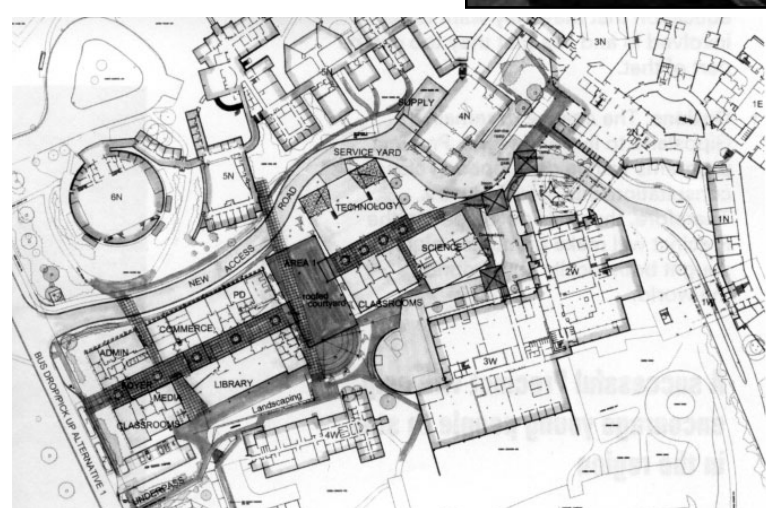


# CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS

Est. 1966



Pictured: Pro Vice Chancellor Professor Brian Mackenzie (left) and Brian Stark, Manager, Facilities and Services, with the Precinct Plans outside Monash University



Top and centre: The site of the Gippsland Education Precinct. Above: Map of the Precinct buildings.

## GROUNDBREAKING

THE ground is starting to move under the groundbreaking Gippsland Education Precinct.

After months of planning and preparation, the initial groundworks for the Precinct started on Wednesday, March 5. The new Precinct will be located in the heart of the Gippsland Campus of Monash University in Churchill.

"It's obviously a very exciting time," said Gippsland Education Precinct Chair Brian Mackenzie. "So many people from the region have worked so hard and to know that it is officially becoming a reality is very satisfying."

The Precinct will be open to its first intake of students in 2004 and be fully operational in 2005. Once complete it will allow students to seamlessly move between Monash University, Gippsland Group Training, GippsTAFE and Kurnai College. Building of the facility will start after the preliminary groundwork is complete.

"I fully anticipate that when the actual building starts we will have an official ceremony marking it," said Prof. Mackenzie. "Gippsland is lead-

ing Australia with this innovation and it should be celebrated."

When completed, the Precinct will be the first educational provider in Australia to offer a secondary college, TAFE, group training facility and university under one roof. Participating students will have the option to participate in education at various levels. As well as removing the physical gap between institutions, programs will be tailored to individual student needs.

As well as benefiting students, the new educational endeavour will also benefit the community. More students are expected to stay in the region as a result of this initiative, and those students who graduate are expected to be able to move into meaningful positions in the community.

"Some of the new courses are being devised with employers to ensure graduates meet local demand," said Prof. Mackenzie. "This is about improving opportunities not only for our young people, but for all the people of Gippsland."

## Federation Pharmacy Donates a Digital Camera

THE Churchill & District News entered the Digital Age this week when they were presented with a Kodak Digital Camera donated by Federation Pharmacy in Churchill.

"A camera has been one of our major headaches," said Ruth Place, Manager of the newspaper, "we are a non-profit making organisation and we didn't have the necessary funds to buy a camera ourselves. We are thrilled with the camera. It will make our work a lot easier."

Many thanks to Federation Pharmacy.



Smile: Rodney Burchall from Federation Pharmacy presents the Kodak Digital Camera to the Churchill News. From Left to Right: Peter Prokopiv, Advertising; Rodney Burchall, Ruth Place, Manager and Valerie Prokopiv, Editor..



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**EDITORIAL**

NUMBER 4. Bigger and Better! 20 Pages, what an achievement for all involved, workers, contributors and advertisers. Many thanks to all.

Here at the Churchill & District News we are developing a philosophy of focussing on solutions, not problems. We are all aware that there are of problems within our society but there are solutions and this is what we aim to bring to our readership.

In this issue you will find information from Latrobe Community Health Services. The S.H.E.D (Self Help Ending Domestic) Project is highlighted this month.

We also have contributions from many organisations within the community which also focus on solutions such as Latrobe Peace Network, The Churchill & District Lions Club, The Guides, The Red Cross and Neighbourhood Watch.

We invite positive contributions about you or your groups achievements, success stories and positive attempts to make a difference.

In this issue we are introducing a 'Whats On' in Churchill and District. If you would like to have your group or event listed here see below for details on how to submit your information to the editor.

We at the Churchill and District News hope to see you supporting the Peace Rally on 14th March in Traralgon, the Churchill Community Fair at Eel Hole Creek on Saturday 5th April and the BMX Day at Glendonald Park on Sunday 6th April. Events such as these help to strengthen our community.

We hope to develop a Youth Committee to manage our Youth Yard Page. It is for, and written by the young people of Churchill and district. If you are interested in becoming involved please do not hesitate to contact us at the News.

Editor.

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**Churchill & District News**

**PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 'Views of Churchill & District'**

The Churchill & District News invites you to take part in our Photographic Competition

All proceeds will go towards the costs of publishing the Churchill & District News which is run by volunteers and is a non-profit making organisation.

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- 3. Under 21
- 4. 21 and over

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12. Entries will be returned only if they are accompanied by a SAE.
13. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
14. Signing of the entry form for this competition constitutes acceptance of these conditions of entry.



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I have read and understood the conditions of entry and agree to abide by them. I certify that this is an original photograph, taken by myself.

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# Fire Front



Above: The Traralgon Fire, February 2003  
Below: Firefighters at Omeo, from left to right: Clayton Richards, Steve Shankland, Scott Randall and Brad Jones



By RUTH PLACE  
NEARLY all firefighting members of Churchill Brigade contributed to the recent campaign, doing tours of duty at Dinner Plains (which looks very different without the snow observed one member), Tubbut, Swifts Creek, Dargo and Hotham.

They faced hot, smoky, windy and dark conditions. Some were employed fighting the fires, others putting out spot fires, resulting from embers from the fire front 2kms away, and doing asset protection, ie. protecting homes, sheds and equipment from being burnt.

Others were doing controlled back burning in the hope of stopping the fire. At all stages the conditions were unpleasant and with the weather the way it was, unpredictable.

Two members were in charge of a Staging Area. This is a safety feature of fire fighting procedure.

The Staging Area crew has the responsibility of knowing the whereabouts of everyone deployed in their area.

There is a lot of paper work. At one stage the Staging Area was surrounded by the fires, so they decided to put the paper work safely in the bottom lockers of the truck for its protection.

One of the plusses of this exercise was the meeting of lots of other fire fighters from all over Victoria, also Tasmania, South Australia, Queensland and New South Wales Fire Services.

There were Parks fire fighters and the fit 19 Kiwis, who were distinctive in orange turn out gear.

It was an enormous operation involving many more organizations than the CFA.

Praise was given to the Red Cross volunteers who fed the firefighters well.

Also present were the SES, Police, Department of Sustainability and Environment and the Salvation Army.

All the volunteers and firefighters have done a mighty job.

Thumbs up needs to be given to all the employers who have willingly released their fire fighting employees to be deployed for 3-4 day stints.

Remember these members are volunteers and do not get paid for this work.

Since January 1st 2003 and up to the time of writing this article, the Churchill Brigade had received 56 calls out, on occasions, up to 4 a day.

The people, who live near the Jeeralang fires, expressed their real appreciation.

**Daylight Saving**

Daylight saving ends soon. Remember to change the battery in your smoke detector.

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## Ministerial Taskforce

THE State Government has formed a Ministerial Bushfire Recovery Taskforce to help the fire-affected areas of Victoria. The seven-member Taskforce headed by Treasurer John Brumby has visited and talked with several affected communities. Up to \$200,000 has already been provided to East Gippsland, Indigo, Towong and Alpine Shires.

The Taskforce has also set up the 2002 Bushfire Recovery Appeal Fund. Anyone wishing to donate can ring 1800 890 390.

# Rally For Peace

A PUBLIC meeting was held and a committee was founded to organise peaceful Anti War Rallies around the Latrobe Valley.

Latrobe Valley Peace Network will be a voice for the Latrobe Valley community to let the government know country people share the same concerns as city residents about the potential of a large-scale war.

Overwhelming response from local government representatives from The Australian Greens, the Student Union, and the C.M.F.E.U. members agreed that local action would provide easy access for country people to stand up and be counted at local rallies, instead of travelling to the city to do so.

Local concerned residents met at The Migrant Resource Centre on Wednesday 26th February. A large number of people gathered to share their concerns about imminent war breaking out.

The Latrobe Valley Peace Network will become affiliated with The Victorian Peace Network so we can all be united in our stand for World Peace.

All Latrobe Valley residents are invited to attend a Peaceful Rally in Traralgon

on the 14 March 2003, starting at 5.30 p.m.

The march is planned to depart from the War Memorial on Kay Street. The walk to support Peace will move down Franklin Street to the highway and finish at Victory Park.

Guest speakers and more information will be available at the event.

In the event of war being declared a contingency plan has been prepared. On the day of declaration there will be a meeting at the Kay Street War Memorial, at 5.00pm.

The Latrobe Valley Peace Network's concerns are that the war will be a humanitarian disaster with expected casualties in excess of 500,000 lives not including the long-term ramifications of millions of new refugees.

The Latrobe Valley Peace Network urges people to become involved in saving the planet from unnecessary destruction at the hands of people in power. These world leaders do not represent the vast majority of people not wanting military action.

The Latrobe Valley Peace Network is looking for support in the form of resources and/or donations from equally concerned organisations.

For more information please contact Peter Thain on 0409-689-043, or Gilio Barbara (secretary) on 5122-2023.



## Red Cross Calling

MARCH 2003 is the time for the annual Red Cross Calling Appeal  
Last year Churchill and district contributed \$2,068.90.

The Red Cross in Victoria relies on public generosity to provide services.

All monies are spent within Victoria on programs like: emergency assistance after fire or floods, volunteer transport to Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute, friendly telephone calls by volunteers to people who live alone and are at risk of illness or accident.

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## Co-operating Churches of Churchill Snippets

By RUTH PLACE

THE Ladies Fellowship started their year with a finger food tea, followed by a thought-provoking service led by George Telford. A Planning Meeting completed the evening's activities.

Sunday School has recommenced. An able team of four take turns to lead the Sunday School's activities. It takes place shortly after the start of the 9.30am service. All children are welcome to come

along!

The Saturday Breakfast, organized by Keith Enders, takes place at 7.30am on the 4th Saturday of the month. After indulging in porridge, cereal and toast with a huge variety of spreads, early risers are treated to a wide selection of guest speakers. In February Neil and Sue Clutterbuck gave an entertaining talk about their cycling trips in France, complete with the odd disaster story.

## Boolarra/ Yinnar Parish

By RAE BILLING

A DEARLY loved member of our Parish, Lorna Deppeler late of Yinnar South, passed away on 1st February aged 86. She had been in declining health for several years, particularly after the death of her husband Victor (Blue) in July 2000, just a month or so after their 60th wedding anniversary.

Lorna took pleasure in family and church activities and was in the CWA and Ladies Guild for many years. Her home was always open to visitors who could sample her delicious cooking, particularly ginger fluff sponges!

She especially loved the services at Holy Innocents Yinnar South (just down the road) and sharing hospitality afterwards at her home.

Her funeral was held at Christ Church, Boolarra, with many of her

favourite hymns and songs featured. Family friend, Rene Stirling decorated the church with beautiful flowers and the CWA and Guild catered afterwards at Yinnar Hall. She was laid to rest at Yallourn Cemetery, alongside Blue and their son Russell who was killed in a car accident many years ago.

Our Op Shop in Yinnar has had a fantastic opening month and we've met a lot of new customers (and friends).

Keep Saturday 29 March free for our Car Boot Sale outside the Op Shop in Yinnar.

We badly need rain, just not on that day!

The shop will be open and there will be a sausage sizzle, morning teas (Rae's date/sultana scones of course!) plants and much more. If you would like to book a stall give me a ring on 5169 1629.

