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Tom Walks Tall

CHURCHILL & District Lions in partnership with Traralgon Lions have jointly funded the purchase and maintenance of a "Hart Walker" walking frame for 4-year-old Tom Trewin from Traralgon.

This is the third "Hart Walker" recipient funded by Lions Clubs in this area and Tom's parents Louise and Laurie are delighted that young Tom is the recipient.

Tom was fitted with his Walker at St. Albans in Melbourne this month and immediately took to it with gusto.

Louise and Laurie Trewin, together with Tom's sisters Jessica, Claire and Sophie, had primed him for the big event by describing it as his new scooter and he was hot to trot. He had also been promised a new backpack, but only if he walked into the store to get it.

Churchill Lions representative, Peter McShane said, "We are extremely pleased that locally raised money has been used to assist a local child to walk unaided. Churchill funded our portion of this "Hart Walker" from the proceeds of our food and drink catering at the recent Great Outdoors Expo at Kernot Hall and would like to thank all of those residents who supported our catering at that event - you helped make this happen". Continued on Page 3.



Members of Hazelwood Rotary with President Mark Nestor, resident Gwen Wallis and General Manager Lyn Vella

New Transport for Hazelwood House

By MIKE ANSWERTH

THE residents of Hazelwood House aged persons' facility at Churchill now have a new form of transport, thanks to a generous donation by the Hazelwood Rotary Club.

Club President, Mark Nestor and club members last week visited the facility and brought with them a motorized personal scooter valued at \$3,500 which they donated to the delighted staff and residents.

"This has been one of our goals since the start of the Rotary year, to donate something of significance to the residents of Hazelwood House", Mr Nestor said.

"The Hazelwood Rotary Club has been fortunate to have the opportunity to raise additional funds this year through

catering at the Water Ski Championships on Hazelwood Pondage. We were determined to use those funds for the benefit of locals and the club has a special affinity with Hazelwood House," he said.

In accepting the scooter on behalf of the residents and staff, Lyn Vella, General Manager of Grace Bruce Homes, the organisation which runs Hazelwood House, said that she was "so grateful for this generous donation by the Rotary Club. This will give the residents added mobility and independence," she said, "and will assist the staff in organizing activities for residents".

Resident Gwen Wallis was the first to try out the scooter and quickly demonstrated her ability to operate the new form of transport.

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EDITORIAL

MANY thanks to all those who entered our photographic competition. The standard of entries was extremely high and the judges now face a very difficult task in picking the winners.

All the winning photographs will be published in the Churchill & District News in July and August.

Twelve entries are going to make a calendar for 2004. We are hoping to be able to deliver it free to all homes in the Churchill and District area but this depends on our gaining sponsorship from local businesses. If you are interested in sponsoring the calendar we would love to hear from you.

Everyone is welcome to attend on June 20 for our presentation night. There will be a terrific display of photographs from the entrants and also from the small army of 'photographers' who have been working on the paper since November.

Churchill Lions and Hazelwood Rotary are to be congratulated on their fantastic efforts in keeping people on the move.

Rae Billing explains how anyone can make a difference to a child's life this Christmas and have fun doing so particularly if you like shopping! Samaritan's Purse distributes gift boxes to children throughout the world. The idea is that you fill a shoe box with gifts. Turn to page four for more details.

Our What's On has proven very popular. We are trying to include as many local events that are relevant to Churchill and District Residents as possible. If you have any event that you would like included either e-mail the details or telephone us before the 30 of each month for publication in the following month.

Remember our Gala Day Launch in October 2002? It was such a success that we are now planning the next one for May/June 2004. If you are interested in becoming involved either as a volunteer or as an exhibitor drop us a line at the address below. There will be more details in our next issue, including a definite date.

Once again we extend our thanks to all our contributors, and in particular the Youth Yard Committee who have put together a great page - page 11!

Editor

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Mathison Park Working Bees

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Mathison Park working bees are held on the last Saturday of the month. Keep these dates free to give a hand.
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What's On

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YOUTH Action Centre and FreeZA Underage Skate Party, Stadium 34, 7.30pm - 11.30pm

SUNDAY 15 JUNE

TRAMPS Morwell to Yinnar and Back Ride: Starting from opposite Morwell Post office at 9.45am. A medium 45km ride. Traralgon and Morwell Pedallers Inc. Contact Len on 5174 6470

TUESDAY 17 JUNE

KURNAI Churchill Parents and Friends Association Meeting. 7.30pm Staff Room, Churchill Campus

WEDNESDAY JUNE 18

NEIGHBOURHOOD Watch Concert, Kernot Hall. For more information Tel Peter McShane on 5122 1745

FRIDAY 20 JUNE

PHOTOGRAPHIC Competition Prize Giving and Display. 7.30pm Churchill Co-Operating Church, Williams Avenue, Churchill
CHURCHILL Primary School, Party Plan Night, 7.00pm - 9.00pm, Churchill Cricket Club Rooms, Birch Drive, Churchill

TUESDAY 24 JUNE

TRADITIONAL Indigenous Games: Maryvale Reserve, Morwell. Primary schools from across the municipality competing in four traditional games throughout the day. Contact Don on 5133 9998

WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE

YOUTH Speak: Moe Town Hall from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Open to young people between the ages of 15 - 21. The day will provide young people with the opportunity to represent their peers in discussion on youth issues relevant to their region. Contact Leanne on 5132 2800

FRIDAY 27 JUNE

INTERNATIONAL Power Hazelwood Morwell Festival of Dance: Kernot Hall, Morwell. 17th annual theatrical dance competition with over 2000 entries in ballet, tap, modern, song & dance and national. Contact Gail on 5166 1325

SATURDAY JUNE 28

MATHISON Park Working Bee. 9.30am at Hare House. Please bring a rake, gloves and stanley knife. Free barbeque lunch provided. Contact Terry on 51221440.

TUESDAY 1 JULY

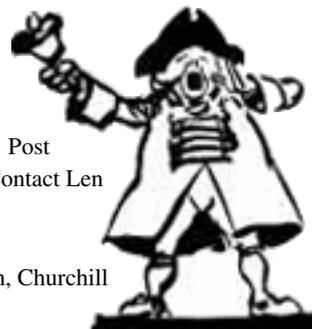
CDCA Meeting, Link Room, Monash University. 7.30pm.

TUESDAY 8 JULY

LATROBE Valley Astronomical Society Meeting. 7.30pm Wirilda Environment Park, Tyers.

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY

COMMUNITY Groups Insurance and Risk Management: Italian Australian Club, Morwell. Free Information Forum. 6.30pm for 7.00pm start. Contact Therese on 1300 367 700.



No Plans to Close Pool

CHURCHILL & District Community Association has received a number of enquires and comments about the leak in the swimming pool at the Churchill Leisure Centre. A number of residents have expressed concern that if the pool were to close the total community would be the losers as it is used for recreation, tutoring, rehabilitation, competitive sport etc.

Latrobe City Council who is responsible for ongoing maintenance and any major repairs owns the swimming pool. The Leisure Centre is managed by Monyx Sport. Centre Manager, Rob Paterson said that though the pool had been leaking for several years due to soil conditions, there was no major problem and there was no question of the pool closing. Repairs have been undertaken as and when they have been needed.

Latrobe City Council has indicated that it has no plans to close the heated pool. Councillor Darrell White

said that the Churchill Monash Leisure Centre continued to be operated by Council under an agreement with Monash University.

"Council is currently in the process of developing its budget for the 2003/2004 financial year. The draft budget includes provision for the continued operation of the Churchill Monash Leisure Centre along with other leisure and aquatic facilities in Latrobe City," Cr White said.

Cr White said that further discussions will be held with Monash University in relation to determining the options for the ongoing management of the Churchill Monash Leisure Centre.

Cr White added that the introduction of the Gippsland Education Precinct to Churchill was expected to increase demand for the use of a leisure facility.



Churchill Monash Leisure Centre Heated Pool

Tom Walks Tall

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Traralgon Lions funded their portion by their regular Spinning Wheels at Traralgon Centre Plaza and other fundraising efforts in their community.

"We would like to thank all those who have been in some way responsible for funding our share of the \$11,000 for this unit", said Traralgon Lions representative Bernie Carrington.

"What a fabulous present for our whole family," Louise and Laurie said. "We are simply overjoyed at the opportunity given to young Tom and the expression on his face is absolutely priceless. We look forward to the health, temperament and development benefits, which will flow from this unit. We cannot adequately express our thanks on behalf of our son Tom – it is magnificent".

Local Company Heads to Adelaide

LOCAL diving specialist, Nordical Diving Services, has just been awarded a contract to clean 19 water storages and reservoirs throughout Adelaide's suburban area.

The Churchill based business will undertake the work for United Water, which controls and administers the supply and quality of water to Adelaide City and its suburban areas. The contract also includes a comprehensive inspection of two large water storages as well.

According to Leo Billington, Investment Manager from Latrobe City's economic development team, 'Invest Latrobe', this is a significant achievement for one of our local businesses.

"Nordical Diving is a home based business as far as its administration headquarters is concerned, but the business is actually being undertaken across a wide range of locations throughout south-eastern Australia, Mr Billington said.

"The Adelaide contract will require up to six weeks of careful planning by Margie Norder, who with husband Peter, operate this unique business.

Margie will need to co-ordinate meals, accommodation, equipment repairs, invoicing, locational duties and prepare all the reports for United Water."

Mrs Norder explained that meanwhile, on site, Peter and his team will carry out the cleaning operations, including a video inspection of every storage and reservoir.

"Each storage and reservoir will receive a comprehensive digital video report detailing general maintenance requirements, wear and tear on walls, leaks, vandalism and effectiveness of hatches on any of the above ground storages," Mrs Norder said.

"The divers will be working a five-day per week program involving eight hours of actual diving each day, and the digital equipment proves very efficient in relaying reports on-line to me back at home," she said.

Mrs Norder said the actual cleaning is done by specialist potable water dedicated vacuum equipment,

to guarantee quality drinking water. "Over the six weeks, the vacuums will clean underwater surfaces including those lined with tar, plastic, rubber, concrete and steel," she said.

"Some of the vacuum heads are locally made in Morwell by Allform Industries which highlights the skill and expertise readily available right here in Latrobe City," Mr Billington said.

"Nordical Diving Services is extremely well equipped to complete this type of work. In fact, it was contract work for Gippsland Water that gave the business its initial start to success. It is encouraging to see local businesses supporting each other.

"Their specific purpose truck carries every possible piece of equipment needed in addition to the vacuum cleaners; ropes for abseiling, first aid kits, computers, oxy-viva units, generators, approved potable water epoxy repair kits, winches, lights and photographic equipment," Mr Billington said.

"Everything is carried on board to cater for conditions in the most remote of all locations. It is this high degree of organisation that is proving a real winner for Nordical Diving Services as they become increasingly well known locally, throughout Victoria and interstate," Mr Billington added.



Hazelwood West Project Public Display



INTERNATIONAL Power Hazelwood (IPRH) is preparing to launch a public display at PowerWorks in Morwell depicting its proposed West Field Project.

IPRH Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Quinn said the display will be part of a communication program designed to support the preparation of an Environment Effects statement (EES) for the project.

The Department of Sustainability and Environment will be releasing draft EES assessment guidelines through media advertising and their website. The draft guidelines will be available for public comment until June 27 with a report back to West Field's Technical Reference Group on 4 July.

