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## Historic Week celebrated at Yinnar Museum



For the week of October 16 to 22 the members of the Yinnar Historical Society opened the doors of the Yinnar Museum to the public for Historic Week, in two sessions daily 9.30am -11.30am and 1.30pm-3.30pm.

The museum is located in the old railway goods shed at Yinnar, commonly called the Shed.

Approximately 120 visitors, some local,

some who had never been before, and some from a distance, took advantage of this opportunity to see the impressive displays of old artefacts, kitchenware, photos, clothing, farm goods and tools, cameras and radios to name a few. There are also four wings from the stage of the original Mechanics Hall which burned down. They were saved because they were in the Memorial Hall on stage at the time.

There is also a collection of history about the district families which is a source of great interest.

Viewing these objects brings back many memories of times past.

As part of the open times, four of the Historical Society ladies arranged a display of old crafts - embroidery, clothing, crochet, knitting and needlework. They demonstrated

knitting, sewing on an old treadle sewing machine and spinning yarn from wool.

The members were thrilled with the interest shown and invite anyone else interested to come there on regular open days - the first Sunday in the month from 1.30pm- 4pm.

Others may be inclined to join this active group. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at the Museum.

### Community Events

## What's Happening ?

**Sporting Expo - Sunday November 19.**

**Lions Market - Saturday December 16.**

**Carols by Candlelight - Saturday December 16.**

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**Churchill & District Community Association**

By Abbethia Rene, President.

In last month's issue of the Churchill & Districts News, former CDCA President, Margaret Guthrie, reported on the outcome of this year's AGM, and I am pleased to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the incoming President. It is a great honour to take up this role and I look forward to working closely with the committee and community to invigorate CDCA after a time of hibernation.

These are exciting times for CDCA as we have a new Secretary as well, Summer Lakeman who is also the President of Churchill's community garden group. As well as that we are lucky

to have new people joining the committee - Jeff Kemp, Mike Thompson and Celeste Jennings. Jeff and Mike are knowledgeable Churchill locals, whilst Celeste, although a relative newcomer, has a wealth of experience and knowledge in building better community groups.

All are surely going to help us build on what has been built within CDCA over many years.

I would like to extend the gratitude of myself and the committee for the tireless effort of our now Vice-President Margaret Guthrie's service, as well as that of all the previous committee members over the years, to the Churchill community. In Margaret's time as President

of CDCA she has done an exceptional job in improving Churchill and district. I look forward to working closely with her as she helps me grow into the role of President.

So, who is this Abbethia fellow anyway you might ask. Firstly, you can call me Ab and if you see me around introduce yourself - I am always keen to meet new people and build relationships. I am only new to Churchill after moving here two years ago to study at Federation University.

After completing the FAST programme last year, I am just about to finish my first year of my Nursing degree this year.

I am the father of two beautiful daughters who are 14 and 11 and live predominately in Ringwood; you may see them with me on the weekends enjoying the parkland areas around Churchill or having a swim at the pool.

My passions are to help people and build community, environment and indigenous affairs and I hope to be able to bring that passion to CDCA and serve the town of Churchill in my role as President.

I would like to invite anyone who is interested in CDCA activities to contact us by emailing [secretarycdca@mail.com](mailto:secretarycdca@mail.com) Details of our next meeting are available on our website at <http://cdca.org.au> All local residents are welcome to attend our



Abbethia Rene

meetings and meet the new committee.

CDCA will continue to advocate for the community in the areas of improving Churchill and supporting local community groups. As an example, CDCA is supporting the upcoming Active Kids Churchill Expo. Likewise, CDCA supported the Morwell District Boer War commemorative project, and in my first public appearance as President of CDCA, I attended the Commemorative Service held at Morwell RSL on October 11, 2017 and laid a wreath to honour the servicemen of the district.

Again, I am humbled to be the new President of CDCA and look forward to helping the community in anyway I can.

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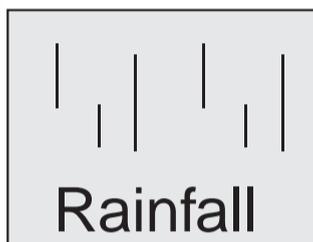
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**Rainfall**

**Churchill September rainfall**

The first half of September was very wet, we are now back to below average and spring is here. In total September had 114mm of rain which is 124% of the September average. The tanks are still not completely full and the ground water is rapidly drying up since the heavy falls early in the month. It is time to prepare for the bushfire season. Opportunities for burn - offs will soon be limited and the fire restrictions are likely to start early this year.

**October rainfall**

Churchill had a mixture of beautiful sunny spring days and also nine days of rain. The total rainfall for the month was 55.5 mil making the years total, so far 488 mil. A lot more rain is needed in the next two months if



**Churchill is to achieve its yearly average rainfall.**

**Rain for Hazelwood South**

September was very wet in the first half of the month, the second half of September was back to below average. The total rain for September was 114mm which is a useful 124% of the September average.

The average rain for 2017 to the end of October is a poor 76%. The shortfall results in the tanks not being full and the ground water is drying up too early this year. The time for burn-offs to prepare for the bushfire season is coming to an end. The fire restrictions are likely to start early.

October had 63mm of rain for the month, which is a low 80.4% of the monthly average. The higher temperatures have increased the evaporation rate.

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# Mathison Park



At the working bee the remaining soil was spread around the play area, and raked and levelled out.

Then the crew went to the old house area where a fallen branch needed to be cleared.

From there they went to the arboretum to clear up further fallen branches and trim a couple of trees.

It has been thrilling to watch our new plants grow and bloom.



The Junior Fishing Day run by Churchill and District News and Relationships Australia, Victoria took place at Lake Hyland Mathison Park on October 28, from 10am - 2pm.

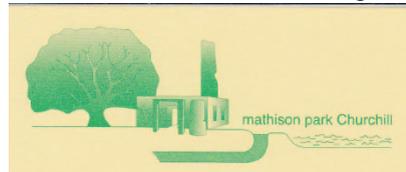
The park is thrilled to host this ongoing annual event.

We still need some more helpers for our working bees. They are held on the second Saturday of each month

from 9am to approximately 12.30pm, or any part of that time. For further information ring Ruth 5122 1961.

We have a web site and a facebook page. Please visit and like us on facebook.

At present the grass is growing very quickly and we are trying to keep it under control.




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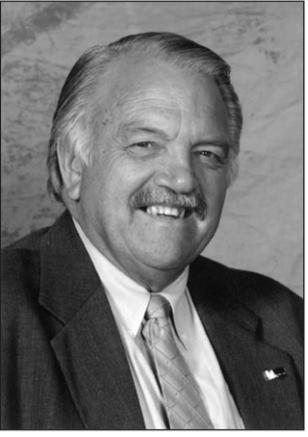
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**Regional Alibaba E-Commerce Workshop coming to Latrobe City**



With the arrival earlier this year of China's e-commerce giant Alibaba into its Melbourne Headquarters, Latrobe City Council has been successful in securing a Regional Alibaba E-Commerce Workshop for businesses, small and large in Gippsland.

Clearly, opening up a dialogue with the world's largest online and mobile E-Commerce Company is a great move for Latrobe City. As we know, Latrobe City's economy is in a period of transition and now is the time

to explore new initiatives. Opportunities for building international trade capability within Latrobe City is a key focus during this period of transition.

It is pleasing that the idea of a Regional Alibaba E-Commerce Workshop has emerged. Alibaba's senior leadership team is very passionate about Alibaba's potential role as a conduit for Gippsland businesses to access the significant Chinese consumer market.

It is anticipated that this Regional Alibaba

E-Commerce Workshop will be held, at a date to be advised, in December 2017.

Latrobe City Council will be working with all Gippsland Councils to ensure that they and their local businesses, small and large, are aware of and will have an opportunity to participate in the Workshop, to gain an understanding of how they can be ready for Alibaba and the Chinese consumer market. This Workshop will help local businesses understand how they can connect to global markets with ease, and use

e-commerce to diversify and grow.

It is understood that more than 529 million mobile monthly active users connect through Alibaba's China retail marketplace each month – the potential of this market for Gippsland businesses, small and large, is immense.

**Churchill Active Kids Expo – Gaskin Park, Sunday November 19**

Congratulations to the Sporting Clubs of Churchill Working Group headed by Peter Ceeney, which has been regularly meeting to create

this "Active Kids Expo" which is primarily aimed at Churchill and district youngsters, with the idea of stimulating their interest in becoming actively involved in one or more of the active sporting options that exist in Churchill for youngsters to participate in.

The Active Kids Expo will start at 10.00 am and continue till 2.00pm on Sunday November 19 at Gaskin Park. I urge our Churchill and district community to take full advantage of this unique opportunity.

# Darrell White

# Russell Northe



most horrible of conditions with five losing their lives in battle or to disease. Many of those who did return home after the Boer War also served in World War 1.

People from all over Australia made the effort to attend this very moving commemorative service.

The work, commitment and dedication from all who played a part were simply amazing.

**Lest We Forget!!**

The State Parliament recently sat in a marathon session where the "Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2017" was debated.

This was contentious legislation and people had expressed very strong views on either side of the argument.

From my perspective this was not simply a yes or no answer prior to the legislation being introduced.

Personally I wanted to understand the content of the legislation before supporting or not.

Once read I did express some concerns on the strength of the legislation and subsequently supported

a number of amendments that in my view would have improved the proposed legislation.

Unfortunately those amendments were defeated and given this was the case I eventually voted against passing the Bill in its current form.

Ultimately the Bill was passed in the Legislative Assembly and by the time of going to print the Legislative Council would have most likely debated this important Bill also.

There is no doubt that none of us ever wishes to see family or friends go through suffering and pain at the end of their life, but it's also important that any proposed legislation around these same matters has appropriate and adequate safeguards and processes in place. In my view the Governments legislation did not do this.

I also spoke in Parliament about Gippsland V/Line services and the fact that our services continually get stuck behind metropolitan rail services when they interact on metropolitan tracks.



Gippsland rail services are continually delayed because metropolitan services are given priority.

The question that had to be asked is 'why?' My view is that whilst Metro which operates the metropolitan rail network are highly

incentivised to run their services on time, Gippsland rail services will subsequently be put to the back of the line.

I think this is grossly unfair and the question I posed in Parliament is why isn't Metro incentivised or penalised with respect to

ensuring Gippsland V/Line services are running on time as well. I'm sure punctuality for Gippsland services would improve if this was the case.

Also a dedicated track into Melbourne would make a massive difference to punctuality.

# There are sad times in my home

I am so sad. There have been arrangements made to do things with the family, but they never happen because my partner meets up with his friends and forgets about arrangements he has made with us, his family. It's been years since we went anywhere as a family. I need to do something for myself. I have always been waiting for my partner. I have decided I need to do things with the children and myself.

newspaper and it sounded like me. Why am I so slow? I finally rang the number on the Al-Anon call line and the lady was so nice. We talked for a while. She explained that meetings are held each week - that we cry together, talk to each other, reason things out, we are grateful for each other.

Why didn't I take notice of what was written earlier? I joined up and I am so grateful to have found Al-Anon family groups, and to know there are so many people out there

just like me, who don't know where to go for help.

We need to have somewhere to go. Domestic violence starts in our home with alcohol first.

**Meetings:**

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# Church News



## Co-Operating Church Snippets



Reverend Brenda Burney has been leading a small group studying a book called 'Falling Upwards'.

It is a book she studied herself and found very useful so she has shared that with congregational members.

During the second week of the school holidays, the Lego program was run from Monday to Friday with twenty-six young people and some of their siblings, parents or grandparents attending over the week with about twelve each day.

The program included games and morning tea followed by story time, a chat with a biblical linked self-esteem message.

Then the participants used the Lego to make the challenge of the day or free expression building.

The race track was very popular for trying out the creations of the children.

Even the dads tried it on the last day.

Cathie and Allan Halliwell ran the program with help from members of the congregation.

All had Working with Children checks.

The church was asked to participate in the Boer War Commemoration service held at the Morwell RSL on October 11.

Ruth Place represented the church and laid a wreath beautifully made by Judith Bell with flowers supplied by Julie and Trevor Berryman.

The service was a memorable one and further reports about it appear elsewhere in this issue.

Members of the congregation are on the volunteer roster to help with the Community Meal on a Monday at the Neighbourhood Centre.

This meal has helped many who can receive lunch for a gold coin donation.

It is a lovely place to meet new friends and interact with the volunteers.



The Lions Market was productive for us. We had a good stream of customers wanting our plants, jams and chutneys, cakes and other items.

## A recent documentary sheds new light on the sinking of the 'Titanic'

Many people lost their lives, and some had miraculous escapes.

The personal faith story (testimony) is a hallmark of the evangelical movement. It's a simple and direct means of declaring God's grace and transformative work in a person's life.

One such faith story concerns John Harper and George Cavell.

As the 'Titanic' hit the iceberg on April 14, 1912 John Harper was calling for women, children, and the unconverted to quickly get into a lifeboat. He even gave his own life jacket away.

The call for women and children is understandable, but his addition of the unconverted may seem unusual; until we realise John's passion.

During the final 50 minutes, John spoke with George Henry Cavell who



was clinging to a board drifting near to John Harper, as both were in the water.

John asked George if he was 'saved'. The answer was 'no', so John shouted the words 'Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you shall be saved'. This happened again later as they drifted past each

other again.

Following this, John Harper slipped into a watery grave. George was later rescued, calling himself 'John Harper's last convert'.

Powerful words, 'Are you saved?'

Worth thinking about!

## Church Times

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

Williams Avenue, Churchill  
Tel: 5134 2849

Fr Edwin Ogbuka /Fr Siju Xavier

Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass: 9.00am

1st and 3rd Sundays:

Yinnar: Mass: 10.30am

2nd and 4th Sundays:

Boolarra: Mass: 10.30am



### Churchill Christian Fellowship

Sunday: 10.00am  
Meeting in homes.  
For more details please ring Linda - 0400 690 972

### Co-Operating Churches of Churchill

Sunday Service: 9.00am

Rev. Brenda Burney

Williams Avenue, Churchill.

Tel: 5122 1480

### Boolarra/Yinnar Co-Operating Parish

1st and 2nd Sundays

11.00am

Christ Church Boolarra

3rd and 4th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar

5th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar South

## You are invited to our Family Crib Service at Churchill

The Co-Operating Churches in Churchill, will again be holding their annual Crib Service on Saturday December 24 at 6.30pm in the Church on the corner of Williams Ave and McDonald Way Churchill.

You are invited to come, remember and celebrate the "REASON FOR THE SEASON" - which is remembering Jesus' Birthday.

The service lasts for approximately one hour.

All are welcome. Come and have fun and experience



the precious SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS. Brenda Burney on 0439 610 206 or Ruth

Place on 51221961. For more information please phone Reverend

## Christmas Church Services at our Churches

### Co-Operating Churches in Churchill, Boolarra, Yinnar

Blue Christmas Service Boolarra, Dec.21 at 7pm, - a service for those for whom Christmas is a sad or difficult time.

Christmas Eve, Crib Service Churchill 6.30pm, Boolarra 8.30pm. Communion

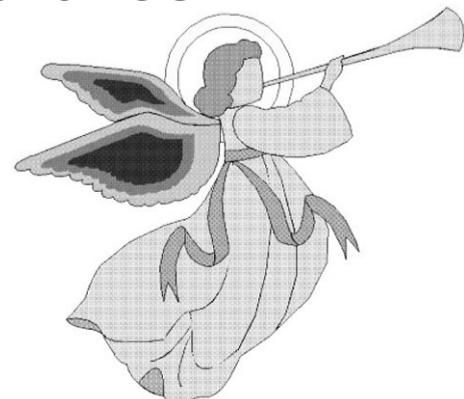
Christmas Day Churchill 9am and Yinnar 9.30am

Lumen Christi Christmas Eve Mass

8pm (Carols from 7.45 prior to Mass) at Churchill.