## Church Times

### Co-operating Churches of Churchill

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

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

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

### Churchill Crusade Centre

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

## Easter Week

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church, Churchill

Tuesday 15 April: Mass 7.00pm. Tenebrae 7.30pm.  
Reconciliation 8 - 8.15pm  
Wednesday 16 April: Mass 9.30am.  
Holy Thursday 17 April: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm.  
Good Friday 18 April: Solemn Commemoration of the Lords Passion 3.00pm  
Holy Saturday 19 April: Reconciliation 10.30 - 11.00am. Easter Vigil 7.30pm  
Easter Sunday 20 April: Mass 9.30am at Churchill and 11.00 at Yinnar

### Co-operating Churches of Churchill

Easter Tuesday 15 April: Tenebrae 7.00pm. Other denominations welcome  
Good Friday 18 April: Service 9.30am 10.00am - Walk of Witness. Morning tea and hot cross buns on return  
All Christians welcome.  
Easter Sunday 20 April: 9.20am Choruses 9.30am Service

# Churchill Christian Fellowship

By PASTOR TONY MARSDEN  
WHAT is this? A new church here in Churchill? No. It is a church that has gone through considerable change over the last 12 months. Churchill Christian Fellowship was formerly known as Churchill Crusade Centre, and was founded back in 1982, by Pastor Stephen Gunsser and his wife Remy.

Since then Churchill has grown in its own right, into a town of over 6,000 people. It has strong football, netball, hockey and soccer clubs as well as Scout and Guide groups, Lions and Apex clubs.

When the church first commenced it was part of a growing group of autonomous churches here in the state of Victoria called the

Christian Revival Crusade. It is now known as CRC Churches International and has well over 120 churches through Australia and several hundred in New Guinea and Asia.

Churchill Christian Fellowship has a strong community emphasis, and like the other churches here in Churchill works well across denominational boundaries.

Our fellowship has a large group of international students that come and enjoy our services and we consider it a privilege to provide a spiritual home away from home.

This is our Churches' 21st year here in Churchill and we look forward to share that celebration with our great town.

Over the next few months we are having some great guest speakers like Rabbi Harold Vallins giving his testimony on his conversion to Christ on 8th June and Pastor Steve Franklin on 18th May 2003.

Our church provides praise and worship, sound biblical principals, spiritual counselling, relevant Christian preaching for today's society, and the development honouring of young Christian men and women.

God heals today physically, emotionally and spiritually. If you are interested come along and meet some great people.

For more information about our church and what it is about contact Pastor Tony and Hermanna Marsden on 5122 2777

## The Shelduck at Mathieson Park

By RUTH PLACE

THE drought continues to take its toll, and if you have been walking along Eel Hole Creek path, past Hare House, you will have noticed the water slowly diminishing in the dam on the Western side of the path. It is interesting to note what has been revealed by the receding water level - old tyres, spouting, and other bits of rubbish. The water birds must be hoping for sufficient rain to fall again soon (which it now has!).

Last month I shared with you some information on one of the most prevalent birds on and near Lake Hyland - the Purple swamphen. I would like to acknowledge that well-known author and photographer Ken Harris supplied the photograph.

This month I will tell you about a rarer variety of bird visitor - the Shelduck or Mountain duck. Thank you again to Ken for providing the photo of the Shelduck I have included.

The two Shelducks that usually stay closer to the eastern side of Lake Hyland, are a handsome pair. They graze on green plant matter both in the shallow water and on the land. Also included in their diet are insects and molluscs.

One of the delightful characteristics of these ducks is that they pair for life and usually return to the same nest each year. Their favourite nest site is in the hollow of a tall tree. They are not

often seen in trees, except for the nesting and incubation period.

The female is the incubator, while the male finds and defends a territory where the family can go and the young grow to maturity. From 5-14 lustrous cream eggs are laid, and take between 30-35 days to hatch. It is truly a wonderful sight if you are lucky enough to see Mum and Dad leading their brood, to the area Dad has selected.

Their beautiful colouring makes them distinct from other species of duck. Do keep an eye out for them as you walk along Eel Hole Creek path. It is a privilege to have them visit, as there are very few pairs in this area.



Shelduck

Photograph by Ken Harris

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# Folk Festival Unique to Gippsland

THE Boolarra Folk Festival is to be held on Saturday March 22, 2003 at the Centenary Rail Trail Park in Boolarra Victoria. This inaugural festival is unique to Gippsland, as it is the first folk festival that is an all day outdoor event staged in one of the most beautiful parks in Gippsland. What's more, it is absolutely free!

Mr Stewart, the Boolarra Folk Festival convenor, said his team of 20 volunteers has been planning for this event for the last 12 months. "It has been a fantastic effort by our Boolarra Folk Festival committee members, and to see the fruits of their labour come to fruition in the next few weeks will certainly be very exciting".

Mr Stewart's daughter Chelsea has been very active in booking the performers for the festival that will host 19 acts from across Gippsland and Melbourne. Chelsea has booked acts such as The Working Class Ringos, Boola Boola, The Davidsons, Look Out, Detour, Wendy Reed, Phil Beggs, Honeycane, Soarpoint, The Molly Maguires and many other local and Melbourne bands.

The Working Class Ringos are one of the headlining groups and they will be certainly an act to watch out for. Ms Stewart also recommends keeping an eye out for one of the local groups, "The Davidsons". She says they have "endless energy but more importantly they really can play. If you have seen "The Davidsons" on stage, one thing you'd have noticed is the magic that happens - the audience stops, you can't take your eyes off them" said Ms Stewart.



The Davidsons

The Boolarra Folk Festival will also be holding a Folk Dance in the evening, featuring the fabulous Boola Boola Band. The Boolas, through their music, reflect with both seriousness and humour Australia's social and political landscape and all members of the band are very experienced musicians. Ms Stewart noted that the Boolas are all pivotal members of the National FolkFestival hit "The Great Southern Band".

The Boolarra Folk Festival will also be hosting an art, craft and food market. Local artists will display their unique talents and dozens of stallholders will provide an alluring variety of crafts and produce that will delight all that attend the festival.

So for a great day out with seven hours of the best folk music, fantastic arts and crafts, plenty of food and beverages, set in the best surroundings, March 22 at Boolarra is the destination for all.

## S.H.E.D

THE Men's S.H.E.D. (Self Help Ending Domestic) Project Holds that: Men are responsible for most domestic violence and that: Men can change their violent behaviour at home.

S.H.E.D is a project for men to support and challenge each other to become more aware and responsible about men's violence in the community.

It is an opportunity for individual men to learn to change their own aggressive attitudes and violent behaviour.

The S.H.E.D Project consists of:

- \*A men's support group
- \*A men's responsibility program.
- \*The Young Men's S.H.E.D. Project.

The Support Group meets each Thursday from 5.30 to 7.30pm at the Latrobe Community Health Service, 42 / 44 Fowler Street, Moe. The Cost is a gold coin donation.

The aim of the Men's Responsibility Program is to bring about attitudinal and behavioural change in the participants through a structured educational program. The focus is on men taking responsibility for their own behaviour.

Responsibility means:

\*Admitting the seriousness of my abusive and violent behaviour.

\*Acknowledging the extent of my abuse and vio-

lence

\*Recognising how my abuse affects my family

\*Acknowledging that it is up to me to change my attitudes and behaviour

\*Recognising that I do have the ability to change.

For more information contact Mr Chris Laming at Latrobe Community Health Service, 42 - 44 Fowler Street, Moe, Telephone 5127 5555.

The Young Men's S.H.E.D. Project is a new group for young men to learn about changing their violent behaviour, breaking the cycle of family violence.

The group teaches new skills to help rekindle personal honesty and acceptance of personal responsibility.

The story is about a young man who travels a journey into a mystical land that challenges his attitudes and behaviour.

For more information contact: Latrobe Community Health Service, 11 Phillip Parade, Churchill, Telephone 5122 0414.

### OTHER HELP SERVICES

Men's Referral Service: Telephone 1800 065 973. This offers a confidential and anonymous service Monday to Friday, 6.00pm to 9.99pm.

Lifeline Gippsland, Telephone 13 1114, offers help and counselling 24 hours a day - confidential and anonymous.

## Calling Council

CALL 1300 367 700 if you have trouble contacting Council.

Citizens who normally contact a Council officer on their direct phone line are asked to not that the most direct line telephone numbers have changed and are urged to use Councils main telephone number, 1300 367 700. The changes are needed with the introduction of a new telephone system.

Latrobe City's Chief Executive Officer, Richard Hancock, said that Council is currently replacing its old phone system with one that will provide citizens with better access to Council services.

"The new phones will make it easier to leave messages for Council staff and will reduce the time that callers spend on hold," Mr Hancock explained.

"Time will also be saved with the introduction of voice mail to all phones used by Council employees. Previously, voice mail was available only on some of the telephones in the Council offices and therefore Call

Centre operators spent a lot of time taking messages.

However, as the new phones are all equipped with voice mail, callers can leave their own messages for Council staff. In many cases this will reduce the time that citizens contacting Latrobe City Council spend on hold," Mr Hancock said.

Citizen Services Manager, Peggy Stevenson, said that although the new phone system will benefit the Call Centre it will also have many advantages for council staff and those calling them.

"Council had outgrown the old system and the Call Centre couldn't operate as efficiently as it should," Mrs Stevenson said.

"The new phone have helped to solve this problem and they are extremely cost effective as well. Once everyone receives their phones all departments will be able to be contacted on an internal system, cutting the costs of the external calls currently made within the Council.

## International

### Brain Awareness Week 10 March - 16 March 2003

INTERNATIONAL Brain Awareness Week is 10 March - 16 March 2003.

Late in 2000 the Department of Human Services (DHS) developed a strategic plan to improve access to health and welfare services for people with acquired brain injury (ABI).

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Advocacy on behalf of clients, fami-

lies and ABI services for access to and treatment in D&A agencies.

To create links between ABI/A&D services (including indigenous services).

To encourage A&D workers to attend scheduled ABI training and professional development activities.

The Gippsland region's ABI Resource Worker and Other Drug Clinician, Gippsland is Farron Vanderputt who can be contacted at Latrobe Community Health Service, 251 Princes Drive Morwell, phone: 5136 5208.

Latrobe Community Health Service, Co-Care Gippsland Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Team is Julie Phillips and Debbie Knight, corner Seymour Street and Princes Highway, Traralgon, phone 5176 1972 or Freecall 1800 242 696.

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## Schools

# Churchill Primary Bops to the Beat



By ROB HIGGINS

TWO hundred and nineteen students and the staff of Churchill Primary School joined "The Big Samba" performed by Steve Schulz in our General Purpose Room on Wednesday 19 February.

A one-hour percussion extravaganza with a lot of movement and noise enthralled all the students.

About fifty students participated in a one-hour workshop following the performance.

These students will have another workshop in March before performing at the Boolarra Folk Festival on Saturday 22 March at the Centenary Rail Trail Park in Boolarra. Make sure you keep this date free.

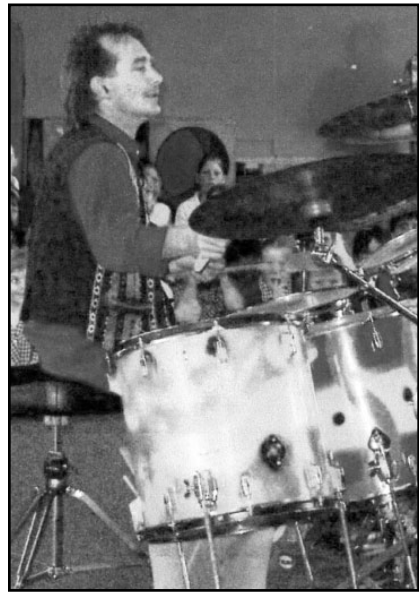
### VALUES FOR LIFE

This year Churchill Primary School has implemented a new program called "Values for Life."

This program has been designed to teach students' basic beliefs that affect our thoughts and behaviour.

This is a social education program concerned about helping students to learn how to understand themselves and to understand and participate in society.

This term we aim to discuss and teach about



Steve Shultz

five values: caring, friendliness, organisation, responsibility and cleanliness.

We hope these values will be shared through our whole community.

# Staff Milestones

FOUR staff members of Kurnai - Churchill recently celebrated a number of service milestones.