Mr Quinn said IPRH was committed to working closely with the local community and authorities to ensure potential issues associated with the West Field project were effectively addressed. Coal from West Field will keep the Hazelwood Power Station operating for at least the next 25 years and Hazelwood provides 25 per cent of Victoria's power supplies.

The West Field project is being developed in two phases. The already approved first phase will see the transfer of coal mining operations into the West Field

later this year. Initial overburden stripping has been underway for the past year.

The second phase, enabling Hazelwood to continue to mine accessible and economic coal reserves, requires the existing Morwell River Diversion and the Strzelecki Highway to be relocated.

Minor diversions of Eel Hole and Wilderness creeks will also be required. This second phase will be the subject of the full EES process.

Mr Quinn said the display at PowerWorks would provide details of the proposed mine's new boundaries and options for road and river diversions. It will also outline the EES preparation and assessment process, including the various studies to be conducted.

There will also be opportunities for visitors to the display to seek answers to specific questions on the project and the display will be updated as the EES process progresses.

Mr Quinn said IPRH is planning a number of public information sessions on the project in addition to regular project bulletins. Information is also available on the IPRH website www.hazelwoodpower.com.au and a hotline has been made available 1300 793 783.

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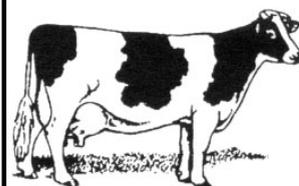
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Autumn Blessings

By IVY GOODWIN

AUTUMN is such a pleasant time of the year. There is less windy weather and often beautiful, sunny days just made for having a cuppa outside. Early morning are really special. Fog clings round the trees and hills like a filmy shroud and then melts away as the sun breaks through. Frosty mornings are magical – even better when viewed from a warm house. As the sun peeps through the trees, spider webs are transformed and the magpie calls seem crisper and clearer somehow.

The colours, of course, are breath-taking. Looking out my window I can see not only some of the golds and burnished orange leaves of deciduous trees, but also the golds of banksia cones and the pinks and greys of protea blooms along with the silver-grey of juvenile gum leaves. The sun is just appearing over the hill and a mist is filtering up through the trees to greet it. It really does take the breath away and time seems to fly past with few words being written.

I think we all love autumn. It does have it's downside, of course. Where we used to live, in Melbourne, it was lovely to drive through streets of gold, red and orange leaves. But after they drop and some begin to decay and become slippery underfoot, some of the appeal wears a bit thin.

We had two oak trees – one at the back of the house and one at the front. The back one lost its leaves all at once. Very convenient. We raked them up and put them onto the compost heap and that was that. But the one at the front, although it seemed to be the same sort of oak, hung on to its leaves almost right up

to spring – only shedding a few at a time. Very annoying! Winter weather with its wind and rain and slippery fallen leaves can be a dangerous combination on foot-paths. We had to constantly be out there sweeping and raking to prevent injury. How we wished that tree would just drop its leaves and get it over with. But no. It seemed that the tree was stubbornly hanging on, refusing to let go, refusing to co-operate.

Of course, trees don't determine to be stubborn. But sometimes people are a bit like that tree. We hang on to things way past the time to give them up. Things like old hurts, past failures, remembered slights. Or maybe it's old habits or old methods, which are really outdated or ineffective. There comes a time to just let it all go and move on. I am not saying that we should pretend that some things haven't happened to us. Far from it. All of life's experiences combine to make us the person we are today. And some things are serious and do need to be dealt with. But in most instances, there is a difference in acknowledging that certain things happen because that's just the way human being are and holding on tight to memories or methods or habits that stop us enjoying life to the fullest.

Thinking again about that tree, when it finally *did* let go of the old leaves, there was space for a whole new canopy of bright shiny new green leaves. Maybe it can be that way for us as well.

As Autumn gives way to winter, may you have a sunny nook, a warming 'cuppa' and a comfortable chair to enjoy all of God's blessings and all of God's seasons.

Formal or Fancy Fun Night



By ROBYN MAUGER

THIS past month has seen much activity at the Co-Operating Church. The last edition of the Churchill & District News talked about the church being debt free. To recognise this, to give thanks to God and for the hard work of many over a long time it was decided we should have a celebration. A "Formal or Fancy" family fun night was organised. Over forty people had a great night of games, music, dancing and eating.

We were very saddened by the sudden death of one of our members, Elaine Hodson. Her funeral took place at the church on 2nd May, officiated by Ivy Goodwin. Elaine will be fondly remembered by all, and in particular her skills in patchwork and gardening. Elaine is survived by two sons, Ben and Tim.

After a lifetime of dedicated service in his chosen field, Neil Terrill is a very worthy recipient of a Centenary Medal for service to chemical science education and environment. Congratulations Neil, we are very proud of you.

On 3 May the Ladies Fellowship with a little help from the men of the church, held a 'Sausage Sizzle' at Bunnings to raise funds for Mission activities. The rain

threatened but apart from a couple of light showers the day was very successful, and a good opportunity to be a 'presence' in the community.

Saturday Breakfast on 24 May was one of the best attended ever. Dave Quinn, CEO of International Power Hazelwood, presented a talk on the future development plans for Hazelwood over the next thirty years. We were delighted Dave's wife, Therese, could also join us in the traditional porridge and toast breakfast.

Above Left: Sarah, Emma and Michaela with their father George Telford enjoying tea before the games. Below: Alan Halliwell with nephew Darian Johnson



Church Times

Co-operating Churches of Churchill

Williams Avenue, Churchill.
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Glenda and Ian Combridge
Tel: 5166 1819
Sunday Service: 9.30am.
Choruses: 9.20am
Sunday School: 9.30am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church

35 Walker Parade, Churchill
Tel: 5122 2226
Father Andrew Wise
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

Red Cross Calling

THANKS to all Churchill Residents who contributed to this year's Red Cross Calling appeal during March.

Homes in Churchill and district were visited.

A total of \$13,258.00 was collected for Red Cross services in the Morwell, Churchill and Hazelwood North areas.

\$2,083.00 was collected in the Churchill area.

Overall 30,000 volunteer collectors will walk 90,000 kilometres knocking 3,000,000 times on 1,000,000 doors.

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Saturday Breakfast

By KEITH ENDERS

THE Co-Operating Churches held the last Saturday Breakfast on 24 May with 19 people attending. David Quinn the CEO of International Power Hazelwood gave an interesting talk outlining the future projects which will enable the Hazelwood Power Station to continue operating for up to another 40 years.

The project will entail opening up a new area of the coalfield and will also include removing the piped section of the Morwell River and providing wetlands and additional tree planting.

The next Saturday Breakfast will be held on 28 June at 7.30am when Mr John Bush, Water Quality Manager of the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority will be the guest speaker. He will talk about the Authority's activities, which includes some interesting projects aimed at improving Gippsland's rivers and constructing wetlands.

Please let Keith Enders know by Thursday 26 June if you would like to attend. Telephone: 5122 1148 or e-mail kbenders@net-tech.com.au.

Operation Christmas Child

By RAE BILLING, Boolarra/Yinnar Parish Church.

SPEAKERS from Samaritan's Purse visited us recently to talk about operation Christmas Child, a program that distributes gift boxes at Christmas to needy children throughout the world.

Our parish has been able to contribute 30 – 40 boxes annually and those preparing them have had almost as much fun putting them together as the children who received them.

After choosing the age group and gender you want to buy for, you fill a shoe box with things like personal cleaning items (eg. Toothpaste, soap, flannel, comb) an article of clothing (eg. T-shirt, hat, pants), something to eat that will travel well (eg. Tic Tac), a toy, etc.

Donors are encouraged to put in a letter or photos and there have been cases of children writing back. A donation of \$7.00 towards freight costs is also required. If you would like to give a box or two (or share in the cost)

contact me for more details.

The Trivia Night on 23rd May was a great success and lots of fun. Thank you to the Yinnar Community Hotel for the use of their meeting room and the gift voucher of a meal for two. Our Minister, Russell, was on the winning team. Perhaps God was on his side?

The next fundraiser will be a Pie Drive in June. Keep an eye out for the Order Forms or ring me if you want to put in an order. Our Op Shop in Yinnar has contributed over \$2000 for Parish funds this year, as well as being a great place for a bargain. Thanks to all helpers and customers.

On 25 May we commemorated the works of John and Charles Wesley, with a service of hymns and readings. Another singing service is planned for 15 June at Yinnar and all are welcome.

For more information please contact Rae Billing on 5169 1629.

Oxfam/CAA in Lancang China

By MARK DEASEY

Seven years ago, Oxfam / Community Aid Abroad Asia Program Manager Mark Deasey visited villages eking out a living on denuded mountainsides near the China-Burma border. He recently returned to see extraordinary changes.

In all of South-east Asia I've seen few places where the odds against people maintaining a decent livelihood seem more daunting than Lancang in the south-west corner of China's Yunnan Province on the Burmese border. Villages cling to dizzyingly steep mountain slopes.

Logging and population pressures have stripped back the forest cover, forcing people to switch to settled agriculture. Rain fed rice in steeply sloping fields gave poor returns. Most families in Ankang a large village, could grow enough food for 3 - 4 months of the year.

Farming on exposed slopes led to rapid erosion and soil degradation, but there was little alternative. Extreme food shortages forced most of the village labour force to spend several months a year seeking work elsewhere. This in turn made it hard to introduce alternative livelihood strategies; people just weren't there long enough to put the time into animal husbandry or to market crops, even if they'd had the small capital to start them up.

What they did agree could work was to rehabilitate and extend an old

irrigation system, out of use for decades, and to terrace enough of the open slopes to allow each family to grow some irrigated rice which gives much higher yields.

They had just finished this project on my first visit -their achievement was staggering. Women and men had hauled sand and gravel more than 3,000 feet up from the riverbed in the valley below; carved and lined with stone a channel more than two kilometres long, and cut terraces into a forbiddingly steep slope. The water channel was routed beyond the fields to the village where it provided constant safe water for household use.

Hopes were high, but no-one was sure if it would all work in the longer term. Would the structure hold up? Would they be free of major disasters? Lancang is prone to earthquakes and floods.

At the time I asked of one of the village leaders who he'd sum up progress to date. He simply responded "you have to eat bitterness before you can eat rice".

I was dazzled to go back last year and witness the amazing changes in Ankang. We did

the rounds of a dozen village households, and without exception, they reported they could now meet their basic food needs for nine or ten months out of twelve.

The water supply scheme was functioning smoothly, land degradation had been stopped and water collection took a fraction of the time. Families could raise pigs and chickens and grow tea hedges to earn enough income to cover the months of food shortage.

They had contributed to the building and management of a village health centre, which made affordable treatment for common illnesses available for the first time in anyone's memory. People were visibly better-fed and healthier.

Survival in Ankang and neighbouring villages is still tough, and natural disaster is always a possibility. But the past few years' experience has shown just how much a determined community can achieve, once something as basic as irrigation is guaranteed.

Picture by Mark Deasey



Mathison Park Goes Batty!

By RUTH PLACE

BAT FACTS

There are over 970 species of bats in the world. 150 are flying foxes, the rest are microbats.

Microbats eat flying insects, which they catch on the wing, also blossom and nectar.

Bats are not endangered, except the Grey headed flying fox, and a few individual species.

Many are cave dwelling, usually in large quantities. But sites are limited.

Land clearance has been detrimental to their habitat. Birds, mammals and Brush tailed possums tend to take over and adapt.

Bats like hollows in old trees, but it takes approximately 104 years for a eucalypt to develop hollows.