Christmas Day Mass 9am at Churchill (no Masses at Yinnar or Boolarra on Christmas Day).

Churchill Christian Fellowship Sunday December 24



at 10am. Meeting in homes For more details please ring Linda on 0400 690 972.



## Cooking with Noelene

### Eastern Mediterranean Cheesecake

Preheat your oven to 160 deg C.

Spray and line a 23cm springform pan.

Cream together 50gm of softened butter or margarine and 100gm of castor sugar until light and fluffy.

Reduce the speed of your electric mixer and add 250gm of kaymak (curd cheese / clotted cream). 250gm of cream cheese, 150ml of soured cream.

Now add 2 tbs of orange blossom honey, 5 egg yolks lightly beaten and 1 tbs of orange flower water.

Continue to beat until well combined.

In a separate bowl, whisk the 5 egg whites until they are stiff but not dry.

Fold the egg white mixture through the cheese mixture.

Pour into the tin and dust with cinnamon and castor sugar.

Sprinkle with flaked almonds.

Place in the preheated oven for 60 minutes, it will rise and crack and that's ok.

Turn off the oven and leave the cake in the oven for another 60 minutes, during this time the cake will sink back into the tin.

Remove the cheesecake from the oven and let it cool completely in the pan on a wire rack, before springing open the pan to serve.

Delicious!

### Strawberry Meringue Layer Cake

Preheat your oven to 200 deg C.

Spray and line 2 x 22cm spring form pans and lightly sprinkle fine bread crumbs over and around pans.

Place 125gm of plain flour in a bowl with 25gm of cornflour and 1 and 1/2 tsp of baking powder, set aside.

Use your electric mixer to beat 100gm of margarine /butter with 300gm of castor sugar until light and fluffy.

Separate 4 eggs and lightly beat the 4 yolks and add to the



Jeera Rice

butter and sugar mix.

Now gently fold in the weighed out dry ingredients then stir in 2 tsp of vanilla extract and 2 tbs of milk.

Divide the batter between the 2 pans.

Clean and dry the bowl and beaters to your mixer and whisk the 4 egg whites until soft peaks form.

Slowly add 200gm of castor sugar in small amounts, making sure the sugar is dissolved between additions.

Spread a layer of meringue on the top of the sponge batter in each tin and sprinkle 50 gm of flaked almonds evenly over the top.

Bake for 35 minutes or until the tops of the meringues are golden.

Remove the pans from the oven and let them cool on a wire rack .

While the cakes are cooling, whip 400ml of cream until really thickened.

Slice 250gm of fresh strawberries.

To construct the cake, invert one of the cakes onto a serving plate so that the sponge face is upper most.

Pile the cream on top and then layer with the sliced strawberries.

Place the second cake on top, meringue side up.

Press down gently to secure it.

Enjoy.

### Jeera Rice

Jeera means cumin seeds

in Hindi. The cumin seeds give the rice an aromatic and distinctive flavour.

Wash 300gm of rice under running water through a colander.

Then fill a bowl with cold water, leaving the rice to soak for 30 minutes.

Heat 2 tbs of ghee in a pan, add 30 gm of cashew nuts and fry for 4 minutes.

Remove nuts from pan and set aside.

Add 1 tbs of cumin seeds to the pan with 2 bay leaves, 4 black peppercorns, 1 cinnamon stick broken in half and 3 whole cloves.

Fry over a medium heat until the spices become aromatic.

Then add 1 peeled and finely sliced onion to the pan, saute gently until the onion softens.

Now drain the rice and add to the pan.

Stir well to coat the rice with spices and ghee.

Pour over 400ml of water and salt to taste.

Bring to the boil.

Reduce the heat and cover the pan with crumpled baking paper or a lid and let simmer till most of the liquid has been absorbed.

Turn off the heat and allow to stand with cover for another 5 minutes.

Fork through the rice to separate the grains, and stir through the cashew nuts.

Serve immediately.

## “The Housekeeper and the Professor” by Yoko Ogawa

Yoko Ogawa is a multi-award winning Japanese author who has written more than twenty books. “The Housekeeper and the Professor” was written in 2003, and has also been made into a film. If you love mathematics this is the book for you, but even if you don't, you will enjoy this bittersweet story.

The tale is set in Japan and tells of a single mother who works for an agency, doing house cleaning. She is assigned to the professor who has had nine previous cleaners, all of whom have been unable to cope with this strange, reclusive man.

As the result of a serious car accident the professor, a brilliant mathematician, has a memory span of only eighty minutes. This means that as the housekeeper arrives each morning she has to reintroduce herself. The professor has numerous notes pinned to his suit as reminders to himself and as information for others. When he learns

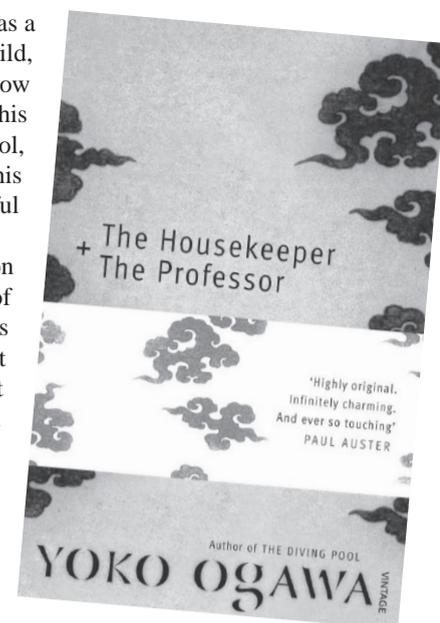
the housekeeper has a son, a latch-key child, he insists she allow him to come to his home after school, and from this point a wonderful relationship develops, based on a shared love of baseball. He names the boy Root because his flat head reminds him of the square root sign.

The professor spends his time solving intricate mathematical problems, and

over time the housekeeper and her son become interested in understanding mathematical concepts and finding solutions to the challenges the professor presents them with.

This is a lovely, gentle story, quite short and beautifully written. It reflects the Japanese cultural values of politeness, respectfulness and attention to detail. It is

interesting that none of the characters is given a name, but this did not detract from the book. Everyone in our book group enjoyed this book, but felt that for those amongst us who are not into mathematics, the frequent references to mathematical problems and formulae became a bit tedious.



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## Churchill Town Safety Group

## Computer and phone scams



This month, the Churchill town safety group is looking at computer and phone scams.

There are a lot of people who receive emails and or phone calls from various people or phone centres that claim to be offering goods or services and even money.

They even claim to be from the Taxation department and try to convince people that they owe an amount of money.

The latest one is various people that send you an email stating that you have received a traffic violation.

They don't state where or when, but

they give a figure of how much to pay and where to send the money to. Be very weary of these people. Delete the emails that look suspicious, before you open any attachments.

Some attachments often have viruses that “attack” your computer. Never give any banking or credit card details to people that you don't know or trust.

If in doubt. Have a look at [www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au) and familiarise yourself with things that go on in the community, and spread the word to friends and family, so that no one gets scammed.



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# Plants in my Garden

By Mike Beamish  
Species: *Chorizema cordatum*

Family: Fabaceae

Derivation:

Chorizema: Probably from Greek, chorizo, meaning to divide, and nema, meaning thread, referring to the separated stamens.

However some authors derive the name from Greek, choros, meaning dance, and zema, meaning drink, because the original author, La Billardiere, was said to have danced for joy at finding a flower beside much needed fresh water, although his own account does not support this derivation.



leaf margins may be toothed or lobed. Flowers occur in winter to early summer and are pea-shaped to 1.5cm across, borne in terminal racemes up to 15cm long.

The flowers have an orange, red, pink or yellow standard with a purple-pink keel.

Opinion: This is another new plant for the garden, having scored a win in the June raffle.

I have tried this species previously but it has not survived the conditions here in Boolarra, hopefully this one will do better.

I have placed it on the eastern side of the western bed where it will get morning sun, but will be protected from the afternoon sun by the taller

shrubs growing behind it.

These bigger neighbours will also tend to dry out the soil, so I will have to be careful over the coming summer to maintain the "moist, but well-drained soil in dappled shade" that this species prefers.

The literature recommends pruning after the flowers have finished to extend the life of the plant, another little job to add to the list that never gets any shorter!

Sources: Sharr: WA Plant Names and their Meanings.

Elliot and Jones: Encyclopaedia of Australian Plants, Volume 3.

Wajon: Colour Guide to Spring Wildflowers of Western Australia - Part 2 Perth and the Southwest.

cordatum: From Latin, cor or cordis, meaning heart, and used in the botanical sense as cordate, or heart-shaped, referring to the leaves of this species.

Common Name: Heart-leaved Flame Pea.

Distribution: Common in WA forests on the west coast from Jurien to Augusta and the south coast from Collie to Esperance, usually growing in clay soils.

Description: A dense shrub or scrambler to 1.5m tall and broad, with many slender branches.

Leaves are up to 8cm long and 1cm wide, cordate at the base and then oblong, tapering to a soft point.

They can be waxy and the

# Celebrating young people with first Victorian Youth Week

The Victorian Government is helping to celebrate inspiring and motivated young people in Gippsland as part of the first ever Victorian Youth Week. Ensuring Victoria continues to highlight the important role young people play in the community, the Government is almost doubling its support for Victorian Youth Week in 2018.

The Government is providing \$200,000 to support community organisations and Councils to engage young people through events and activities at Victorian Youth Week 2018, from April 13 until April 22.

Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Harriet Shing, encouraged organisations across the region to apply for the grants of up to \$2000, and to include young people in planning and delivering Victorian Youth Week activities.

The grants aim to support young people in planning and delivering events, promote a positive image of young people, and help them to express their ideas and be heard in the community.

Grants are available for events such as art exhibitions, musical performances,



cultural celebrations, sporting competitions, and forums on issues of concern such as body image and mental health.

Funding will be provided to councils, community organisations or schools working in partnership with young people. Projects must be accessible to young people aged 12 to 25 in their local community and be alcohol, smoke and drug-free and be delivered within safe environments.

The Government's Youth Policy: Building Stronger Youth Engagement in Victoria strengthens how we engage with young people to build an even better Victoria.

More than 24,000 young people took part in National

Youth Week in Victoria in 2017, with 46 grants provided to regional Victoria and 59 grants to metropolitan Melbourne.

For more information go to [www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/vyw](http://www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au/vyw)

Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Harriet Shing said - "I encourage our community to take this opportunity to get on board and celebrate our young people at the first Victorian Youth Week.

Victorian Youth Week gives young people a chance to express themselves and make their voices heard, and I am sure it will be a terrific event in Gippsland."



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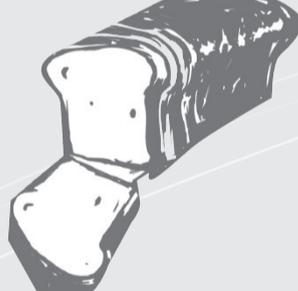
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# Gippsland Business Awards

By Bronte Hillis Harland  
The Gippsland Business Awards has celebrated the achievements of Gippsland Business for over 20 years. Each year in August an award Presentation Dinner is held to present the awards for the year at the Premiere Function Centre. It is a unique opportunity to showcase successful endeavours of Gippsland Businesses. The winner of the 2017 Federation Business Awards for New Business is the Boolarra Community Hotel, which was awarded on August 25, 2017. The Boolarra Community Hotel has been described as one of the best new businesses in Gippsland with an innovative legal structure developed to underpin the business. It was first acquired by the Boolarra community with more than 140 residents chipping in to purchase units and take shares in ownership of the hotel. The hotel was described as having been

renewed from the past as it was once a run - down and poorly attended building, about to close. "The hotel has been transformed from a former privately owned run - down business to a new community owned asset with the potential to grow and support employment for a range of people in the area," one of the judges commented when asked about the changes to the hotel. The hotel was further praised as an "excellent submission" with "Clear signs of success and a solid focus for future growth and development." The Boolarra Community Hotel is an example of the strength of the Boolarra community and an excellent example of how Gippsland businesses can excel. The Boolarra Community Hotel prides itself on being a family friendly, welcoming community asset. The hotel is situated in the Boolarra community on 6 1/2 acres of

land and is ideal for functions, receptions and outside dining. There is free camping available in winter which is open for use by the public. This brings new people to the region.

It has various special events such as golf every Sunday at 4:20 with short holes and long holes and a sizeable prize for the winner. There are monthly live bands playing at the hotel showcasing various local bands and musicians such as Borderline and the Nigellas. On Wednesdays children eat free (one child's meal for every adult meal) and Thursday is steak night. The hotel also puts money back into the community by using local trade and contractors whenever possible, and through the annual raffle night which helps to support the local sports clubs, CFA, schools, kindergartens and play group.

# Don't gift a scammer iTunes cards



The ACCC is warning people to be on the lookout for scammers who are trying to con their victims into paying for scams with Apple iTunes gift cards.

During 2017 to date, reports to the ACCC's Scamwatch show 1236 people lost nearly \$540,000 to scammers using gift cards as payments.

This is a growing trend: in the 2015-16 financial year losses were about \$480,000.

"Scammers are increasingly getting their victims to pay with iTunes gift cards as they can quickly on-sell them and pocket the money," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

"If someone asks you to pay for anything using an iTunes gift card, it is a scam. There are never any circumstances where a legitimate business or government department will ask for payment this way."

Apple's website clearly states (link is external) that iTunes gift cards can only be used to purchase goods and services on the iTunes Store, App Store, iBooks Store, or for an Apple Music membership.

Reports to Scamwatch show there are three common scam examples the ACCC is currently seeing, where scammers are demanding iTunes gift cards as payment:

Tax scams – the scammer pretends to be from the Australian Taxation Office and claim there is a warrant out for their victim's arrest.

If the victim doesn't pay an immediate 'fine' using iTunes gift cards, the scammer claims police will come and handcuff them.

### Catch-a-hacker scam

Scammers pretending to be Telstra will ask their victim to help them catch a 'hacker' who's trying to get into their PC or smart devices. They'll use this sham story to get the victim to buy iTunes cards as a 'trap' for catching the hacker. Unfortunately the scammer will quickly get the serial numbers for those gift cards and sell them before the victim realises they've been duped.

### Centrelink scams

The scammer pretends to be from Centrelink and tells their victim they're entitled to an additional payment, such as for their pension, and that they need to pay a 'release fee' in iTunes gift cards to receive the payment.

The scammers will get their victims to travel to a business where iTunes gift cards are sold, such as a supermarket or department store, and get them to purchase amounts sometimes worth thousands of dollars.

Businesses that sell iTunes gift cards are encouraged

to inform their staff about these scams so that they can help warn customers and even question any customers spending large amounts of money on iTunes gift cards.

"The scammers are very persistent once they have a victim hooked and will, for example, keep their victim on the phone while they're in a store buying the gift cards. Once a victim has bought the card, the scammer will get them to quickly read the serial number on the back—it's this information they use to then on-sell the gift card," Ms Rickard said.

"If you pay for a scammer's con with iTunes gift cards it's nearly impossible to get your money back. Don't ever believe the scammer's lies, no matter how convincing they sound—hang up on their calls and delete their emails immediately."