Mrs Gwenda Husson has been at Maryvale High School and Kurnai College for 30 years. During that time she has worked as a Domestic Arts Maid and in numerous other roles at Maryvale Campus.

She has particularly enjoyed working with and observing VCAL students developing a wide range of skills during their courses. Mrs Husson joined us at Churchill Campus at the beginning of this year.

Mrs Sue Webb, Mr Bill Hall and Mrs Cheryl Davern all celebrated 15 years of service with varying periods at Churchill Campus. Mrs Davern has recently retired and is looking forward to pur-

suing other interests. Her enthusiasm, care and concern for students and above all, her legendary scones, will be greatly missed by staff and students.

Mr Hall has been the registrar at each of the Kurnai Campuses. He has been at Churchill Campus for the last six years. Since Mr Hall has been here he has worked hard at maintaining and improving facilities at this campus, such as the new bus shelter and the covered walkway between the library and the admin block.

Mrs Webb has been ably organizing the science area (especially the teachers) since 1988. The science wing was the last teaching block built at Churchill Campus and Mrs Webb has been the first and only lab technician at the school.



Above: Gwenda Husson.

Below Left to Right: Cheryl Davern, Bill Hall, Sue Webb



# Churchill North Welcomes Interns

### Internship

By TRISH OWEN

Monash Student Co-Ordinator.

OUR school has been very fortunate to have been selected as a Professional Developmental School by Monash University.

This entitles our school to have two fourth year Monash students carrying out their Internship during terms 1 and 3. Nichola Bradley and Nichole Gill will be training and teaching in several classrooms within our school.

Nicola will be working closely

with Mrs Dunn and also organising a Perceptual Motor Program (P.M.P.) for the two infant classes. Nichole will be based in Mrs Burdekin's class and will also be involved in Integrated Studies with senior grades.

Already we are grateful for their assistance in the hectic setting up at the beginning of the year.

Staff are looking forward to working together with our two interns to assist them in completing a successful final year of teacher training.

### From the Principal.

#### Mulching

We were fortunate enough to have our big pile of branches/cutting mulched.

I thank Latrobe Valley Tree Services for their efforts and free mulching.

#### Police in Schools

Our 'Police in Schools' program started in February for students in grades 4/5S and 5/6B. Constable Leigh Matthews spoke to students about the police force and answered questions from students.

# Hazelwood Primary Notes

From the Parents Club

WE will be having our Annual General Meeting in March. Some of the services Parent Club provides are Mother's/Father's Day stall, lunch orders on Fridays and uniform orders. In 2002 Parents' Club raised

over \$4000 for the school to purchase books, maths equipment and overhead projectors. A Wonderful effort!

#### Bottle Caps

Please keep collecting. The proceeds of the last cheque have been

used to purchase a new freezer for the canteen and bark for the playground. You can send them along to the school anytime. We now have a box in the foyer for all those enthusiastic students who enjoy putting the tops into the box themselves.

# James Goes to Hong Kong

By JAMES CURWOOD

MY name is James Curwood. On the 14th January my family went to Hong Kong. I took with me 1000 chocolate frogs. I took them to Po Leung Kuk where I lived for 3 1/2 years. The people at Po Leung Kuk were happy to get the frogs. There are 460 kids there so they got 2 frogs each.

While we were in Hong Kong we went to a Hot Pot restaurant where you had to cook your own food. We went with Jandia Ngai and her daughter Karen.

Karen used to be in grade 1 at Churchill Primary School.

The first night we were there we went to an American Restaurant and ate Peking duck. We went with Margaret and John who were my sponsors at Po Leung Kuk and Grace who works at Po Leung Kuk.

While at Hong Kong we stayed at the Holiday Inn, Golden Mile Kowloon. On of the train station's name was Jordan. We went to Ocean Park. They had a mascot called James Fin H20. It was a shark.

The park was on a mountain. You had to go on a cable car up one side and on an escalator down the other side.

We went to a night market the second night we were there.

While we were there we went on a boat called a Junk.

While we were in Hong Kong we bought an Octopus card. You can use this card to buy train, ferry and bus tickets and to pay for lots of other things in shops.

On the last day there we went to the Stanley Market. We went on a double-decker bus with a TV in it.

We came home on the plane at midnight which was 3am in Australia. It was very exciting, I would like to thank everyone for giving me chocolate frogs to take over.

Debbie Wong from Po Leung Kuk said to say Thank-you very much to everyone at Churchill Primary School. P.S. I had a good time.

### James and 1,000 Chocolate Frogs



# Asian and Indonesian at Lumen Christi



THE students and staff have settled in well to the new school year and we particularly welcome our new prep children.

They are now at school all day and are very enthusiastic in everything that they are doing during their very busy day.

We celebrated the beginning of the year school Mass with our new Parish priest Father Malcolm Hewitt and it was great to see all the new preps arriving with Grade 6 students.

At Lumen Christi we pride ourselves on our Studies of Asia and Indonesian program.

All grades have been studying Asian festivals, particularly the Chinese New Year.

Under the guidance of teacher Mrs Michelle Foster, each child has helped to construct a huge Chinese dragon which

will be a special feature of our school for many years to come. A big thanks to the artistic talent of Lisa Hrvovic who made our dragon's head.

We also had a group of Asian dancer visit the school. They performed dances from many different Asian countries and it was enjoyed by everyone.

The Grade 3's and 4's have been studying multi-cultural Australia and will be having a special multi-cultural lunch.

This will be followed by some guest speakers who will talk to the children about what it was like arriving and settling into a new country.

After a very busy beginning to the year we look forward to many new and exciting activities at Lumen Christie throughout the year ahead.

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# Monash University Orientation Week

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On Friday International Womens Day was celebrated with all girl band More Crap for the Masses.

Pictures from around the campus were taken by Abby Dinham.



The Churchill & District News welcomes all new and returning students to Churchill and hope their time spent here will be a happy and rewarding one.



## Churchill Neighbourhood Watch Area LTBB22

By PETER MCSHANE  
Area Manager

### Neighbourhood Watch Concert

ARE you ready for the Neighbourhood Watch Concert this year?

It commences at 7.30pm on June 18, so pencil it in your diary and talk to your friends to organise a group to share transport arrangements and enjoyment of the night.

You can pre-order your tickets by contacting Sheryn Gray on 5122 2341 or Peter McShane on 5122 1754.

At a cost of \$6.00 per head to have top class musicians entertain you, it has got to be the best value going around!

### Mark it in March

"Mark it in March" month is on again. If you: Brought a bike for one of your children then take it along to Churchill Police Station to have it marked with your license number or a special identification number.

Brought a VCR, DVD, TV or P.C. then contact Sheryn Gray on 5122 2341 to borrow an ultra-violet pen

to mark them. A refundable deposit of \$5.00 is required for the period of the loan.

Have any questions on appropriate marking of goods, please contact the Churchill Police or one of the people mentioned above.

If we do not know the answer, we will endeavour to find out for you and get back to you.

### Hoons in Motor Vehicles

Reports are still being received of hoons in motor vehicles behaving irresponsibly and dangerously in our town.

If you see such an incident try to get the registration number, make and model of the car and time and location of the incident and notify local police of the matter.

### Next Meeting

Come and join us at 7.30pm on Thursday 18 March at the Neighbourhood House Room at the Churchill Leisure Centre.

For more information contact Peter McShane on 5122 1745 or e-mail [petergmcshane@yahoo.com.au](mailto:petergmcshane@yahoo.com.au).

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# T.O.F.S.S.

The Over Forty Social Singles.  
By LEE MCCOMBE  
Public Officer

T.O.F.S.S. (Inc), The Over Forty Social Singles is a non-profit, self funded group. It was formed nearly eight years ago in order that those over 40 years of age, and single would be able to socialise with people in similar circumstances. It's not easy finding oneself in the position, at this age, of having to find places to go - (the



Pubs and Clubs are not our scene!), to just relax with good friends and enjoy a social evening or a day out. Simple things like going to the movies, or dinner, or a picnic for one is really not excit-

ing. With T.O.F.S.S., the emphasis is on friendship and companionship, and with a variety of places to go and things to do.

T.O.F.S.S. is definitely not an introduction agency, nor a dating service. It is a means for those who are alone and finding it difficult to return to socialising and meeting new people. However, in saying that, we have had several people who have taken their friendship to the next level, and are now happily a couple, and indeed, we even had a wedding, with two more planned for the future.

Over the next month some of the events we have planned are our regular Friday Night Dinners, Monthly Group Meeting and a Picnic and Train Ride at Walhalla.

All our events bear in mind associated costs, and we try to keep these as low as possible as many of our Members are on a limited income.

All enquires can be direct to: Lee on 5127 4205, Cheryl on 5174 9045, Janet on 5133 9854, Di on 5134 5960, by mail to PO Box 904, Moe or by e-mail to [mccombel@sympac.com.au](mailto:mccombel@sympac.com.au)

# Lake or Surf



By PETER PROKOPIV  
MARCH 28th, 29th and 30th is round three of the Associated Angling Club Inc competition.

This month the competition will be held at Lake Tyers.

There will be a choice of fishing the Lake or the surf, or even enjoying both on different days, with points allocated on the catch for the whole weekend.

Our meeting place is the Lake Tyers Caravan Park. For bookings telephone 5156 5582.

The competition will start from 6.00pm on Friday

and will finish at 12noon on Sunday.

Our February competition was held at Port Welshpool.

The weather conditions were perfect for the jetty fishing. Rod Slocom won the coveted points for the biggest bag.

Fishing was followed by a family barbecue. Anyone interested in joining contact Rod on 5122 2189, or myself on 5122 2589.

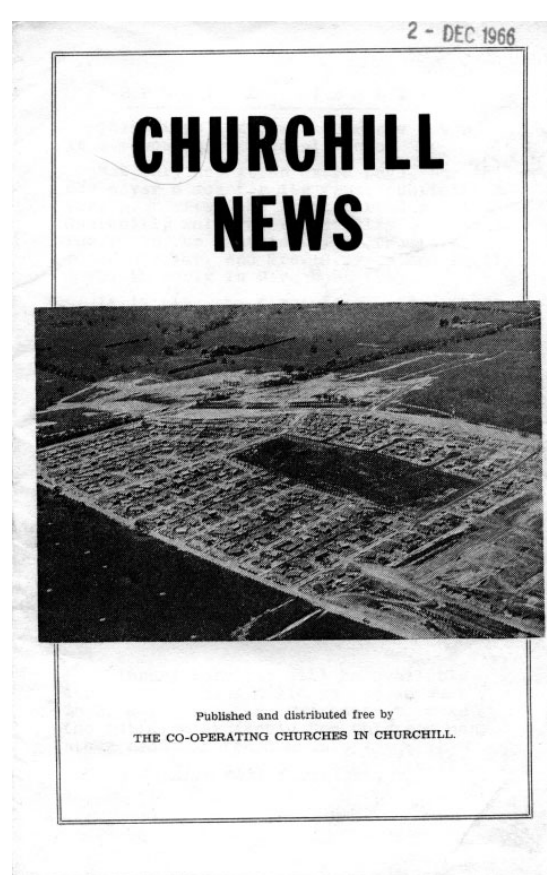
Families are most welcome.

# Early Editions

WE are often asked at the Churchill & District News about the paper's history and if there is a collection that goes back to its beginnings in May 1966.

Both in the State Library and at the Co-operating Church there are the majority of the papers that have been published.

Unfortunately neither the Church nor the State Library have some of the very first editions. If anyone has, and would like to give them to either the Church or the State Library for safe keeping we would like to hear from you.



# Special Issue

PICTURED right and left are the front and back covers of the 'Churchill News' of 2nd December 1996.

Page 2 reads:  
SPECIAL ISSUE

This fist issue with our new cover, is somewhat of a special issue.

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Page 6 reads:  
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Result of this and further enquiries revealed that a small mobile unit is being handed over on December 7th at Hazelwood South Hall, for use in

Birthday of Churchill, which we regretfully omitted to record in our last issue. The first residents, Mr and Mrs G. Ayers and family moved in early November 1965.

It is also the fist issue after the Government announcement on the name of 'CHURCHILL'. the 'Churchill' News will now be able to carry on.

Churchill. It will - it is hoped be stationed nearby the Housing Commission & Shire Offices by the new bridge on Jeeralang West Road.