Planting trees now, for animal habitats, is for the long term future. Bats like cosy, cramped conditions for roosting.

Microbats life expectancy is generally between 10-15 years. Some live up to 20 years. Flying foxes live longer. Bats are nocturnal.

They possess echo-location like dolphins, whales and submarines. High frequency sound waves are emitted through their mouths. Their ears detect the echoes reflected back off objects and potential prey. They are excellent navigators.

Bats all have sight. Blind as a bat is not a true saying. Flying foxes have good eyesight, but do not have sonar.

In winter bats go in to a state of torpor - a mild form of hibernation. They conserve energy by lowering their body temperature, heartbeat and rate of breathing. They are more active in warmer months

In the breeding season, bats congregate in larger groups. Their babies are called pups. As a general rule they have one offspring (Gould's Wattled bat has two), born in November - December each year.

The colony will have a maternity roost. There is maternal independence after 4-6 weeks. By the end of their first year, they are mature to breed.

Bats roost by attaching themselves by their feet to the roost, and folding their wings against their body, hanging upside down.

All bats are protected. They are more common than people think.

They range in size from 10grams and they fly up to 20 kilometres a night for food. Food passes quickly through their system. They must eat up to one third of their body weight

per night.

They are a major controller of insects. A single male usually has a large group of females in his harem.

Southern myotis bat is a fish-eating bat, catching fish on the surface of the water with its feet.

Bats use their wings to catch their prey and transfer it to their mouths.

There are many species of bats, but they are difficult to distinguish, as the variations are small. Biologists look at tail membrane, leaf structure around the nose, and ear shape to identify species.

In Victoria, there are 23 species of bats, and 2 flying foxes. In Gippsland we have 16 species, including 2 cave dwellers.

Rob de Souza- Daw, who has a keen interest in bats, and their survival, supplied all this information.

We are rich in bat numbers. In the next issue I will look at providing safe roosting places for bats, which the Mathison Park Development Committee has installed within the Park.



New Hairdresser for Katz

Katz, State of the Art Hair Salon, have the pleasure of welcoming Sally to their team.

Sally has had over 16 years experience in the hair-dressing industry and specialises in new innovative cutting, coloring and relaxing scalp massage.

for an appointment with Sally or the Katz team call Kats Hair Design, Shop 4, Hazlewood Villiage Shopping Center on 5122 3311.



Churchill Neighbourhood Centre Huge Range of Courses

By CHRISTINE PENPRAZE

THE Centre is well into 2nd term and once again is offering the popular courses that people just keep coming back to! We are able to offer courses in creative writing, patchwork and embroidery, folkart and stress relieving yoga and Tai Chi classes. And... because we know how frustrating it can be to get a handle on I.T., we have on offer courses designed to help you tame that technical beast known as the computer.

For people who are tired of the same old mundane meals why not come along and get involved in our cooking classes - your family and friends will also benefit from the range of new menus you will then be able to produce.

Do you have people comment on your singing prowess in the shower? Join our Sounds like Singing group and really enjoy the opportunity to exercise those vocal chords.

The Centre would like

to hear from individuals who may have talents or skills that they are willing to show others so they can also enjoy learning new things in a relaxed and friendly environment.

We are also very keen to increase our Centre membership, so if anyone would like to become involved or would like to join the committee please contact the Coordinator - Christine Penpraze.

For more details on how you can book into a class, phone the Centre on 51222955.

Centre Coordinator Christine Penpraze



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Author Visits Kurnai



By SAMANTHA HOLCOMBE AND CASEY FELMINGHAM (Year 7)

LAST week, Elizabeth Honey came to our school. She gave us an interesting talk about being a writer/illustrator.

The first thing she did, was to tell us about her family, what they do and what her life is like. She also told us about how she was a writer before an illustrator, and how she draws her own pictures.

Elizabeth had set out all her books, from the first one she made, to the one she is working on now. She showed us her very first book, through to the book she is currently working on. She wasn't sure what to call her next book, so she

asked us for our opinion. Naturally we chose the one called "Stella Street under water."

Next she asked us about any embarrassing moments when we were young, which we think would make a good story. The teachers had a good laugh at one of the stories.

At the end of the period, Elizabeth showed us some of her favourite poems from one of her poetry books. Then, on behalf of the school and the Year Sevens, Christo got up and thanked Elizabeth for her time and help. Some people stayed behind to get her autograph. It was a good period for all of us.

Dear Mr McDuffie

Part One of a Letter from Kaitlin who is at the Alpine School - a Centre for Student Leadership in the Victorian Alps

I've been having the best time up here and I surprised myself at how easy it has been to adjust to the weather changes. I never imagined that I would give up my nice warm bed for a bed in the snow!

It's just awesome up here and I hope the school gives other years the opportunity to apply and be a part of this special and unique experience!

The days go so quick but are always filled with lots of exciting things. Each day is new and adventurous, and you are never quite sure what will be awaiting for us tomorrow.

Nothing can really prepare you for what life is like at the Alpine School until you experience it first hand. It is an unbelievable learning experiences and the environment is so different to what I am used to. As I'm sure you could imagine.

When beginning here the biggest and most daunting change was to be living in a foreign environment without the people that I was familiar with, and now I was going to live with virtual strangers. I knew that it would not be long before I would make great friends and as much as it was fun to be meeting all these new people it was also overwhelming to know I wouldn't be with my family and friends for nine weeks!

I missed Mum and Dad so much as they drove away but everyone was so nice and really tried to comfort me. I confess to feeling a bit shy and a bit out of it as I was the only girl from school but in no time at all I was feeling comfortable and making great friends. I still really miss my family and can't wait to see them again but everyone here is in the same situation and really support each other.

It made me feel a lot more at ease when Mr Reusch and Ms Britten came to visit. Seeing a familiar face was really comforting! Hopefully another teacher from school might get the time to spare us a visit and see what its like for us up here. Maybe even get to come on our next expo! It's LOTS of fun!!! Hehe.

Everyday is a new experience. The outdoor activities have been excellent.

We went on our first expo a few weeks ago. It was an unbelievable learning experience. I had so much fun, digging toilets, sleeping in the cold, carrying 25kg packs...no not really. Besides those, being on expo was great, all the little jobs were made worthwhile and fun.

The hike was 7km across eroded banks and hills but it felt a lot shorter as we sang and had a ball the entire trip (my uncle will be proud as I have managed not to break a bone!).

But it's not just the outdoor things and hands on stuff that has been great. The more serious side of learning at the Alpine School has also been fun. Your days seem to be so crammed pack with new activities and each day you are generally introduced to a new learning opportunity that you probably wouldn't experience back at Kurnai. Not that I don't like what we do!

The early mornings at first were okay but now as the mornings have got colder and the days have got longer I'm finding it hard to rise early.

One morning along with many others, I won't ever be able to forget here at the Alpine School was when we discovered snow for the first time. Within 30 seconds of alerting our dorm everyone was out in the snow and having the best time.

Kids Biz & Party Plan



KIDZ Biz started at Churchill Primary School on Monday 2nd June. Kids Biz is an after school childcare program, run by Anglicare.

Students from Churchill North Primary School and Lumen Christi Primary School are also eligible to attend.

Arrangements can be made for transport to Churchill Primary but parents must collect their children at closing time. For more information or to arrange bookings contact Churchill Primary School.

We urgently need donations of boxes and cardboard rolls (not toilet paper ones) for our art room.

PARTY PLAN NIGHT
Churchill Primary School Party Plan Night is on Friday 20th June from 7.00pm to 9.00pm at the Churchill Cricket Club Rooms, Birch Drive, Churchill. There is a \$2.00 entry fee, a lucky door prize and raffles throughout the night.

Everyone is welcome. Exhibitors include: Kids Wear, Tupperware, Nutrimetics, Interior Focus, Lifetime Books, Undercover Wear, Creative Memories, Bessemer Cookware, Essential Additions, Country Timber Products, Jigsaw, Postie, Enjo and Le-Reve. For more information contact Roz on 5122 1135.

Community Service Award



THERE were two major highlights of Education Week at Hazelwood North Primary School:

All students performed bush dances in the assembly area. Mr Ron Wall our music teacher taught students in all classes to perform. The performance was great to watch and the students enjoyed the experience.

Mrs Alison Waite received the Gippsland Region Community Service Award. Mrs Waite comes to school two days a week to assist selected students in English and Mathematics. She works with some students on an individual basis and others in a small group. Mrs Waite received her award at a Gala Education Week Dinner held in Melbourne. There were approximately seven hundred guests at the dinner including administrators, teachers, politicians and community members.

The Hazelwood North community highly values the work done by Mrs Waite and all our enthusiastic helpers.



Mrs Waite with students from Hazelwood North

Testing Water Quality



By MARK ANDERSON, Principal
STUDENTS in Grades 4, 5 and 6 at Yinnar South Primary School have been busy monitoring the environment as part of a whole school curriculum theme on



water. Working with Tammy Dawson, a project officer with Waterwatch, students learned how to test water samples for PH, temperature, salinity, turbidity and phosphorus content.

After conducting trials in the classroom with samples collected from Middle Creek and local dams students were keen to test their skills in the field. Late last term an excursion into Billy's Creek Picnic Reserve was organised so that students could monitor the water quality of the creek. In addition to testing samples for chemicals, students also surveyed the macro-organisms in the creek identifying a range of nymphs and other insect larvae.

Students concluded that the water quality of Billy's Creek was very good and this waterway remains largely unpolluted. Follow up activities back at the school focussed on how we can continue to ensure the safety of our waterways.

Testing Water Quality: From Left clockwise: Ross, Tom, Lewis, Floyd (with net) Karl and Robert

Latrobe Valley Catholic Schools Launch 'Green Bag' Campaign



OVER the past few weeks, a group of Year 5 - 8 teachers from Latrobe Valley Catholic Schools have been meeting at Lumen Christi in Churchill for professional development in the area of Science with a 'Care for the Earth' focus.

The Middle Years teachers from Lavalla Catholic College and the feeder Catholic Primary Schools have been investigating and learning about resources and strategies to involve children in learning about their environment and learning to 'Care for the Earth'.

The sessions included a field trip to DASMA Environmental Solutions in Morwell to observe the facilities for recycling that are available to us in Latrobe Valley so that when teachers are aware and informed, they can implement change in our schools and homes.

There was also a visit from the Latrobe Valley Waterwatch Co-ordinator, Tammy Dawson, who explained the ways that Waterwatch can help teachers to work with children on activities such as monitoring water quality in a local creek or learning from the curriculum materials that are available.

Schools can balance a curriculum approach to 'Care for the Earth' with practical whole school improvements such as Waste Minimization, Composting, Recycling or Energy Smart initiatives among the many possible areas to begin.

For World Environment Day this year we are jointly taking another step with our 'GREEN BAG' campaign.

The current debate over our excessive use of plastic bags is a timely opportunity to launch this campaign. Australians are reported to use six billion per year and many of these are from supermarkets and small businesses. We all see them lying along roadsides and littering our open spaces from where they end up in landfill or our storm water system and in rivers or oceans to do more damage.

'Think Global, Act Local'. We all need to make our own lifestyle choices on how we can contribute to caring

for our earth although only last week our Minister for the Environment was urging a twenty cent cost to each plastic bag used in shopping because we are not making pro-earth choices quickly enough!

