

# CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS

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## More Disabled Parking for Churchill



Discussions are currently underway to increase the number of disabled parking bays at the Hazelwood Shopping Centre in Churchill. At present there are two bays, one outside the video store and one close to the Lifeline shop.

in circles for quite a while in order to park close to the supermarket. On occasions I have gone to Morwell where I know I can park close to the entrance of Coles," he continued.

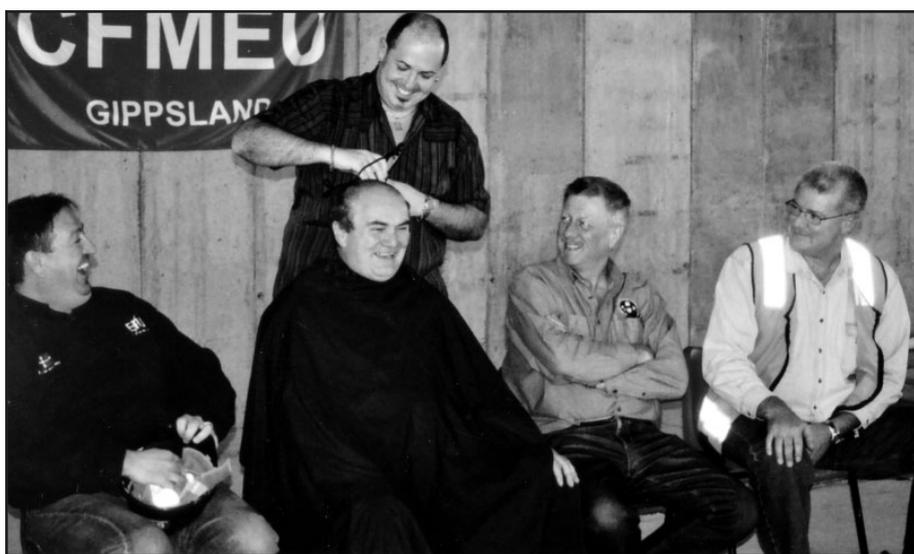
"There is not enough disabled parking close to the services I and many other people with a disability need to access," said Peter Prokopiv. "The supermarket, doctors, post office and chemist have no parking close to them and walking even short distances is a problem for many people. The bays that are there not in a good place. I often have to drive around

"It is a problem shared by many within the community and since raising the issue the amount of support forthcoming for rectifying this problem has been enormous," said Tracey Burr. "Churchill Shopping Centre is terrific, it has all the services we need and increasing the number of disabled parking bays will only serve to improve the facilities," she said.

See 'Your Opinion' on page



## Cutting Corner in a Close Shave for Cancer Care Centre



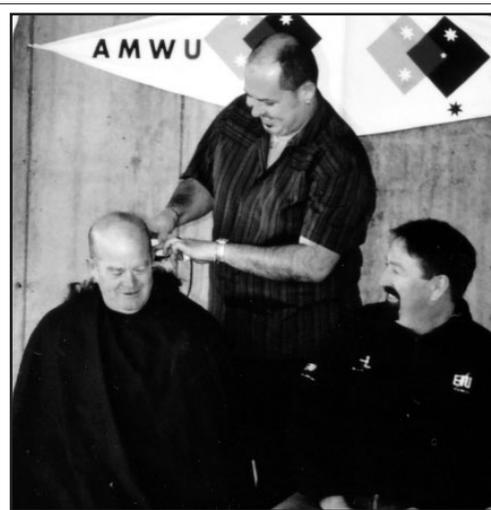
ADAM Mihaly from Cutting Corner in Churchill happily shaved the heads of prominent union organisers to raise money for the Cancer Care Centre. Each head, or beard in one case, had a \$1,000 price tag!

Hooker Cockram, J&B Electrics, P&D Rigging, Bahcon Steel and Moreland Hire donated the money to see Tom Malone from CFMEU/FEDFA, Steve Dodd from the AMWU, ETU's Peter Mooney, AWU's Terry Lee and John Parker from the CFMEU brave Adam's

clippers. "He did a great job," said John Parker. "He even trimmed my eyebrows!"

The \$5,000 raised on the day added to the \$10,000 donated by the Gippsland Combined Trade Unions Picnic and Social Committee.

Adam, who stepped in at the last minute to volunteer his services, is a well-known figure in Churchill. He, and business partner Donna, are currently celebrating their ten-year anniversary in Churchill.



Above: Adam Mihaly with John Parker and Peter Mooney, about to loose his beard after 20 years!

Pictured left: Peter Mooney, Steve Dodd, Adam, Tom Malone and Terry Lee

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## EDITORIAL

The issue of disabled parking in the Hazelwood Shopping Centre has been raised and we would like to hear your opinions on the subject.

Email or mail us your thoughts on this or any other issue that concerns you.

The Churchill and District News is a community newspaper and we are only too happy to publish your opinions and look at issues of concern to all residents.

The Short Story and Poetry Competition closes this week and the judging panel are ready to go!

If you have not sent in your entry yet please do so by the last post on Monday. Arrangements are being made to collect work from local schools.

Thank you to the schools once again

for their tremendous support. It is lovely to see all the work that students are doing.

I would personally recommend that all keen gardeners attend the 'Evening with Arch Van Berkel'. His talks are very informative and entertaining.

His demonstration of pruning at a talk a friend and I attended a couple of years ago was literally breathtaking!

We wish Mathison Park well in their nomination for the Tidy Towns Award. The Park is a tribute to the volunteers who put many hours of planning and work to make it such a lovely area for families to enjoy. It is very much appreciated by many residents.

Ed

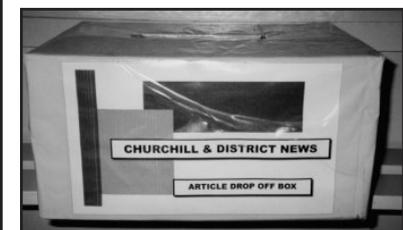
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# Churchill & District News Short Story & Poetry Competition 2005

THE Churchill and District News invites you to enter our fourth writing competition.

The first competition was held in October 2002 as a part of the celebrations for the re-launch of the newspaper.

All winning stories are published in the Churchill and District News.

Writers from all over Victoria submitted entries. The local history category was introduced in 2003 and will stay for this year.

We have introduced a new category for 2005 - A Story for Children. Many people write childrens stories so now they have the opportunity to be published.

The children's story can be for any age of child up to 18 years.

We welcome illustrations in this category as very often they are an integral part of a children's story.

Everyone is invited to enter, so if you have a story to tell we look forward to reading it.

## CLOSING THIS WEEK

### CATEGORIES

1. Children (U7) Short Story / Poem or Picture Story
2. Children (U12) Short Story (Illustrations Welcome)
3. Children (U12) Poetry (Illustrations Welcome)
4. Under 18 Short Story
5. Adult Short Story
6. Adult Poetry
8. Local History - My Story. Our aim is to record the history of Churchill and District through the eyes of local residents. This category will be judged on content alone and there are no restrictions on length of story.
9. A Story for Children. Illustrations Welcome.

### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- ★ All stories must have a completed entry form attached to the manuscript with a paper clip (no pins or staples)
- ★ The author's name must only be on the entry form and not on the manuscript.
- ★ Entries must be original, previously unpublished work.
- ★ Multiple entries will be accepted
- ★ Unless otherwise specified, permission to reproduce entries in the Churchill & District News for publicity

purposes will be assumed. Copyright remains with the author.

- ★ Writers will be credited whenever their writing is reproduced
- ★ Entries must be received by 12 August 2005
- ★ All pages should be numbered.
- ★ Length of stories are to be: Adult - 1000 - 2500 words in length. Under 18 - 500 - 2000 words in length. A Story for Children - maximum 2000 words
- Children: up to 500 words in length.
- ★ Poetry to be: Adult - min 8 lines - max 48 lines. Under 18 - min 8 lines - max 48 lines.
- Children - up to 20 lines.
- ★ Entries will not be returned and participants should keep a copy of their work.
- ★ The judges decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- ★ Signing of the entry form constitutes acceptance of these conditions of entry.

### ENTRY FEES

\$3.00 Per Short Story - \$2.00 Student or Concession  
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Children, Under &, Under 12 and Under 18 - 50c  
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A Childrens Story - \$1.00

### CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS SHORT STORY & POETRY COMPETITION 2005 ENTRY FORM

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

	Number of Entries	Title of Story(s)/Title of Poem(s)
1. Children's (U7)	.....	.....
2. Children's (U12) Short Story	.....	.....
3. Children's (U12) Poetry	.....	.....
4. Under 18 Short Story	.....	.....
5. Under 18 Poetry	.....	.....
6. Adult Short Story	.....	.....
7. Adult Poetry	.....	.....
8. Local History	.....	.....
9. A Children's Story	.....	.....

I have read and understood the conditions of entry and agree to abide by them. I certify that this is an original unpublished story or poem, written by myself.  
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# Pondage Pursuit

By PETER CEENEY

Sunday November the 20 is a date to remember. The Churchill District News with the full support of the Latrobe City Council and International Power Hazelwood will hold a trivia / games challenge along three and a half kilometres of the Hazelwood Pondage.

This fun filled event will also be run in conjunction with the Commonwealth Games Introductory day and the Latrobe Valley Yacht Club Open day adding further attraction to participants possibly including sausage sizzles, market stores, and musical entertainment.

Teams of individuals, family members, work colleagues, and/or other associations will be encouraged to participate. Each team will pay a pre-determined small fee with all proceeds of the event going toward the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre at the Latrobe Regional Hospital. A substantial cash prize will be on offer for the winning team. This will be a great day out, suitable for all ages.

The Hazelwood Pondage offers many attractive walking areas especially along the Yinnar Road side heading toward the caravan park. With plenty of overhead shade, the bank gently blends down into the water, providing a serene and calming environment.

The Caravan Park and Yacht Clubs are situated within a large well groomed park with a children's playground and nice grassy flats ready made for family enjoyment. The park holds plenty of parking.

The day, the corresponding events, the location and

with luck, the weather will form the basis for a truly memorable social outing. What is needed now is community support.

Sponsorship letters have been sent to local businesses for their support. This is done firmly understanding the commitments that our local businesses already provide to this paper. However, having Churchill, Yinnar, Boolarra and Hazelwood business names on the games along the course is a highly attractive proposition and would state to visitors the solidarity amongst this com-



munity.

Local organisations will also soon receive letters requesting help to participate in the event as well as provide volunteers during certain times. They too can benefit by showing their club or groups attractions whilst seeking members.

For the rest of us, pencil in the date on your calendar and invite the relatives as well. You will rarely have the chance to participate in such a day of fun whilst still helping out a very worthwhile cause as the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre.



## Community Projects

By Margaret Guthrie, President  
Planning for a community event in November to launch Churchill's 40th Anniversary Project – a 6-panel display on Churchill's history – is underway, and ideas and offers of assistance are very welcome.

Dr Meredith Fletcher, guest Speaker at our August AGM generated a lot of interest and discussion on the content of the history panels. We thank Dr Fletcher, who works at Monash's Centre for Gippsland Studies, for her presentation and look forward to continuing discussions as the project takes shape. CDCA would also like to thank Churchill Football and Netball Club for hosting the evening.

Plans for community Christmas celebrations and market are also being made. Last year CDCA were able to provide some financial assis-

tance to our local schools to enable them to make Christmas decorations for community display. This year we are again assisting schools to participate in community festivities, including the Christmas market on Saturday 3rd December.

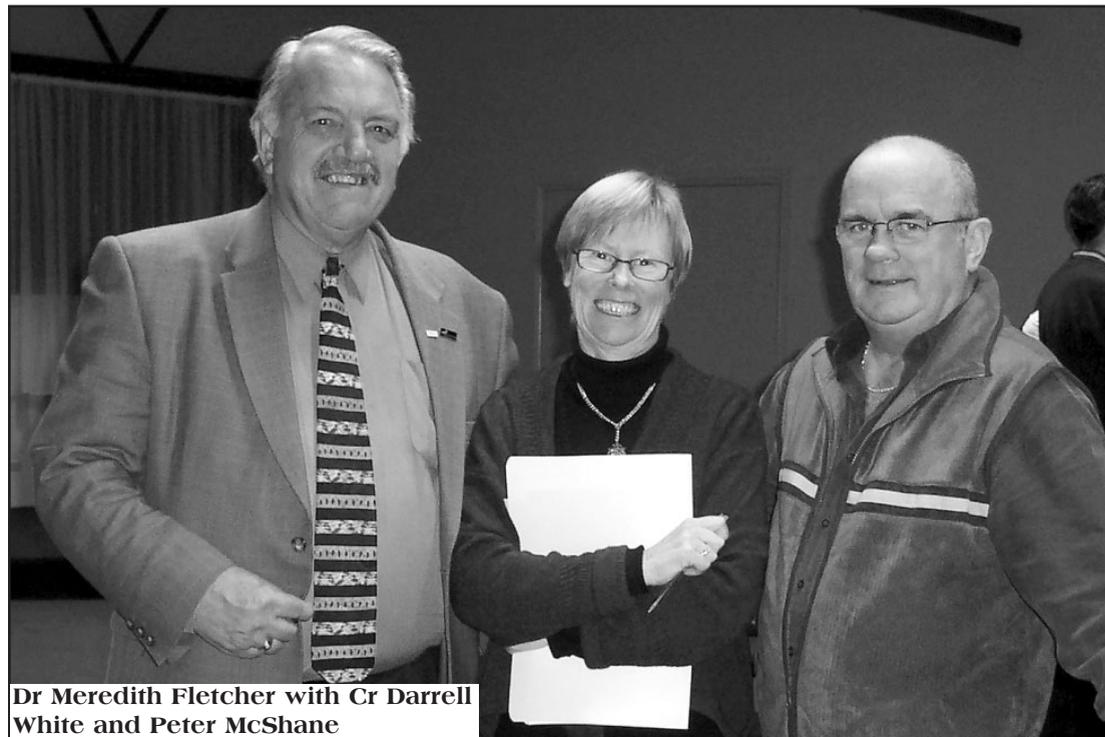
CDCA is also involved in other, diverse matters affecting Churchill residents. Recently we have responded to Latrobe City's invitation for public comment on several draft policies concerning Sealing Rural Roads, Construction of New Footpaths in Residential Areas and Residential Vehicle Crossings.

Earlier this year we met on-site with local Councillor, Darrell White, to ensure that Churchill's 'green belt' was preserved in proposed new residential developments, whilst next month we will be participating in planning discussions for

International Day of disAbility celebrations in Latrobe.

Other discussions at our forthcoming meetings will include the latest developments regarding the design and construction of the Civic Gardens Project, which will be located adjacent to the Churchill Town Symbol (the cigar) and the Memorial Pioneer Wall. New flagpoles have already been erected along Monash Way, and the proposed gardens will include seating and garden beds. We'd like to hear your ideas for Churchill's Civic Gardens.

CDCA next meets on Tuesday 6 September at 7.30pm in the Link Room at Monash University. Contact us at PO Box 191, Churchill or telephone the Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602.



Dr Meredith Fletcher with Cr Darrell White and Peter McShane

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An accredited Tax Help volunteer will be available to help people complete and lodge their tax return.

To qualify for Tax Help people must fit the Client Assessment Criteria, which will be determined when they ring for an appointment.

They can phone the Centre on 51222955

# Chaplaincy Contemplations



SECOND Semester has begun and all students have returned to throw themselves into their studies again.

We welcome the new students who joined us last week.

May they find themselves enjoying this place and being made welcome by other students, and the whole community.

The activities which occur in the Spiritual Centre have commenced:

**MONDAY** (every 2nd week) 12 noon – 1.00 pm

Buddhist Meditation – for anyone interested

Contact: Tony Abhinyano (Higher Knowledge) – 0405 077 390 or Community Services Reception

**TUESDAY** 10-10.30am and 12.15-12.45pm

Relaxation and Meditation – for anyone interested in calmness and controlling worry and anxiety

Contact: Chaplain, Lyn Porritt – 5122 6425

**TUESDAY** 1.00 pm

Bible Study

Contact: Tony Liu – Mobile 0403 393 888 or ext. 26819

**WEDNESDAY** 12.15-12.45pm

YOGA

Open to beginners or experienced people, all welcome.

