



Pictured (L to R): Ann, Emma, Raelene & Sally receiving their Premiers title.

LANCEFIELD LADIES BRING HOME THE **FLAG!**

The Mountain District Ladies Tennis Association (M.D.L.T.A) held their finals for the conclusion of the Summer 2015 season. Matches were played at the Gisborne Tennis Club courts on Tuesday 16th June. Lancefield's Section 4 team played a hard fought match against Woodend in cold, damp conditions, winning by only 2 games!

This was a terrific effort by the team after finishing the season fourth on the ladder and managing to win against Macedon Blue in the semi-final and then being successful against Macedon Red in the prelim-final. Final scores on the day were Lancefield 41 Games - 4 sets to Woodend's 39 Games - 2 sets. A superb all round effort by Sally Potts, Raelene Mottram, Ann Robinson and Emma Stevens in the Grand final. Congratulations also to team members Rachel Goodwin, Andrea Mustey and Nicole Ryan for their matches leading up to the finale!



JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING

Local Lancefield and Romsey kids have enjoyed a great term of tennis coaching at Lancefield Tennis Club with coaches Jamieson Liersch and Jamie Taylor. The boys run great fun lessons which build tennis skills as well as learning the rules of the game. Classes run on Friday nights from 4.30 to 5.30 and are suitable for primary school aged children that have had some experience. If you are interested in enrolling for term 3 contact Jamieson on 0413 190 607.

MRS JESSIE ELSE



IT'S AN OSCAR-SAURUS!

Local dinosaur enthusiast and Lancefield Primary School student Oscar Choate recently won the Scienceworks 'Jnr Dino Expert' competition. He has been selected as one of two winners in his age category. Oscars fascination with dinosaurs started in prep and he has been studying them ever since. When he was told he'd won the state wide competition he was amazed as there were hundreds of entries.

Oscars winning entry included two videos. The first showed him in his natural environment surrounded by dinosaur paraphernalia, talking to camera about how dinosaurs are his life. The second included interviews with his classmates and teacher Miss Emily Cooper who vouched wholeheartedly for Oscar's passion for dinosaurs.

And that still wasn't all. Oscar also sent in a book with over 20 pages of writing, art, intricate scientific diagrams and more. When asked what he finds most interesting about dinosaurs he replied "there's still so much to discover about them". It comes as no surprise that Oscar wants to become a palaeontologist when he is older and plans to study archaeology and geology.

Oscar is off for a behind the scenes tour of the palaeontology collection with a Museum Victoria palaeontologist. He will also have the opportunity to share his love of all things dinosaur with science works visitors and the rest of the world by starring in a short video and he also receives a dinosaur prize pack.

Well done Oscar, our budding Palaeontologist.



A service to celebrate the life of Jessie Else was held at St Paul's Anglican Church Romsey on 4th June. This was attended by Jessie's family and a very large number of friends.

She was well known in the area for many many years and was involved in a great number of local community groups. These included Red Cross, C.W.A., Anglican Church Guild and Op Shop. A friendly, willing and busy worker, an asset to any group and a font of local knowledge.

At her Dunsford St home she maintained her large garden and during the last weeks of her life was worried about the birds getting at her fruit trees. Jessie would be known to lots of people because of the car she drove. This was an E H Holden circa 1963, green with a white top. The car was



the envy of many locals and visitors to the Swap Meet who saw it parked outside Christ Church in Chauncey St. Maybe Jessie and her much loved car had something in common —both are "Unforgettable"

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PLENTY OF DOGS

There appears to have been an upsurge of walkers (and dogs) since the completion of the walking track within Lancefield Park. The park committee is pleased to see so many keeping fit; at times the dogs outnumber the walkers. Owners are encouraged to carry plastic bags so they can "clean up" after their dog/s decide they need to deposit droppings in the park.



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EXTINCT UPDATE

The front page report on the June edition of The Mercury lifted the level of interest in the forthcoming "Extinct" -- Lancefield Mega Fauna Festival. By the time you read this the organising committee will have appointed an artist to work with the students of Lancefield's two primary schools during the festival (October 17-25).

Funding from the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal has made this possible.

Models of giant wombats, kangaroos and marsupial lions are to be created for display purposes during the festival.

Lancefield Men's Shed participants will be creative, and arrangements are in hand for a number of lectures and entertainments to take place in the town during the festival.

There is considerable enthusiasm about the festival at the two local schools, and Museum Victoria is being consulted about its involvement.

Festival organisers are delighted about the level of sponsorship provided by local business operators in support of the festival.



DEEP CREEK LANDCARE GROUP

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This year marks the 20th anniversary of National Tree day.

National Tree Day is on Friday 24th July for schools and Sunday 26th July for the general public. We are hoping to be able to coordinate activities with the schools. Grant Godden the area Landcare Facilitator is available to advise landholders in the area and is hopeful of coordinating a rabbit action plan. Please contact the secretary Ken if you are interested.

There has been success for the people who have myna bird traps in the Lancefield area.

In May 238 birds were trapped. Our coordinator still has 8

traps available for use.

It is with sadness that the group farewells John Blamey and his wife Rhonda as they are moving to Alexandra. John has been a member of Deep Creek Landcare for at least 19 years and is a past president. We wish them all the best for the future and thank them for their service, many happy memories.

Next meeting Monday 14th July

Anyone wishing to contact the group can do so thru the Secretary Ken 0404 886 580 kenallender@bigpond.com
www.deepcreeklandcare.org.au

CELEBRATING YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR SHIRE

Do you know a young person between 12-25 years of age who lives, works or goes to school in the Macedon Ranges and deserves to be publicly acknowledged and celebrated? Are they excelling in the arts? Are they giving their all to their education? Are they an exceptional employee or apprentice? Best on ground in a sporting endeavour? Or do they contribute to our community or fly the flag for youth mental health and wellbeing?

If so, then we want to hear from you. Nominations are

now open for the Macedon Ranges Youth Awards 2015, and close on Friday 31 July at 5pm. You can nominate online at mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth, or pick up a nomination form from a Council Service Centre or your local secondary school. Alternatively, you can request a nomination form be sent to you by contacting Annie Rowland on arowland@mrsc.vic.gov.au or 5422 0226.

Award recipients will be announced at a special ceremony on Tuesday 25 August at 7pm at the Kyneton Town Hall.

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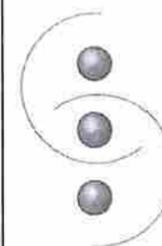
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HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOURS?

We all want to feel a sense of belonging to the community in which we live. We all want to feel safe, connected and cared for. Communities with a high level of connectedness tend to have lower crime rates because neighbours look out for one another. Research also indicates that people who are better connected to others are more likely to live longer, feel safer, recover from illnesses quicker and suffer less from conditions such as heart disease, depression, and even the common cold.

All the activities the Neighbourhood House works on have the underlying aim of connecting people and strengthening our community. This ranges from a short class, social spaces or a support group, to providing information and services such as internet access to the bigger projects such as the Op Shop, Mens Shed and Farmer Market.

There are a number of projects that we are working on to develop the connections and supports in Lancefield. These include 'Lancefield On Line', a town website, 'Lancefield 2025', a community audit and visioning survey, and the 'Street by Street' project, a kit for bringing neighbours together.

Both of these later projects require that the majority of the community respond so we have plenty of data to work with. In particular we want to include the members of our community who don't necessarily get involved, which requires people to

talk about the surveys and encourage people to spend a few minutes to complete and return their responses.

