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Churchill Hub on Track

THE future for the Churchill Intergenerational Community Hub was secured as Candy Broad, Minister for Housing announced funding of \$100,000 for the Hub kitchen and Brendan Jenkins announced a further \$1 million in State funding on 18 October.

The new Community Hub is a joint project between Latrobe City Council, the Department of Human Services Neighbourhood Renewal, Churchill and District Community Association, Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, Monash University Gippsland and the Department for Victorian Communities.

Mayor Lisa Price described the Hub as a way of addressing the immediate and future needs of Churchill, and its future had been secured by several key groups working co-operatively together for a positive outcome.

According to Candy Broad, the Hub will "...teach valuable life skills". In addition, the kitchen will service the community groups which will use the Hub.

This funding is in addition to \$19 million already committed to Neighbourhood Renewal in the Latrobe Valley since 2001. This project will create jobs and enhance services in Churchill.

Phillip Marsh of Latrobe City Council, outlined the plans and the amenities which will be available in the Hub. They will include a transformation of the existing Town Hall upper level into three studios, which can be opened up into a large space. The lower level will be made into two rooms for use as wet and dry areas. The Hub will also include childcare and pre-school facilities,

with Maternal and Child Health, the Neighbourhood Learning Centre, youth programs, community enterprise development, information services, family support and community health and well-being services, and a library with internet access.

Margaret Guthrie of the Glendonald Residents Group applauded the funding of the kitchen, saying it would be a catering facility, a place of training, a fundraising enterprise, and a place to mingle, share ideas, engage and have time together.

MP Brendan Jenkins announced a further funding allocation from the State Government through the Community Support Fund, of one million dollars, supplied by the Department for Victorian Communities and Department of Human Services, to make the Hub a reality. "This will be a new beginning for the Churchill community", he said.

Monash University Gippsland Campus has contributed \$200,000 in land value beside the fire station, where the Hub will be located. Monash University will also use the facility to promote its services to the Churchill community, and will re-locate its childcare centre, Pooh Corner, to the new Hub.

Latrobe City Council has also allocated \$715,000 in capital funding.

Pictured above L-R: Phillip Marsh, Alan Scarlett, Darrell White, Dan Jordan (back), Lisa Price (front), Julie Hocking, Margaret Guthrie, Candy Broad and Brendan Jenkins.

International Power West Field - Impacts will soon be evident



By RUTH PLACE
INTERNATIONAL
Hazelwood's (IPRH) West Field mine extension has begun within the present mine area. Very soon the external impacts will become evident.

Under the West Field Rivers and Road Relocation Project (RRR Project) three rivers will be shifted and a new section of Strzelecki Highway created. There will be some road closures, which will impact on people's normal road usage, so the public are requested to make themselves familiar with the alterations which will take place.

The message from IPRH is please be

patient, change is coming, there will be some disruption, but they will attempt to minimize it. The West Field Mine Development Project is a \$400 million investment in the future of the IPRH business, securing coal resources for the next 25 years. Public communication on the changes and their timing is continuing.

The RRR Project was the subject of an Environmental Effects Statement and Public Hearings which were held in 2004 and early 2005, where all these proposals under went detailed public scrutiny.

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Lions Club Churchill Citizen Awards 2007

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity
FOR several years, the Lions Club of Churchill & District Incorporated have been responsible for organising and running a community function for Australia Day in Churchill involving citizens of Churchill and especially our youth.

To enhance this event, the club decided to present a Young Citizen Award and a Citizen Award to the most outstanding person(s) in each category for their contribution to the community during the previous 12 months.

This Award is now adopted as a tradition and we ask that residents again nominate candidates. Nominees must be a resident of Churchill or reside in the immediate surrounding district.

The nominated person's applications

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

The awards will be supplied and presented by the Lions Club of Churchill and District at the Churchill Australia Day Ceremony on 26th January 2007.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc Young Citizen of the Year Award - applicants must be 18 years or under on 26th January 2007.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc Citizen of the Year Award - open to all applicants over the age of 18 years on 26th January 2007.

The closing date for all applications is Friday 17th November 2006.

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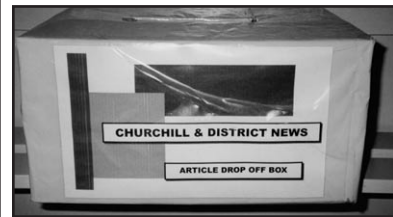
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Positive consequences of the project are that there will be a new section of the Strzelecki Highway, and the Morwell River will again become a natural river, released from its current concrete pipe. The new section of river will be 6.6 km long with 11km of meandering channel and will cope with any extreme flooding situation. With tree and other plantings special consideration has been given to creating a near as possible, natural river. Eel Hole Creek and Wilderness creeks will also be diverted to flow into the new Morwell River. The banks will be stabilized and protective grasses, aquatic species, trees and shrubs will be planted, and woody debris placed in the river to help Mother Nature along.

The Yinnar-Driffield Road will be up-graded by re-surfacing the road and re-sealing it, with widening of some sections. This will become the new OD9 Route. During Jan-June 2007 there will be minor disruption to traffic, but the residents will have a new and improved road. The most southern bridge on the Yinnar Road, just north of Yinnar, does not have sufficient load capacity to carry very heavy vehicles, so an "a grade" crossing will be built through the corner of the intersection, across the flood plain, to carry the very heavy vehicles. The existing road will remain for everyone else to use. The Yinnar Road will be diverted to the south of the

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access to the boating and fishing areas alongside the Pondage foreshore.

Construction work begins on December 4th. Already, signs warning people of road closures are in place at Dean's Track, Marretts Road where it joins the Strzelecki Highway, and Buckleys Track leading off the beginning of Marretts Road, Homestead Road, Amiets Rd, and Vinalls Road.

As you come off the round-a-bout and onto the Strzelecki Highway south-west of Morwell, and drive about 300 metres, you will see where the new section will veer off to the right of the existing highway, alongside the embankment. The new highway will follow the line of power poles, which are constructed in an arc west and then south west. The river will be located alongside the highway on the inner edge of the arc.

Brodribb Road west of the Hazelwood cemetery will remain open during the construction period, until the new section of the Strzelecki Highway and OD9 is complete and opened in April

Churchill Developments The Planning Process

By VAL PROKOPIV

AS most residents are aware there are plans under consideration that will see a major redevelopment of the central business district in Churchill. There are some big decisions to be made and there is a process by which this is done. This process ensures that everyone who may be affected by the proposal has a chance to have a say, to raise any objections or state their support before any decision is made.

The process begins with the developer lodging an application with Council for planning permission. These plans are made available at the Latrobe City Headquarters for people to look at and the developer is required to notify adjoining land owners and occupiers, and in the case of the Churchill development, place notices on site and in the Latrobe Valley Express.

People affected by the proposal are invited to make a submission, which is lodged with Council. Council does consider these submissions when it makes its decision about the application. These submissions may lead to changes being made to the proposal before a decision is made. Objections can be submitted up to the time that Council decides the matter, however to ensure Councillors are appropriately briefed on any objection leading up to a decision being made, it is advisable for objections to be submitted to Council as promptly as possible (this should not deter people making submissions up to Council deciding on the matter).

If objections are submitted a mediation meeting will be called. All those who submitted objections will be invited to meet with the developer and Council in an attempt to resolve any objection. This may lead to changes being made to the plans and if agreed, objections being withdrawn.

Council Officers will then prepare a report which considers planning scheme requirements and policies and will make a recommenda-

tion about whether or not the permit is granted or refused. Council will consider the Officers recommendation and all submissions made, and decide on the planning permit application.

The application will be listed on a Council meeting agenda and those wishing to address Council on the matter may request to do so prior to the meeting, which will be open to the public.

If a notice to grant a permit is decided, objectors have 21 days to lodge an application for a review with the Victorian Civil and Administrative Appeals Tribunal (VCAT). If a notice to refuse the permit is decided, the developer can also lodge an application with VCAT. VCAT will assess the proposal and consider all submissions made, and either decide to uphold or overturn Councils decision. VCAT's decision is final unless an appeal to the Supreme Court is made (and this would be in relation to a point of law).

Applications for planning permission in Churchill

There are four applications related to the central business district in Churchill at various stages in the planning process.

An application has been made to build a Safeway supermarket and specialty shops on the site of the Churchill Hotel. Council refused planning permission and an application for a review of the decision has been lodged by Fabcot Pty Ltd with VCAT. The matter will be considered by VCAT in December. Pending this decision tenders for building works have been called for.

There has been an application made to extend Food Works supermarket. The advertised closing date for submissions was 4 November.

Thirty Sixth Penny Pty Ltd (Minster Constructions) has made an application to redevelop the West Place Complex at the Churchill Shopping Centre. The advertised closing date for submissions is 10 November but submissions can still be made up until the time a decision

is made by Council. The plan includes the redevelopment of the southern car park which is owned by Latrobe City Council.

Minster Constructions has applied to Council to purchase this land by private treaty and Council's decision to sell the land will be based on whether or not the proposed development is approved. According to Council, the sale of the car park will only proceed if the proposal offers a net benefit to the residents of Churchill.

All these proposals have the potential to significantly alter the central business district. In conversation with a resident of Churchill it was remarked that the process of making a submission is daunting with knowledge of the legal jargon needed. This is not the case. If you have an objection you have a right to state it in plain English! Residents can also contact Ward Councillor, Darrell White to express their opinion.

Latrobe City Council's website lists the dates of Council Meetings, usually on a Monday. The Thursday before the meeting the agenda is posted. Any issues relating to Churchill that are to be discussed at Council will be listed on the agenda. Meetings are held at the Latrobe City Headquarters in Morwell and people are welcome to attend.

The Churchill and District News Website has a page 'In Council' which lists meeting dates and we will endeavor to let residents know when issues relating to Churchill and district are before Council.

Time and space has only permitted a brief overview of the planning process and the applications before Council. More information on the planning process can be found on the Department of Sustainability and Environment's website. Planning applications can be viewed at the Latrobe City Council's Headquarters and Darrell White can be contacted for more information. The Council also has an excellent website (www.latrobe.vic.gov.au) which covers a whole range of topics.

Cemetery, doing away with the dangerous T intersection which exists at present. The concrete road which leads down to the power boat ramp and wharf will disappear, but a new intersection will allow



Site of the new Strzelecki Highway - from Marretts Road looking north east to Morwell

2008, then it will be closed permanently. Marretts Rd will be closed for 18 months during the construction period. The eastern section of Golden Gully Rd will be closed to allow construction of the river. The river diversion will be completed in early 2010.

This is a huge project and one which IPRH has taken great effort to inform the public about.

If you want further information, or wish to clarify any issue, please do not hesitate to contact the West Field Construction Hotline on 1300 793 783, or ring IPRH Public Affairs Manager on 51355093

Child pedestrians 'cross at the wrong time'

NEARLY 60 per cent of children involved in a simulated pedestrian study "crossed the road" at the wrong moment, a Monash University Accident Research Centre (MUARC) study has found.

And the critically incorrect decision could have cost the youngsters their lives in real life.

Senior Research Fellow Dr Jennie Oxley said the study, presented at a Gold Coast road safety conference, showed that young children generally had poor skills at reliably selecting safe gaps in traffic.

"It seems that children primarily use distance rather than the speed of an approaching vehicle to make judgments about safe crossing gaps," Dr Oxley said. "So a vehicle

far away is judged 'safer' irrespective of its travelling speed.

"This may be particularly pertinent to child pedestrians, who are perhaps taught to only cross the road when the oncoming vehicle is far away."

The study looked at the reactions of 71 Victorian school children, aged between six and 10. The children were shown a simulated traffic scene of an undivided, straight two-way residential road from the perspective of a pedestrian on the side of the road.

In individual testing, researchers asked the children to press "yes" or "no" keys on a computer to indicate if and when they would cross the road as various scenarios were

played out on the screen.

"The number of children who made a critically incorrect crossing decision, which may have resulted in a collision in real life, is of great concern," Dr Oxley said. "And age was a strong predictor of wrong decisions, with six-year-olds almost 12 times more likely than 10-year-olds to choose the wrong gap."

Dr Oxley said MUARC was now developing a package to train children on a simulator to improve road-crossing skills.

Crossing the road is the subject of our Safety Competition on page 14. Family, friends and carers are encouraged to help our young ones answer the questions and talk about road safety.

Relay for Life to be held in Churchill

THE Latrobe Valley Relay For Life organising committee is calling on members of the community to enter a team in their exciting 24-hour community fundraising event, to be held on March 24 and 25 2007 with proceeds going to The Cancer Council Victoria.

Relay For Life has been held annually in the Latrobe Valley since 2000 and this year, for the first time, will be held in Churchill. Previously held in Moe, the event has raised a total of \$168,000 and had 18 teams with a total of 386 participants in last year's event. The Churchill 2007 Relay is off to a fantastic start with 6 teams already registered and \$10,000 raised.

Being an overnight event, there is plenty of fun to be had with camping out, bands, entertainment and of course the comradeship and team building that goes with a community that is taking up the fight against cancer.

The event calls on teams of 10 or more people to walk, run or stroll relay-style around a track for 24 hours. It's really easy to register - just pay a registration fee of \$15 per person to obtain a team kit from The Cancer Council Victoria and then go about recruiting

team members (family, friends, kids or workmates). The event is open to everyone in the community, for all ages and fitness levels.

The event is a celebration of life and survival and a positive way to make a difference whilst remembering those who have been lost. This is best demonstrated by several special ceremonies including the Survivors Lap of Honour and the moving dusk Candlelight Ceremony that takes place at the event.

Money raised from Relay For Life goes toward vital cancer research, education and support services of The Cancer Council Victoria. Cancer affects nearly one in three Australians - the two in three who are not directly affected by cancer will know someone who is affected.

The Latrobe Valley Relay For Life will be held at the Gaskin Oval from midday on Saturday March 24, 2007.

Anyone wanting to register as a team or an individual should contact The Cancer Council Victoria's Supporter's Hotline on 1300 65 65 85.

Below: Relay For Life at East Gippsland on Sunday 29 October 2006.



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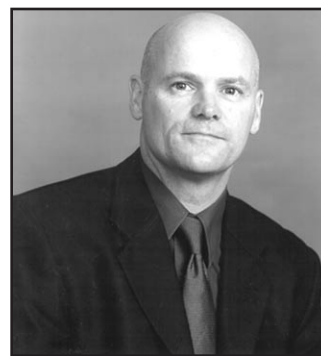
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We would also like to thank all those

who supported the firefighters in their efforts- in particular the Red Cross, Police and SES. We appreciate your efforts.



Church Times

Co-operating Churches of Churchill

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2nd and 4th Sundays: Boolarra:
Mass: 11.00am

Churchill Christian Fellowship

Maple Crescent, Churchill.
Sunday: 10.00am
Ladies Meeting: Tuesday 10.00am

Reflection

By Rev. Dr. Bob Brown

AS a relatively new Minister to the Valley I am impressed by the quality of articles and coverage of events in the Churchill and District news. But sometimes when I wake up on a winter's morning to find the township enveloped in fog I sometimes wonder what the congregation of the Co-operating Churches might become if it could dispel the image of its greyness and enable the wider community to experience its energy, love and care for people. One of the things I'd like to dispel through the agency of a fairly recent film is the implied inference that the main-line Christian Churches present the view that something pleasurable must be wrong.