People targeted by scammers asking for iTunes gift cards as payment can report the scam to Scamwatch.

Consumers are invited to follow @Scamwatch\_gov (link is external) on Twitter and subscribe to Scamwatch radar alerts to get up-to-date warnings.

# GRAC on track for 2020 opening

Latrobe City Council will soon consider a public process to appoint a Project Reference Group to support the development of the Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre (GRAC). Mayor, Councillor Kellie O'Callaghan said a report outlining the recruitment, purpose and objectives of a GRAC Project Reference Group was expected to be presented to the December 4 Council Meeting.

"If supported by Council, the role of the Project Reference Group will be to provide feedback and support for communication and engagement strategies with the wider community and stakeholders," Councillor

O'Callaghan said. "This group will act as advocates for the project within the wider community and provide feedback on various elements of the project."

Councillor O'Callaghan said harnessing the voice and wisdom of the community was essential for Council to deliver a community-driven recreation facility.

"Our project development approach places the community at the centre of our consideration," Councillor O'Callaghan said.

"We envisage that the Project Reference Group will be active partners in this process.

Timelines to date will

have Council developing a masterplan for the current Traralgon outdoor pool site by mid-2018.

We expect construction of the Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre to commence in 2019 with a 12 to 18-month build.

It is our intention to have a 2020 opening of the Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre."

Funding for the Gippsland Regional Aquatic Centre is part of the Victorian Government's \$85 million investment in sports and community infrastructure and associated programs for the Latrobe Valley region.

# Thank you to our community

At the recent Community Newspaper of Victoria Association Conference held at Century Inn near the hospital, Churchill & District News was a finalist in the

"Best Community Content" category. Entries are presented from all over Victoria to be judged with two finalists and one winner chosen.

Thank you to all those

who contribute articles, giving us this high standard.

We are thrilled and want you to know how much we appreciate your contributions.

# Thank You and Author Visit

The Friends of Latrobe City Libraries were most appreciative of the community members who assisted with the set up for their recent Book Sale at Kernot Hall. The books were unpacked and placed in categories in record time.

Final profit balance will be available shortly.

At their meeting recently, the Friends opted to pay for

the author Ross McMullin to present two sessions about his latest biography on the Australian war hero Pompey Elliot.

These sessions will be on

Wednesday November 29 at 3pm in Traralgon and 7pm in Moe.

This new book is called "Pompey Elliot at war in his own words".

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# The Boer War

Information supplied by Ian Johnson -

This is known as Australia's forgotten war as there is no memorial to it.

It is well and truly overshadowed by the Gallipoli Campaign.

The Boers were Dutch settlers who settled in Natal and Orange Free State in southern Africa.

In 1830, Britain annexed Natal and so the Boers moved away to Zululand.

The Boer Wars covered the reigns of Queen Victoria (1837-1901) and Edward VII from 1901.

The First Boer war was caused by the British wishing to have everyone under their rule in a federation.

The Boers wanted to be independent leading to underlying tensions, which led to the First Boer War of 1889.

The British were defeated in this war but the Boers were jubilant.

Within the South African country there were Uitlanders predominantly from Britain, but also from the colonies of Australia, Canada, Rhodesia and South Africa.

They were lawyers,

doctors, engineers and other professionals trying to become rich.

Their numbers grew until they equalled the Boers.

They had no voting rights and were heavily taxed by the Boers under President Oom Paul Kruger.

There was a great deal of antipathy between the two parties.

There was an attempt to oust Kruger in a coup d'etat.

Under their leader, Dr Star Jameson, the Uitlanders rose up against the Boers. (Cecil Rhodes was their sponsor. He was the president of a large mining company).

This rising was defeated by the Boers with notable skirmishes routing the Jameson Raiders.

This resulted in the end for Cecil Rhodes, and heavy fines or gaol for the Uitlanders.

Tensions continued to simmer leading to October 9, 1899.

The Boer Republic issued an ultimatum to the British to disband their

military preparations. Britain rejected this ultimatum and on October 11 the Boers invaded British territory beginning the Second Boer War.

There would be nearly three years of fighting which caused much hardship and suffering over a wide area and at towns like Kimberley, the Transvaal, the farmsteads and kopjes of South Africa.

Boer Republic forces and Boer sympathisers formed the main fighting force for the Boers.

Most Boer males would have been taught to use a gun at an early age due to the conflicts with other forces around, including the Zulus.

They used commando type raids with lightly equipped, mobile horsemen applying hit and run tactics in ambushes, which outwitted the British in their formal lines of well disciplined and trained soldiers.

The British forces included the regular army and horsemen.

The fighting involved full scale battle sieges, with many casualties - wounded and deaths.

Within a month of the eruption of the war the Boers had inflicted three severe defeats on the British Army.

This became known as Black Week. The British did not lack courage but were no match against the Boer tactics.

It was then that an appeal for reinforcements was sent out calling for men who enlisted from South Africa, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and Rhodesia.

Australia was still a rural country and had plenty of suitable candidates who would volunteer in droves and with patriotic fervour from places like Morwell, Neerim, South Gippsland and every nook and cranny in Australia.

Some who were unsuccessful in enlisting in Australia, travelled to South Africa to join there.

Other Australians already in South Africa joined units

there. The men enlisted for a twelve month period. When this expired they could either re-enlist for a further twelve months or take their discharge.

Because they were spread out over a vast area, some men served longer than their twelve months.

The Australian units were trained in Melbourne or Sydney or other large cities before disembarking for South Africa.

They received weapons - rifles .303 Lee Metford with bayonets. On arrival they were brigaded with other units such as Canadian and British Regular cavalry, under their own officers with a British officer in charge.

These Imperial Bushmen - Mounted Riflemen were the forerunners of the Lighthorse Brigade under Harry Chauval.

Australian troops were highly regarded for their riding ability, shooting skills, bravery, toughness and calmness in a crisis.

An estimated 23,000 Australians served with nearly 1,000 soldiers dying, half of that number being from disease.

Approximately 43,000 horses were transported for use in the war. None returned due to our quarantine restrictions.

There were many battles and eventually the British began to use a scorched earth policy which gradually helped their cause.

Boer women and children as well as prisoners were rounded up and placed in concentration camps.

Appalling conditions resulted in many deaths due to lack of resources to feed the prisoners and disease, resulting in the reputation of the British being severely tarnished.



Left - Queen's South Africa Medal  
Right - King's South Africa Medal

Nurses also went to help the cause. They were civilians who enlisted under the same conditions as the men - for a twelve month term.

They were posted all over South Africa treating battle injuries.

More men died from diseases such as typhoid than battle wounds.

The nurses also tended Boer prisoners, women and children.

Many served longer than their twelve months due to lack of communication, or damaged transport routes.

War Correspondent A. B. Paterson served in the Boer War, as did Winston Churchill.

Six Australians were awarded the Victoria Cross for saving lives in the Boer War.

**Boer War Commemorative Service October 11, 2017.**

After four years of research by Rob de Souza-Daw, our local historian, has produced a comprehensive collection of details about the soldiers and civilians who enlisted for the Boer War from the former Morwell Shire.

No memorial was in place to remember these people and the service they gave for Queen and King and country.

The Morwell Historical Society with Rob de Souza Daw and the Morwell RSL, teamed together to organise a



Back Row - Joseph Bonnici bugler, Rob de Souza-Daw, Project Researcher and Bruce McMaster President Morwell Historical Society.  
Front Row - Kurnai College choir Members: Mia White-Seath, Amy McCord and Azriel Halge.  
Photo by Colin McKeown Photographics



Left to Right: Rob De Souza-Saw Project researcher, Cr Kellie O'Callaghan Mayor and Elaine Andrijczak Project Secretary at the Morwell District Boer Graphic Exhibition.  
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# The Boer War

fitting commemoration for these enlistees and to unveil an honour roll to their memory 115 years after the event.

The service was held in the large conference room at the RSL with MC Les Maher in charge of proceedings. Around 300 people attended including descendants of the soldiers, their families and friends, special guests as well as representatives of local organisations and the community who wished to add their expression of honour by attending to lay a wreath.

A message from the Governor General of the Commonwealth of Australia, His Excellency Sir Peter Cosgrove, was read out.

“Over a century ago, young men from towns just like Morwell, from across the Australian colonies, volunteered to serve in the Boer War. With the formation of the Australian Commonwealth on January 1, 1901 they became the first to serve Australia in battle, and they did us proud. Through their skill and bushmanship, service and sacrifice they showed each other and the world what it meant to be Australian. The solidarity and bonds they forged live on with our soldiers to this day.

The Boer War is sometimes called Australia’s forgotten war; with the unveiling of the Boer War

Memorial on ANZAC Parade [ACT]and with services such as this, it is now a war that will always be remembered.

These men were Morwell locals, they became the Fathers of ANZAC, and today we remember and acknowledge their service to our fledgling nation”.

The catafalque party from 424 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets, entered and placed the flags then stood to attention, head bowed for the service.

Local MP Russell Northe Member for Morwell, spoke about the Boer War saying the men who returned from the Boer War became the fathers of our ANZACS. He described the war as the third worst conflict in which Australia has been involved, and it had largely been forgotten.

It was the war from which Lord Baden Powell emerged to start the Scouting movement.

Russell conceded that there had been an amazing contribution to the war from the soldiers of this area. He named the day as significant, being the first time families had been able to commemorate their family members’ contribution and to witness the unveiling of the honour roll in their memory, to ensure they will not now be forgotten.

Up until today, the only

public acknowledgment to the Morwell District soldiers and civilians are those listed on the Morwell and Yinnar War Memorials and also on the Boer War Memorial plaque in Alexandra Park, Morwell. Boolarra also had a plaque. Five soldiers from the Morwell District died while on active service. They were -

❖ Private Ernest Henry Blandford who once lived in Tanjil East who was killed in action at the Battle of Wilmansrust

❖ Private George William Bolding from Hazelwood North who died from enteric fever at Pretoria.

❖ Sergeant Michael Terence McDonald from Yinnar who died from debility.

❖ Farrier Thomas Joel Rose from Yinnar and Morwell who died from enteric fever.

❖ Trooper Francis Walker from Yinnar South who was killed in action.

Russell remarked on the quality of the exhibition of the Boer War available for people to see at the Historical Society Building in Hazelwood Road at the previous Masonic Lodge.

He thanked Rob de Souza-Daw, Bruce McMaster (Morwell Historical Society) the RSL and all the volunteers who had worked so tirelessly to bring the day to fruition.

Latrobe City Council

Mayor, Kellie O’Callaghan said there was value and strength in coming together to honour and commemorate the soldiers.

She outlined the soldiers by name and remarked that several families had more than one member enlisted, adding those who returned and those who died while serving.

Rob de Souza-Daw called the day a day of remembrance after 115 years as being better late than never.

At first he said, soldiers were warmly welcomed home but this waned. There were no soldier settlements for this war.

The criteria for selecting the 55 soldiers and three civilians to be placed on the Honour roll was that they enlisted in Morwell, lived in Morwell or that there was archival evidence.

The organisation of the commemorative service was through community initiative and sponsorship. Rob thanked all those who had contributed.

Following his speech, Rob and Russell Northe unveiled the Roll of Honour to applause.

Then followed the extensive time of laying the 84 wreaths.

The Honourable Michael Baden Powell read the Ode of Remembrance.

Joseph Bonnici played Last Post followed by a minute’s silence then played Rouse.

The service finished with the singing of the National Anthem accompanied by three Kurnai College students from Churchill campus.

Bruce Jeffrey OAM, RSL President thanked everyone for their help.

He made mention of David White (a Boer War Soldier) who was the first president of the Morwell RSL in 1919. It was disclosed that the Morwell RSL had given \$1000 to help erect the Boer War Memorial in Canberra.

Bruce McMaster of the Historical Society extended an invitation to view the Boer War display at the Historical Society building.

The rooms will be open on Sunday November 26 between 11 am and 2 pm. If people are interested and unable to visit at this time, they will be opened at a more suitable time.

A DVD will be produced of the service. Bruce thanked all who had helped with special mention of Rob de Souza-Daw and Elaine Andrijczak, as well as the volunteers.

The RSL provided light refreshments for those who wanted, but many opted to have a sit down meal in



Boer War emblem

the bistro, catching up with people. There was a buzz of conversation as people renewed acquaintances, and had time with family as well as discussing the service.



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Left to Right - Russell Northe, Michael Baden-Powell grandson of Lord Michael Baden-Powell, Rob de Souza-Daw, Project Researcher and Bruce McMaster President Morwell Historical Society  
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# Active Kids Churchill

Join in the Fun

By Peter Ceeney

This coming Sunday, November 19 at Gaskin Park in Manning Drive Churchill, is our first ever Active Kids Expo.

This is a free event encouraging kids to come and try and sample a range of sports and activities they may not normally get exposure to.

The event will provide a passport sheet for each child who will complete a sporting or recreation activity and have their sheet stamped.

Once their sheet has all the stamps, they will be eligible for a prize from our prize tent.

All our involved clubs have provided prizes which range from simple vouchers through to a valued baseball mitt, plus some hidden special prizes.

This expo is open to all children at an age where they can participate in sport and activities right through to teenagers.

Our aim is participation. We want more of our children being active and more of our parents involved.

Volunteers from each of the clubs and associations will be available to answer questions, discuss relevant information, and explain their activity.

This is a great opportunity to find the perfect sport or activity for your child and ensure they join in on the fun, not just on the day, but well into the future.

The Churchill Lions Club, Boolarra Koffee Kart and Gippsland Water drinking fountains will also be at the expo to provide food and drink.

Our kids staying active creates many benefits to the Churchill community as well.

Studies show that in general they will develop greater self-confidence, a healthy mind and body, improved co-ordination and strong cognitive skills such as decision-making and perception.

From a social advantage, they will learn to interact with adults such as coaches and game officials, whilst potentially networking with future employers, colleagues and work opportunities as they move from a junior to a senior member within their club or association.

Churchill has a proud sporting history and a wealth of infrastructure including; stand alone and well maintained cricket, football and soccer facilities; highly competitive and successful tennis and baseball clubs; an updated and highly organised Scouts troop; a brilliant indoor Leisure Centre for basketball, netball and volleyball; a state of the art synthetic hockey pitch with a brand new pavilion on the way; a picture perfect golf course with ease of access; a running group, the beautiful Mathison Park; and a brand new bowls rink with a big future.

We also boast an impressive Sport, Outdoor and Physical Education program at Federation University in Churchill, giving our children not just a fun activity, but a pathway to a career.

This event is our first attempt at highlighting what our sports clubs have on offer.

Like and follow our Active Kids Churchill page on facebook and we will keep you informed of not only any events that this program develops, but all sporting and recreation activities locally.

By Leo Billington  
Hazelwood Rotary Club, as always, has hosted a variety of interesting guest speakers. Our diverse weekly program provides opportunities for members to learn a great deal about our local community.

District Governor, Don Ripper, as guest speaker outlined future directions for Rotary Clubs in Australia and worldwide. (Hazelwood Rotary is part of Rotary District 9820 which basically covers eastern Victoria - from Melbourne's eastern suburban boundary to the New South Wales border.)

During October, we were privileged to host guest speaker, Lieutenant Commander Luci Casey. Luci has recently left the HMAS Parramatta (IV), the fifth of eight Anzac class frigates built for the Royal Australian Navy for naval deployment overseas.