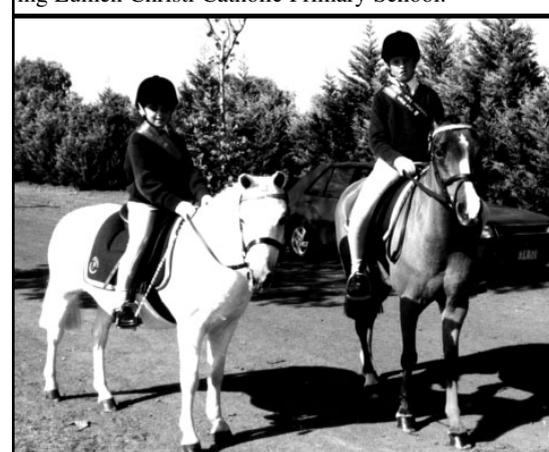
Our Latrobe Valley Catholic Schools will be promoting the use of GREEN BAGS to their children and families and local communities for many of the trips to the shops and supermarket where we can minimize our use of plastic bags.

The GREEN BAGS are Australian made, of good quality and are for sale at \$4.00 each from the Latrobe Valley Catholic Primary Schools. Contact Lumen Christi Churchill at 51 222231 for further information.

EQUESTRIAN STARS

TWO Lumen Christi students recently competed in the Victorian Inter-School Equestrian Championships and did very well. Taylah Notting and Maddi Zammit represented Lumen Christi and we are all very proud of them. Maddi and her pony, Weebix, came 9th in her level which was a great achievement. Sadly, Weebix passed away in May and Maddi has lost her wonderful pony and her best little mate! We wish the girls well for the future!

Below: Maddi Zammit and Taylah Notting representing Lumen Christi Catholic Primary School.



Ovarian Cancer Something to Shout About!

By ANDREW BATTY,
Community Liaison Officer –
Gippsland, National Australia Bank.

DURING the course of organising the sponsorship for a regional women's golf tournament that the National was supporting, I happened to mention that among the 'goody-bag' of resources that we could commit to the event, besides banners, Marshalls and the ever-important dollars, was a display stand of the Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation. Instantly, the three ladies of the tournament committee froze and turned ever so slowly towards each other.

"Ovar-ian Can'cer?" Was the response – followed by a deafening silence.

Surely they had heard the words Ovarian Cancer before!?

Just before I could trot out the facts and figures of this miserable disease (and in my mind, bring them up to date) one of the committee confided in a low, hushed voice that on of their own golfing number had recently been struck down by the disease.

"What's her name? How is she?" I asked, boldly.

The reply came in the manner of more hushed tones. Treatments, morale, hospital visits.

But something greater was happening there.

It seemed to be one of those great moments of unspoken need being met. Coincidence perhaps, Divine appointment.

Without a work, it had been decided that our little golf tournament had acquired a cause that strangely gave it a noble purpose.

I got in touch with the Foundation and told them of our new-found plan.

Everything would be arranged, I was promised faithfully and with the permission of the committee a gift was organised for their gravely ill companion from the Foundation just to say "You're not alone, others have trod your lonely path, and fought, and won."

Personal words of strength were imparted through an autographed copy of "Exposure" highly treasured.

And in time, their friend became my friend.

But perhaps the greatest, slow-rolling shock of all was that seemingly everyone I spoke to about it knew of someone struck down with this affliction; wives, daughters, mothers, grandmothers, neighbours, friends, children. A tremendous army of loved ones lost.

No I'm wrong.

The greatest shock was the silence that balanced this enormous tragedy. Fourth largest killer of

women in this country. One death every ten hours –

It should have been loud, shriekingly loud.

But wasn't.

Reserved for hushed tones and silent looks, Death wins here. A strange culture that we bear – where decorum about 'women's problems' can take your life.

To beat this disease it has to be talked about openly, digested, discussed, argued. Perhaps then, only then will the ambiguity of lower back pain or symptoms just as banal, be cause for second, life-saving, consideration.

We raised a few hundred dollars with our stand. It's not as much as we would have liked, but we did something much greater here.

We spoke about the disease. Openly, freely, passionately.

Our little stand may have saved a life.

By the averages, several women yet to be (or perhaps already) affected heard the message, brought a ribbon, stopped and listened for a moment.

Perhaps, in turn, they'll tell the message to a friend, a sister, a mother, a daughter, a neighbour, a child with the urgency that the message demands. And that message will be heard in a clear, loud voice.

Free Supermarket Tours



ARE you interested in learning how to read food labels?

The Latrobe Community Health Services are offering free supermarket tours to anyone who is interested in learning how to read nutrition labels and becoming more aware of the healthy choices available. Expert dieticians will be conducting these tours and will be available to answer any questions.

These tours are not just available for those at risk or already diagnosed diabetics but also to anyone how wants to learn more about nutritious foods.

The tours will be conducted in Traralgon, Morwell, Churchill and Moe during Diabetes Week. Information regarding diabetes will be on display and

available at Mid Valley and Traralgon Centre Plaza during this time.

The growing concern of obese / overweight Australians at serious risk of developing non-insulin dependent diabetes is the focus of Diabetes Week between 13th and 19th July. Currently there are over 1,000,000 Australians with non-insulin dependent diabetes and 50 percent of these are yet to be diagnosed.

Non-insulin dependent diabetes can easily be prevented through adopting healthy lifestyle choices. Including regular exercise, good eating practices and maintaining a healthy body weight into your lifestyle is much easier than living with diabetes.

Expressions of interest are necessary to ensure tours can take place. Please contact Chris Little on 51365 407 or Stacey Podmore on 51365 404 before the 7th July.

Go For Gold

PETER Prokopiv was recently awarded a Go for Gold scholarship from the MS Society of Victoria in recognition of his work on the Churchill and District News. Peter was diagnosed with MS in 1996 and has been working as a volunteer collecting advertising for the paper since it re-launched in 2002. "We are really pleased that Peter won a scholarship," said Manager Ruth Place. "We rely on advertising to pay our production costs and Peter works very hard each month to make sure they are met".

2003 is the fifth year that the Go for Gold Scholarships have been awarded to people with Multiple Sclerosis in Victoria. The scholarships are unique in that anyone with MS can apply. All they need is a dream.

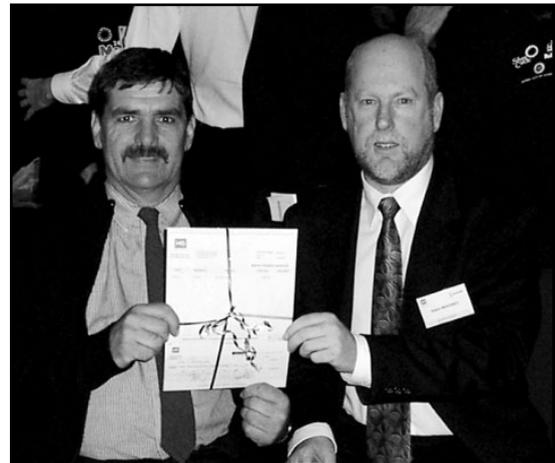
The Go for Gold scholarships are sponsored the Yarra Roughies MegaSwim, who raised over \$40,000 this year

enabling over 20 scholarships to be awarded.

"It was quite an honor," said Peter. "We heard many amazing stories of courage and hope at the presentation from people with MS all over Victoria. It was a terrific day."

Congratulations from us all at the Churchill & District News Peter!

Peter Prokopiv (left) receives his award from Glenn Mahoney, General Manager Services, MS Society Victoria.



Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation

THE Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation is a joint collaboration between the Monash Medical Centre Gynaecological Oncology Unit and Prince Henry's Institute for Medical Research.

The Foundation fosters research into a disease that claims the life of one Australian woman every ten hours; a disease that is often only discovered at an advanced stage and for which there are no screening tests. Progress is being made into a better understanding of

ovarian cancer, but much more research needs to be done particularly towards the development of an early detection test.

To support ovarian cancer research, donations may be made at any National Australia Bank; silver ribbons and the book 'Exposure' are available at Witchery stores or call 1800 033 465.

For further information about the Foundation visit www.ocrf.com.au or telephone 03 9296 2040.

Women's Health Services in Churchill

LATOB Community Health Services at the Churchill Centre, Phillip Parade hold regular women's health clinics, both during working hours and after hours.

Catherine Ashford is a Women's Health Nurse who holds clinics at the centre and offers Pap Smears, Post

Natal Depression Advice and Breast Health Education.

For an appointment or for more information ring Churchill Community Health Centre on 5122 1400 or Latrobe Community Health Services in Morwell on 5134 201.

Letter to the Editor

Churchill Sorting Office Closure

Dear Editor

Australia Post had decided that our Posties will be relocated to Morwell Delivery Annexe. Effectively that means they will pre sort their mail at Morwell and then travel to Churchill to complete the delivery of the mail.

Australia Post will deliver mail for the Post Boxes in two drops direct to the Post Office between 6.45am and 7.30am. This means that we should be able to get the mail in the Post Boxes at the same time that we do at present, which is between 8.00am and 8.30am. This is ahead of the service standards required by Australia Post throughout the country.

The last Churchill News published a letter in relation to the move to Morwell. There was a mention of mail being delayed to the Post Boxes. Whilst a very small amount of mail may be held over, in reality this is the case right across Australia. Express Post is the exception as it is guaranteed and this will not be affected. That is why if you send a letter locally it will normally make it

to its destination the next day but it is not guaranteed unless you send it express. So what it really means is we don't anticipate any major changes to our delivery to the Post Boxes.

The two posties who deliver the street mail are employed under contract to Australia Post. I cannot say exactly how the move will affect their delivery times. Enquires in relation to this matter can be directed to Australia Post on telephone number 121218.

If it were our decision we would have preferred the mail sorting to remain in Churchill. The two posties we have are doing an excellent job and this is not likely to change regardless of where the mail is sorted from. If any members of the community wish to express their views on this issue they should write to the Ombudsmen's Office, Level 10, 2 Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000.

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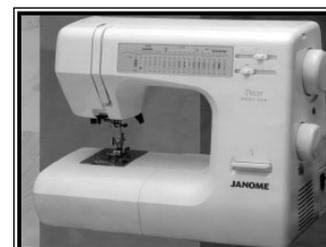
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Chariots and Guides!

By ZELMA MILDENHALL

ON Tuesday 6 May, Barbara Handson, guide leader from Morwell, came to visit. She helped us with knots and we played games using knots and ropes. Barbara had attended the International Camp in New South Wales during the first week of the school holidays. She told us about the Bundarra jamboree and showed us the crafts and badges she had made or swapped.

For Mothers Day guides made cards and flowers from tissues. The flowers were bunched in small cane baskets that were decorated with lace or ribbon.

The Hazelwood Guide District Lorraine Glazebrook Afternoon of Fun was held on Saturday 24 May, in the grounds of Hazelwood South Hall. The weather was fine and warm so we enjoyed being out of doors.

We were pleased to have Val, editor of the Churchill & District News, attend to Open and Close the Afternoon, and join in the activities.

Dorothy Sturgess, Baw Baw Region leader with special skill came

to teach guides, leaders and a keen parent, knots and square lashing. Then two chariots were made from metal frames, bicycle wheels, poles, meters of hay twine and using our newly acquired skills. Building the chariots was fun, but it was even more fun when having a turn to be a 'driver'.

At our Unit meeting the following Tuesday guides who were unable to be at the Lorraine Glazebrook Afternoon were shown how to do square lashing. We plan to make gadgets for cam as our skills improve!