The French movie *Chocolat* (2000) commences with winter having descended on a small rural town in France which is controlled by the mayor of the city, Count De Reynaud. The church is cold, stark and grey, mirroring the greyness of the winter sky and a strong, icy cold wind is blowing. The mayor controls the town and the church with strict rules. He even censors and legalistically corrects the sermons of the young priest, Pere Henri so that they emphasise abstinence, before they are delivered.

Into this conservatively controlled and chilly envi-

ronment comes an outsider Vianne and her six year old daughter, both draped in red capes - colour amidst the greyness; perhaps a foretaste of the invigorating and renewing power of the Holy Spirit.

Vianne opens a chocolate shop opposite the church during the self-denying season of Lent and her wonderful chocolates work miracles of grace in the lives of the townspeople who have been locked into soul-destroying circumstances in their lives. She welcomes and gives hospitality and hope to a woman, Josephine, abused by her husband and to grandmother Armande who has been separated from her grandson by her 'holier than thou daughter'.

The chocolates Vianne dispenses are vehicles of grace. They are Vianne's gift of hope and new life. She represents a taste of what the church could be: giving gifts of grace to outsiders. It is grace expressed in hospitable gifts which transforms lives.

What do you think the story of Chocolat is saying to the Co-operating Churches in Churchill? In what ways can we move from greyness to become a real force of commitment in the community of Churchill and the surrounding district?

Please pass on your comments to the editor.

Chaplaincy Contemplations

HERE we are in November as 2006 has flashed by!

Most students are in the final stage of exams with all assignments completed. It has been a busy and demanding time for them.

Many of our Post Graduate students remain here over the summer break and continue their research.

Recently, the university held a post graduate research celebration where posters were on display about the research being done by Monash Gippsland post graduate students. It was a joy to see the richness and diversity of research happening across the campus. It is hoped this will become a yearly activity.

Refugee Week which began on 23rd October was a time to reflect on how we in Australia are welcoming those who need to come here following difficulty, destruction and desperation in the countries of their birth.

There are two parallel stories here. One story is of many people who work hard welcoming people who are refugees, helping them settle and offering support, understanding and acceptance. These people also speak out against injustice which grows out of fear. The second story is of our Federal Government claiming to represent the people through the Parliament enacting laws which are lacking in compassion and which subject refugees to prolonged incarceration which is

unnecessary and destructive to their wellbeing. Anything but a welcoming response! How do we as a nation of people who have all come to this country from somewhere else allow this state of affairs to continue?

The people who have been here for a very long time, our Indigenous population are also treated in a marginalised way with many experiencing incarceration. How do we tolerate this unfairness and social injustice? When will we be ready as a nation for true reconciliation with our Aboriginal brothers and sisters? This is something to pray about regularly, as is the issue of how we welcome refugees.

It seems that these quotations from the NRSV Bible, the Gospel of Matthew, cannot be repeated often enough.

Matthew 7:V12 The Golden Rule

In everything do to others as you would have them do to you
Matthew 11:V28-30

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

Matthew 22:V37-39

He said to him "You shall love



the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Another related issue is how we as a community welcome those from other countries who come and live here in Churchill while they undertake university studies. I know many of you are very supportive of these students. In 2007 Monash University Gippsland will be running a Friendship Program which asks people in the community to be part of the community outreach. Please read the notice below and reflect on your capacity to offer hospitality, friendship and support to the students. It is a wonderful opportunity to interact with people from other cultures and for us all to learn from each other.

I do hope many of you will apply to be part of this program.

May the Lord bless you and keep you,

Rev. Lyn Porritt, Chaplain
Monash University, Gippsland Campus

Church Snippets



JILL and Ken took our All-Age worship on the first Sunday of October. Their focus was Spring and God's wonderful creation. Instead of a sermon, there was the opportunity to feel sand and rocks, crunch walnuts, squash cheery tomatoes in our mouth, give and receive a hand massage with moisturizer provided, and enjoy the texture and grain of wood. With each of these activities we were asked to think of a Bible verse which was appropriate, or a special thought that came to mind. It made us take the time look at the wonderful features of each article.

Jill and Ken also gave us a report on their attendance at the Uniting Church Synod.

After church on Sunday 8 October, we participated in Hospitality Sunday. Hosts had several members of the congregation come to a lunch, which each person attending helped to supply. It was a time to sit and talk and further get to know each other. The general feeling about the day was very positive, with people saying we should do it more often.

Saturday Breakfast attendees this month, listened to a talk by Ruth Place, about her recent trip to Mongolia. This was illustrated by slides, and showed the contrasts in the country's areas from harsh Gobi Desert area, to more vegetated areas to the north. The slides showed the people and their lives in the capital of Ulaan Baatar, in the Gers spread widely throughout the country, to the reindeer herders of the north. It included glimpses of special geographical highlights like the huge sand dunes, to permanent ice

deep in a gorge which experiences 40 degree heat in summer, to the beautiful Lake Khovsgal area with rain drenched forests. Some of the slides showed the Tibetan Buddhist religion back in action, after Independence from Russia.

The final Saturday Breakfast for 2006 will take place on November 25. The guest speaker is still to be finalized.

The fifth Sunday of October service was the annual Winifred Kiek service run by the Ladies Fellowship. This service was written by the Queensland Unit of Australian Church Women's interchurch council. This council fosters ecumenism and undertakes action on behalf of the churches. It encourages fellowship and service across denominational and international boundaries. The offering went to the Winifred Kiek Foundation to provide a scholarship for a Christian woman to provide leadership in her own country and community. The scholarship covers fares, tuition fees, and accommodation, and is awarded annually. During the service we were treated to a delightful solo by Sandra.

A special guest at the service was Dorothy Fogarty (pictured above), an immediate past member of our church who has had to change her place of worship to Morwell (St. Luke's), due to a mobility issue. A small token of our appreciation was given to Dorothy, and a scrumptious morning tea was provided by the Ladies Fellowship. The congregation wishes Dorothy well for the future.

Pictured below: Our Church Music Group.





Drive like a hoon and loose your car

The Victorian Government recently introduced laws to put a stop to people who drive on our roads like hoons. Victoria Police officers will be able to take away cars that are driven at very high speed, or in a way that causes burnouts and doughnuts. Authorities can also impound, immobilise or forfeit a vehicle if it is involved in a speed trial, exhibits excessive noise or smoke, or is driven by a disqualified, repeat offending driver.

The laws are tough and the penalties are uncompromising.

"Hoon drivers are a menace. They're a menace to other motorists, they're a menace to pedestrians and they're a menace to residents," said Mr Holding, Minister for Police and Emergency Services.

"If you drive like a hoon, you'll get caught and you'll lose your car."

Vehicles can now be taken for 48 hours, three months or forever

First time offenders can have their vehicle impounded or immobilised for 48 hours. Second time offenders risk three months without wheels. Third time offenders may lose their vehicle forever.

Hoon drivers do not have to own the vehicle to be at risk. Vehicles can be impounded or immobilised regardless of whether the driver is the registered oper-

ator. Even if Mum owns the vehicle, it can be impounded or immobilised.

Drivers caught honing will also face prosecution under existing road safety laws.

Churchill Crime Statistics

Notified offences for September 2006:

Theft (other) - 3, Handling Stolen Goods - 2, Property Damage - 9, Theft (shoplifting) - 1, Burglary - 2 and Theft From Motor Vehicle - 2. 9 offenders were processed for reported offences in the area.

Neighbourhood Watch Meetings

Neighbourhood Watch meetings are a forum for residents to raise their concerns about crime and safety in the community. The meetings are friendly and informal. They are a great place to raise issues if you are not comfortable speaking with the police directly or don't want to 'bother' them with your concerns.

The types of concerns raised are many and various, like vandalism, car theft, burglary and traffic offences.

For more information about Neighbourhood Watch have a look at the website: www.neighbourhood-watch.com.au. Neighbourhood Watch meetings re held on the third Thursday of the month at the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre at 7.30pm. Come and join us on Thursday 16th November.

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Door Prize & Novelties

Please bring a plate

For more details please ring Zelma Mildenhall on 5166 1264



New Retail Construction for Churchill?



By Margaret Guthrie, President

RESIDENTS entering the FoodWorks foyer may have noticed a large sign on the glass entranceway. It is a Notice of an Application for a Planning Permit to upgrade and extend the existing FoodWorks supermarket premises.

The proposed plan would increase the supermarket floor space by over 1000 sq metres through a rear extension to McDonald Way. Some trees will need to be removed for this construction. The liquor department would be enlarged by a small proportion and the hairdressing salon would make way for further supermarket space.

The rear extension would mean that large delivery trucks no longer have to reverse from Marina Parade into the loading bay. Instead, they will be able to drive straight in.

Several notices have also been posted around the West Place shopping area advising residents that another Application for a Planning Permit has been lodged with Latrobe City to redevelop this part of our central business district.

This proposal includes new shops and/or offices, another supermarket, and the replace-

ment of existing retail premises, such as the bank, post office, laundromat and veterinary surgery, with new sites for these businesses. The plans also include provision for 2 take-away businesses (pizza and fish and chips) and a hotel.

A new building constructed along the eastern side of the central car park would see shops facing towards Monash Way, with a lower level facing onto Marina Parade. A bicycle facility with lockers and change rooms would also be part of this development. Marina Parade would also have proper bus bays erected, so as not to impede traffic flow.

The central car park would be extended, with pedestrian pavements and crossings included. The 'dog leg' on Georgina Place would disappear. West Place itself would be partially demolished, and the new building would be sited on the southern car park presuming Council agrees to sell this land to the developer.

Latrobe City Council owns the southern car park (between Balfour Place and West Place), and, at a recent Council meeting, agreed to sell, but only if Council approves the proposed development.

Copies of both applications are available for public perusal at the reception area at Council's Corporate Headquarters in Commercial Road, Morwell.

Residents can make written submissions to Council on either of these planning proposals. A submission may take the form of an objection, or it can be favourable to the development.

Closing dates for submissions in regard to the FoodWorks development (4th Nov) and the West Place proposal (10th Nov) may have passed by the time you read this, but you can still contact the Planning Section of Council to lodge a late submission.

Residents can also contact our Ward Councillor, Darrell White, to make your opinions known, prior to Council making a decision on whether to issue either of these planning permits.

Meantime, the application for a planning permit to redevelop the former Churchill Hotel/Motel site for a Safeway supermarket, which was refused by Council, is listed for a hearing at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) in December. Fabcot Pty Ltd, the subsidiary company of Woolworths propos-

ing to construct the supermarket, has appealed Council's decision to refuse the permit.

If VCAT overturns Council's decision, and Council approves the proposed West Place development, Safeway might have a choice of premises in Churchill!

Residents are invited to make their views on these developments, and any other issues affecting Churchill and district, known to CDCA by contacting me on 5122 2997, or the Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602 or by writing to P O Box 191, Churchill.

Meantime, all residents of Churchill and district are invited to join us in West Place on Saturday 2 December for the annual Churchill Community Christmas Market and Celebration. This year promises to be lots of fun, with live entertainment, clowns, balloons, face-painting, piñatas, raffles, stalls and more.

CDCA meets in the 'Grubb Shack' (formerly the Churchill Noodle Bar) Meeting Room at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12 December. All local residents are welcome to attend CDCA meetings.

Yinnar South - Community Fun Day

We held a Yinnar South **Community Fun Day** on Sunday 22nd October.

It was a fantastic success. It was great to see past and present community members, students and staff enjoying the food, stalls and music.

Brendan Jenkins unveiled a plaque to commemorate the refurbishment of the hall and thanked the Yinnar South Community for their hard work and dedication.

Thanks to everyone involved.



Art Room News

Students in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 are working on some very impressive Environment 3D Collages and Diorama.

They are using a variety of natural and man-made materials to create interesting tex-

tures to represent various environments.

You will be able to see these displayed at the Art Show.

Grades Prep, 1, 2 have also followed the Environment theme, they have been working on some of our smaller creatures, and have made cocoons, caterpillars, spider webs and mini bugs.

Some of these items have gone home, but if you get the chance pop into the art room to see the fabulous cocoon tree!

This tree, with some of their other creations, will also be on display at the Art Show.



Congratulations also to Matt

Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to Chase and Cohen, who participated in the Zone Sports for the Victorian Primary School Sports association in Long Jump and Shot Put.

Chase came 1st in long jump in his age group with a jump of 4.20 metres and Cohen came second in his age-group.

Congratulations to both boys.

Congratulations to Matt

A big congratulation to our quiet achiever Matthew .

On the 15th of October Matt went to Box Hill City Archers to compete and came 1st with 809 points winning by 3 points. There were 5 cub boy compound in his age group.

Well done Matt we are very proud of your efforts

All grade 5/6 children are working on Movie Making at the moment following a presentation by Brad, Amber, Brenton and Oscar about their involvement in the Snapshot Multi - Media project.

We have been fortunate to be able to borrow a movie camera from Churchill Primary School.



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Safety Club

Our senior students are really becoming excellent leaders and putting a great deal of effort into making our school a safe, happy place of learning.



Senior students from Safety Club

Mirboo North 2006 State Athletics

The final progression of the school athletics has culminated in a stunning display of physical prowess at this year's State Athletics. For our part we had some excellent results.

Sam Quirk, our amazingly gifted long distance runner has managed to beat his

girl's shot put, which was an outstanding effort considering the competition she was up against. Well done!

Our star of the day though was definitely Emma Lardner in the U14 girls long jump who gained 3rd place with a jump of 4:42m and also a 6th place in the



Caitlyn Irwin, Emma Lardner and Sam Quirk

personal best time in the 1500m to come 5th, just 10 seconds behind the winner! With a time of 4:48min, this was clearly one of the most competitive fields of the day.

Caitlyn Irwin came 6th in the U14

triple jump. A great result for a determined all round athlete!

Well done guys and a special thanks to their parents for taking them to the event.

Churchill Primary School

Dress Up Day

The students participated in a dress up day on Thursday 19th October. There were some weird and wonderful characters wandering around the school. The Grades 3-6 dressed up as their favourite book character, while the Preps-2, who are currently studying the Fairy Tales, dressed up as a fairy tale character.



New Principal

The school is proceeding with business as usual, under the leadership of the great principal team of Sue Davis and Jeff Curwood, as the process for choosing a new principal gets under way. The position will be advertised soon. Sue report proudly that the staff are putting in a great effort and being very supportive.

E Learning Grant

The Commonwealth Bank has recognised the fantastic work being carried out with the senior classes producing environmental documentaries, and has awarded the school \$5000 to continue this work. The grant has been used to purchase 2 digital video cameras and an interactive whiteboard.

Community Flower Garden

As you walk down the corridor of the main building, you will see an increasing number of flowers and bugs hanging up with names on. These names are of people who help make the school a great place. The students made the flowers and bugs after discussing a way to acknowledge the large number of people who help and support the school. Is your name there?

WorkSafe Kids

In Term 2 a group of students attended the Worksafe KIDS field day at Lumen Christi which led to a Worksafe KIDS Safety Club has being formed at Churchill Primary School, to guide the school community on issues of child safety and injury prevention.

Each year approximately 350 Australian children aged 0-14 are killed and 60,000 hospitalised by unintentional injuries, often referred to as accidents.

Many of these are preventable. The Safety Club assists schools, teachers and students to identify and manage hazards in their school environment.

The Churchill Primary School Safety Club has recently completed a safety check of the school. A safety book is placed at the office so students and teachers can enter any hazards within the school environment that they have noticed.

