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A new attraction this year includes a Heavy Harness Horse Display. There will be plenty to keep the kids entertained with rides, show bags, jumping castle and face painting.

As always the Horses will see a few hundred competitors come to the Pony Club area and Trotting Track to compete in events, some of which are qualifying events for The Royal Melbourne Show. Cattle, Poultry, Sheep and Rabbits will also be on show.

There'll be plenty of food sites,



wine tasting, home-craft exhibition and so much more.

A great fun family day out, there's something for everyone at this year's show. Cost \$20 -Family Ticket

\$10- Adult \$5- Child/Concession Gates open at 9am. Look forward to seeing you there. Website: www.lancefieldshow.org.au Email: lancefieldshow@live.com.au





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On Tuesday, 9th October, the Federal Ambassador for the Ageing, Noeline Brown, will be the guest speaker at the U3A Kyneton Seniors Week luncheon at the Maryborough Highland Society's Kyneton Bowling Club, Mollison Street, Kyneton.* The function, to be held between 11.30am-3pm, is supported by the Macedon Ranges Shire Council

Home Based Business Morning Tea

The last of this year's Home Based Business Morning Teas will be held on Thursday, 11th October from 10am - 12pm at the Victoria Hotel, Woodend. Guest speaker Elon McCormick will provide tips on how to write an effective press release.

Bookings are essential and can be made by contacting 5421 9616 or jduncan@mrsc.vic.gov.au

Garden Tours at Duneira

Acclaimed gardeners Stephen Ryan, Michael McCoy and Simon Rickard will be leading tours at Mt Macedon garden, Duneria through October, November and December. Various dates are available and the one hour tour costs \$20. For more information visit www.duneira.com.au or phone 5426 1490.

Lancefield Mercury Inc **Annual General Meeting**

To be held on 27th November Venue to be advised Details editor@lancefieldmercury.org.au



NAUGHTIN (Hennington) Lynette A huge thank you to Lancefield's warm-hearted community for the love and care which was given to Lyn prior to her passing on Sep 5 2012. Lancefield and its people held a special place in her heart.

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The Lancefield Mercury should be delivered to every dwelling which receives a mail delivery from the Lancefield Post Office. The Mercury committee would be keen to make sure that no-one misses out on their monthly copy of the paper. If you have missed out on a copy, either regularly or occasionally, or know someone who has, can you let the editor know at editor@lancefieldmercury.org.au? Thank you.

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The 2012 C.W.A. Lancefield Spring Show & Handicraft Exhibition

Winners:

golden daffodils" (Daffodils, William Wordsworth) and sweet scent of spring blossoms at the recent Lancefield Spring Show & Handicraft Exhibition held on the 7th and 8th of September at the Mechanics Institute hall. This annual event is organised by the Lancefield Branch of the Country Women's Association of Victoria Inc. to encourage the community to celebrate a wide variety of country skills. The show this year was remarkable for the high number of entries received across six floral categories (floral arrangement, cut flowers, camellias, narcissi - open, narcissi - intermediate, narcissi novice), jams, preserve and pickles, cooking and handicraft, and in special competitions for children, teenagers and the "eighty years and over'.

Spring burst with "A host, of

A special tribute is due to the 125 entries in the children's section. They showed creative imagination, wonderful combination of colours and a degree of persistence to complete. The Spring Show also included a display of posters produced by the students of I ancefield Primary School. This delightful exhibition was based on the Chicken Project of the school. The posters livened up the walls of the Mechanics Institute hall. Thank you to Grades prep, 1, 2 and 3 and their teachers Mrs Stanton, Miss Borg, Mrs Van Gills and Mrs Bleeck for sharing a great project with the community.

Class A: Floral Arrangement - P. Amezdroz. Class B: Cut Flowers - R&J McConnell. Best Bloom: E. Westwood. Class C: Camellias - S. Portelli. Class D: Narcissi - Open - R&J McConnell and Champion Daffodil Trophy. Class E: Narcissi - Intermediate -Joshua Burns. Class F: Narcissi - Novice - P. Amezdroz. Class G: Jams, Preserves & Pickles -F. Meyer. Class H: Cooking - K. Barr. Class J: Handicraft - M. Beer. Best Item of Craft: J. Treseder Class K: Eighty years old & Over: H. Gallpen. Best Entry: J. Martin. Class L: Childrens Section 12 years old & Under. Decorated Biscuits - Matilda Dynon - 5 years & Under. Decorated Biscuits - Hannah Keogh - 6-9 years. Decorated Biscuits - Boo Quigley -10-12 years. Patty Cakes - Sarah & Claire Mustey - 6-12 years. Floral Saucer - Coco Portelli - 5 years & Under. Floral Saucer - Maddie Ryan - 6-9 years. Floral Saucer - MacKenzie Hales -11 years. Christmas Card - Lucy Kieghran - 5 vears & Under. Christmas Card - Stephanie Hammond - 6-9 years.

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Christmas Card - Shanelle Candzoukovski - 10-12 years. Pencil Sketch - Charlotte Douglas Other Handcraft - Harry Cusack - 8 years & Under Other Handcraft - Isobelle Hammond - 9-12 years Other Handcraft - Stephanie Hammond - 8 years & Under. School Project - Tarnee Hammond 10 years. Class M: Teenage Section - 13 years & Older. Decorated Biscuits - Emma Mustey Handmade Biscuits: Ruby Sinclair Poem: Erin Barr Pencil Drawing - Ruby Sinclair Flower - Erin Barr

Thank you to all entrants and congratulations to the winners. It is the participants in the competitions that make a successful exhibition.

A special thank you to the members of our Lancefield community who helped the CWA set up the Mechanics Institute hall for the show and all the judges.

To the traders of Lancefield and the Lancefield Community Bank a heartfelt thanks for their continuing support.

In this 2012 Spring Show and Handicraft Exhibition, the ladies of the Lancefield branch of the CWA greatly missed the presence of their two members, Mrs Mary Penberthy and Ms Lyn Naughtin Hennington, who both passed on this year. Their contribution to the life of the branch, sense of humour and wisdom will be remembered fondly. A. Kennedy.



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

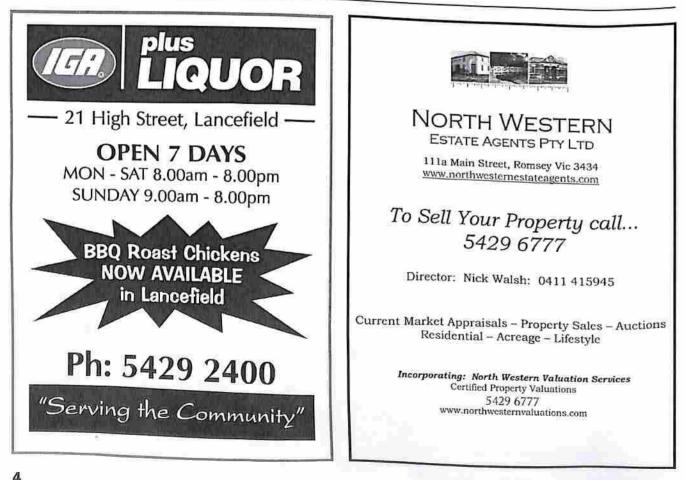
Tuesday, 16th October 2012 at 7pm The School House 78 High Street, LANCEFIELD. All positions vacant. All welcome. Enquiries call the House on \$4291214

News from the House:

Our new "Town House" was opened on Friday, 7th September with a few nibblies and drinks. Thank you to all who made the effort to attend, your support is appreciated. The winners of the Photographic Competition were announced and congratulations to Chloe Smith our winner, Simone Portelli who placed second and Kylie McKay who placed third. Entries from Cas Beaty, Jenni Vennell and Chloe Smith were highly recommended. Please come in and see all the entries at The Town House, 34a High Street,

Lancefield (next door to Opportunity Knocks). We will have them on display until mid October. Thank you to all the photographers who entered and to Doug Hunwick, President of Macedon Ranges Photographic Society who judged the competition. Thank you also to all the wonderful volunteers, tradies and friends who made the opening deadline possible and to all who donated furniture, time and expertise. We welcome all the new and not so new volunteers who are giving of their time and talents to ensure that The Town House is open most days. Please call in and see us.

As I write this sitting in The Town House on the 15th (doesn't that come around quickly) our hard working Vivien is flying out of Tullamarine on her way to India for a greatly deserved holiday. We wish her a great adventure and miss her already. Hopefully we can persuade her to do an article for the November Mercury giving us a guide to the wonders of India. Knowing Viv she will get off the beaten



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track and come home with some wonderful stories, ideas and highly motivated.

On a sad note we said goodbye to two very special friends of the Neighbourhood House over the past week, Kathleen Fitzgerald looked after the School House garden for an extended period until she became too ill to do so and we will miss her wonderful, gentle and caring influence on the community of Lancefield. Our sincere sympathy to her son Michael (Neighbourhood House Committee member) and all her family. Lynette Naughton was also farewelled in a very emotional service attended by many of the locals who came to know her. She was a very special person who always had a smile, a good word and an intriguing conversation to share. She will be very sadly missed and again our sincere condolences to the family of whom Lyn was so very proud.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE: If you are under 21 or just gained your driver's licence and would like to participate in a fully funded Defensive Driving Course please contact the House for further details.

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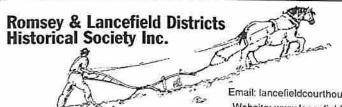
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- · Cheese Making Course November (date to be confirmed)
- · Boxing Classes continue.
- Yoga now at the Mechanics Hall. Tuesdays 7-8pm. Call Andrea 0410417281
- Movies with Meaning: 31st October 2012. Please register.
- · Learn Massage Scheduled for November. Register interest asap
- · Wicking Bed Making get ready to grow those summer vegies. Register interest asap
- · Bus Trip to Airport West on Friday, 16th November. Book now.
- Put these dates in your diary:
- · Lancefield Neighbourhood House AGM on Tuesday, 16th October at 7pm
- · Men's Shed Opening Wednesday, 14th November at 12 noon
- · Community Christmas Lunch Tuesday, 11th December at 12 noon

The Choir is back!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Lancefield singers has regrouped and will commence on Wednesday, 10th October. Cost is \$2 per week. Welcome back Josie!! All welcome.