Our unit meets on Tuesdays from 4.00pm to 5.30pm in the Hazelwood South Hall, Tramway Road.

For further information contact Zelma Mildenhall on 5166 1264 or Faye Foley on 5122 1249.

Building Chariots at the Lorraine Glazebrook Afternoon



By SHARON CONNOR

ON Saturday 24 May the Guides went to Hazelwood Public Hall. Val opened our Ceremony. First the girls and adults that were there split into two groups and made chariots.

In one of the groups the people made an energy meter (a drink of orange juice). In that group they had a baby so they got the baby's car seat and put it on the chariot.

This is how the chariot worked. You had two, three or four pushing. There was a person on the back of the chariot.

To make the chariot we mostly used square lashing which is a knot.

When people gave people rides it felt as though the ground was very bumpy. You felt like you were going to fall off!

Getting on the chariot was scary because you might have thought the people might have pulled it too high and you would have slid off.

I would love to have one myself.

We did not know knots would make anything fun. The knots were easy to get on because we learnt them at Guides for a very good cause - our rope badge!



Guide Leader Susan Connor enjoying a chariot ride!

Notes from a New Councillor

By BOB SMITH

WELL, its been almost three months since the Council elections, and any naïve thoughts I may have had about the pace slacking off a little have been fairly well dispelled.

Such certainly hasn't been the case, with an absolute plethora of meetings, functions and briefings to attend.

Currently, as councillors, we are going through the City's budgeting process for the forthcoming financial year and this is requiring lots of time and attention from all concerned.

It is, of course, no great secret that the proposed corporate headquarters in Morwell is one of the items being considered in the budget.

Obviously, this is the big issue for everyone, and it will be very interesting to see just which way the cards fall.

On to matters less serious. It has been most satisfying to myself, as an 'apprentice' councillor to be able to 'cut my teeth' on some of the smaller requests which come my way from day to day.

Things such as signage which needs replacing or repairing, or minor public works, do get attended to reasonably quickly, and the system which the City has in place for dealing with these sort of requests does function, in

my experience, pretty well.

It would be wonderful if Churchill could have some public toilets at long last though, and everyone may rest assured that I have not been slow in bringing this deplorable situation to Council's attention.

Likewise, it would be great if we had better public library access hours, and this is another matter I will be giving some attention to.

I have attended a meeting recently of the Mathison Park Committee, and following that, took the time on a Sunday afternoon to stroll through the entire area, with a couple of grandchildren in tow.

I can only report that I am most impressed with both the efforts which have been put in by the present band of very dedicated locals, and the immense potential which this area, right on our very doorstep, holds for us all.

I can honestly report that I am enjoying my time as a councillor to date, but at the risk of repeating myself, if feel I can only be effective if people advise me of issues they may have with the City.

With that in mind, I do appreciate being informed of matters of concern to all residents and I look forward to the next issue of the Churchill & District News.

The Glendonald Residents Group Inc. and The Neighbourhood Renewal Project



Congratulations

Glendonald Residents!

Glendonald Residents Group is now an incorporated association, which is set to deliver a reliable service appropriate to the needs of the community.

We aim to:

- *create a safe and friendly environment
- *treat people as equals and respect confidentiality
- *create social and learning opportunities
- *foster personal development
- *engage all of the community without discrimination

We are a professional, accountable, assessable and equitable organization.

The Glendonald Residents Group would like to extend their sincere thanks to Ken Hull, Project Worker from Quantum Support for all your invaluable help.

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Neighbourhood Renewal Employment

As many residents of Churchill are aware the Neighbourhood Renewal Program has been underway in Glendonald for the past 18 months. Residents have been involved in the planning and development of the improvements to homes, streets and parks; in short making a difference to their own environment.

The residents have also been involved in Neighbourhood Renewal projects taking place in the other Neighbourhood Renewal areas such as Moe Heights, Traralgon East and Morwell East. All in all it has been a time of great change, growth and development for many Glendonald residents and they are enjoying the challenge.

A further development of Neighbourhood Renewal is the appointment of Margaret Dawson, based at GippsWORKS in Morwell to work with those residents who want to explore options in employment, training or volunteer work.

Margaret is already busy finding work for residents, helping others develop or improve resumes and write better applications and assisting young people find apprenticeships but she wants to hear from many more of you!

This service is funded by the Victorian State Government through the Department of Human Services. It is offered free of charge and participation is completely voluntary.

Why not give her a ring and have a chat about some of the things you may like to do. Margaret is planning to be available to Glendonald Residents at a venue near you within the next week or so or you can arrange to see her at GippsWORKS in Morwell immediately.

Just call Margaret at GippsWORKS on 51348820 to make an appointment.

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T.O.F.S.S. New Address

T.O.F.S.S. have recently changed their postal address, so if there are interested people wishing to contact us, they should now write to: PO Box 3413, Gippsland Mail Centre, 3841.

Over the next few weeks some of our functions include Friday Night Dinners, our annual 'Birthday Bash', Ten Pin Bowling followed by a Soup and Sandwich Supper, a 'Spooky Night on Friday 13th, Sunday Lunch at Mirboo North as well as our Monthly Group Meeting.

If you are single, over 40 and wish to join a group offering friendship and companionship, contact Lee on 5127 4205, Cheryl on 5174 9045, Janet on 5133 9854 or Wally on 5126 2195. Alternatively you could write to the above address for our current newsletter, or email: mccombel@sympac.com.au.





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By RUTH PLACE

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1. Lighting: Look at your lamp stands. Are the globes too close to the lampshade? Can the base be easily tipped over? Change them so they are safe. Recessed down lights should be properly insulated from timber paneling, ceiling timbers or insulation materials. Check light fittings for heat build up.

2. Smokers Beware! Smoking in bed could be fatal for the whole household. Tiny embers can smolder unnoticed and burst into flame much later. Ensure butts are properly out before disposal into a rubbish bin.

Like a smoke in your comfortable armchair? Do you end up feeling drowsy? BEWARE! You have in your hand the potential to start a fire. The chair will add plenty of fuel!

3. Flammable Liquids. Liquids such as petrol, kerosene, or Methylated spirits, have the potential to explode into flame if exposed to a naked flame, pilot light, match or heater. Dire consequences may follow! Check the labels before use and store appropriately. Use extreme care when pouring. Many pressure pack products contain flammable substances.

NEVER store flammable liquids in soft drink bottles. The contents can be mistaken and used incorrectly, causing severe health hazards.

4. Home Heating. Have your home heating appliances, especially flues, been installed by professionals, to Building Regulations and Australian Standards?

Walls and floors should be insulated from heat sources. Be careful where you place portable heating appliances.

Never leave an open fire burning if you are leaving the house. Place a mesh fire screen/guard in front of open fires. An open fire is safe when all flames and embers are completely extinguished. Ashes should be cold before you dispose of them.

Have heating appliances inspected and serviced according to manufacturer's requirements.

Children should always be supervised near open fires or heaters.

Wet clothing should be placed at a distance from open fires and heaters.

5. Clothes Dryers. Clothes dryers have a lint filter. Clean this after each load. The lint is a potential fire fuel.

Clothing with underwire or metal pieces, should not be dried in a dryer as they can get caught and start a fire.

Next month home fire escape plans will be discussed. In the meantime

BE FIRE AWARE - BE FIRE SAFE!



Home Loan Matters



Access to Equity

Are you thinking of buying a car? Carrying out alterations, renovations or extensions to your home? Want to buy new furniture or go on that well deserved holiday? Or are those school fees still unpaid?

Often someone in this situation will take out a personal loan or a car loan or use their credit card. As a general rule these loan types will incur higher interest rates than home loans.

If you have paid off or are still paying off your home, using the equity in your home could be the cheapest solution.

Provided that the debt against the home has reduced since the commencement of the loan or if the value of the home has increased (or both), it may be possible to refinance the existing home loan and include the necessary funds for that special need.

For further information or to arrange a free consultation call Val Bormanis at Mortgage Choice on 5176 5566 or 0413 156 266

Next month - "Mortgage Brokers"



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By PETER MCSHANE

Neighbourhood Watch Police Band Concert June 18

HAVE you got your tickets yet? It will soon be too late, so contact Sheryn Gray on 51222341 or Peter McShane on 51221745.

It commences at 7.30 p.m. and for \$6.00 per head, it has to be the best value going around!

Crime Reports

These showed an increase in the number of thefts from Motor Vehicles so just a reminder to please lock your car even in your own driveway. Do not leave valuables in your cars particularly in plain view. Remember – reduce the temptation, reduce the risk.

According to the statistics there were seven thefts from motor vehicles, three burglaries from houses and garages and two instances of property damage. These incidents are not confined to any particular area but rather are spread across the whole Churchill area.

Good Guys as Partners

You may have seen recently in Good Guys (Sheedy-Muir) advertising pamphlets that they are now in partnership with Neighbourhood Watch Victoria wide, using their resources to help us publicize our organisation. We welcome their participation, look forward to a long and fruitful association that we trust will be beneficial to both parties.

Winter is Here

Have you had your car checked yet for winter? Is your battery O.K.? Have you checked your windscreen wiper blades? Do you have sufficient tread on your tyres? Are your lights ALL working correctly? Are they correctly aligned? A comprehensive check takes little time but may save you a lot of time and money later.

NEXT MEETING

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting at 7:30pm on Thursday 19 June at the Neighbourhood House Room at the Churchill Leisure Centre. You are guaranteed a warm welcome on a cold night. Area Manager Peter McShane 51221745.

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Another Busy Month for Lions

By JOHN BARKER, Secretary

THE highlight for our club this month was the fitting of a Hart Walker mobility frame for 4-year-old Tom Trewin of Traralgon (see front page). In conjunction with the Traralgon Lions Club, we have jointly sponsored the frame which has a base cost of \$6000 and a maintenance cost of \$5000 over five years. Tom and his parents were absolutely delighted. What a thrill to witness Tom's first step.

Our young people have been looked after again. More time was put into our sponsored house at Licola Village, a camp primarily for disadvantaged children. The vinyl has been laid leaving only minor work to finish it off.

Kiama Kinder committee assisted with catering at the Community Fair. They realised \$200 for their effort.

The Pub Raffle is going strong and proceeds are being used to sponsor our youth programs (including the Birthday Club). Please support our members.

I have take part in another Scout activity – a hike for Churchill Scouts around the Walhalla / Coopers Creek area. All who took part had a good time. Some of the route was hard going, but the river crossing made it all worthwhile.

Other snippets include: Shave for a cure - \$200 donation, Red Cross Calling - \$200 donation, World's Biggest Barbecue raised \$400, Catering at ThumperNats, Traralgon – thanks for your support – all proceeds will go to Camp Quality, Working Bee at Hazelwood House with the Lioness Club, Good Friday Appeal – assist with catering and continued involvement with Neighbourhood Watch.

Churchill & District News has started a Children's Birthday Club sponsored by our Lions Club. All children under 12 are eligible to join – free of charge – and each month a lucky 'birthdayite' will be chose at random by the editor and receive a \$10.00 voucher for both Churchill Future Flicks and Churchill Newsagency. To join, turn to page 13, look at the entry form, follow the instructions, have it signed by a parent/guardian and post off to the address shown. The list will be published each month. Only 10 members so far, odds are very good! Make sure you don't miss out.

Our next catering project is Saturday June 7 at Bunnings, a sausage sizzle for Camp Quality.

To all the families in our community of Churchill and District, we thank you for your support. If you need to contact us our address is: PO Box 110, Churchill, 3842.