As a follow on to the safety audit, the school ran a "Think Safe, Play Safe" day, where they aimed to have no injuries for the whole day. Yellow is the colour of caution, so for \$1 the children could buy a yellow Paddle Pop.

The monies raised are to be put to the purchase of safety equipment for the school and to make a donation towards the KIDS foundation that are responsible for sending burns survivors on camps and improving their quality of life.

Boolarra Primary School



Boolarra Bike Ed Team

More Bike Riding Success!

RECENTLY our Bike Ed team competed in the Gippsland regional final where they placed 2nd, which qualifies them to compete at the state wide final later this term.

We are extremely grateful to the coordinating teacher Ms Tina Larrad, and Ms Jenny Dowsett for all the time and effort they put in to this valuable program. Many parents also provided a great deal of assistance with Bike Ed, in particular Ian Fox who has regularly trained and assisted our team.

Camping / Outdoor Education Program

This term our P/1/2s had their major excursion to Traralgon Little Theatre to see "Who Sank the Boat", which they thoroughly enjoyed.

The grade 3/4 students also recently headed off to Allambee camp. They were going to Woorabinda but unfortunately it was not available due to fire damage. Our grade 5/6s will also experience an urban camp in Melbourne.

A great deal of work goes towards planning and arranging these experiences to ensure that they are enriching and stimulating for our students whilst keeping the costs for parents as low as possible. This year our fundraising team did such a superb job that every student at the school received a \$13:50 discount on the cost of their camp (and the P/1/2 students received it too for their recent "Who Sank the Boat?" excursion).

Later this term we will review our outdoor / camping education program as transport expenses and our reduced student numbers are making it harder to keep the costs down. Every effort will still be made to ensure that our students can access a camp program as the social growth, maturity, independence and increased confi-

dence that develops from such experiences is invaluable. Anyone with any ideas that might help with our review would be most welcome to pass them on either by phoning the school on 51696471 or calling in person to see me (Leanne Emond).

Lawn Bowls

Our grade 5/6 students are delighted to have the opportunity to try their hand at lawn bowls this term. We are very grateful to the Boolarra Bowling Club for arranging this exciting new experience for our students.

Clubs Program

Students from grade 2 to 6 are enjoying participating in an enrichment program provided by parents and staff for an hour each Friday. Some of the clubs operating are cooking, scrap-booking, board games, robotics and nature walks.



Scrapbooking Club

Churchill Primary School - Pictures



Churchill North

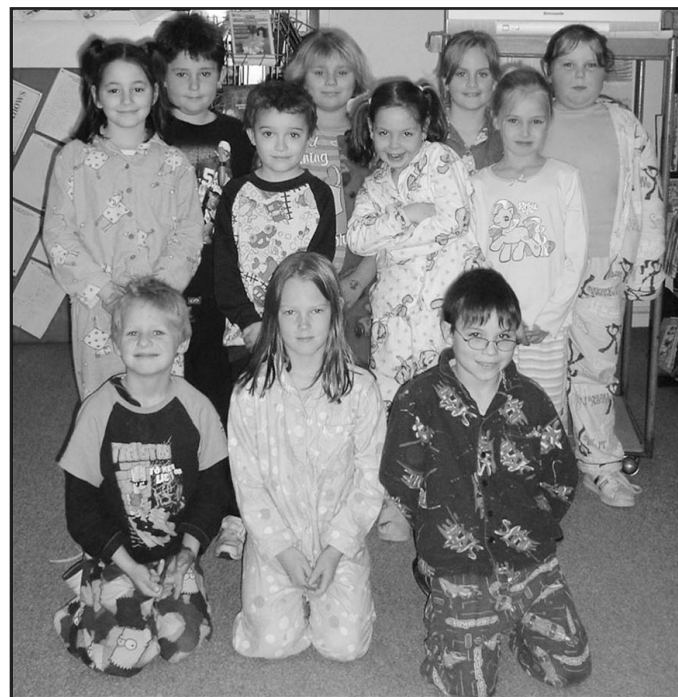
Pyjama and Video Day

ON the last day of term 3 we had a pyjama and video day. Students were asked to donate a gold coin for coming to

next week, Friday 3rd. November.

Amphitheatre

On Wednesday 25th October the long awaited completion and official opening



Pyjama and Video Day in Term 3

school out of uniform. We only had one little hitch with the power going off just as everyone was getting ready to watch their video. Lucky enough the power returned during recess which gave the students time to watch their movie. Many thanks to the families who supported our Pyjama and Video Day on the last day of last term. We raised \$78.00 towards the purchase of a set of soccer shorts for our soccer team.

Gippspell

Four of our students competed in the Regional Spelling Competition, Zone Final held at Lavalla Catholic College in Traralgon on Thursday September 14. This was the first time we had students at this competition and they did a fantastic job of representing our school.

All Day Every Day

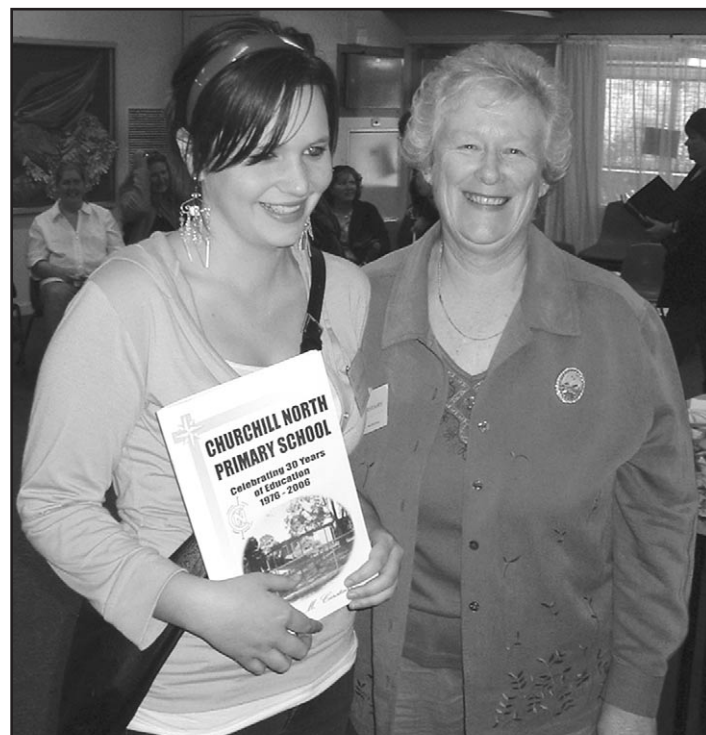
Our school is focusing on students being at school every day and arriving on time. Our "All Day Every Day" photo for this week is of children from Grade 1 / 2 D. These lucky boys and girls have enjoyed the past couple of weeks with Mrs Erica Judkins, a Monash University training teacher, working with them in their classroom. Erica will continue to work in the classroom until the end of

of our school Amphitheatre was held. The students were at the opening where the P/1s sang a song from last terms production. Our art teacher, Mrs Algie, put a lot of work into the planning, preparation and construction of the new addition to the school. The students' artwork looks fantastic and we are sure that coming into the warmer months the Amphitheatre will be well used.

Celebrating 30 Years

On Wednesday 25th October the school officially celebrated its 30th Birthday with a book launch showing the school's history. Mrs Roz Carstairs spent many months searching for material and photos to compile the history of the school. Mrs Carstairs was present at the launch to sign copies of the book. Past principals, teachers, other members of the staff and students were at the school to help celebrate this milestone. Our visitors were given a tour of the school, a lovely afternoon tea, and time to catch up with old colleagues and friends.

**CONGRATULATIONS
CHURCHILL NORTH
PRIMARY SCHOOL
ON REACHING 30!!!**



Mrs Roz Carstairs author of the 30th Year Book with a past student

Ex Local Returns to Old Stomping Ground to Determine the Direction of Education

ANTHONY Rodaughan has commenced as the new Kurnai College Principal. That means he is Principal of the three campuses- GEP, Morwell and Churchill. He is very happy to be at Kurnai, and looks forward to exploring his role; a role which will surely be influenced by his training as a drama teacher, who enjoys theatricals, as his photo shows!

Anthony was born in Maffra, and lived near Heyfield, on a dairy farm. He attended school in Heyfield at St. Michaels, and Sale at St. Pats. From there he went to university and gained a degree in Drama and Language and Literacy.

In his second year of teaching in 1985, he was appointed to Kurnai College Churchill. It was Kurnai's foundation year. He set up the drama program and their first musical was performed in the Hexagon at Monash. Five musicals were presented in the seven years he was at Kurnai.

Anthony said he found the school under the leadership of Les Mayes, an exciting and innovative place, with lots of young staff, some of whom are still there. Anthony has enjoyed catching up with them after his time away.

During his time at Kurnai, Anthony played football for Churchill in the Latrobe Valley League. He coached the Reserves, and was Assistant Coach to Kevin Neille. It was a great time, he said. Darrell White was President, and it was a good club, where he made lots of friends.

His Vice Captain was Graham Harvey who is now head of Gippsland Group Training in the Gippsland Education Precinct [GEP] partnership.

From Churchill, Anthony transferred to Maffra Secondary College for ten years. Three years of that ten were spent in Brunei at the Jerudong International School. Anthony, his wife Jenna and their two eldest children, Alexander and Louis, spent exciting and interesting time there. Anthony was in charge of drama, and was able to do great things as money was no object. Anthony says it was a surreal experience, with huge budget opportunities.

Did he meet the Sultan? Yes! And he had one of the Princes in his class!

It was an awesome time with exciting travel opportunities to Asia and Europe. He says that it was a time when he learnt a lot, and they grew together as a family. There were times of struggle being so far from family and Australia, but it was an experience not to be missed.

Another eighteen months was spent at Maffra Secondary College before Anthony was appointed as Assistant Principal at Yarram Secondary

College. A short time later, he took up the position of Acting Principal, before being appointed permanently. He has been Principal at Yarram for four years.

Yarram Secondary College has undergone lots of changes, with funding grants, and has been recognised as a high achieving college.

At the beginning of 2006, Anthony was seconded to the Innovation Branch where new ideas and teaching pedagogies are trialled, tested, developed and evaluated. He participated in a case study of the Leading Schools Program Innovation teaching program. He has seen excit-

ing teaching practices across the state, made good contacts and gleaned good ideas to apply to Kurnai. Already he has organised visits to schools, and will continue to show staff what is happening at other secondary colleges.

Anthony's flavour of leadership style is on learning- learning for students, teachers and all the secondary college community. He wants everyone to have the opportunity to learn more about teaching and learning.

He requires of his staff a commitment to con-

tinual learning as a prime focus.

He acknowledges that the GEP is an exciting place, but is just as passionate about the two junior campuses, saying they are of equal importance.

At present he is working with the other partners in the GEP, [Monash, Gippsland Group Training and TAFE] to put together special pilot courses for the students, which will take advantage of the unique opportunities that having the partners together in one venue afford. The concept will be developed over the coming years to deliver a unique educational product. For exam-

ple, students can come to Kurnai and complete Year 11 and 12 in set subjects and then move to TAFE, using credits gained to complete a Diploma Certificate, then continue on to Monash to do a degree course. With stepping on and off places along the way, it will allow students to mix and match to gain the maximum opportunities available, for the maximum benefit.

The GEP will become a one-stop shop for students and employers because the GEP will stay in tune with what employer's needs will be.

As well as benefits for students, there will be benefits for parents who can be anxious about their child's educational opportunities. This framework can lead to apprenticeships and/or further study. It allows doors to remain open to pursue the students further chosen pathways, or alternative pathways. It gives flexibility of options and directions.

One of the main jobs on the agenda for Anthony is the launching of the new four-year strategic plan. There has already been much consultation with parents, teachers and students. The plan will develop a positive learning community- a place for everyone,

where everyone will belong, a place where there is support for everyone academically, socially, emotionally, physically and spiritually.

The college's vision is aim high, work to the ideals which are set, so that the students receive the best education and care they can.

Anthony says the State Government is investing heavily in education which is a good thing, because students in the State system are entitled to the very best.

Anthony is committed to social justice and education as the best way to break the cycle, and for people to realise they can change their circumstances and fulfil their aspirations and dreams.



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Kurnai College Churchill

Alpine School Applicants

TO date, six students have put in applications to attend the Alpine School for Term 2 in 2007. The students- six girls are being considered along with all other nominations from across the State. The results will be known shortly. As part of their application, the students must work on a community project. The girls have chosen healthier lifestyles, as their subject. Teacher Andrew Frost is supporting the girls as liaison and organising teacher.

Scienceworks Excursion

The students from Year 8 went on an excursion to Scienceworks. One highlight was the Light Show. It was

described as an electrifying experience. They also participated in Super Sleuth, an activity which supplied clues so that a crime could be solved- finding the missing microchip!

They raced against Cathie Freeman, and other did other sports orientated activities to test strength, agility, reflexes and speed.

A very interesting insight was gained by looking behind the scenes in an ordinary household.

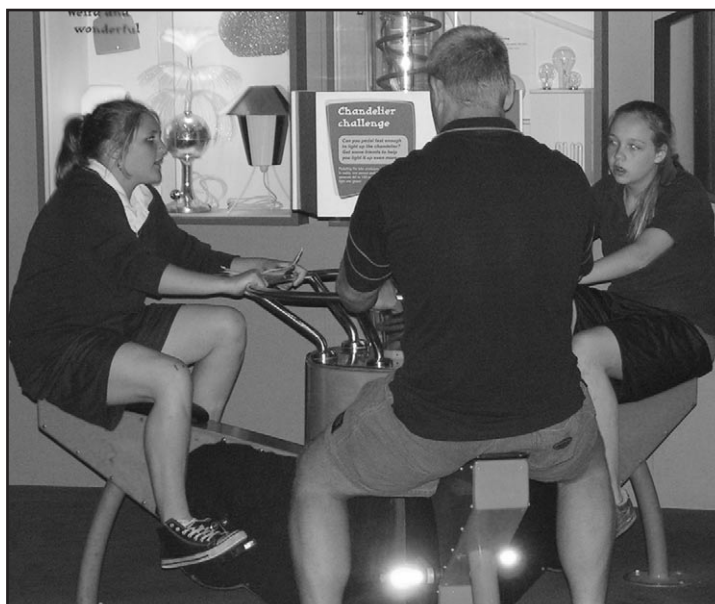
The pupils were extremely well behaved and reported that they had had loved it and had a great day! It was COOL they said! Thanks go to Mr. Chandler for organising it.

New College Uniforms

The college council has approved the detailed statement about the new uniform.

Starting in 2007, it will be compulsory for new year 7's, and then gradually introduced to the whole school, in successive years.

The uniform includes a white polycotton shirt and navy blue trousers for boys or girls, while retaining the previous girl's dress and skirt. The jumper remains, with an added polar fleece vest and a polar fleece jacket, all with college logo. This smart new



uniform also requires black leather shoes. Optional extras are a tie and blazer for official occasions, to be worn by leaders, but open to all students to wear.

Head Start

This is a program that is to be introduced to all year levels. Students will embark early on their next year's, studies. The program is designed to absorb the downtime at the end of the year during report writing time, but when they are still at school. It will enable students to start 2007 focused from the day one.

