sell grapes but work as hard as possible to help our vines produce the best of what comes naturally," says Oliver Rapson.

Accolades Thus Far: 2014 Chardonnay – 94 Points, James Halliday, 93 Points Wine Reviewer, 2015 Chardonnay – 93 Points Wine Front, 94 Points Wine Reviewer, 2014 Pinot Noir -94 Points Wine Reviewer, 90 Points James Halliday, 2015 Pinot Noir – 95 Point James Halliday, 93 Points Wine Reviewer.

Lyons Will Estate used proceeds from a grant from the Wine Growth Fund in the development of their cellar door, opening further opportunities for their business on site. You can find out more about the Estate on their website www. LyonsWillEstate.com.au or contact either proprietor Oliver Rapson or Renata Morello, 60 Whalans Track, Lancefield, Victoria 3435. lyonswillestate@iinet.net.au 0412 681 940