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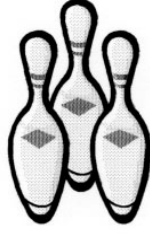
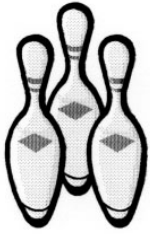
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# ----- Youth Yard -----

## C. D. REVIEW! EMINEM THE EMINEM SHOW

HE'S still got that edgy fun boy image, but this album's lyrics certainly show a step up in maturity.

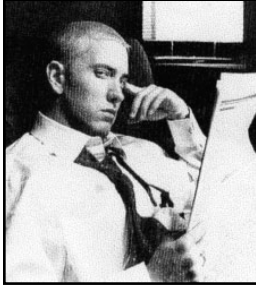
With more and more catchy rhymes and twisted humour, Eminem's albums are definitely getting better and better.

Rumours of a more serious album were crushed, as lyrics came from the songs, only to put you in a time freeze, and makes it all seem so real. A moment in which there is not handle to take hold of, but indeed leaves you thinking.

Eminem's great musical skills show greater as the days go on.

The verdict: \* \* \* \* 1/2

In one word: Grabbing.



## Hair Care and Design

CHURCHILL'S Youth Action Centre held a Hair Care and Design Workshop on 12th March as part of its commitment to providing local youths with interesting and relevant entertainment and events.

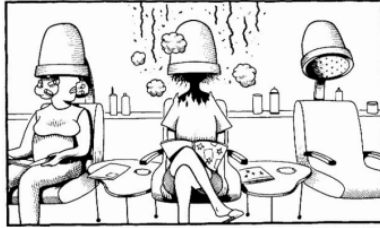
A qualified hairdresser from Zanti Hair Care conducted the workshop in which basic hair care, styling advice and a variety of hair designs were taught.

Acting Youth Action Centre Coordinator, Louise Kennedy-Young,

said that many young people are interested in hair care but rarely have the opportunity to attend seminars concerning the topic.

"Many adolescents are interested in hair care and hairdressing. However there aren't many workshops in the local area that focus on these topics, especially for people still at school," Mrs Kennedy-Young said.

The Youth Action Centre is open every Wednesday from 4pm until 8pm for people between twelve and eighteen years of age. The centre is staffed by Latrobe City Youth Action Centre Workers who aim to encourage young people to broaden their horizons and take part in a range of activities.



Opportunities are provided for people to take part in skateboarding, bike riding, craft, painting, cooking, games and pool as well

as a range of workshops and events that are arranged throughout the year.

"We're sure that there is an activity that everyone will enjoy at Churchill's Youth Action Centre and we look forward to seeing lots of people on Wednesday nights," Mrs Kennedy-Young concluded.

## YAC REPORTS

By OWEN GUTHRIE

THE Youth Action Centre is going along quite well and there are more people turning up.

We have continued to make jewellery and special pencils with feathers and stuff on them, which we will be selling at the Churchill Community Fair at Eel Hole Creek on Saturday 5th April.

For those who don't want to work with beads and feathers and stuff, there are C.D.s to listen to, chess to play and also games of pool and a T.V. to watch.

We are still cooking dinner each Wednesday, and starting on 5th of March we will have a roster so that everyone gets a fair go at cooking; so that it's not always the same people cooking and the same people washing up.

The Youth Action Centre is on at 4pm every Wednesday at Gaskin Park.

For more information ring Kerryn Super on 1800 196 884

# NEW BMX TRACK OPEN

THE BMX track located in Glendonald Park, Churchill, started out with three tracks, some small jumps and some booms. It was unappealing, surrounded by empty paddocks and lumps of dirt. The trees needed pruning and watering and the facility was barely used.

Volunteers John Zomer and Luke Bentham, with the help and support of the Neighbourhood Renewal Project and Latrobe City Council, have, however, recently transformed this under used facility into a popular meeting place for BMX enthusiasts.

The track has been freshly laid and includes plenty of different sized jumps, tabletops and booms. But this

is just the beginning. Garden beds will be planted in and around the track in order to provide shade and help to keep moisture on the track.

The track is in an ideal situation, being close to the shopping centre, near a barbecue and (soon to be built) toilets.

"It would be good if we could get a clubroom here. This will mean clubs can hold competitions and race meetings in the future. The clubroom would also provide seating for spectators as well as facilities for refreshments to be served etc.

"We are very keen to involve young people from all over Churchill, not only to use the facilities but also to

help with the ongoing maintenance", said John Zomer. "We also need funding and equipment, for example, we need a roller, rakes, shovels and a wheelbarrow".

If anyone is interested in helping with the maintenance or can donate any equipment they can ring John Zomer on: 0422886022



Trying out the new track: Above: Steven Klein, Left: James Klein, Anthony Lopez, Steven Klein and Owen Guthrie.



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# Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



## Our First Post Mistress

By CATHY COCHRANE

CHURCHILL'S first Post Mistress was Mrs Jean Brick. She came to Churchill in November 1966, twelve months after the first residents arrived.

With a population of less than 100, the town was very different to what it is today. There was no public hall, no shops and the only school was at Hazelwood South,

Residents travelled to Morwell and shopped at Coles, Woolworths and Purvis'.

Transport was very scarce, probably one bus in and another out, according to Mrs Brick.

There were no footpaths; "It was all mud and slush," Mrs Brick said.

But one thing that the new town did have was a postal service. Mrs Brick began work as the Post Mistress in 1967 and continued for the next ten years.

The first post office was in the house where Mrs Brick still lives today.

She had the second phone in the town, after only the Church Minister, Reverend Peter Arch.

Once the shopping centre had been finished at the end of 1967, the post office was shifted, Mrs Brick said.

She ran the post office alone and there was one postie to deliver the mail to the post boxes in the street.

The post office was responsible for the mail, telegrams, banking (Commonwealth Bank) and cleaning the telephone boxes ("never a very pleasant job" Mrs Brick said).

In the first few years the post office was also responsible for child endowment payments. "It wasn't for very long, then they got posting it out," she said.

Mrs Brick recalls that the pay rate for each telegram delivered was 13 cents.

The post office received mail deliveries each day and Mrs Brick's job was to sort and deliver it. She also had to get the outgoing mail ready for the mail van to pick up.

In the early days she says they had a couple of "pretty heavy" bags each day.

The post office opened each weekday from 9:00am to 5:00pm and on Saturdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

However the closing times did not always stick. Mrs Brick recalls people knocking at the door at five o'clock as she was closing up. Or on Saturdays everybody would arrive at one time- 11:30am and Mrs Brick would have to stay beyond mid-day.

The office stayed open during lunch times, despite the fact it was supposed to close, because that was when a large number of people came.

Mrs Brick clearly remembers her first Christmas in the Post Office.

"I will never forget. I had never worked in a post office before. There was so much mail, we got everybody to help," she recalls.

"Bikes and punctures nearly drove us crazy. Us women trying to mend the punctures! There was no one else to do it. The husbands would come home from work and we'd say 'mend the punctures.' Nowadays they just



Mrs Jean Brick

swap the wheels," she said.

"I made lots of friends and anywhere I go people always say 'hello, how are you?' I had lots of posties over the years and some of them are good friends now," she added.

Mrs Brick also recalls the Churchill Shopping Centre where the post office was had a good variety of shops- a supermarket, electrical store, milkbar, State Savings Bank, shoe shop, hairdresser, fruit and vegetables, chemist, hardware shop, butchers and a newsagent.

At one stage there was a milkbar with a café, although it did not last very long, Mrs Brick said.

There was no doctor in the town so a committee was set up to establish a medical centre and, although it took a while, one was started at 2 Roy Court. It had two doctors.

"We were all in together struggling," Mrs Brick recalls of the times without these facilities.

"All the men had to have a car to go to work so all the wives were left behind."

It took a while for the population to reach 1,000. In the early years each house averaged 5 people, indicating the number of young families in the town, Mrs Brick said.

"It was a young town. I was one of the oldest residents," she reflected.

The population grew to about 4,000 and remained at that level for a long time. Then the private houses began to build up. Now the housing is extending into the hills around Churchill.

Mrs Brick recalls the Churchill News being a single sheet of paper delivered each fortnight. As the town grew, so did the paper, she said.

Mrs Brick also recalls the first Christmas Carols were held where the Churchill Primary School basketball courts are now. Everyone who was in town at that stage was there, she said.

"On the whole it's a pretty good place to live. I don't want to move anywhere else," Mrs Brick said.

## Churchill Primary School's First Cleaner

ISABEL LEESON

By RUTH PLACE

ISABEL, Maurice and their four children moved into Churchill about 37 years ago. At the time her daughter Kathy was 8 and was Elaine 5. Son Wayne was 7 and Jim was 3.

The State Electricity Commission (SEC) was offering to give their employees \$100.00 to match the family's \$100.00 for a deposit on a house in Churchill. Isabel and Maurice chose a house in Heesom Crescent.

It had three bedrooms and was ideally suited to their family.

When they arrived in Churchill the Rev. Peter Arch was there to welcome the family, even though they were in the middle of unloading the furniture truck. Isabel was also trying to feed hungry children and pick up the children's school reports from in Morwell.

Isabel recalls the early days of Churchill as being a lovely time.

When all the children were little, she says, everyone was friendly, and nobody kept to themselves.

As Maurice needed the car for work Isabel had to rely on the bus went to Morwell twice a week to shop for the family. The bus left at 9:30am and returned at 11:15am.

Shopping for the family of six was done in a hurry to get back to the bus stop in time. It was eighteen months to two years before the shopping centre in Churchill was opened.

Before Churchill Primary School was completed, and before Daylight Saving Time was introduced, the community had a bonfire on the school oval.

At that time crackers were still allowed. A great time of fun and fellowship was had by all.

Kathy and Wayne went to Hazelwood South School, before Churchill Primary School opened. Peter Elsom was a new teacher at the school.

Churchill Primary School was being built and needed cleaning staff. When Peter told Isabel about the job she applied for it. Because she had four children, Isabel was given the job.

Son Jimmy started school at Churchill Primary School the day the school opened, as did his Mum!

Isabel was first there in the morning, and often the last to leave in the evening.

What Isabel remembers most clearly about the early days of the school was the mud! Originally there was no made play-

ground, just mud and clay.

Then, in 1976, the buildings subsided and needed bolstering with cement foundations, there was mud everywhere again.

Portables had to be brought in to accommodate the classes while the rooms were out of action.

Isabel recalls she had to wear gumboots to walk from one portable to the next.

Mud, however, doesn't stay outside. It came into the buildings on shoes making cleaning a nightmare.

Isabel had to use brown polish on the bare floorboards. The polish turned pants brown, when the students sat on the floor. When it was wet outside, shoes were taken off and so socks became brown also.

Relief for Isabel came when the rooms were carpeted, and she didn't have to use polish on the floorboards.

Isabel has special memories of working with Maisie Doig when she joined the cleaning staff as the school grew.

Isabel remembers the first principal, Jack Braun, who had a difficult job, but was very helpful to Isabel as cleaner.

Tom Malone holds fond memories for Isabel. It was in his time as principal that Isabel's daughter Kathy was killed in a car accident, and her husband Maurice was ill with cancer. Tom was very helpful and supportive.

Isabel recalls that in her time as cleaner, all the headmasters were happy to supply the cleaning needs required.

First at the school each morning Isabel occasionally had some unpleasant duties to perform, among which was the cleaning up of human excrement around doorways, and once, from carpet after a break in.

The fire in the Art Room caused a mess, which Isabel once again removed.

One of Isabel's grandchildren told her recently, that she used to walk up and down the breezeway outside the toilets, and threaten to tell her Granny if the children made a mess there!

Isabel has many memories of her time in Churchill. Her three surviving children have given her nine grandchildren to love.

Unfortunately, due to ill health Isabel has decided to move to a unit at Mitchell House in Morwell. She will however be taking her memories with her.

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### Coeliac Awareness Week 13 – 20 March 2003

CURRENT research has suggested that Coeliac Disease is more common than once thought and it has been estimated that 1 in 200 people is affected, many of which are undiagnosed.