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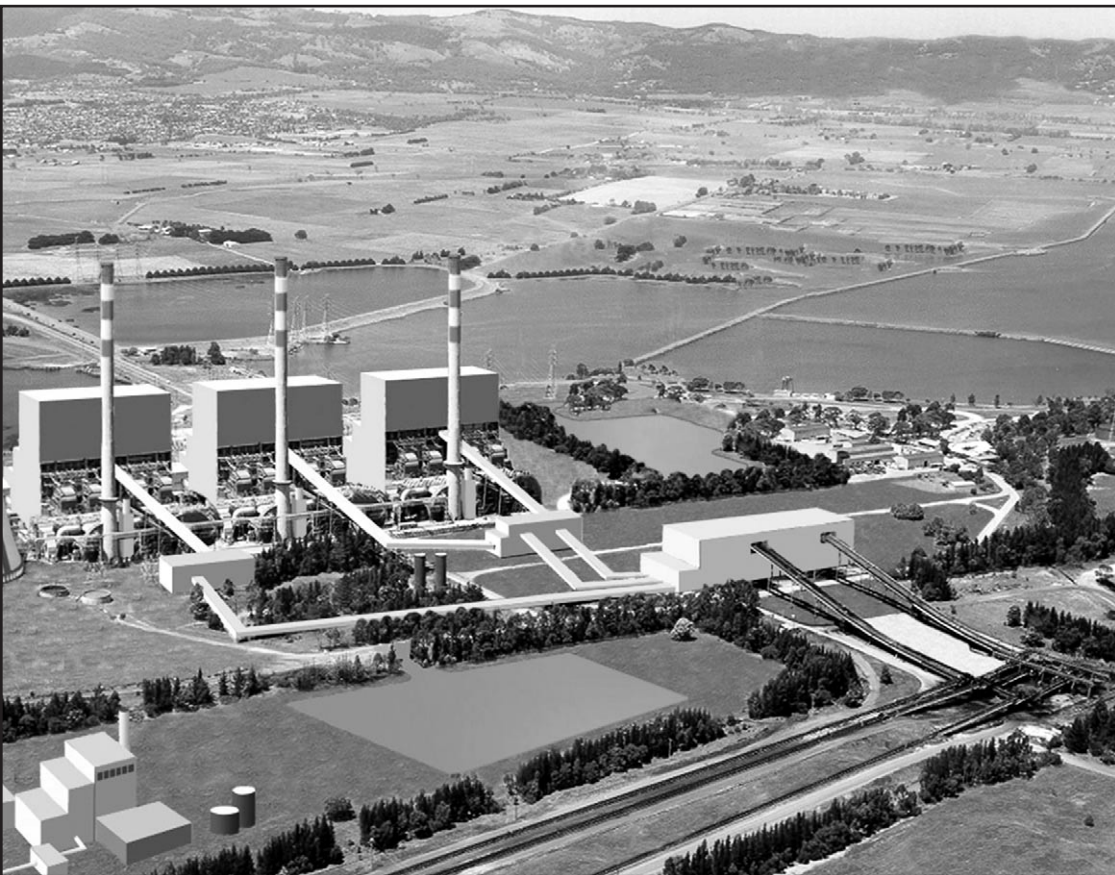
Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.30pm

Saturday 8.30am - 1.00pm

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Churchill

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Clean Coal Project Awarded Funding

International Power Australia (IPRA) today warmly welcomed the announcement that it will receive \$80 million in Federal (\$50 million) and Victorian (\$30 million) Government funding to develop an innovative retro-fit low emission technology project at its 1,600 megawatt brown coal-fired Hazelwood Power Station in the Latrobe Valley.

The coal drying demonstration phase of the project, to be completed by the end of 2009, will see state-of-the-art technology fitted to one of Hazelwood's 200 megawatt generating units to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by an estimated 30 per cent.

The Hazelwood 2030 project also includes an Australian first carbon dioxide capture scheme which is expected to be operational by early 2008.

IPRA Regional Managing Director Mr Tony Concannon said that the low emission and carbon capture and sequestration technologies had the potential to reduce car-

bon dioxide emissions by over 80 per cent from brown coal power stations in the longer term.

Mr Concannon praised the Federal and Victorian Governments' clean coal funding initiatives. "The funding provides a material incentive to stimulate technological solutions which have a very real prospect of achieving significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions," he said.

"The Latrobe Valley has more than 500 years of brown coal reserves and the funding schemes offered by both Governments will help to ensure that this resource continues to be used hence preserving its significant economic advantage to Victoria and Australia delivering relatively low energy prices."

The Hazelwood project will draw on the expertise of internationally recognized leader in low emission coal technology and plant integration, Alstom, and a complex fluidised bed coal drying technology being developed by RWE of Germany. The technological solu-

tion will be tailored for Australian conditions.

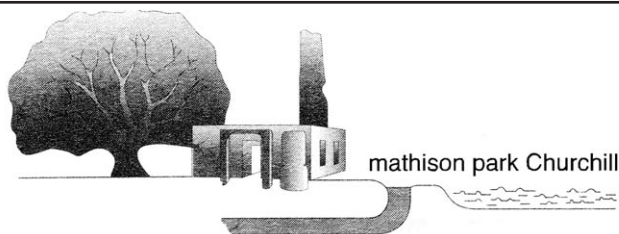
The greenhouse gas capture technology will use a process devised by the Cooperative

Centre for Greenhouse Gas Technologies and the Process Group.

The Hazelwood 2030 demonstration project will provide useful experience, which can be used for other retrofit projects, including greenhouse gas capture and storage, for both black and brown coal-fired power plant in Australia and overseas.

With Federal and State funding, the total project cost for the demonstration plant is estimated at \$369 million, with \$289 million contributed by Hazelwood.

IPRA is preparing to finalise arrangements with the Federal and State Governments and the main suppliers, with the aim of starting work on the project in the first half of 2007.



Mathison Park New Play Equipment Installed

Another very good working saw the cleaning up of the area closest to Mackeys Road where the play equipment and picnic tables are located, and further east where the barbecue shelter provides a pleasant place to eat and take in the lazy views across Lake Hyland.

A new piece of play equip-

ment has been installed - a see-saw, and we hope many children will enjoy this as they visit the area. It is a great place to come and relax and enjoy the setting. A toilet is situated nearby, making it an excellent venue for a picnic or barbecue.



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Darren Devlin: Firefighter of the Year

Churchill Fire Brigade Annual Presentation Night

By RON BENNETT

Churchill Urban Fire Brigade held their Twenty Ninth Annual Presentation Night. Darren Devlin was awarded Firefighter of the Year (Darren McLean Memorial Award) with Josh Hawkins being awarded Rookie of the Year. Robert Langston was awarded Most Consistent, Shane Renwick the Captains Trophy and Encouragement Awards went to Adam Bielby, Russel Gallagher and Shane Renwick.

The "Special Man" Award went to Shane Renwick Brigade Service Award for 5 Years service was awarded to Greame Renwick. Steven Barling received the CFA Service award for 20 years service and Ronald Bennet received the award for 30 years service.

Special Awards - Pumping & Efficiency

Darren Devlin, Ben Randall were presented with the 2 Man Marshall Award.

Pumper & Tanker Efficiency Awards went to:

Pumper Crew	Tanker Crew
Adam Bielby	Greame Renwick
Russel Gallagher	Shane Renwick
Chris Gallagher	Darren Devlin
Ron Bennett	Ben Randall

Andrew Thompson Lindsay Bevis

It was a good night that was well attended by our brigade and fellow brigades around the area, with an enjoyable meal and service provided by the Football Club.

First Lieutenant Darlene Parkinson and her helpers did an excellent job setting up the venue for the night and must be congratulated as this helped to make the night the success it was.

All the award recipients are to be congratulated for achievements and for all the hard work and long hours all the members have put into the brigade over the past year, especially over the last couple of weeks. We still maintained a home fire service as well as sending a number of crews into the Morwell Open Cut fire.

Fire restrictions came into effect in Gippsland at 1 am on Monday 30 October. I cannot remember fire restrictions coming in so early in my 30 years in the Brigade. This is a sign of a bad fire season ahead and the need for the public to be vigilant with fire.



National Seniors Association Christmas Get Together

The Gippsland Branch of the National Seniors Association has decided to hold a Christmas Get Together on Wednesday 15 November at the Royal Exchange Hotel, Princes Highway, Traralgon.

The starting time is 6.30pm and all are welcome. For more information please ring Lorna on 0427 924

394, Chris on 5148 2091 or Janet on 5133 9854.

Please note that food and drinks will be at your own expense. There will be no meeting in December.



Suicide

Suicide has often been a word and topic that is unspoken in our community and is surrounded by stigma, misunderstanding and fear. The challenge for us all is to bring this word into our everyday language, to get used to saying it, and to accept that suicide is a human condition which cannot be ignored any longer.

Lifeline Gippsland understands that one of the most important factors in suicide prevention is the ability to communicate openly about the emotional pain the person is experiencing.

It is essential to remind people that if they are confronted by a friend or loved one who says that they are feeling so low they are considering ending their life, action must be taken to keep the person safe. Something must be done to assess their level of suicidality. Even if you only gather from their comments and actions that they may be suicidal, it is time to get help. If they won't go for help themselves, these are some of the options.

The helper or friend should go and seek help themselves. This help could be obtained from your local GP, Community Health Centre, Mental Health Centre or phone Lifeline 13 11 14 which is available day or night. Be guided by their suggestions and ensure that action is taken to help the potentially suicidal person.

Consider enlisting the support of friends or family members who may be able to influence the potentially suicidal person to seek help.

Do not leave the suicidal person alone. Seek other help to stay with the person.

Lifeline Gippsland responds to people at risk of suicide as well as those bereaved by suicide on a regular basis.

By calling 13 11 14 you can speak to a trained counsellor about your concerns for your own or someone else's safety, or talk about the impact suicide has had in your life.

Lifeline Gippsland also provides a Suicide Crisis Support Program for people at risk of suicide. The program involves the person at risk having one-on-one telephone counselling with a specially trained Lifeline counsellor, for up to eight weeks. The program aims to assist people to stay safe, develop coping strategies and reconnect with their community.

People who have completed the program say that what they appreciated most was knowing that someone cares about them, being able to talk openly about their feelings, and having regular contact with a counsellor.

Lifeline Gippsland has information and support packs for people at risk of suicide and those who are supporting someone at risk, or who are bereaved by suicide. To have a support pack mailed to you please contact Lifeline Gippsland on 5134 8278. These kits will also soon be available from all libraries located in the Latrobe City Shire. For the location of libraries in the Latrobe City area please contact Latrobe City on 1300 367 700 or access the council web site at www.latrobe.vic.gov.au. You do not need to be a member of the library to get a copy of the support pack.

If you or someone you know are having thoughts of suicide you can speak to a counsellor by calling 13 11 14. If you would like to know more about Lifeline Gippsland's Suicide Crisis Support Program, please call the office on 5134 8278.

Gemstones, Jewellery and Collectables Expo

The Morwell Lapidary Club Inc and the Gippsland Bottles and Collectables Club Inc will be hosting the Gemstones, Jewellery And Collectables Expo on Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 November 2006 at Kernot Hall in Morwell.

This popular event attracts collectors from Australia wide to buy and sell their wares. You can see gemstones being polished and stones being faceted to fit jewellery. The expo will feature sales and displays of thousands of different items collected over many years. For example, jewellery, collectables, gemstones, antique bottles, fossils, old tins, old radios, crystals, glassware, ephemera, swap cards, coins, stamps, whisky items, old dolls, old teddy bears, comics, postcards, lapidary supplies, old tools, breweriana, model cars, miniatures, china, crystals, faceted stones, statues, old

books, old toys, postcards, fluorescence displays, minerals, wire rapping, bottle openers, corkscrews and much more.

Free antique appraisals will be conducted on both days of the expo. This is an ideal opportunity to find out about the old things that you may have collecting dust in the cupboard or shed for countless years. There is no limit to the items you can present for appraisal. Refreshments will be available in the fully air-conditioned hall, or have a picnic at Kernot Lake beside the hall.

Admission is \$5 for Adults and \$4 for Seniors. Children under 16 years accompanied by an adult are free. Free show bags will be available at the door.

For more information and enquires please telephone Wally Weston on 5127 6548 or Trevor Pickering on 5134 1250.

Type II Diabetes Information Program

Latrobe Community Health Service Inc. (LCHS) will be conducting a 2 week evening information program for people newly diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes and those seeking an update in information.

A Diabetes Educator and a Dietitian will host the sessions.

The sessions will be conducted in the

community room at the Moe LCHS Centre, 42-44 Fowler St. Moe, on Wednesday 22nd and 29th November 2006 from 7pm - 9pm.

Cost: \$10.

Bookings are essential.

Enquires and bookings to LCHS Moe, Tel: 5127-9100






Churchill & District Community Association
Presents
The Annual Churchill Community Christmas Market & Celebration
Saturday 2nd December
9am - 1pm
West Place (Commonwealth Bank Plaza), Churchill
Live Music by Celtic Rhythm Band
Santa, Clowns, Piñatas, Balloon Sculpture, Face Painting
Stalls, Raffles, Sausage Sizzle, Drinks
School Performances
For more information or to book a stall, contact Bev or Rob on 5122 3602

Lions Club Of Churchill & District What A Month!

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity

Due to a slight "hiccup" last month there was no Lions column. All has been fixed and here is the last two months in one.

The Camp Quality esCarpade crew set off for 6 days on the road after a major promotion involving the Camp Quality Puppets visits to local schools and a motorcade through the valley. The new vehicle performed fabulously with no problems.

We will be supporting the Junior Fishing Competition with a sausage sizzle and an array of prizes for the competitors at Lake Hyland again this year. The event is on 11th November.

Our Club is organising the CITIZEN OF THE YEAR Award in both adult and youth sections again this year. If you know of a worthy recipient or recipients and would like to nominate them for this award, fill in the form in this issue and post it to reach us before the closing date. Last year Eric and Dot Rowley won the adult section and schoolboy Tyson Webb won the junior section. Winners will be presented at the Australia Day Celebration in January 2007. Better hurry as nominations close FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER.

Catering performed - Bunnings Sept 10, Oct 7, Oct 8; Barry Sheene motorcade of riders to Phillip Island; Computer Show (Traralgon 17th Sept); LV Express Expo.

Two members, Lions Bob Lowick and John Barker, took part in a 6 day camp at Ace Hi for Camp Quality children. They took part in various activities at the camp - flying fox, giant swing, climbing wall, horse riding, art and craft, discos, movie nights to name just a few. There was also a Medieval Day dress-up and activities as well as a day off site. A great time was had by all. Transport was very generously provided by Monash University and the bus was driven by Lion, John Lee.

The 201V3 District Convention was held at Bairnsdale and 5 members took part. Lion Peter McShane was voted in as the District Governor 2007-2008.

Lion John Barker attended a "thank you" at Churchill Primary School for the club's involvement in school improvements.

Lion John Lee represented our club at the Fire Brigade Annual Awards Dinner.

Projects in hand - Letters to Santa through the schools; Awards to junior school students; Junior

Fishing Competition (11th Nov); Christmas Cakes; Christmas Trees (10th Dec).

Donations made - Walkley Park Children's Centre; Adventure Park Children's Outing; Lions Drug Awareness Foundation; National Stroke Foundation.