Zero impact, non-competitive exercise and relaxation.

Contact: Maxine Holden 5122 7129

**THURSDAY** 1.00-1.30pm

Ecumenical Prayer, Praise and

Worship

1st Thursday of Month – Healing Service

2nd Thursday of Month – Prayer and Worship

3rd Thursday of Month – Holy Eucharist

4th Thursday of Month – Taize Service

For those of Christian faith or those interested in exploring this faith

Contact: Chaplain, Lyn Porritt – 5122 6425

**THURSDAY** 6.00-8.00pm

Shine Christian Group Meeting

Contact: Samson Chang – sscha7@student.monash.edu.au

**FRIDAY** 1.00-5.00pm

Worship and Prayer – for those of Islamic faith or those interested in exploring this faith

Contact: The Imam, Mudasser Iqbal 5122 7101

People from the community are welcome.

This semester there will be a series of forums each Tuesday at 1.00pm in the Hexagon which is open to the community. The 'I Think' forums are to promote the discussion of ideas.

**Tuesday** 2 August

Dr Aubrey Townsend, Senior Lecturer in Philosophy: Christian myths

**Tuesday** 9 August

Mr Chris Galloway, Lecturer in Public Relations: Looking for light in the murk

**Tuesday** 16 August

Ms Robyn Heckenberg, Lecturer in Indigenous Studies: Contemporary aboriginal spirituality

**Tuesday** 23 August

Prof Brian MacKenzie, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Monash University, Gippsland Campus: Spirituality for unbelievers

**Tuesday** 30 August

Associate Prof Harry Ballis, Head of School, HUMCASS and Deputy to Pro Vice-Chancellor: Living with doubt

**Tuesday** 6th September

Assoc Prof Lindsay Fitzclarence, Associate Dean, Faculty of Education, Gippsland Campus: Poetry, expression and spirituality

**Tuesday** 13 September

Imam Mudasser Iqbal, PHD Student, Information Technology. The Imam, Muslim Community, Monash University, Gippsland Campus: Many ways to God

**Tuesday** 20 September

Rev Lyn Porritt, Chaplain, Monash University, Gippsland Campus: Relationship and Reflection: changing images of God across life

Please come and join us for what we hope will be a constructive series on spirituality, stimulating ideas and discussion.

Paul advises in his letter to the Colossians Chapter 3:V12-15 that we need to

“As God’s chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony”.

This is good advice for all human beings and helps to encourage a sense of belonging.

May we be able with God’s grace to reach out to one another and experience this sense of being within community.

Yours in Christ,

Rev’d Lyn Porritt, Anglican Priest, Chaplain, Monash University, Gippsland Campus

# Boolarra/Yinnar Parish

By RAE BILLING

CHRIST Church Boolarra has been recognized as a building of historical importance, among others in the town.

The ‘big tree’ out the front is certainly eye catching and the church interior is lovely.

Services are held in Boolarra at 11am on the first and second Sunday each month, and at Yinnar on the third and fourth Sundays.

Any fifth Sunday is at Holy Innocents, Yinnar South.

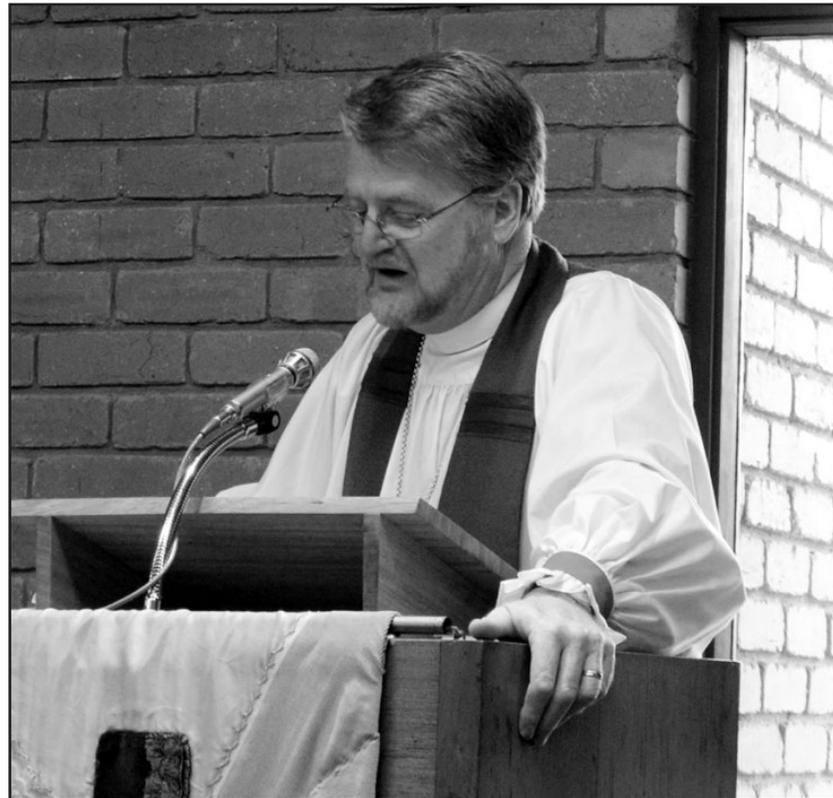
Four ex Yinnar district residents joined in the service at Yinnar on 17 July, an extremely cold and wet day.

Just when we thought winter would never arrive!

Several of the congregation have been ‘under the weather’ with health problems and we wish them well.

The Parish Minister is Rev. Dr. Bob Brown who can be contacted at the Churchill Manse on 5122 1480 or by email: bobbrown@alphalink.com.au

## Church Snippets



By RUTH PLACE

THIS month started with Ian’s worship team.

As usual the team presented a thought-provoking message.

With balloon, dumbbells and car jacks they illustrated their theme that God will provide the leverage we need to carry out His will.

He has promised that He won’t burden us with more than we can cope with.

“Come unto me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light”.

Rev. Lyn Porritt, who is also Chaplain at Monash University, presided over the service for Multicultural Sunday.

It was a time to acknowledge that we are a multicultural society, and to be reminded of the need to live with tolerance and wisdom, trying hard to understand differences in culture, and religion.

This can be brought about by becoming more familiar with the peoples of this world, so we can understand, and not be frightened by some radicals who form only a very small group.

We can celebrate our differences and take advantage of the wide variety and richness these cultures bring to our societies.

Jesus taught that we should love God and one another.

This will bring peace and happiness to our world.

Our 40th Anniversary Celebrations are proceeding well.

On the 24th July, we remembered our Anglican connections.

Bishop Jeffrey Driver (pictured above) attended the service and presided over Communion.

It will be Bishop Jeff’s last visit to our parish before he takes up his appointment as Archbishop of Adelaide.

He has made some significant contributions to the Gippsland Diocese while as our bishop.

He will be missed, but he goes with our love and prayers.

Our Ladies Fellowship ladies as well as others in the Parish, attended the Latrobe Theatre Company production of “Cabaret”.

It was a wonderful night’s entertainment, show-casing the amazing amount of talent we have in the Valley.

To end the month, Rev Les Medley from the Churches of Christ, with Garry’s worship team, presented the theme of feeding God’s people.

Les gave us a simple three point means of evaluating if what we do is in tune with God.

First is it creative as God is creative?

Second is it nourishing? Even a small amount can be useful if it given through the power of Jesus, to start the renewal process.

Third is it liberating? Can it set people free from their addictions, fears and worries?

God calls us to live so we can help others.

One way is to live by the fruits of the Spirit of God- love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness, goodness, humility, self-control and faith.

It included a Churches of Christ Communion.

## Buddhist Lama to visit Latrobe Valley

The Buddhist Society of Gippsland has invited a Buddhist monk to give two talks in the Latrobe Valley.

The Venerable Geshe Doga, the spiritual director of Melbourne’s Tibetan Buddhist centre, Tara Institute, has kindly accepted our invitation.

These talks will be held at The Century Inn in Traralgon, which is next door to the new Traralgon Hospital.

Geshe Doga will talk on meditation on Saturday 3rd September starting at 8.00pm and on compassion on Sunday 4th September starting at 10.00am.

Those who have previously heard Geshe Doga speak will want to come again to be inspired by his wisdom and compassion. For more details, ring Tony on 0405 077 390.



## Church Times

### Co-operating Churches of Churchill

Rev. Dr. Bob Brown  
Williams Avenue, Churchill.  
Tel: 5122 1480  
Glenda and Ian Combridge  
Tel: 5166 1819  
Sunday Service: 9.30am.  
Choruses: 9.20am

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

35 Walker Parade, Churchill  
Tel: 5122 2226  
Father Malcolm Hewitt  
Saturday: Mass: 7.30pm  
Sunday: Mass: 9.30am  
1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays: Yinnar:  
Mass: 11.00 am  
2nd and 4th Sundays: Boolarra:  
Mass: 11.00am

### Churchill Christian Fellowship

Maple Crescent, Churchill.  
Pastor Tony or Hermanna Marsden:  
5122 2777  
Sunday: 10.00am  
Ladies Meeting: Tuesday 10.00am

## SCHOOLS PULL ON THEIR JEANS FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH Jeans for Genes Day

AUSTRALIAN schools have been the pillar of support for Jeans for Genes Day, and this year it was no different. School students in Victoria and Tasmania pulled on a pair of denims and sold badges to raise money for the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI).

Kids have made an invaluable contribution to Jeans for Genes and the CMRI over the last 12 years as "Genies". By organising mufti days, art competitions and badge sales, Australian kids have raised a staggering \$5 million.

This year, Jeans for Genes Day's theme was 'Star-Studded Jeans', with Ian Thorpe, a double helix and a circular star-

studded badge. Badges were sold with the help of tens of thousands of "Genies" across the country, including scores of primary and secondary students.

Money raised from the sale of the badges will support the work of the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI). The CMRI researches the causes of genetic childhood illnesses such as spina bifida, cerebral palsy, muscular weaknesses and childhood cancers including leukemia.

Anyone wanting to find out more should call 1800 677 260 or visit [www.jeans4genes.com.au](http://www.jeans4genes.com.au)



## Joke of the Month

I went to the doctor the other day and asked "Doctor, what are the signs that we are getting old?"

"There are three signs," the Doctor said. "The first sign is a loss of memory...I can't remember the other two!"

Send your joke in and WIN!

Each month you could win. The best joke submitted will receive a prize. Send your jokes to PO Box 234, Churchill or email: [cdnews@cdsi.net.au](mailto:cdnews@cdsi.net.au)



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## New Members Needed

THE Churchill and District Toy Library is currently struggling to recruit new members. If we can not get enough members before next year we may have to close as we will be unable to afford the insurance next year.

This would be very disappointing to all past and present members. The library has been open nearly 20 years and a lot of hard work has gone in to it trying to keep it running.

The toy library is an asset to the local community. Toys can be borrowed for a small fee per term or yearly and we do have concession rates available.

We would love to see some new faces. Whether it is grandparents, carer's, family's or playgroups you are welcome to drop in when we are open. Our next session is on the 20th August and every fortnight after that. The hours are 10 am to 12 noon.

The only requirements of members is to undertake one duty per term. Due to our low membership we currently have families doing two per term. The library is located in Phillip parade opposite the skate park.

We welcome new members from any region who

would like to join, including Morwell.

For anymore information please contact Simone on 51223557 or Colleen on 51222356. We are really in need of lots new members so we can stay open next year so please come and have look.

### Churchill and District Toy Library Opening times

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3rd September

17th September

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# Churchill Primary Developing Leadership Skills

THE Principal team and staff at Churchill Primary School believe in developing the leadership skills of their students. Thus, earlier in the year the School Captains and Vice Captains attended the seminar in Melbourne.

Last week a Global Leadership Conference was held at Monash University Gippsland. Seven of the eight house captains were able to attend, with Grade 5/6 teacher Andrew Grecco. The conference made quite an impression on these young people. Here is what they had to say.

Jayme Day. *We learnt how many people live in poverty, when we have so much. It was a really good day. The presenters were good, lots of fun and kind to us.*

On the screen they put up these words. *"There is enough for every man's needs, not enough for every man's greed".*

Matthew Harvey. *People who live in pover-*

*ty die in the numbers who were killed by the tsunami, every four days.*

David Nugent. *Everyone has forgotten all those who live in poverty, compared to those who died in the Tsunami. The Tsunami was big news. Even a little help for those in poverty is better than none.*

Matt Smart. *We in Australia are among the 5% richest people in the world, compared to those who live in poverty.*

Chantelle Kadir. *On the day we watched movies. We learnt about HIV/AIDS, blindness and other problems. We knew little about poverty until then.*

Lauran Sho. *These people have no medicine. People can die of coughs and colds. We have medicines. They don't. Medical help is too far away. Schools can be too far away too. They may not be able to pay the fees. They may have to carry the water for the family and not be able to go to school.*

*Children as young as five have to look after*

*their younger siblings because their parents are ill with, or have died of HIV/AIDS, are too old or sick, or are working in the rice paddies.*

As a result of this conference, the children returned to school determined to do something to address this problem. Having talked with Rob Higgins, John Turner and their teachers, they have decided to sponsor a child with World Vision. When I talked with these eager young people they were very excited about going on the internet today to sign up and choose a child to sponsor. These young people realise and know they have a responsibility to instil in the Grade 5s, the need to ensure that they carry on this work which they have started.

"Churchill Primary School acknowledges that we all have our problems, and we have a bit of a grumble from time to time, but in reality there is always someone worse off than ourselves. We are very excited about the prospect of sponsoring our own child," said John Turner.

To back them in their desire, the school has offered to pay the \$500 required, upfront. It will then be the children's responsibility to run fundraisers to reimburse the school.

"Do you have any ideas about how you will do that I asked?" The reply was quick and positive, with plans for a Rice Day, money boxes in rooms etc.

It was a real joy to share this with the students.

## CLIC – COMMUNITY LEARNING IN CHURCHILL.

The Positive Parenting module has finished successfully.

From August 10, programs will include Literacy in which Helen Dyson will outline ways parents can best help their child at school, in areas of writing, speaking and reading. She will give parents lots of strategies.

Massage and Relaxation.  
Cooking on a Budget with Wendy Smart.

Please contact the school for days, dates and registration, on 51221343.

Remember, these programs are for all in the community.

## ART WORK PROGRAM

This has really taken off with another 10 works going out to Latrobe valley businesses.

## LIFE EDUCATION VAN VISIT

This program is billed as a drug education program, but it is so much more. Judith Conway, the presenter has been in the job for nine years and loves the work. She is always looking for and implementing new ways of putting across the messages.

As you will see from the following, this is a comprehensive program, which is followed up in the classroom, using an activity book.

Preps. "Harold Clued Up"  
Knowledge and Understanding.  
Demonstrates an awareness of the concepts of safe/unsafe living.

Recognises that people work better together when they co-operate by sharing and caring.

Demonstrates that unpleasant feelings such as loss can be better dealt with by seeking

help and support from others.

Identifies that people need love, friendship and health in order to flourish.

Recognises similarities and differences between themselves and others.

Values and Attitudes: Accepts that co-operation, love and valuing differences, promote positive human relationships.

Skills: Communicates feelings and experiences in a variety of situations

Grades 1/2  
"Harold's Heroes"

Knowledge and Understanding Recognises that their safety depends on their own as well as other's behaviour as well as the environment.

Recognises that there is a range of people, services and products that promote health and safety.

Describes characteristics people share yet recognises humans are unique with diverse growth patterns.

Recognises that food choices can enhance health and well-being.

Values and Attitude: Accepts responsibility for personal and community health

Skills: Draws on past experiences to solve familiar problems.