Our Society will be conducting a stall at the Lancefield Show on 21 October. The main theme for our display will be the Obituaries Book published by the Society. The Lancefield Cemetery and some family histories of those buried in the Cemetery will be included at our Stall. As History Week runs from 21 October to 28 October this will be our way of celebrating this event.

Among our many visitors at our Family History Day on 5 August was a lady who was a newcomer to the town of Lancefield. We were remiss in not obtaining a point of contact and would appreciate if she could call in to see us. We believe

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her name was Sheila.

We have recently obtained a digitized version of some of the Rate Books for the Romsey Shire, Lancefield Shire and Springfield Shire. These records are for varying dates but may help people in their research. Our digitized newspaper collection is of great assistance to researchers whose families lived and/or conducted business in our areas.

Those interested in family research (genealogy) are most welcome to visit us. We hold records for Victoria and our professional genealogist can search her extensive personal collection of records or guide your research

in other states and overseas. Our Archives at the Lancefield Courthouse are available for perusal Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10-2. Contact Archivist Robyn Miller 0418 172 659 for appointment at other times.

Don't forget that the Romsey Festival will be held on 24 November, we will be conducting a stall.

It would seem from the replies to our survey that members would prefer a daytime meeting. A brief meeting followed by an afternoon tea will be conducted on Sunday 28 October at the Lancefield Courthouse at 2.00pm. Members and visitors most welcome.

The Winner of the Raffle-An aerial photograph of the Lancefield Township- was Maureen Thomas of

Lancefield. Seymour Cottage will be open on Saturday 27 October 2012

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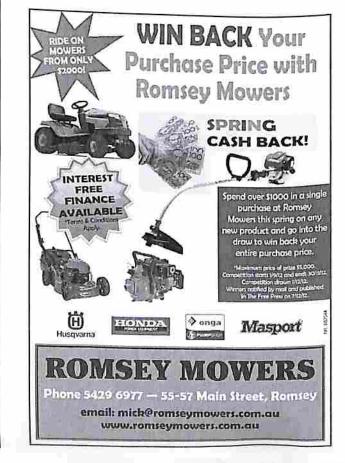
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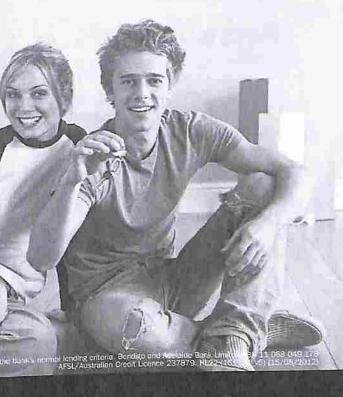
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Lancefield Primary School Trivia Night

I would like to thank the wonderful team who organised this very successful night and the many people who attended on the night in support of the school.

I would also like to thank the many people in our school and local community that provided donations and sponsorship. (Please see the list below) Take Away Bin Hire Artholes Custom Framing Lancefield IGA Sicilian Vespers Romsey Fresh Wholesalers The Hair Room Lancefield Romsey Beauty Spot Romsey Veterinary Surgery

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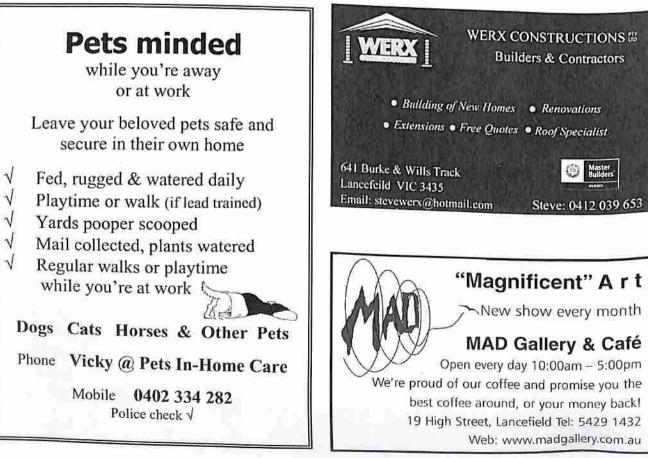
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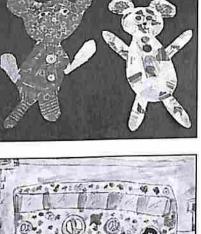
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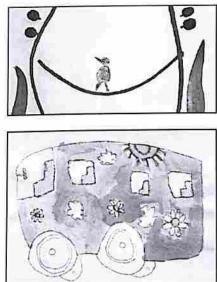
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JOANNE DUNCAN MP MEMBER FOR MACEDON

As your local Member of Parliament I am keen to listen to any concerns or ideas you may have.

Please don't hesitate to contact me for assistance on any State Government matter.

Warm regards, Ioanne Duncan

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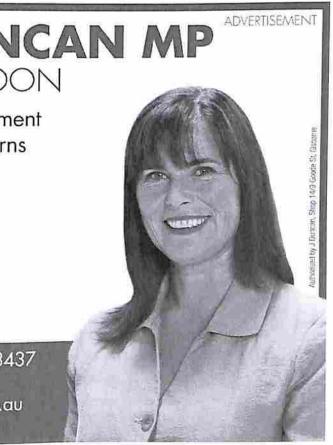
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Literacy Celebrations at Lancefield

For Literacy week we celebrated with Wear Red and Be Well Read. Students and teachers came dressed in red and brought along their favourite books to read to their buddy. Another day students came dressed as their favourite book character and were involved in a range of activities relating to books that were short listed for awards.

We also had a book swap where children donated books that were then purchased by students. The money raised went towards supporting literacy in indigenous communities.



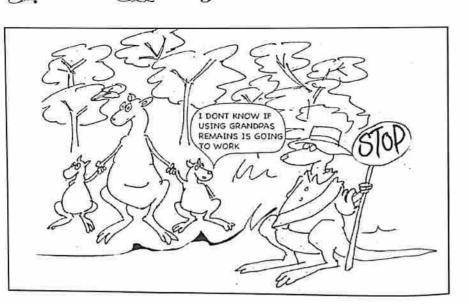


Lancefield Police News

Kangaroos

Once again the past month has seen a lot of Kangaroos and Cars involved in collisions. On some nights the number of Kangaroos along Burke and Wills Track can be quite amazing and all motorists are urged to take car when travelling on roads locally.

One local resident was so frustrated by the number of Kangaroos and the regular damage to his car that he attended the Police Station to investigate the possibility of having a cull conducted in the area. He was directed the Department of Sustainability and Environment and I personally very much doubt the idea will be entertained. This incident does however emphasise the concern Kangaroo numbers are causing to some residents, and the need for us all to take great care on the roads. Certainly if travelling along Burke



and Wills Track and Three Chain Road a reduction in speed from dusk onwards is highly recommended.

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If you do hit a kangaroo what should you do?

If the kangaroo is injured but not dead

· Ring 000 or Wildlife Rescue 13 000 94535 give an accurate description of where the animal is located.

 If possible stay at the scene until someone arrives as kangaroos can be very hard to locate if they crawl off into the bush.

· Someone will attend and if necessary dispatch the kangaroo and if it is a female check the pouch for joeys.

If the kangaroo is dead · Remove it from the road (ensuring it is safe for you to do so) as it may



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be a hazard to other road users. · If it is a female check the pouch for a joey and if there is a joey in the pouch leave it there and ring Wildlife Rescue on 13 000 94535. (Removal can result in injury to the joey if not experienced.)

· If possible stay at the scene until Wildlife Rescue or the Police arrive. (This may take some time)

• If unable to stay at the scene please give as accurate a description of the location with any landmarks possible. IE property numbers/ nearest road/significant land marks/ signs/etc.

If the kangaroo hops away and does not appear to be injured

 Swear and curse and ring your insurance company (hopefully not a tow truck)

A Good Clean Up

As you may have seen in local papers over recent months a number of search warrants executed in Lancefield and Romsey have resulted in a good clean up of

local crime. In particular thefts from rural properties. Thousands of dollars worth of property have been recovered and returned to their respective owners. One of the things that is always highlighted by these cleanups is the difficulty in identifying property.

It makes our job so much easier if stolen property is accurately recorded. The public can assist greatly in this process by going around and accurately recording the Make Model and Serial Numbers of tools and household items stored on your property. Other things that can assist police is identifying marks. You may have a trailer that has a dent in a mud guard, or tools that you have marked with a centre nunch or simular. All these marks can assist police to identify items when they are recovered. If you can take a photo of the item and store it in a file or on your computer to assist police if the item is stolen. A further point highlighted by the success of these recent warrants is the value of



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information from the public. In a rural community the most valuable means of identifying offenders and solving crime is public information. The smallest bit of information can sometimes result in the successful solving of offences. A recent example of this is where a report of littering resulted in an offender being charged with multiple criminal offences and the recovery of a significant amount of stolen property. That little bit of information may not have seemed important on its own but things can be linked together when all the information is collated. Sometimes all it takes is a registration number or the description of a vehicle seen in an odd or unexpected location. If it seems odd to you it probably is, so ring it in and let us know. You will never be criticized for passing on information. We would rather go on ten wild goose hunts than miss out on the one bit of information that Roger BARR may solve a crime. Officer In Charge Lancefield

St Mary's Primary School **Prep/1/2 Olympic Afternoon**

On Monday and Tuesday the Prep/1/2 students took part in an Olympic afternoon as part of their Inquiry Unit. The students were placed in three groups for scone cooking to discover English cuisine, art, based on the olympic countries and stadiums and athletics as part of the olympic sporting traditions. All children received a medal to celebrate their great achievements. A big thanks to all the parents who volunteered their time to help the activity run smoothly.











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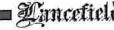
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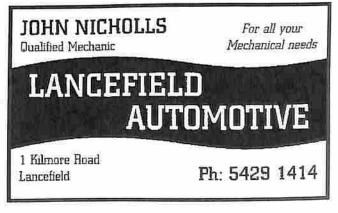
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Prep goes to **Red Door Books.**

On Wednesday, August 22nd, Preps walked to Red Door Bookshop to celebrate Book Week 2012. When we arrived Emma read us the books called The Runaway Hug, The Terrible Plop, The Last Viking and Good Night Mice.