If you are interested in being involved in these projects please contact the House on 5429 1214.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On Friday 17 July there are two Neighbourhood House events to choose from. Travel up to Bendigo to visit the Australian Wool and Sheep Show on the bus collecting people from Riddell, Romsey and Lancefield. The bus will cost \$10- \$15 depending on numbers and entry to the Show is \$22 or \$16.50 concession.

Also on this day is our much anticipated Incredible Edible workshop from 10am -12 noon. This is an opportunity to contribute to the planning of edible gardens around the town and be a part of the vision for food security in Lancefield as well as beautifying the town.

SOCIAL SINGLES

The Social Singles group will be meeting once a month on the third Saturday for a night out. The first night was dinner at Soltan and Pepper and the group had a great night meeting new people and enjoying lots of laughs. If you are single and like the idea of going out locally and

meeting new people then this is an easy 'just turn up' way of doing that. For future venues email socialsingles@tpg.com.au or phone the Neighbourhood House.

PROGRAM BROCHURE

Our program brochure for July to September is now available. If you don't receive the brochure, which lists the activities of all six Neighbourhood Houses in the Shire, they can be collected from several places or contact us to send you one. Brochures are available at the Neighbourhood House, Town House and Newsagents or phone 5429 1214 or email lancefieldhouse@tpg.com.au.

LANCEFIELD TOWN CRIER

Another great initiative of Meggs', who brought us the Farmers Market and the Community Exchange, is the Facebook group 'Lancefield Town Crier'. This group is for Lancefield and surrounds residents to share community information; offerings, events, courses, alerts, safety issues, help, requests for local knowledge etc. The page has been particularly great for helping lost dogs get back home and when people have posted a question - say for a suggestion of a tradesperson they can call - the responses have been many and really helpful.

This page is a great way to connect to the community and I encourage you to have a look. If you're not a Facebook user and need to ask a question of a local audience or would like to pass on some information then call the House and we can put up on your behalf. (First place to look for lost dogs or keys etc).

The Neighbourhood House also has a Facebook page if you would like to be kept up to date with what we are doing or would like to make suggestions of things we could be doing. There is also our web site at lancefield.neighbourhoodhouse.org

THE FIELD TRIP

The Field Trip would like to announce a new opportunity for young people in Lancefield and the Macedon Ranges. It's called SYD (Share Your Dream) and offers young people aged 10-17 the chance to apply for \$500 to help them achieve their wildest ambition.

Anyone interested should go to the field trip website www.thefieldtrip.co and submit their name, contact details and in 500 words or less write their dream, why they're passionate about it, how they intend to achieve it and how the \$500 will help. A panel of community members will select the recipient in December 2015.

The grant is courtesy of an individual who cares passionately for young people and them being encouraged to pursue their passions. The Field Trip has postponed its start, now commencing Sunday August 2nd 4-5pm at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall. And will be weekly until the end of the year. It's free for kids aged 10-17 and pays leaders aged 18-24 to run it.

The initial program for young Field Trippers will be planning and running a weekend retreat for Seniors, called *Someday*, for all those things in life you've wanted to do 'someday'. It will be held October 23-25 at the Farmers Arms Hotel.

The leaders of the Field Trip in Lancefield are three dynamic inspiring local young people: Chloe Smith, Emily Jeffrey and Owen Phillips.

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There have been a lot of inquiries over the past fortnight from concerned local residents regarding the home invasion at Red Gap Road on the 29th of May.

To allay some concerns being expressed let me assure you that there is nothing to suggest this incident is likely to be repeated. There is nothing to suggest that this is the start of a Lancefield based crime wave. Lancefield is a very safe place to live and hopefully will continue to be so. As you would be aware from reading the local papers the investigation of this offence is ongoing and some very useful information regarding this incident has been obtained. The description from the local paper of the two offenders is as follows.

Offender 1 - Caucasian with pale skin, and approximately 6 foot two inches tall and was wearing a black jacket under a yellow high visibility Police Vest. He had on a brown open faced balaclava, shiny Puma polyester style tracksuit pants with white runners and thick workman style gloves with rubber tips.

Offender 2 - Middle Eastern in appearance, with a black beard and large dark eye's. He is approximately five feet seven inches tall, with a chubby build and was wearing a

yellow high visibility police vest over a black jacket/jumper and a black open faced balaclava, black tracksuit pants and thick workman style gloves with rubber tips.

Both offenders then left the address in a vehicle observed by a witness to be a pale coloured boxy type 90's model sedan with a black trim along the side.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers immediately on 1800 333 000 or submit a confidential crime report at www.crimestoppersvic.com.au

PROPERTY NEEDING AN OWNER

Currently at the Police Station I have two items of property that have not been claimed. The first is a battery powered angle grinder that appears to have fallen off the back of a tradies vehicle. The second item is a gold coloured ring that was actually found in Romsey. If you own either of these items or know who they might belong to please give me a call at Lancefield on 54292000.

FAMILY VIOLENCE AND YOU - A PRACTICAL LOOK

A great deal of media attention has been dedicated to

Family Violence over the last 3 - 5 years and so it should be. The figures relating to Family Violence related murders, assaults, and other offences are truly staggering and horrifying. The way we now deal with Family Violence has probably been the biggest change I have seen in the police force in the past 30 years. In the distant past the norm was to attend a domestic and if the Affected Family Member (AFM) did not wish to make a statement against her spouse we would walk away and write the job off as Civil Action. Advised. Thankfully those days are long gone.

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As you can see it is a very wide definition and by its definition it states that every male or female has the right to feel safe and live in a non abusive relationship.

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problem and prevent it escalating.

Having been the Respondent (the person initially seen as being at fault by the attending police) in an intervention order hearing is not the same as having a criminal conviction. In many cases the removal of the Respondent from the family home gives both parties the breathing space they need to assess their situation and as previously stated it gives us the opportunity to hook people in with services that might assist them to move forward. Often the taking out of an intervention order saves a relationship that might otherwise plummet out of control.

An often overlooked fact when talking about Intervention Orders is that either party has the right at any time to apply to the court for a variation or revocation of the order. So if the counselling goes well and the court is satisfied that an effort has been made to seek help to repair the relationship and deal with the problems that caused the dispute the court can vary the order or remove it. Again it is about helping people to help themselves and not putting obstacles in their path.

Some people say to us that an Intervention Order is only a piece of paper and it won't stop the violence. An Intervention Order is a Court Order and the courts take the breaching of an Intervention Order very seriously. A breach can result in some very serious penalties including 2 years imprisonment and up to a \$24,000 fine or both.

From a police perspective an Intervention Order greatly clarifies our role when attending at a Family Violence incident. If there is an order in place and it has been breached we have an immediate offence and much greater powers of arrest and detention than if there is no order in place.

Most Intervention Orders where the Respondent has been removed from the home have a 200 metre exclusion clause. This means if the Respondent comes within 200 metres of the AFM's home or place or work or where they attend school they are breaching the order. Police don't have to wait for an offence to be committed before they can act. This in turn gives much greater protection and peace of mind to the Affected Family Member. So this piece of paper does work.

I have a number of publications at the station for those applying for an Intervention Order and those responding to an Intervention Order. In most cases police will apply for an order on your behalf if it is required. Police will also be there in the court to assist you so there is support for you throughout the process.

What I have detailed here is a very brief explanation of how we may deal with some family violence incidents and by no means covers all situations and circumstances. We have however come a very long way in a very short time when it comes to dealing with Family Violence and I have no doubt this is just the beginning.

Family Violence in any form is not acceptable. Victoria Police are there to help. In any emergency or if you require police attendance call 000.

For more information drop into your local police station.