Luci gave an illustrative history of all ships bearing the Parramatta name since 1910, with a focus on HMAS Parramatta (IV), which is a long-range frigate capable of air defence, surface and undersea warfare, surveillance, reconnaissance and interdiction. Parramatta is fitted with an advanced package of air and surface surveillance radars, omni-directional hull - mounted sonar and electronic support systems.

Paul Fawcett was another

very interesting guest speaker who described the Community Gardening Project - at the former Commercial Road Primary School site, Morwell. The Green Valley Gardens project involves students and staff of Latrobe Valley Flexible Learning Options (FLO).

FLO's mission is to create an inclusive and healthy garden for the people of Morwell and the students of Latrobe Valley. FLO aims to help grow the community's well-being, whilst allowing the staff and students to be actively involved in the town's betterment and experiencing an exciting practical learning opportunity.

Recently, Hazelwood Rotary assisted with catering at the Latrobe City 2017 Relay for Life event held at Tyers Recreation Reserve.

This annual event, raises funds for on-going cancer research, attracts many participants and is a credit to everyone who participates. Such an event requires massive organisational abilities, and these are ever present as was evident at Tyers.

Together with Morwell Rotary Club, we provided barbeque catering for the 2017, ninth annual Pistons Bike and Car Show held at Gaskin Park.

As always, this event is a high priority for car and bike enthusiasts from across Victoria. The Pistons Car Club is to be congratulated

on staging an exciting, highly participative and colourful show.

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# Friends of Morwell National Park

## John's Jottings

This snippet on the activities of the Friends of Morwell National Park was sourced and edited from early Newsletter files.

“14th October, 1988

Dear Friends,

This month I would like to present you with a series of “snapshots” of the happenings of the past month, and a quick peek at the weeks ahead!

Sunday October 9th was our last Project day. A small but enthusiastic group of nine gathered to help clear some paths through blackberries in order to facilitate further blackberry spraying by the Department. This was done on the northern bank of the second river crossing in Billys Creek. Evidence of earlier spraying success was noted by the ferns starting to appear along some creek edges, where blackberries have previously choked them out.

This further helped with the discovery of an old, now derelict dwelling and outhouse on the hillside where we were clearing blackberries. Many objects of past habitation had been spread throughout the nearby bush giving evidence that it may have been part of the agricultural activity that is a part of the Billys Creek history. To add to this interesting and exciting discovery, we discovered two koalas in the small area we had been working in! So, we were more than covered our aims for the day without having to go far into the area! We had a terrific time. Thanks to all who attended and helped!!

The results of the Logo Competition were also announced at the October Project Day. We are grateful to our two judges, from GIAE and ARC Morwell, for their objectivity and help. First Prize went to Rohan Jones from Traralgon High School, with second prize to Trina Harrison also of Traralgon

High School. Rohan's entry, with slight modification by the Judges, is the new letterhead, and Trina's entry can be used for badges. On request of the two student teachers, the \$100 prize money is going to be shared between the two students.

Both entries will be featured in the “Express” and also at the Traralgon High School Art and Craft exhibition (October 18 - 21). Some other entries will also be displayed at the Art and Craft Exhibition.

It is planned to present the awards to Rohan and Trina at a Junior Ranger Day to be held shortly. Please show your support by attending, or sending an apology to Yvonne or Peter if unable to attend on the day.

Well, that's all for now folks. See you on 22nd October, 6th November and 13th November for more exciting activities. Peter Bryant.”

## October Activity Report

Activity one – Orchid Walk

At the Orchid Walk we had Matt, Chris, Joelle, Graeme, Denis and Darren. Denis is a new member and signed up on the day. We had apologies from Rose, Tamara, Wayne, Peter and Wendy Mc. Beryl was also along for the meeting only since she is unable to complete the walk with her sore foot (injured in a previous activity). She had also brought the paperwork for the koala count.

For the orchid walk we were joined by nine people from the community. They had read about the activity and were keen to see what orchids were out today. Matt welcomed the group and went through the necessary safety instructions for the walk.

The weather for the day was perfect for walking and great for orchid viewing. To ensure that we did not lose

walkers, Matt led the group while Darren and Graeme followed at the tail. The group was thorough, investigating many small orchids and other little flowers found beside the track.

The variety of orchid found was not large but many were located. There was much disturbance around the outgoing track, the lyrebirds had been busy.

Activity two – Koala Count

For the koala count we had Matt, Chris, Joelle, Joan, Graeme and Darren. We were joined by eight members of the public. Matt welcomed the group and told them what they should be looking for during the count (koala and tree details).

The group was divided into three groups with Fosters Gully, Stringybark Track and the Jumbuk Road fire break being surveyed.

Matt, Chris, Graeme and one community member travelled to the top of Jumbuk Road and walked back via the fire break. They drove to the top of the track and found two koalas on the top of the ridge and one at the end of the Fosters Gully track. Darren and Joan took four walkers around Stringybark Track and they saw one koala at the beginning of Fosters Gully track and another soon after crossing the bridge. Joelle took another three around Foster Gully to find four koalas (with the help of the other groups).

This total of seven koalas is the smallest total we have had and we hope that the lower total is just based on less observations rather than a smaller koala population. The numbers located each year have been variable and this variation has also between the different tracks, which makes sense considering koalas are very mobile animals.



Over the three walks, many other animals were seen including a lyrebird, goanna, wallaby, skink and many birds.

## November Activities

Sunday November 19, 10.00am

The group will meet at

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Foster's Gully	4	3	8	4	4
Stringybark Track	3	2	3	7	1
Jumbuk fire trail	4	3	1	2	2
Totals	11	8	12	13	7

10.00am in the Kerry Road car park. The group will work upon two tasks – the Butterfly Orchid survey and some track maintenance. You will need to bring your lunch along with clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions on the day.

# Community Bushfire Connection – we need you

The Latrobe Valley Community Bushfire Connection program is ready to go: the webpage is up, the program of events is finalised, registrations are open, all we need is you...

Community Bushfire Connection is all about what people do before, during and after a bushfire, either individually on their property, collectively in their township or as an organisation involved in emergency management.

Program Organiser, Peter West said: “We are pleased to have finalised this program and are now keen to get the word out. The program runs throughout November with a series of events designed around three stages.

First, there will be a week of fire awareness information nights at various venues. Then a week of Bushfire bus stops, where a range of experts will travel around the Valley stopping in various communities to help people develop their plans and learn more about bushfires and bushfire risk in their town and on their property.

Lastly, two evening sessions will be held at Federation University, where people can participate in a bushfire scenario, test their plans and think and experience the thinking and actions of agencies in responding to a fire scenario.

This program is about sharing our ideas and preparations, testing them in an exercise together and then reflecting and learning and improving our preparation for future bushfires.

Importantly it's also about

connecting people who live in the Valley and learning from each other.”

You can visit the website at [www.communitybushfireconnection.com.au](http://www.communitybushfireconnection.com.au) to find details about the events and learn more about bushfire in the Latrobe Valley or follow our progress and keep up to date via our Facebook group: Community Bushfire Connection.

If you would like to attend one of the events please register and put it in your diary.

This program was funded by the National Resilience Grants Fund and is an initiative building upon the 2014 and 2015 Living with Bushfire Community Conferences held at Federation University.

A working group representing community groups and the following organisations has been established to deliver this program: Voices of the Valley, Parks Victoria, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Latrobe City Council, Federation University and the Country Fire Authority.

For more information visit [www.communitybushfireconnection.com.au](http://www.communitybushfireconnection.com.au) or phone 0427 409 619.

# Aboriginal Education Centre (AEC) FedUni

The Aboriginal Education Centre is a welcoming place to meet and study and is open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

They offer a range of support services for Higher Education and TAFE students.

A learning plan for each student is a document which identifies actions and options which are available to support the student to successfully complete their studies at Federation University.

All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students can work with a Liaison Officer to develop their learning plan.

The A E C offers tutorial support to our current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students upon completion of a learning plan. Conditions apply. Tutoring is available to all eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, in the centre at Gippsland Campus. To see if you are eligible speak to Nick the Aboriginal Liaison Officer at Gippsland.

The AEC is focused on developing relationships with the wider Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community, with other liaison officers,

Koorie Educators and the Local Aboriginal Educational Consultative Group (LAECG). Their goals are to encourage greater participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in TAFE and higher Education at Federation University campuses in Australia.

The staff also offers a wide range of skills and experience to non-indigenous staff members and students of the University who are wanting to understand Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and histories.

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# Relay for Life-MisPrints

Gippsland Trade Printer's MisPrints Team participated in Latrobe Relay for Life recently.

We raised an amazing \$7,856.50, we are overwhelmed with the support

we received throughout the year with our fundraising, thank you!

This has helped us to raise vital funds for Cancer Council research, prevention and support services.



Peter and Geoff walking



## Twelve Traditions

Al-Anon is a fellowship of men and women meeting together to overcome the effects of living with, or having lived with an alcoholic. Its program provides a safe harbour for families and friends of alcoholics ravaged by the turbulent effects of the disease of alcoholism.

This consistency stems from Al-Anon's 12 Traditions, a framework by which the fellowship maintains its unity. The success of the Al-Anon program lies equally in following a program set forth in the Twelve Steps to Recovery. Its non-professional status encourages members to

avoid therapeutic techniques, best left to the professional community, and provides a secure place where members are accepted and can recover at their own pace. Taking its program from Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon has become a primary community resource for relatives and friends of alcoholics.

Alcoholism is a family disease. The well-being of anyone living with an alcoholic is affected emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Al-Anon Family Groups offer help to anyone who is, or has been affected by the problem of alcoholism

in a relative or friend.

Membership is made up of wives, husbands, mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, lovers and friends of alcoholics.

Al-Anon is for people, who want to solve a problem by sharing their experience, strength and hope with other people. It is a place to share; a place to care and a place to grow.

### Meetings:

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# An unusual visitor



Bruce and Jan Stephenson found an unusual visitor in their back yard recently. Unfortunately they didn't know where his home was, so they relocated him to Lake

Hyland, in Mathison Park. He seemed quite pleased with his new location, but he spent all the time with his head in the sand. A bit shy maybe.



## Latrobe Valley Stamp and Coin Fair

The annual Stamp and Coin Fair this year was a rousing success.

Twelve dealers were there and all were kept busy throughout the day. Judging from the satisfied looks on the faces of the patrons as they left, everybody was satisfied with the additions to their collections.

The dealers had a wide range of collectibles on offer, ranging from single stamps and coins to collections, covers and postcards as well as a wide range of accessories.

As well as this, the free valuation service provided by the club was taken advantage of by a number of patrons during the day.

As usual, the club mounted a display of stamps prepared by members. This year the theme was Christmas stamps from around the world.

The six panels of pages were set up at the entrance and many congratulatory comments were made. We have been invited to show it at the Sale Stamp Fare in

November. If you missed out this year, keep it in mind for next year and watch this column for details.

## Clipper Ships.

Clipper ships were the greyhounds of the sailing ship era of the 19th Century.

They were designed to carry tea from China and wool from Australia.

They needed to be fast so that they could carry the cargo as quickly as possible back to Britain to catch the top market price at the beginning of the season.

The first ship there captured top price at the sales. The most famous of the wool clippers was the Cutty Sark which was launched in Dumbarton, Scotland in 1870.

Her arch-rival was the

clipper Thermopylae and the two ships set record times for the run to Melbourne and Shanghai.

The Thermopylae was the better ship in light winds but in heavier seas the slightly heavier Cutty Sark was the faster ship.

The run from Gravesend in Kent to Melbourne was usually done in under 70 days, the quickest being the Thermopylae with a 62-day run.

The return voyage from China usually took about 105 days but the record was 86 days.

The clipper ships were overtaken by technology. The advent of steamers and the opening of the Suez Canal meant a steamer could do the trip in 42 days. Both

ships still carried on sailing until the early 1900's. The Thermopylae was sold to the Portuguese navy and was used for torpedo target practice and sank in 1907.

The Cutty Sark ended her sailing days as a barquentine before being restored back in England in 1922. Today you can go aboard her at Greenwich drydock where she is open on permanent display.

Both of these ships and two other clippers, the Orient and the Sobraon feature on the 1984 set showing them all in full sail. The Orient was used to carry passengers to the Victorian goldfields. The Sobraon was a tea clipper but was used in Sydney as a training ship for destitute and delinquent boys.

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# Brendan Yeates - from dancer to choreographer

From as early as Grade 1 Brendan Yeates knew he wanted to dance. His grandfather had talked about Fred Astaire and how wonderful he was at tap dancing. Brendan developed the urge inside that he wanted to express his creativity using his body through dance.

So his mother Helen, set about finding a dance school where he could learn to tap dance.

They went to Vicki's Dancing Academy in Morwell to observe and meet Vicki. Vicki suggested that doing only tap was limiting and suggested ballet and jazz be included.

So Brendan joined the school and began what has been a very successful period of time in this industry.

Primary school at Churchill, then Years 7-10 at Kurnai, was followed by Year 11 and 12 at the Victorian College of the Arts in Melbourne. From a small country town, Brendan became part of a Melbourne institution where it was both terrifying but exciting to be at a world class college, where he could move closer to realising his dream.

But it meant hard work with dance training three to four hours daily, as well as the academic subjects to study.

It was here that he became aware of what it would take to make a career out of dance.

Graduating, and turning 18 Brendan decided he didn't want a career in ballet, but the idea of dancing as

entertainment for passengers on cruise ships would be enjoyable and he would be paid to see the world. This kept his interest for one and a half years, seeing places like Fiji, Vanuatu, Noumea, New Caledonia, Thailand, Malaysia, New Zealand, and Singapore. Brendan described it as free travel working gap year.

Through these experiences he was able to enjoy different cultures and food, seeing beautiful places, but his eyes were opened to appreciate what Australia has to offer.

However that didn't stop him from a year living and working in Toyko Japan at Tokyo Disneyland, doing daily dance performances. He loved it but learning a different language had its challenges. Returning to Australia, Brendan won a place in the musical "Billy Elliott". By this time Brendan had decided that doing choreography was something he would like to pursue as he had a passion for teaching and passing on information.

"West Side Story" was the next challenge. Brendan loved the industry and performing, but an old injury led him to realise that his body would not "last forever" and so he has branched out into choreography more fully, engaging in experimental workshops and developing his personal style.

"So You Think You Can Dance" proved for Brendan a great credential and gave him the chance to break into

that commercial music theatre realm. This led to a position as Associate Choreographer for "Love Never Dies" - the sequel to "Phantom of the Opera".

Time was also spent in Germany and Japan, casting and rehearsing international companies. Here the story was easier as translators were employed.

During this time, Brendan was living and working in Los Angeles, experiencing a culture based on entertainment and working across a broader spectrum of the industry.

Brendan returned to Australia to be involved with "Matilda the Musical" which was a great success. He describes the show as the hardest, most rewarding job he has had due to the sheer numbers of children in multiple casts.

There were four times the auditions, rehearsals, and technicals.

Brendan had the chance to watch the company perform to an invited audience and said he was so proud of the kids' efforts whom he had trained and rehearsed.

"Kinky Boots" has also been an outstanding success with performances in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

Looking to the future Brendan says a holiday is looming large on the horizon. "I need to have a break after three and a half straight years of work" he stated. So Europe is the travel destination, with partner Mark.



Next will be finding the right show to establish himself further as a choreographer.

It cannot be all rest; one must keep fit for this work so a daily routine of exercises in

CrossFit training is done six to seven times a week.