We really enjoyed listening. Thank you Red Door Books for giving us a \$5.00 book voucher to spend at your bookshop. By Prep 2012



WEATHER COMMENT 16-9-12

After having written last month's article early, this one is basically back to its usual time .The extended time has made little difference to the rainfall readings which is inside the dates of my usual schedule and, again, has seen considerable falls over the period .We have recorded 88-5mm during this time, with the heaviest falls in August and tapering off in September but the paddocks are still very wet and with the follow up showers they are staying that way. The few Spring days we have had have been most welcome and pleasant, offset by the strong cold winds and associated chill factor when the Southerly changes occur. There is now some noticeable growth in the paddocks and the mower has had one or two runs around the garden, a good sign in early Spring.

I have bought a few steers to run here at home and they have settled in well, very quiet. The other cattle on the place have now been here long enough to enable me to see some improvement in both size and condition and this has every chance of continuing. The sheep are a bit disappointing and I intend to purchase some grain to feed them and together a change of paddock should improve the situation.

The better weather has prompted a spurt of activity in the garden. The vegie plot has enjoyed its rest and is now back at work. We have planted more onions, silver beet ,and snow peas and our potatoes are through the ground. The flower garden is very colourful, daffodils, anemones and tulips just beginning to open. The deciduous trees are also starting their growth with leaf buds showing and the occasional shrub now in flower. Things can only improve as Spring continues. Robert Green

Letter from the mayor

Dear Editor,

In approximately six weeks the outcome of the 2012 Macedon Ranges Council elections will be known with nine Councillors elected for a four year term. My congratulations to all candidates for putting themselves forward for their community.

It is a testament to the calibre of the candidates that these elections have not been reduced to a level of personal attacks and cheap sniping that will plague elections elsewhere. I thank all candidates for their professionalism and integrity. The community needs, expects and deserves positive representation and I trust this high standard will continue to be upheld.

Elected Councillors need to work together as a team to deliver results for the community as every outcome is a team outcome. No Councillor can achieve anything individually.

As a team great outcomes are achieved. Mayor Henry McLaughlin Authorised by: Henry McLaughlin -80 Turners Tk. Kerrie 3434.



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Lancefield & District Farmers' Market - Saturday October 27Th

This month sees Spring come into action, with many local plant enthusiasts wanting to get on down to the market, given the array of edible, ornamental & just plain odd plants on offer at the market at this time of the year. Of particular interest will be Liz Spillane's (pictured) seedling stand making a welcome to the market with heirloom seedlings for the vegetable

The market features up to 65 stalls each month on the plantation making garden. it the largest farmers' market in the Macedon Ranges. Be sure to stock up on your kitchen essentials & seasonal delights at the Lancefield & District

This market is an initiative of the Lancefield Neighbourhood House Inc. Farmers' Market. More information, please contact Meggs Hannes, market coordinator on 0407860320.



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Market Coordinator Recognised In The 'Salute To Rural Women'

Lancefield resident & farmers' market coordinator, Meggs Hannes, has recently been nominated as one of 10 women from Central Victoria in the Bendigo Business Council's 'Salute to Rural Women' as part of the Year of the Farmer celebrations, for her contribution to the local farming community through (nearly) 10 years of the Lancefield & District Farmers' Market.



Vanessa's garden

By the time you read this, it will be time to think about mulching the garden again. So I thought it would be timely to take a look at the benefits of mulching and how to make it.

Why Mulch?

Decaying organic matter feeds the soil. Think of it as a protective blanket, helping to prevent weeds, erosion and "crusting" of the surface. This improves air circulation and provides an ideal environment for the various helpful bacteria, fungal and earthworm activity that helps keep your soil healthy.

Mulch also helps keep plant roots cool in summer and warm in winter. It helps moisture stay in the ground where your plants can use it, and this helps reduce the need to water.

Certain mulches can also be used to make or cover paths, and bark mulches make a great soft surface for children's play areas. In short, mulch is a versatile asset in any garden.

Choose the Right Mulch for the Job

You can make mulch out of many organic components, so choose one that's appropriate for the job. If you have some large branches for example. they can be laid under fruit trees, along with a good thickness of bark mulch, to feed helpful fungi. Under tree mulches also act as a habitat for useful predators (such as lizards, ground beetles and centipedes) who like to dine on pests. The important thing to remember is to make sure mulch isn't in contact with the tree bark, or it may cause rot damage. Not every tree needs a mulch. It's helpful for young trees, to give them a hand in getting established, by providing extra nutrients and keeping down pests, as well as slowing competitors, such as grass. More mature trees can generally quite happily go without mulch.

In the veggie garden, try lucerne hay, spent straw,

pea straw, a turned-in green manure or sugar cane. It is best spread in layers of about 50mm. Improve the soil even further by putting down a good dollop of compost or manure first.

Making Mulch

Although bought mulches are widely available, making mulch isn't difficult. The more types of mulch you use, the more diversity in feed and habitat you're making available to your soil. A simple way is to compost food and garden waste. Lawn clippings are full of the nitrogen which promotes leafy growth, so add them to the compost or put them around annuals and leafy veggies.

Don't forget you can also use ground-cover plants to provide shade and shelter for the soil in your garden. Mulch doesn't have to be decaying to be valuable!

Hot Tips

Make sure your mulch is weed-free or you'll just be making more work for yourself. Weeds, plants with seed heads and eucalyptus leaves should all be composted before use. The heat of an active compost heap or bin kills weeds, and fresh eucalyptus leaves contain a growth inhibiting chemical.

Also make sure your mulch doesn't contain any pesticide residue - treated material should go in the compost bin first.

Freshly made mulch should be left to mature. Material such as freshly shredded wood pruning and bark chips can actually leach nitrogen from the soil and should be left for 3-4 weeks before use. Alternatively you can mix in another mulch which has nitrogen in it, such as compost or chook poo (in a ratio of one part compost or poo to two parts of bark).

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- Weed control
- Gutter cleaning
- Farm work
- Rubbish removal
- General tidy up

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lunch.

St Mary's Catholic Parish

Lancefield and Romsey Parish Priest: Fr. Arnold Heredia Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Joanne Reuther School Principal: Mr. Anthony Falls

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6.00 p.m. Lancefield

1st & 3rd Sunday of the month: 8.00 a.m. Lancefield and 10.00 a.m. Romsey 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month: 8.00 a.m. Romsey and 10.00 a.m. Lancefield

Welcome to Fr. Arnold Heredia, the new Parish Priest of St. Mary's. who commenced late September. Thank you and farewell to Fr. Sebastian who was with us in the

RECONCILIATION

After weekday Mass or by arrangement.

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February, April, June, August, October, December. For more information, please phone 5429 2130.

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together-reunion Come for pizza and catch up with old friends.

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REGULAR EVENTS

SVDP Drop-In: First Thursday of each month, 10.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m., St. Mary's Church Hall, Romsey. All welcome to come for a game of cards/chat and free

There will be a get together of Year 12 students who attended St. Mary's Primary School and also for those who have left school who would otherwise be in year 12. It will be held at St. Mary's presbytery on October 12th at 6.30pm.

BINGO!! BINGO!! BINGO!!

Every Thursday evening St. Mary's Church Hall at Romsey Doors Open 7.00 p.m. EYES DOWN 7.30 p.m. \$3.00 per 15 game book No entry fee Canteen facilities Free tea and coffee

Phone: 54292122

COMING EVENTS

10th & 11th November 2012

Alex Kostic from Serbia teaching ancient Russian fighting Systema.

24th & 25th November

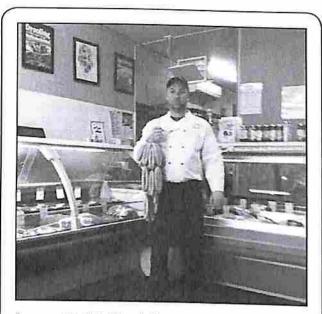
Karate Camp presented by James Sumarac. Underlying philosophy of the Martial and Healing Arts.

11th - 13th January 2013

We Proudly present Grand Master Chen Yun Ching from Taiwan. Workshop will include Tai Chi Chuan and Walking Stick self defence.

Book early as places fill quickly

Booking may be made through www.wulinretreat.com go to coming events/programs.



Lancefield Healthy Lifestyle Meats has done it again!

This time in the central region sausage competition by coming third by the narrowest of margins. Defeating all the other local butcher shops. This was the first time the shop has entered such a competition. We always knew our sausages tasted great from the feedback we got from our customers. So now we have proof. To celebrate this wonderful achievement, we ran another meat draw which was won by Tony Burne. The winning ticket was drawn out by Kathy Buckley.

Congratulations to everyone! E-mail: lancefieldcourthouse@gmail.com Website: www.lancefieldcourthouse.org

Macedon ranges film society The MRFS Meets A Most Unusual Man

A most unusual man in the form of Monsieur Hulot graced the screen at the September meeting of the Macedon Ranges Film Society. As a young man, Jacques Tati realised his comic ability and channelled that into the creation of Hulot. In this film, "M. Hulot's Holiday", he acted the main character charmingly. He claimed that he only wanted to amuse and make audiences laugh and he certainly did that when, despite his earnest attempts at being helpful, our hero time and time again failed to get things absolutely right. The result was at times laugh out loud funny, yet always sweet and innocent.

On Wednesday, October 10th, members can expect a film of a different genre altogether. "Look Both Ways" by the late film-maker Sarah Watts, explores the lives of a number of damaged people over one weekend in Adelaide and so follows the paths of disparate characters in this short timeframe. The shadow of death hovers over the people and yet the film itself manages to project a joyful affirmation of life. If you value the opinions of Margaret Pomeranz and David Stratton, both gave it four and a half stars.

The Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Woodend Community Centre.

Film notes are supplied and for those who wish, there is discussion after the film with refreshment kindly supplied by the members. For more information, contact mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or call Vicki on 5427 2323 or Christine on 5429 5452,



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Lancefield Fire Brigade Support your local CFA

The Lancefield Fire Brigade is an important and much appreciated community organisation. Its volunteer members are always 'on duty', in all seasons, ready to respond to our community's emergencies. They train to actively respond to these, especially in summer when fire is a threat.