Morwell Art & Framing

LEA and Rod Jones are the new owners of Morwell Art and Framing. They offer a huge range of art supplies and services. They have new Framing stock and new Framing styles as well as a

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Art lessons are now on offer, from beginners to advanced.

There is a discount for students off all art supplies.

Their showroom is located at 69 Chickerell Street, Morwell, Telephone: 03 5134 5515.



Pictured: Left - art supplies and upstairs gallery, above - huge selection of frames.

C.D.C.A.

By PETER MCSHANE

KEEP giving us your comments, information and feedback as it helps us know what the current community feeling is on a range of matters.

We are still trying to get the Churchill Community Gardens and the Public Toilet facility under way but are experiencing some difficulties. It is an absolute disgrace that the fourth largest town in the Latrobe Valley has no Public Toilet facilities for residents and visitors use. Again please contact your councillors to make your feelings known.

Do you need more information about the CDCA or like to pass on your comments and feedback on what has been achieved and what is still needed in our town, then write to us at P.O. Box 191 Churchill 3842 or contact Secretary Peter McShane on 51221745 or e-mail petergmshane@yahoo.com.au.

We extend an invitation to you to attend any of our meetings, and look forward to seeing you at 7.30 p.m. in the Link room at Monash University. The meeting dates are: Tuesday 3 June 2003, Tuesday 1 July 2003, Tuesday 5 August 2003, Tuesday 2 September 2003, Tuesday 7 October 2003, Tuesday 4 November 2003.



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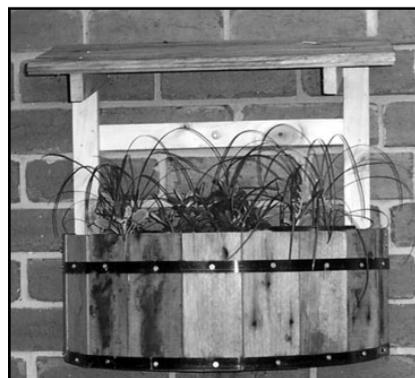
Mick told the Churchill & District News that it was a hobby he enjoyed.

When his partner wanted something special in the centre of their front garden there appeared a 7ft well!

The well now houses pot plants and puff the dragon!

The wells and other garden ornaments can be made to order at very reasonable prices.

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----- Youth Yard -----

THE TRIAD OF LATTER-DAY MORONS

By JAI MILLER AND MARTIN CONNOR

WE are the triad of latter-day morons, we consist of: Fiona: the boss, Martin: the comedian, Dragon: oddball (me).

We are the three figureheads of the hall of the latter-day morons, a group...things devoted to...stuff. We are goth's (there is nothing else to describe us). We plan to display reviews of music cd's and shows (music ones). We will also do jokes and comedy.

This is our first review: Tool, Lateralus.

We would advise that only people older than 14 years of age and only metal fans or Tool fans. This



album contains very little (if any). It contains some of Tool's best know tracks such as Lateralus, Schism, Parabol and Refections. I must stress the point that you should only listen to this or any Tool album if you do not mind anti-American statements and reference.

We give this album 9/10. Martin's saying of the times: Chaos, panic and disorder... My work here is done. The prophecy: The world will end on the day this is typed. The aztecs (if you get this they were wrong). Ya'll see us next time I hopes.



A Day at the Races

By STRANGE BIKE FAN
ROUND 1 of the Stain Tune Four Stroke Motocross Nations.

On Sunday 18 May at Loy Yank Park the Thumpers were on.

There were quite a few crashes and slide outs at the corners which looked good, but were quite annoying if you were standing close by, because mud and dirt was sent flying into the crowd.

I'd be surprised if the riders DIDN'T have Repetitive Stress Disorder from going around the same course again and again. The Jim Beam girls were there, and did a good job of entertaining the men in the crowd.

All in all it was a good day, but it can get a bit boring after 3 or 4 or 5 or 6 hours.

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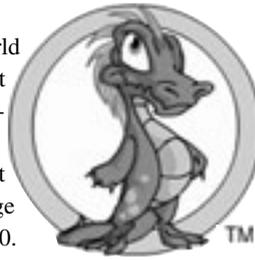
By THOMAS STRATFORD

NEOPETS is an internet based game that allows you to create a virtual pet that you can Feed, Play games with and do much, much more. It is free to sign up with.

With this site, you can meet people from other countries and even test your skills with your friends at the battledome.

Neopets is set in the world called Neopia. So if you want to join neopets go to the internet site www.neopets.com.

Out of ten I would give it 10 and if you want to challenge me, my login name is sparky_0.



Kurnai Churchill Art Work by:
Far Left: Adam Peterson,
Centre Left: Thomas Mabin,
Left Lanie Smee

Cyber Wurds

By CHANTELLE FRANSSSEN AND JENNALEA MCINNES

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Word: wurd
World: wurld
What: wat, wha, wot, wass,wad
Hello terms: hey, aye, eh, eyy, hi, holla, halla, g'day, getah
Goodbye terms: c-ya, catch, catch ya layta, lada, ciao, buhz, bub bye, baii,



biiia
You: u, yu, chu, cha, ya
Your: yur, ur chur
Lol: laugh out loud
Brb: be right back
Little: lil
To: 2
For: 4
Won/one: wun, 1, one, won
Day: dai
Busy: bizzzy

Nothing: nuttin, nuthin, nuddin, nuffin
Love: luv, lurve, love
"Cool" terms: kool, wiiked, wikked, awesum, maad, madness, kolnes, awes, sweet
Shoes: shooz, shoez
Head: hed
Have you got some cyber wurds? Send them to us at Cyber Wurds, C/- PO Box 234, Churchill, 3842.

Introduction to Conspiracies

By LIDUL KIDUL

CAUTION: Stories can scare and cause fear...sometimes.

As many people will know, the government (mainly American government) has secrets. Secrets that they don't want the public to know. Some are criminal – such as the John F. Kennedy assassination. Some are not from this world – for example The Roswell UFO crash.

Even though the government denies that they are holding secrets, there are things going on behind the walls of the Pentagon and White House. Conspiracies are when a group of people

agree to hide an event or do some deeds then not tell anybody about it. Conspiracies are suspicious in their own way. The people who come up with these stories have a lot of time on their hands but are the only people that would defy their government. People have been 'Silenced' by the FBI, CIA or by the NSA because they were going to tell the truth to the public.

The JFK magic bullet – when JFK was assassinated the autopsy reported that there were several bullet wounds but he FBI and CIA arrested only one person, Lee Harvey Oswald, he was put

on trial and found guilty. Now how can one single person possibly fire several rifles at the same time simultaneously? The bullet went through the body. If we follow the theory that there was one sole gunman, then the bullet would have turned around and gone through the body again and again. So there is only one possible way the he could have been shot with several bullets...there was more than one gunman.

Remember...'Always think twice of what you hear from the media and government'.

My Life! - what a mess!

WHEN I was in year seven I met this terrific guy who I always thought was too good for me. He was the type of guy who would joke around with people saying that the loved them but he didn't. After a while he seemed to always stare at me and I stared back.

I asked him one day who the girls name on his hand was, he told me it was his girlfriend. After that I didn't hang out with him any more. I hung around a crowd of people who my family did not approve of.

Everyday I would go to their caravan and put up with the cigarette and bong smoke getting blown in my face and getting called a leech. I put up with this

kind of abuse for about seven months until I realised how well the boy I liked at the start of the year had treated me. I'd sit there in a smoke-infested caravan thinking about that boy.

The very next day I went to the boy's best friend's house but he wasn't there. I felt hurt, so I went back to my usual bong smoking, alcoholic friends. Three months later I went back to the boy's best friend's house and he was there. I talked to him for ages, at the end of the day he walked me home.

Don't ask me why but the next day I went back to the caravan and still got treated like a slave. I ended up falling on love with the guy who had a good car

and very good looks but a huge flaw in his character. I wagged school to be with him but soon found out that he was worthless. He was trying to use me.

I went on the net and had a chat to my first boy from year seven. He was happy to talk to me and asked me to come around to this best mate's house, so I did. Ever since then I have been going out with this guy and he is very sweet.

I just wish I had never left to find love because it was right in front of me. I had to go through hell to get this guy though. When I was kissing him he still had that girlfriend so it was a bit messy but we are happy now. That time was the messiest part of my life.

A Churchill & District History Series

Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



Churchill Writer at Parliament House

By LAINEY Hughes

A BEAUTIFUL ornate ceiling, magnificent chandeliers and portraits of past Victorian Premiers around the walls: perfect surroundings for the presentation of the Victorian Community History Awards of 2003 held recently in Queens Hall, Parliament House, Melbourne

I was there to represent the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre's Creative Writing Group as our local anthology "Gippsland Reflections" had been entered in the awards. A total of 85 entries were on show in display cabinets around the room adding up to countless hours of research and writing.

After a welcome by Sue Heistein, Manager, Information Victoria, Ms Judy Maddigan, Speaker, Victorian Parliament gave the oration.

Ms Maddigan gave an enlightening talk on the role of women in the Victorian Parliament and her own role as the first female Speaker in Victoria. This was followed by the Award presentations in many different categories. The winner of the Victorian Community History Award for 2003 went to Ann Synan of Sale for her book "They Came with Nothing" which tells interesting and often haunting tales of European Migrants at the West Sale Migrant Holding

Centre during the 1940's and 50's.

Debbie Bye of ABC Radio in Sale was also commended for her involvement in the project and her accompanying CD titled "Footprints in the Tar", which has been aired on 3GI.

Following the presentations of the awards we were able to have a look inside the Legislative Assembly with Ms Maddigan who showed us around and answered questions.

If was a wonderful experience and gives great encouragement to the many Victorian writers to research and compile the history of the State of Victoria.

In Parliament: Lainey Hughes (left) with Ms Judy Maddigan, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



"Everybody Milked Cows"



By CATHY COCHRANE

"EVERYBODY knew everybody, everybody milked cows and if there was a dance everybody turned up."

That's how Dot Rowley sums up the early years in the district where Churchill was later built.

Together with her husband Eric she retired into Churchill in 1975. But before that they had farmed in the local district for many years.

Dot was born at St Hillary's in Morwell in 1922. Later her children would also be born there and some of her grandchildren.

Hazelwood was a dairy-farming district and her parents' farm was eight miles out of Morwell.

She walked half a kilometre to attend Hazelwood South School, just like her own children later. There were 20 students and eight grades in one room. It was difficult but they managed, Dot said.

"Kids were different in those days. They went to school to learn and the teachers to teach," she said.

"We were all country kids. That was the only time we saw other children."

The schoolhouse has been shifted somewhere else but the track leading to it is still there, near Glendonald Road in Churchill.

Dot's chores at home were to get the wood for the fire in the mornings, feed the chooks and collect the eggs. When she was old enough to milk cows she did that too.

After finishing school she "stayed home and milked cows" as well as doing housework and paddock work.

During World War II she served with the Australian Women's Ancillary Service for three years. It was the first time she had been away from home.

She worked shift work as a staff driver in Melbourne. She was based at the garage on the corner of St Kilda Road and Toorak Road.

At the end of the war she returned home "to milk cows."

Later, she married Eric Rowley, who was farming in the local district. "I went from one cow yard to another," she says laughing.

Eric was born in Maffra and lived at Cowwarr before shifting to the district in 1928. He recalls that the area was nearly all bushland when he arrived.