For local counselling contact the Cobaw Community Health Service Kyneton 54211666. or Victorian Domestic and Family Violence Services

Safe Steps Family Violence Response Centre is open 24/7 on: 1800 015 188

Victoria has a network of nearly thirty Domestic Violence Outreach Services which provide a great starting point for people who have experienced, or think they have experienced domestic and family violence. Services are available throughout Melbourne and across the rural regions.

To locate the service closest to you: Contact the Women's Information Referral Exchange, Wire on 1300 134 130

See the Domestic Violence Victoria website

See the Domestic Violence Resource Centre Victoria website.

WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTRES

These nine regional services also provide counselling services or referrals for women who have experienced family violence or sexual violence.

Counselling may also be available in generalist organisations, or privately, and some counsellors can have part of their fees covered by Medicare or Health Fund rebates. Check with the services or counsellors.

It may help to check whether the counsellor or service is experienced working with survivors of domestic and family violence and/or sexual assault and abuse.

1800RESPECT

Phone counselling and support is also available through the 1800RESPECT service, on 1800 737 732.

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The two service clubs combined to solve an

insurmountable problem for the couple. Two log splitters were hired, and with seven members from each club, the work began.

As can be seen from the photos, it was a beautiful, clear morning and a substantial amount of wood was split and stacked, guaranteeing that the couple will not be short of wood for the winter. The club members worked steadily for 4 hours and by lunch time, were very happy to partake of a delicious lunch provided by our grateful hosts.



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Our parliamentarians in due course have to choose, yes or no, on allowing "Same Sex Marriage" to pass into the Law of our land. A big decision to have to make, overthrowing the law of mankind since time immemorial. There is much publicity why it should be allowed but little is said why many oppose it, especially most Churches, though even there, there are divided opinions.

Love lies at the bottom of it all. 'Same Sex' say because we love each other why cannot we have the same equality as heterosexual couples. For the Christian, believing in God, and listening to the words of Jesus who said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your

soul, with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbour as yourself, Mark 12:29-31, also, Jesus said, "If you love Me you will keep My commandments." John 14:17., therefore, by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit this is what the sincere Christian believes and aspires to do. Holy Scripture from the first book, Genesis to the last book, The Book of Revelation teaches that marriage is between a man and a woman.

Paul, in his letter to the Romans, Chapter 1 has much to say on this subject of sexual relationships. Space does not permit going any deeper into the reasons Christians oppose the proposed changes but their belief is that it is against the revealed Word of God as contained in the Bible.

The great Hebrew leader, Joshua, challenged the the Children of Israel as they were about to enter the Promised Land, "Choose you this day whom you will serve,.....but as

for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15. It is a choice we all have to make!

*Trust and obey, for there is no other way, To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey. J. H. Sammis.*

JUNE 2015 IN RETROSPECT

The restoration of Christ Church Lancefield is proceeding well with the interior now being transformed.

Mr. Glen Gash gave an interesting talk on the background of the musical compositions he has written at the AMS meeting. We were saddened by the deaths of two well loved members this month, Mrs. Jessie Else of Lancefield and Mrs. Josie Francis of Cowes, formerly of Romsey.

Jessie was born and grew up in Romsey so it was fitting she was buried from St. Paul's Romsey due to the work being done at Christ Church.

Josie was the wife of the loved and respected Dr. Lindsay Francis, and was a past President of the Romsey/Lancefield Historical Society, and a foremost picture framer and lover of the Arts.

Josie was President of the Society when the restoration appeal for the Rev. John MacCullagh's grave was launched. Both will be missed.

JULY 2015 DIARY

Thu 9Th. 8.00Pm: Ams .. Meeting Christ Church Hall Lancefield. Enq. Tom. 5429-6060.

Thu.16Th.1.30Pm:guild..Meeting Christ Church Hall Lancefield.enq. Glenice 5429-6418

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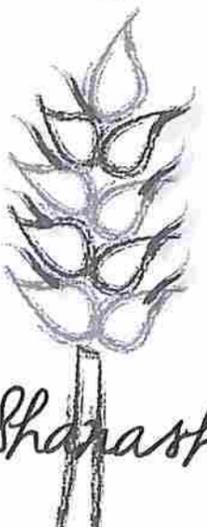
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ENTHUSIASM FOR BOWLS

Lancefield Bowling Club's annual meeting attracted the biggest attendance for years, with all office-bearer positions filled.

After four energetic and productive years as president, David Safstrom did not seek re-election to the leadership role. He commended the club's pennant teams on being highly competitive last season, and drew attention to the dedicated work which has made the Lancefield green one of the best, if not the best, in the district. Gary Dickenson, a former Central Highlands Bowls Division and Gisborne Bowling Club leader, was elected unopposed as the club's new president.

"I am very honoured to lead such a proud and strong club," Dickenson said.

He advocated a united team effort by members and wider community involvement over the next 12 months. Vice-presidents are Mark Godbolt and Adam Young.

Gordon Charles continues as secretary for the 21st year, and Chris Jolly is the new treasurer. Outgoing treasurer Garry Choate reported that the club is in a sound financial position.

Committee members elected were David Safstrom (past president), Michael Linehan, Neil Barrett, Pauline Wilson, Sue Holmes, Ken Johnson, Garry Templar and Bill West.

It is hoped to upgrade the clubhouse kitchen later this year.

Lancefield intends to field division 1 and 3 teams in Saturday pennant, and one team in mid-week pennant.

Talented and vastly experienced bowler Barry Atkins, who played with Romsey last season, has been welcomed back to the club where he was a premierships player a decade ago. Friday night social bowls will again be held on a regular basis next season.

Dorothy Evans (Gisborne) has just been elected as the first female president of Central Highlands Bowling Division.

Shirley and Rob Hummel have moved to Yarrowonga, and Lancefield thanks them for their services and wishes them well at their new club.

Any bowlers or prospective players interested in joining the Lancefield Bowling Club can contact any of the office-bearers for further information.

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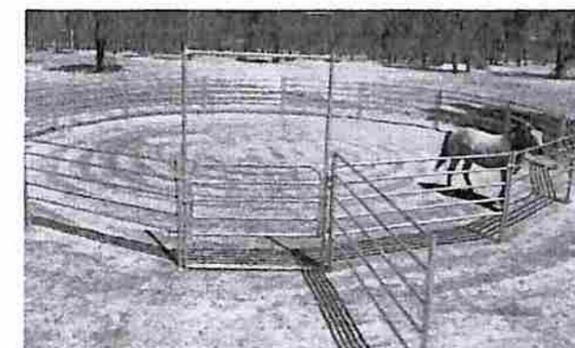
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The Incredible Edible Lancefield group first got together in September 2013.

Inspired by the Incredible Edible (IE) movement started in the UK, the group have started the initial planting of barrels in High Street. The idea to plant edible landscapes in public spaces around the township aims to:

- Grow fruit, vegetables and herbs for the local community
- Beautify the town
- Create a unique cultural image for Lancefield
- Educate the community about fresh food
- Involve children in food production
- Strengthen community engagement
- Support community health
- Promote a 'support' local culture
- Support local food security
- And provide the sprig or Rosemary for the roast lamb (local of course).

If you type in a search for Pam Warhurst and select the TED channel YouTube video or use the link http://www.ted.com/talks/pam_warhurst_how_we_can_eat_our_landscapes.html you can learn more and be inspired by the original Incredible Edible project started in Todmorden in the UK.

Lisa, a resident of Woodend, spent a year in Todmorden working with the group who have developed something truly amazing in their town. On Friday 17 July, 10am, Lisa is running the workshop she did for groups starting Incredible Edible projects in the UK. If you are interested in any of the aims listed above then this is the workshop for you to attend. There are many aspects of the project to get involved in which will require a variety of people and skills to develop the project in Lancefield.