We know they are always there and we rely on them to help protect us, and our property! But did you know that there are also 'non operational' members of the CFA?

These members are local people who support the active fire fighters behind the scenes. Activities they participate in support the fundraising, social and logistic needs of the Lancefield CFA. These include, recently. Ihe 'Giant Book Sale' and the Farmers' Market barbeque.

Are you recently retired; a young parent at home; a regular community volunteer? Do you want to get to know other people in our great community? The Lancefield CFA support Group would love to meet you! We meet monthly for approximately one hour. The work we do is not onerous or difficult - all it takes is a willing pair of hands and a community spirit to support and acknowledge the work of our CFA fire-fighters!

You can contact Kate on 0408510475 or come along to our next meeting at the fire station on Monday 5th November at 2.30pm You will be most welcome.

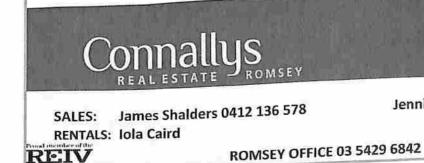
The function to present Service awards and unveil the Honour boards will now be

held at the Mechanics Hall on December 2nd, not on the date stated last month. The month has ,again, been quiet with a power pole smouldering and a burn off out of control in Newham's area which had to be dealt with using hand tools as the country was underwater and vehicles could not gain access- back to the old days. The new training calendar is available and members are asked to utilise this for their skills maintenance and updates . Also the new radio roster is available, please take note of your days to attend.

Finally, below is a notice for our next GIANT BOOK SALE come along and support our local VOLUNTEER BRIGADE Stuart Mustey



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Spring, Time To Prepare

We are all energized and excited by the imminent return of longer days and BBQ's in the sunshine. It has now been over three years since the horrific fires of February 7th 2009, yet this tragic day has reshaped the way we deal with bushfires and think about fire risk. The recent years of good rain has continued to provide widespread vegetation growth and excellent fuel for fires. We have already had grass fires around the state so we can't underestimate the risk of an early fire season or put off the preparation of our properties until summer hits.

Whether your plan is to leave early or stay, remember there is no substitute for preparation. Now is the time to look clean up around the house and garden. · Prepare a bushfire plan that everyone in the family understands

. Keep up the gardening. Cut long grass and dense scrub and regularly rake up leaf litter under trees.

- · Prune lower tree branches.
- · Clean out gutters and downpipes.
- · Do not pile wood near the house.

· Remove any timber, rubbish and old junk lying around.

 Store flammable liquids, LPG cylinders and paint away from the house.

Our fantastic CFA fire fighters do all they can, but the safety of you and your family can depend on your bushfire orenarations.

Warm regards, Joanne Duncan

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Lancefield & Macedon Ranges Relay

Saturday 2nd March - Sunday 3rd March. 4:00 pm - 10:00 am Yes it is on again. Mark the date in your diary for next year. Now is the time to register your team or join a team and start fundraising.

Register Now www.relayforlife.org.au, Phone:

1300 65 65 85 or Kelly: 0419 319 429

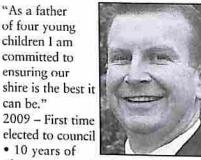
Once registered, you will receive a team kit with everything team members need to prepare for the event, including a fundraising guide, deposit & receipt books and an official Relay For Life T-shirt.

Donations can be made to individuals or teams by going online

Celebrate Remember Fightback!

Macedon Range Shire Council Election 2012

VOTE 1 Henry McLaughlin Geoff Neill



planned footpaths delivered in 1 year • 4 years of rates growth at record lows (ongoing)

· Lancefield Community Plan initiated 2010 - Elected as Deputy Mayor

- 100% increase in local bus services
- · Bus stops and shelters installed
- · Local businesses supported via car parking policy reform

· Safety upgrades to the Lancefield Rd (ongoing)

- 2011 Elected as Mayor • Garbage & recycling reform (equal
- access to services for all residents) Smoke free playground policy
- · Free green waste disposal at transfer stations
- 2012 Re-elected as Mayor
- \$5m upgrade to the Romsey Sports Precinct
- Lancefield Park master plan funded and in development
- Lancefield Pool master plan funded and in development
- · Local Secondary College feasibility study
- · Record low debt levels Vote for Results
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of Romsey being involved in, raising a family, and working in the area since 1978. Experience does count. My affiliation

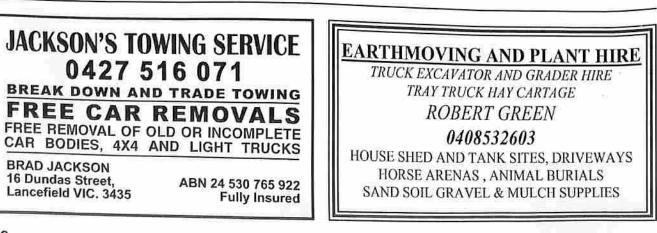
I am a resident

with Local Government began in 1986 with an unwavering vision for improvement in services to

the community, support of the numerous community organisations with which you are involved and creating a financially responsible and sustainable Shire.

Speaking with residents about our future the issues frequently mentioned include the Romsey and Riddells Creek open drains, road maintenance, P10 school, employment opportunities, footpaths, public transport (particularly on weekends), environmental issues, park and playground equipment upgrade, rural and town planning, youth facilities, streetscape works and advocacy to other Government Departments who provide services to us. Where is the heated indoor pool for the east side? Don't let the East Ward be unrepresented for the next 4 years. Vote for a person whose passion is for their community. www.geoffneil.com.au 0407506369 Authorised by: G.A. NEIL 15

Todd Lane, Romsey. 3434



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Macedon Ranges Shire Council Elections 2012

Henry Bleeck your local candidate

Macedon Ranges is a special place for my family. I grew up in the Macedon Ranges and have lived and worked locally for most of my adult life. Wendy and I raised three children here and I continue to work locally at Monegeetta Proving Ground. I am aware of the values we all hold and the issues that effect us in the shire.

Our region and towns are very special and we need to continue to ensure a balance between orderly progress and the preservation of the best of country living. While our area is wonderful, there are aspects that can be better. A few that spring to mind are maintenance of roads and footpaths, better use of our rates, rationalising council assets to fund community and recreational projects without increasing rates, and clear and fair planning proceses.

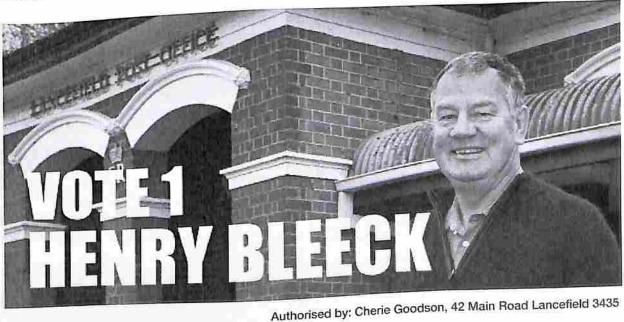
The towns in the east of the Shire need a fairer share of funds and works to maintain our streets and roads, to provide services for our youth and the elderly, to support our children's services and assist our businesses to grow and prosper. We also need to plan towards an indoor pool in the east of the Shire.

In Lancefield we need upgrades of our residential streets, with a schedule to repair the roads, maintain the drains and construct new footpaths. Many of our rural roads need sealing and improved maintenance of the drains and verges including trimming of undergrowth and overhanging branches. Our local community groups deserve the support of council to further develop their recreational, environmental and community goals.

We need an active council that will focus on the issues that effect you. One that will seek and commit funds to ensure the quality of our country life.

As your shire councillor I will actively represent you and ensure that the residents in the east of the shire receive a fair share of funds and works.

E: henrybleeck@bigpond.com



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Macedon Range Shire Council Election 2012

Open Letter to Ratepayers East Ward Macedon Ranges Shire.

Dear Friend,

On October 27th 2012 Constituents throughout Victoria will go to the polls to elect a new Council. Voting will be by Postal Ballot. I've had the honour and pleasure of representing you for the last four years. During that time, I've advocated strongly on your behalf for an Equitable

Distribution of the Rate Dollar to our Ward with great success. thus honouring one of my election promises to you in 2008. This is unambiguously evidenced by the millions of dollars put into the East Ward by way of new Infrastructure Funding, Road Upgrades and Capitalworks, which I might say are without precedent, whilst still maintaining a modest rate rise of 4.9%, which I believe is below the state average. Unlike some, I'm not a Developer or endorsed by Developers, with NO self interest or axe to grind, thus I'm not beholden to anyone.

Over the past four years, I believe that I've been transparent, accountable and most accessible, putting the interests of my constituents first. Essentially I'm the people's man who gets things done.

One project that is close to my heart has been the safety improvements to Melbourne-Lancefield Road. After years of persistent lobbying (since 2003) the Victorian Government I'm pleased to see that the contract has been awarded for 1.1km (stage 1) of new OVERTAKING LANES between Station St, and Bolinda Creek Bridge Clarkefield.

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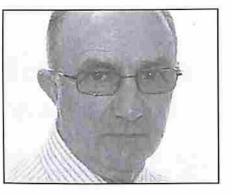
The freshly resealed Bolinda -Darraweit Rd. is now completely dual lane and the McCabes Bridge is now open to Residents of Darraweit Guim, allowing all traffic including emergency vehicles and farm machinery to move between the Macedon Ranges and Mitchell shires.

In Newham, I am looking forward to seeing the new multi-purpose court constructed with Council and Victorian Government funding once we have finalised negotiations with the Department of Education to allow community usage on the primary school site.

Riddells Creek will also be getting three multipurpose courts. complemented by a new shelter and toilets, as well as a primary school oval at the Recreation Reserve including recycled water, thanks to Council and Victorian Government funding. Also Council has allocated \$75k (2012/2013 budget) for the recommissioning of toilet block at Reserve.

The Romsey sports precinct (lobbying since 2003) is also making great progress, with brand new primary school Oval and Pavilions (underway) just completed and new Lights for the Romsey Park Oval, A feasibility study for swimming pool is also underway. I was also pleased to see that the Victorian Government Budget has included a feasibility study for a High School in the town, after much lobbying.