Coeliac Disease is a medical condition where there is a severe reaction to gluten. Gluten is a component of wheat, rye, oat, barley and products of these such as malt and triticale. In people with Coeliac Disease, gluten attacks the small intestine causing damage to the lining of the bowel. This results in a depletion of nutrient and mineral absorption, causing a deficiency in vitamins, minerals and sometimes proteins, carbohydrates and fats.

Symptoms of the disease can vary markedly and may include: diarrhoea or constipation, bloating, weight loss, anaemia, vomiting and fatigue. In some cases the condition can be life threatening when even the smallest quantity of gluten is ingested. Diagnosis is through having a small bowel biopsy.

The treatment for this condition is through maintaining a strict gluten free diet for life. If gluten is ingested the symptoms and damage to the bowel will re-occur. Dieticians Selina Gillham and Kelly Neville are available to give advice to people who have the disease.

Selina Gillham can be contacted at Latrobe Community Health

Services, Seymour Street in Traralgon, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9.00am – 5.00pm. Phone: 51711 400.

Kelly Neville can be contacted at Latrobe Community Health Services, Princes Drive, Morwell on Mondays and Tuesdays between 9.00am and 5.00pm, phone 51342 011, and at Latrobe Community Health Services, Fowler Street, Moe on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.00am – 5.00pm. Phone 5127 9100.

During Coeliac Awareness Week information about the disease will be exhibited on the display boards at the Latrobe Community Health Centres.

# The World of Guiding

CHURCHILL and District has a range of Guide Groups to suit all ages. There is the Lynx Trefoil Guild for age 25 plus, the Gipps Guides for 18 – 25 year olds, the Churchill guide Unit for 5 – 8 year olds, the Hazelwood Junior Guides and the Small Stars Playgroup.

### Small Stars Playgoup

The Small Stars Playgroup is a service to the community from the Lynx Trefoil Guild. The playgroup is held on a Tuesday from 1.00pm to 2.30pm at the Child and Maternal Health Centre in Churinga Drive, Churchill. New 'Small Stars' are most welcome.

The Small Stars are in need of toys and would happily give your old toys a new home.

### Churchill Guide Unit

Preps plus meet on Mondays between 4.30pm and 5.30pm and Grade Two plus meet at 5.30pm to

7.00pm. Meetings are held at the Child and Maternal Health Centre in Churinga Drive, Churchill.

Activities for February included: erecting a flag pole safely, riding bikes, making butterflies, learning about fire retardant and freezing ice to go ice blocking.

Grade Six and up meet on Thursdays from 7.00pm to 8.30pm at the Child and Maternal Health Centre in Churinga Drive, Churchill.

The group is currently preparing to create a raft. The Gipps Guides have challenged the unit to a 'floating' raft race.

New members to all groups are most welcome and anyone interested can contact Susan on 5122 3567.

### Gipps Guides

Gipps Guides meet on Thursday afternoons between 4.15pm and 5.45pm. A new committee has recently been elected and fundraising activ-

ities are currently being finalised for a trip to Queensland next year.

The Ten Year Service Star Award is being presented to one of the Group's Youth Members on 13th March. Congratulations go to Fiona for this achievement. The presentation will be held at 5.00pm at the Child and Maternal Health Centre in Churinga Drive, Churchill, with full formal dress code.

### Lorraine Glazebrook Shield Day

On Saturday 24th May the Hazelwood Guide District will get together to celebrate their beginnings. They will compete for the Lorraine Glazebrook Shield. More information to follow!

### CPR Training

There is to be a free CPR training session run by Royal Lifesaving Trainers on March 20th between 5.00pm and 7.00pm. To register ring Susan on 5122 3567.

# Hazelwood Junior Guides

By ZELMA M. MILDENHALL

THE Hazelwood Junior Guides this term have been very busy.

We participated in the Australia Day Celebrations at Churchill on Sunday 26 January.

At our first two unit meetings we spent time learning about our Australian flag, its history, design, when to fly the flag, Colour Party responsibilities and fun with a quiz.

The Baw Baw Region World Guide Thinking Day was held at Burnet Park Campsite on Saturday 22 February. The weather was overcast but fine.

We joined sixty five guides, plus leaders and helpers, for a day of activities designed to help any guide working on her Junior BP Award or BP Award.

Activities covered challenges for Guiding Traditions and World Guiding sections.

The Region Water Activities at the

Warragul Indoor Pool is being held on Saturday 29 March, from 1.00pm to 4.00pm.

The date for the Lorraine Glazebrook Shield Competition is Saturday 24 May, 10.00am to 3.00pm.

Teams from the Hazelwood Guide District will participate in activities.

Congratulations to Faye Foley, Quokka, who will be presented with her 10 Year Long Service badge one afternoon in March.

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

Guides have fun and enjoy a program that helps them grow into confident, responsible community members.

We have vacancies for girls aged 6 to 14 years.

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

# Walk Against Want - A Huge Success

By ANN RUSHTON  
Publicity Officer

MANY people walked to raise money for those in third world countries on Sunday 23 February. A certificate from the State Records noted that \$120,000.00 has been raised over the last twenty years locally.

Five to eight thousand dollars is raised every year. A magnificent result from the Latrobe Valley and surrounding areas.

The Traralgon Oxfam/CAA branch organises an interesting and attractive walk each year in different locations in the Latrobe Valley. The Walk Against Want this year was

held in Morwell, starting from the Ronald Reserve Hall. Many hours were spent marking the route with white chalk arrows and a detailed map was produced for each group of walkers.

There was a 12km trek from Vary Street to Crinnigan Road, including the nature reserve.

A shorter walk encompassed Waterhole Creek and the Lake at Kernot Hall, with the option of stopping at the Historic Morwell Homestead to view "Dad's War Memorabilia" on the return journey.

The Morwell Branch of Oxfam/CAA

Ladies supplied and prepared sandwiches, home made slices, tea, coffee and cordial to replenish hungry walkers. The ladies who worked tirelessly all day are to be congratulated.

Morwell member, Elizabeth Ollquist collected donations to walk while in Tasmania and trekked through the Wine Glass Bay.

Many thanks must go to local businesses who every year support Walk Against Want. Thank you to Manny's Market who donated two large cases of fruit, and the Morwell Bakery who supplied ten loaves of bread.

Gippsland water gave at least one hun-

dred plastic drink bottles. Thank you also to those people who made items to sell.

These kind donations and supplies means that all monies raised can go straight to Walk Against Want Oxfam/Community Aid Abroad. Those living in poverty in third world countries benefit from increased sanitation, clean water, health supplies and education to name but a few.



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# SHOPPING CENTRE

# Walk and Talk



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No not a magic pill but taking a good walk most days of the week can deliver all of the health benefits mentioned above and more.

We have a number of people interest-

ed already so why not join on of the free friendly walking groups in the Churchill area.

The Latrobe Community Health Service is coordinating these groups, so to register your interest, or for more information about locations and times of groups contact Community Health Nurse Judy at Traralgon on 5171 1428.

# Contacting Council

CALL 1300 367 700 if you have trouble contacting Council.

Citizens who normally contact a Council officer on their direct phone line are asked to note that most direct line telephone numbers have changed and are urged to use Council's main telephone number, 1300 367 700.

The changes are needed with the introduction of a new telephone system.

Latrobe City's Chief Executive Officer, Richard Hancock, said that Council is currently replacing its old phone system with one that will provide citizens with better access to Council services.

"The new phones will make it easier to leave messages for Council staff and will reduce the time that callers spend on hold," Mr Hancock explained.

"Time will also be saved with the introduction of voice mail to all phones used by Council employees.

Previously, voice mail was available only on some of the telephones in the Council offices and therefore Call Centre operators spent a lot of time taking mes-

sages.

However, as the new phones are all equipped with voice mail, callers can leave their own messages for Council staff.

In many cases this will reduce the time that citizens contacting Latrobe City Council spend on hold," Mr Hancock said.

Citizen Services Manager, Peggy Stevenson, said that although the new phone system will benefit the Call Centre it will also have many advantages for council staff and those calling them.

"Council had outgrown the old system and the Call Centre couldn't operate as efficiently as it should," Mrs Stevenson said.

"The new phone have helped to solve this problem and they are extremely cost effective as well.

Once everyone receives their phones, all departments will be able to be contacted on an internal system, cutting the costs of the external calls currently made within the Council.

## CDCA Your Response to CIVIC GARDENS

By PETER MCSHANE

WE thank all of those who responded to our survey on the Churchill Civic Gardens proposal.

While not all of the responses were favourable, the greater percentage of respondents was appreciative of our efforts to establish such a feature for our town.

We will utilise these comments in our discussions with Councillors and Council officers aimed at moving the proposal forward.

We will also endeavour to progress the issues of a public toilet in Churchill and additional walking trails in the

Churchill area following the election of the new council.

Need more information about CDCA?

Like to pass on your comments and feedback on what has been achieved and what is still needed in our town?

Then write to us at PO Box 191, Churchill, 3842 or contact the Secretary, Peter McShane, on 5122 1745 or e-mail petergmcsane@yahoo.com.au.

We extend an invitation to you to attend any of our meetings, and look forward to seeing a number of you at our April meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 1 April 2003 in the Link room at Monash University.

# Churchill Senior Citizens

CHURCHILL Senior Citizens are a small group that meets in Churchill Public Hall on Wednesdays between 1.00pm and 3.30pm.

The cost is 50c and this includes tea, coffee and biscuits.

The group play cards and other games. Every second Wednesday of

the month the group have lunch at Cafe Le Mac's in Churchill Shopping Centre.

The do not organise their own trips but often join the Wattle Club on their trips.

Anyone interested in joining or for more information Contact Bonnie on 5122 1575

# Plants and Bush Fires

THE selection, arrangement, location and management of plants will help to improve your home's resistance to fire.

When planning your garden and property for fire protection, it's important to consider plants as an integral part of your overall fire protection plan. Yet no plant is completely fire-resistant. Some are more flammable than others but given the right conditions, all plants will burn.

Plant characteristics that provide protection from fire include:

- \*High salt and moisture content of leaves
- \*Low volatile oil content of leaves
- \*Thick bark protecting conductive tissues and dormant buds
- \*Seeds enclosed in woody capsules
- \*Dense crown
- \*Lowest branches out of reach of ground fire.

Introduced plants that are hard to burn.

Common Maple	Acer campestre
Norway Maple	Acer plantanoides
Horse Chestnut	Aesculus hippocastanum
Evergreen Alder	Alnus jorullensis
Cape Chestnut	Caladendron capense
American Chestnut	Castanea dentata
Sweet Chestnut	Castanea sativa
Hackberry	Celtis occidentalis
Carob	Centonia siliqua
Judas Tree	Cercis siliquastrum
Camphor Laurel	Cinnamomum camphroa
New Zealand Laurel	Corynocarpus laevigatus
Laurel	Larus nobilis
Tulip Tree	Linodendron tulipifera
Red-leaf Photinia	Photinia glavra
Chinese Hawthorn	Photina serrulata
Algerian Oak	Quercus canariensis
Turkey Oak	Quercus cerris
English Oak	Quercus robur
Rowan	Sorbus aucuparia
Linden	Tilia vulgaris

Elms Ulmus spp.

Native trees and shrubs that are hard to burn include:

West Australian Coastal Wattle	Acacia cyclops
Hairy Pod Wattle	Acacia glandulicarpa
Hairy Wattle	Acacia vestita
Lilly Pilly	Acmena smithii
Juniper Myrtle	Agonis juniperina
Apple Jack	Angophora costata
Karrajong	Brachychinton populneus
Belah	Casuarina cristata
River She-oak	Casuarina cunninghamiana
Moreton Bay Fig	Ficus macrophylla
Cattlebush	Heterodendrum oleifolium
Pyramid Tree	Lagunaria patersonii
Moonah	Melaleuca lanceolata
White Cedar	Melia azedarach
Boobilla	Myoporum insular
Brush Box	Tritania conferta

Ground cover plants that are hard to burn:

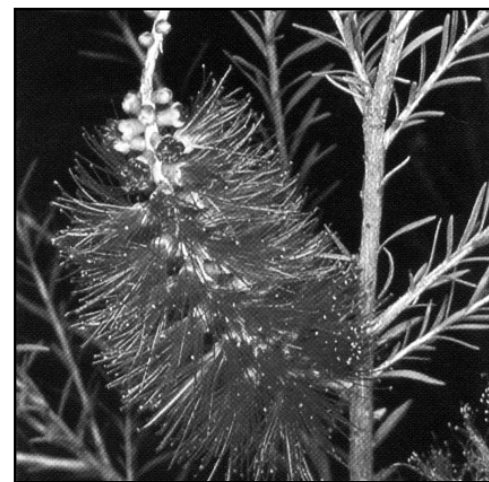
Bugle	Ajuga reptans
Saltbush	Atriplex supp.
Pigface	Carpobrotus spp.
	Coprosma "krikii"
	Delosperma "alba"
	Drosanthemum floribundum
	Helianthemum spp.
	Kennedia spp.
	Kochia spp.
	Lampranthus multiradiatus
	Myoporum parvifolium
	Portulacaria spp.
	Rhagodia spp.
	Rosemary (prostrate form) Rosmarinus officinalis prostratus
Lavender Cotton	Santolina spp.
	Verbena peruvian

During a bushfire, a well-designed garden will provide a green safety zone around your home.