Undoubtedly this life has its sacrifices with missing occasions with family and friends but it appeals, the

social life is good and even though there can be fights and disagreements it is like belonging to a family, and it gives a deep sense of satisfaction.

## Strengthening family capability in Gippsland

The Victorian Government is boosting support to vulnerable children and families in Gippsland with funding for prevention and early intervention support services.

Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Harriet Shing recently announced several organisations will receive an additional \$2,144,122.35 to deliver integrated family services that build capacity and work with more families at risk of becoming involved with child protection and out-of-home care.

This latest investment is part of the Victorian Government's commitment of \$29.2 million in the 2017-18

Budget for Child FIRST and integrated family services. It will help identify families at risk earlier and connect them with the right support services when they need it.

Through this funding boost, families in Gippsland will have increased access to a more intensive integrated family services case management response. This may include outreach, in home support, family decision making, group work, counselling, brokerage, support accessing universal services and secondary consultations.

As part of the Government's partnership with Aboriginal Community

Controlled Organisations (ACCOs) and Community Service Organisations (CSOs) to support Aboriginal self-determination, an additional \$3.2 million has been provided to ACCOs to deliver integrated family services in 2017-18. The 2017-18 Budget commitment also included \$5.1 million to trial and evaluate evidence-based programs that improve family capability and child safety.

The funding boost supports the Victorian Government's landmark Roadmap for Reform to shift the children and family services system from crisis response to prevention and early intervention.

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# Construction upgrade at Boolarra Primary School

## Construction about to start on Boolarra Primary School upgrade

Students at Boolarra Primary School are a step closer to having the facilities they deserve, with construction on a \$235,000 upgrade due to get underway shortly.

Harriet Shing, Member for Eastern Victoria Region announced that Farnham Developments has been awarded the construction contract.

The \$235,000 project includes \$85,000 for storm water infrastructure and \$150,000 for the roof and façade.

The Victorian Government is building the Education State so that every Victorian student gets the opportunity for a great education and every community has access to a great school.

The project is part of a \$2.5 billion investment by the Government to improve classrooms, upgrade facilities and build new schools across the state.

This school building boom has created more than 1,000 school upgrades and 56 new school projects across the state, supporting almost 5000 construction jobs to ensure all Victorian families have access

to a great school no matter where they live.

To find out more about new schools and upgrades to schools in Gippsland visit the Victorian School Building Authority website at [www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au](http://www.schoolbuildings.vic.gov.au)

Member for Eastern Victoria, Harriet Shing said "This is an exciting day for Boolarra and I have been proud to advocate for the community and school this year to secure the funding required for this project.

The community of Boolarra will finally have the modern facilities they deserve to better meet the needs of students and teachers."

# Dental Laboratory recruiting staff

Staff are currently being recruited for the almost completed \$5.32 million dental prosthetics laboratory and university training clinic in Churchill.

Nearly 40 people, including dentists, prosthetic laboratory technicians and dental therapists, will work at the laboratory and training clinic after it officially opens in December.

The Member for Gippsland, Darren Chester said the laboratory and clinic would create job opportunities in health and education.

"New jobs at the laboratory and clinic have been advertised over the past month or so, which is a clear signal to the community that this facility will soon be opening its doors," Mr Chester said.

Latrobe Community Health Service Chief Executive Officer, Ben Leigh said the immediate recruiting

priority was finding dental technicians.

"We are currently looking for an experienced dental technician. We also need trainee dental technicians," said Mr Leigh.

"We believe Latrobe Community Health Service is already one of the best places to work in Gippsland. This new state-of-the art facility only reinforces that."

The Federal Government is co-funding the project with Latrobe Community Health Service and the Victorian Government.

The new site will include:

- a specialist laboratory to make dental prosthetics,
- new dental surgeries,
- consultation rooms for physiotherapy, podiatry and counselling,
- workspaces and offices for staff, students and academics,
- GP clinics, and
- NDIS local area

coordination services.

Mr Chester said the project would further strengthen Churchill as a learning hub.

"When it's fully operational, there are expected to be 38 new positions. The project has received \$2.66 million in Federal Government funding - this is a significant investment in the future of regional training and skills development in the Latrobe Valley," Mr Chester said.

"We know people who study in regional areas, like Gippsland and the Latrobe Valley, are more likely to return to work and make their homes here.

By training more skilled medical professionals here in Gippsland, we will be helping to create a sustained boost for the Latrobe Valley workforce and our local towns.

That's why investing in this type of infrastructure is so important for Gippsland."

# Lions Club news



Winner of the giant mountain bike from S & J Cycles in Morwell was Rosanne Collison from Traralgon.

The winner of the giant mountain bike from S & J Cycles in Morwell was drawn at the last October Churchill community market and the lucky winner was Rosanne Collison from Traralgon. Lots of lucky children won a free sausage in the Lion Treasure hunt. Unfortunately no adults found the sparkling diamond, so it will again be in one of the stalls at the November market, and three people will get to win a free meal voucher at the hotel.

Early poor weather kept people away and the wind played havoc with stall holders, but the market

was still reasonably well attended. Those who came enjoyed some great music by Andrew Elweas who played music from the 80s and 90s. Unfortunately the number of stall holders was down due to the weather, but there was still a bargain to be found.

The Churchill Lions Club is committed to delivering a viable and thriving, fun market for Churchill but it needs community support. We need people to support it and stall holders to turn up when they have booked a site. We have a great venue and great support from the Churchill Hotel management, which allows

the Club to use the carpark for the market. Club members put in countless hours getting the market together, the last couple of markets have been affected by poor weather, but the warmer weather is coming.

The next Churchill Community Market will be held on Saturday November 18. If anyone wants a stall at the market contact Bob Lowick on 0408 377 781 or email [Churchill.lions@gmail.com](mailto:Churchill.lions@gmail.com)

All money raised by the Lions Club goes into funding local projects.

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# Lions Club Citizen Awards 2018

The Lions Club of Churchill and District Inc. will once again be organising a community function to celebrate Australia Day in Churchill.

The event has proven very popular in recent years.

To enhance the event, the club will present a Young Citizen Award and a Citizen Award to the most outstanding person(s) in each category for their contribution to the community during the previous 12 months. This Award is now adopted as a tradition

and we ask that residents again nominate candidates.

Nominees must be a resident of Churchill or reside in the immediate surrounding district.

The nominated person's applications will be scrutinised by an independent panel of judges and the relevant winner for each category chosen. The decision of that panel will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

The awards will be supplied and presented by the Lions

Club of Churchill and District Inc. at the Churchill Australia Day Ceremony on January 26, 2018.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Young Citizen of the Year Award - applicants must be 18 years or under on January 26, 2018.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Citizen of the Year Award - open to all applicants over the age of 18 years on January 26, 2018.

**Closing Date:  
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The Awards are provided by the Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. and presented at the Australia Day Ceremony in Churchill on January 26, 2018.

Person(s) who have made a noteworthy contribution during the preceding year and / or given outstanding service to the local Community over a number of years shall be eligible.

The person(s) being nominated must be a resident of Churchill or the immediate surrounding district. All information is confidential. The decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

## 2018 CHURCHILL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATION FOR (Please tick appropriate box):

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc  
Citizen of the Year Award

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc  
Young Citizen of the Year Award

Must be 18 years or under on January 26, 2018

Name: ..... Other Names: .....

Private Address: .....  
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Occupation: ..... Private Telephone Number: .....

Date of Birth:..... Age:..... Marital Status:..... Children:.....

The person is being nominated for contributions to the community in:  
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Other significant contributions and achievements:  
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*Additional material may be attached if desired.*

Past and present membership of community/sporting/professional bodies, etc:  
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*Other significant contributions and achievements:*

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Phone: 0402 851 745

FORM TO BE RETURNED TO:  
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# School News

## Kurnai College Junior Campus

### Boer War Commemorative Service

On Wednesday October 11, three students from Churchill Campus Kurnai represented the school at the Morwell RSL for the Morwell District Boer War Commemorative Service. The students, Mia White-Seath, Amy McCord and Azriel Halge performed along with their teacher, Joseph Bonnici. At the nearby Morwell Historical Society, there was a display of portraits and other photographs, uniforms

and information on the soldiers and civilians from the Morwell District.

### STEM Sisters

On Friday October 13, a group of Year 9 female students attended the STEM Sisters Project at AGL Loy Yang's Learning Centre. The Launch was a Gippsland wide event with over 100 students in attendance. The aim of the project is to increase the awareness of young women to opportunities that exist now and into the future in Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics.

### Year 8 University Discovery Day

The Year 8 students visited the Federation University to gain an appreciation of the courses and activities that are available at University and TAFE. The students were shown and participated in various activities. They were able to explore the areas in which they had an interest in getting a job. With the activities, it was pointed out what the requirements were for them to succeed in gaining

the job.

An engineering activity was to design, construct and test a catapult to gain an indication of the basic skills required for an engineer. Many of the students liked the nursing activity that involved a demonstration of the use of a defibrillator, handled plastic internal organs, listened to other student's hearts and learnt about germs and hygiene.

Most students came away from the day of activities with a better appreciation of the

requirements needed in order to go on to tertiary education. *Year 10 Central Australian Camp*

At the end of Term 3, a group of Year 10 students from both Churchill and Morwell junior campuses, went on a 10-day tour to Australia's centre. Although it was a long bus trip, the students had a great time. The stop at Coober Pedy enabled the students to fossick through some mullock heaps and they loved the underground sleeping arrangements.

On into the centre and they were enthralled by the sights of Uluru and Kata Tjuta (The Olgas) – the size of 'the Rock' and the difference of Kata Tjuta, which is just a short trip away. The walk around the rim of King's Canyon is a challenge and everyone was glad to complete the ordeal. The culture of Alice Springs and Australia's centre is so different to the culture that our students are used to that it was quite an eye opener.



# School News

## Churchill Primary

### Latrobe Valley Division Athletics Championships

On Tuesday October 10, 16 of our students competed at the Latrobe Valley Division Athletics Championship at the Joe Carmody track in Moe.

All 16 of these students gave their all on the day and were wonderful ambassadors for our school. The sportsmanship displayed and camaraderie were representative of our school values and we are very proud of their conduct.

Well done to all students who participated on the day and thank you to Mrs Malcolmson and Mrs Walsh who supervised on the day.

Special congratulations to the following students who made it through to the regional level of competition, which was held on October 17:

Josh Gina - Long Jump  
Hayley Kamphuis - Long Jump and 11 year old girls' relay

Stella Voarino - High Jump and 11 year old girls' relay

Shenae Brown - 11 year old girls' relay

Savannah Lehrner - 11 year old girls' relay  
'Onya Stella!

All five of our students who competed at the Regional level of the Athletics Championships did a wonderful job representing our school and are to be commended on their efforts as well as their behaviour. They all put in valiant efforts and we are impressed with their level of competition achievement.

We would especially like to congratulate Stella Voarino on her impressive high jumping which could not be beaten on the day.

This means that Stella competed at the State Athletics Championships, which were held on Monday October 30, 2017. We wish Stella all the best for the

competition.

### Bike Ed Challenge – Round 2

On Tuesday October 10, eight of our students from Grades 3-6 represented our school in the 2nd round of the Bike Ed Challenge.

These students competed against several other schools from all over Gippsland and displayed exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship on the day.

They completed the Bike Ed course using all the skills learned in their Bike Ed lessons during PE and worked cohesively as a team.

Congratulations to all students who were involved in the challenge and well done for making it through to this level of competition.

You should all be proud of your achievements... the school certainly is!

Thank you to Ms Blucher and Mrs Butler for their supervision on the day.

### Grade 5/6 Melbourne City Camp

At the time of writing this article our Grade 5/6 students were attending their Melbourne City Camp.

This camp ran over four full days and was jam packed full of exciting and educational activities. Some of these activities included the Shrine of Remembrance Tour, MCG Tour and National Sports Museum, Scienceworks, Planetarium Show, Queen Victoria Market, IMAX, ice-skating, Eureka Sky Deck and the Immigration Museum just to name a few!

Everyone enjoyed the experience and we wish to say a very big thank you to Mrs Reidy, Mrs Malcolmson, Ms Blucher, Mrs Walsh and Mrs Butler who all sacrificed precious time with their families to give our students this wonderful opportunity. *Exciting news!*

2017 has seen some tough times in the Valley with the

closure of Hazelwood Power Station and other smaller businesses impacting families financially. With this in mind School Council have agreed to waive school fees for all CPS students, including Prep enrolments, for 2018.

That's right – no school fees at CPS in 2018!

### Building and grounds upgrade

In other exciting news, our \$300,000 Building and Grounds upgrade project will be completed by the end of January 2018.

This will include a new, state of the art, multi-use basketball court.

If you are considering enrolling your child at CPS in 2018 please contact the school on 5122 1343 to arrange a tour and hear more about our small class sizes and wonderful teaching and learning programs.

### Prep Transition Program 2018

Students enrolled at CPS to begin Prep in 2018 are

invited to attend a series of transitional days this term to help them feel at ease and more confident about starting school next year.

Our Prep transition days will run on Wednesday November 22, 2017 - 9am to 10am and Wednesday November 29, 2017 - 2pm to 3pm.

Parents are encouraged to stay for the General Information session on the first day that will run at the same time in our staffroom.

Tuesday December 12, 2017 is a state-wide Orientation Day and all Prep enrolments for 2018 are required to attend their respective schools on the day.

This day will be as close to a normal school day as possible and will hopefully create a sense of excitement for children about going to school next year.

Orientation day will run from 8:45am to 10:45am.

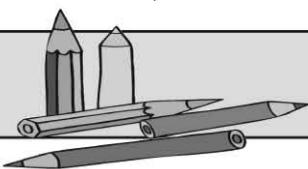


Left: 11 Year Old Girls' Relay Team – Stella V, Hayley K, Savannah L and Shenae B)

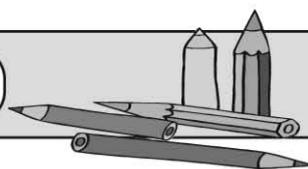
Middle: Hayley K and Josh G competed in individual Long Jump events

Right: Stella V makes it through to the State Championships in High Jump

# School News



## Lumen Christi Primary



Term Four has started well at Lumen Christi with all classes settling back into routine easily, ready to take on the last term.

Already we have been busy with the Year 3/4 Camp, Mission Month fundraising and our Science and Technology program.

Last term we were lucky to take possession of a class set of robots which has been utilised recently as part of our specialist program incorporating Science and Technology, with a particular skill development focus on 'coding' across the school.

We have included in this month's report some

contributions from our senior students explaining their work in this area.

Apart from the obvious novelty factor, the robots have proven a big hit for all classes as we look to develop the critical thinking, communication and collaboration skills of our students.

The Year 3 and 4s have recently returned from their overnight camp at Forest Lodge in South Gippsland. The camp provided some terrific outdoor adventure activities with many reports back from students who enjoyed the warmer weather and the canoeing activity.

At Lumen Christi we value the many opportunities camps provide, including the chance for students and teachers to interact and develop positive relationships outside of the regular classroom environment.

Our Kinder-Prep transition program is in full swing with opportunities most weeks for our newest recruits to attend school to develop their confidence and familiarity ready for 2018. If you are still undecided about your child's enrolment for 2018 please feel free to call by to arrange a school visit with our principal, Mr Dave Cooper.

We also have vacancies available for some year levels for students in Years 1 to 6.

Communication is such an important factor in the school-family-community relationship and to enhance this we mentioned in last month's Churchill News that our new website has gone online. This month our matching smart phone app became operational.