Community events and recreation facilities in Lancefield have received a boost thanks to council and Victorian Government funding, This will go towards constructing a performance space in the common,



improving the Mechanics Hall, a walking/cycling path network and a feasibility study for hosting events at Laurie Green Pavilion at Lancefield Park. We have also seen the construction of new Tennis Courts and Cricket Nets.

Finally, after a long period of intense lobbying,Council was successful in its bid to install a Macedon Ranges tourism destination sign in the East Ward. Council officers are currently identifying the most appropriate location for this sign which will be installed in the coming months.

The above are only some of the many initiatives that the East Ward has benefited from over the last four vears.

If RE-ELECTED, I look forward to continuing to advocate passionately in the same vein, for more improvements like thes, to enhance and protect the liveability of our East Ward.

On OCTOBER 27/2012 make your VOTE count and VOTE 1 JOE MORABITO, the peopl'es man who gets things done. Regards.

Ioe Morabito 0400 025 455. Authorised by Ioe Morabito.Shop 5 Main St., ROMSEY Vic.3434.



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Macedon Ranges community groups encouraged to apply for history grants

Community groups in the Macedon Ranges can apply for a share in \$350,000 in grants for projects that preserve and share stories of our state's past. Individual grants of up to \$15,000 are available to notfor-profit groups such as historical societies, schools, sporting clubs and special interest groups, for projects that capture and share the fascinating stories of Victoria across the ages.

The program, which is run by Public Record Office Victoria, is open to not-for-profit community groups across the state.

Applications for the Local History Grants Program are open now, and close on Monday 12 November 2012.

For further information or to apply visit: http://prov.vic.gov.au/ community-programs/grants-awards/local-history-grants

Local Group Wins Award

At the Port Phillip & Westernport CMA awards held at Melbourne Zoo on 8 September, the Deep Creek Landcare Group won the prestigious 'Group Working On Public Land' Award. The Group won the award for its project to revegetate and restore the Sheehans Reserve site on Deep Creek. The site has a detailed restoration plan which the Group is using to guide their ongoing onground works.

The project was years in its development and culminated in a successful partnership between the Group, Melbourne Water, Parks Vic, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, DSE and the Romsey-Lancefield Lions Club.





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Book club book review

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, Allen and Unwin 2009

This book is so charming and pleasing that it can entice even the most cynical reader into a sheepish grin. The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society is essentially a book club set up during the war by a group of people on the island of Guernsey and the story follows the lives of the people of this book club through a series of letters. Often books where the story is told only through letters can be boring, impersonal and miss all of the feelings of the characters, fortunately, this book is NOT like that.

The letters are so charming, lovely and full of personality that you very quickly fall in love with everyone, except for Adelaide Addison who Juliet (The main narrator) explains why she is so unpleasant "I suspect a malignant fairy at her christening." Well written, a light and very engaging book for ALL readers, even the cynical ones! 4 stars. Macedon Ranges Readers 0427 135 271

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Book reviews

Moonlight and Ashes. By Sophie Masson. Reviewed by Abbie Bennetts.

Moonlight and Ashes is about a girl named Selena, Her father is one of



the wealthiest people in Ashberg, a small community in the Faustinian empire. Selena doesn't share this fortune as once her father remarries, she is pushed aside to make room for Grizelda and her daughters, and she is turned into a poor servant girl ignored and frowned upon by everyone that used to like her. In a world where magical activity is illegal and not tolerated, Selena is one of the last moon-sisters left

as they are killed for being too powerful. She has to keep her secret and control her magical powers. On her 16th birthday, her mother appears to her in a dream and

gives her an unexpected request. This leads her on a trail of love, bravery and discovering who she really is, and what it means to be a moon-sister, making new friends and meeting new people along the way. This book is loosely based on the fairytale Cinderella, but not as light and simple. Sophie Masson has taken the classic storyline and turned it into a dramatic, hard to put down novel.

Bill The Bastard.

By Roland Perry Reviewed by John Webb

This book tells a wonderful true story about a legendary horse that served with the Australian Light Horse at Gallipoli and in the Middle East in World War One. He was nicknamed Bill the Bastard because

he was an unpredictable beast who would not allow anyone to ride him, and seemed to take a sneering pleasure in throwing and injuring them if they tried.

Because of his enormous size, he was used as an exceptional pack horse until one man, Major Michael Shanahan and Bill became friends and Shanahan was able to ride Bill into battle, until the former lost his leg to a bullet.

Roland Perry skillfully fills in

the gaps in history with

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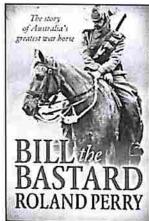
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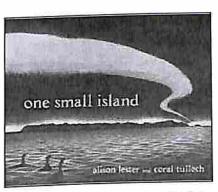


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the arrival of the sealers in the 1800s and their legacy of introduced The Burial animals and the damage done to the by Courtney Collins island's wildlife and plants. It then goes on to tell the story of the modern day fight to restore the Macquarie Island and the huge effort to eradicate the cats, rabbits POSITIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS ancefield & Romsey Community Financial Services Limited is the management ompany of the Community Bank Branches at Lancefield & Romsey.

The Company has operated for over 10 years and has returned over \$400,000 back to local schools, community organisations and sporting groups - as well as regular dividends plus a return of capital to shareholders. Board member positions have become vacant as a result of long serving Directors retiring The company is seeking community minded residents to apply to join this highly active organisation and to make a difference to the residents of Lancefield, Romsey and surrounding districts. Specifically, the company is seeking applicants with experience in community, HR, finance marketing and / or the arts These roles may be of interest to persons who are seeking to make an impact on their local community - be they young, middle aged, retired (or approaching (ctirement) The positions are voluntary and therefore a strong commitment to col affairs is essential Expressions of Interest with a brief Resume' should be addressed to the Company at email address: alicemcmahon@rocketmail.com No later than Friday 2nd November 2012.

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and other animals. It's a wonderful book, newly released in hardback, with beautiful illustrations and plenty of facts and figures to go with the narrative. Our kids very much enjoyed it. It comes with a definite message: "...if we can save one small island, perhaps we can save them all".

Review by John Webb

We recently had local (Nagambie, anyway) author Courtney Collins

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into the relationship between horse

massive effort that went into keeping

good, fit horses supplied to the front

and soldier in wartime, and the

line. There's also a little wartime

I've just read this book as an

advanced proof from the publisher.

You'll have to wait until the 1st of

November to buy one, but you can

order it ahead at your friendly local

by Alison Lester and Carol Tulloch

One Small Island is a non-fiction

of Macquarie Island. It describes

children's' book that tells the history

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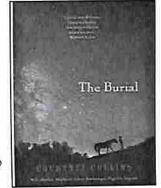
Reviewed by John Webb

book seller.



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come to our shop to do a book signing and then she did a talk for a group of local book club members about her



novel and discussed how she wrote it and got it published. It was a totally absorbing afternoon.

This is her debut novel, a work of fiction based on the life of Jessie Hickman, a legendary Australian woman bushranger caught by circumstances to do desperate things.

The book club ladies have agreed that they thoroughly enjoyed it and also found it challenging. It is a beautifully written story of survival, courage and the human spirit, though brutal and unsettling in parts.

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Pastor's Parable Who or What defines "who" you are?

A rich landowner offered to give the newly arrived neighbour all the land he could walk around in one day. The condition was that he would have to be back at the spot from which he started by sundown. Early the next morning the neighbour set out, without eating any breakfast or greeting anyone. His plan was to cover six square miles. When he finished the first six, he decided to make it nine, then twelve, and finally fifteen. That meant he would have to walk sixty miles before sundown. By noon he had covered thirty miles. He did not stop for food or drink. His legs grew heavier and heavier. About two hundred yards from the finish line, he saw the sun going toward the horizon. He had only a few minutes left. He gathered all his energies for that one last effort. He staggered across the line just in time. Then he reached for his heart and fell down in a heap - dead.

All the land he got was a piece six feet by two for his grave. He died of greed.

In Luke 12:15 Jesus says to the crowd: "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own."

The Words of Jesus are words of LIFE! And if we apply them to our lives, we will experience "Life in Abundance."

There are so many people whose lives are defined by how much they have or don't have!

I thank God that we live in a Community where the culture for life is. . . defined by how much we can share, care and give to others who are in need.

In the Christian Community God defines "who' we are, based upon being a member of His Family.

Not what we do or don't do, or how much we have or don't have.

So let me ask you as a Community member. Who or What defines "who" you are?

Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light." -Matthew 11:28-30 (NLT)

If we can be of assistance to you in any way, please join us at one of our Sunday Services; one of our fortnightly Life Groups; or simply contact us at our Church office on 5429 6327.

We also offer Before & After School care; Fortnightly Youth events and weekly Children's programs.

Pastor Marilyn Hunter "ENCOURAGE CHURCH"



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Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association **RRBATA Welcomes** Lancefield Businesses

The Romsey Region Business and Tourism Association (RRBATA) is inclusive of all businesses located within the boundaries of the former Shire of Romsey and, as such, wishes to invite Lancefield businesses to become members of RRBATA. Membership benefits include complimentary General Listing on Romsey Online (www. romsey.org.au), networking opportunities, advocacy for local business and tourism to local and state governments and inclusion in **RRBATA** events.

Membership Enquiries: Joanne Hagan (Secretary) Phone: 0432 320553 Email: hages10@optusnet. com au

Next RRBATA Function **RRBATA Annual General Meeting** Monday 29th October 2012 at 7.30pm At Romsey Community Hub

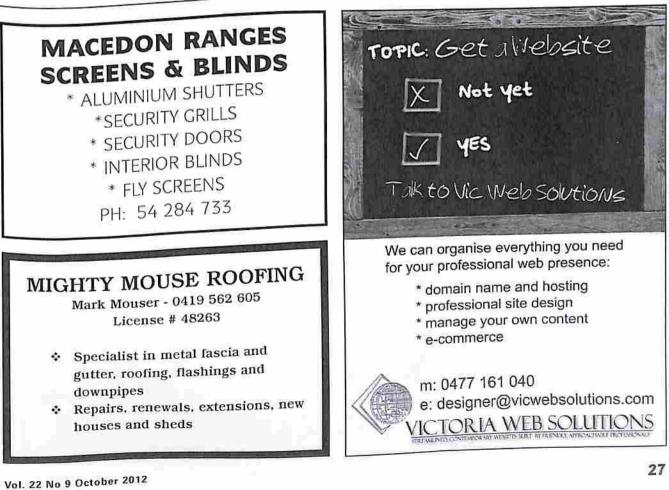
The Romsey Recreation Centre

Term 4 Update The Romsey Recreation Centre has seen some fantastic changes over the past 12 months, and the face lift is set to continue over the next year. The 2011/2012 financial year brought a new stadium floor, new basketball backboards and the renovations to the upstairs area, which is now home to the You Can Fitness Studio. There have also been upgrades to lighting, safety padding and external landscaping

We are currently in the middle of planning for the Romsey Recreation Centre toilet refurbishment, which should get started during the summer Christmas break. This project will see the amenities completely transformed, including showers, toilets and baby change facilities.