The **Moonah**, pictured right, is a native shrub that flowers best in full sun.

The **Tulip Tree**, pictured below, is a flowering deciduous tree. Growing tall, to 60ft, it is ideal for a large garden. The flowers are sweetly scented and shaped like an open tulip.

The **Ajuga** is a ground cover with purple-bronze leaves and lilac-blue flowers in spring



Information on plants that are hard to burn was reproduced with permission from "Living in the Bush", published by the CFA, Victoria.

# Churchill Community Fair



**Saturday 5 April**  
**10.00am - 2.00pm**

**Eel Hole Creek Park, Churchill**

## Free Childrens Activities

**Face Painting**

**Gum Boot Throwing**

**Dummy Spitting**

**Free Tea, Coffee and Cordial**

**Food Available**

**Youth Action Centre:**  
**Craft Work and Jewellery For Sale**



**Would you or your organisation like a stall?**  
**Contact Margaret Sunderland on 5122 3014**

## Junior Colouring Competition Conditions of Entry

Junior Colouring Competition conducted by the Churchill & District News.  
Conditions of Entry  
Entry is Free  
Winners will be announced and prizes distributed at the 2003 Churchill Community Fair on Saturday 5th April.  
Winners will be notified by phone prior to the prize giving.  
Winning entries will be on display to the 2003 Churchill Community Fair, and names of winners will be published in the Churchill and District News, April edi-

tion.  
Winning entries and photos of winners may also be published in the Churchill & District News.  
Prizes to be announced.  
The judges' decision is final.  
There will be four categories: 1) Under 5 years. 2) 5 to 8 years. 3) 9 to 11 years. 4) 12 years and over.  
Special commendations may be made at the judges' discretion  
Closing date for entries is Friday 28th March. No late entries will be accepted.

## JUNIOR COLOURING COMPETITION PUT YOURSELF IN THE PICTURE

Aliens have landed at Eel Hole Creek Park!  
You are there to greet them!

Draw yourself meeting the alien in this picture, and colour in the rest.  
Write your name, age and telephone number on the entry form underneath the picture (get your Mum, Dad or Teacher to help you if needed).

Cut out your entry and drop it into the Churchill and District News boxes at Foodworks Supermarket, Churchill Library, Churchill Primary School, Monash University Reception, or the Co-operating Churches foyer.

NAME.....AGE.....

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

### How Fast Can You Say It?

**Lorry**

Red lorry, yellow lorry, red lorry, yellow lorry

**The Black Bear**

A big black bug bit a big black bear and made the big black bear bleed blood.

**The Skunk Stunk**

A skunk sat on a stump and thunk the stump stunk, but the stump thunk the skunk stunk.

### Cool Stuff to Make!

## Potato Prints



WHAT you need:

- A potato
- A knife, and an adult to help use it
- Some paint
- Paper

What to do:

Have an adult help you cut the potato in half. Use a pencil to draw (or carve) a shape into the flat surface. (Try a 4-leaf clover!) Then, get an adult to

help you carve

away the extra potato surface to leave the shape sticking out.

Put the paint on a paper plate. Dip the potato in the paint, and press it on your paper (or whatever else you want to decorate). There you have it! Potato prints!

## Pet Pictures!

TIGER the cat is fast asleep stretched out on the bed!  
Tiger belongs to Ruth. Suzi is Margaret's dog. Here she is as a puppy (right) and at 15 1/2 years old.  
Send a picture of your pet to: Churchill & District News, C/- 4 Dalpura Court, Churchill, 3842.



## Everlasting Sand Castles

CAN'T get to the beach? Well, this is even better!

What you need:

- Sawdust (you can get it from hardware stores)
- Wallpaper paste powder (from a hardware store)
- Water
- Sand castle molds, or cans and paper cups
- Plastic forks, knives, or spoons for sculpting

What to do:

1. Mix 2 cups of saw dust and 1 cup of wallpaper paste powder with your hands in a big bowl.
2. Add 1 cup of water and stir until it's all mixed

together.

3. Pack the mixture into molds, then carefully take it out.

4. Make your castle using the molds. Sculpt it with the plastic utensils.

5. When it's done, let it dry in a sunny spot for a few days.

6. Add sea shells or little flags for decoration!

You could do this with some friends and have a contest!

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

I NOTE with interest your paper's article "Civic Gardens for Churchill" on 13th February 2003 and through your paper I wish to make some comment. I am concerned that the writer of the article has not got all the facts relating to the above project or is deliberately withholding information from the Churchill Community to advance his or her own interest.

The article declares that the Civic Garden project is a joint project between Churchill District Citizens Association (CDCA) and the Latrobe City Council

In a recent application for a planning permit to erect a motel and re subdivision, the applicant, Thirty Sixth Penny P/L presented a submission to the Morwell City Council. Mr Rob Whelan of Sight and sound Engineering prepared the submission for P & M Minster, the owners of most of the Churchill Shopping Centre complex.

The submission suggests that since February 2000 representatives from Latrobe Council, Monash University and the owners of the West Place Complex, P& M Minster, "have considered a number of proposals for the revitalisation of the under-utilised southern building of the complex". "Of recent times proposals that would produce special accommodation facilities have been the focus of discussion

because such developments fulfil perceived needs for special accommodation within the community and can produce much needed life within the complex". "However, the provision of adequate parking facilities that would be acceptable to the users of the accommodation has presented quite a problem and needs to be resolved to enable viable business propositions to be achieved".

The aim of the submission is to "present a solution to the parking problem associated with accommodation proposals for the southern building of the West Place Complex at Churchill and if accepted by Council would present the Churchill community with a much sought after ready-built Civic Garden to enhance the presentation of the Town Symbol".

"The proposal is to exchange the part of the developer's land labelled A on the Locality Plan for the land required for the car park".

The Churchill News article states that the CDCA needs Churchill Residents to show their support for the project by completing the page 2 register. The register only calls for support for a Civic Garden by asking Council to purchase the old nursery whilst other key actions of the proposal are not mentioned. I wonder why the call for support is necessary when the developers submission, dated

October 2002 states, "given that the Churchill Community has expressed very strong support for the creation of Civic Gardens focused on the Churchill Town Symbol the offer to exchange the land provides a marvellous opportunity to increase the size of the municipal reserve with the ready made Civic Gardens".

The register presumes that the nursery site is the best location for a Civic Garden in Churchill. The proper way to draw this conclusion would be for the CDCA and the Latrobe Council to appoint a Civic Gardens sub committee to investigate the project impartially and to make recommendations to the community.

The Churchill Community deserve better than this proposal which appears to be driven by a developer, a lazy CDCA, a Latrobe Council that supports us having a dog box for a Civil Garden and Monash University whose agenda is probably based on special accommodation needs. And what about the Shell Service Station; don't they hold title to the building on the old nursery?

If this project is to be successful it needs to be creditable, for it to be creditable all relevant details need to be disclosed.

Bruce Stephenson  
Walker Parade  
Churchill.

Dear Editor

RESULTS of the Latrobe City elections will be known on Saturday 15th March, two days after this issue of the Churchill & District News is delivered to its readers.

As a candidate for Firmin Ward, which includes Churchill, I wish to publicly thank all those people who encouraged me to stand, expressed interest, helped with my campaign and generally supported me.

Whatever the result, I am committed to the ideals of community consultation and representation. I will be continuing my involvement with the Neighbourhood Renewal Project in Glendonald and with the Ministerial Task Force Across the Latrobe Valley.

I look forward to continuing my involvement with the Churchill Community Development Project, the Glendonald Residents' Group, the Churchill & District Community Association and the Churchill & District News.

I have recently been appointed to the Latrobe City Co-ordinated Community Transport Project as the community representative for the people of the Latrobe Valley, and hope I can assist with planning access to transport facilities for the disadvantaged in our community.

And now, as a parent of a child at Kurnai College, Churchill Campus, I have joined the Parents and Friends Association. I commend this organization to all parents of pupils at Kurnai, as it enables direct communication between

staff and parents.

The most pleasing aspect of standing for election to Council has been the opportunity to talk with so many people in Churchill and surrounds about our community, our hopes and ideas for our future.

I believe Churchill is a great place to live. Like any place, it has its problems, but if we focus on solutions and draw on the abilities, talents and ideas of individuals and groups within our community, I think we will continue to move forward and improve our town for all who live and work here.

I also believe that, at a "grassroots" level, teamwork and co-ordination are required to influence the decision-makers at local, state and federal government levels. I invite anyone who is interested in any of the groups that I have mentioned above to contact me on 5122 2997. We need to be informed to effect change.

Meantime, I hope you voted. (Elsewhere in the world people die for the right to vote - we in Australia are privileged to participate in democracy, however we may perceive its shortcomings.) And I hope you get what you voted for.

Margaret Guthrie  
Churchill.

The Churchill & District News would like to take this opportunity to say how much we appreciate Margaret's help. She has worked extremely hard and has been an integral part of the team. Thank you Margaret  
Editor

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## Lions Club of Churchill & District: Still Active

By JOHN BARKER, Secretary

A SAD start to this article is the report of extensive damage to Mathison Park in the vicinity of Lake Hyland. Our club is actively involved in assisting with the upkeep of this facility and mindless acts of vandalism are very hard to take.

This facility is there for all our community to enjoy, especially our youth, and it is very disheartening to see it destroyed in this manner.

Recently some of our members refurbished an electric wheel chair that had been given to our club. It has been donated to Co-Care who has a recipient eagerly awaiting this chair to enjoy the freedom of mobility again.

The bush fires in our North East are a very big concern. The media have assumed that the danger has passed but we all know differently.

The plight of communities in this area is very great and our club has made a donation through the Lions Club of Omeo to help ease the burden of refencing and rebuilding the devastation caused by the fires.

Our Club recently catered at the Computer Expo at Kernot Hall. Our bacon & egg sandwiches and hamburgers were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The next catering project was the Outdoor Expo held over 3 days again at Kernot Hall. Our members responded to the tasks of setting up the marquees and the perimeter fencing.

Once again, the people who experienced our cooking had nothing but praise for the quality and price. Some of the proceeds will go to the Children's Mobility Foundation for a Heart Walker to be used by a child with limited or no mobility.

Camp Quality is a major club project and two events have taken place. The first

was a children's camp in Melbourne where the children enjoyed the Zoo, Imax theatre, Rialto Tower, Aquarium and free time in the city.

Each child has a one on one "companion" for the duration of the camp, and one of our members attended as a companion. Our club also provided transport to and from Melbourne for 3 campers.

The second was the purchase a replacement Caper car. We have taken place in many Capers and have raised in excess of \$100,000 for Camp Quality.

Two of our members are actively involved in the community outside of Lions. The Scout Association and Neighbourhood Watch both have our members as active participants.

Clean-Up Australia Day has just finished. Once again the Lions took part cleaning the roadside along Monash Way and Tramway Road. They gathered 10 bags of rubbish. It concluded with a barbecue where Wendy Hrynyszyn of Latrobe City joined us for a snag and a chat.