The Lions Birthday Club, sponsored and run through the Churchill & District News by our Lions Club, is a great hit. Ellis Hayes Hills and Tayla Smith were each the happy Birthday Club recipients of a \$15 voucher for September and Breanna Lamont and Jed Mudge were each the happy Birthday Club recipients last month. All children in Churchill and surrounding areas under 12 years of age are eligible to join. Make sure your child is registered - just follow the instructions in the Lions Birthday Club list published each month in the Churchill News. WE NEED MORE MEMBERS.

To all the families in our great community of Churchill and surrounding district, we thank you for your support. Need to contact us? Our address is The Secretary, Lions Club of Churchill and District, PO Box 110, CHURCHILL 3842

Pictured: The motorcade of 800 arrives and were ably catered for by Lions and Lionesses



Extend the hand of friendship to international students

Volunteer for the Monash International Student Friendship Program and gain a culturally enriching experience and the opportunity to make a difference to the lives of our international students.

As part of this program, you will help provide friendship and support to an international student, as well as information on community resources and opportunities for participation in local community events.

Help us to help our international visitors feel part of the Gippsland community.

For more information or to join our volunteer team, please contact Community Services Phone: (03) 5122 6425
Email: community.services.gippsland@adm.monash.edu.au

Please note: All volunteers will be interviewed and screened for suitability including a police check and training will be provided.



Churchill Senior Citizens Club

The Churchill Senior Citizens are SENIOR IN YEARS BUT STILL FULL OF FUN!!!! For more information contact Eric on 51221422 or Bonnie on 51221575 They would love to hear from you!

How about joining them?

State Election 2006

Questions put to candidates from the major parties

The Churchill and District News asked four questions of the candidates from the major parties, Stephen Parker from the Liberals, Jeff Wrathall from the Greens, Brendan Jenkins from Labour and Russell Northe from the Nationals.

Below are the questions we asked and the replies are over on pages 12 and 13

Education

There is a desperate shortage of support staff

in Latrobe Valley Schools. Will you and how will you address this problem?

Health

Latrobe Regional Hospital (LRH) has been recognised as Victoria's top regional health service. However, Victoria's public healthcare sector has warned that rural hospitals and community health services won't be able to maintain the current range of services provided to the communi-

ty (Latrobe Valley Express 14/8/2006). How will the current level of services be maintained in the face of increasing demand?

Water

The Eastern Water Recycling Proposal has the potential to free up fresh water in Gippsland. Do you support the program? If so, how can we be sure that the water will not be used solely to top up Melbourne's water supplies rather than

secure Gippsland's future water needs. If not, how will Gippsland's future water needs be met?

Police

Despite a decrease in the crime rate in Victoria as a whole, the Latrobe Valley has shown an increase. How will this problem be addressed?

Stephen Parker

Liberal Party

Education

The Liberals believe successful and prosperous societies are judged by the quality of their education systems and I believe Latrobe Valley children deserve an education of the highest standards.

One of the best ways to address the shortage of support staff in our schools is to tap into the knowledge and skills of retired or semi-retired teachers, in particular to help out with literacy and numeracy programs.

The Liberals will make sure the money Labor is currently pouring into advertising, waste and PR is put into better schools and education for our future leaders and this includes more support staff.

Health

The Liberals recognise the need for more doctors and medical practitioners in country Victoria and will dedicate \$48 million to attract and retain doctors in country Victoria.

We will do this by funding 40 new medical

degree scholarships a year for country Victoria and attract more doctors to country Victoria by recruiting 150 doctors from interstate and overseas.

By eliminating the hundreds of millions Labor currently spends on advertising, PR and spin we will have more money to plough into vital services, such as better healthcare for Latrobe Valley people.

Water

Every effort should be made to use treated wastewater where possible and Melbourne's water should be treated at the Eastern Water Treatment Plant.

Water should be treated to A class standard at the Eastern Treatment Plan to be used in Gippsland's power and paper industries.

Recently released figures from Melbourne Water show less than one per cent of Melbourne's waste water is recycled which is disgraceful.

The Liberals would only support clean water being sent to Melbourne if Gippsland had all the

water it needed and there was some left over.

Police

The Latrobe Valley police are doing a great job, but they're being crippled by a shortage of frontline police.

One of the main reasons for an increase in crime is the lack of a visible police presence. Because of the police shortage, police are simply reacting to crimes after they've happened - not preventing them.

The Liberals believe we need more frontline police out on the beat and in the streets, deterring potential criminal activity.

To do this, we will ensure an increased community and police bike patrols, increased foot patrols in shopping centres and more divvy van patrols in residential streets and regular problem areas.

Where possible, we'll also implement the use of security surveillance cameras in crime hot spots linked to local police stations.

To get more police back on the beat and not



stuck behind their desks filling out paperwork, we'll make sure police have the latest technology to reduce paperwork through an upgrade of IT equipment and software including networking, database linking and electronic document handling and storage.

The Liberals are committed to providing the safe community Latrobe Valley people deserve.

The Greens Jeff Wrathall

Education

Education should not be regarded as a cost but as an investment. There is clearly a need for greater levels of funding for teaching and support staff in Latrobe Valley schools. This funding should be provided as a matter of urgency.

The Victorian Greens believe that education is a human right and public good. We believe that a quality education system promotes equality, social justice and economic well-being, and that it is the responsibility of the State to provide a fully funded and resourced public education system, including pre-school education.

We value and promote the work of educators, and are committed to providing innovative, student focused learning environments. We recognise the constraints and difficulties of doing so, given current funding levels for preschools, government schools and TAFE that are the lowest of all Australian states. The Victorian Greens will continue to strongly advocate for fair and equitable access to high quality, lifelong education opportunities throughout Victoria.

The Victorian Greens will work towards:

*Reducing class sizes, by increasing primary and secondary teacher numbers.

*Setting maximum government school enrolments based on the needs of local students and communities.

*Providing services to all schools to support a whole school approach to student well being and student/community linkages.

*Providing adequate and appropriate funding for implementation of new curriculum initiatives.

*Ensuring all educators are appropriately qualified and registered for their role.

*Phasing out selective schools, streaming, and other models in the governmentsystem that channel students into separated pathways.

*Integrating assessment and reporting with the learning process, rather than for competitive accountability purposes such as mass testing in primary and secondary schools.

*Promoting health and well-being through physical activity programs that encourage ongoing participation, and replacing high fat and sugar content products with healthy alternatives in school canteens.

*Encouraging students in the Middle Years (Years 7 to 10) of education to remain to the end of Year 12, by adequately

resourcing appropriate programs.

*Expanding programs to eliminate bullying.

Health

Latrobe Regional Hospital provides an excellent regional health service and must be given adequate State Government support so that current levels of service can be maintained and enhanced. However, a range of other measures are also required to provide the Latrobe Valley community with a better health service. The Greens will also increase health promotion and disease prevention programs to keep people healthier. We will increase funding for programs that provide care in the community for people with complex medical problems to minimise the need for treatment in hospitals. We will increase the number of community health centres and improve access to dental health and mental health programs and we will increase funding for outpatient and hospital services.

The government currently underspends significantly in the area of health promotion. Within the Department of Human Services (formerly the health department) health promotion and other population health activities form a tiny proportion of the health budget, despite the fact that primary prevention is more cost effective than treatment. VicHealth, Victoria's central health promotion agency, is a world leader in health promotion and although there have been small increases in funding over recent years it is still funded below 1990 levels.

Programs that care for people in the community are also very cost effective approaches to treating people with complex health needs. Programmes such as the jointly funded Home and Community Care programme (HACC) programme (this includes services such home nursing services, paramedical services, meals on wheels, respite care, transport and domestic support services) have been shown to be cost effective but are under funded.

Community health centres provide critical GP and allied health services to low income Victorians. The Greens will increase funding for community health centre infrastructure, provide incentives to encourage the co-location of GPs in all community health centres and expand the role of nurse practitioners in community health centres.

Despite recent investments, waiting periods

for public dental health care (i.e. people with health cards) are still clinically unacceptable. A much greater investment in preventative dental health care and public dental treatment is necessary.

Spending on mental health in Victoria is significantly less than the burden of illness and compares poorly with other similar parts of the world. People do not utilise mental health services in large part due to a lack of access, maldistribution and out of pocket costs. The Greens will significantly increase psychological and counselling services including Infant, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMS) especially in rural and regional areas.

Water

Water recycling, on its own, must be seen as a positive step. We clearly need to expand and improve our use of recycled water. However, State Government plans to pipe water to and from various parts of the State is a recipe for an even bigger dry. Water and how to manage it will, in fact, be one of this century's most important issues and central to environmental health, social equity and economic success.

Climate change, exacerbated by land clearing, has made Victoria a drier state, yet unsustainable water-use practices continue. Logging in our water catchments is reducing water yield and water quality. Over extraction, diversion, salinity, sedimentation and chemical, nutrient and litter pollution continue to degrade many of our waterways.

The Greens recognise that all aspects of urban and rural water systems are a public asset and must remain in public ownership. They should be managed by the public sector on behalf of the community, with community participation. Agricultural, urban and industrial water conservation must be a high priority for all users.

The Victorian Greens will work towards:

*Achieving an environmental water flow regime that is ecologically sustainable for all flow-stressed rivers.

*Prioritising the indigenous revegetation of all riparian zones.

*No further or increased water extraction from aquifers

*Phasing out logging from river headwaters.

*Supporting communities working to develop more wetland parks and forests.

*Bringing to an end stream and river degradation through harmful agricultural and industrial practices, and establishing a program to rehabilitate channelled streams to return them to their natural state (which includes snags and other forms of aquatic and riparian habitat).

*Supporting educational and community action programs to improve the quality of storm-water effluents and the minimizing of runoff into waterways and the sea to levels consistent with good river health

Police

The Latrobe Valley is clearly under-served in terms of police and this situation clearly needs to be rectified. However, the basic causes of crime also need to be addressed. If the causes of crime are not adequately addressed, then we are merely putting band-aids on the surface of an internal haemorrhage. Adequate funding of social support services, early intervention programs, and offender education, will assist in reducing crime by tackling it at its cause.

We want to work on preventing crime and preventing convicted criminals from re-offending. Working with children and teenagers, establishing mentoring programs for youth at risk in the Latrobe Valley area, anger management programs, and sexual offender programs for convicted criminals, would be examples of programs that should be funded and promoted. The Greens would like to see initiatives like the Safer Streets and Homes Strategy, and Communities that Care Program, extended and funded across the state.

One of the route causes of crime is poverty and, in this regard, one of the contributing factors is gambling in general and pokies in particular. Pokies are addictive and the losses are growing. Most of the losses come from the poorest areas. The State Government wants to quietly renew the licences - which expire in 2012. The Greens believe the people of Victoria, through the Parliament, should decide how many pokies we have in Victoria and under what conditions they operate.



State Election 2006

Labour Party **Brendan Jenkins**

Education

I have been proud of our Government's investments in schools. While buildings and equipment are one thing, an excellent education system relies on excellent, dedicated teachers and support staff to give our kids the best opportunities. The Bracks Government has employed an extra 6,200 teachers and school staff since coming to office in 1999.

The Primary School's Welfare Officer initiative, which has seen Welfare Officers employed in most of our Primary Schools, is another way in which we recognise and support the work done by staff in our schools.

We have come a long way but I intend to continue to support increased teacher and support staff numbers working in our schools. Our record is second to none, but we can and should do better for our children.

Health

The Bracks Government bought back the Latrobe Regional Hospital which had been privatised by the Kennett Government. We immediately set about planning for a desperately needed \$21million Cancer Centre and \$8million Community Care units and Psychiatric Centre. They are all now up and running. But it doesn't stop there. Community Health and Allied Care such as 'Hospital in the Home' needs even more support as people remain at home and are treated outside hospital more often. That's why we have made investment in Churchill's Community Health Centre committing \$220,000 to re-open 2 dental chairs closed as a result of the Howard

Government's defunding of public dental services some 8 years ago. That's why, if elected, we will build a new \$21million Community Health Centre in Morwell for Latrobe Community Health Service in order to deliver services to the Morwell District. We will make this happen.

Water

The prolonged drought means that right across Victoria we are confronting the most severe water shortages in generations and households, farmers, business and communities are changing the way they use water, cutting their consumption and increasing the use of recycled water.

The Government is taking action to ensure there is sufficient water available for drinking, for our farmers, for industry and to help keep our rivers and lakes healthy for our children's future.

Latrobe Valley's power generators presently use 115 gegalitres of high quality fresh water to cool power stations - this is more than twelve times the amount of water consumed for drinking in the whole of west Gippsland. This water is drawn from the Latrobe River and the Blue Rock, Moondarra and Lake Narracan storages and is largely lost in steam.

Many people, including power station operators, believe that we should at least investigate the use of recycled water to cool the power stations.

Initial investigations into the Eastern Water Recycling Proposal have indicated that the waste water could be treated and micro filtered at the Eastern Treatment Plants, producing Class A

recycled water which could then be piped to Latrobe Valley to cool power stations.

This recycled water would not be for drinking. I have insisted that for the proposal to deliver for Gippsland, it must meet the following basic criteria :

*That it will result in a significant net increase in the amount of fresh water available for Gippsland

*That the recycled water would be 'fit for purpose' and pose no health risks to power station workers, and;

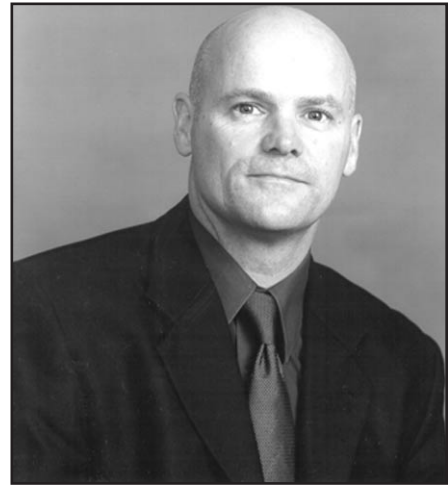
*That recreational use of Blue Rock Dam and Lake Narracan would continue.

This project has the potential to help secure Gippsland's water future by guaranteeing a secure supply of high quality recycled water for our power industry and also for new industrial development.

The proposal also envisages a fair share of water will stay in Gippsland. But we need to determine what our future needs are.

This is a big project; if it goes ahead it will create hundreds of jobs for Gippsland through the construction phase and will help secure the future of our power industry. It will allow for new industries to set up along its path - taking advantage of a secure and reliable supply of highly treated recycled water - something other parts of the state don't have.

The Bracks Government is committed to ensuring Gippsland's competitive advantage in water is enhanced through initiatives such as the Gippsland Water Factory and the Eastern Water Recycling Proposal.



Police

I know that modern day policing is every bit as labour intensive as it was at the turn of the century. If we are going to be serious on crime we need to employ police officers in all areas of policing. We also need to provide them with modern facilities and equipment. Not only has our Government built new police stations at Boolarra and Churchill, but the new Morwell Justice Precinct is the best regional justice facility in the country and staffed by some of the best officers. We have employed an additional 1,500 officers since coming to Government. We have targeted specific behaviour such as hoon drivers, drug offences and violet crime. We have had our successes.

Criminal offences in Latrobe Valley have decreased by more than 12% since the election of the Bracks Government in 1999. No doubt, due in part to the 74 additional uniformed police employed in Gippsland over the same period.

I believe being an effective local Member is all about keeping an eye on the future for our children.

The Nationals

Russell Northe

Education

The Nationals are committed to providing the best possible education for country students. A shortage of teachers and support staff has long beset schools in the Latrobe Valley. I believe the student to teacher ratio must be improved to allow our youth the opportunity to learn the skills necessary to grow and prosper.