We welcome our families and friends to download the app via the school website - [www.churchill.catholic.edu.au](http://www.churchill.catholic.edu.au)

At Lumen Christi, Grades Prep to 6 have been involved in weekly technology sessions

using our new Dash and Dot Robots. Dash and Dot robots are an engaging way to use technology and coding in the classroom, encouraging students to be involved in hands-on play, critical thinking, problem solving and collaboration.

'During one session, we used an app on the iPad called 'Blocky and Go', to code our robot to knock down the bowling pins using different speeds.

We had to use our knowledge of length to program how far our robot should go.'

By Valentina and Hannah  
'For another task we used

a Dash and Dot accessory called the Launcher. We had to assemble all the accessories and then had to program Dash to launch three coloured balls at different speeds. We then decided to add cones to see if we could code Dash to launch a ball into the cone.'

By Charlotte and Ashlea  
'On the iPad we used a program called Blocky to program our Dash to go through a maze.

This task was quite challenging because we had to get the right motions/speed and use our knowledge of length to complete the maze, and thankfully we succeeded!'

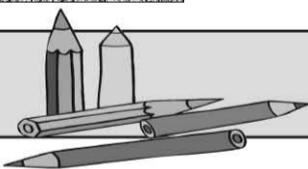
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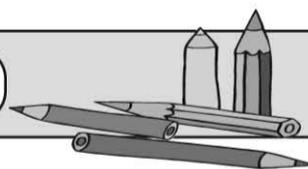
Above left and bottom left and middle: Lumen Christi students enjoying camp at Forest lodge- fishing, swimming and hut building.

Middle left and right: Using the robots to solve science and maths problems

# School News



## Churchill Preschools



### Glendonald Preschool

The children at Glendonald have been investigating Space.

We have been talking about atmosphere, gravity, planets and space travel. It has been great to see them now transferring and adapting

what they have learnt in one context to another by creating their own rockets.

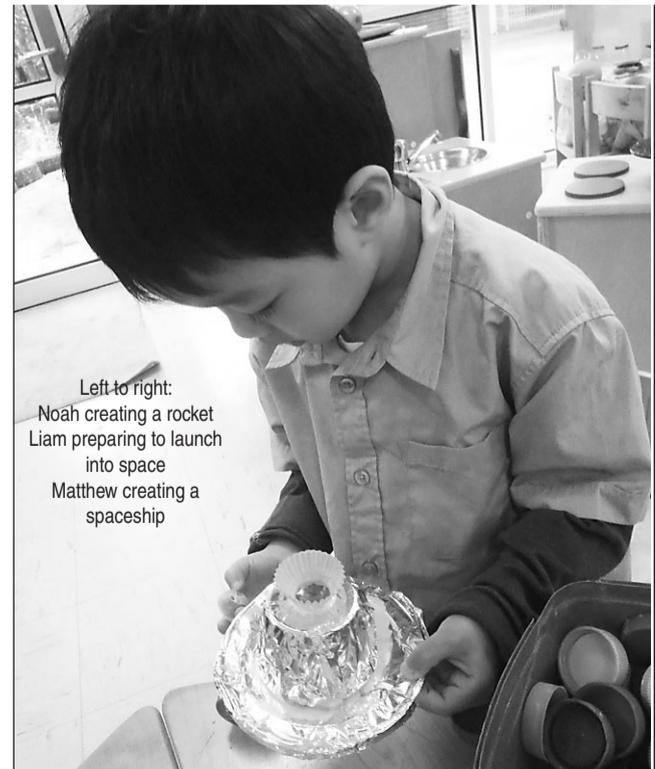
### Churchill Preschool

As the school year draws towards a close, the children continue to practise the skills needed to be effective learners. Writing their name, following

instructions and persisting at an activity despite the task having some challenges, are all important experiences.

The theme for the first two weeks of October focused on the various characteristics of spring. Many discussions and activities about the

visible changes from winter to spring allowed the children to understand that change can be enjoyable. There is some beautiful art work on display in the shape of butterflies and photos showing the children enjoying the Hub's productive vegetable garden.



Left to right:  
Noah creating a rocket  
Liam preparing to launch into space  
Matthew creating a spaceship

Russell Northe proudly servicing the Churchill and District Community.

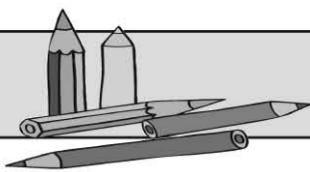


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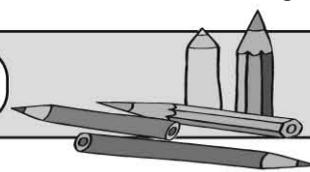
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# School News



## Churchill North Primary



### Basketball Clinic

Churchill North was lucky enough to have a local basketball coach visit the school on Thursday August 31. Gary taught students how to do crossing over dribble, shoot properly and the correct way of passing a ball. Jorja thought the day was amazing knowing her own basketball coach was teaching her. She loved learning new basketball tactics. Thank you for the help, Gary!

### CASEA Program

The CASEA program has begun running a Kids and Parent group program at Churchill North Primary School. The program aims to support families in developing understanding of their children and different ways to assist them. The children's group also focuses on friendship skills, building

confidence, problem solving and understanding feelings and managing behaviours. The program runs over eight weeks and will end with the children's graduation and celebration.

### Hoop Time

On Monday October 16, Churchill North Primary had eight students go on an excursion to Dandenong. We went for a fun school basketball tournament named Hoop Time. We came back empty handed but still had a great experience. After we lost we said "It is all about team work, never give up and always keep your head up high". Even though we were facing high school students we never ever gave up. We played about four games and after defeat we went home inspired.

Joel 5 /6 X

### Hygiene Program

The junior grades took a closer look at how well they wash their hands. As part of the discovery process the students put a special powder on their hands and had a look at their hands under ultra violet light. The light showed up any of the dirt on their hands. Once the dirt was revealed the students practised washing their hands thoroughly. Once again they checked under the ultra violet light to see how well they washed their hands. The process definitely gave them a lesson on how important it is to wash our hands correctly. The students ended the session with a renewed energy for the hand washing process. Thanks to Julie and Mrs Edwards for arranging the session.

### Learning Club Family Day

Learning Club has been running on Tuesday afternoons, from 3:30 until 4:30. On October 17, the final Learning Club ran with students inviting their parents and guardians along to join them and their Fed Uni tutors to participate in some activities. It was wonderful to see so many parents joining us for the day. The day ended with Christine from the Smith Family handing out some goodie bags for the students who attended. Nephi liked having his brother and sister join and see what he had been doing. Nephi is sad that it has come to an end and he won't be able to do activities with his group after school. He will miss his Fed Uni tutors.

We would like to say a big thank you to the Smith Family and our Fed Uni tutors for all

your effort!

### Recognising the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags

At assembly recently, new flags were presented to the school by school Captains William and Lizzy.

William explained to the school what these flags mean to us as Australians, commencing firstly with the traditional Australian flag.

"The Australian flag is important as it is a globally recognised symbol of Australia. The six stars represent the Southern Cross. The Union Jack represents Australia's connection with the United Kingdom.

The Aboriginal flag is important because it is the recognised symbol of Aboriginal people. The black represents the Aboriginal people of Australia. The

yellow circle represents the sun, the giver of life and the protector. Red represents the red earth, the red ochre used in ceremonies and the Aboriginal people's spiritual relation to the land.

The Torres Strait Islander flag is important because it represents all 200 Torres Strait Islands. The two green lines represent the Land of Australia and Papua New Guinea.

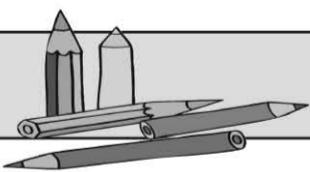
The blue represents the Torres Strait Island waters. The black lines represent all of the people from Torres Strait. The central symbol represents the Dari or a headdress. The five-pointed star represents the five major island groups of the Torres Strait, white represents peace.

William B and Lizzy C 5/6 S

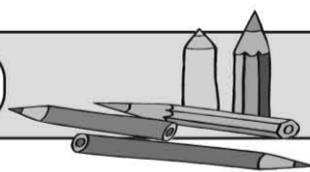


Left: Churchill North Nets at the Regional Finals  
Centre top: Sophie at the basketball clinic  
Centre bottom: Sienna checking her hands  
Lizzy and William with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags

# School News



## Yinnar South Primary



### Robotics

Thanks to an Inspiring Australia Science Engagement Programme Maker Projects grant, the school was able to purchase robotics equipment accessible to all ages.

Students have been fully engaged with the different STEM activities and are always willing to take on challenges.

There is a great sense of achievement when their



persistence pays off, which has a positive impact on self-confidence and flows into other learning areas.

### Sport

Yinnar South Primary School has become extra sporty lately, with two recent improvements within the school leading to a more active cohort.

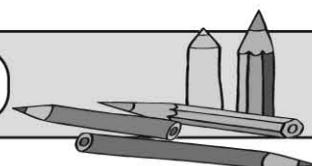
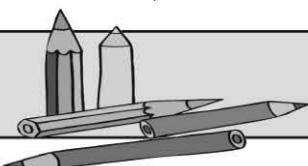
Thanks to one dedicated parent, also a qualified hockey coach, the school has been able to offer free weekly hockey training after school every Thursday.

The training is available for all ages and the students have loved it. Many students have become interested in joining their local side and it is wonderful that students are engaging in more healthy activities.

### Enrolments for 2018

Enrolments for 2018 are currently open so please call 5169 1540 or email yinnar.south.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au for any information or to organise a tour.





### Donating Blood

A friend of Theresa's named Cameron had his appendix out and he needed blood. So his friends and family brought this up with the nurse on duty, asking if his classmates could give blood. The nurse responded positively so Theresa went to the Student Representative Council (SRC) with the idea and the result was a group of students put up their hands to participate. In two separate groups of about eight per group, they visited the Red Cross Donation Centre in Traralgon.

Upon signing in some were able to donate but others were not due to the strict rules the Blood Bank follows. Some students expressed nervousness but also pleasure that they could be part of something so worthwhile. Several of the group have signed up to donate regularly. *VCAL Year 12 mock interviews*

Year 12 VCAL students do mock interviews with a panel of three local employers twice a year. Employers represent a variety of industry businesses and organisations from the area. The students also present their resume for feedback.

Each interview and feedback session takes about half an hour. The students receive verbal feedback in the session but the teachers give the students a written version later in class, where they discuss important points about how to improve.

In the middle of the year the students are asked general questions by the panel. They are given feedback about their interview, things they could add to their responses, and how they might improve, as well as hearing about their resume. These are aspects the students can work on for the next mock interview. They also have the opportunity to ask further questions to clarify feedback or gain more information.

In October they are asked more detailed questions about the industries they might identify as future employment possibilities, as well as having their resume looked at again.

Their teacher describes the process as a learning curve to realise all employers will not like their resume format; that asking beforehand about resume format is a wise move.

The students are nervous about the interviews but they also report that it is one of the most valuable requirements they have to do. They realised that preparation and learning from the first mock interview were crucial to improving.

The panel members were most impressed by the student's preparation, skills and Victorian Education Training placement examples.

which they were able to use to answer the questions.

Over the following four weeks from the October interviews, the VCAL teachers, Kurnai Careers' teachers, the students and their families will meet to ensure each student has a pathway to follow going forward into employment. This includes knowing when to apply for further training, traineeships, enrolments with relevant employment services, and additional work placements with local employers.

The students had lunch with the teachers on their last day and this went well. The students were excited, nervous of the future, but celebrating the end of their thirteen years of schooling with their future ahead of them.

Year 12 VCAL students do a once a week placement with an employer. This year they have had 125 students on placement. The support from a total of 140 employers is wonderful and the school is very grateful for this. The school in turn has built into its teaching schedule time for teachers to visit each workplace for feedback on any concerns and to hear good reports. The school encourages employers to respond to the students as they would a permanent employee if they have not followed workplace standards. This has developed a good working relationship with the employers.

### Kurnai Young Parents Program project

This year the young parents had a pyjama and hygiene fundraiser to help those who are in foster care and do not have those items.

Heather from 'A Better Life for Foster Kids' came to the class to speak to the girls about the project. She was able to receive \$300 worth of clothing and personal hygiene products.

Heather explained about the huge need in Latrobe Valley with a large number of children (55) having to be in foster care and out of home care. Heather said there was a particular need for teenage sizes-12,14, and 16. The group has a web site and a facebook page.

Heather was in foster care herself and she shared her story. Some of the girls in the group also had had similar experiences, and thought how good it would be to give items they were unable to have when they were in foster care.

To raise the money the girls asked the University campus students to join in by wearing their pyjamas one day for a gold coin donation.

The money raised was used to purchase the required items at Fountain Gate. This was a good opportunity for the students to practice budgeting

and making the most of the money by comparing prices at the various clothing stores and buying the best bargains.

Heather was thrilled to receive the purchased items.

The girls have also been involved with mock interviews with business owners. Some are actively looking for work, or exploring further courses. Some will stay for another year in the KYPP.

It has been a year of learning for the students. There were a couple of babies born. The students were engaged in resilience and motivation lessons through watching inspirational movies, using the seven habits of highly effective people and how they can integrate those habits into their own lives; noting famous failures and learning that sometimes you need to fail to achieve, but perseverance and determination are the keys.

Karina from Latrobe Community Health Service (LCHS) came to do a session around label reading analysis on food product's packaging, healthy eating and goal setting. They went on an excursion to Mid Valley with a dietitian from LCHS to put their new knowledge to the test. It was a great life lesson for the girls to show them the hidden things they are giving their children. The sugar film was another eye-opener which has led to the drinking of much more water in place of soft drink.

They attended the Baby and Kids Expo at Kernot Hall to showcase the program to make community linkages and promote the opportunities the program provides for young parents to further their education so they can enter the work force.

Teacher Claire says the class is taking enrollments for 2018. This program has established good connections with the school as well as support organisations in Latrobe region.

To enrol contact the school on 5132 3800 and ask for Claire.

### Celebration Day - October 28

The last day of school for the Year 12 students happened on October 28, and was called Celebration Day.

It started with breakfast for the teachers and students of bacon and eggs cooked by the teachers. Then an assembly was held in a lecture theatre at FedUni. The students heard from a group called Red Frogs, which provided a presentation to support the Year 12s and university students with information about staying safe in Schoolies Week, safe partying and looking after your friends. The principals, teachers and SRC then gave an address, followed by a



video and photo presentation of each students Kurnai journey from Year 7-12.

Activities followed at the golf driving range including a water slide, bouncy castle, zorb balls, outside chill area/ Kurnai gazebo, fairy floss, popcorn, music and games.

Stress less lunch included Subway, hot dogs, Mr Whippy, a Christmas pynata, and staff and student cream pie throw. Some brave teachers volunteered including both principals. During this time two students shaved their hair to raise funds for Ronald McDonald House Charities.

The day concluded with a paint powder fight back at the golf range before the final dismissal.