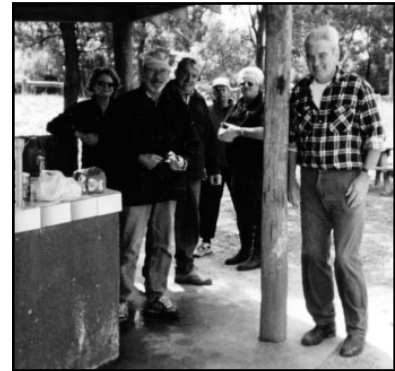
Recently we loaned our cooker van to Monash University for their traditional "Pancake Day",

Our next catering projects are both at Bunnings. Saturday April 12th at Bunnings we will be part of "The World's Biggest BBQ" effort for the Guinness Book of Records. Please come and register and enjoy a snag or two. On Sunday April 13th we will have a sausage sizzle for Camp Quality.

To all the families in our community of Churchill and district, we thank you for your support. Need to contact us? Our address is PO Box 110, CHURCHILL.



**Load of Rubbish:** Above: Bags of rubbish collected by Churchill & District Lions. Below: Volunteers enjoy a break at Lake Hyland



### Co-operating Churches Clean Up

The Co-operating Churches of Churchill were also out on Clean Up Australia day. They collected rubbish along Walker Parade and McDonald Way.

"It was hard work but worth it," said organiser Ruth Place, "but it would be better if people didn't leave litter lying around in the first place".





# Churchill and District What's On

WEDNESDAYS: Youth Action Centre, Gaskin Park, 4-8pm

## THURSDAY 13 MARCH

Churchill & District News Working Party Meeting, 4.00pm, Link Room, Monash University. All interested parties welcome to attend. Contact Ruth Place on 5122 1961.

## FRIDAY 14TH MARCH

Peace Rally, Traralgon, 530pm. Meet at the War Memorial, Kay Street. Walk will go down Franklin Street to Victory Park

Sailability Gippsland Inc, Hazelwood Pondage (Latrobe Valley Yacht Club). 10.00am – 12.30pm – 3.00pm. Sailing to meet the needs of people with a disability, elderly, schools and the whole family. Bookings essential, contact Andrew: 0427 559 499. Also on 21st and 29th March.

T.O.F.S.S. Inc Dinner at Morwell RSL. Contact Janet on 51339854

## SATURDAY 15TH MARCH

Associated Angling Club Inc, Committee Meeting, Churchill Hotel 7.30pm. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Contact Rod: phone 5122 2189

## MONDAY 17TH MARCH

Churchill Community Development Project Meeting, 4.00pm, Churchill Neighbourhood House

Churchill Primary School Council A.G.M. Contact the school for time and venue.

## TUESDAY 18TH MARCH

Kurnai College, Churchill Campus, Parents & Friends Association A.G.M. 7.30pm. Staff Room, Kurnai College, Churchill.

## THURSDAY 20TH MARCH

Free CPR Training Session by Royal Lifesaving Trainers, 5.00pm – 7.00pm. To register phone Susan on 5122 3567

T.O.F.S.S. Inc Monthly Group Meeting, 7.30pm Migrant Resource Centre, 100 - 102 Buckley Street, Morwell

## FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

T.O.F.S.S. Inc Dinner at Cowwar Hotel. Contact Di on 5134 5960

## SATURDAY 22ND MARCH

Boolarra Folk n' Drum Festival, Centenary Rail Trail Park, Boolarra.

## SUNDAY 23 MARCH

Ski Racing Victoria – Points Score Championship Race, Hazelwood Pondage. Contact: Danny on 9720 9993

T.O.F.S.S. Inc Picnic and Train Ride at Walhalla.

## TUESDAY 25TH MARCH

Glendonald Residents Group Meeting, 6.30pm, Child Care Centre, Churinga Drive, Churchill.

## FRIDAY 28TH MARCH

T.O.F.S.S. Inc Dinner at Morwell RSL. Contact Janet on 5133 9854

## FRIDAY 28TH, SATURDAY 29TH & SUNDAY 30TH MARCH

Associated Angling Club Competition, Lake Tyers. For more information Contact Rod on 5122 2189

## SATURDAY 29TH MARCH

Car Boot Sale, outside Yinnar Op Shop. For more details phone: 5169 1629.

Guides Regional Water Activities, 1 – 4pm, Warragul Indoor Pool.

## TUESDAY 1ST APRIL

Churchill & District Community Association (CDCA). 7.30pm, Link Room, Monash University.

## THURSDAY 3RD APRIL

Churchill Cougars Junior Football Club Committee meeting, 7.30pm Senior Club Rooms, Manning Drive, Churchill.

## SATURDAY 5TH APRIL

Churchill Community Fair. 10.00am – 2.00pm, Eel Hole Creek Park, Churchill

## SUNDAY 6TH APRIL

Churchill BMX Demonstration, Glendonald Park, Churchill. 11.00am - 3.00pm. Free BBQ Lunch, features top national riders.

## FRIDAY 11TH APRIL

Term ends, school holidays begin!

## SATURDAY 12 APRIL

Maintenance Morning, Glendonald Park, 10.00am – 12 noon.

Lions Club Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings, Mid-Valley – “The worlds biggest barbecue” effort for the Guinness Book of Records.

## SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Lions Sausage Sizzle, Bunnings, fund-raiser for Camp Quality.

## MONDAY 24TH MARCH – FRIDAY 28TH MARCH

### Student Survival Week:

Monday

Intro. Day, featuring Gunai Kurnai traditional dancing and Passport Competition.

Tuesday

Faculty Day, featuring street performer matt Black

Wednesday

Student Services Day, Featuring talks by Language and Learning and Community Services.

Thursday

Community Services Day, featuring Ice Cream!!

Friday

Chill Out Day, featuring massage and relaxation and a visit from Berwick students.



# Jacko's Jumble Words

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Solve the puzzle by working out which number equals which letter. To start you off the letter C has been filled in. Use the grid on the right to record your letters. The answer will be in next month's issue.

## “Cleaning with Care”

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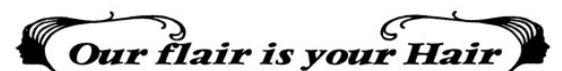
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# The Creation of Caves & Worms' Destiny

By LYNALÉE STRICKLAND

Prize Winner: Adult Short Story Competition October 2002

IN the land lived all the animals, and there reigned various gods among them. The gods and creatures lived in harmony. Amongst the gods were Theos, giant worm of god of the land, Ramu, giant bird of the skies and Lanos, turtle god of the rivers and lakes. Tali, was the god of the clouds and reigned over the other gods because he was far more powerful than the other gods.

All the gods were just and honourable and ensured all creatures had plenty to eat and drink. The land was in a time of great celebration and feasting, because food was in abundance.

Theos, the giant worm god, decided to gather and collect all produce together and then elected himself responsible for it because he was god of the land. Therefore, all creatures had to go to Theos for food. Theos was generous in doling out the food and was honoured and respected for his generosity.

Ramu and Theos were friends. Theos shared with Ramu and all bird creatures. While Theos was responsible for gathering food, Ramu ensured seed was spread across the land for the abundance to continue. It was a happy time throughout the land. The creatures of the land became lazy and soon relied completely on Theos for food.

Because Theos controlled the food supplies, he consumed huge amounts and his already gigantic form increased.

Theos reveled in the respect and reverence paid to him by the creatures. Very soon Theos became powerful, greedy and gluttonous.

Ramu worried about Theos, because his friend was changing. Theos was not generous in giving out food anymore. So, Ramu went to see Lanos, the river god, for Lanos was very wise.

"I'm concerned about Theos," Ramu said to Lanos, "for he is becoming greedy and gluttonous."

Lanos and the people in his kingdom did not rely on Theos for food, but he heard that Theos

was responsible for the gathering and distribution throughout the dry lands.

Lanos was thoughtful for some time. Then he replied, "Ramu, you must speak to your friend and suggest he change his ways or Tali, the great god of the clouds will punish him. Tali will not tolerate wickedness and will punish those who use what has been given freely, for greedy and dishonourable purposes."

Ramu agreed with Lanos. "You are right my friend. I will speak with Theos."

The next day Ramu approached Theos and said, "My friend, we must all live together. There is plenty of food for everyone. Why then, have you started to stockpile food and gorge yourself?"

Theos replied, "All creatures rely on me and pay homage to me. I have become the greatest of the gods."

"Theos, you must stop your greed and gluttony. The power you have is corrupting you. Please desist these despicable actions or Lanos and I will have to act against you. We will approach Tali, who surely knows all about your evil behaviour by now."

"I don't fear Tali, for I have become more powerful," replied Theos.

"But, it is Tali that provides the rain and conditions for our bountiful harvests," said Ramu. "Tali will know what is in your heart, and will punish you."

Despite Ramu's warnings, Theos ignored his advice.

Tali did indeed see the wickedness in Theos' heart and sent drought to all the lands. As there had been so much food stockpiled, Tali sent instruction to Theos to change his ways and give freely to all who came for food. Tali advised that there was plenty of food stockpiled to last the drought and this was an opportunity for Theos to gain back favour.

But Theos would not give out food without significant payment. He was corrupt and kept the best foods for himself. Theos also denied Ramu's request for food, unless he was adored

with riches and payment. Theos ignored Tali's advice. He did not see that any of the gods could overcome him. He was powerful and mighty.

Ramu again sought Tali's advice. Tali advised Ramu to inform Theos that he had one more chance to amend his ways,

"Tell Theos to share with all the creatures or he will be banished to the underworld far below the earth's surface," said Tali.

Ramu approached Theos and advised him of what Tali had said.

"Tali is not that powerful, and would not banish me to the underground," retorted Theos.

"Beware Theos, it will happen. Please change your ways," begged Ramu.

Theos considered what he had been told and did not believe. So, he continued to profit from his stockpiles and to eat heartily of the stores while the rest of the creatures in the land were hungry and starving.

And so, the following day Tali banished Theos deep beneath the earth's surface. Tali told Ramu to open the warehouses and ensure all creatures received food. Ramu did this gladly.

In the days that ensued, Theos considered his plight. He could not believe that Tali had the power to banish him.

"But," Theos thought "I can overcome this situation. I'll dig my way out of here."

Theos was also becoming Hungry, because he was so accustomed to having a full stomach. So, Theos tasted the soil and rock. While it was not as tasty as the produce from the earth it filled his belly and took away his hunger.

"I will burrow my way out of here, eating soil as I go," said to himself.

So, Theos, the giant worm god attempted to burrow out of the ground and to find the surface so that he might dwell there again.

Theos found difficulty in his travels to the surface and so he burrowed in different directions. Sometimes he found himself back in a tunnel he and already burrowed through. And

thus, there grew a network of tunnels deep under the ground.

Theos did not give up. At last he reached the surface. All the time underground he had been plotting his revenge on Ramu. But when he got to the surface, Tali saw him and returned him beneath the ground. So Theos again burrowed his way to the surface. Each time Theos reached the surface, Tali returned him back under the ground. His wrath on Theos was severe. This continued for thousands of years. A great network of tunnels and caves developed under the earth's surface.

At last Theos broke down and implored Tali to have mercy. Tali said to Theos that he could return and remain on the earth's surface if he lived honourably.

Back on the earth's surface, Theos still had anger in his heart against Ramu and Tali, but realized that revenge on Tali was not possible. As it was Ramu who had submitted him to Tali, he had to get even with him for his years of suffering under the ground.

Theos and Ramu fought. The battle was mighty and Ramu won through his sheer strength and cleverness. Ramu brought Theos before Tali.

"Because you have not followed my instruction, I will give power to Ramu and his kind over you and your kind. You will continue to dwell in the soils and underground of the earth. You have brought great shame to the creatures of your kind. Therefore, all worms will dwell in the earth, improving the quality of the soil. You will be banished far under the ground, at the bottom of the caverns you have formed and will be unable to return to the surface, as you will be sensitive to light. Your kind will be a source of food for Ramu's kind."

Thus, herein lies the reason for the creation of the cave throughout the lands and why birds eat worms.

# When Carrie was 12

By KAITLAN DUFFUS

Prize winner Under 18 Short Story Competition October 2002

I look at the frail old lady who spends each and every day confined to her chair. She relies on someone to help her with everything and she says very little. Her food is all mashed up and what it is I would not know, but one thing is I'm sure it's not McDonalds! Her lounge room was always filled with things that she had collected like shells, but now she shares a room with people a lot like her. I don't like the smell in the room, it doesn't smell like Impulse or anything I'm used to.

My great grandma is ninety-five years old and she lives in a nursing home. As I kiss her cheek to say hello I wonder what is she thinking? Does she remember me? Most importantly are her days filled with sadness for what her life has now become?