Grades 3/4 "Harold's Diary  
Knowledge and Understanding

Describes how relationships with a range of people enhance well-being

Describes major stages of development across the human life span

Discusses the influences on people to make certain food choices and the way these choices can effect health and well-being

Discusses how fitness can be enhanced through a person being physically active in their leisure time.

Describes health as well as the range of people, services and products that promote health and safety.

Values and Skills: Enjoys a sense of belonging.

Skills: Makes positive contributions in group activities.

Grades 5/6 "The Burning Issue"  
Knowledge and Understanding

Recognises that smoking affects all body systems resulting in short term consequences

Identifies services and products that advise, educate and inform people of the facts about smoking.

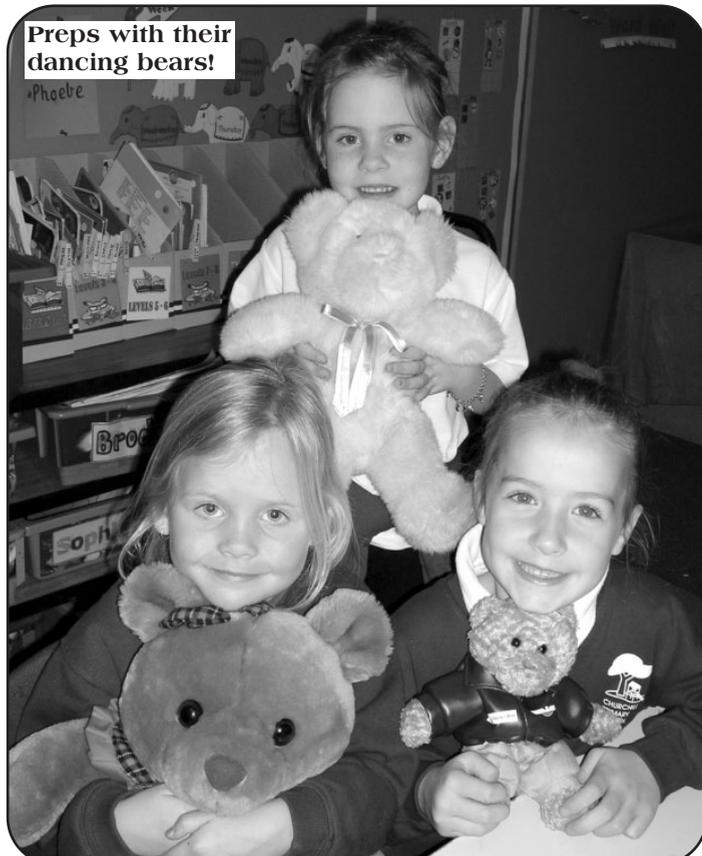
Identifies both personal and community strategies to reduce the harm related to tobacco use.

Examines the harmful effects that smoking has on the environment.

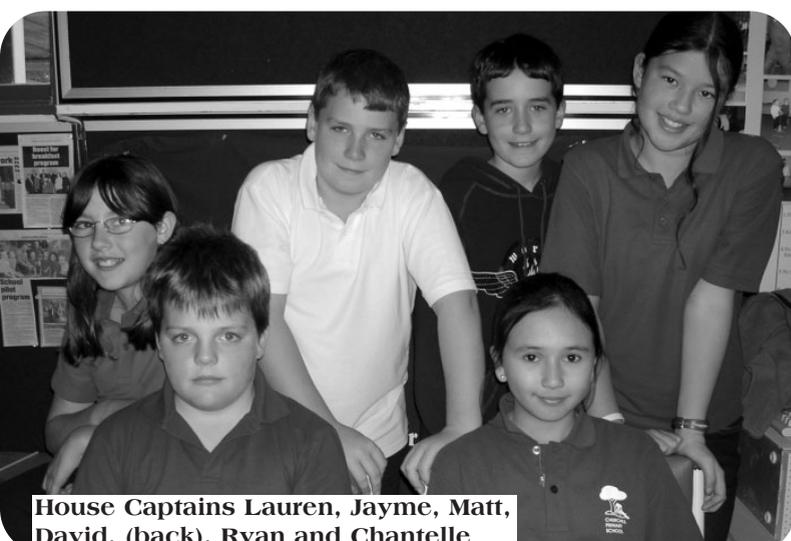
Describes the laws governing the advertising, sale and use of tobacco products.

Values and Attitude: Increasingly accepts responsibility for personal and community health

Skills: Develops and implements strategies to address influences and pressures to smoke.



Preps with their dancing bears!



House Captains Lauren, Jayme, Matt, David, (back), Ryan and Chantelle

## DRUMMING WORKSHOP

On 21 July, the Grade 5/6s participated in a fantastic drumming workshop with Peta Minter, a world renowned drummer and percussionist. He worked first with the Grade 5s, then with the Grade 6s, finally putting both groups together. The result was loud but pleasing to the ear.

## TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

On Thursday 28 July, the Preps had a Teddy Bear's Picnic in the GP Room.

Mr. Turner took his most loved Teddy, and played some original songs on his guitar.

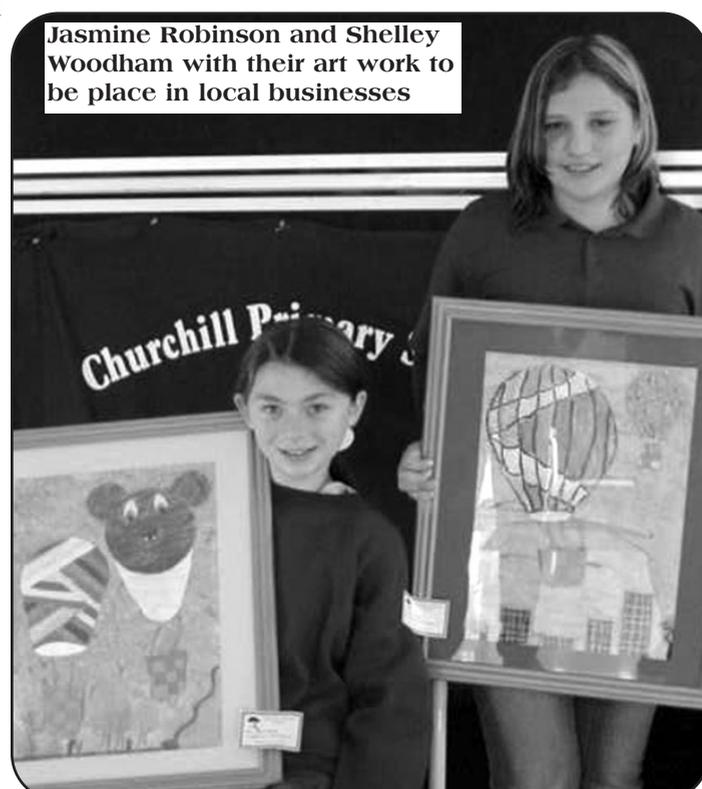
By the look of the food that went that way, I would say those Preps and their Teddies would be well fed, and need a snooze after lunch.

## HUMAN POWERED VEHICLE [HPV] TRAINING

The team hopefuls are well into training for the big event in Maryborough in November. So you might see a group of cyclists out and about before school, getting into shape. Give them some encouragement, as it is not easy to make the commitment required to be part of this HPV team.

## HARMONY DAY

This year for Harmony Day Churchill Primary School was invited to join with 15 other schools to design and make a mosaic representing 'Harmony'. Rylan and Justin took on the task of creating a Harmony Day tile. Their idea was the glove with 'Let's Live'. The mosaic looks fantastic. The completed tiles will be placed at the Morwell Town Common thanks to Latrobe City, Anglicare and GFG Import Tiles.



Jasmine Robinson and Shelley Woodham with their art work to be place in local businesses



Matt Pavey with students Shelley, Rylan and Justin

## Leadership Training at Lumen Christi

Grade 6 students at Lumen Christi have had some intensive leadership training this term. Firstly, students who wished to nominate for School Captain in Semester Two had to prepare a nomination speech and present it to the 4-6 classes and the Principal then were voted by their classmates. Our School Captains are Chris Williams, Molly Stephenson, Lina D'Alia and Matthew Maselli as well as Alex Tatterson, Alexandra Beltrame and Abbie Jennings who make up the leadership team.

Lumen Christi senior students have also enjoyed two days training in Peer Activity Leadership with a team from School Focussed Youth Services and the Catholic Education Office in Warragul. The students have learned about the importance of being good role models for younger students and activities to teach younger students around the school. Lumen Christi is the first primary school to present this program and we are grateful to those who made it possible.

### Student Welfare at Lumen Christi

Care for each individual student is a priority at Lumen Christi. The child's classroom teacher is the key player in student welfare because of the close relationship which develops between the teacher and child and the family.

In addition, Mrs Joanne Leviston is the Student Welfare Coordinator who works for the children and organises extra support when needed. The school engages Mrs Jane Taylor, Speech Therapist on a fortnightly basis for children who need assistance and we have access on a needs basis to Jeff Steedman as a counsellor and mediator and to other specialist services as required from the Catholic Education Office.

Mrs Leviston also coordinates our LAP program which is a Learning Assistance Program where students are matched with an adult for 1:1 time on a regular basis. It is a great program and we are very grateful to our volunteers from the Parish and wider community who come and help.

Each year we also run a SEASONS small group program for children who have experienced trauma or loss in their lives through death or separation or a family misfortune. Mrs Leviston does a wonderful job working with these children and it is a very successful aspect of Student Welfare.

Our Integration Program caters for children with special needs and Mrs Leviston coordinates

the various support services which may be involved as well as leading the regular Parent Support Groups. Mrs Catherine Campbell is our Integration Aide and is much loved by the children she works with and their families.

There are also Extension Programs in Tournament of Minds and Maths Olympiad which are offered to students as part of caring for the needs of each child.

### Inter School Sports Day

Lumen Christi children in Grades 5 and 6 had a great day in July with their peers from local primary schools playing netball, T-Ball, soccer and cricket. The Sports Day was another project of the School Focussed Youth Support services and was enjoyed by all in a very good spirit. It is important for the young people of Churchill to participate in activities like this together and I thank Brad Green and his team for their perseverance in bringing it to fruition.

### Prep News

Mrs Webster and our Prep class held a very moving Prayer service recently which was attended by a large group of parents and grandparents. A beautiful morning tea was served afterwards and it was appreciated by everyone involved. It is marvellous to see children and parents of all faiths and religions taking time for reflection in their busy lives and we can all learn so much from the prayerfulness of young children. The Prep classroom is a great place to be and these children are very special to us.

For queries about Lumen Christi School, phone Debbie on 51 222231 or visit us at 35 Williams Avenue in Churchill.

**Jo Leviston, student welfare coordinator.**



## Busy as Usual

### Hazlewood North Primary

The term is only young, yet Hazelwood North Primary School has been a busy place as usual!

The school football team played against Boolarra/Yinnar South and Yinnar Primary Schools to earn the right to represent the Yinnar and District Sports Association at the Zone Sports. Our team of boys and girls played well. Congratulations to Yinnar Primary School, the winners.

Our Prep Enrolment Week was well attended. Twenty students have enrolled to date. The school is still accepting enrolments for next year.

Recent fundraising efforts – a Tree Drive and a Chocolate Drive were a great success. Thankyou to everyone who supported these activities.

Our school is holding a Trivia Night on August 20th at the Top Pub in Morwell. Tables may be booked by ringing the school on 51661267. Tables of eight at only ten dollars per person are available.

Lucky door prizes, raffles and auctions will form part of the entertainment.

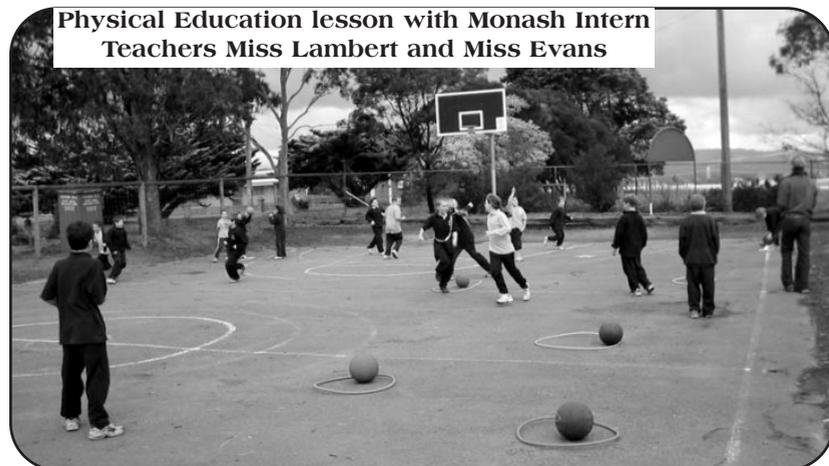
Three of our students will be performing at Monash University on August 19th. They form part of an ensemble with students from Churchill, Churchill North and Yinnar South. These students receive weekly music lessons at Kurnai Churchill.

Our teachers and support staff are looking forward to

a Cluster Professional Development Day on August 19th. This is the first time all primary and secondary teachers in the Kurnai Cluster have met together. Teachers will attend workshops on the Victorian Essential Learning Standards, Information Technology, Principles of Learning and Teaching and sharing ideas. There will also be workshops for integration aides. It will be a great opportunity to further strengthen links between schools and learn from each other.

The Action Squad from Kurnai Churchill is visiting the school each Friday. Students from 4/5M and 5/6F spend time in the art room with teacher Ross Fitzpatrick, learning how to sketch. The other grade works with Year 10 students, Adele, Tara, Sarah and Nicole on Physical Education activities. The grades then swap activities.

Planning has started for the RACV Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough. We hope to begin practice soon.



**Physical Education lesson with Monash Intern Teachers Miss Lambert and Miss Evans**



**Ben and Libby**

## Yinnar Primary Pets Parade

Yinnar Primary School's Junior School Council recently held a Popular Pet Parade, Sausage Sizzle, Lemonade Stall and Busking Stage to raise money to support orphans of the Boxing Day Tsunami in the Agape Orphanage in the Kataragama area in Sri Lanka. The Students gathered monetary votes in the

hope that their pet would be voted Most Popular Pet. Many Students' told jokes, performed dances and sang songs to entertain the Yinnar community as a hat, for donations, was passed around. For the day's fun and hilarity, the students raised more than \$1500 for the Orphanage.



**Jason and Fudge, Aimee and Toby**

## Bush Dancing, Pyjama Party and Soup at Yinnar South Primary

At the end of last term we had our school Bush Dance. It was a fantastic attendance by most of the school community and there was lots of fun and frivolity enjoyed over the evening. The children had spent most of the term learning a wide variety of dances and they demonstrated these to the parents before inviting the parents to join them on the dance floor. We soon learnt that the children are much fitter than the majority of parents!

Of particular note was a dance demonstrated by the senior students, the Waves of Bondi, a very involved dance, very capably performed and very well presented! Well done!

The 3/4/5/6 students learnt how to make vegetable soup! Isn't it amazing what children will eat when they cook it but won't eat when mum cooks it at home. I was most surprised at how quickly the students polished the soup off! There wasn't much left for the teachers and I was sure that there would be plenty left!

The boys from grades 4/5/6 had the chance to play interschool football by combining with the boys

from Boolarra Primary School to make a team to play in the District competition. While the strong Yinnar combination won the day, the Yinnar South/Boolarra team were very competitive against both the Yinnar and Hazelwood North teams.



**Learning how to make vegetable soup (above).**

**The P/1/2 students enjoyed a Pyjama Party. Everyone, even the teachers and parents, came along in their PJ's and brought their teddy bears (below).**



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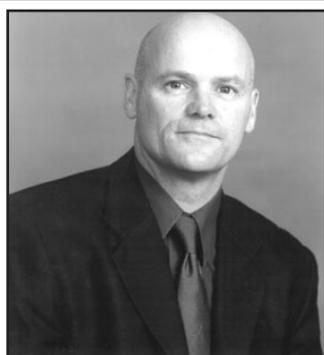
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# OLD TIME FAMILY DANCE

Jeeralang North Hall

Friday 26 August

8.00pm - 11.30pm

Music By Harmony Plus

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It has an excellent dance floor, heating and is in a rural setting  
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Max Zygarlicki, Ken Harris, Tom Lawless and Tidy Towns  
Inspector Bob Philp

## Tidy Towns Inspection Mathison Park

On Thursday 28th July, Mathison Park was inspected by Bob Philp, the Inspector from the Tidy Towns Competition office.