The Romsey Recreation Centre has received an automated external defibrillator (AED). This will be located in an alarmed cabinet the entrance area of the facility. A great asset to the local community.

members to the team Megan Lorkin and William Calvert have started working at the Romsey Recreation Centre They are running



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We would like to welcome two new staff

the Friday night soccer competitions. William is our junior coach, and brings with him lots of experience coaching from his coaching at the Gisborne outdoor club.

We have lots of exciting new programs starting up for the summer months. For the preschoolers we have Mini Maestros starting in Romsey, Mini Maestros is a fantastic program, and the staff are amazing. Your little one is guaranteed to love this program. The Yogos is also launching its pilot program here in Romsey. This exciting new yoga inspired program for 3-5 year is fantastic, and we are so excited to be able to offer it to our Romsey community. There is lots more happening, so come and check it all out.

For all activities on offer in term 4 download our summer programs brochure from the website at www.mrsc.vicgov.au and follow the link to the Romsey Recreation Centre. Alternatively, email us at rrc@mrsc. vic.gov.au for an electronic copy.

Please contact Christina Kennedy on (03) 5429 5637 or email ckennedy@mrsc.vic.gov.au.

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Computer Program in Our Butterfly Room

News & Updates Lancefield Early Education Centre

CATERPILLAR ROOM (Under 3 yr Room)

The caterpillar room has been having great fun taking part in a variety of wonderful experiences.

Our vegetable garden beds have been prepared for the season ahead and recently we planted strawberry plants and potatoes. Peas, carrots and lettuce seedlings will be added shortly.

Just as much fun and learning came about with discovering worms in the soil.

We ended up with a container of 'daddy worms', 'little worms', and 'stretched worms'.

Colorful and lovingly hand decorated mugs were made for Father's Day - just to let them know how special they are.

With the weather beginning to warm up, we look forward to spending some more time outside and to practicing new skills learned in our Mini Maestros sessions.

PARENTS FEEDBACK

"Ashley was always shy and clinging to me. Since attending the centre, she has become confident and outgoing. She can't wait to go each morning. Thank you so much!"

Melissa (daughter 3)

"My son had terrible trouble separating from me. He would not even stay with his father alone.

Thanks to the support and patience of the wonderful staff at Lancefield Early Education Centre, I can now leave him happily. It has changed my life"

Julie (son 20 months)



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Excitement is building as we begin the very first stage of our playground development and look forward to singing, dancing and playing instruments along with the support of Mini Maestros.

BUTTERFLY ROOM (Above 3 yr & Kinder Room)

Over the past month the children have been working very hard learning to recognise and write their names.

Letters and numbers have also been included in many of the children's experiences, such as Father's Day, Footy Day, cooking, gardening and work on the computer.

Water saving has been a group learning activity, with a visit from Western Water. The children have embraced many of the ideas presented, and are following through with them in our daily program.

Excitement is building as we begin the very first stage of our playground development and look forward to singing, dancing and playing instruments along with the support of Mini Maestros.

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LANCEFIELD SHOW

Last year the response to our children participating in the Lancefield Show was so great, that we have decided to give the children that opportunity again. Look out for wonderfully creative creations at this years show.



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Romsey Toy Library Volunteers Needed!!

Our New Look

The Toy Library has recently undergone a major facelift and redesign of its layout. Thanks to funding from the Lancefield & Romsey Community BankO we have had new shelving installed allowing us to better showcase our toys and improve access for all visitors. Also a big thank you goes to Denis Sutton and TGC Building for the custom made shelving they designed and installed for us.

Volunteers

We would like to put a call out to our members and anyone in our local community who would like to volunteer some time to help run the Toy Library. At present we are a two-person committee and though our passion for this service is strong we really need some assistance to help run it. We are all busy parent's/grandparent's juggling work, family and other commitments but as they say many hands make light work. Even if you are able to volunteer as little as one hour a month it would help us tremendously to help ease the work load and keep the Toy Library open.

Why is the Toy Library important to our community?

Toy Library is an essential service in our community and a worthy organisation to support: -

· Promotes the educational value of play through the provision of quality toys, games and equipment from birth to the first years of primary school.

· Ignites children's interest in learning and encourages parents to have an active role in their child's education.

- · Meets the ever changing and growing needs of a child at each stage of development.
- · Introduces children into the community that they live in.

• Provides a great place for parents/grandparents/carers to meet and share ideas.

· Assists in saving families money, storage space and

reduce their carbon footprint.

· Helps build self-confidence in children to choose a toy to borrow and teaches responsibility when it comes too gathering up and cleaning toys before returning them.

AGM

We will be holding our AGM on Saturday 10th November at 10am. Any members who are able to attend and anything that you wish to be included in the agenda please let us know via the email below.

Men's Shed / Sustainable Toys Project

We are excited to be working with Max and the men from the Lancefield Men's Shed to have some wonderful wooden toys built. A grant from MRSC has made this project possible and the children will be excited to have new role- play toys. We hope to have some photos to show you in our next article.

Interested in joining our Toy Library?

All residents of the Romsey and Lancefield area, whether carers, parents or grandparents, are most welcome to join the library. Membership fees are \$25 for a whole year or if you are a Grandparent or member of Playgroup we are offering a discounted price of just \$15. Please drop in during our open times and view our range of toys or contact us to arrange an appointment if you would like a tour of our facilities.

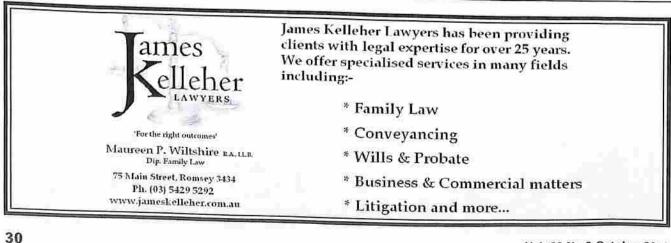
Opening Hours:

Monday 9.30am to 10.30am / Friday 10.00am to 11.00am (alternate weeks)

Email - romseytoylibrary@gmail.com Fiona Quigley -0408 110 054 Hannah Sutton - 0401 085 125

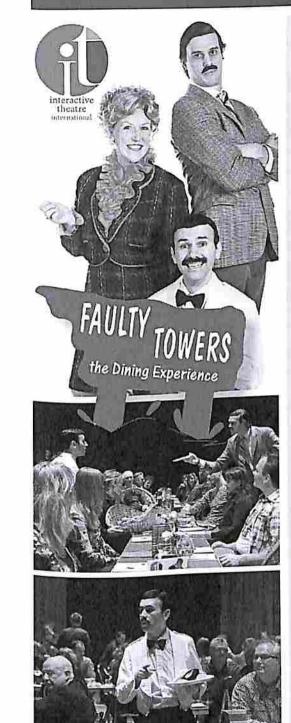
We look forward to seeing you at the library! Yours Sincerely

> Fiona Quigley & Hannah Sutton ROMSEY TOY LIBRARY Inc. 2011



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Faulty Towers The dining experience

Enjoy this hilarious funny, live theatre experience at Cleveland Winery

Love Faulty Towers? Then you won't want to miss this hilariously funny dining experience at Cleveland Winery.

Manic Basil, domineering Sybil and the hopelessly confused Manuel are delightful in this 2 hour interactive show where you are the diners and the cast are your warring waiters.

> Join us for lunch or dinner in the CarriageHouse at Cleveland Winery:

Faulty Towers Lunch and Show: \$100pp Sunday 7th October 2012

Includes 3 course lunch plus 2hr beverage packgage Doors open 1pm. Show begins at 1.30pm.

Faulty Towers Dinner and Show: \$125pp Saturday 27th October 2012, Friday 23rd November 2012, Wednesday 12th December 2012 or Saturday 15th December 2012 Includes 3 course dinner plus 2hr beverage packgage Doors open 7pm. Show begins at 7,30pm.

Accommodation packages also available.

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"A ROMSEY POOL"

My response to article in the Lancefield Mercury litled "A Romsey Pool" dated September 2012 Edition. Firstly, I have always been in favour of a Romsey Aquatic Centre (RAC). That's why I requested a Feasibility Study at the last budget 2012/13, which by the way is current. Ultimately the fate of the RAC will be determined by the report returned by the RAC Feasibility Study and NOT by pre-emptive speculative reckless commentary. My support for Gisborne applying for S3m funding for a \$7.85m expansion has absolutely NO bearing on whether Romsey gets a POOL. It was the right thing to do. The City Of Bendiao our competitor in the funding race, as I understand (we were advised), had pulled out and our chances of success were enhanced. The Gisborne Aquatic Centre desperately needs attention. The longer it's left, the more it's going to cost the ratepayers of MRS. It's disappointing that 8 weeks out of a council election, some would seize on the opportunity to point score with misleading and contradictory propaganda. I'd like to draw attention to the Ordinary Council Meeting dated 27/07/2011, Item CW2, titled AQUATIC STRATEGY set out below. It's self explanatory as to how Councillors voted regarding the RAC.

Officer Recommendation: That Council:

1. Note the substantial achievement in implementing the vision outlined in the Macedon Ranges

Shire-Ward Aquatic Facility Strategy since its adoption in the year 2000.

2. Adopt the 'Aquatic Strategy 2011' and proceed to pursue the key implementation actions including:

2.1 That Council refer a proposal to undertake a high level feasibility study for an aquatic facility in Romsey to the 2012/13 budget process.