My first memory of my Great Grandma was when she lived in a unit on her own and used a walking fame as she suffered from arthritis.

We always knew where to find the stash of Tim Tams and the lollies hidden away in her cupboard.

My Great Grandma loved to talk to me about the cricket,

Hey, Hey it's Saturday and the football. Her room had lots of shells that she had collected from her holidays over many, many years.

I now wish that I'd had the opportunity to share stories of her childhood with her. Day to day our needs were probably the same but our dreams and goals would probably have been very, very different. I hope to go to university to become a teacher, whereas the twelve-year-old girl that was my Great Grandma probably would have been happy just to finish High School. That was never an option for her. Being the eldest daughter in a family of fourteen children, Great Grandma had to leave school when she was only twelve years old to help care for the younger children and care for the house.

While I enjoy reading magazines with my friends, watching Home and Away and playing sport like Netball, Tennis and Basketball, my Great Grandma was learning how to mend socks, cook Anzac Biscuits and care for thirteen other children.

The things that I take for granted like getting Mum to

drive me to the movies to meet my friends, were indeed things that my Grandma never experienced. Travel for them meant relying on their pony and of course lots of walking! My Grandma flew in an aeroplane for the very first time when she was in her eighties. A trip to America at that age was a totally new world and experience for her.

I know that even though we had different childhoods, I hope she would have been surrounded with lots of happiness and enjoyed her life as much as I do.

So as I hold the hand of the twelve-year-old girl that is not eighty-three years older, I remember that she wasn't always old like she is today.

As I look at the people which she now shares her days with, I think the same with them. The weren't always confined to wheel chairs and memories that have gone. Many years ago they would have been twelve like me and they too would have had dreams of their future.

I wrote this story two years ago, dedicated to my Great Grandma, Caroline Grant who as since passed away.

# Golf Results

By Di SCURLOCK

**PRESIDENTS/Captains Trophy, 1.2.03:**  
CCR67 A-Grade: C. Lesiw 63 Nett. B-Grade: FAshogbon 67nett. C-Grade: A Justice 69 nett. DTL: T. Sterrick 64, M. Smith 65, M. Brereton 67, P. Williams 67, D. Chessum 68, G. Beyer 69 C/B, R. Scurlock 69. NTP: 5th C. Lesiw, 12th N. Hutchinson, 14th G. Beyer, 3rd A. Justice. Birdies: 3rd A. Justice, C. Lesiw, 5th N. Hutchinson, 12th G. Beyer. Captains Team: 1349. Presidents Team 1390. Eagle M. Smith 4th.

**Monthly Medal Stroke, 4.02.03:** CCR70. Scratch: M. McConville 89. A-Grade: \$ Medal D. Thomas 60 Nett. B-Grade: V. Rowley 69. DTL: S. Jeffery 70, Y. Wotton 70, C. Gardam 72 C/B. NTP -36 3/12 M. McConville. +36 L. Welsh. -36 5/14 J. Leslie. +36 V. Rowley. Putts: Di Scurlock 30. Longest Drive: -36 Y Wotton. +36 V. Rowley. Lost handicap: D Thomas 30 - 26, V. Rowley 38 - 37.

**ABS Pairs Ambrose, 8.2.03:** Handicap: C. Lesiw / G. Lack Nett 57 3/4. 1st R/UP: T.

Sterrick / D Gardam 58, 2nd RUP: J. Sanders / N. Hutchinson 591/4. DTL: G. Blizzard / L. Maher 59 3/4, D. Scurlock / K. Garlick 60 1/2, G. Beyer / S. Wotton 62 - R. Jenkins / A. Gill 62 1/2. NTP: 3rd D. Wilkinson, 5th R. Burns, 12 T. Sterrick 14th J. Sanders. Birdies: 5th C. Lesiw.

**Sponsors Ambrose, 9.2.03:** P. Ludlow / L. Welsh nett 62. DTL G. Beyer / N. Hutchinson Nett 63 1/4 C/B, C. Speekenbrink / M. Mitchell nett 63 1/4 C/B, K. Garlick / Karl Garlick nett 63 1/4. NTP: 3rd C. Waterman - H. Croft, 5th K. Garlick, 12th T. Sterrick - M. McConville, 14th G. Beyer - L. Ambosini.

**Stableford, 11.2.03:** CCR70. A-Grade C. Gardam 42pts. B-Grade: T. Hutchinson 42pts. DTL: D. Thomas 40, C. Ellis 40, H. Croft 39 C/B. NTP: 3/12 +36 V. Rowley, -36 C. Gardam. 5/14 +36 V. Rowley, -36 M. McConville. Birdies: D. Thomas 3rd, V. Rowley 12th. Longest Drive: -36 Y. Wotton, +36 V. Rowley. Lost Handicap: T. Hutchinson 45 -41, C. Ellis 33-32, H. Croft 34-33, C Gardam 31-29, D. Thomas 26-25, V. Rowley 37-36.

**Stableford, 15.2.03:** CCR67 A-Grade: J. Armstrong 44pts. B-Grade: J. Dickson 47pts. DTL: J. Jeffrey 45, A. Casey 42, R. Sheahey 42, P. Coad 41 C/B. NTP: 3rd P. Williams 5th R. Sheahey, 12th P. Coad, 14th G. Down. Birdies: P. Williams 3rd, J. Armstrong 14th, S. Sanders 5th.

**Canadian Mixed Open, 16.2.03:** Scratch: G. Blew / R. Blew 82. Handicap: L. Collins / W. Collins 65 1/4. Visitors: J. Bond / M. Bond 68 3/8. DTL: P. Williams / J. Busch 65 3/8, A. Casey / L. Casey 69 3/8, G. Mirams / M. Mirams 73 1/8, J. Hall / K. Hall 73 1/4. NTP: Men: 3rd G. Blew, 5th J. Kuhne, 12th J. Mitchell. Ladies: 3rd W. Collins, A. Boyer, R. Halket, A. Boyer.

**4 BBB Stableford, 18.2.03:** Winners: V. Rowley / E. D'alterio 52 pts C/B. R/UP: J. Blizzard / V. Verheyen 52pts. DTL: Di Scurlock / S. Jeffery 49. NTP: 3/12 +36 L. Casey, -36 P. Hrynyszyn. 5/14 +36 T. Hutchinson, -36 S. Jeffery. Longest Drive: +36 T. Hutchinson, -36 D. Thomas. Lost Handicap: S. Jeffery 34 - 32.

**Stroke Monthly Medal, 22.2.03:** CCR68

Scratch: M. Brereton 78 C/B. A-Grade: L. Morrison 66 nett and Medal. B- Grade: R: Sheahey 67 C/B. C-Grade: K. Garlick 67. DTL: D. Gardam 67, J. White 68, M. Brereton 68, P. Williams 68, G. Morrison 69, C. Speekenbrink 69, G. Fraser 69. NTP: 3rd J. White, 5th —, 12th M. Brereton, 14th D. Gardam. Birdies: K. Garlick 12th, R. Sheahey 14th, S. Hutchinson 3rd, G. Fraser 14th. Eagle: P. Kearns 15th, Putts: Des Chessum 25 puts.

**1st Round Mixed Foursome Championship, 23.2.03:** Scratch: R. & D. Scurlock 92. Handicap: R. Welsh & S. Jeffery 67. DTL: S. & Y. Wotton 68, T. Sterrick & V. Anderson 69 1/2. NTP: 3rd S. Jeffery, 12th R. Welsh, 14 J. Busch.

**Stableford, 25.2.03:** CCR70 Winner : Liz Ollquist 40pts. DTL: C. Barnes 39pts, C. Gardam 37pts. NTP: 3/12 -36 C. Gardam, +36 L. Ollquist. 5/14 -36 C. Gardam. Longest Drive: +36 V. Rowley, -36 D. Thomas. Lost Handicap: C. Barnes 35 -34, L. Ollquist 45 - 43.

## Season Finishes with a Finals Blast



Play Tennis Day 2003

By VICKI SCHILLING

CHURCHILL Tennis Club's B Grade 2 team is currently on top of the ladder in the Yinnar and District Tennis Association. With the finals only two weeks away the team is ahead of the opposition,

in first spot. The team members are Carol Scott, Beulah Donelly, Jessica Brighton, Cara Hegarty, Roger Brighton, Jim Fulton and Frank Horvath. We wish them well for the finals.

Churchill Tennis Club's Midweek Ladies Team will play in the 2002/03 finals campaign, due to begin today, 13th March. The team members are Dianne McDougall, Sue Little, Julie Taylor, Glenda Thompson and Florence Martin. Good Luck in 2003.

Night tennis has commenced again. We meet every Thursday at 7pm. For more details contact myself on 5122 1779 or Carol on 5122 1464.

As Churchill Tennis Club's Ambassador for Tennis Victoria, I will be travelling to Kooyong Tennis Club bi-monthly to take local issues for discussion and debate. As Ambassador I can source avenues for a solution to a wide range of events and concerns, through e-mail and meetings, which will assist our club.

The Club Ambassador program includes over 150 members and has raised the communication of best practice amongst clubs significantly. Highlights include club administration, communication via e-mail, guest speakers at Melbourne Park and end of year evenings at Kingsville and Bacchus Marsh Tennis Clubs. Perhaps the best result of the Club Ambassador program is, however, the development of a

strong network of people committed to improving the delivery of tennis and openly communication ideas of best practice.

Australian tennis legend Evonne Goolagong-Crawley will be visiting Churchill Tennis Club. She will host a day of her Getting Started Program in late March. The program is aimed at introducing girls between seven and ten to tennis. It was developed by Evonne and introduced in Victoria in 1977.

Churchill Tennis club coach Sally Kirstine has been involved with the program since its inception. The program costs \$30.00. For enrolment details contact Sally on 5174 9661.

### Clubrooms 2003 Beautification Program in Progress



## Churchill Cougars Junior Football Club



THE football season kicks off on 5th April 2003. The Churchill Cougars Junior Football Club has Under 10, Under 12 and Under 14 teams.

New players are always welcome.

Training is at Gaskin Park Oval on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4.30pm.

The Churchill Cougars Junior Football Club

Committee meet on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30pm in the Senior Club rooms in Manning Drive, Churchill.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

For more information contact: Ivan on 5122 1656 or 04173 32294 or Noelene on 5122 2094.



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## Invitation

THE Churchill & District News invites all local sporting clubs to contribute articles on a regular basis.

Information regarding meeting times, training times, results and special events is most welcome. Photographs are also welcome. For submission details see Page 2.

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Prawn Crackers	2.50	Lamb's Fry' bacon and vegies	9.50
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Garden Salad	4.50	Fish and Chips with salad	10.00
Chicken and Sweet Corn Soup	4.50		
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Wedges with Sour Cream	4.50		
Nacho's and Sour Cream	6.00		
Our Famous Noodles!		Kid's Menu	
Hokkien Mee - pork, shrimps, bean shoots, caps, bok choi	8.95	Dim Sims or Potato Cakes or Chicken Nuggets or Fish all with chips	5.00
Satay Chicken - onions, caps, spring onions	8.95	Milkshakes	3.00
Singapore Chicken - baby corn, carrots, bok choi, shallots, caps	8.95	Ice Cream with Topping	3.00
Chilli Beef - onions, capsicum, bok choi, spring onions, mushrooms	8.95		
Mediterranean - salami, sundried tomato, olives, onions, capsicum	8.40		
Vego - basil, chickpea, zucchini, onions, caps, sundried tomato	7.50		
Laksa Lemak - coconut curry, onions, sweet pork, shrimp, bok choi	8.70		
Stir Fry Beef - cahews, snowpeas, caps, mushies, spring onion	9.95		
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Beef in Black Bean - onions, caps, cauli, brocc, carrots, bok choi	8.95		
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Combination Fried Rice - pork, bacon, onion, carrot, egg, shoots	8.95		
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Bolognaise - home made rich tomato bolognaise sauce	8.20		
Thai Chicken - coriander and coconut milk, onion, caps, bok choi	8.40		
Carbonarra - bacon, onion, garlic, pepper, parmesan cheese, egg	8.75		
Vego - basil, chickpea, zucchini, onions, caps, sundried tomato	7.50		
Cajun - chicken, onions, capsicum, tomato wedges, spring onions	8.75		
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