Bookings for the workshop can be made through the Neighbourhood House on 5429 1214. If you would like to be involved but could only attend a workshop on evenings or weekends please leave a message at the House.



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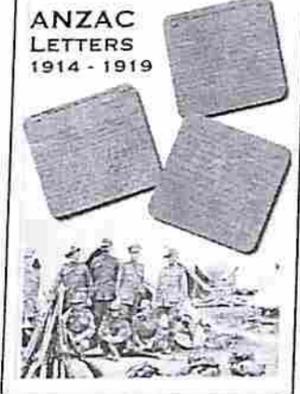
We have now found Winter is with us and, although the number and severity of turn outs have decreased they have not stopped entirely and care with burning off should still be carefully monitored. As a change and because it is Winter and a time when house fires can be more likely to occur I am giving out some statistics about the causes and number of house fires in Victoria over the year and a bit. My thanks to Lt Jason Amos for researching these figures.

I will split the statistics between this edition and the August edition of the Lancefield Mercury. There are some causes that we would not normally expect could cause a house fire. I start with dropped cigarettes 163, candles 77, faulty dishwashers in need of servicing 43. Do not overlook the maintenance of these devices. Poorly maintained chimneys caused 142 fires, and unsupervised children also caused over 37 fires last year.

The members elected at the biennial meeting are almost at the time to take up their positions and we give them our support over the next two years. More about causes of house fires next month.

Stuart Mustey Captain

ANZAC LETTERS 1914-1919



Congratulations to Romsey Lancefield and District Historical Society Inc. and in particular Shirley Kishere -on the release of their amazing new book. I purchased this book to support the Society and was totally engrossed in it from the beginning. Letters from our local boys in Gallipoli and other theatres of WW1, to their friends and families back home. The letters gave our locals at home an insight into the happenings, thoughts, worries and comradeship of these amazing young men from Lancefield and Romsey. It is without doubt the most thought inspiring education I have had into how our boys felt and coped. Please support the Society and purchase a book from The Courthouse, Red Door Books or The Town House. Price is \$20. You will not regret it!!!!

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ROMSEY-LANCEFIELD & DISTRICT AMBULANCE AUXILIARY NEWS

YOUR LOCAL AUXILIARY IS IMPORTANT

Our auxiliary is continuing our fundraising efforts with some exciting purchases to occur this year. Not everyone knows that Ambulance Victoria only provides regional stations and vehicles with basic equipment. This is where your local auxiliary is important. We work closely with Station officer and Mica paramedic David Newman to endeavour to provide the paramedics with the latest medical and training equipment. Our aim this year is to purchase some training mannequins so the paramedics can keep up to date with specialized procedures.

We are also looking to purchase 2 AEDs (Automatic external defibrillator) for the community. An AED is a portable electronic device that is used to shock the heart back into a normal function when the heart stops pumping as a result of a cardiac arrest. The use of an AED in the first 3-5 minutes of a person suffering a sudden cardiac arrest dramatically increases the patient's chances of survival. These devices cost \$2300 each.

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Our next event is a BBQ at the farmers market in Lancefield on November 21st

If anyone is interested in joining our small auxiliary please contact

President David Strack 0407804758

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Please Note Our Next Meeting Will Be Our AGM On Tuesday 18th August

Meetings are held at Romsey Sporting clubrooms Park Lane at 7.30pm

HAS M.R.S. COUNCIL FORGOTTEN LANCEFIELD'S BICYCLE PATHS ?

Six years ago, a panel was elected to promote Foot and Bicycle paths. On 20th of October 2009, a proposition, with details and measurements was submitted to the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. Copies were sent to councillors Donovan, McLaughlin and Morabito, for their perusal. The panel also suggested the importance of that plan to the council meeting held at Romsey in October 2009. At that meeting the then Mayor declared that Foot and Bicycle paths would be the MRS council's 2nd most important priority. After a petition signed by 94 ratepayers, some concrete footpaths have been constructed (*No Bicycle Paths*).

When 'Bike-safe' recently inquired about this proposal, it was informed that M.R.S.C. could not find any records of the plan. The Council now states: "It's not on the plan", with a suggestion to "pressure Council to allocate funding for next year's budget".

The section of road between High Street and Mustey's bridge is narrow and too dangerous for combined cycle and car/truck traffic. There is no signage about bicycles and a serious accident might happen.

Has the M.R.S. Council forgotten Lancefield, to make bicycle paths an important priority?

Murk Schoen

WEATHER COMMENT

As always rainfall is a topical subject especially in seasons like we currently have. I purposely postponed this article [sorry Andy to see how much rain we would get from the current system. Early in the week the official forecast was for totals between 10 and 15 mm, we measured 13.5 so they were spot on. This together with sporadic falls during the month we reached a total of 44 mm, a useful total all up. There is a small amount of growth in the paddocks but we need warmer weather to increase the quantity available to the stock. We sold 4 steers in Kyneton last week at, what for us, was an unprecedented price per kg of 415 c/kg. The stock markets continue to be very strong which is a bonus for those with stock to sell on the other hand replacement stock are quite dear. No predictions for the future but widespread rain over the cattle country of inland Australia could change all this but I wouldn't like to predict which way.

The view of the garden today, on a grey day, is fairly bleak although there are some plants flowering and our first jonquils have opened. At this time of year the deciduous trees provide their own beauty with bare branches silhouetted against the sky. Our birch tree and the weeping willow are perfect examples. Raindrops and frost sparkling in the sun create another display.

Must not forget to mention Toby who continues to thrive but has taken to head butting our colourbond fence with the ensuing damage causing us some concern as to how stop him

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KEEPING BUSY

Well it's cold outside but that hasn't stopped our ladies keeping busy over the last few months.

In May we had a lovely visit and demonstration from Charlotte Burns, local Close To My Heart consultant. Charlotte had everyone aged from 3 to 83 working on a little project. It made for an interesting end to our meeting and was exciting to try some new techniques.

Lancefield CWA were also involved in the Macedon Ranges group craft exhibition, held in Sunbury this year. With compulsory entry in 2 categories we were so pleased to win presentation for one of our categories and overall win in the second category. Fantastic result especially as we are one of the smaller branches of our region.