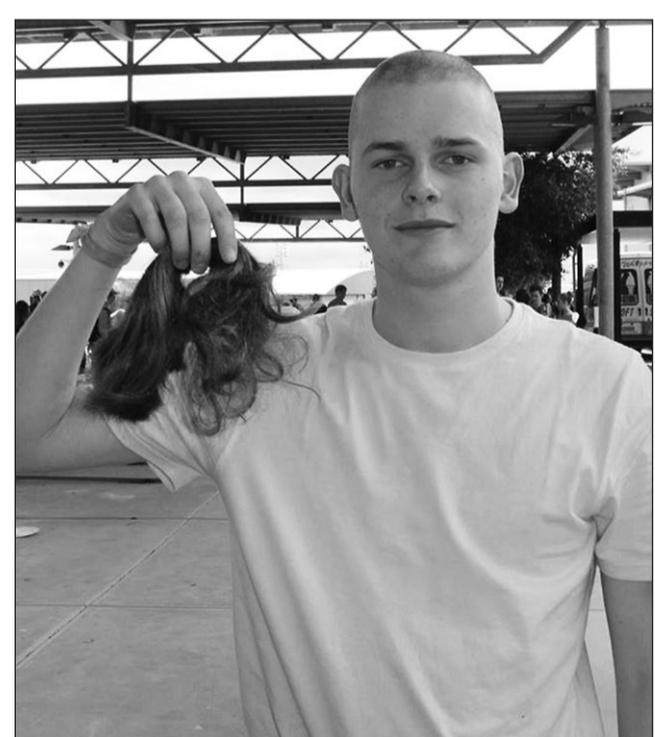
### Fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House Charities

Two students, Brendan Briggs and Blake Born, had their heads shaved to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. One of their friends passed away with cancer. Through his treatment time he and his family were helped by Ronald McDonald Foundation House Charities in Melbourne.

Brendan who initiated the idea, and Blake who came on board when Brendan told him his plans, felt they would like to give back and shaving their hair was the agreed action. So they organised the event for the last day of school to support this important work.

Ronald McDonald House Charities supplies affordable accommodation for children's families when they have a need to stay in hospital, thus keeping them close so they can support their sick child. This charity is in many countries throughout the world.

Brendan purposefully grew his hair for the occasion in the hope that cutting it off would raise more money. Blake had not been able to grow his for as long, but his



purpose in being involved was to support his friend and the charity fundraiser.

Brendan has opened up a link whereby others may record a donation for the cause:

<https://general.everydayhero.com/au/>

brendan-s-shave-for-the-ronald-mcdonald-house.

Brendan has also had support from other students, his school and his football club who all shared the event on their facebook accounts.

**Grade 2 Sleepover**

On the last Thursday of Term 3, the Grade 2s had a sleepover at Hazelwood North Primary School. We slept in the hall.

First, we had a little play outside. Then we had some dinner. We had sausages, hamburgers, salad and bread. There was fruit for dessert. Dinner was delicious.

After dinner, we did some coding with the new robots called Cubetto. It was a lot of fun and very challenging!

Then we got ready for a movie. We watched 'Robots'. Everyone was very relaxed and tired because we stayed until 10 o'clock.

Then we went to sleep. In the morning, we had breakfast with different cereals, toast, leftover sausages and hamburgers.

Then we packed up all our stuff and got ready for school.

We thought the school sleepover was exceptionally amazingly awesome!

By Connor Mc and Sienna C

Yesterday we went to the show, I was a 'who'. It was a long show. We had a practice.

Ruby W  
We were singing.

Amelia P  
We went to the bus.

Macy  
We went on the bus. There were three buses. It was fun.

Christian  
Yesterday the whole school went to Lowanna to practise the show. Then we

had a snack. Then we had dress rehearsal. Then we had lunch. Then we went back to school. Then we did the show.

Jaxon  
We went on a bus. Then we looked around. We had a dress rehearsal.

Liam  
**Asian Cooking**

On Monday October 30, Grade 4/5/6s did some Asian cooking. We cooked spring rolls, dumplings, sushi, fried rice, chicken soup and chicken noodle soup.

We were put into groups of four and we chose what we wanted to make, my group chose dumplings (there is a recipe below).

It was really fun making all this Asian food! The food was soooooo delicious!

After all the food was made all the students got together and got to eat all the food. We either got a cup or bowl and we helped ourselves to the food. There was such a variety to choose from I got some dumplings and chicken soup! It was absolutely scrumptious! The food was yummy and making it we really enjoyed it.

All the students ate some food and they loved it. We all had so much fun cooking and eating, and to prove it we ate all the food! So we thank Mrs Duncan and Mr Simmons for getting the ingredients and helping us. It was the best 3 hours and 20 minutes session ever (and the only)!

By Melina Turnbull

**4/5/6D**

How we made the dumplings.....

Chicken mince  
Spring onion  
Soy sauce  
Rice wine vinegar  
Spring roll pastry  
Water

Bamboo shoots  
And some other ingredients (I think)

We then chopped the spring onion and some other things; we didn't have to chop it finely because we were going to put it in a food processor. After that we mixed all the ingredients together (except the water and pastry), then we put it in the food processor. Soon after we took the mixture and put it in the fridge.

Half an hour later!

We got out the pastry and we cut it into quarters. We got a tablespoon of mixture and put it in the middle. We dabbed the outside of the pastry with water to make it stick and we joined all corners together to make a dumpling.

We then got out a wok and steamed the dumplings for 10 minutes, and then we ate them.

**Celebrating Book Week!**

Our recent Book Week Activities Day was a fantastic celebration of books and reading filled with colourful characters and fun!

Our student Book Week presenters Riley A, Connor C, Hunter, Riley M, Ashton, Archer, Hugh, Jada, Zoe,

Melina (standing in for Zoe on the day), Shanae, Olivia P, Ashlee and Jayla spent much of their lunch and recess time during the preceding weeks designing, planning and organising activities for the day to feature their chosen books.

The day began with Grade parades in the school hall led by Mary Poppins (Miss Waite) with each student introducing us to their chosen book character.

After recess students enjoyed the special Book Week activities rotating in mixed age groups through the variety of book related themes. At each rotation the presenters read their book, demonstrated their activity and then supported the student group as they did the activity. The enthusiasm and leadership of our Book Week presenters shone throughout the activities encouraging everyone to enjoy the day!

Pictured are our Book Week presenters with the books they read, and Grade parades in the hall.

**Phillip Island**

On October 11, 2017, the Grade 3/4 children from Hazelwood North Primary School went on an exciting journey to Phillip Island to attend the C.Y.C camp.

Two hours after leaving we stopped at a place called San Remo. We had our snack there and then took a walk around the docks. After that, we drove over the giant bridge

to Phillip Island!

When we stopped at the extremely fun camp, we saw a flying fox, a giant swing, trampolines, a swimming pool and much more!

They also have a dining area at that camp which served the best food anyone could ever cook! My favourite food at the camp was the wraps.

My favourite feature of camp was the Electric Climbing Wall. The Electric Climbing Wall is a climbing wall that moves up and down!

On the second night, we went to the Penguin Parade, (not an actual parade). We saw penguins walking up the beach in groups. They looked very soft and friendly.

On the last day we packed bags and cleaned our cabins then went back on the bus to go home. Twenty minutes after leaving we stopped at a place, a Koala Conservation Park. We took a walk around and saw some koalas, then we hopped back on the bus and went back to school!

The camp was really fun and exciting. I recommend that students should attend this camp in the future.

By Hughie

Our 3/4 Phillip Island Camp Experiences

It was Wednesday October 11, when a rush of anticipation was felt by all the Grade 3 and 4s. As we entered the gates of Hazelwood North Primary School, we felt a little flustered and excited at the same time.

On our way to CYC (Christian Youth Camp), we stopped in San Remo to see the feeding of the pelicans and unexpectedly saw some stingrays.

When we got to the camp, our luggage was collected and was placed outside our lodges. All of the Grade four girls were placed in the same lodge and the boys were placed in a separate lodge together. The Grade three girls and boys were placed in separate ones with male and female teachers as well as helpers. After that we headed straight over to the meeting room to meet the staff at CYC. We met one of them Steph, who showed us how to be safe on their equipment.

We participated in many interesting activities at the actual camp including The Giant Swing, Photo Hunt and Trampolines – they were so much fun! One of the activities was initiatives, and we had to get in three groups. We had to collaborate to complete this task successfully. We visited many interesting places including the penguin parade, koala sanctuary and Churchill Island.

We all had a fantastic and enjoyable time and would like to thank our school staff and Mr Sutherland (parent helper) for making the camp a great success.

Shanae and Ashlee



Above: Book Week Presenters  
Below : Elijah and Xavier doing the dishes at sleepover  
Chinese Cooking class



Above: Breakfast at sleepover  
Below: Book Week dress up parade.



# School News

## Boolarra Primary

### The Melbourne Zoo

All the Prep/1/2s went to the Melbourne Zoo to do a project on animals. We travelled by bus. We looked at animals to explore the endangered species. I was working on the Sumatran tiger.

A zoo keeper read us an explorer book. Then he took us to a special room. To start off we looked at animals in tanks and then we sat in a circle to see a kind of desert snake called Stripes.

Stripes liked to burrow and he used his burrowing snout. Then we explored

outside. We looked at skins, habitats, foot fossils and lots more.

Then we went to see the giant tortoise. It was about 100 years old. Then we went to see the Sumatran tiger. The people in my group who were working on the tiger had to draw a picture of its habitat.

Now it was lunch time. After lunch we went to see the elephant, then the butterfly house. I had three butterflies on me.

Then we went to see the orang-utans. One of them had a bag on his head and he rolled down the hill.

Bailey took us all to see the sea animals and after that we went to see the reptiles but Oscar's frog was not there!

Last we lined up to leave. By the time we got to school all our parents were waiting. It was fun!

By Gage

### The Zebra who lost his Stripes!

by Aleeah and Cooper C

One day there lived a zebra, who lived in a red house with 100 windows and 3 doors. This zebra was very different because he was

slowly losing his stripes. His family named him Benji.

Benji had 4 friends. One was Adipose he was grey. Adipose was his favourite friend.

His other 3 friends were Bendigo, he was number 1 Numtum, Bob the minion and Coco the clown.

They were on a mission to discover how Benji was losing his stripes.

First they visited B.P.S. they found 2 new friends there who were Aleeah and Cooper. Benji explained what was wrong. Aleeah and Cooper decided to help. So together

off they went to help Benji.

They ask Benji, what was he doing different or what was he eating that he wasn't supposed to be, for him to lose his stripes.

Benji said "I love eating peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and would eat 3 a day." "Maybe you should stop eating them!" replied Cooper. "Great idea!" said Aleeah.

Benji didn't like that idea he really loved those sandwiches.

Adipose suggested that he could stop and get his stripes back or he could keep eating them and be stripeless.

It was a very hard decision for Benji, but he did agree to try and stop eating them. He thought it could still be ok to maybe eat one every now and then.

Benji went home to his house with 100 windows and 3 doors and ate a bowl of grass. Slowly Benji's stripes were coming back, although Benji did eat a peanut butter and jelly sandwich once a month!

He didn't lose any more of his stripes again and lived so happy with all his friends!

THE END



Above: Make up artists Charlotte and Paige helping Meila with her character



Side: Indilly dresses up as Mrs Emond

Middle: Students who made it through to the zone finals which were postponed due to the weather



Centre: Ethan played the character of his teacher Mr. Patrick Kilday in the whole school production.

Top: Lily, Aleeha and Mia with the card they made for their work placement student.



# School News

## Yinnar Primary

Term 4 has commenced with a very busy schedule.

Selected students have finally been able to compete at the Division level Athletics at Joe Carmody Track in Newborough.

The weather was much kinder this time.

Our school captains ran "wheels" day for all grades. Each grade was treated to

a session of riding, skating or roller blading around the school grounds as well as a Bike Education session with Sergeant Matt Ryan from Victoria Police.

The activity ran over two days giving all students a great opportunity to master some riding skills.

The school runs a chess club at lunchtimes most

days. Our more proficient players have been competing in a series of schools' chess tournaments. Five students played their way to the State Schools Chess Championship in Melbourne.

Following on from our 'Wheels' day, we invited Sergeant Ryan to return to the school to present a traffic safety session to our Prep - 2

Grades. The students tried on police vests and investigated the police vehicle with all its equipment.

We held our first of four kinder transition days with 30 or more children enjoying a literacy session while their parents had the opportunity to speak with school staff about Yinnar's education program. The parents were also

treated to a tour of the school including the 5/6 classes, who were busily preparing for their Halloween activity day.

As mentioned the Grade 5/6's have spent much of this term working on a Halloween themed program including creating spooky stories, creative projects and decorations for their special event.

All grades will be visiting and taking part in their event.

Many of our students enjoy visual arts. They had the opportunity to enter their artwork in the recent Boolarra Community Art Show.

Two students were successful in being awarded prizes for their artworks.



Top Left: Art Winners

Bottom Left: Bike Education class

Middle: Dressing up in police uniforms

Right: Halloween preparations



# SPORT

## Churchill Bowls Club

The Churchill Bowls Club, fully decked out in our new club uniforms, commenced competition in the 2017/18 West Gippsland Bowls Division Pennant season on Saturday October 14, and were successful with two wins in our first two

games of the season.

The club has been fortunate in the recruiting department, with the recent acquisition of some very good experienced players, who will impact and play an important role in the mentoring of our less experienced players

and also strengthen the side overall.

Our resident boilermaker K Turpin and his man Friday, A Van Den Ham have been busy constructing the steel framework for the 12 shade shelters around the green perimeter. It is anticipated

these shelters will be ready for use by mid-November.

Anyone wishing to play indoor bowls on a Thursday night is cordially invited to come along and join in a fun activity. Games start promptly at 7.15pm, however to allow for team selection people

need to be there around 7pm. Cost for the night is \$4.00 which includes a light supper with tea or coffee.

Our club is currently seeking people who are interested in joining our organisation as a committee member, no experience is

required as training will be carried out inhouse. The club is also interested in new or past players who are interested in joining our welcoming inclusive club.

Any queries can be directed to W Brown on 5122 1860

## Churchill Football/Netball Club

Well that's it for the 2017 playing season at CFNC and while we unfortunately didn't have any sides playing on grand final day, we did have a number of people who did well in the League vote counts and Team of the Year presentations.

### League Vote Count Results

Seniors - Travis Brighton 4th

Seniors Team of the Year - Travis Brighton, Dean DeGroot, Jordan Fenech and Ben Kearns

A Grade - Maddi Burney

Runner Up - Maddi Burney

B Grade - Emily Lugton 3rd

Reserves - Adam Brooks and Ryan Harvey equal 6th

C Grade - Zaida Glibanovic 6th

Thirds - Ryan Carlson

Best and Fairest, Joel Mason 3rd

Thirds Team of the Year - Ryan Carlson, Ryan Lowrie and Cain Iorangi

17 and Under - Zaida Glibanovic equal 4th, Emily Lugton 5th

17 and Under Team of the Year - Zaida Glibanovic and Emily Lugton

Our club vote count was held on Sunday September 17, with a special mention to Travis Brighton who won his 6th Senior Club Best and Fairest (taking over the record formerly held by Woosha - who the award is named after)

and also to Maddi Burney who won the A grade Best and Fairest for the second year running, and third in total.

Presentation Night was again held at the Churchill Hotel on the Thursday before the AFL Grand Final. Well done to all our award winners on the night and thank you to those who came along to show your support at our final official event for the year.