Many of our teachers are under great duress in their professional lives due to the fact they are responsible for in excess of 30 children at any given time, with some of these students requiring specialist care and education. In these situations, support staff must be employed to ensure children with special needs are accommodated and the other students aren't missing out on their fair share of support and attention. We must increase support staff numbers for not only the sake of our children but those hard working teachers who will be lost to the education system if improvements are not made.

The Nationals have acknowledged the need to provide greater support for children with physical and learning impairments. We'll make sure students in non-government schools with special learning needs are supported on the same basis as similar students attending government schools. We will also ensure assistance for students with special needs will be 'tied' to the student; if a student transfers from one school to another the funding will be automatically transferred with them. These measures will enable parents of special needs children the ability to determine the best outcomes for their children.

Health

Health is an area of major concern for residents of the Latrobe Valley, particularly given the recently released statistics on our general health, which were damning in comparison to the remainder of Victoria. The Latrobe Valley has a

number of health issues ranging from dental health, mental health, obesity, asbestos related disease as well as drug and alcohol problems. More education and funding will be required to tackle issues such as these.

As our population continues to grow so must our health services and it is concerning that waiting lists and lack of available beds are still major issues in our region. The health of our community should never be compromised and these concerns must be addressed as a matter of priority.

The Nationals have proposed a number of incentives to attract health professionals to regional areas such as the Latrobe Valley - these can be viewed in our Plan to Improve Country Health Services. We have every right in regional Victoria to have access to the best healthcare professionals and facilities as do our metropolitan friends.

The Gippsland Cancer Care Centre has been a great initiative for our region with the community and all forms of government working together to implement this fantastic facility. However we need to ensure that Latrobe Regional Hospital has enough beds and services available to cater for all in the community.

The Nationals also support Latrobe Community Health in its quest to build a new facility in Morwell. The current status of eight different locations within Morwell is impractical and untenable. We believe the planned development will attract quality healthcare workers to the area, ensure more health services are available locally and lead to better health care services being available in outlying towns such as Churchill.

Water

The Nationals oppose the Eastern Water Recycling Proposal. We believe it is nothing more than a ruse from Labor to pipe more of Gippsland's water supplies to Melbourne. The

Latrobe Valley has some unique and valuable advantages in its supplies of brown coal and water and we cannot afford to have these resources simply taken from our region by a government bent on securing votes in Melbourne.

Our local generators have not agreed to use the recycled water as proposed by Labor. It is ludicrous to talk about piping more water to Melbourne when it has yet to be shown if local industry can even use treated waste from the city. The cost of this plan will ensure we'll all pay more for electricity and it will likely compromise the future economic development of our region.

Industry on the Mornington Peninsula is crying out for recycled water to irrigate vegetable crops, vineyards and local golf courses, yet the Bracks Government is refusing to support this proposal. Gippsland people have a right to be suspicious when the government wants to pipe treated waste 135kms when it could be used closer to the site of production, saving millions.

The Nationals support sensible water recycling proposals but we believe Labor's proposal is simply a ploy to take more of our water. We want to know why industry in Melbourne can't use this resource. The Nationals support recycling and reuse schemes such as stormwater collection, increased rebates for tanks available to all Victorians and recycling initiatives to permit the watering of parks and reserves, but we do not support foolish policy predicated on winning more votes from city residents.

Police

Alarming statistics show crime has risen in the Latrobe Valley despite a decline in Victoria overall. We need to develop a sustained approach to this problem as many crimes are a by-product of high unemployment, drug and alcohol abuse and mental issues. The Latrobe Valley needs greater investment in social support programs and community health to assist with reducing our



crime rate.

We also need greater investment in our police force. Like many other regional areas there is a distinct lack of police numbers in the Latrobe Valley and local police are being asked to undertake more work than is appropriate. There is currently no overtime available to local police and this has created an unhappy and impractical workplace. It's a ridiculous situation for the valued members of our police force to be in.

Due to a lack of police numbers, limits on overtime available and a lack of quality holding cells there is a limited police presence on our streets. Police officers are sometimes asked to transfer prisoners to other areas and that can leave towns without a police presence. I believe all members of the community have the right to feel safe within their homes and to this end; we need appropriate police numbers in our region.

The Nationals will boost police numbers in regional areas and ensure common-sense measures are taken to improve the quality of our police force. We will work to create legislated standard minimum sentences for serious crimes, preventing people from getting off lightly when they are guilty of serious crimes like rape and murder. We believe this is in line with the community's expectations and concerns about our existing sentencing system.

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



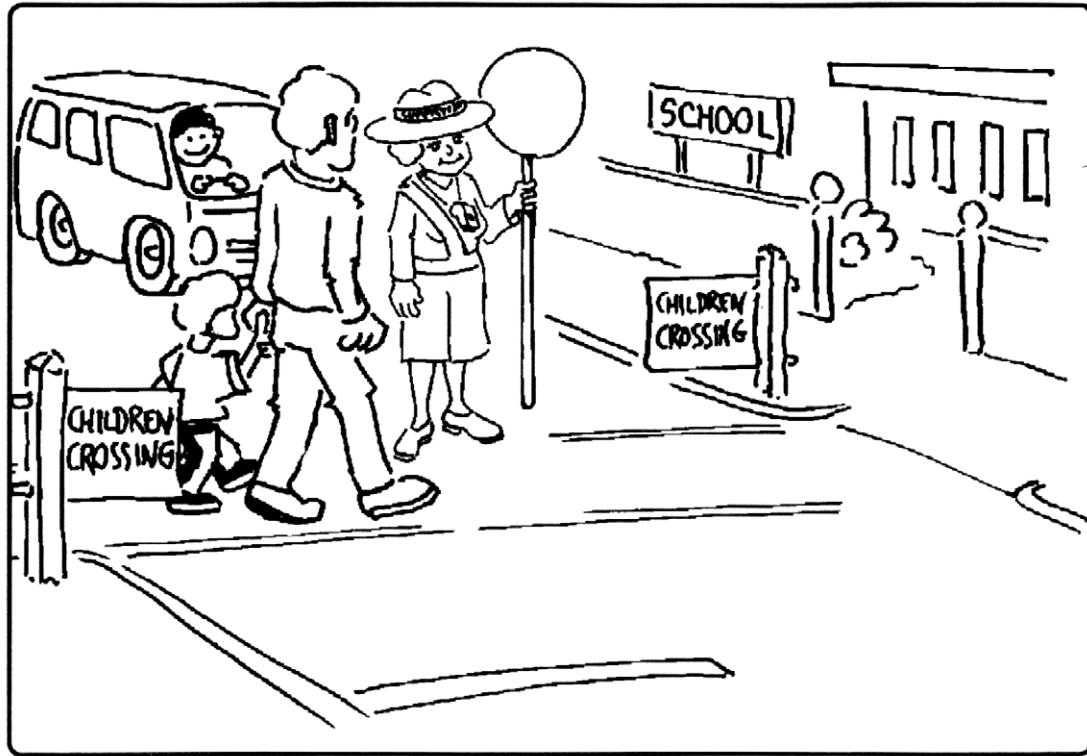
Competition

COMMUNITY SAFETY MONTH

Crossing the road safely

Fill in the missing words to complete the safety sentences. All the missing words are in the box underneath.

- * Stop, look, _____ and think.
- * Walk, don't _____.
- * Keep _____ and listening as you cross the road.
- * Be seen, wear _____ that are easy to see.
- * Don't cross from _____ cars, trucks or buses.
- * Walk across the road, don't _____.
- * Where possible, cross at pedestrian and school crossings or _____ lights.
- * _____ the road laws.



Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Word box	behind	colours
run	looking	ride
obey	listen	traffic

To Enter

Colour in the picture above
 Fill in the missing words to complete the safety sentences
 Fill in your name, address and telephone number.
 Send your entry to: Competition,

Churchill & District News, PO Box 234, Churchill or put it in one of our Drop Off Boxes at Cafe Le Mac, Churchill Primary School, Co-operating Church or Churchill Library.
 Closing Date: 21st November 2006

Win Win Win - Heaps of Prizes including Cinema Tickets, Ten Pin Bowling, Goody Bags

BIRTHDAYITES!



Breanna LAMONT
7 years on the
23rd October 2006

Jed MUDGE
12 years on the
24th October 2006

Tayla SMITH
11 years on the
15th of September 2006

These "Birthdayites" were all smiles as they were presented with a \$15 voucher for Churchill Newsagency by John Barker from the Lions Club of Churchill & District.

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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB

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

Hi Kids,

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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB
 PO BOX 110
 CHURCHILL 3842

with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, BIRTHDATE, and whether BOY or GIRL (all information strictly confidential).

The lucky "Birthdayites" last month were
BREANNA LAMONT and JED MUDGE.

BIRTHDAYITES FOR NOVEMBER

Lauren AKERS	6 years	Lucinda MARTIN	7 years
Daniel BEYER	12 years	Hayden MAY	11 years
Rebecca BUCKLEY	12 years	Zac MUDGE	9 years
Richard CUSICK	8 years	Jasmine PORTER	6 years
Bryce GRIFFITHS	9 years	Daniel TRUSCOTT	12 years
Ben LEWIS	9 years	Courtney VELLA	9 years

The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" this month are
LUCINDA MARTIN and DANIEL TRUSCOTT.

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

John Barker Publicity

Health and Wellbeing

Child safety in Hot Weather

BABIES and young children should be watched carefully during hot weather. They can quickly lose body fluids through perspiring, which can lead to dehydration. They need to drink regularly, wear light clothing and be kept cool.

Warning signs of dehydration

Dehydration may be a risk if your child:

- * Is not eating or drinking
- * Is sleepy
- * Is irritable or crying
- * Has fewer wet nappies
- * Has hot and dry skin
- * Has a dry mouth
- * Has a body temperature near 40°C
- * Vomits or has diarrhoea
- * Has a rise in temperature.

If you notice one or more of these signs, take your child to a doctor or hospital.

Offer frequent drinks to avoid dehydration

Breastfeeding – if you are breastfeeding, feed your baby more often. Have plenty of fluids yourself including a cool drink at every feed.

Bottle feeding – if you are bottle feeding, offer extra cool boiled water after the bottle.

Small children – give young children regular drinks during the day. Water is best.

Sick children need special care

Sick children need special attention in hot weather. Even minor illnesses, such as colds or gastro, need special care in hot weather.

These illnesses often lead to a slight rise in temperature by themselves but, in hot weather, this could lead to a risk of dehydration.

Frequent breastfeeding and extra drinks are very important if your baby is ill.

Keep children cool

It is often better to stay indoors on a hot day. If you must go outside:

- * Dress your baby in a nappy, a light top and a well-fitting sun hat.
- * Use baby sunscreen and reapply it regularly during the day (SPF15 is best).
- * Don't use zinc cream instead of sunscreen on your baby's face, arms or legs. For children under six months, it might cause a reaction to their skin. Excessive use of zinc cream also stops the body absorbing the vitamin D from sunlight, which is required for strong bones.

*Take plenty of drinks for your child.

*Keep in the shade.

*To cool hot little bodies, try frequent lukewarm baths or sponge them down with a cool washer.

Keep children cool when they sleep

Your children will sleep more comfortably if you:

* Let them sleep in the coolest place in the house (the passageway at night or the floor during the day) but make sure any pets are outside.

* Make sure the air can circulate around them – for example, by removing any padding around the cot.

* Don't leave babies to sleep in a pram – they can be hot and airless.

* Hang wet towels over chairs or windows to cool the air.

* Use fans, but not directed at the child.

* Cover mattresses and waterproof sheets with thick layers of cotton and sheets to absorb perspiration and prevent prickly heat rash.

* Avoid using a pillow or mattress that lets your baby sink down into it.

Take care in the car

If you need to go out in the car in hot weather:

* Try to make trips in the coolest part of the day.

* Keep the windows open while the car is moving or use the air conditioner.

* Never leave babies or young children alone in a car, no matter what the weather. Even in mild weather, cars quickly become too hot for small children.

Where to get help

- * Your doctor
- * 24-hour Maternal and Child Health Telephone Service Tel. 132 229
- * Hospital emergency departments.

Things to remember

* Babies overheat quickly in hot weather.

* Give babies and young children extra drinks in hot weather.

* Dress them in cool clothing and use sunscreen.

* Let them sleep in the coolest room in the house.

*Never leave children in the car.

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



Christmas Colouring Competition

Win a Santa Sack Full of Goodies

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

To Enter

Colour in the picture above
Fill in your name, address and telephone number.

Send your entry to: Competition, Churchill & District News, PO Box 234, Churchill or put it into one of our Drop Off Boxes at Cafe Le Mac, Churchill Primary School, Co-operating Church or Churchill Library
Closing Date: 18 December 2006



Lifeline Gippsland Massive Plant & Office Furniture Sale

22-24 November

Lifeline Gippsland's annual Plant Sale will be held at the Lifeline Warehouse located on the corner of Fleming and Church Street, Morwell.

Taking place over three days, Wednesday 22nd November (8.30am-8pm), Thursday 23rd November (8.30am-6pm) and Friday 24th November (8.30am-4.30pm), the Plant Sale is a must for keen gardeners with a great selection of plants and seedlings at extremely reasonable prices.

Also on offer will be a selection of pre-loved office furniture including bookcases, filing cabinets, computer tables, desks etc.

So if you are looking for something

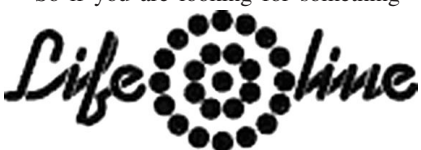
for the office, home or garden pop down to the Lifeline Warehouse.

Lifeline Churchill 'Op' Shop Christmas Sale - Starts 20th November

The bargains continue at the Churchill Lifeline 'Op' Shop's Christmas Sale, which starts on 20 November. With only a couple of months until Christmas the shop is well worth a visit for stocking fillers and Christmas gifts.

Proceeds from Lifeline Gippsland 'Op' Shops and events such as annual Plant sale are used to fund our counselling services.

If you or someone you know needs somebody to talk to Lifeline is there 24 hours per day, 365 days per year on 13 11 14.





**Lions Club of Churchill
and District Incorporated**

PO Box 110, CHURCHILL 3842



**2007 CHURCHILL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS
NOMINATION FORM**

The Awards are provided by the Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. and presented at the Australia Day Ceremony in Churchill on 26th January 2007. Person(s) who have made a noteworthy contribution during the preceding year and / or given outstanding service to the local Community over a number of years shall be eligible. Members of the Lions Organisation are ineligible to nominate. The person(s) being nominated must be a resident of Churchill or the immediate surrounding district. All information is confidential. The decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

NOMINATION FOR (Please tick appropriate box):

- Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Young Citizen of the Year Award
Must be 18 years or under on 26th January 2007.
- Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Citizen of the Year Award.

DETAILS OF THE PERSON BEING NOMINATED:

Surname: Other Names:
 Private Address:
 Occupation: Telephone Private: Business:
 Date of Birth: Age: Marital Status: Children:

THE PERSON IS BEING NOMINATED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY IN:

.....

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:

.....

Additional material may be attached if desired.

(Continued overleaf)

PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERSHIP OF COMMUNITY/SPORTING/PROFESSIONAL BODIES, ETC:

.....

ANY OTHER RELEVANT BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

.....

OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY BE CONTACTED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT NOMINEE:

Name:	Name:
Position:	Position:
Address:	Address:
..... Post Code: Post Code:
Telephone:	Telephone:

TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

Mr/Mrs/Miss:
 Address Post Code:
 Organisation represented (if any):
 Telephone:
 Signature:

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Citizen of the Year Coordinator
 Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc
 Phone: (03) 5122 1548
 Fax: (03) 5122 3890

FORM TO BE RETURNED TO:

The Secretary
 Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc
 PO Box 110
 CHURCHILL 3842

COMPLETED FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY:

Date:
FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER 2006



**Regional Achievement and
Community Awards
Semi-Finalists**



GRG Inc was nominated for the Department for Victorian Communities Volunteering Award in this year's Regional Achievement and Community Awards. Our Group was a semi-finalist in this category.

Over 380 nominations were received across the various categories. Semi-finalists are the 'top ten' nominees in each category, recognized for their significant contribution to the local community.

Other award categories are Business Achievement, Events and Tourism, Environment and Sustainability, Young People's Participation, Regional Achiever and Community of the Year (both for population under 5000 and over 5000).

GRG was nominated for the large amount of work done by volunteers in our neighbourhood.

Volunteers provide local children's after school and holiday activities, organize social gatherings, implement local waste/recycling collections, hold tree planting and other park maintenance days, and work with local agencies to provide training opportunities and address residents' issues.

Representatives of our Group attended the Regional Awards Dinner held in Ballarat last month, where they were presented with a framed certificate by the Hon Candy Broad, Minister for local government.

The night was a great opportunity to mix with representatives from regional communities across the State. Gippsland was well represented, with people from Mirboo North, Yarram, Tarwin Lower, Sale and Bruthen amongst the guests attending.

The winner of the Volunteering Award was the Walwa Community Emergency Response Team, a group of 10 volunteers who provide immediate first aid at medical emergencies in their small community.

Walwa is about 100kms from Wodonga, where the nearest ambulance station is located.

Earlier this year GRG volunteers conducted a survey of Glendonald residents to determine issues of concern. Many cited speeding traffic and 'hooning' as a problem.

At our October meeting, Ray Bright, Latrobe City's Traffic Planner, presented data

from traffic counts conducted in Glendonald. Council has identified a number of 'problem areas' in the neighbourhood.

A Public Meeting will be held at Churchill Town Hall on Tuesday 14 November at 7pm for Glendonald residents to discuss traffic calming works that Council might undertake in the area.

Flyers for this meeting will be letterboxed to all Glendonald homes.

The meeting will also be used for Council's Neighbourhood Alliance worker, Peter Steller, to undertake wider consultation with local residents. Peter can be contacted at Latrobe City (1300 367 700) for further information.

GRG meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Churinga Drive Kindergarten. All Glendonald residents are welcome and childcare is provided. Next meeting will be on the 28 November.

Our Christmas Break-up and community BBQ will be held at 5pm on Tuesday 12 December in Glendonald Park.

**CHURCHILL NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE INC.
A G M**

Thursday 23rd November 2006
 (not as previously advertised 9th November)
 11.00 am
 Churchill Neighbourhood Centre

It's our 25th Anniversary!
 Your Neighbourhood Centre has been operating for 25 years, serving the needs of the Churchill community by the community, teaching - learning - having fun

All past committee members, volunteers, students, participants, friends and neighbours, are welcome to come and help celebrate this great occasion.

A light lunch will be available after the AGM

Please phone the Centre to let us know if you can come - 5122 2955 (for catering purposes)

Churchill Scouts Celebrate 40 Years

Many old photos and records were the subject of much perusal and interest as the crowd of present and past Scout members, Leaders and Group Leaders (some of them third generation), assembled at the Churchill Scout Hall on Sunday 1st October, to celebrate 40 years of Scouting in the Churchill area.

In April 1966, early resident Graham Zibell obtained approval to start a Scout Group. The first leaders (Graham Zibell, Lance Eldridge, Ted Gilchrist, and Ray Walker) began their training with 1st Morwell troop.

In October of that year, a District Cub Rally was held at the site of Churchill Primary School and Cubs from all packs in the District attended.

The original Scout troop started on 1 October 1966, with Leader Mike Meaney.

A billy cart race was held in 1967, down McDonald Way, through the underpass which then, went nowhere.

Meetings for Scouts took place first at the Community House in Roy Court and then on the top floor of the shopping centre. They continued in the old, and now longer existing, Hazelwood South State School.

Not long after starting there, they found that the school was to be demolished so the Scouts began to meet in the bottom section of the Town Hall.

However, there was not sufficient room to house all the troops, so one troop met at Churchill Primary School in the General Purpose Room.

Reg Kemp was Group Leader from 1977. At that time he says there were 150 children waiting to join, with 2 Scout Packs, 3 Cub Packs, (2 in the Town Hall and one at Churchill Primary School) and 26 Leaders.

1974 saw the need to start fund raising to build a Scout Hall. Waste paper was a big money spinner.

In 1975 the Venturer Unit became a mixed group under the leadership of Neville and Ros Smith.

The next year the Bunurong Scout Troop began with leaders Ray Beebe and Mark Semfel.

In 1981, after John Barker had designed and drawn up a plan for the new Scout Hall, the committee consisting of Reg Kemp, Ken Peake and Terry Shepherd began the task of assembling the goods for the building. The local businesses, especially Di Fabro were particularly supportive and are fondly remembered for their generous donations. Churchill Lions, the Yalourn Resettlement payments, a Government grant and local fundraising ensured that when the building was complete and all the bills paid with \$140 remaining in the account. It was a great achievement!

When they moved into the Hall there were 136 children in Scouts and Cubs. The previous year, in March 1980, a Venturer Unit had begun, under the leadership of Kerry and Ian Sunderland They continued until Allen McCowan gained his Queen's Scout- the first for Churchill!

On 3 February 1983 a Rovers group began. This was led by Carol and Reg Kemp, and the Rovers were Ken Kemp, Darren Eldridge, Jeffrey baker, Brian Buckley and Debbie Beer.

Their motto was Kilakari Pinpuna, which means "To serve, To Share, To

Conquer Our Fears". Ken and Darren secured the first den for the troop at the old football clubroom for the special price of \$100.

First Churchill Scouts became the biggest Scout Troop in Australia.

There have been 14 successful Queen Scouts. This is Venturer's highest award.

One Premier Scouter has been awarded. This is the highest award for Scouts. In Cubs there are 2 Grey Wolves and 6 Yellow Cords awarded. These are the highest awards for Cubs.

Among the people who played a significant role as Leader or Group Leader, were names such as Bill Saunders, Jim Dear, Gerry Smart, Reg and Carol Kemp, Shirley Skinner, David Amiet, Allan and Bruce McRae, Greg Porter, John Barker, Alan and Margaret Humphries, Tony Martin, Ray Beebe, Carl and Mary Twigger, Ian and Kerri Sunderland, Rex Fuhrmann, Craig Dixon, Kevin Baird, Arie De Rooij, June McDonald, Ken Kemp, David Ross, Yvonne Marland, Debbie Beer, Mark Bruerton, Lawrie Waddington, Ron Hateley, Colin Sutton, Kevin Paper, Willa Martin, Stephen Hoch, Shirley Bolwell, Yvonne De Rooij, Mike Woodruff, Diane Baird, Barry Rowley, Kevin Spears, Geoff Steer, Marion Seegers, Bruce Mussared, Paul Van Rossum.

Over the years the Scouts have participated in lots of great activities and special events like Jamborees, which are world wide gatherings of Scouts every four years. Churchill has been represented at each Jamboree.

Six Scouts and two leaders will attend the jamboree at Elmore in January 2007.

2007 will see the celebration of 100 years of Scouting.

The Rovers ran the Hoadley and Armstrong for Venturers each year. This consists of participation in Initiative activities and games.

Each two years Corroborees are held in Victoria and Churchill is represented.

Cubs have Boomerang days.

Camping for each group is part of badge work and initiative training.

One of the great events of each year is the Churchill Scout groups participation in Showtime, a marvellous production of musical and other items. This year will be the 38th of participation.

The present Leaders are Venturers- Darren Eldridge and Barry Farrell

Rovers- Ken Ewen (Rover Advisor)

Scouts- Jeff Kemp Adrian Wookey, James Barry and Allison Bailey.

Cubs - Vickie Anderson and Lauren Wood.

Group Leader is Peter Tait who is taking over from Carol Kemp, the out going leader.

Why would you join the Scouting Movement?

Scouting aims to develop children's initiative, involve them in fun outdoor activities like camping, hiking, canoeing, mud, having fun, and adventure, while teaching you life skills which will hold you in good stead for the rest of your life.

If you would like to know more about this great organisation please ring Peter tait on 51223421, and he will be most happy to answer any question you may have.



Prep 2007 Orientation Days

It is that time of the year again as the children at kindergarten prepare for their first experiences of school. In the Churchill area, there are a number of orientation days.

Your child is encouraged to attend the orientation days for the school in which they are enrolled. Please check the times, as each school is different.

Churchill Primary School

Wed, Nov.22nd 9:00 - 11:00am

Wed, Nov.29th 9:00 - 11:00am

Lumen Christi Primary School

Wed, Nov 8th 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Wed, Nov 22nd 2:00 - 3:00 pm

State wide day

Tues. Dec. 5th 9:00 - 11:15am

Hazelwood North Primary School

Fri, Nov. 10th 10:00am - 1:30pm

Churchill North Primary School

Fri, Nov 10th 2:15 - 3:15pm

Fri, Nov 17th 2:15 - 3:15pm

Wed, Nov 29th 8:45 - 11:00am



Wattle Club Celebrates

Wattle Club celebrated its 22nd Birthday in September. They decided to have a day out at Tinamba. Once there they had lunch, with a cake to cut and share. There were also snatch and grab raffles, a lucky door prize and entertainment with country and western music. Everyone had a great day. Congratulations wattle Club and thanks to all those who regularly volunteer to help.

Members of the Club also thoroughly enjoyed a visit to Churchill Primary School to see their dress rehearsal of 'Best Foot Forward'.

The end of September saw a footy dress up day, where the footy tipping was finalised, and lunch was a pie and chips in paper.

October is Senior's month, and

the clubbers went to Moe Town Hall to hear Frankie J. Holden and Michelle Pettigrew. Silks was the venue for lunch.

On the Friday they went to the Morwell Senior Citizens Club and participated in a multicultural morning tea. According to the report there was a fantastic spread of food. A lot of foot tapping went on!

An outing to the Ken and Alice Rae's was enjoyed as they took in the delights of the beautiful garden and fernery. Morning tea was served. Unfortunately, the weather turned a little cold so the group returned to the Wattle Club room for lunch. After an early lunch, the group were off to see the Polliwog Puppets.

Activities abound at the Wattle

Club! Members have a great time participating in them and also enjoy having Wattle Club friends with which to share the experiences.

There are places available at Wattle Club for those who are seniors, live alone, or are isolated or housebound. It is a marvellous place to meet and share with others. There are many planned activities at the Clubroom, as well as outings to interesting places.

It is also an opportunity to receive advice about health, supply of aides such as walking frames, and other needs. If you think that you could enjoy being part of this group, or know someone who would benefit please contact the Co-Ordinator on 0400 067 632. There is no need for a referral from a doctor.

The History of Hazelwood North Primary School

Part 3

Enrolments continued to increase until by 1980 the school had 150 pupils, seven teachers including a Head Teacher and six classrooms. A new room was added to the main body of the school to serve as a teacher's staff room and activity room.

Noel Brown was appointed as Head Teacher in 1980, staying for two years. Here are his memories of the time he spent at Hazelwood North Primary School.

I spent three years as principal at Hazelwood North in the early 1980s. My wife and I (and our two children - Naomi who had only just commenced grade preps, and Nick who was not quite old enough for school) lived in the school residence along side the school. This was wonderful as we were able to be a part of the local community and this is a time of my life that I remember with great fondness.

My memories of Hazelwood North are wonderfully positive. The school community was an immensely vibrant one: a delightful mix of the 'traditional' farming community and the newer members who had found a great place to live with open paddocks and fresh air and a safe and challenging environment in which to raise their children. The extensive facilities at the school were largely provided by a ready made, enthusiastic band of eager parents who were totally involved in their children's education.

The time I spent at Hazelwood North, taught me much about how effective schools can be when the school, parents and community all pull together.

Hazelwood North was just this type of school.

28 July 1981 was Centenary Day. The children wore period costume to school and played games and enjoyed activities of the previous hundred years. In the evening a dinner dance was held which attracted new and old residents alike. The weekend of the 3 and 4 October was the "Back To", which was attended by many former pupils and teachers.

A long standing member of the present staff, Paul O'Brien, remembers 1990, when the school was facing closure yet again. A concerted effort by the parents and teachers convinced the Department to keep the school open, and so it has continued.

In 1994, the school was re-furnished to its present set up, creating a pleasant environment and a useful positioning of the school buildings.

Hazelwood North Primary School From 1981-2006

Bryan Campbell was Head Teacher from 1986-1993. Bryan was one of few who stayed more than two years. Here are his recollections.

I was fortunate to be the Principal of Hazelwood North Primary School from 1986-1993 - a period of 8 years. Hazelwood North was reputed to be the largest rural school in Victoria not serviced by a town.

Being at Hazelwood North for that period of time placed me in the fortunate position of watching the progress of tiny prep children as they proceeded through 7 years of primary education.

The parental support at the school was second to none and I have fond memories of welcome barbecues attended by the whole school community, huge fete auctions held on Saturdays,

long languid wine bottling days and celebrations of Wattle Day when the school turned gold for the day.

Other memories involve whole school walkathons at Morwell National Park and the Yinnar-Boolarra railway track. Occasionally we would be chasing the neighbour's cows out of the grounds before the school day could begin.

125 years not out. A fine innings Hazelwood North.

Bryan Campbell
Ex Hazelwood North Principal

The Principal to follow Bryan Campbell was John Reed.

Here are his memories.

Recalling my time at Hazelwood North Primary School is like re-acquainting oneself with a good friend that you haven't seen for some

and finally I had a great grade 6. The following year (1994) I was the acting principal for a term whilst the school council undertook the task of appointing a new principal. At the end of term 1, I took up my new position as principal at Crinigan Road in Morwell.

During my time at Hazelwood North the school was exploring relocating, building a new school on a block of land that the Education Department had purchased for the task. This process took a significant turn when it was announced that the new school would not go ahead. School Council responded in a very creative way and developed a proposal for private industry to build the new school and that the Education Department lease it back. This was to overcome the problems of significant capital outlay and ongoing maintenance costs for the Department. The proposal unfortunately was not accepted.

the constables asked if our school was a school for the deaf. They were informed that it wasn't and asked why they enquired. The constable laughed and pointed to Paul saying that the deaf would have no trouble hearing him. Paul might want to exercise a right of reply after reading this.

If there is one strong memory that I have of Hazelwood North PS, it is that feeling of friendship and care that everyone demonstrated for each other. The school had a strong sense of community and purpose and the support from school council and parents was second to none.

Congratulations on achieving the 125 Year milestone. I certainly enjoyed my time in that journey and hold your school in very high esteem and the memories of my time there will always remain close to my heart.