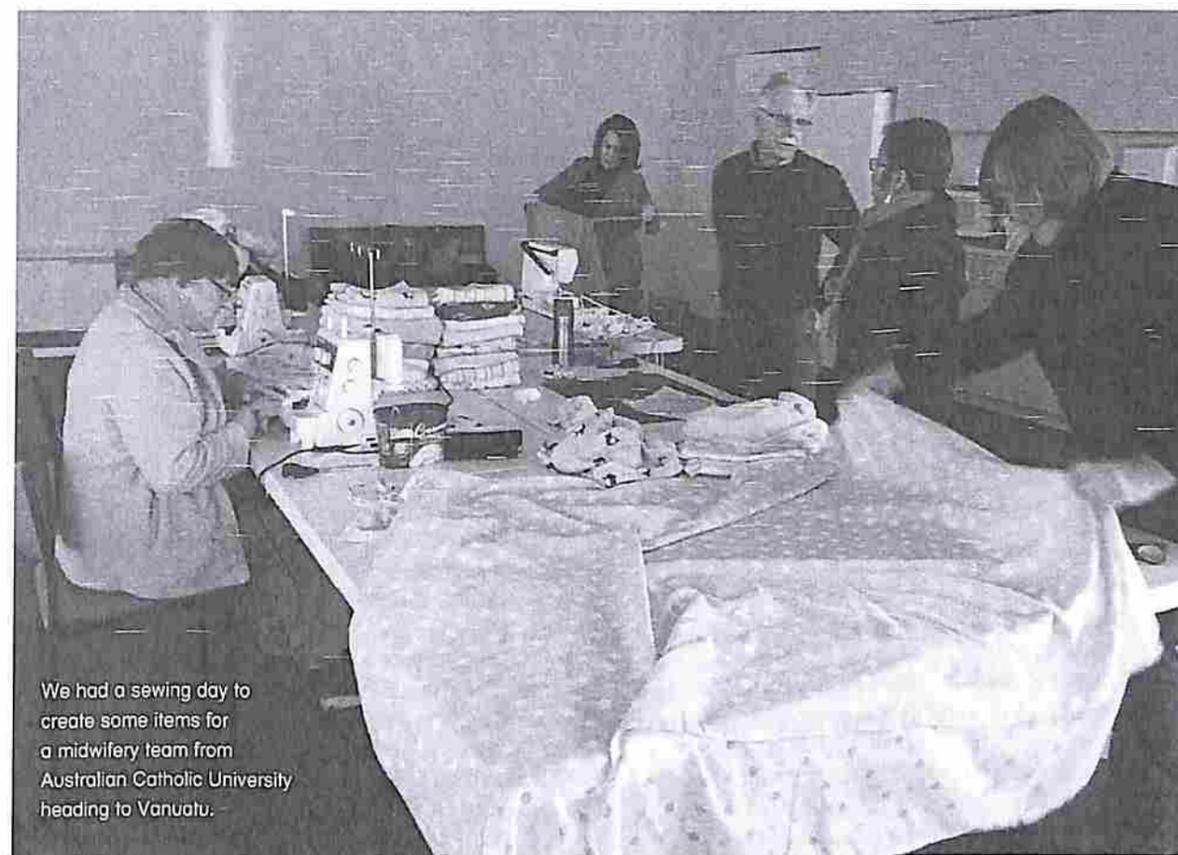
In June, a group of us got together to sew up some donated sheets into baby blankets and cloths. The items were requested by Australian Catholic University, who were sending lecturing and student midwives to Vanuatu. We were pleasantly surprised at how well the blankets and cloths came together. Hopefully this is something that we will be able to help the ACU with on an annual basis. We are looking forward to hearing about the Vanuatu visit



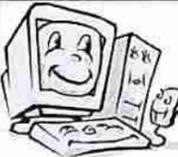
from Kath Brundell at our July meeting.

Next in our agenda is the Spring Show. Keep an eye out for the schedules which will be around town by the end of July.

As always if you would like any further information please don't hesitate to contact Meaghan on 0439 381 977 or keoghs6@bigpond.com



We had a sewing day to create some items for a midwifery team from Australian Catholic University heading to Vanuatu.

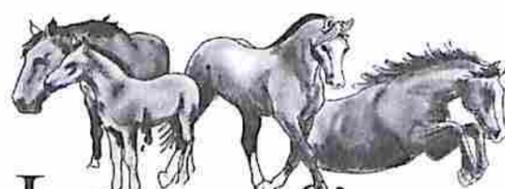


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A HIVE OF ACTIVITY

Lancefield Primary School has been a hive of activity over the past month. We celebrated Education Week with an Indonesian Day. All students participated in cultural activities on this day; including riding becaks, playing gamelan, learning about the plight of orang-utans and making shadow puppets. This all culminated in a whole school concert at the end of the day. We are looking forward to now sponsoring some orang-utans.

During Education Week, we also planted our Gallipoli Oak. Members of the Romsey-Lancefield RSL were also present for this special event. We are very fortunate to be one of the first 300 schools in Victoria to receive our Gallipoli Oak. The planting of our Gallipoli Oak demonstrates the community's commitment to the passing on of the Gallipoli history from generation-to-generation and will provide a lasting tribute to the soldiers who lost their lives at Gallipoli and in other battles since. We are looking forward to watching it grow over the next few years.

Recently, we also held a Jelly Babies dress up day and disco to raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Students came to school dressed in "jelly baby" colours and then returned later that night for a great night of dancing. Money raised on this day will go towards research into Type 1 Diabetes. Type 1 diabetes is a life-long autoimmune disease that usually occurs in childhood but can



be diagnosed at any age. Type 1 diabetes affects over 120,000 people in Australia alone and is one of the most chronic diseases in children in Australia.

We also participated in National Walk to School Day, with many of our students, parents and teachers walking to school on May 22. You may have seen us gathering near the Hay and Grain Store, ready to walk up High Street to school.

Four of our students also competed in the regional Cross Country last week in St Arnaud. This was a great achievement, making it through the divisional round in Bendigo a few days before. Congratulations to Hayden, Corey, Alison and Alannah who represented LPS extremely well. We are very proud of you.

BRAEMAR BEAT

May has been an inspiring month at Braemar College with a number of special events.

Braemar College proudly hosted around 70 students from surrounding schools for the inaugural Music @ The Mount. Instrumentalists, strings, vocalists, guitarists, percussionists and keyboardists made up a combined band of over 100 students in Years 5-12. It was a fabulous opportunity for students to collaborate with, and be inspired by likeminded musicians.



The key message our students gained from the day was that it doesn't matter about the size of the challenge you face, it's your challenge, and how you deal with it is up to you. Being honest and facing problems is the way forward.

FACING CHALLENGES

Our Middle School students were inspired by a visit from Mandy McCracken and husband Rod, who shared their amazing story of dealing with adversity. After being admitted to hospital in August 2013 with life threatening Streptococcal A, Mandy spent ten months in hospital. Her legs were amputated below the knee and her arms at the elbow. Nearly two years on Mandy's resilience, humour and mental strength have been an inspiration to many.

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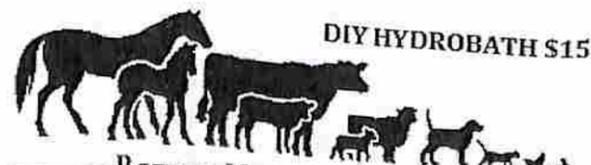
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 Along the Hume Highway.