Seniors:

Best and Fairest - Travis Brighton

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Brendan Mason

Most Consistent: Chris Kyriacou

Most Courageous: Jordan Fenech

Best Team Player: Paul Metlikovec

Coaches Award - Daniel Dunne

Football MVP: Travis Brighton

Reserves:

Best and Fairest - Adam Brooks and Brad Tyas (joint winners)

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Glenn Briggs

Most Consistent: Justin Rogers

Best Utility: Ryan Harvey

Most Improved: Daniel Dunne

Coaches Award - Darren Blair

Thirds:

Best and Fairest - Ryan Lowrie

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Ryan Carlson

Most Consistent: Cain Iorangi

Most Courageous: Tom Severson

Most Improved: Aiden Ekanayake

Best Utility: Joel Mason

Coaches Award: Patrick Ludgate

A Grade:

Best and Fairest - Maddison Burney

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Rachele Chapman

Coaches Award - Kassie Meall

Netball MVP: Maddison Burney

B Grade:

Best and Fairest - Emily Lugton

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Emily Hutchinson

Coaches Award - Amanda Burrows

C Grade:

Best and Fairest - Zaida Glibanovic

Glibanovic

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Casey McMillan

Coaches Award - Ashley Kearns

D Grade:

Best and Fairest - Tammy de-Souza Daw

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Bonnie Kearns

Coaches Award - Kelsey Mayer

17 and Under:

Best and Fairest - Kelsey Mayer

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Tayla Kelty-Roberts

Coaches Award - Zaida Glibanovic

15 and Under:

Best and Fairest - Alysha Clarke

Runner Up Best and Fairest - Kayley Answerth

Coaches Award - Molly Sawyer

Best Club Person Award: Amanda McInnes

Presidents Award: Shaun Answerth

A big thank you to all of our wonderful sponsors in 2017, without sponsorship, country footy/netball clubs like ours would fail to survive and put sides on the park and court each week. Your commitment to local grassroots level sport is to be commended.

Coaches for next season have started to be announced with Chris Williams (Squid) being appointed as Seniors coach for 2018 with Chris Kyriacou as assistant. Chris Burke will again be running the Reserves and a Thirds coach appointment is not too far away. Netball coach appointments are not too far away and we will announce them on the club facebook page shortly.

Thanks to all our volunteers for another great year, and we look forward to seeing you all at our AGM on Tuesday November 28 at 7pm.



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All contact details on the back page

**BASEBALL**

Winter Sport - April to September  
 Junior teams accomodating ages 4-18  
 Trainings every Wednesday at Andrews Park 4:30pm  
 Junior Fees: \$80  
 The fees may change come our AGM in September / October



**HOCKEY**

Hockey is a winter sport played between April and September.  
 All ages and abilities from primary school age onward welcome  
 Training Thursday nights, all games played in Churchill  
 on Friday nights and Saturday.



**BASKETBALL**

Winter season - terms 2 & 3. Summer season - terms 4 & 1  
 Little Devils Junior Development 8 week program - term 3\*. U8 competition - term 4\*  
 U10 boys and girls, U12 girls - Friday evenings.  
 U12 boys, U14 and U16 boys and girls - Monday evenings  
 Representative teams in all age groups.  
 Training nights vary. \*numbers permitting



**NETBALL**

Churchill Indoor Netball Association  
 Encourages and supports all members, including players, coaches & umpires.  
 Offering everyone in Churchill and surrounding areas to come and play netball.  
 2018 Winter Season will commence April through to August.  
 9 & Under 11 & Under 13 & Under  
 15 & Under 17 & Under Net Set Go



**BOWLS**

The Churchill Bowls Club is a Gipsport Welcoming Inclusive Club and as such is open to all demographics within our community.  
 Lawn and Indoor Bowls is played all year round at Churchill Bowls Club.  
 Bowls is ideal for those who are not interested in body contact sports, however it is still a game that requires a certain amount of skill.  
 Once perceived as a game for the older generation bowls is now becoming a sport that is attracting more and more younger people.  
 Membership packages consist of Full, Social, Indoor bowls, and Student membership.  
 Indoor bowls is conducted every Thursday night commencing at 7pm.  
 Lawn bowls training is conducted every Wednesday night from 4.30pm till 5.30pm



**SCOUTS**

1st Churchill Scouts has been around for 50 years. Scouting is a worldwide movement designed to teach our youth life skills to help them master their day to day life and to become leaders of our future.  
 JOEY SCOUTS - 5 TO 7 YEARS OLD - Thursday night from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm.  
 CUB SCOUTS - 7 TO 11 YEARS OLD - Wednesday night from 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm.  
 SCOUTS - 11 TO 14 YEARS OLD - Tuesday night from 7 pm to 9 pm.  
 VENTURERS - 14 TO 18 YEARS OLD - Monday night from 7 pm to 9 pm.  
 ROVERS - 18 TO 26 YEARS OLD - Friday night from 7.30 pm.  
 LEADERS - AGE 18 AND ABOVE - Volunteer Leaders enjoy leading our youth members through challenging adventures, helping to develop their skills to become great leaders. You do not need to be a previous scout to become a leader, just eager to learn and have fun.



**CRICKET**

Churchill Cricket Club -  
 Corner of Birch Drive and Acacia Way -  
 Milo Under 10's, Under 12's, Under 14's, Under 16's and Seniors  
 Contact churchillcc@hotmail.com



**SOCCER**

Soccer is a winter sport between March & September.  
 The CUSC has teams in Under 6's through to Under 14's  
 and boys and girls can start playing as young as 4 years of age.  
 Training nights are Tuesday & Thursday 4.30pm to 5.30pm.  
 Game Days are Saturdays  
 Junior fees in 2017 were \$105.00 for the season.  
 Other required costs may include Boots, Shin-pads, CUSC Socks & Shorts.



**FOOTBALL**

Churchill Junior Football Club - Traralgon and District Football League  
 March through to August (Game days are Sundays)  
 Boys and Girls U/8's, 10's, 12's and 14's  
 Home ground (Grnd 2), Gaskin Park - Manning Drive



**TENNIS**

Tennis Hotshots (ages 4 - 12) available Terms 1,2,3,4  
 Tennis Coaching (all ages) available Terms 1,2,3,4  
 Junior Competition on Saturday mornings - starts October  
 Adult Competition on Saturday afternoon - starts October  
 Fast 4 Competition - Sunday afternoon (3:00 - 5:00pm)  
 and midweek (6:00 - 7:30pm) - starts October  
 Social Tennis - Monday 1:00pm (all year)



**GOLF**

Churchill Monash Golf Club is on Mary Grace Bruce drive situated on the grounds of Federation University we have a social 9 hole Competition open to everyone to play at their own leisure.  
 Junior fees start from \$40 and you can play all year round



**WALK, JOG, RUN**

Churchill parkrun and WJR  
 Churchill parkrun is part of an international network of parkruns, which are free, timed five-kilometre events held every Saturday morning at 8:00 am. Churchill's event starts at Churchill Hub and travels along Eel Hole Creek between turning points near Hazelwood House and Latrobe Leisure Churchill. The parkrun attracts walkers and runners of all ages, from five to well over 80. Since its inception in 2016, an average of 72 participants have completed the course on Saturday mornings.  
 WJR (Walk, Jog, Run) Churchill is a separate group of joggers and runners largely drawn from local parkruns who build their fitness with planned activities led by local coach each Wednesday evening, also starting from Churchill Hub. Activities are all voluntary and at own risk. Like parkrun, WJR attracts participants of all ages and abilities. It contributes to improving parkrun performances.




## Parenting After Separation Series

A parenting group to inform parents about the impact of separation and divorce on children.

**What is Parenting After Separation Series?**

Parenting After Separation Series provides parents with key information and strategies to assist children to successfully adjust to separation and divorce.

The interactive group meets the requirements for Court Orders. Areas covered include:

- adult's and children's reactions to separation
- adjusting to separation
- ways to help children adjust to their parents' separation and to minimise the potential for harm
- communicating with children following separation
- children's post-divorce reactions and the need for positive parenting
- parenting styles
- tried-and-true methods that can help contribute to establish a new and different co-parenting relationship
- additional issues raised by participants, such as issues relating to new relationships, step-families and dealing with legal processes.

**When**  
 5:30 - 7:30pm on Tuesdays in 2017.  
 November 28; December 5, 12, 19.

**Where**  
 Relationships Australia Victoria  
 59 Breed Street, Traralgon

**Cost**  
 Calculated on a sliding scale according to income. Please contact us for more information.

**Bookings**  
 Bookings are essential due to limited spaces available.

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Handout materials and certificates of participation, which are suitable for submission to Court will be provided on successful completion of the program.



COME AND CELEBRATE THIS YEAR'S

# Carols by Candlelight

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 The Combined Churches of Churchill

## Saturday, December 16

Held outside at the Co-Operating Churches, 1 Williams Ave, Churchill

**BBQ at 6.00pm. Gold coin donation.**  
 Proceeds to breakfast clubs at our local schools.

**Carol singing, items and the Christmas story from 7.00pm**  
 If the weather is inclement, Carols will be held inside the church.

Supplied - carols booklets and some candles and holders.  
 Bring a chair, or picnic rug, your carols booklet from the Latrobe Express and some money for the collection to go to the Community Cafe and Church Welfare Programs.

**SANTA will make an appearance during the evening**

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# SPORT

## Churchill Soccer Club

The Churchill Soccer Club recently closed off its Junior program for 2017, with the Presentation Day held at Hazelwood Reserve in beautiful sunny weather. We had a huge turn-out who enjoyed our games, snags and jumping castles.

If we scored our 2017 season, we would have said that we held firm on our numbers, increased our volunteer participation and in all, had a steady year.

However, we still need to boost our numbers for Under 12s and our Under

14s team which were forced to code share with Trafalgar for this year. Our mini-roos teams remained very strong with good numbers and lots of excited kids. 2018 will be a big year for the club as they prepare for their 50th Anniversary celebrations

which will follow in 2019. We will submit Under 14s, Under 12s and all our mini-roos categories and have already locked in many of our coaches. Bradley Sands, a senior award winning player, will take on our Under 14s team next year with the aim of following the

side right through its junior years. This is an exciting development for this team and strengthens the ties between both Senior and Junior parts of the club. Our mini roos coaching team already includes past presidents, senior club coaches, senior

captains and senior legends as their children come through the system. We are excited to be part of the Active Kids Expo and hope you can come along and try soccer as well as all of our sports and recreation activities on offer here in Churchill.



## Churchill & Monash Golf Club



Winners of Churchill & Monash Golf Club 4BBB championships held over two weeks. Winners (left) Merryn Dear (right) Vicki Verheyen overall score of 80 Championship Stableford points, congratulations girls.

### Ladies Monthly Medal

October 3, 2017. Scratch Winner - M. Dear (15) 95. Medal Winner - V. Verheyen (29) 76. DTL - M. Dear (15) 80 NTP 3rd M. Dear 5th D. Stait.

### Ladies Open Day

October 10, 2017. Winners - D. Stait (36) and R. Whithead (44) 39 Pts. Runners Up - V. Verheyen (29) and M. Mc Conville(24) 37pts C/B. DTL - J. Blizzard (29) and M. Mc Conville (24) 37 Pts. DTL - S. Turner (26) and A. Chapman(24) 35 Pts. NTP - 5th D. Stait 14th M. Dear.

### Mens Alan Watts Memorial Trophy.

Saturday October 14, 2017. A Grade - J. Barnes 40 Points. B Grade - G. Spowart C/B 35. C Grade - K. Hogan

C/B 30. DTL - D. Ellwood 36, T. Sterrick 35, C. Doyle 32, J. Sloyan 32, M. Brereton 31, C. Gosling 31, J. Walsh 30. NTP - 3rd D. Ellwood, 12th J. Soppe, 14th T. Sterrick. Birdies - 3rd D. Ellwood, 14th J. Barnes, 14th T. Sterrick.

### Mens Par

Saturday October 21, 2017. A Grade - P. Smart (8) +4. B Grade - Mamun (23) +3. DTL - B. Mathison +2, R. Madigan +2, J. Sloyan +1, M. Brereton +1, T. Sterrick Square C/B. NTP - 3rd P. Smart, 12th P. Smart. Birdies - 3rd M. Brereton, 3rd W. Judkins.

### Churchill Monash Plate

October 22, 2017. Plate Winners - Churchill Club - A. Sharrock, B. Rowley, R. Welsh, J. Butler 105. Runners

Up - Churchill Club - B. Barnes, J. Barnes, J. Thornby, C. Thompson, 99. Scratch Winner - R. Kincaid Gross 80. Moe Club - A Grade Geisler Snr, (8) 31 C/B. Garfield Club - B Grade - P. Scott, (15) 36. Churchill Club - C Grade - A Sharrock (19) 40. DTL - B. Barnes 38, J. Mc Cafferty 35, B. Rowley 34, J. Smerigno 34, C. Porto 34, D. Radnell 32 C/B. NTP - 3rd T. O'Reilly, 5th D. Perrin, 12th J. Smeglio, 14th P. Hunt

### Ladies 1st Round of 4BBB Club Championships

Tuesday October 24. Winners - M. Dear (16) and V. Verheyen (29) 42 C/B. Runners Up - C. Barnes (34) and M. Mc Quillen (36) 42. NTP - 5th D. Judkins, 15th D. Stait.

## Mid Gippsland Darts Association

### Winter Competition 2017



#### DARTS ASSOCIATION LADDER after Round 15

Team Name	Played	Won	Lost	For	Against	%	Pts
BULLSHOT	15	15	0	98	37	1088.9	30
YINNAR TIGERS	15	10	5	82	53	911.1	20
MUSTANG 1	15	8	7	76	59	844.4	16
COYOTEZ	15	7	8	73	62	811.1	14
JOKERS	15	5	10	56	79	622.2	10
MUSTANGS 2	15	0	15	19	116	211.1	0

Round 11: Yinnar Tigers were defeated 9-0 on forfeit as they were unable to field a team due to work commitments.

Round 12: A good result for Yinnar Tigers defeating Mustangs 2 seven games to two on the night. Highlights of the rubber went to Reno Borg with a 140 Men's Highest Score.

Reno also took out the Highest Finish with a 67 scored. Highest Ladies Finish went to Mustang 2's Junene DeCaste with a 46 scored and Junene finished with the most Tons on the night with 2 scored.

Yinnar Tiger's Mike Bailey laid down 5 pegs on the night with Sharon Taylor scoring four.

Round 13: Yinnar Tigers

had an up and down night with some solid scoring, led by a highest 180 by Mark Taylor but went down to Mustangs 1 five games to four. Sharon Taylor held up the flag with a Ladies Highest Finish of 40 and Most Ladies Pegs with 2 scored. Sharon also scored the most Tons on the night with 3 scored.

Round 14: After an indifferent loss last week Yinnar Tigers were stung into a solid ladder defining win over Jokers 7-2 with no outstanding scores being made.

Round 15: Needing to finish off the season and in a good spot on the ladder for the finals Yinnar Tigers had a solid win against a strong Coyotez team 6-3. Highlights were the Most pegs on the

night by Mark Taylor (YT) with 6 and Martin Menzie's (C) 141 Highest Mens Score. Sharon Taylor keeps working solid for the team and this week had 3 pegs on the night. Reno Borg had the most tons with 8 scored.

The Finals: Bullshot played Yinnar Tigers in a first semi with Mark Taylor (YT) and Aaron Donohue (B) scoring 180s on the night. A fine 125 score (Bull + 25 + Bull) by Dale Burton- Pye pretty well put paid to a well fought win by Bullshot defeating the Yinnar Tigers 6 games to 3.

Preliminary Final: Yinnar Tigers were to play Cototez for a place in the Grand Final but unfortunately could not field a team on the night due to work commitments and had to reluctantly forfeit.

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