The high level feasibility study will provide council with further information, analysis and guidance including the broader organisational financial parameters that determine 'when it is economical to do so'.

2.2 That Council refer to the 2012/13 budget funding process for master plan development for its two outdoor pools in Woodend and Lancefield.

2.3 That Council prepare and submit an application to Sport and Recreation Victoria's Better Pools program for 2012/13 for an expansion of the Gisborne Aquatic Centre and, if successful, allocate Council's share of the funding at \$3.68M over the next two financial

years.

It was moved by Cr Guthrie, seconded by Cr Letchford that the officer Recommendation be adopted. The motion was put and lost. Cr Guthrie requested a division.

For - Cr's Letchford, Guthrie, Morabito and Ralph (4) Against - Cr's McLaughlin, Donovan, Manning, Jukes and Benson (5)

In response to your comments (a) MAJOR DECISIONS - That \$7.85m GAC expansion should be left to the incoming council - carried by the casting vote of the mayor. Yet the CEO contract was dealt with by this council, again on the casting vote of the mayor. The 5yr contract (2013-2018) spans over the next 2 councils, (b) AFFORDABILITY - If we cannot afford \$4.8m for GAC over 2 budgets, how can we afford \$12-\$15m for RAC? How can those who voted against Gisborne justify or gain support for RAC?

In conclusion I'd like to leave you with a saving by US President ABRAHAM LINCOLN "you can fool some of the people all of the time, all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time".

Hope you choose the right candidate to represent you at the corning council election. Regards, Cr Joe Morabito, East Ward Representative Forever



Rotary Club The following are winners of the Romsey Lancefield Rotary Club Trailer and Line

Trimmer: 1st prize Carolyn Green (Trailer and Red Gum wood)

2nd prize A Watts (Ryobi Line Trimmer)

The Raffle was drawn on Father's Day 2012.

The Trailer was purchased from Sunshine Trailers by the Rotary Club and the Red Gum wood was donated by Romsey StockFeeds (Mark Shepherdley) and The Wood Guy. The Ryobi

Line Trimmer was donated by Bunnings Sunbury. Thanks to these industries for their support. Special thanks also to the community for supporting this raffle. All proceeds go towards Rotary's local community projects.

We have recently set up a

This month we are celebrating Thanksgiving as a bit of nostalgia for our members with Canadian/ American roots and to enjoy a night of being thankful for our many blessings. The gathering will be on Thursday 18th October at Sicilian Vespers @ 7pm. So take some time out for yourself and please come join us for a glass of wine and a chat. Facebook page under the name 'Romsey Region Women's Network Inc. (RRWN)'. We will be using this to post information about our upcoming events and any other useful local information that we hear on the grapevine. So please 'Like' us to help keep you updated.

If you are wondering what the RRWN is about, we are a group that aspires to connect local women in our rural communities in a warm and welcoming environment. It's a great way to meet new people in



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the local area, tap into the wealth of knowledge local women have to offer, gain inspiration and have some laughs. It is not only a great way to network in a business/professional sense but also meet like-minded women and form new friendships.

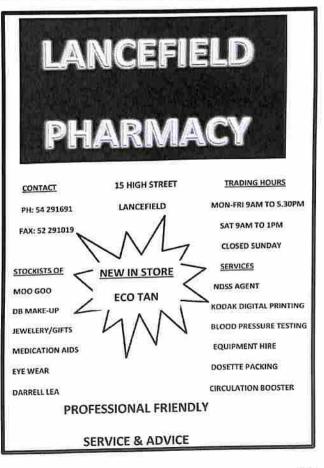
We meet at 7pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month at varying venues in the area. Our current members represent a number of towns/areas throughout the district (Romsey, Lancefield, Rochford, Woodend, Riddells Creek & Gisborne), spanning different backgrounds and age groups.

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

Enquiries: - Annual membership: - \$20

Romsey Region Women's Network Inc.

111 Main Street Romsey VIC 3434 Email: info@rrwn.com.au



BIGGER THAN TEXAS- Newham Plant Sale Nov 3

The Newham Garden Club is once again holding its renowned plant sale to raise funds for Newham community projects. This unique biennial event attracts plant lovers from far & wide.

To advertise this event Newham will become a town covered in flowers in the week leading up to the garden sale.

This year we have expanded the plant range on offer as well as added some beautiful garden related goods; handmade cards, unique gifts & locally made preserves. A raffle for a basket of garden goodies will also be on offer. Tickets will be available at the Newham Store prior to the sale day as well as on the day.

Plants are locally propagated and all products are made by a hardworking group of volunteers.

So if you are after a unique Christmas gift or just some bargain priced flowering plants, vegetables and herbs or potted clivias come along and join the fun. All budding young gardeners will receive a free plant.

Tea /coffee/cool drinks & scrumptious cakes & scones will also be available at the Garden Café. This year a special "high tea" will be available from 11am - 2pm

Saturday 3rd November 2012 at Newham Mechanics Institute Hall, Rochford Road Newham. (Near Hanging Rock Winery) 9.00-3.00pm For details, contact Fran Spain Newham Garden Club Member on

54270661 PS One of our members Penny Roberts is holding an open garden the

following weekend November 10/11, at 159 Dons Road, Newham.

Detox your Home

The Detox mobile service is coming your way ...

The service accepts a wide range of household chemical products. Drop-off days are scheduled at council-owned locations around Victoria.

Online registration

<http://www.resourcesmart.vic. gov.au/for_households_1965.html> is essential to ensure the mobile collection goes ahead in your area. Enter your preferred drop-off time and a valid email address. Specific drop-off site address details will be provided upon registration.

Items accepted by the mobile service include, but are not limited to:

Aerosol cans

- · Batteries household and automotive
- · Household cleaning products
- · Compact fluorescent light globes
- (CFLs)
- Cooking oil
- · Detergents, disinfectants and drain cleaners



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· Fuels - petrol, diesel, kerosene, other

• Gas cylinders (up to 9kg BBQ & leisure cylinders)

· Herbicides, pesticides and weed killers

- · Paint, paint stripper, thinner, turps, wood oils
- · Pool chemicals
- Rat poison
- Solvents

 Brake and transmission fluid Visit the Detox Your Home <http://www.resourcesmart.vic. gov.au/for_households_1965.html>

website for further details about acceptable items.

Items not accepted by the mobile service include:

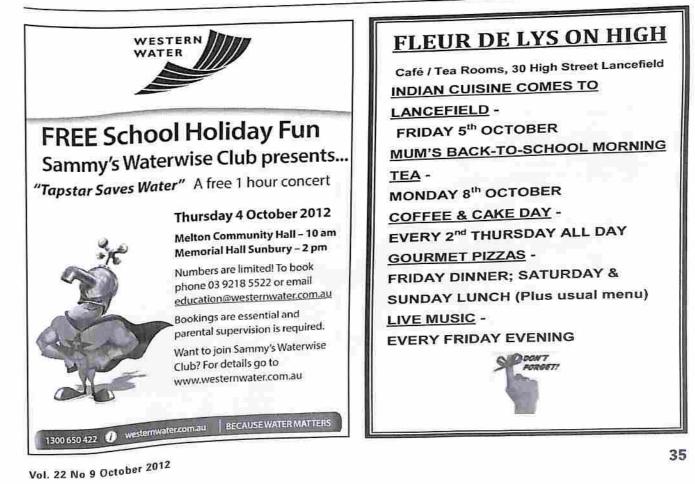
- Ammunition
- Commercial or industrial chemicals
- Motor oil
- Farm chemicals
- Waste asbestos

Details of alternative disposal methods for unacceptable items are available on the Sustainability Victoria Resource Smart website.



The students at Hesket Primary School were treated to a visit by the staff from the Responsible Pet Ownership program. Topics about how to tend and look after your own pet, how to approach a strange dog and Doris the Beagle visited the school as a added bonus for the children. Hesket Primary School invites various groups to visit the school as a part of the incursions program. This program ensures that the already rich program is made even better by allowing the children to learn hands on practical knowledge. It also means these programs cost less as there are

Water presentation



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Responsible Pet Ownership at Hesket

no bus costs. Included in this program in 2012 have been an anti bullying program, talks by the Platypus Conservatory, the Koala Foundation, a Japanese intern teaching Japanese culture and cooking and a Western

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Bendigo Bank Half a million reasons to be part of our Bank

On Wednesday 10 October, the Romsey and Lancefield Community Bank Branches of Bendigo Bank will be announcing the recipients of over \$75,000 worth of community grants and sponsorship for 2012/13. This will take the combined investment back to the community since our Bank first started to over half a million dollars. With such a milestone it is worth reflecting on what Community Banking is all about and how it came to be what it is today.

It all started locally in 1998 when a group of community-minded members came together and committed to creating a positive future for Lancefield and Romsey's current and future generations. These committed locals invested their own time and money to help build a locally owned company to create complete banking services for both Lancefield and Romsey. That dream became a reality, and continues today with the Bendigo Community Banks providing full banking services in Romsey and Lancefield. But it doesn't stop there - the banking

service alone is a landmark contribution to the prosperity of our district yet it is the extra step we take that sets this model apart. Unlike any other business, our Bank dispersed its profits in a truly remarkable way to enhance our lives here in Lancefield and Romsey.

The company is lead by a hard working and dedicated group of volunteer directors who contribute time, talent and passion with the single-minded aim of creating a better Romsey and Lancefield for all, both today and for future generations.

The revenue generated by the community banking model is reinvested into the social and economic capital and well being of the local community. This objective is achieved under four primary pillars: 1. A full banking service which provides opportunities for families to create homes, for businesses to invest locally and for a friendly face to greet customers 6 days a

2. A financial return on investment to those who invested their own capital to establish the local banking business. The return is

week within the branch

commensurate with many blue chip listed companies and reflects the gratitude the community has for those who invested financially in our community

3. With an employee payroll in excess of \$500,000 and a commitment to utilise the skills of numerous local contractors for services as required, the community bank supports local jobs

4. The commitment to providing cash funds to community groups is unique within the social landscape of Lancefield and Romsey. There are so many brilliant locals who commit their time and talent to may worthy causes and groups within our communities - sometimes all they need is that financial injection to bring a project to fruition.