"Years ago this was a pretty country side. Then the APM put in all these useless pine trees. So far as the effect on the soil they shouldn't be planted. Originally they thought pines grew faster," Eric argues.

He and his family milked only 12 cows when they came to Hazelwood- as many as could be run on the feed available. The cream was sold in Morwell. Usually, only one farm supplied the milk for the whole town and the others fed their milk to pigs.

To support themselves they killed rabbits and cut wood. The wood was cut into two-foot lengths and they received 14 bob for each 2.5 tonne lot. They also ran a few sheep for themselves.

Over time they built up the dairy herd and eventually put in a second hand milking machine.

All of the cows had a name but "some are a bit unprintable," Eric said laughing.

"It was a hard life but a good life because it was healthy," Eric said.

Aside from farming Eric played footy for Morwell-walking eight miles to Morwell, playing and then walking eight miles back again- and later coached Churchill for two seasons.

Eric was the Secretary of the Hazelwood Citizen's Committee during its advocacy for the town name Hazelwood to be retained.

He recalls that all the money to build the hall on Tramway Road was raised locally.

The locals also formed a Sports Committee to run a sports day, which was held each year on Caulfield Cup Day. The sports included running and wood chopping.

"In those days if the town wanted something they went in and done it. Now they want backing. They go to the government," Eric said.

"In those days if you hurt yourself you wouldn't bother suing anybody though," Dot added, hinting that insurance is a significant factor in the changed attitude.

Both Dot and Eric have been actively involved with the Senior Citizens Club and the Wattle Club for a number of years.

They suggest that Churchill needs more activities for teenagers, without them having to go to Morwell, and better transport arrangements in the evenings.



Churchill & District Community Association COMPETITION

"A Christmas Theme for Churchill"



* Readers are invited to submit ideas for a theme for Christmas Decorations for the township of Churchill

*Entries will be judged by the following criteria:

1. A unifying theme for Churchill
2. The budget will be approximately \$5000.00. With this we would like Churchill to stand out from the crowd! It has to look stunning! (The money may be spent on more than one project or over more than one year)
3. A strong Christmas feeling.

*The competition is open to all ages.

*Prize(s) of voucher(s) up to the value of \$100.00 will be awarded to the winning entry(s).

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48 Years of Dancing at Jeeralang Hall

By JAN MAY

RECENTLY when I was at the Jeeralang North Hall I noticed a very definite "shaded" area around the outside of the floor of the hall, approximately one meter in from the seats. It reminded me of a racetrack around a paddock.

It is the mark left by waltzing feet over 48 years, maybe longer, dancing in time to piano, accordions, drums and organs.

Since the Opening Ball on September 23rd, 1955 there has been a dance every month – 576 monthly dances, each for at least four hours – 2304 hours of dancing, hence the "shaded" area.

There may have been one or two dances before the Opening Ball as the hall was rebuilt at a cost of 1395 pounds after it was bunt during bush fires.

The Opening Ball must have been a grand affair as ten large loaves were cut for sandwiches. Many cream sponges were baked,

milk, tea, coffee and lots of other goodies made up supper for the cost of 15 shillings a double.

Dances continued each month with lighting supplied by hurricane lamps until the next 'Grand Affair'.

The ' Switch-On-Ball' was held on April 21st 1961, dancing and supper still for only 15 shillings a double.

There were two grand affairs in 1961. A Deb Ball was held on September 8th. I remember that day as my Dad and Mum-in-Law, the late Hon. Bert and Lanie May, had to leave our wedding early as they were to have the Debs presented to them at 9.00pm!

The Pride of Erin's, Parma Waltzes, Foxtrots and many others continued no matter what the weather.

Before the ceiling was installed in 1983 there were two choices – turn up the volume or just follow the couple in front. The rain on the iron roof drowned out the sound of the music!

Not only did we celebrate our birthday each year, we have also had other grand affairs.

For our 45th year we had a '50's' dance, complete with bobby socks, flared skirts, sneakers and white sports coats.

Prizes were awarded during the night by the President, Mr Bill Mele, to the Best Couple, Best Lady and Best Gent.

The dances have continued with much change – the men still discuss the weather, cattle prices, wool and milk prices, the ladies still tell of the newest addition to the family, describe the latest wedding and swap cooking hints –but times do change things. The price is now \$5.00 a single and a wide variety of subjects are discussed around the hall – but we still have the milk, coffee and tea!

The two latest grand affairs were the Bi-centenary Dance and

the Federation Dance.

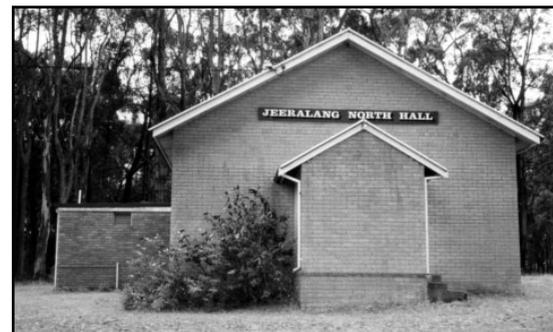
Both were great nights. Colonial dress was the go. There was many a fine Lady and Dashing Gent present for both nights.

Mr Bill Mele cut the Federation Cake which was really too pretty to cut. It was beautifully decorated, complete with logo – the taste was just as good.

We are still dancing each month. Come and join us. The cost is \$5.00 each. Music is by Harmony Plus and we have an excellent floor. We really do appreciate a plate of supper to share. Visitors are made most welcome, whether you are 2 or 92 years of age.

The next dance is June 27th. For more information call Zelma on 51661264 or Dan on 51221145.

This is the history of dancing at Jeeralang North – the history of the hall itself and the milestones and achievements of one of the committee members of 60 years is also an interesting story.



****CHILDREN'S CORNER****



Pet Pics!

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- Raisins



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CHURCHILL NEWS BIRTHDAY CLUB -

Hi Kids,

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CHURCHILL 3842

BIRTHDAYITES FOR MAY

No names submitted

BIRTHDAYITES FOR JUNE

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|----------------|----------|
| Kate JOHNSON | 10 years |
| Rachael CUSICK | 3 years |
| Nathan LUGTON | 9 years |

The selected BIRTHDAYITE for June is **Nathan LUGTON**. Congratulations, you have won a \$10 voucher at Churchill Newsagency and \$10 voucher at Future Flicks Churchill. We will be contacting you shortly.

Mars Close to Earth

By JEFF SING

As a club promoting practical astronomy, the Latrobe Valley Astronomical Society (LVAS) meets every second Tuesday of the month from February to November each year.

The next meeting of the LVAS will be at the Wirilda Environment Park, Tyers on Tuesday 8 July at 7.30pm. The guest speaker for the July meeting will be Roger Davis from Melbourne who will discuss telescopes and other equipment.

The LVAS Annual General Meeting will be held at Wirilda on Tuesday August 12th.

In the coming few months the focus of the astronomical world will be on the close approach of Mars to earth the nearest encounter in thousands of years. Mars will be only 55.7 million kilometres from Earth, or just over one third the average

distance between the Earth and the Sun. Mars is rising in the east this month around 10.00pm. By late July, it will rise around 8pm, and the visible disk will rapidly enlarge.

It will be exactly in line with the Earth, on the same side of the Sun, an alignment called and opposition, on August 27th, where it will rise about sunset and be visible the entire night.

Oppositions occur every 780 days or 2.14 years as Mars is a slower moving object than the Earth and its orbit is highly elliptical.

There will be ample opportunities to view Mars through the use of telescopes provided by LAVS members, the Society's telescope at the observatory and at Coach Road, Yallourn (situated at the top of the hill below where the fire tower is located).

The premium viewing months for Mars are July, August and September this year because this is the period when the face of Mars presents its largest diameter.

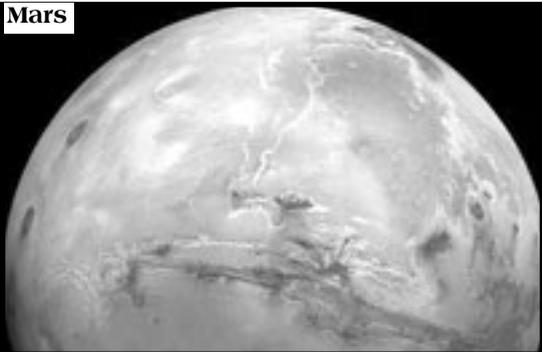
Even at its best, however, Mars is a disappointing object

for newcomers, as the disc appears tiny through small to medium telescopes, no matter how close Mars comes to Earth. Nevertheless, the Martian disc won't reach this size again until the year 2208AD.

Mars is a popular planetary target for amateur astronomers worldwide as the red planet is visible in the evening skies every two and a bit years. In spite of its size a trained eye can detect many details and features on Mars. There will be more information on the practical observing aspects of Mars in next month's paper.

The LAVS does conduct deep sky (galaxies, star clusters and nebulae) observing sessions, depending on the weather, and whenever moonless periods occur (around the time of last quarter moon and new moon). It is much better to detect faint deep sky objects without the interference of moonlight.

The next periodical dates for moonless nights are between June 19 and July 5. Anyone can attend these sessions by being registered on a ring-around list. You do not have to be a LVAS member to participate or register. To register for deep sky observing sessions, for the observation of Mars or for more information about joining the LAVS contact myself, Jeff Sing on 5174 7556.



Need Plants for Sun or Shade?

GARDEN centre staff are often asked for assistance with gardening tips and they are happy to help. One of the much-asked questions is: "Do you have plants suitable for the sun and others for shady spots"? Well, the answer is yes, to both. Correct position is important for a plant to flourish. Plectranthus 'Mona Lavender' is a fabulous plant for a shady spot.

The following plants are all tough, flower for long periods and can be grown in pots or in the garden.



Gaura 'Bijou Butterflies'

- *Attractive variegated foliage
- *Strong upright growth
- *Virtually evergreen
- *Approx 40cm high x 45cm wide.



Gaura 'Passionate Blush'

- *Small grower – ideal for containers
- *Flowers profusely in hot months
- *Sunny, well drained location
- *Approx 60cm high x 50cm wide
- *Upright habit



Plectranthus 'Mona Lavender'

- *Suits shaded, dry situation
- *Spires of lavender blue flowers for months
- *Approx 40cm high x 50cm wide
- *Suits container or hanging basket



Diascia 'Pendan' Little Dancer

- *Flowers for months and months
- *Up to 25cm high x 60cm wide.
- *Plant in drifts of 3 to 5 plants
- *Needs virtually no trimming



Convolvulus 'Moroccan Beauty'

- *Dense growth habit to help reduce weeds
- *Tight, compact growth
- *Spreads to about 60cm
- *Suits full sun or semi shade

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Parents United

LATROBE Community Health Service Inc is running a support program for parents or caregivers who are stressed by their adolescent substance abuse called Parent's United.

The seven week structured program proves a safe, supportive and confidential environment for parents, or caregivers, of adolescents between the ages of 14 and 22.

Parents may explore their feelings and learn coping strategies to assist themselves and their families with the issues associated with their adolescent's drug abuse.

There is not cost involved but a commitment to improving family relationships is encouraged.

For further details contact Rita, Sonia or Farron on 5134 2011.