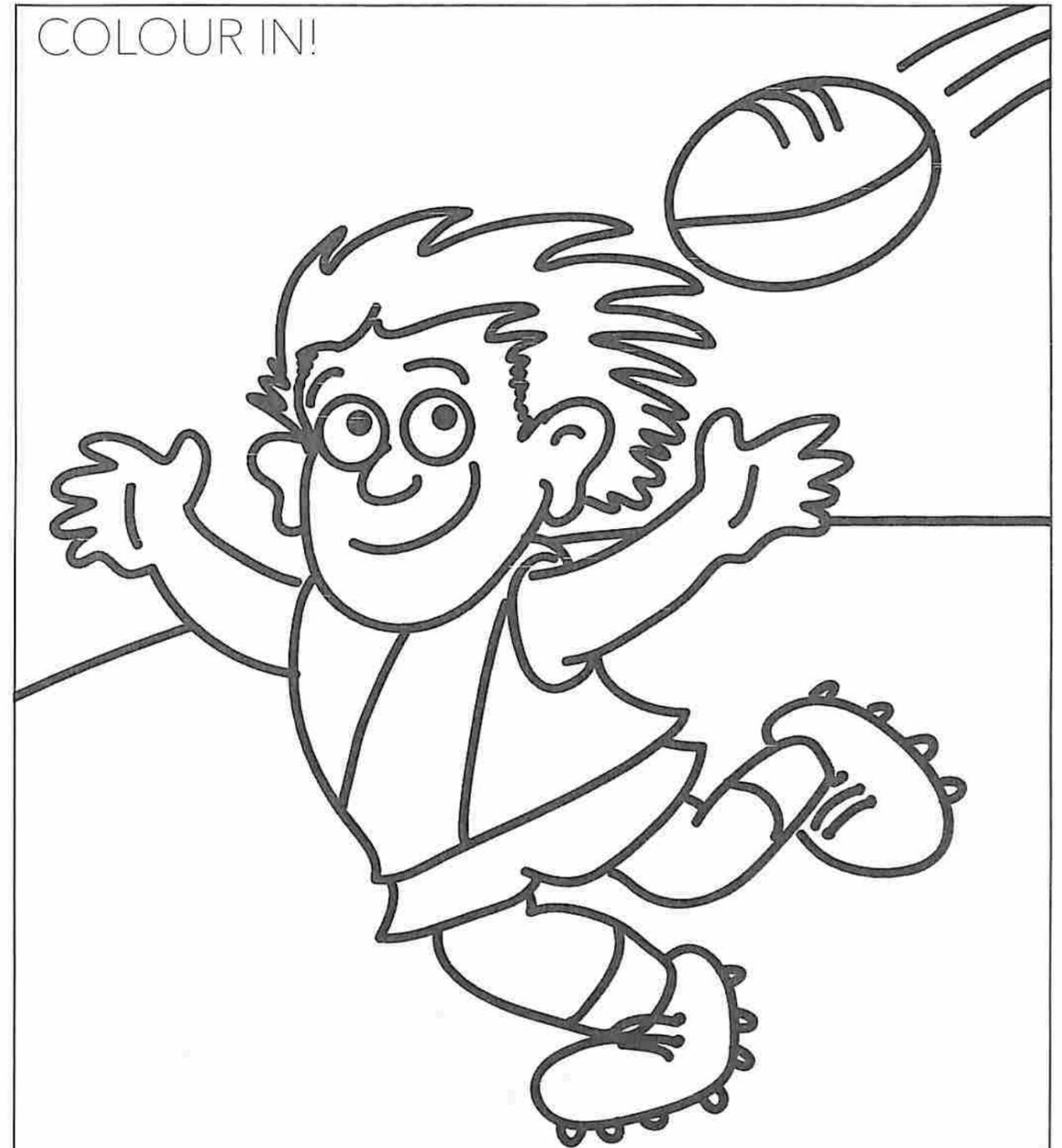
They said his name, was Clifford Young
 A farmer from Colac town
 He entered himself in the Marathon
 It was there he mowed them down
 By name he was young I can tell you
 But when the camera came up close
 The lines on his face told different
 He looked much older than most.

It's got to be a joke I thought
 He was beating much younger men
 When they slowed down, he kept on going
 The Cliffy shuffle, was created then
 Then coming around the corner
 To every ones surprise
 Was Clifford Young from Colac
 It brought tears to many an eye.

The crowd was waiting in suspense
 Little kids were clapping their hands
 Every one was on tender hooks
 Could he last to the very end
 And when he crossed that finish line
 He became a hero that day
 It is something I'll always remember
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CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS



Five Minutes' Peace by Jill Murphy RRP \$16.95
Reviewed by Red Door Books

This book is the winner of the Parents Magazine Best Book for Babies Award. Everyone loves a fed-up mum (particularly when the fed-up mum isn't them) so when Mrs Large takes herself off for a relaxing bath after an especially boisterous family breakfast, the story is off to an engaging start. I think my favourite part

is the recorder practice scene. We've all been there and it's not pretty. The illustrations in this book are beautiful, and adults and children will love reading this story

That's what Wings are for by Patrick Guest and Daniella Germain RRP \$24.95
Reviewed by Red Door Books



Bluey the dragon isn't an average dragon with strong wings, fire-breathing breath, and tough shiny scales. He is soft and furry and blue, and likes to hug. When Bluey's rather militant dragon teacher ties up Bluey's wings as a

punishment for excessive hugging, Bluey goes on a quest to find his purpose in life. And it turns out that Bluey's hugging skills are valuable after all...

This book is dedicated to every boy and girl with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. You can learn more about this condition by looking at www.duchennefoundation.org.au.

YOUNG ADULT FICTION

Poppy by Mary Hooper RRP \$15.99
Reviewed by Nielson Bookdata



Poppy is young, beautiful and clever - and working

as a parlourmaid in the de Vere family's country house. Society, it seems, has already carved out her destiny. But Poppy's life is about to be thrown dramatically off course. The first reason is love - with someone forbidden, who could never, ever marry a girl like her. The second reason is war. As the lists of the dead and wounded grow longer, Poppy must do whatever she can to help the injured soldiers, knowing all the while that her own soldier may never return home ...

Playlist for the Dead by Michelle Falkoff RRP \$17.99
Reviewed by Nielson Bookdata



A moving, poignant, compelling YA debut, as a 15-year-old boy struggles to understand his best friend's suicide through the list of songs he leaves behind. Here's what Sam knows: There was a party. There was a fight. The next morning, his best friend, Hayden, was dead. And all he left Sam was a playlist of songs, and a suicide note: For Sam - listen and you'll understand. As he listens to song after song, Sam tries to face up to what happened the night Hayden killed himself. But it's only by taking out his earbuds and opening his eyes to the people around him that he will finally be able to piece together his best friend's story. And maybe have a chance to change his own. Part mystery, part love story, and part coming-of-age tale in the vein of Stephen

Chbosky's The Perks of Being a Wallflower, Playlist for the Dead is an honest and gut-wrenching first novel about loss, rage, what it feels like to outgrow a friendship that's always defined you - and the struggle to redefine yourself.

ADULT FICTION

Leap by Myfanwy Jones RRP \$26.99
Reviewed by Nielson Bookdata



Joe lives - despite himself. Driven by the need to atone for the neglect of a single tragic summer's night, he works at nothing jobs and, in his spare time, trains his body and mind to conquer the hostile environment that took his love and

smashed up his future. So when a breathless girl turns up on the doorstep, why does he let her in? Isn't he done with love and hope? On the other side of the city, graphic designer Elise is watching her marriage bleed out.

She retreats to the only place that holds any meaning for her - the tiger enclosure at the zoo - where, for reasons she barely understands, she starts to sketch the beautiful killers. Leap is a beautiful urban fairytale about human and animal nature, and the transformative power of grief.

While at its heart is a searing absence, this haunting and addictive novel is propelled by an exhilarating life force, and the eternally hopeful promise of redemptive love.

Palace of Tears by Julian Leatherdale RRP \$29.99
Reviewed by Nielson bookdata



A sweltering summer's day, January 1914: the charismatic and ruthless Adam Fox throws a lavish birthday party for his son and heir at his elegant cliff-top hotel in the Blue Mountains. Everyone is invited except Angie, the girl from the cottage next door. The day will end in tragedy, a punishment for a family's secrets and lies. In 2013, Fox's granddaughter Lisa, seeks the truth about the past. Who is this Angie her mother speaks of: 'the girl who broke all our hearts'? Why do locals call Fox's hotel the 'palace

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BOOK REVIEWS

of tears? Behind the grandeur and glamour of its famous guests and glittering parties, Lisa discovers a hidden history of passion and revenge, loyalty and love. A grand piano burns in the night, a seance promises death or forgiveness, a fire rages in a snowstorm, a painter's final masterpiece inspires betrayal, a child is given away. With twist upon twist, this lush, strange mystery withholds its shocking truth to the very end.

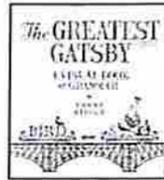
NON FICTION

The Greatest Gatsby – A Visual book of Grammar by Toby Riddle RRP\$24.99 Reviewed by Red Door Books

This book is exactly what it says – a visual book of grammar.