Bob has been working as a volunteer inspector with this group for the last four years and enjoys the job very much. He says he has met some wonderful people.

The hardest part of the job is writing the reports and being objective, as he can appreciate the huge efforts volunteers put into the various projects he has to assess.

The committee members who joined Bob for the walk around found the exercise rewarding.

It was like doing an audit of the park, noting how much has been achieved, with the development program, and realising that a lot has been done already.

It was gratifying to note

- \* the new play and picnic equipment installed,
- \* the fantastic use of the Eel Hole Creek pathway
- \* the growth of the plants along the pathways, and in the Koori garden and plantation,
- \* weed control
- \* willow eradication
- \* the pruning and clearing, and tidying,
- \* the notice board information,
- \* the Arboretum progress

- \* the cleaning up around the old farmhouse,
- \* the restoration of the underground tanks,
- \* the mowed areas which allow easy access to the tree plantation areas
- \* the fire access tracks slashed and ready, to name but a few.

We are all excited by the prospect of having the park recognised through the Tidy Towns program, as a significant part of our local environment.

Results should be known by the end of August, hopefully early enough for inclusion in the September issue of the Churchill and District News.

**John Lee (below left) Ken Harris and  
Tom Lawless, (below) at work in  
Mathison Park**



# Chimney Sweeps



Do you have an open fire or wood burning heater? Then read on for some important facts that will save money, improve safety and help the environment.

### What to burn

It is recommended to use air dried wood free from moisture. Avoid using wet, green, chemically treated, or wood that has been in contact with the sea.

Place logs on a fire to allow air circulation.

Don't burn rubbish, plastic, bones, sawdust, fabric or leftovers. All of these can increase pollution and may produce large amounts of creosote, your heater's worst enemy.

### Chimney dangers

A build up of creosote can hinder your chimney or flue's efficiency and be a FIRE HAZARD. Build up can be set alight by a spark, causing a chimney fire.

If you have a wood burning heater inserted into a fire place it must have a flue attached all the way up the chimney or else the same fire hazard can occur. As well soot can sit on top of the heater and also can set fire.

Blockages such as bird's nests, rubble and creosote prevent the chimney from

'drawing' which in turn will fill the room with smoke.

### Cautions

When moving into a new residence with an existing wood heater, or using units that have not been used for some time, unless there is documentation of maintenance, take no chances and have your chimney swept and ensure it is installed correctly in accordance with Australian Standards AS2918.

When restoring fire places to their former glory ensure you engage a professional fire place restorer. There is an art to crating a safe, operable and efficient fire place that is also pleasing to the eye!

### Chimney sweeping

A professional chimney sweeping service can save you the mess and the hazards.

It is recommended that a chimney be swept every 1-3 years, and a flue on an annual basis. This all depends on usage, age and type of fuel used.

Regular maintenance will increase the safety and efficiency of your unit.

# Matt's Op Shop Yinnar

By RAE BILLING

As winter sets in, our best sellers are winter clothing and books. Call in on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons or Saturday morning to check out what is available. We will have another 50 cent

sale in a few months. Watch this space! All monies from the shop support our parish and we are grateful for Jack Scott and Sons P/L for the use of their premises. For more information ring me on 5134 5659.

# LIONS CLUB OF CHURCHILL & DISTRICT – CLUB CHANGEOVER

By JOHN BARKER Publicity

A well respected past member of the Lions Club of Churchill and District has passed away. Garry Dunn was a Charter Member of the club. Heartfelt condolences to Rhonda and family on this very sad occasion.

Club members successfully catered for the Amateur Radio Club recently.

A computer was sourced for a junior school student – was installed successfully. Thanks to Hazelwood Health Centre and PDP for their assistance.

A panel was 'donated' to Churchill Primary School for their "Purchase a Panel" project.

Club catered for the annual Coal Country Junior Swim Meet at Churchill Leisure Centre.

Snippets:

Members have attended other club changeovers in the District.

Lion Frank Langston still not well, wish him speedy recovery

Lion Bob Lowick going through a tough time – wish him all the best

Combined Lions / Lioness Clubs District Governor visit

Another working bee at Lions Village Licola on House 3 – almost completed

Welcome to our new member Dave Lacey – introduced by Lion Geoff Brick

Club registered for the Churchill Festival 2006

Lion Peter McShane (Cab Secretary) attended the International Convention in Hong Kong.

A club member assisted on a Scout Hike in the Walhalla area

Catering coming up:

Catering at Bunnings on 13th August for Camp Quality

Lion John Barker and Lioness Margaret Barker (Camp Quality companions) attended a Camp Quality Family Camp at Mt Baw Baw. A great time was had by all.

Lion Bob Lowick and his committee are gearing up for the Camp Quality Escarpade by following up sponsors.

Yallourn North Lions and members have donated \$600 towards our

Children's Mobility Foundation account to provide Hart Walkers for disabled children.

The Lions Birthday Club, sponsored and run through the Churchill & District News by our Lions Club, is a great hit. Alexandra Bennett and Courtney Hooineyer were each the happy Birthday Club recipients of a \$15 voucher in July.

All children in Churchill and surrounding areas under 12 years of age are eligible to join. IS YOUR CHILD A MEMBER?

IF NOT, WHY NOT? Make sure your child is registered – just follow the instructions in the Lions Birthday Club list published each month in the Churchill News. WE NEED MORE MEMBERS.

To all the families in our great community of Churchill and surrounding district, we thank you for your support.

Need to contact us? Our address is The Secretary, Lions Club of Churchill and District, PO Box 110, CHURCHILL 3842.

## Regional Achievement and Community Awards

THE 2005 Regional Achievement and Community Awards have recently launched.

These Awards highlight and reward the valuable contribution of businesses, events and tourism operators, and towns, environment and sustainability initiatives, individuals and communities who are involved in the development of regional and rural Victoria.

There are 6 categories this year that are open for nominations -

\* Australia Post Business Achievement Award:

The Business Achievement Award is for successful businesses, individuals and groups that are making important contributions in their local community. Creative business and commercial ventures provide opportunities for regional growth, productivity, leadership, training and employment. Businesses are continuing to realise their corporate vision and mission.

The Business Achievement Award will acknowledge and highlight the continued success and achievements of individuals, businesses and groups.

\* Australia Post Events and Tourism Awards:

Community events and tourism projects do provide an effective source of income, promotion and other positive outcomes for regional communities.

They benefit communities economically through direct spending by visitors, income generation and employment.

Community Events in particular provide opportunities for people to meet and work together, helping to create a sense of belonging and social cohesion.

This helps strengthen pride in a community and provides opportunities for new experiences, learning and enjoyment.

\* Parks Victoria Regional Achiever Award:

The Regional Achiever Award applauds our unsung heroes. Acknowledging those individuals who are passionate in dedicating their lives for the needs of others.

When hard times hit and/or disaster strikes, there are many selfless men and women, young and old that make a difference by giving their time, guidance, encouragement and much needed support.

Whether it be mentoring the unemployed, volunteering to help others or running leadership camps for underprivileged teenagers, these individuals are offering friendship and support to the disadvantaged and those that need it most.

\* The Regional Achiever Award is an opportunity for our whole community to gain inspiration from others through their achievements, demonstrated leadership and outstanding service to the communities.

\* Environment and Sustainability Award:

The Environment and Sustainability Award acknowledges individuals, groups and organisations that show a proven passion and dedication to reducing environmental impacts in regional and rural areas.

By implementing land care and sustainability practices on their properties or within the local community, land owners have shown increased commitment to raising awareness, knowledge and understanding of environmental issues, which will in turn help to protect the planet's vital resources. This Award will recognise individuals, groups and organisations that aim to improve our patterns of consumption and environmental behaviour.

They are environmentally conscious and understand that future generations will be dependant on the environment, and their actions will encourage sustainable and responsible development in the future.

\*Community of the Year Award:

\*Population Under 10,000 or

\*Population Over 10,000

The Community of the Year Award provides projects, groups, cities, towns or local government initiatives with an opportunity to gain recognition for their achievements and contributions to their community.

These community groups share a strong sense of community spirit, which plays a vital role in enhancing the social and economic prosperity of their region. It is important to recognise and encourage these groups and organisations as their efforts help to make regional communities stronger, more vibrant places to live and help to promote a true community spirit for future generations to come.

Nominations close on 31st August 2005.

The winners will be announced at the Gala Awards Presentation Dinner on Saturday 12th November 2005 at the Best Western Bell Tower Inn, Ballarat.

For further information, criteria and eligibility or a nomination form

[http://www.awardsaustralia.com/RACA\\_nomform.html](http://www.awardsaustralia.com/RACA_nomform.html)

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Friday)

Moe Transfer Station

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week. (excluding Christmas Day and Good Friday)

Yinnar Transfer Station

Whitelaw's Track, Yinnar South: Open 10am to 5pm Saturday and

Sunday (excluding Christmas Day and Good Friday)

## Latrobe Community Health Service Gambling Impact Fund Recipient



The Churchill branch of Latrobe Community Health Service (LCHS), received a grant from the Latrobe City Trust Gambling Impact Fund, to help them offer six low income families experiencing significant hardship as a result of a combination of gambling, family violence and substance abuse, to attend a three day structured family camp in Bairnsdale in late November 2004.

The money was spent on accommodation, meals and activities.

As well as the Trust contribution made directly by LCHS, the participants were involved in some fundraising too, to cover the full amount necessary.

The positive effects to flow out of this experience were the building of self-esteem, engaging in problem solving activities, working as a team, making group

decisions, feeling of empowerment, and establishing, reinforcing and building family and social relationships.

This is an annual occurrence. To qualify you must live in the Latrobe valley area, have a Health Care Card or Pension card, and have dependents (children).

The camp takes place at the Caravan Park in Bairnsdale. It is an ideal place for the purpose, fitting all their needs and providing lots of built in activities including mini golf, spa, swimming pool etc. There is a camp kitchen in which the families are able to cook and serve the meals.

The meals are prepared by the participants. They bring along individual recipes. A menu is prepared, budgeting is talked about, ingredients are listed, and the shopping is done. The shoppers return thrilled with their purchases, having taken into

account the value of the products. Offers of help to shop, cook, and the chores of cleaning up and setting tables, etc. are always willingly forthcoming.

Unknown to the participants a positive reward system is in practice, with rewards for those who help, being given.

The camp was run with one leader and two volunteers, with 30 people including children participating.

Over the 3 days, other activities included a Treasure Hunt for the families, a picnic, and excursions to Raymond Island, and the beach.

Another positive outcome was the formation of good relationships between the leaders and the families, and the between the families themselves. The leader said that it was a heart-warming experience for all involved.

## Your Opinion

### On Behalf of Gards

I write on behalf of the GARDS committee and members to firstly ask why the only 2 parking bays for disabled persons in the Churchill shopping centre are not anywhere near the services that the disabled would be accessing such as post office, supermarket, doctors and chemist?

There should be at least one parking bay for each of the services we have identified for the handicapped placed right outside these services.

Disabled people have the right to be able to access services within the shopping centre and feel safe to do so. You are placing our sufferers and other handicapped people at risk by not placing them close at hand.

Disabled persons will not access services within the shopping centre if you are not accommodating to them and they will take their business elsewhere which is something that I would hope you would not want.

Our members find it extremely difficult

to negotiate any distance as they are incapacitated by shortness of breath and you put them at risk by making them have to travel further than necessary. They cannot quickly get out of the way of passing traffic and if they were to get into any difficulty from persons unknown in the car park they could not call out for help, you are placing them at risk and we think this is negligent on the part of the body corporate to not have taken this into consideration.

We ask that you give this problem your very urgent attention as quickly as possible before anyone is seriously hurt.

Vicki Hamilton

Secretary

Gippsland Asbestos Related Diseases Inc.

### Disabled Parking - Accepted Practice

I am writing to let you know how I feel about the treatment of disabled people in Churchill when they need to access services such as the Doctors, Post Office and Supermarket. It is very poor.

Why are there not parks outside the doctors etc? It is accepted practice in shopping centres across Victoria.

Living with a disability is very difficult. Putting parking bays in appropriate places will make it a little easier.

Linda Oakley

Churchill

### Bays Not In The Right Place

As a disabled person living in Churchill I am dismayed by the lack of suitable disabled parking.

I have to access the Doctors, the supermarket, Post Office and Chemist on a regular basis and are no disabled parking bays within easy reach.

The two bays that are present are not in the right place and I consider them to be a token gesture.

Tracey Burr

Churchill

## Church News

# Life At Sea

Saturday Breakfast Saturday 23 July  
Our guest speaker was Mr Frank Beer who spoke of his very adventurous life at sea.

His talk was illustrated by a display of some wonderful models of several ships he sailed on during his sea career, a career which took him to over 90 countries.

Frank spoke of the skills and material he used in making the models from scratch, and how he is now displaying them in a diorama format to add a sense of realism. 40th Anniversary Service.

The Right Reverend Jeffrey Driver, Bishop of Gippsland, presided over the

Service of Holy Communion at the Co-operating Churches in Churchill on Sunday 24 July. He was ably assisted by Rev Dr Bob Brown, the minister, and Rev Lyn Porritt chaplain at Monash University Gippsland.

This was the third in the series of special services to celebrate the 40th year of the Co-operating Churches.

Following the service and cup of tea, Bishop Jeff lead a discussion on planning for mission which was well received by the congregation. A buffet luncheon concluded a very successful day.

## AUGUST SATURDAY BREAKFAST

The August Saturday Breakfast will be held on the 27th at 7.30 am at the Co-Operating Churches, Williams Avenue, Churchill.

The guest speaker will be Angela Robb, Native Vegetation Project Officer with the Department of Sustainability and Environment.

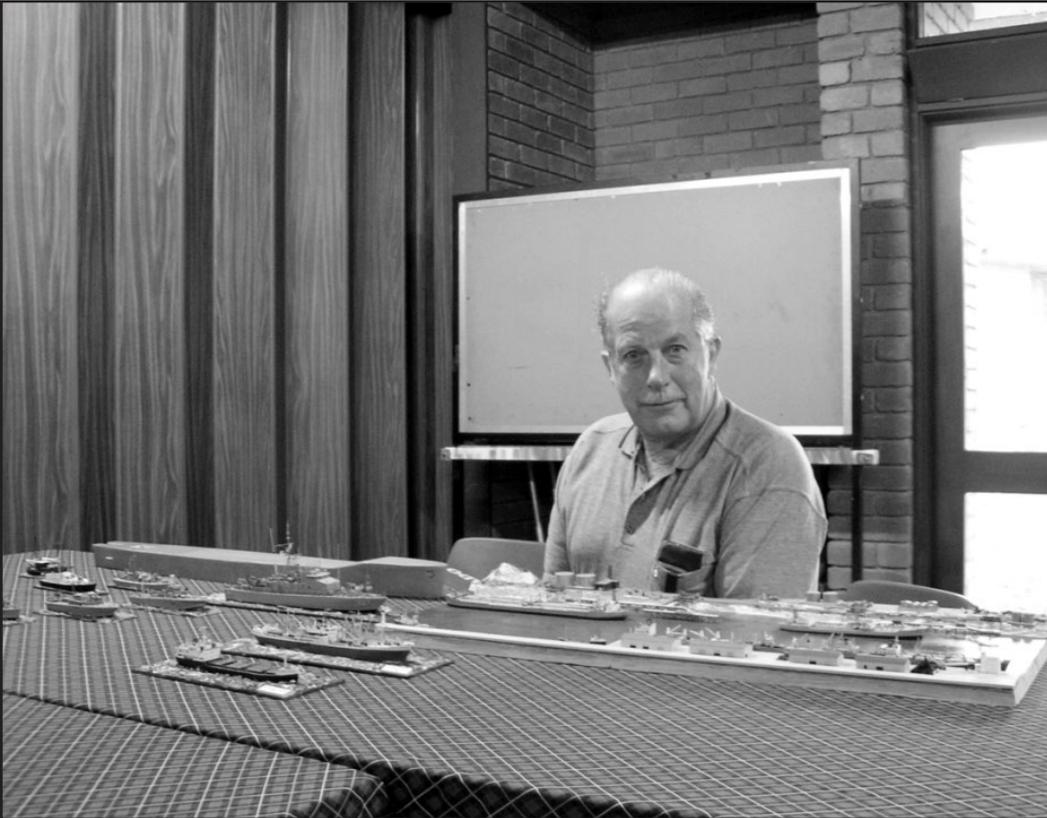
Angela is currently involved in a project with the DSE and Latrobe City Council in identifying properties which have an Ecological Vegetation Class known as Damp Forest which was once found extensively

throughout the Strzelecki Ranges. As a result of land clearing for agriculture it is now considered endangered and occupies less than 5% of its original range.