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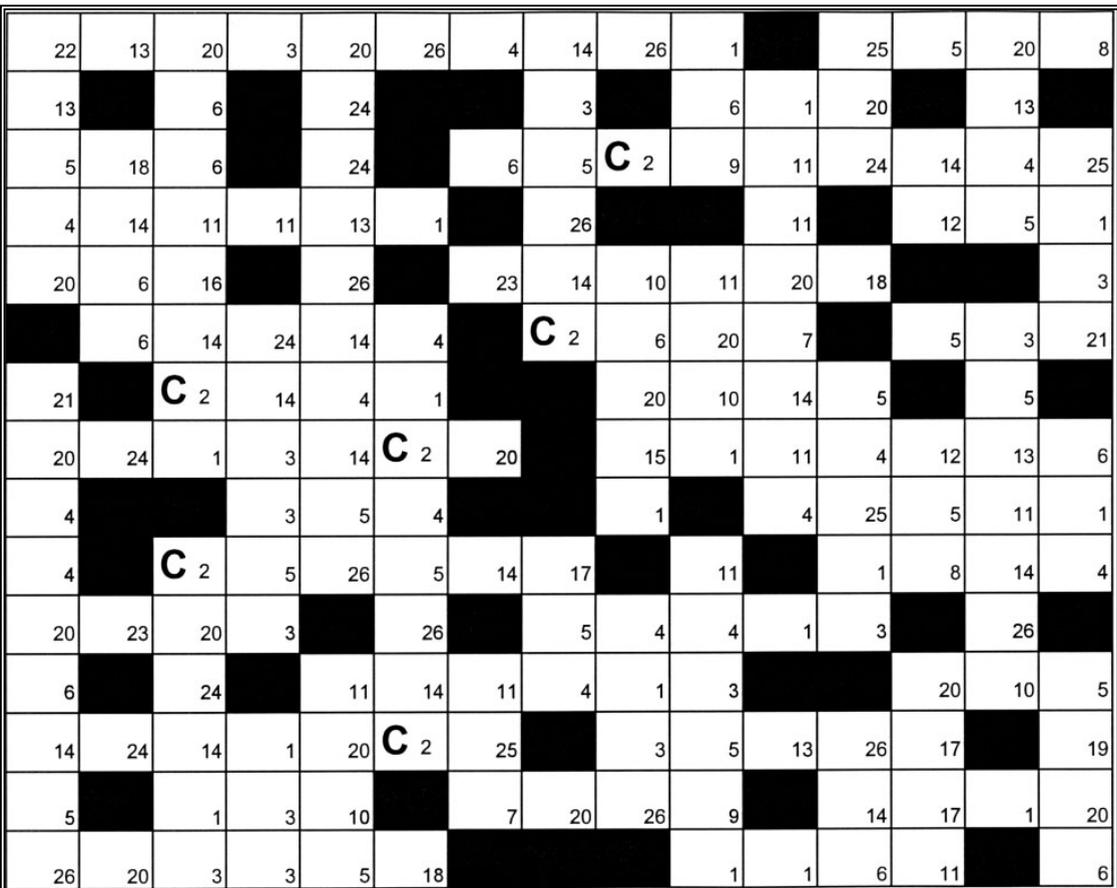
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Happening in July. Kyokushin Karate is a traditional Japanese Marital Art.

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Jacko's Jumble Words

Solve the Puzzle by working out which number equals which letter. In this puzzle C = 2.

1	C	2
3		4
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21		22
23		24
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V	7	W	8
K	9	N	10
R	11	I	12
S	13	Q	14
F	15	X	16
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Z	19	P	20
E	21	M	22
B	23	L	24
G	25	O	26

MAY SOLUTION



Waratah Bay

By ROD SLOCOM, President, Associated Angling Club Inc.

WARATAH Bay was the destination for our latest fishing trip. All the members had a good time, some staying three days, some two and some coming just for a day. Our junior members not only enjoyed the fishing but also feeding the birds!

The nights were cold but the days were good. Unfortunately no fish were caught but plenty of dolphins and a whale were sighted. When there are dolphins and whales around fish are scarce.

The members held a

barbecue tea on Saturday night that was enjoyed by all.

We are currently holding a raffle in aid of our Annual Junior Angling Competition to be held in November. The first prize is holiday accommodation for two at Batemans Bay. If anyone would like a ticket, would like to sell some tickets or is interested in finding out more about the club please contact Rod Slocum on 5122 2189 or Peter Prokopiv on 5122 2589.

Pictured: Angler Paul Reid gives advice to Juniors

L'Oreal Provides Finishing Touches at Golf Course

L'OREAL, a world leader in the health and beauty industry, continued its support of women's golf in Australia on 1st April with the 2003 L'Oreal Ladies Cup.

The competition has grown this year to include nearly 500 golf clubs across Australia, including the Churchill & Monash Golf Club.

Approximately 25 ladies enjoyed an exciting days play, competing for the L'Oreal prizes.

Competitors were focussed on winning the high-performance products from the L'Oreal Paris skincare range.

The competition was part of a national community ladies golf program initiated in 2000 to familiarise Australian women with a range of L'Oreal Paris products.

Elizabeth Ollquist of Federation Health Pharmacy in Churchill awarded Eva D'Alterio the L'Oreal Paris skin care prize pack.

Eva won the day with a score of 72 nett. The following four were also lucky recipients of a prize pack, an initiative introduced to the program in 2003: Jo Leslie, 71 nett, Yvonne Wotton, 73 Nett, Carol Barnes, 73 nett and Linda Casey 74 nett.

While the L'Oreal Ladies Cup continues across Australia until the end of the year, the overwhelming success and participation levels thus far suggest that a similar program will continue next year. Be sure to keep an out for details.

For more information please contact Ladies Captain Maureen McConville, Churchill & Monash Golf Club. Telephone: 5122 6295.

RESULTS

Churchill & Monash Golf Club hosted their ladies bowl on 11th April. With 54 players a good day was had by all.

The winning team was Moe: Joan Boulton 36pts, Jane Blandford 40pts and Francis Edwards 37pts totalling 113points.

The A Grade winner was Di Scurlock on 44p points and the B Grade winner was Jane Blandford on 40c/b. DTL: L French, J Shearman 42pts, A Wright 41pts, D

Baskett, V Anderson, L Porter 40pts, B Jamieson 39pts, K Raber, K Swinger 38pts. NTP: Dot Welch 3rd.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stroke Monthly Medal Silverspoon, 1.04.03.

Scratch: Jo Leslie 88. A Grade: (0 - 33) and medal: E D'Alterio 69nett. B Grade (34 - 45) V Anderson 72 nett. DTL: J Leslie 71, Y Wotton 73, C Barnes 73, L Casey 74. NTP: 3/12 -36 J Leslie +36 L Welsh, 5/14 -36 E D'Alterio +36 E Baker. Putts: Y Wotton 30. Longest Drive -36 D Thomas +36 V Rowley. Sliverspoon: E D'Alterio. Lost Handicap E D'Alterio 28 - 26, Jo Leslie 17 - 16.

Saturday Ladies Comp: Stableford, 5.04.03 CCR 67.

A Grade: A Casey 42pts. B Grade: T Alexander 42pts C/b. DTL: R Welsh 42, D Debono 42, F Dedjak 41, C Flanigan 40, P Ludlow 39 C/B. NTP: 3rd A Gill, 12th T Sterrick, 14th P Kearns.

Saturday Mens Comp: 4BBB Par, 12.04.03.

Winners: I Wilson: Debono +0. DTL: P Ludlow/ R Welsh +9, T Alexander / C Speekenbrink +9, G Hornsby / B Murphy +9. NTP: 3rd B Debono, 5th C Thomas, 12th G Blizzard, 14th G Hornsby.

Sunday Mens Comp: Stableford, 13.04.03.

Winner: G Beyer 41pts C/B. DTL: P Ludlow 41pts, S Andrews 37pts, D Taylor 37pts. NTP: 3rd G Beyer, 5th A Casey, 12th M Brereton, 14th G Dolon.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford, 13.04.03 CCR 70.

Winner: J Blizzard 35 pts. DTL: C Barnes 31pts. NTP: 5th C Barnes, 14th J Leslie.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Canadian, 1.04.03.

Winners: J Leslie / C Barnes 801/2. DTL: C Ellis / Di Scurlock 81. NTP: Y Wotton 5th.

Saturday Mens Comp: Stroke (Guest Day), 19.04.03, CCR 69.

A Grade: C Lesiw 64nett. B Grade: E Fashagbon 67nett. C Grade: M D'Alterio 67nett. DTL: Dael Scurlock 65, C Thomas 69, R Sheahy 69, D Chessum 70, C

Johnson 70, J White 70, V Monument 71 C/B. NTP: R Burns 3rd, J Dickson 5th, G Blizzard 12th, P Williams 14th.

Birdies: R Burns 3rd, P Williams 14th, W Peter 3rd, J Osborne 14th. Guest Winner: S Edwards (Morwell) 72nett.

Sunday Mens Comp: Stableford, 20.04.03.

Winner: J Ambrosini 32pts. DTL: B Croft 31pts C/B. NTP: G Morrison 5th.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Captain's Presidents Day, 22.04.03 CCR 70.

Presidents winner: Y Wotton 37pts, Captains winner: D Thomas 36pts. NTP: 3/12 +33 L Ollquist, 5/14 -32 Y Wotton. Winning Team: Presidents Team.

Saturday Mens Comp: Monthly Medal Stroke, 26.04.03 CCR 68.

Scratch: C Speekenbrink 79. A Grade: (0 - 15) C Speekenbrink 68nett. B Grade (16 - 21) K Ellis 64 C/B. C Grade: (22 - 32) B Debono 64nett and medal. DTL: E Fashagbon 64, P Kearns 67, F Sedjak 68, R Sheahy 69, J Sterrick 69, D Taylor 69, T Sparkes 71 C/B.

NTP: 3rd P Kearns, 5th E Fashagbon, 12th G Sanders, 14th E Fashagbon. Birdies: A Casey 12th, C Thomas 5th, E Fashagbon 5th, K Ellis 14th, P Kearns 3rd. Eagle: P Ludlow 9th. Putts: K Ellis 26.

Sunday Mens Comp: Churchill / Monash Plate, 27.04.03. CCR 67.

Winning Team: Moe. Scratch: D Scurlock 71. A Grade (0 - 15) O D Halkeett 42pts (Moe). B Grade: (16 - 32) O Lloyd 40pts (Emerald). DTL: J Taylor 40, R Marston 39, M Otten 39, W McIntosh 38, G Beyer 37, J Malone 37. NTP: 3rd G Beyer, 5th D Scurlock, 12th M Otene, 14th C Johnson. Birdies: C Johnson 12th, W McIntosh 5th, W McIntosh 12th, C Randall 3rd.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Par, 29.04.03 CCR 70/+2.

Winner: Liz Ollquist +7. DTL: E D'Alterio +2, L Casey —, D Thomas -7. NTP: 3/12 -32 Di Thomas, +33 P Hrynyszyn, 5/4 -32 Di Scurlock, +33 V Verheyen. Lost Handicap: Liz Ollquist 44 - 39.

Night Tennis In Full Swing

NIGHT tennis is now in full swing COMMENCING AT 7.00PM EVERY WEDNESDAY AT A COST OF \$4.00 PER PERSON. Come and enjoy tennis under the lights at Churchill. Everyone is welcome. Supper is provided. For more

information contact Vicki on 51221779.

If you are interested in a social hit of tennis come along on Mondays at 1.00pm. The cost is \$1.00 per person. For more information contact Carol on 51221464.



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Vego - basil, chickpea, zucchini, onions, caps, sundried tomato	7.50		
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