Recent examples of this community contribution can be cited in last year's contribution to public toilets at the local cemetery and funds provided to our local emergency services to purchase muchneeded equipment - and on October 10 we will get to see another group of projects and organisations supported.

Tiger Cubs Finish Season On A High

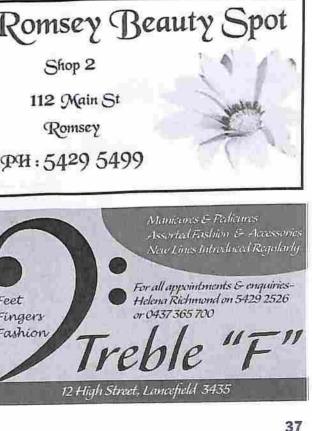
The 2012 football season presented many challenges for the families, players, coaches and committee of the Lancefield Junior Football Club, however with the support of the entire club the season has flown by with minimal issues and maximum enjoyment and fun for the players. With the introduction of two under 12 teams for the first time in our club's history the club ran teams across 2 different divisions. Although this presented challenges to families and the administration of the club- especially on game day, it was great to see the C division teams develop. Under the guidance of Shane Trewarne, the under 14 boys were a far more competitive outfit than in previous years and managed to chalk up a couple of wins, while the younger age under 12 team grew in confidence and set themselves up for further development in the higher division next year. The under 12B side managed to get their first taste of finals action in their short careers. Congratulations

to the boys who were selected for RDFL interleague training squads and also made their nominated team. A big congratulation to Stephen Cusack who came runner up in the RDFL Under 12 Best & Fairest for the second year running. Congratulations to those who played their milestone games throughout the year, it was great to see teammates experiencing their milestones together further forging the bonds within the team. To the under 16s players who are leaving the club hopefully to continue their football careers at the senior club, good luck and thank you for your contribution to the Lancefield Junior Football Club over the years. Thanks to all of our sponsors for the 2012 season. There are many organisations that contribute to the club and we appreciate the support from them all. Thank you to the tireless committee members for all of their hard work over the past year. Your dedication and work behind the scenes to ensure our club runs out every week

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is nothing short of sensational. To all the team managers and volunteers who give up their time each Sunday to help out at the games, a big thankyou. Your efforts not only allow the coach to concentrate on his role as the coach, but they also ensure your child can participate each week. Huge thanks to our match day manager Sue Ladzik. Sue is a tireless worker at the club. She is usually one of the first to the games and one of the last to leave. Looking ahead, the forecast at this stage indicates that we will be able to field competitive teams in every age group. The club is planning some initiatives for next year that will include both coach and player development which looks very promising. However, none of this will be possible without a committee or parent involvement. The club AGM will be held on October the 16th at 7.30pm in the Laurie Green Pavilion. There are quite a few vacancies on the committee that need to be filled. Many hands



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make light work. So even if you only have a couple of hours to give each week come along to the AGM and see how you can help out our great club. To stay up to date with all things happening at the club, go to www.lancefieldtigers.org.au. Before we know it, the New Year will have come around and it will be registration time again. From all the committee, we thank you for your support of the club and look forward to continued success for you and your family.

Coaching Positions Vacant

Coaching Applications For Season 2013

The Lancefield Junior Football Club is seeking expressions of interest for coaching positions for the 2013 football season in the following age groups: Under 9's Under 10's Under 12's Under 14's Under 16's

The Lancefield Junior Football Club prides itself on the physical and social development of children through football and is seeking dedicated coaches for next season. In return, the club will support your dedication via a coach development and program tailored to meet the specific development requirements of our great club. We encourage applications from all people with a desire to help our children's development.

Applications close on Tuesday 30th of October, Please forward your applications to either: Email: lancefieldtigers@hotmail.com Postal: Lancefield Junior Football Club P.O. Box 108

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For any further questions relating to coaching applications, please contact Luke Dowling on Mobile: 0417 556 374 or email: lukedows@ hotmail.com

2012 Award Winners

2012 Wendy Lakin Award Presented to- The Cusack Family

The Wendy Lakin award recognises the significant contribution provided to the club by an individual or family (non committee). Wendy was a great football person who dedicated a large part of her life to the betterment of the club. This award honours Wendy's contribution to our club.

2012 Haslett Award

Presented to- Andrew Lakin

The Haslett award is presented to a second year under 16s player who has, over the duration of their playing career, contributed to and represented the club in the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship.

Under 9s Awards

Best & Fairest Tom Martin Runner Up Matthew Weber Most Consistent Brody Thrum Coaches Award Ryan McDonald Most Determined Sam Brockhoff

Under 12c Awards

Best & Fairest Alan Sinclair Memorial Award Liam Monaghan Runner Up Jack Dalgleish Most ConsistentRiley O'Meara Most Improved Harry Brockhoff Coaches Award Declan Rix

Under 12b Awards

Best & Fairest Stephen Cusack Runner Up Alan Sinclair Jr Most Consistent Tyhe Macdonald Most courageous Brianna Woodburn Most Improved Jack Foster

Under 14 Awards

Best & Fairest Alex Shepherdley Runner Up Daniel Reynolds Most Consistent Todd Trewarne Most Determined Matthew Formosa Most Disciplined Gary Kurzke

Under 16 Awards

Best & Fairest James Wooster Runner Up Tim Page Most Consistent Adam Campbell Best Team Player Nathan Malone Most Improved Peter Devlin

AGM

9th October, 8pm, Laurie Green Pavilion, 2013 will be an exciting year for the Tigers - football and netball

A new committee will be appointed at the AGM. Some vacancies exist, including at the Executive level.

The LFNC has a young and exciting list of netballers and footballers. Is appointing coaches and recruiting actively. Is in a very good position financially. Have Fund Raising Sub

Committees already lined up to continue for next year (pending approval from the new committee)

Now is the time to get involved we need some new blood and ideas to drive the LFNC into the next

exciting era. Get involved with the LFNC. See you at the AGM!

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Lancefield Football Netball held our presentation night on Friday the 14th at Moonee Valley Racing Club a very successful night was had by all. The Trophy winners were as follows.

Soniere	Trophy Name	Winner	Lancefield Romsey	Winner		
Seniors	Jim Dwyer Memorial	Chris Burkett	Community			
Best & Fairest	Sam Haslett Memorial	Noa Fonua	Bendigo Bank			
Runner Up B&F	Club, Sports Trophies	Aisea Fonua	Under 18 Club			
Most Courageous	John & Margaret Williams	Matthew Bowden	Award.			
Most Committed	Memorial	111YON MARCOL	Male	Phil Shaw		
Londing Cont Kinker	Jim Cusack Memorial	John Baker	Female	Edwina		
Leading Goal Kicker	Tom Hall	Matthew Burkett	197 MUNICIPE 2	Backwell		
Best Under 21yr. Player Players MVP Award	John 'Muggans' Malone Memorial	Chris Burkett	The Lancefield Romsey Community Bendigo Bank Under 18 Club Awar			
D	Trophy Name	Winner				
Reserves	Hopity Name	Scott Ilgoutz	is a award introduced by the club and the recipients receive \$500 cash			
Best & Fairest		Luke Lyons				
Runner Up B&F		Scott Ilgoutz	and the recipients re	ceive 5500 cash		
Most Courageous	Graham Meyer Memorial	Andrew Richardt	goes towards either further educati or equipment required in their			
Most Committed	Trophy Name	Winner				
U18's	Keira Cook Memorial	Phil Shaw	employment.			
Best & Fairest	Keira COOK Mernoria	Harley Tirpkos	7. 2.5			
Runner Up B&F		Jack Waldron				
Most Determined		Corey Cook				
Most Committed		Jordan Lamaison				
Coaches Award/ Most						
Improved	Trophy Name	Winner				
'B' Netball	Irophy Warne	Kristie Parks				
Best & Fairest		Hayley Meahem				
Runner Up B&F		Lucy Brown				
Most Valuable Team Player	Trophy Name	Winner				
'C' Netball	Trophy Name	Edwina Backwell				
Best & Fairest		Natalie Castle				
Runner Up B&F		Megan Wilson				
Most Valuable Team Player						





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Lancefield Cricket Club **Season Launches Into Action**

The Lancefield Cricket Club held its registration day for the 2012/2013 season on Friday the 7th of September. A fantastic number of junior players attended the evening. All junior players were treated to some training drills from a Cricket Victoria representative which was followed by a BBQ in our newly refurbished social rooms.

Following the registration day, the club can confirm that it will be fielding teams in the following age groups for the coming season: Milo Cricket - for all junior cricketers

Under 11 Under 12 Under 14 Seniors (2 teams)

All new players of any age and ability are always welcome at the club. With the season commencing on October 6th for Seniors, October 13th for Juniors and October 26th for Milo Cricket. Training has now commenced for all age groups. Junior training is on Monday and Friday nights from 5pm -6pm. Senior training is on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6- 7.30pm.

The club held its first function for the year in the newly renovated social rooms on AFL Grand Final day. It was a great family day with plenty of activities for the kids. The social rooms look fantastic, and the club would like to acknowledge the time, effort and materials supplied by the following people:

 Tristan Fisher, Shane Sankey, Steve Thrum, Bernie Halpin, Kylie Johnson, Bruce Ferguson

With warmer weather on the horizon, the Lancefield Cricket Club would like to extend a warm invite to the wider Lancefield community to come along and support our great little club. For further updates on the club, follow our Facebook page. Good luck to all teams for the coming season,

Lancefield **Romsey Little Athletics Centre**

There is currently a development underway for our Centre, we are in the process of having new rooms built at our new Athletics Track that we share with the junior footballers and cricketers, here on the grounds of Romsey Primary School.

We are hoping that the new track and field will be available for us to use this season, we are just waiting for the grass to establish itself on the oval and for the new field events to be setup.

Our local IGA are being very supportive with their sponsorship of the club this year providing us with the sausages and bread for our sausage sizzle on the 15th Sept out the front of their store.

We are hoping that we will have a good turn out to the Family Fun Day where families can come and "have a go" before deciding to register. People are able to register online line, the fees are only \$110 for the season.

If you have any further question please call Kari Males (President) 0417 104 821 or Abi van der Weerden 0425 863 937