Angela's talk will be titled Native Vegetation - Looking After What We Have Got.

People to attend should contact Keith Enders by Thursday 25 August on 51221148 or by e-mail at kbenders@net-tech.com.au.

People interested in hearing the talk only are also welcome. The talk should start about 8am.



Guest Speaker Mr Frank Beer

**Entrees**

	Entrée	Main
<b>Traditional Garlic Bread</b>	\$4.00	
<b>Bruschetta:</b> Bread toasted and topped with a tomato salsa, seasonal herbs and melted cheese.	\$5.00	
<b>Warm Focaccia Loaf:</b> Served with a pesto spread, garlic butter, and herb butter.	\$9.50	
<b>Soup of the Day:</b> Please refer to the specials board for today's homemade soup made from the freshest seasonal ingredients.	\$6.00	
<b>Nacho's:</b> Toasted corn chips topped with a tomato salsa and melted cheese, served with sour cream and guacamole.	\$9.00	\$16.00
<b>Garlic Prawns:</b> Fresh prawns served on a bed of rice with a creamy garlic sauce.	\$12.00	\$20.00
<b>Tasmanian Oysters:</b>	½ Doz.	Doz.
Natural	\$9.00	\$16.50
Kilpatrick: Cooked with bacon and Worcestershire sauce.	\$12.00	\$20.00

**Mains**

<b>Roast of the Day:</b> Please refer to today's special board.	\$17.50	
<b>Fish of the Day:</b> Please refer to today's special board. Available fried in a light beer batter or seasoned in flour and lemon pepper and then grilled.	\$17.50	
<b>Lambs Fry &amp; Bacon:</b> An old favorite served on a bed of mashed potatoes.	\$16.00	
<b>Chicken Supreme:</b> Breast of chicken filled with Camembert cheese, sundried tomatoes and topped with a garlic cream sauce.	\$21.50	
<b>Chicken Scaloppini:</b> Grilled chicken breast served with a white wine mushroom sauce on a bed of saffron rice.	\$19.50	
<b>Schnitzels:</b> Crumbed chicken or beef schnitzels	\$17.00	
<b>Parmigiana:</b> Crumbed chicken or beef schnitzels topped with leg ham, napoli sauce and melted cheese.	\$19.50	
<b>Aussie Schnitzel:</b> Crumbed chicken or beef schnitzel topped with bacon egg and cheese.	\$19.50	
<b>Vegetarian Parcels:</b> Sweet potato and seasonal vegetables wrapped in a crispy puff pastry served with a tomato salsa and melted cheese.	\$17.50	
<b>Scallops:</b> Scallops pan fried in a marinade of lime and ginger and served with rice.	\$13.00	\$20.00
<b>Calamari:</b> Calamari rings coated in lemon pepper pan fried in a lemon butter sauce.	\$12.00	\$19.00
<b>Seafood Basket:</b> A selection of seafood served on a bed of chips with lemon wedges and tartare sauce.	\$22.00	

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**Pasta Dishes**

	Entrée	Main
<b>Pasta of the Day:</b> Carbonara or Vegetarian	\$12.00	\$16.00
<b>Lasagne:</b> Traditional Italian meat lasagne		\$16.00

**From the Char Grill**

<b>Rib Eye Cutlet:</b> 400 grams of rib eye steak char-grilled to your liking and topped with bacon, onion & a herb mustard butter.	\$30.00
<b>Reef 'n' Beef:</b> A 300gram rump steak grilled to your liking topped with a combination of seafoods in a cream sauce.	\$26.00
<b>Kangaroo Fillets:</b> Fillets cooked medium to medium rare and served with a red wine and herb sauce.	\$19.00
<b>Rump or Porterhouse Steak:</b> A 300gram steak char grilled to your liking and served with your choice of a kilpatrick sauce, pepper sauce, mushroom sauce, or garlic butter	\$24.00
<b>Lamb Shanks:</b> Baked lamb shanks served on a bed of mashed potato and topped with our special mint sauce	\$24.00
<b>B.B.Q.Beef Ribs:</b> Tender and juicy beef ribs with a smokey flavoured sauce and subtle spices	\$19.50

All meals served with vegetables or salad and chips

**Kids Meals**

Fried or grilled fish: Crumbed chicken: Pizza: \$7.00  
With either salad and chips, or vegetables, or just chips  
Price includes Free Soft Drink or Juice.

Available for children 12 years and younger only.

**Desserts**

Sticky Date Pudding with a Caramel Sauce  
Chocolate Mud Cake  
Banana Fritter  
Banana Sundae

All deserts priced at \$7.00  
Coffee, Tea, and Hot Chocolate available

**August Special**  
**Thursdays ONLY**  
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# Wonthaggi State Coal Mine Efforts to Re-Open Underground Mine Tours

The Friends of the State Coal Mine recently hosted a fundraising night in Wonthaggi showing the film "Strikebound". The night was a huge success with 420 people attending the film, raising around \$3000.

Strikebound was filmed at the State Coal Mine East Area in 1982, necessitating the reopening of the underground workings.

The film portrays the dreadful conditions the mine workers endured and the efforts of the Coal Miners Union to improve their lot during the difficult depression years in the 1930's.

In 1983, once production of the film was finished the then Conservation Forests and Lands assumed management of the site and opened the mine to visitors.

Since then, the Friends of the State Coal Mine have provided over 130,000 hours of volunteer labour for the 22 years the mine has operated as a tourist attraction.

The award winning State Coal Mine temporarily ceased underground tours in October last year due to compliance issues with OH&S (Mines) Regulations.

The mine is currently undergoing investigations to determine the costs and viability of the works that need to be done to bring the site up to contemporary safety standards.

Initial investigations reveal that the works could be in the range of between 2 - 5 million dollars.

Parks Victoria is unable to provide all of the funds required for these works. The community has rallied together and, in partnership with Parks Victoria, have formed the Community Partnership Working Group (CPWG).

This volunteer group is charged with the task of sourcing funding through Federal and State Govt grants, sponsorship, in-kind support and other avenues.

Through the efforts of this group and fundraising events such as that recently held, the Friends of the State Coal Mine have generously offered up to \$10,000 to install a communications system to ensure that when underground, staff and volunteers can communicate safely and confidently with above ground.

Parks Victoria has committed \$100,000 to enable the first stage of urgently needed electrical works to commence shortly.

State Coal Mine Community Group Project Manager, Liz Beale says "The 10 community members and three Parks Victoria staff that make up the Community Partnership Working Group are confident their efforts over the coming months will provide the best outcome for the future operations of the State Coal Mine."

If you would like further information or would like to lend your support, please contact Liz on phone 13 1963.



State Coal Mine at Wonthaggi (above)  
Community Partnership Working Group (below)



## Vale

### LORNA MARY SANDERS A SPECIAL WIFE AND MOTHER

#### *Her history, and thoughts about her, by her son Victor, and daughter Heather*

Lorna Mary Medew was born to William and Mary Medew at Morwell on April 3, 1920. She was the fourth of six children. Two are still living today, the eldest, Doreen (Mrs. Gilbert), and Hazel, (Mrs. Beasy).

Much of Lorna's pre school years were spent with her grandparents, as this was a big family. Lorna's school years were spent at Hazelwood North State School. The family lived on a farm on Bonds Lane, opposite the gas turbine power station.

The Hazelwood North State School was also the place of education for her husband Bill Sanders, and their four children.

Lorna met Bill, a local man, and went out to a Masonic Ball with him in Morwell. Bill took her in the 1929 Chrysler 65, and got bogged twice before leaving the property and having to get Lorna's father out of bed twice, to push him out! Lorna apologised next morning, and said she wouldn't ask him back after that. But granddad Medew said he was welcome back there any time!

Bill and Lorna married in 1942, on the 3 January. It was during the war. They had four children, Margaret, Victor, Heather and Edwin known as Ted. They married in the old church located opposite the Hazelwood North School. It was burnt down in the devastating bushfires of 1944, and has been replaced by the red brick church there now. It was from this church that Lorna was buried.

Lorna was a quiet person who worked behind the scenes. She was very much a giver. Her family meant everything to her.

Victor's first memory of his Mum, was her teaching him to read before he started school, so he could get a good start.

Margaret tells of how her Dad had sown a crop, and was worried about the crows eating the seed. So Mum said she had some apples to peel, and that she would go and sit under a tree, in the middle of the crop, and peel the apples and chase the birds away as well.

Lorna worked with Bill to dip the sheep. Her job was to push the sheep's head under the water with a plunger. She would also go round the farm with the children who remember this as a family outing, picking up the bits of dead wool.

When Dad was trapping rabbits for a sideline, at one time the skins were more value than the carcasses, so Dad skinned the rabbits, and Mum would cook them up. We loved roasted stuffed rabbits and Mum cooked them beautifully.

The children often went rabbit trapping also.

They would sell them for three bob a pair!

Mum loved the garden as did her father. Family time in the evenings was spent clearing, planting and watering the garden. There was a pump set up by the dam to water the garden. Broad beans were grown as a quick meal to feed the shearers. Pumpkins would be picked after the first frosts, as this helped to keep them. Onions were grown and when harvested, hung in the shed, to keep.

Victor recalls that once he was clearing a bed with a hand sickle, and with a vigorous stroke. He didn't notice his Mum walking along the path, and the sickle struck her leg. A very quick trip to the doctor took place. We can all remember it like it was yesterday he states. It was a gush of blood!

Lorna was very actively involved in the Baptist Church in Morwell in the 1960s. Her faith in God was very real to her.

Sometimes Bill and Victor would come home and Mum would rush in from the garden to the house to prepare lunch, but usually it was ready for them.

In mid life Lorna struggled with health issues, and was on medication. While this kept her well, unfortunately, a lot of her vitality and zest for life was taken away. So she was no longer quite the same as she had been earlier.

Lorna moved to Mitchell House Hostel four years ago, and had three great years there after Bill's passing in October 2000.

Lorna started knitting again after about fifty years, and did very well. Heather would like to thank all the volunteers at Mitchell House who sewed up all the knitted toys Lorna had made.

Lorna had taught her four children to knit when

each had turned around eight years old.

Lorna's health deteriorated over the last six months, and she had great difficulty eating solids for a few years, so she became very frail. But her faith in God was very strong, and she looked forward to going to meet Jesus, whom she trusted as her Saviour many years earlier. Her mind was sharp as a tack right up to the very end.

Many people make big names for themselves. Some are great upfront people. But Lorna was not like that. Some may say she was insignificant, but the availability for her husband and her children, the constancy which she brought to their home and family, her faithfulness and reliability, no-one on earth could ever measure. That worth and impact which she made on their lives, continues today through the lives of her children as they live out that influence she had upon them.

Heather would like to thank all concerned at Mitchell House, for making their mum happy over the last four years of her life.

Heather remembers her

mum as a great mother. She taught them so many proven skills, that they still use successfully today.

One of those was sewing lessons. Lorna would pile herself and the girls into the car and off they went to Yallourn where their sewing teacher Mrs. Reed lived. Lessons cost two pounds. They would go to Sharp's in Morwell to buy material. Lorna continued to teach Margaret and Heather to sew. When the Traralgon Show

was coming up, Lorna would always make the girls a new dress before the time, but they were not to wear it before the Show! Heather fondly remembers the rag doll Lorna made for her, which was part of her life for many years.

The home made bread was lovely. It was baked in the old wood stove. This went on for about fifteen years, it wasn't just a new thing. The yeast came from Melbourne on the train. If Lorna ran out of bread, the children would have scones in their school lunch. When the children got home from their three and a half mile ride on bikes from Hazelwood North school, there was some home made cookies on the table. When Bill was in hospital, she would make apple pies, bread and butter pudding and sago for him. Heather is able to use lots of her mum's ideas at Brookfield Park Hostel where she is a cook. Some of the favourites are canary pudding, lemon filling sponge, lemon sago, and Boston bun.

When the fruit trees were loaded, Lorna would climb on a 44 gallon drum and lean out of the tree to pick the fruit. Apricots and apples were hung on strings on the verandah to dry. Laurel berry jam had a nutty flavour was made. These trees were found in an old orchard in the Jeeralang hills. Apricot jam was one of Lorna's specials. She soaked the kernels in water over night to remove the skin, then she cooked the kernels and apricots up together to improve the flavour.

Anzac biscuits were a great favourite. Lorna's hint was to add more water than the recipe said. If Lorna ran out of jam jars, Bill got a hot iron ring, put it in a fire, heated it and then placed it around the lower part of a sauce or beer type bottle. This would heat the bottle enough so that if you gave it a twist and a crack it would break off cleanly, forming a new jam jar.

Heather remembers Lorna's solution to coats being forgotten. It was the use of potato bags, with the corners together, used as coats, which Heather says kept them lovely and warm. Heather also says things that remind her of her Mum are lemon butter, ginger beer, pickles, preserved fruit and tomatoes, tomato sauce, home made soap, darning socks and turning sheets (outsides to middle), embroidery, and chasing the cat off the table. Heather expresses her love for her dear mum and thanks her for all she did. There must be many in this community who also shared Lorna's love and generosity.

Rest in peace, Lorna, with your Saviour Jesus.



# Gambling: its effects: the way back



Gambling has a huge adverse impact on people of all ages in our society. People can be subtly drawn into the web, and then become trapped by the 'spider'. Realising and admitting you have a problem is the first step to achieving a level of control.

Problem gamblers deal with their addiction in many and varied ways. The problem is not measured by how much a person gambles, but by how the gambling affects their life and the lives of those around them. The following scenario is an example of how things may develop.

In the early stages, when people realise they have a problem, they may hide their addiction from their family and friends, resorting to different strategies to cope with the rising debts,

e.g. borrowing money from family and friends, robbing Peter to pay Paul, visiting Welfare agencies for food and other essentials, lying about what their money has been spent on,

hocking the video, or other valuables, telling their spouse/partner that their purse or wallet was stolen or lost, and even having their credit card and bank statements redirected to another address so that family members don't know on what they are spending their money.

Unpaid bills and little food in cupboards can be indicators. When such gamblers realise that they have exhausted all their strategies without overcoming their problem, they can hit desperation point. At worst, people have contemplated suicide.

But help is always available: Anglicare specialises in the area of helping those who have a problem through their Gamblers Help program.

For those people yet to make, or waiting on, an appointment with Gamblers Help at Anglicare, suggested strategies which could assist in tackling their addiction include: telling their spouse/partner and gaining their support

and help, destroying credit cards and EFTPOS cards, then letting the spouse/partner handle the household money.

However, a gambling problem is more often symptomatic of underlying problems, so whilst taking these steps may prove to be a turning point, the underlying factors also need to be recognised and dealt with.

Gambling is one of those society issues that receives little public attention, and is hidden to a great extent within families.