For adults such as I, it is a welcome reminder on how to put a basic sentence together. There are also quotes, examples, and diagrams that keep a wandering/wondering mind focussed on the job. In a world that seems to be moving rapidly towards creative illiteracy, this book feels like an anchor point.

Altruism – the Power of Compassion to change yourself and the world by Matthieu Ricard RRP \$32.99 Reviewed by Nielson bookdata



In Happiness, Matthieu Ricard demonstrated that true happiness is not tied to fleeting moments or sensations, but is an enduring state of soul rooted in mindfulness and compassion for others. Now he turns his lens from the personal to the global, with a rousing argument that altruism - genuine concern for the well-being of others - could be the saving grace of the 21st century.

Altruism is, he believes, the vital thread that can answer the main challenges of our time: the economy in the short term, life satisfaction in the mid-term, and environment in the long term. Ricard's message has been taken up by major economists and thinkers, including Dennis

Snowder, Amartya Sen, Joseph Stiglitz, and George Soros.

Matthieu Ricard is a Buddhist monk who had a promising career in cellular genetics before leaving France to study Buddhism in the Himalayas forty years ago. He is also a bestselling author, translator and photographer, and an active participant in current scientific research on the effects of meditation on the brain. He lives in Tibet and Nepal and is involved in humanitarian projects in both these countries.



LANCEFIELD GOLF CLUB REPORT

Traditionally the game of golf is a winter game but I feel that some of our members don't agree and prefer to be fair weather players! As we head into the depths of winter we find our numbers are down but that could also be due to the fact that many of our retired players are heading north to warmer climes during our chilly Lancefield winters. Those of us still out there each week are enjoying the camaraderie and exercise so necessary to ward off the winter blues. The course is looking fantastic but we could still do with a lot more rain and like everyone in the district we hope that the colder weather will also bring us those much needed winter rains.

Our winners of the Lancefield Golf Club Helicopter Raffle drawn on 24th May were; 1st Prize Corey Tinney from Kilmore, 2nd Prize Harriet from Lancefield, 3rd Prize Carole Mee from Lancefield. Congratulations to our winners and to all those who supported one of our major fundraisers for the year. A big thank you to Jodie Kefford of Romsey for his generous donation of the helicopter flight. Our next social evening fundraiser is going to be held on Friday 14th August at the clubrooms. After the runaway success of our Thai / Trivia Night we are holding an Italian/Trivia evening on this date. If you came to the last or would like to join us for a fun night please contact Carole on 5429 1026 to reserve your tickets.

Our course has been officially rated as an 18 Hole Par 3 Course and to celebrate this addition we are running our first Par 3 Stableford Challenge on Sunday 13th September,

meeting at the clubrooms at 9.30am for a 10.00am shotgun start. Best score for both the Ladies and the Men and NTP \$100 value vouchers on all holes. This is a great event, not to be missed, and we encourage all our members and their friends to participate in what promises to be a wonderful day of golf.

Congratulations to our Monthly Medal winners Brett Lockens and Tina Baker and to Don Dennett for his win on the Vets day. Congratulations too to Florence Meyer and Robyn Stevens for their win in the Dorothy Chambers women's event held last week. They will be heading off to represent our club later in the year.

I am pleased to inform you all that the renovations to the clubrooms continue, with great additions to our kitchen of a much needed new fridge, stove and microwaves. The vinyl floors are being done bit by bit with our plan to paint the clubrooms and foyer before we lay new carpets throughout. Thank you to Carole and Barry who are leading the charge to help ensure our facility is updated to become a more pleasant place for all our members and visitors.

We hope that as players you are noticing the continuing beautification of our course. Thank you to Conway our grounds man and to all those members who have taken on the personal upkeep of their own special hole, where new plantings, mulching, edging and raking up of branches help to make the whole area a much more attractive place to play this great game. Until next time..Happy golfing!

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BIKE SAFE

Friday 22 May was a very bad day for our cycling community. One of our local riders, a Father of 3 young children was hit from behind by a car on the main road in Riddells Creek. The collision occurred in daylight with clear sunny conditions, his bike had a bright rear flashing red light. He thankfully is recovering from his serious injury at home.

For fellow cyclists we all breathe a sigh of relief - that he will recover and it could have been a lot worse. There is nothing a cyclist can do about being hit by a vehicle that we can't see coming. This type of collision has tragically taken the lives of a number of cyclists in Victoria in recent years.

A cyclist is a vulnerable road user who does not have the protection of that afforded by a motor vehicle. When hit, the outcome, irrespective of blame, can be devastating, not limited just to physical injuries but also significant emotional and financial stress. Cycling is growing in the Macedon Ranges, drivers need to be fully focused on the road all of the time and be aware that there will be cyclists on the road; to give us space and pass us all with care.

A good driver will not have forgotten their first driving lesson. That first pep talk about how you need to pay attention on the road because you are driving a powerful vehicle - which has the capacity to injure or kill you and other road users.

For our local Dad and his family we wish for the best recovery possible. He will have many mates to offer to sit behind him until he feels safe again.

THANKS

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to local residents who have offered; assistance at our farm, delicious home-cooked meals, blessings, anonymous cash donations & flowers during our ongoing recovery, following the attack on our family at our home in Lancefield in late May.

Meggs Hannes, Michael Wuttke & Merryn Hannes-Wuttke.

FARMERS' MARKETS

Woodend Community Farmers' Market - Sat 4th July Cnr High & Forest Streets, Woodend - 0487 444 090 Sharon Kittson

Kyneton Farmers' Market - Sat 11th July St Pauls Park, Piper Street, Kyneton - 54 221 025 Veronica Manifold

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LANCEFIELD AUSKICK 2015 SEASON

WOW HOW TIME FLY'S WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN!!!!!!!

Another great year of Auskick at Lancefield has come to an end with the action packed year enjoyed by 65 fantastic kids. Sessions throughout the season included, Bring A Friend Day - Saturday 9th May. Saturday 16th May saw Ben Howlett from Essendon Football Club visit with both the little and big kids enjoying a great session.

The fantastic support from Essendon Football Clubs continued in Session 7 with their Mini Inflatable Flying Squad on hand to keep all the kids entertained.

Session 8 saw DeAnn & Team from Cards 4 Sports out early on a cold and frosty Lancefield morning taking photos of participants for their own individual Footy Card. Our final session on 20th June was Kids Vs Parents Day. Tunnel Ball, Dodge Ball, Bin Shot and a Mini Grid Game where played between the Kid and Parents with the kids winning 3 to 1. Great fun was had by all!!!!

Following this session a BBQ was enjoyed by all with every participant receiving a Participation Certificate and Medal.

Thank you to all the Parents who helped out through the year especially Matt, Daniel & Mark. Without all your help Lancefield Auskick would not be as successful as it is. Well Done to all involved.

I would also like to Thank Lancefield Bendigo Bank for their support in funding our fantastic new Equipment Trailer. The trailer has made life easier for all our volunteers' and we now have a safe and secure place to store all our valued equipment.

Enjoy the rest of the Football Season Lancefield Auskickers and we look forward to seeing you all in 2016

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LANCEFIELD JUNIOR FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

FOR SEASON 2016

When Lancefield and Romsey Junior Football clubs went their separate ways there may have been some concerns about just how each club would survive. The growth and success of the Lancefield Junior club is nothing to second guess at. In the 7 seasons standing alone, Lancefield Juniors have won 4 football flags and, in 2014 a netball division was introduced to align with the Riddell leagues development.