There are many families and individuals suffering feelings of shame, embarrassment, and guilt. Guilt is so powerful it often prevents a person seeking assistance. By the time the family realises the extent of the problem, the family may be in a state of crisis.

The gambling problem often creates a state of considerable conflict within the family, causing fights and arguments.

With unpaid bills, lack of food, even threat of loss of home and contents, trust between family members is often greatly diminished. Broken promises and deception, add to the feelings of betrayal.

It can take a problem gambler months, even years, before they realise they have a problem that needs addressing.

The easy accessibility of poker machines can exacerbate the problem. Some people never admit they have a problem, but for family members it remains an ongoing problem. But they are able to seek help independently.

For those who do seek help, it can be a long road back, to re-establish trust with family and friends. It also relies greatly on the positive desire of the person to overcome the problem, with the right motivation.

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ITS time to meet the H2Y team. They are outstanding young people from Churchill Primary School, Lumen Christi, Churchill North Primary School and Kurnai. These are the young people that are providing a different voice for the Churchill community.

## SPORTS DAY



OVER the past few months the members of H2y (the Churchill Youth Group) have been hard at work organizing a sports day between Churchill Primary School, Lumen Christi and Churchill North Primary school.

This day was held on the 22nd of July and the aim was to have the students from all

A lot was done in preparation for the day and all of the members of H2y played a vital role in the organization.

On the day there were 4 sports that the grade 5/6's from each school could participate in. These included t-ball, soccer, volleyball and netball.



schools interacting with each other as they would not normally get the chance.

The day consisted of the three schools congregating at both Churchill Primary School and Lumen Christi.

The teams were mixed both by gender and school. The day was a complete success and a fun time was had by all. Every one is looking forward to the next one.



# --- Youth Yard ---

## MYTH - Chapter 2

### Close encounter of the green kind

MYTH - Chapter 2: Close encounter of the green kind

This chapter of MYTH was submitted by Jazzman.

FROSTBITE explained to Nigel about an incident that occurred when Frostbite was 16 years-old. Apparently he was trapped in a freezing, ice filled cave located in the side of a mountain called 'The Decapitator'. By the time he escaped, he was almost entirely covered with frostbites (hence the name).

Frostbite never revealed what he was doing there in the first place, though Nigel figured there was a good enough reason for it.

For several minutes Frostbite stood dead still, not budging and just blankly staring into nothingness. He was thinking. It was quite obvious for Nigel to realise this as he had done the same thing before.

Frostbite's thoughts were interrupted when someone entered the room. "Frostbite?" said the man "Frostbite, you are required to fulfil an urgent mission!"

Frostbite followed the man out of the room, but even then Nigel was definite that Frostbite was thinking about something else, something that he failed to tell Nigel beforehand.

Darrowin was also silent, "You alright?" Nigel asked. Darrowin looked up at Nigel and replied with a quick: "I'm fine."

No more than a minute had passed when the man that led Frostbite away returned. "Hey, you two!" he said impolitely "Commander Vib wants to see you, he said it was important!"

Darrowin walked with the man outside the room, closely followed by a curious Nigel.

After walking up several staircases and navigating through countless rooms, Darrowin and Nigel finally came across the so-called: Commander Vib.

"I have summoned you to fulfil a mission." Vib explained "There are severe consequences if you fail, so simply don't fail." Nigel was shaking like a jitterbug as Vib continued with the mission overview.

"You will travel to Radiu where you will collect secret supplies from a man named Fergus, you are

dismissed."

"We will begin our parting immediately sir!" said Darrowin.

Darrowin and Nigel started their journey to Radiu some time later and were almost three quarters of the way there when Nigel wanted to ask Darrowin yet another question...

"What is it this time Nigel?" Darrowin asked impatiently.

"I was just wondering how you found me before, you know, in the forest?" said Nigel. Darrowin opened his mouth but nothing came out.

"What's the matter Darrowin?" Nigel asked "You look like you've seen a ghost!" "Not quite..." Darrowin said slowly. "Nigel, look out!"

Nigel turned around quickly and found himself face to face with a green faced creature more commonly known as an orc.

Nigel jumped backwards and hid behind Darrowin for protection. However Darrowin handed a long sword to Nigel and shoved him towards the orc. As a matter of fact there wasn't just one orc, but five ugly, angry looking orcs.

"Get 'em boys!" cried one of the orcs and led the other four into battle. Darrowin clenched his fists and charged towards the orc leader, sword in hand. Nigel was a tad bit wary of going into a direct conflict with the creatures and hid behind a small tree while Darrowin was busy spilling orc blood and cutting down ugly green creatures.

"Hey Raiden," said an orc.

"Yeah?" replied the orc, Raiden.

"Let's get the heck out of here!" the first orc went on "Before the dark elf notices us chatting..."

Darrowin caught sight of the social savages and armed himself with his bow, aiming an arrow at one of the orc's heads. Unfortunately, the two orcs escaped before Darrowin had a chance to fire.

Nigel moved slowly away from his protective tree and ran over to Darrowin shouting "Hooray!!!"

Darrowin didn't show any sign of emotion or recognition of his victory. Darrowin just wiped the blood from his sword and put it away in a special case fastened to his belt...

To be continued...

Next chapter: Monstrosity in Radiu...

## IF YOU

BY Jade

If you look in your heart, you'll find something nice.

If you look in your soul, you'll find someone special and great.

If you find me somewhere, you'll find my heart.

If you find me somewhere you'll be remembered for all the good times, and hopefully not the bad.

If you judge me now, you will make me mad.

I'll find you somewhere I promise you that I will find you and yell at you for making me mad.

If you hurt my feelings I will hurt yours back.

If you don't know how I feel by now you don't know me at all.

If you apologise to me, I'll let you know you're my friend, and that's all you need to know.

## My New Dog

TODAY I got a pet dog.

Her name is Sara.

She is so cute! She is a 3 year old Bichon Frise.

I bet you're all wondering what a Bichon Frise is. Well I'll tell you.

Have you ever heard of a Maltese Shitsu? Well if you have heard of it, a Bichon Frise is like a Maltese Shitsu but the Maltese Shitsu has long flat hair and the Bichon Frise has short curly hair.

Sara is so cute and very protective. Whenever anyone walks past that she doesn't know she always barks and growls at them.

She is very smart.

Whenever we fed her the dry food she never ate it so we added some beef.

Now she eats the beef and leaves the dry food.

She needs her hair to be brushed almost every day because it's so curly.

We really love Sara.





# Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



## CROSSED PATHS COME TOGETHER

### Jacky and Robert Doherty

Jacky Rogers was born in Birmingham, England in 1947. She left there with her family in 1952, arriving in Melbourne in February. The family, Mum, Dad, sisters Linda and Jacky, travelled on the "SS Ranchi." Two fires onboard made that her last voyage.

The Rogers went to Yallourn South to the Migrant Camps, and stayed in Nissan huts. There was bush all around and the thrill of seeing kangaroos, seemingly 20ft tall, is a vivid memory.

Robert's family left the camp as the Rogers arrived. It rained heavily that February and the unseasonable weather created huge puddles which became the subject of a puddle jumping game. There wasn't much to do. Everyone was looking for work.

A hitch in proceedings prevented the family from going to South Africa so Australia became the choice. Jacky says it was a good one. Her Dad was a motor mechanic and before long he secured a job at Kelly Bros. in Morwell. Jacky remembers the fun she and Linda had in the office, particularly with the typewriter. Jacky's dad became great friends with Mr. Kelly.

Because Jacky's dad had no transport Kelly Bros allowed them use of a house in Elgin St. Morwell, where the Greek Orthodox Church is now.

Jacky remembers the circus set up at the Town Common. Sewerage pipes were being laid for new houses and Jacky remembers riding her bike up and down over the humps of dirt. All the local children came to play. From their backyard they could look over the fence at the weddings taking place at the church.

Neighbours called them the "Wash Houses" as they referred to their laundry as a washhouse. Linda and Jacky were devastated at this name calling. The Presbyterian Church had a playgroup. Jacky was too old, but she loved to sit on the wooden steps and watch proceedings.

She loved school and her teachers and did all the right things. She was the milk monitor. High school was a different matter. Morwell High School which was newly built, was a place she hated as she did the teachers, declaring she could see no reason for what they did!

When Jacky was 13 her maternal grandmother died, leaving her mother a sufficient inheritance for her to be able to design and have built a house in Maryvale Road. They moved in near Crinigan Road Primary School.

Jacky left high school before finishing Year 10. Her mother said she couldn't leave unless she had a job, thinking Jacky wouldn't get one. But at age 15 she started work at Faulkner's Deli (corner Tarwin Street and Commercial Road.). It is now an estate agency. It was a happy productive time for Jacky. She learnt lots about the goods that were bought in bulk (sugar, pickles, flour), where they came from and the weights and measures used. Whole cheeses came in cheesecloth and were cut with a wire. Jacky worked bagging, cutting and serving. Bread had to be bagged when it arrived from the bakery. Meats were sliced and so were fingers!

Jacky often went to the footy with the lady from the shop, even though she didn't like footy it was a way of filling in time. The high school boyfriend became the fiancé for awhile before they broke up.

Jacky's Mum died of thrombosis. Linda had married and was away on her honeymoon. Dad had gone to Eucumbene fishing. He was hard to contact being in an isolated spot. Jacky was home on her own. Mr. Des Kelly flew to Eucumbene and brought her Dad back for the funeral. After that Jacky walked to Kelly Bros. in the evening after work, and got a ride home with her dad who was the Workshop Manager.

Robert Doherty's young brother, Peter, who was married to Mary, was her Dad's assistant. Jacky spent time at weekends with Peter and Mary. When they moved into a flat Robert came to help Peter and Mary and that's how Jacky met Robert and they started going out. Robert was living at home helping with family expenses. His Mum was happy when they became engaged. Robert moved into a flat in Madden Street. They married in March 1967 at St. Mary's Anglican Church and had the reception at Kernot Hall Yallourn. They lived in Madden Street until the August when they moved into their house in Churchill. Jacky was expecting their first baby.

Robert Doherty was born in Liverpool England in 1940. He was educated at St. Michaels in the Hamlet. The family moved to Secombe for about 12 months where he went to school. He was very interested in reading.

The family (Mum, Dad, Robert and Peter) sailed for Australia from Tilbury on the S.S Otranto in January 1950. Robert still has

a copy of the passenger list!

They disembarked at Adelaide and went to Murray-Bridge where Robert's aunt was matron at the hospital. She had arranged for a farmer friend to sponsor the family in return for working on the farm in Jervois across the river from Tailem Bend.

The children, Robert and Peter, went to school on the bus which travelled from Wellington to Murray-Bridge. If the bus broke down an old Packard with a trailer was used. With a smaller capacity it was usually full by the time it got to their place, so joyfully, there was no school that day for them.

The 12 months or so on the farm was not always happy. The boys were in fights at school, being called unsavoury names because they were immigrants.

Robert continued his interest in books, becoming a member of the lending library in Adelaide. In early 1951 with his mother pregnant, the family moved to Yallourn South Migrant Camp, where Brian was born.

John Beck was the principal at the Camp School whose pupils were all migrants' children. Life was better. It was a consolidated school with two other teachers. Robert was in 5th grade.

His Dad secured a job with a contractor building, maybe, 'C' station.

In 1952 the family moved to Lae Court in Morwell and Robert attended grade 6 at Commercial Road Primary School. He just missed meeting Jacky! They then moved to Derham's Hill Workers Compound near Derham's Lane, built for A.P.M. workers in 1953.

That year Robert went to Yallourn Technical College. He cycled over each day with Gilbert Powter in good weather or caught the bus whilst Peter went to Wells Street Extension School near the present Leisure Centre and former bus depot site.

Robert followed the curriculum for the 3 years of 1953-1955, finishing with a Junior Technical Certificate. He was 4th or 5th in his form, but missed out on a scholarship. So he left school.

The family then moved to Robertson Street. In 1956, Robert, age 15 years, secured a job at the A.P.M. as a mail delivery boy (bike with a basket) going all over the mill site.

Robert worked for 41 years at the mill taking a package in 1997.

During his time at the mill he joined the Early Years Correspondence course for accountancy doing night school at Yallourn Tech. He was now 18 and had a car, but even so it was a long haul and very difficult. He was still doing this course nine years later when he met Jacky. However, due to this course he was able to rise through the ranks at the mill, first in the pay office, accounting section as cost clerk for 2 ½ years, then general relief for accounting group in the early 1960s. He had a relief job in Tasmania for 1 month. Next it was the Capital records to all areas of the system of administration in mill, taking over the top job from John Koedijk in the Finishing room.

In 1977 Robert took a career change and joined the construction division at A.P.M. as an accounting clerk. He became Project Accountant from 1984 -1997 before finishing his career as Project Administration Manager. During his time in the construction division it was responsible for the building of plant No. 4 and No. 5, the rebuilding of plant No. 3 and installation of paper machines and plant.

He met Jacky through brother Peter who died a year later as a result of two bouts of Rheumatic Fever at age 13, aged 26.

Robert declares he was not interested in romance. His interests lay in cars and doing them up. But he says, "we met, we clicked, and the chemistry was right!"

In 1967 they married at St. Mary's and spent a touring honeymoon to Terrigal, Canberra, South Australia and Queensland. They survived a car accident and being pregnant with Alan who was born on Boxing Day 1967. Fourteen months later Kylie arrived followed twelve months later by Leah.

The Doherty's had been able to scrape up the \$200 required to put a deposit on their house in Churchill. Jacky had always wanted a two storey place! They had no furniture but a mattress which went on the lounge room floor. Later a cot was bought. With no fridge food had to be bought as needed. Nappies were washed by hand. They went to Myers and bought the kitchen table and chairs



and lounge suite which could convert into a bed if needed, a corner table and a twin tub washing machine.

As the family grew a bigger car was necessary so a Vanguard was purchased. Jacky wanted an English pram. It had 18 inch wheels. The body could detach and go on the back seat, the wheels in the boot. It cost \$156 which was a big price, but it has served all the children, grandchildren and a few extras.

Eight years after Leah arrived, Travers was born in 1978. Another seven year gap followed before Jamie arrived in 1985.

1988 was a big year. In March Leah and Ray married. In April Elyse was born three months premature, Kylie and Mark married, they celebrated Alan's 21st and drove to Expo in Queensland. In 1993 Caitlin was born.

During those years Jacky worked hard for the community, supporting her children at Churchill Primary School for 33 years, working at the canteen, going on camps with the children etc., and on the Mother's Club. She also worked at the Watson Park Kindergarten. There was no Infant Welfare Centre in the early days, so babies were taken to the Kinder to be weighed. She served on the committee to establish an Infant Welfare Centre and Hall, working with Liz Ollquist, Barbara Sambell, Kay Radford, Ellen Spain, Mary Anders, Jean Watts, Jacky Foote and others.

Travers was a soccer player as was Alan before him so she supported the club by running raffles and other fundraisers.

Jacky also helped with the Neighbourhood House in its early days in the Glendonald area.

Jacky loved square dancing. Once she taught 500 school children to square dance, so they could put on a demonstration on the race track for Race Season. On top of all this Jacky worked on and off in the cafeteria at the mill. The money earned often paid for the overseas trips that were taken.

For 25 years Jacky has attended the Assemblies of God Church in Morwell. Jacky participated in Royal Rangers, a Christian based program, for seven years, attending camps and jamborees overseas. She says they had a great time.

Robert volunteers two days a week at the Church now, golf taking a back step as the more important work at the Church takes precedence. They operate a Work for the Dole Program and a self help program which is getting people off the streets and many into work.

Jacky is involved there with the Valley Care Program which supports 50-60 families fortnightly with food parcels, furniture and clothing.

Jacky's strong faith held her in good stead as three years ago she was diagnosed with cancer and had to have chemotherapy. The cancer has since returned but Jacky believes she can overcome the difficulties with her faith.

Leah and Ray live in Churchill and have four children. Kylie and Mark moved to Bundaberg and also have four children. Alan and Maki divorced and Alan has custody of their two girls. Travers lives in Traralgon with his fiancée Lisa. They have a five year old son. Jamie is with her boyfriend in Morwell. Elyse is in Year 12 and working part time. She and Caitlin live at home.

This is a family that has contributed much to our community over 35 years. Like all families they have experienced their hard times. But through it all Jacky's faith in God has been a strong support. They are quiet but effective achievers.

# Health Tips

## Drugs and Teenagers

Drugs - teenagers

Adolescence is typically a period of experimentation, irrespective of parenting skills and influence. Young men are more likely than young women to experiment with illegal drugs. Marijuana is the most common illegal drug used by teenagers, with around two thirds having tried it at least once.

Parents typically worry about their child becoming hooked on drugs, but the harder varieties such as heroin, cocaine and ecstasy are tried or used by only a small minority of adolescents. The real threat to any teenager's health is the use of social drugs like alcohol and tobacco. Teenagers who smoke and drink are more inclined to try other drugs than teenagers who abstain. There is evidence to suggest that a teenager is more likely to smoke and drink if their parents do.

Reasons for taking drugs

It is commonly believed that teenagers turn to drugs when depressed or unhappy, but most try drugs simply for fun. Other common reasons include:

Socialising with friends

Peer pressure, or the need to feel part of a group

Relaxation

Boredom

Curiosity.

Commonly used drugs

Alcohol and tobacco are the two most commonly used drugs amongst teenagers. There is

some evidence to suggest that parents are so alarmed at the thought of their children using 'harder' drugs, that smoking and drinking are considered lesser, and therefore more acceptable, evils. Estimated rates of teenage drug use according to a recent Australian survey include:

Alcohol - eight out of 10 have tried drinking at least once, with one in three consuming alcohol in the week prior to the survey.

Cigarettes - two out of three have tried smoking.

Marijuana - two out of three have tried marijuana at least once, making it the most common illegal drug used by teenagers.

Inhalants - such as petrol, glue and solvents, have been tried at least once by one in four teenagers.

Hallucinogens - tried at least once by five teenagers in every hundred.

Amphetamines - tried at least once by four teenagers in every hundred.

Heroin, cocaine, ecstasy - tried at least once by three teenagers in every hundred.

Soft drugs leading to hard drugs

Many parents are concerned that if their child tries marijuana, it will only be a matter of time before they progress to harder drugs, such as heroin. The theory that soft drug use automatically leads to the use of harder drugs is one of the main reasons why marijuana remains an illegal substance. However, there is no evidence to support this theory. The majority of teenagers who smoke marijuana will never become hard drug

users

Preventing drug use

There are no parenting skills or behaviours that guarantee a child will never touch drugs. However, parents and guardians can reduce the possibility of experimentation in a number of ways, including:

Foster a close and trusting relationship with your child from an early age.

Model appropriate behaviour such as drinking moderately and being a non-smoker.

Encourage a healthy approach to life including good foods, regular exercise and sports.

Encourage your child to have more than one group of friends.

Allow your child to practise responsibility and good decision making skills from an early age.

Educate your child on the dangers of drug use.

Don't try and scare your child off drugs, since research shows clearly that shock tactics aren't effective.

If you suspect your child is taking drugs

Mood swings, a drop in schooling performance, different friends and a changed appearance may all signal a teenager's drug use - or they may not. Suggestions for suspicious parents include:

If possible, don't react on your first impulse give yourself time to think.

Resist the urge to snoop or search your child's room or belongings for evidence.

Research drugs so that you have the facts.

Raise your concerns calmly with your child when you both feel relaxed.

If your child is taking drugs, don't issue ultimatums.

Try to educate your child on the health and lifestyle risks.

You may have to accept that an older teenager will not stop taking their drug, no matter what you say.

If your child gets into trouble with the police or has to go to court, support them, but let them cope with the consequences, such as paying their own fines.

Where to get help

Your doctor

Alcohol and Drugs Direct Line Tel. 1800 136 385

Parentline Tel. 132 289

If an overdose is suspected, call 000 for an ambulance immediately.

Things to remember

Alcohol and tobacco are the most common drugs used by teenagers.

Teenagers use drugs for many reasons: for fun, out of curiosity, to feel part of a group or to cope with feelings of depression or stress.

There is no evidence to support the theory that using 'soft' drugs, like marijuana, will automatically lead to 'hard' drug use.

This article has been sourced by Hazelwood Health to provide up-to-date information on topical subjects.



By David Guthrie, President

Volunteers from Glendonald Residents Group have been busy in the past month organizing some local activities. Our volunteers, like those of other community organizations, work hard for the benefit of many. Thankyou all!

During the recent school holidays a "Christmas in July" lunchtime activity for local children was held at the Churchill Town Hall. Approx 40 children participated in games and craft activities supervised by a team of volunteers. Other volunteers prepared a lunch of vanilla pancakes with a range of toppings to suit all tastes, handed out cartons of flavoured milk and served a selection of fruit, before helping to clean up afterwards.

Sunday 31 July was National Tree Planting Day and volunteers from GRG were busy in Glendonald Park, planting native shrubs in garden beds, weeding and picking up rubbish, while others prepared lunch for the workers. GRG would like to thank Latrobe City Council for purchasing the seedlings on our behalf.

Other volunteers have been distributing newsletters and information fliers to residents in Glendonald. The vacant shop window in Churinga Dve (next to Glendonald Pizza) contains a display of photos and other general information. Children are often seen looking at the latest photos for pictures of themselves and friends!

GRG has been able to arrange an accredited training program at Churchill Neighbourhood Centre for some of Churchill's volunteers. The course has been sponsored by DHS Neighbourhood Renewal and is being conducted by a trainer from Gippsland Accommodation and Rehabilitation Support Services (GARSS). Volunteering is not just about serving the community; it's also a way of making new friends, learning different skills and having fun. Volunteering is also a pathway to further training and employment opportunities.

GRG Inc.'s Annual General Meeting will be held in

## Busy Volunteers



Trent Rosewall and Leanne Blake

Glendonald Kindergarten at 6pm on Tuesday 30 August, followed by pizza and our regular monthly meeting. Childcare is provided. All residents of Glendonald are welcome to attend.

GRG Inc can be contacted at PO Box 245, Churchill or by phoning the Secretary, Barbara James, on 5122 1407



## Neighbourhood Watch Be Aware

By PETER MCSHANE, Area Manager, Neighbourhood Watch

I have received a number of calls recently asking why there are not more Disabled Parking Bays in the Churchill Shopping Centre.

My answer to each enquiry has been to ask them to check with the Body Corporate at the Shopping Centre and if unable to receive any satisfactory response there, then to ask their local Councillors Darrell White and Bob Smith if there is any assistance they can provide to help rectify such an obvious deficiency in our Community.

There is an obvious need for a bay or two adjacent to the Hazelwood Health Centre and also spaces near the Chemist.

While I realise that the Shopping Centre is not Council controlled, our representatives should be the cutting edge of our thrust for a fair deal.

We need to become more aware of the needs of the disabled in our Community as we are an aging group and somebody we know is definitely being disadvantaged by this administrative oversight.

**Contact your local Councillor and ask them to drive this request for a fair deal for the disabled.**

### POLICE REPORT

Rather a busy month which included some complaints about troublesome Motor Vehicles and Monkey Bikes. Report these Hoons, Street Rodders and other lawbreakers to the local Police so that they can build a case history on these offenders.

**Crime Statistics** are as follows

Fraser Cres - Property damage to house front and vehicle

McCarthy St - Property damage to front yard

Fraser Cres - Property damage to

front yard

Cedar Court - Theft from motor vehicle

Monash Way - Theft from Service Station

Daly Court - Theft from house

Rae Cres - Theft of motor vehicle from house

Maple Cres - Theft from front of house

Maple Cres - Theft of bicycle from front of house

As you can see thefts from houses should make us more aware of the need to secure our own property.

Put bikes, scooters etc in a shed or at least in the back yard, lock our houses and vehicles no matter how short a time we intend to be away.

**Be aware, Be alert, Take care.**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

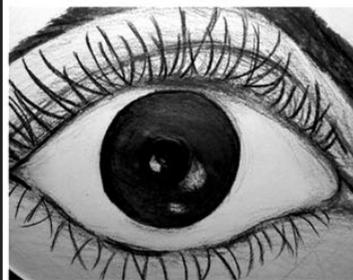
OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING which was to be held last month was deferred for a month due to the illness/absence of a number of our stalwarts.

**The new date is Thursday August 18 at 7.30 pm at the Churchill Leisure Centre and we would love to see new faces from all over Churchill.** Please come along and provide your thoughts on the scope of Neighbourhood Watch in Churchill.

Do you want it to cover the entire town? Then enjoy a cuppa and nibble after the meeting as we'd love to see you and hear your comments.

Peter McShane can be contacted on 51221745 or email

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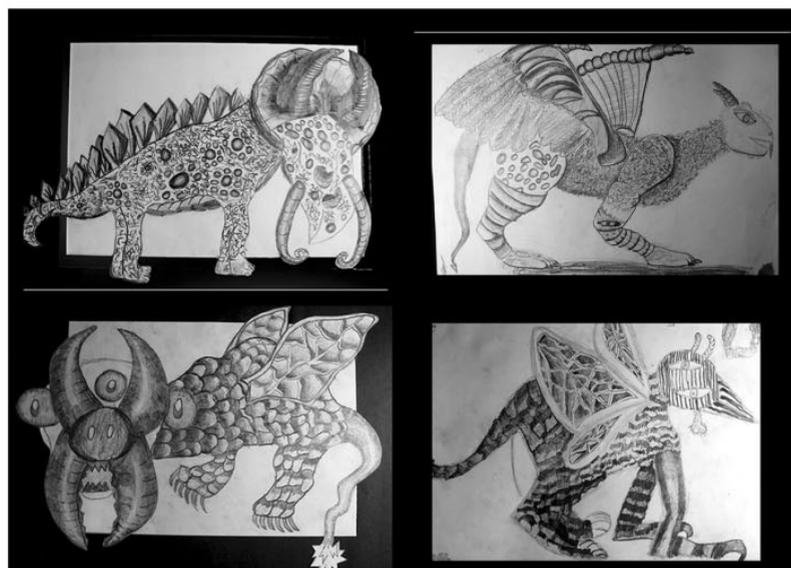
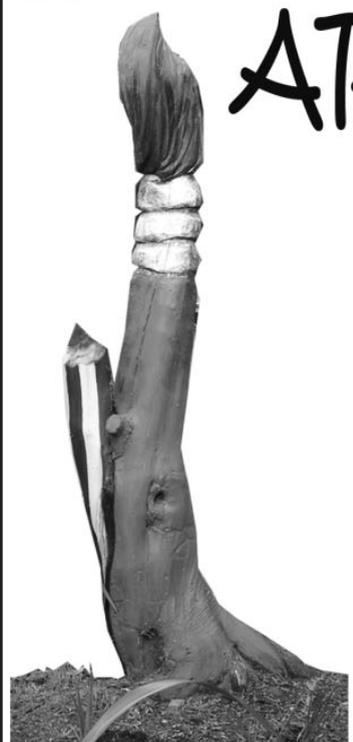
Students from Year 4/5 at Hazelwood North Primary School sketching with Kurnai Churchill teacher Mr Ross Fitzpatrick



Phoebe from Yinnar Primary School with Scallywag

The annual Churchill Art Exhibition was opened by College Principal Margaret Corcoran on 19/0705. The event was very well attended with a large number of staff, parents and students looking at the wide selection of student work on display. As always, the quality of the work on display is a credit to the effort of the Churchill students and their teachers. The fact that the exhibition was so successful was due in large measure to the hours of work put in by the Art Faculty: Jo Drury, Terry Key and Ross Fitzpatrick. Congratulations to them all on a job well done.

# ART EXHIBITION



Bush Dancing at Yinnar South Primary School

## Kurnai College Churchill Campus



Preps and Bears at Churchill Primary School

Nicko and Shelley playing the West African Drums at Churchill Primary School



# \*\*\*CHILDREN'S CORNER\*\*\*

## Birthdayite!



Alexandra BENNETT  
of Yinnar, 10 years on 14th July

This July "Birthdayite" was all smiles as she was presented with a \$15 voucher for Churchill Newsagency by John Barker from the Lions Club of Churchill & District. She was

chosen at random from the July list. This could have been you - make sure you join so you also have the chance to be a lucky "Birthdayite".



HARRY POTTER  
COLOURING!  
MAGIC IN SOME  
BRIGHT COLOURS!

### LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB

Proudly sponsored by the  
Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc.

Hi Kids,

If you are under 12 years old you can join the club. Ask your Mum, Dad, Guardian or Carer to ring the Editor of the CHURCHILL AND DISTRICT NEWS on 5122 2589 or write to

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB  
PO BOX 110  
CHURCHILL 3842



with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, BIRTHDATE, and whether BOY or GIRL. We need more members so please join NOW.

The lucky "Birthdayites" for July were  
**Alexandra Bennett and Courtney Hooineyer**

**BIRTHDAYITES FOR AUGUST 2005**

Ethan BERTOLI	3 years
Katelin LUGTON	9 years
Zachary McLURE	9 years
Shyanne POST	3 years

The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" for August are  
**ZACHERY McLURE and SHYANNE POST**

Congratulations, you have each won a \$15 voucher for Churchill Newsagency. We will contact you soon..

John Barker                      Publicity

## HARRY POTTER WORD SEARCH

Harry Potter - Prisoner of Azkaban

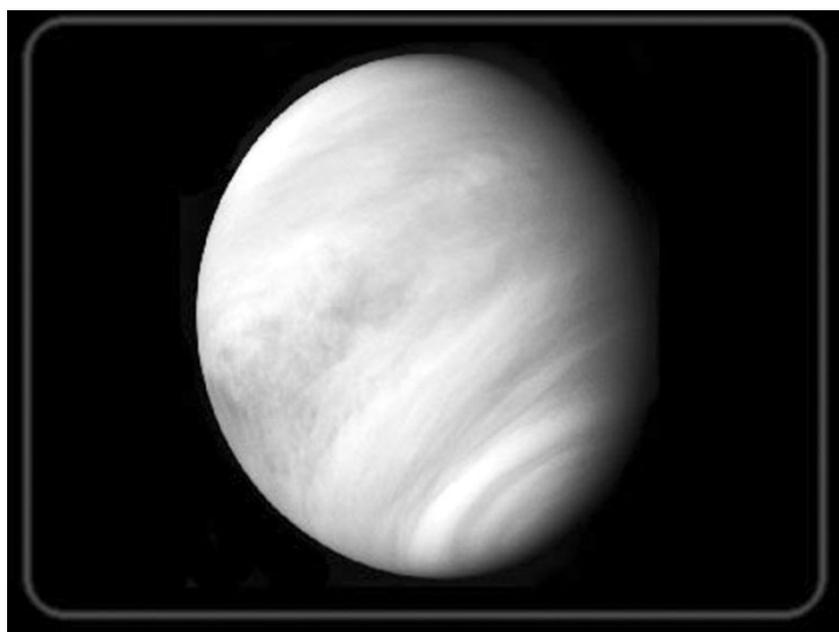
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# VENUS

## THE BRIGHT 'EVENING STAR'



By JEFF SING

Brilliant Venus, given clear skies tonight, will appear at medium-high altitude just after sunset. The 'evening star,' as it is called, has been rising higher each successive night over the preceding two months. To the ancients the evening star was known as Hesperus (from the Greek word: 'Hesperos', meaning 'western') because it heralded the coming of night, but the term is rarely used nowadays.

The morning star was known as 'Phosphorus' (from the Greek word: 'light bearer') because it signaled the coming of day.

The ancients believed the morning and evening 'wandering' stars were two different objects, and named them accordingly.

The sparkling planet's altitude is steadily climbing since the time after superior conjunction, when Venus is on the opposite side of the Sun from the Earth and consequently obscured by the Sun. However, Venus' increase in altitude is a slow one, culminating in November.