The Lancefield Junior Football Netball Club are now looking ahead to season 2016. Advertisements for a coach to lead and guide an U16 team in 2016 have appeared in the local papers and radio. The committee are working hard to ensure the players get what they need to develop their skills in their chosen sport at a local level.

With a new spirit and resolve, the LJFNC have undertaken to support the establishment of an U16 team in the RDFL Junior competition in 2016. This project will be led by a person who brings the qualities and attributes needed to successfully achieve the Club's objectives and most importantly, present the players with the opportunity

to achieve all they possibly can in the game. This team, and the inclusion of an U18 team in the next 2 years, will see the LJFNC as the natural feeder club and talent supplier for the senior Lancefield Football Club.

It is also the aim of the Club to ensure the talent is seen by the "right" people so as further elite opportunity is available to all players.

The Club's Committee has spent much time and effort developing a program for this team and allocated resources that will ensure the project's success. Commitments from players have already been received and an array of innovative measures has been signed off to ensure the immediate success of the team.

Next year, football will continue with Auskick, U10, U12, U14 and U16 will fill the football division. Netball will continue with NetSetGo, U9, U11, U13, U15 and 17s to fill the netball division. Season 2016 is shaping up to be a big one at Lancefield Juniors and it welcomes all past, present and future players to join in.



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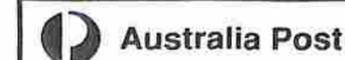
Saturday 4	9.00 am	Woodend Farmers' Market	Thursday 16	7.00 pm	Romsey Regions Women Network Christmas in July – Secretary: Natasha 0421 289 137
Thursday 9	8.00 pm	Christ Church Lancefield AMS – Tom 5429 6060	Friday 17	10.00 am	Lancefield Neighbourhood House visit Australian Wool & Sheep Show Phone – 5429 1214
Friday 10	12.00 p	Macedon Ranges Literary Lunch Kyneton – Helen Scott 0412 582 526	Friday 17	10.00 am	Workshop - Incredible Edible – Lancefield Neighbourhood House
Saturday 11	9.00 am	Kyneton Farmers' Market	Saturday 18	9.00 am	Riddells Creek Farmers' Market
Monday 13	8.00 pm	Deep Creek Landcare Group Meeting, Annexe Mechanics Institute	Sunday 19	7.00 pm	Christ Church Lancefield – Healing Service – 5429 1380
Tuesday 14	7.00 pm	Macedon Ranges Book Club – Phone Donna Fabris 0427 135 271	Saturday 25	9 am-1 pm	Lancefield Farmers' Market
Thursday 16	1.30 pm	Christ Church Lancefield Guild – Glenice 5429 6418	Sunday 26	10.00 am	Christ Church Romsey – Ecumenical Service
Thursday 16	7.00 pm	Association of Australian Decorative & Fine Arts Society (ADFAS) Art Historian Dr Alexey Makhrov, Kyneton Town Hall – 0408 517 485	Friday 31		Macedon Ranges Youth Awards close mrsc.vic.gov.au/youth

A REMINDER FROM THE EDITOR

Just a reminder from the editor that the due date is the 15th of the month. Submissions are still wandering in as late as the 24th last month which makes a lot more work for our volunteer committee (two thirds of the articles this month came in after the cutoff. And watch out - don't be late for the next edition as the editor's computer time will be very limited - be warned!

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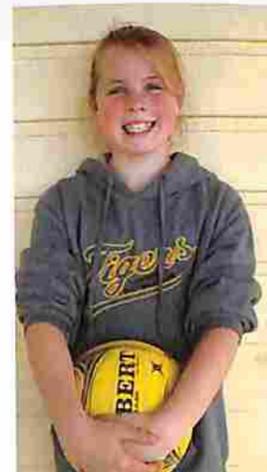
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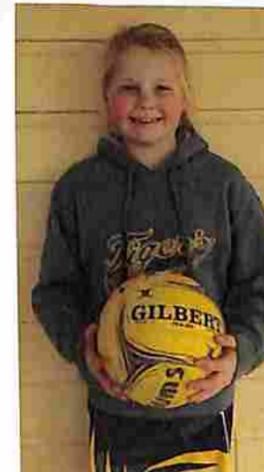
TIGERS LOOK TO HAVE A VERY BRIGHT FUTURE

Lancefield Junior Football Netball Club are enjoying a great season in the Riddell District Football Netball Junior Competition. The newly introduced Under 11 netball competition is strong in the league and the LJFNC netballers are currently placed 6th on the ladder with 3 games to go for the season finals are looking good. Many first time competition players such as Lily Richmond are building on skills they've learned throughout the season and are rising to the challenge of competitive games and are having a great time. The U/14 footballers are travelling nicely, also sitting 6th on the ladder with 4 odd games left finals are also a real possibility. A lot of these guys are playing their 6th or 7th season with the club and are developing muscle strength and aerobic capacity every week. If the current crop of players are anything to go by the Tigers look to have a very bright future. Good luck to all teams participating with only a few rounds left, let's see some finals action. Any queries for the current season or 2016 please contact the Club President Andrew Memmolo - andrew.memmolo@outlook.com.au

LJFNC PLAYER PROFILES



Player name: Charlie Price
Favourite Position: Centre
Nickname: Char
Whats for breakfast before a game? Nutrigrain
Favourite team: Vixens
How long have you played for the Tigers? First season
What grade do you play? U/11
Who is your favourite person at the club? Erin, cos she's nice and like a big sister



Player name: Lily Richmond
Favourite Position: Goal Shooter
Nickname: Lila
Whats for breakfast before a game? Weetbix
Favourite team: Vixens
How long have you played for the Tigers? First season
What grade do you play? U/11
Who is your favourite person at the club? Erin, cos she's nice and fun



Player name: Jack Foster
Favourite Position: Wing
Nickname: Foster
What's for breakfast before a game? Banana
Favourite team: Essendon
How long have you played for the Tigers? 6th season
What grade do you play? U/14
Who is your favourite person at the club? Riley cos he's funny



Player name: Mark Bennetts
Favourite Position: Centre
Nickname: Sharky
What's for breakfast before a game? Weetbix
Favourite team: Carlton
How long have you played for the Tigers? 7th season
What grade do you play? U/14
Who is your favourite person at the club? Kobe, cos he's funny even when he's not trying



NET SET GO

The Lancefield Junior Football Netball Club has run another successful term of the junior netball development program Net Set Go. Eleven of our budding netball juniors have enjoyed a term of learning new skills and the basic rules of the game and take home their own netball to practice with. All the girls had a great time making new friendships and learning the importance of team work and practice, even having an opportunity play some court time against their

mums and loved ones. The girls are welcome to join the U/9 training session held at the court from 5pm-6pm on Friday evenings until the 7th August, the last training session of the 2015 season. The club welcomes all old, present and new players to join in 2016. Many thanks go to Stacey Deimos, Tanya Higgins and helpers who volunteer their time to run this program.

A PATCH OF LANCEFIELD

Results from our recent Exhibition held at the Lancefield Mechanics Hall.

- 1st Place – Susan Johnson for her William Morris Quilt
- 2nd Place – Susan Johnson for her Boys' Story. Small Quilt (prize from Piece of Cloth);
- 1st Place – Jo Marsh for her "filled to the Gills"
- 2nd Place - Susan Johnson for her Japanese Table Runner. The Exhibition Challenge-"You've Got Mail"
- 1st Place – Jo Marsh
- 2nd Place – Shirlee Moore.

The Triz Barnett Award for Excellence in Hand Piecing and Hand Quilting was presented to Faye Parkinson for her William Morris piece.

The Lancefield Patchwork group meet each Thursday from 10am to noon at the Mechanics Hall. New members welcome from beginners to experienced.