The planet will not only rise higher over the following few months but will set gradually later as each night progresses.

Watch for the emergence of Venus becoming brighter as it grows more prominent over the coming weeks and months.

Tonight the inner planet is the brightest object in the sky apart from a six day old, half-illuminated Moon. Venus sets about 8.15 p.m. tonight followed by the Moon around 11.30 p.m. The best time to view Venus is shortly after sunset and the corresponding hour and a half afterwards before it loses too much altitude following

the Sun.

Between the Moon and Venus shines Jupiter, the second brightest planet in the sky. Tonight Jupiter sets about 1½ hours after Venus does. Saturn is now overpowered by the Sun's glare, while Mars rises just before midnight. Mercury is close to the Sun but will appear in the dawn sky later in the month.

Uranus is visible most of the night. Neptune is visible all night and transits the meridian (due north, at its highest) at midnight.

Uranus and Neptune require binoculars and a good star chart to locate them. Pluto is high in the north but requires a telescope of at least 20cm in diameter to reveal it, and a very detailed star atlas in order to find it.

Not far below the Moon is not a planet but a bright star called Spica, the brightest star in the constellation of Virgo, the Maiden.

Jupiter spends the months of August and September inching closer to Spica. Spica is the 16th brightest star in the entire sky, including both the northern and southern hemispheres.

Venus, Jupiter, Spica and the Moon will present an interesting display of configurations and close encounters during August and September.

On September 1 Jupiter and Venus will approach within 1.3 degrees of each other; or the width of two full Moon diameters, side by side. This will not be as close as the rare alignment of Venus, Saturn and Mercury during the last week of June - over six weeks ago.

The two brightest planets in the entire sky, near each other, provide a spectacular view.

Venus will remain an evening star until the end of January next year when it nears the Sun. The inner planet spends about seven months as

an evening star not long after superior conjunction when east of the Sun; and about seven months as a morning star after inferior conjunction (when Venus is between the Earth and Sun) then west of the Sun.

Following Venus' appearance as a morning star, the planet will be obscured 'behind' the Sun as it nears superior conjunction for about five months before it returns as an evening star.

Venus takes 584 days (19 months) to complete its journey around the Sun but only in relation to the Earth. This is called its synodic period. (The term 'synodic' comes from the Greek word 'synodos' which means 'coming together, or assembly'.)

The synodic period for an inner planet, such as Mercury and Venus, occurs when the planet completes its cycle of phases, just like our Moon, with respect to the Earth and Sun. It is measured from one inferior conjunction to the next.

On the other hand, the sidereal ('sidereal' means 'star') period of Venus is 225 days long - or the time it takes to revolve around the Sun once with respect to the stars. The Earth takes 365 ¼ days to orbit around the Sun.

Venus, being an inner planet, never strays more than 48 degrees from the Sun or about halfway up from the horizon to the zenith, the point directly overhead.

This is called its greatest elongation. As an evening star Venus sets up to 3½ hours after sunset at greatest eastern elongation, or when Venus is at the maximum angular distance from the Sun - as seen from the Earth.

This event occurs on November 3 when Venus reaches 47 degrees east of the Sun. Venus will then set just before midnight, daylight savings time.

Venus is a curious, but very inhospitable planet. The inner planet is the hottest in the solar system by virtue of its runaway greenhouse effect caused by a very thick atmosphere of 96% car-

bon dioxide. The hottest spot on Venus is around 500 degrees Celsius.

In next month's issue I'll discuss the 'Greenhouse Effect on Venus' in greater detail.

Venus rotates once on its axis every 243 days, but in a retrograde (backwards) direction. The axis of Venus is tilted 177 degrees to the ecliptic (the plane of the earth's orbit around the Sun).

This means that Venus is inclined to its equator by only 3 degrees, so there are no seasons on Venus as the Sun shines permanently over its equator. Perhaps a large impact sometime in the early formation of the planet caused Venus to turn on its side.

The Earth's equator, on the other hand, is tilted 23½ degrees to the ecliptic, providing four seasons for the Earth's inhabitants.

If it was possible to see the Sun from the surface of Venus it would rise in the west, instead of the east (as it does on the Earth).

On June 8, 2004 Venus crossed the face of the Sun, which lasted about 1½ hours from our location in the Latrobe Valley. On June 6, 2012 Venus will again transit the Sun but this time will take six hours to cross the solar disk.

After the 2012 event, the next transit of Venus won't occur for another 105.5 years - on December 11, 2117.

The Latrobe Valley Astronomical Society meets next at the Wirilda Environment Park conference centre; near Tyers on Tuesday 13 September starting at 7.30 p.m.

Details of the program for the night will appear in next months issue. For further information contact Gavan Dinsdale on 51746453 or visit the society's website at <http://home.vic-net.net.au/~lvas>



### Sports

## Churchill Monash Golf Club Results



Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford, 19.6.05  
V Monument 32pts. DTL: D Taylor 30pts. NTP: 3rd L Maher, 5th D Taylor.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Foursome Championships, 21.6.05  
S Jeffery/Di Scurlock 203. Handicap: S Jeffery/Di Scurlock (221/2) 158.

Day Comp: K Raber/P Hrynyszyn 79.  
Saturday Men's Comp: Pairs Championship Round 4 AGG, 2.7.05

Winners: K Hills (35), C Flannigan (34) (69).  
Runner Up: F Debono (37), N Hutchinson (31) (68).  
DTL: C Waterman 32 / A Casey 33 = (65), D Shields 32 / P Shields 33 = (65), L Walker 31 / W Peter 32 = (64). NTP: 3rd C Waterman, 5th P Fitzmaurice, 12th Sedge 14th. Birdies: 3rd Sedge, 14th P Fitzmaurice.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford, 3.7.05 CCR68  
Winner: J Ambrosini 33pts. DTL: L Maher 30pts.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford, 3.7.05 CCR70  
H Croft 31pts. NTP: 5th J Maher

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Medal Stroke, 5.7.05 CCR70

Scratch: M McConville 92. Handicap and medal: M McConville (22) 70. DTL: M McDonald (34) 71, C Gardam (28) 75, K Raber (29) 78 C/B. NTP: 5th M McConville, 14th S Jeffery. Putts: C Gardam 25 putts. Longest Drive: 0-32 Di Scurlock, 33-45 S Cooke.

Saturday Men's Comp: Pairs Championship Round 2, 9.7.05 CCR70

Winners: P Shields (23), D Shields (15) 67pts.  
Runner Up: P Williams (13), C Lesiw (11) 64pts. DTL: K Hills/C Flannigan 62, F Sedjak/V Monument 62, L Walker/W Peter 59. NTP: 3rd E Winter, 5th J Pot, 12th G Down, 14th P Williams. Champions: P and D Shields 132pts. Runner Up: K Hills / C Flannigan 131pts.

Saturday Men's Comp: 4BBB Stroke, 16.7.05  
Winners: S Hutchinson (28), T Spark (16) 62 C/B.

Runner Up: J Sterrick (29), G Down (20) 62 C/B. DTL: J White/ P Ludlow 62, P Shields/D Shields 62, A Casey/C Waterman 63. NTP: 3rd J White, 5th P Ludlow, 12th P Kearns, 14th S Wotton. Birdies: 3rd J White, 5th G Down, 12th C Speekenbrink, J Sterrick.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 4BBB Round 2 Championships, 19.7.05 CCR70

Winners: M McConville (22), S Cooke (45) 44pts.  
DTL: J Beck (39), L Jessop (27) 40pts, B Beebe (35) H Croft (39) 39pts. NTP: 3rd L Jessop, 5th M McConville, 14th C Gardam. Longest Drive: 0-32 L Jessop, 33-45 J Hayes.

Saturday Men's Comp: Monly Medal, 23.7.05 CCR71

Scratch: P Williams 84 C/B. A Grade: (0-15) D Shields (15) 69. B Grade: (16-23) F Sedjak (23) 66. C

Grade: (24-32) F Debono (32) 69.

DTL: L Stein 71, J McCafferty, G Harvey 71, G Blizzard 71, J Armstrong 72, P Williams 72. NTP 3rd G Harvey, 5th D Shields, 14th J Dickson.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 4BBB Championship 3rd Round, 26.7.05

J Maher (25) / M Mitchell (40) 35pts. DTL: J Beck/L Jessop 34 C/B, L Casey/K Raber 34. NTP 3rd Di Scurlock, 5th J Blizzard, 14th V Verheyen. Longest Drive: 0-32 K Hall, 33-45 L Ollquist. 4BBB Champions M McConville / S Cooke 77.



## Tae Kwon Do -Locals Promoted

LOCAL Churchill students Kacey Stephenson, Kyle Livingstone, Ben Slater, David Stephenson, Luke De Pellegrini and Sue Anne Todd were promoted to their next degrees at the Winter Gippsland and Latrobe Valley Rhee International Tae Kwon Do Grading held in Morwell

In preparation for their grading the six locals trained consistently in the different disciplines of their martial arts.

To grade to their next degree they were tested in their various disciplines. These included basic fitness, balance,

coordination, training etiquette and control.

Basic to advanced self defense technique skills includes blocks, punches strikes and jumping kicks. Combination drills of basic and advance techniques include hyongs-patrons-simulated fighting sequences using different self defence techniques, three step sparing-organised fighting drills and free sparing non contact fighting.

The grading was held by Gippsland Regional Instructor, Kevin Johnston

3rd Dan and students were graded by Chief Grading Examiner Master Chong Hyup Rhee 7th Dan.

Local grading promotions included Kacey Stephenson 9 – 8 KUP, Kyle Livingstone 8 – 7 KUP, Ben Slater 7 – 6 KUP, David Stephenson 7 – 6 KUP, Luke De Pellegrini 5 – 4 KUP and Sue Ann Todd 4 – 3 KUP.

Pictured above: Churchill instructor Peter De Pellegrini 1st Dan demonstrating a spot jumping front snap kick through two boards.

## Churchill Football/Netball Club Results Roundup

### Best Players Round 14

#### Seniors

Churchill 16 – 16 – 112: Cowwarr 4 – 6 – 30: Best: Travis Brighton, Scott Kelly, Gary Welsh, David Williams, Chris Burke and Ben McQuillen.

Goal Kickers: Scott McCafferty 3, Chris Burke 2, Dean Jenkins 2, Gary Welsh 2, Simon Answerth 1, Travis Brighton 1, Scott Kelly 1, Ken Kerlake 1, Bob McCartney 1, Michael Marchment 1, Neil Thompson 1.

#### Reserves

Churchill 9 – 13 – 67: Cowwarr 5 – 4 – 34: Best: Jim Sanders, Shaun McNamara, Matt Rennie, Rob Radd, Paul Hutchinson and Chris Johnson.

Goals: Jim Sanders 2, Matt Giles 1, Chris Johnson 1, Darren Blair 1, Rob Jellis 1, Matt Rennie 1, Paul Hutchinson 1, Jayson Murdoch 1.

#### Thirds

Churchill 6 – 4 – 40: Cowwarr 13 – 9 – 87: Best: Stephen Valastro, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn, Rory Shields, David Hutchinson, Brad Grieves and Josh Hawkins.

Goals: Brett Akkerman 3, Rory Shields 1, Ben Randall 1, Stephen Valastro 1.

A Grade: Churchill 58 Cowwarr 51: Best: Stacey Sanders, Kylie O'Brien, Amanda Barling

B Grade: Churchill 32: Cowwarr 47: Best: Marnie Peterson, Stacey Spence, Karinda Ball

C Grade: Churchill 31: Cowwarr 41: Best: Mandy Leeson, Belinda Thompson, Kelly Whykes

D Grade: Churchill 19: Cowwarr 42: Best: Brooke Soutar, Katrina Hutchinson, Nicola Brighton

### Best Players Round 15

#### Seniors

Churchill 20 – 22 – 142: Glengarry 7 – 7 – 49: Best: Greig Williams, Gary Welsh, David Williams, Michael Marchment, Scott Kelly, Scott Derham

Goals: Dean Jenkins 5, Scott McCafferty 4, Adrian Waller 3, Aaron Davison, Michael Marchment 2, Travis Brighton 1, Scott Kelly 1, Gary Welsh 1, Greig Williams 1.

#### Reserves

Churchill 23 – 18 – 156: Glengarry 4 – 2 – 26: Best: Paul Hutchinson, Matt Giles, Shaun McNamara, Daryl Couling, Chris Williams, Jim Burke.

Goals: Rob Jellis 5, Jim Sanders 5, Darl Couling 4, Troy Jenkins 4, Chris Jonson 1, Jayson Murdoch 1, Shaun McNamara 1, Matt Giles 1

#### Thirds

Churchill 9 – 9 – 63: Glengarry 8 – 8 – 56: Best: Stephen Valastro, Josh Hawkins, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn, Rory Shields, Ben Randall, Toby Sims

Goals: Toby Sims 3, Josh Hawkins 2, Jamie Croft 1, David Hutchinson 1, Hayden McKay 1, Stephen Valastro 1.

#### Netball

A Grade  
Churchill 42: Glengarry 36  
Best: Stacey Sanders, Roxy Shields, Amanda Barling.

B Grade  
Churchill 35: Glengarry 47 Best: Stacey Spence, Kate Kerlake, Kellie Hicks.

C Grade  
Churchill 27: Glengarry 45: Best: Mandy Leeson, Belinda Thompson, Lawrie Smith.

D Grade  
Churchill 33: Glengarry 47: Best: Katrina Hutchinson, Petra

Alexander, Jen Lawrence.

### Best Players Round 16

#### Seniors

Churchill 10 – 29 – 89 Gormandale 7 – 11- 53.: Best: Greig Williams, Travis Brighton, David Williams, Dean Jenkins, Bob McCartney and Daryl Couling.

Goals: Gary Welsh 3, Daryl Couling 2, James Larkin 1, Michael Marchment 1, Kane Sheridan 1, Adrian Waller 1, David Williams 1

#### Reserves

Churchill 15 – 11 – 101 Gormandale 4 – 7- 31: Best: Glen McCafferty, Matt Giles, David Bell, Quiny Whitehead, Matt Rennie and Shaun McNamara.

Goals: David Bell 3, Matt Giles 2, Rob Jellis 2, Steve Rennie 2, Jason Sherriff 2, Brendan Caldwell 1, Dan Stockdale 1, Chris Williams 1, Darren Blair 1

#### Thirds

Churchill 7 – 11 – 53 Gormandale 10 – 17 – 77: Best: Josh Hawkins, Nick Duncan, Stephen Valastro, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn, Rory Shields and Josh Cahill

Goals : Toby Sims 4, Josh Cahill 2, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn 1

#### Netball

A Grade:  
Churchill 39 Gormandale 55  
Best: Stacey Darby, Stacey Sanders and Roxy Shields

B Grade:  
Churchill 34 Gormandale 50  
Best: Stacey Spence, Kylie Richards and Marnie Peterson

D Grade:  
Churchill 8 Gormandale 84  
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Saturdays, 1pm - sets arranged

Wednesdays at 6pm - this is in recess for a few weeks due to the cold and wet weather. It will resume in September.

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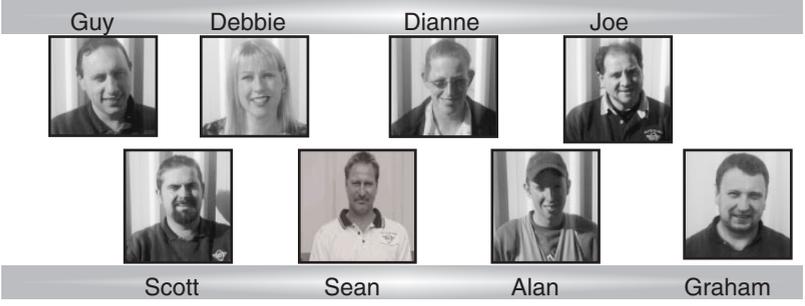
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