John Reed

CURRICULUM CHANGES

Over the last fifty years or so there have been many changes to the format of the Courses of Study laid down to teach. In the sixties and seventies the Department of Education supplied Courses of Study which were graded from Preps to Grade 6 in each of a wide range of subjects. Later in the seventies the Department gave broad guidelines but virtually required each school to write their own courses. Towards the end of the eighties and into the nineties, the Curriculum Standards Frameworks [CSFs] with the 8 KLA's [Key Learning Areas] were introduced. The eight areas are

LOTE [Language Other Than English], SOSE [Studies of Society and Environment], Health/P.E., English, Maths, Technology, Science, and Music. These were divided into three sections, prep-2, 3/4, and 5/6., with each section taking two years to complete. These have been modified, a couple of times, but are still the required course of study for primary schools.

REPORT CARDS

Since the early days Report Cards have been part of the procedure for reporting children's progress to parents. These too have seen many changes over the years. Sixty years ago, they were a simple card with the main areas of the curriculum listed and a rating of 1-10 with 10 being the top, given to pupils for their half and end of year reports. There were one or two comments at the bottom stating things like, "works well at all times" or "could put in more effort". These could be completed very easily.

Then the move was to fair, good, very good and excellent ratings. With the CSFs ratings were "Introduced", "Beginning" and "Established". Teachers are expected to write many descriptive comments to back these ratings.

Over the years schools have produced many report forms which have been designed to allow the parents to know how well or otherwise their child has achieved through the year. Teachers work very hard to complete these report forms, taking hours of their own time after school and at weekends.

This year 2006, the New Report Format has been introduced.

Since the end of 1995, Ian Drysdale has been at the helm of Hazelwood North Primary School, first as Acting Principal, then in the permanent capacity, as Principal.



1976: Rose, Chris, Jacqui and Deidre

time. Hazelwood North Primary School was certainly a place of warmth, fun and friendship. The working environment was never dull, tiresome, and teaching there was never a chore.

I arrived in 1991. I was the product of a new local selection appointment process and I was excited to be joining the school community as Assistant Principal. My memory of the selection process was that I sat before a panel of seven and answered an array of questions. My mental picture is that the applicants were somewhat like sideshow clowns with mouths wide open, revolving the head from side to side. Instead of ping pong balls being placed in the revolving heads, the panel probed the personality and knowledge of the applicant.

I was duly assigned a Year 2/3 in my first year. The trick came when I was shown the room that would be my classroom for the next 12 months. As my luck would have it I was given the room that was the old art room. I spent the week before school started cleaning it out and putting in appropriate furniture. After a few trips to the tip all was ready for the children. I have to say that everything went smoothly from there and I was given a great welcome by the school community.

In my other two years at Hazelwood North I taught Physical Education to the whole school

The next step was to redevelop the current site and refurbish the buildings. A significant aspect of this Master Plan was to have a central courtyard with buildings on the west to shield the elements of the weather. A huge thing for the staff and pupils was to have toilet facilities that were clean and comfortable to put it mildly.

The Bike Ed camp tour of 1993 is an event that I will never forget. On the return trip home the group made a stop at Billy's Creek just outside of Boolarra. The day was an extraordinarily hot and humid one. To overcome the fatigue one of the fantastic parent helpers decided to cool off in the river. She was soon joined by some children and the tentative giggling and splashing soon took on an identity of its own. Within minutes there was one of the most exhilarating water fights that I have ever witnessed. The fun and frivolity epitomises the school.

Another memory that always extracts a smile from me involves Mr. Paul O'Brien. One afternoon following a staff meeting a police car entered the school grounds. The purpose of their visit is long forgotten but the exchange between the young constables and Paul is well remembered. The police conducted their conversation from their vehicle just 3 to 4 metres from the front step of the school where Paul and I were standing. At the end of our conversation one of

Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



Ian feels it has been a privilege to work at the school. He has greatly appreciated the support of his staff, the parents, community, and the Office Manager Brenda McGowan. As Principal, it has warmed his heart to see the students progressing well, and taking advantage of the opportunities offered not only at the school, but in extra curricula activities also.

Ian would also like to pay tribute to two long serving School Council Presidents. The first is Leo Billington who was President for many years. His experience was invaluable. The second was Wendy Moore who was President for eight years. He has appreciated their support and advice. The last two Presidents of Ian's Principals have served for one year each, but have also made good contributions.

Hazelwood North has a very strong Parent Club, the fundraising efforts of which keep the school maintained.

The parents are willing helpers at the school, on excursions, in classrooms, with camps and sporting activities. This makes life so much easier.

The school is lucky to have the use of the facilities across the road- the hall (for performances), and tennis courts. A paid tennis coach runs sessions during the lunchtime breaks. The Community Association has been very supportive.

The Fire Brigade also helps with an annual flushing of the drains and the means of carrying Santa to the school. They have also assisted with the writing of the Evacuation Plan.

The playgroup, which meets in the hall has forged a close association with the school, as many of the children go on to attend the school.

Hazelwood North is a small rural, slightly isolated school, but the members of the community will always help. Buses to take the children on excursions to see major events and other attractions in the Latrobe Valley, ensure that isolation does not have an adverse effect.

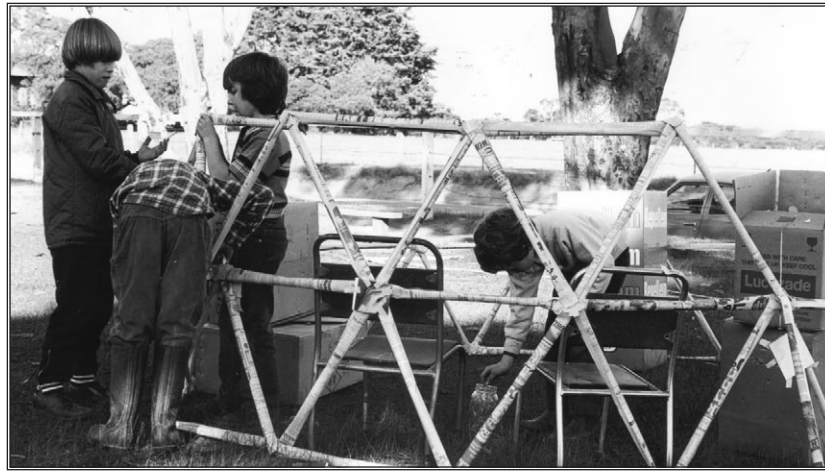
The school features an integration program with a great team including the students, parents and teacher aids combining to work for the good of the pupils.

Teacher aids, long standing, and new, have fitted in well and are a valuable part of the school program.

Those abandoned concerts have been re-introduced some years ago, and are held at Liddiard Road Primary School. The use of IT with Power Point Presentations, allows a showing of the year's highlights.

The Grade Sixes are dancing and singing with confidence, a confidence which has developed with the student's participation in the L.V. Eisteddfod.

Some pupils are working with Kurnai music program. The relationship with Kurnai is further being established through the Orientation Process and the visits of the Action Squad who



interact with the grade six pupils in sports and art, and form relationships, so when the students start at Kurnai they know some of the students there.

The Graduation Ceremony is held at the Italian- Australian Club. This is a fully catered meal supplied by the Parent's Club. Graduation used to be held in the hall with a casserole tea. Now parents are so busy with the pace of life.

Speed Zones are now established outside the school along Church Road. It took much lobbying by Ian and the school council. At first flags were used, but the increased rate of vehicles outside the school was a grave concern. Now the flashing speed signs are activated during school hours.

A grant from the Department of Infrastructure provided the bus exchange which has also made the area safer for the children.

A Camping Program is in place for Grades 3-6. The camps are well attended with the offer of

help from lots of parents.

The children are encouraged to develop personal leadership skills through participation in programs like Junior School Council, Safety Club, Human Powered Vehicle and general responsibilities within each grade.

This year 2006, the school has received a Commonwealth Grant to paint the school and provide a covered area over the assembling points and some new play equipment, two shade cloth structures over the play areas, and a power upgrade to accommodate the new IT and air conditioning requirements.

This reminded Ian about a \$20,000 bill caused by a power surge a few years ago, which blew out all the computers, and fridge. It took weeks to recover.

Life goes on from day to day with the school running on a tried and true routine.

The Staff is stable with the longest serving member being Paul O'Brien (20 years), and the latest member being Janelle Szkwerek. The school runs three specialist programs of art, music and library.

Education is a living, moving, forward going institution. If it were not it would stagnate and fail. Hazelwood North, like all schools, is presently facing the changes which are being demanded by the Education Department, as it works through implementing the Victorian Essential Learning Standards. These standards assess every part of school life to ensure the school is providing the best learning environment and program possible for each child.

So, as for the last one hundred and twenty-five years quality education will continue in the school buildings and grounds of Hazelwood North Primary School.

HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS 1881-2006

Amy Bock - 1881-1884
Richard Jope - 1884-1888
John Smith - 1888-1901
Lillian Harper - 1901-1906
Kate Zillman - 1907-1908
Elizabeth Davey - 1908-1909
John Jefferson - 1909-1912
John McLean - 1913-1916
John Mollison - 1917
Agnes Stevens - 1917-1918
William Watson - 1919-1922
James Douglas - 1922-1925
Dorothy Chapple - 1925-1928
Roma Matchett - 1928-1930
Miss G.E. McConachy - 1931-1932
Gordon Mitchell - 1933-1934
Richard Cahill - 1934-1950
Albert Higgins - 1950-1952
Ivan Tilbury - 1953-1955
Raymond Clark - 1955-1957
Desmond Hackett - 1957-1960
Robert Williams - 1961-1962
Bramwell LeLievre - 1962-1968
Michael Webb - 1968-1969
John Smethurst - 1969-1973
Bernard Perrett - 1973-1974
David (Fred) Lewis - 1974-1977
Brian Smith - 1977-1979
Noel Brown - 1980-1982
Ron Lipman - 1983-Mid 1984
Rob Rowarth - Relieving Principal 1985
Bryan Campbell - 1986-1993
John Reed - Acting Term 1 1994
Jennifer Keast - 1994 -Mid 1995
Rob Higgins - Acting Term 3 1995
Ian Drysdale - Term 4 1995 -

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Hazelwood House Happenings



This month's cultural day was India. Yvonne gave a very informative talk to the residents about India, its mode of dress, culture and her life growing up in India. The residents enjoyed seeing staff dress up in a traditional costume.



Lucy, our resident hair-dresser looks like she has run out of customers at the Hostel but really she is cleaning up another doll which is getting ready to be dressed in a new knitted outfit. Money raised from the sale of the doll goes towards the bus fund.



On Sunday 29 October, Hazelwood House held a variety concert in Churchill. It was a great success, raising \$1554 for the bus fund. A big thank you must go to all the entertainers who volunteered their time and all those who helped out on the day.

The photo shows some of the entertainers who performed at the concert.

A Year of Achievement



Churchill United Soccer Club celebrated a remarkable year of achievement at its recent junior and senior presentation ceremonies.

The junior presentation was held on Sunday 1 October and attracted about two hundred people including players, friends and their families.

Over the years the junior presentation has evolved into a traditional family picnic day that includes soccer matches, children's games, a massive barbeque and the all important trophy presentations.

The first event of the day was the father and son match which was an even but occasionally vicious game as old family scores were settled.

At the final whistle, the fathers could manage a wry smile after drawing with their sons. The reputation of the boys was salvaged by a beautiful boundary goal from Jordan Fenech who evened the score in the last half of the game.



In the final match of the day, the daughters led 1-0 in the early stage of the game and taking perverse pleasure in serving up a loss to the women who brought them into the world when an own goal from the girls leveled the score and raising a huge cheer for the women's team.

Gumboot throwing, hula hoop twirling, table

jumping and lung bursting sprints by the younger juniors revealed a depth of sporting talent and superb eye hand coordination at the club. Children look forward to this event for weeks beforehand and the 2006 activities proved just as exciting as in earlier years.

In the lead up to the trophy presentation, Club Secretary, Laurie Paton, outlined some of the milestones achieved in 2006.

- * 171 junior players were registered in 2006

- * 41 junior players are girls

- * Two girls teams were formed in 2006

- * 47 senior players took the field in 2006

- * The new clubroom is almost complete and will be ready for the 2007 season

- * An appeal to club members for financial support for the clubroom project raised over \$15,000

- * Our senior team was the runner up in the Gippsland Soccer League (GSL) grand final and finished only one point behind Fortuna in the 2006 GSL league championships. The senior team also won the Battle of Britain Cup back to back in 2006.

- * Our senior reserves won the GSL cup grand final

- * Our senior striker and Goalkick coordinator kicked 36 goals for the 2006 season and won the GSL goal kicking award

- * Taylor Jackson, an under 16 and reserves player won the GSL Reserves Best and Fairest player award in 2006.

- * The Under 10 United team coached by Tom Sands won the GSL Under 10 Cup Final

- * The Under 16 United team was the 2006 GSL League Champion

- * Churchill United Soccer Club won the inaugural "GSL Club of the Year Award" which was presented at the GSL senior presentation

- * The Victorian Country under 14 girls team won the State

Championships recently defeating the Melbourne girls team in the course of the competition. The Victorian Country under 14 girls team has 7 Churchill girls in the squad.

Nine Churchill United players represented Victoria in a number of State squad teams. To recognise this achievement the players were each

presented with a World Cup book kindly donated by Cathy Curwood.

The Churchill United State representatives were Taryn Browne, Abigail Livingstone and Jacqueline Voght and they played with the Victorian State primary School Team in the national championships held in Darwin. Jacqueline Voght was also selected for the Victorian under 13 girls development squad which played in Sydney recently. The other six Churchill players represented Victoria in a number of squads. They were Stephen Maselli, Braydon Dunne (who is being trained by the trained by VIS), Daniel Dunne, Adam Curwood (who recently competed in Malaysia), Stephanie Tanti

Anyone for Tennis?

The Churchill Tennis Club is inviting members of the community to come along to the Tennis Club - Manning Drive Churchill - and become involved in the sport of tennis.

Tennis is a great social sport for all ages. Our current members range in age from 5 to 65, so you are never too old and you are never too young to start.

The club offers Tennis lessons for children and adults, Saturday competition for juniors and adults, Monday afternoon social hit for ladies (beginners welcome - 1:00pm) and a Wednesday night Social Competition (beginners and experienced players welcome 6:30pm- 8:00pm).

Tennis racquets are available for use for those that don't have one.

Come along this week or ring Carol for more information 51221464.



and Georgia Mangano the latter two of whom are also regular Gippsland Squad open age players.

The senior presentation, hosted by Churchill Cricket Club occurred on Saturday 7 October 2006.

The club President, Stephen Breheny, highlighted the depth of the Churchill United squad across second division, reserves and seniors pointing out that they had collectively kicked 258 goals for the season while conceding fifty two times. The senior team had the best attacking and defensive record in the GSL and scored a club record 13-0 victory over Tyers in round 20.

Stephen also praised individual performances from Luke Cheney who was the top goal scorer for the GSL with 36 goals in all competitions, a score that Aussie rules players would be proud to collect. Kevin Riess took out the Reserve League top scorer award with 22 in all competitions and he was tailed closely by three other Churchill United players namely Taylor Jackson, Steven Riess and Jimmy (Pommy) McGrath.

Unbelievably, Churchill filled the four top goal scoring positions. Taylor Jackson won the GSL Reserves Best and Fairest award while Travers Doherty took the Second Division Best and Fairest award.

Stephen noted that the logistics behind managing over 200 registered players each week were incredible. He sincerely thanked all the club volunteers along with the building crew led by Jamie Robson who have donated hundreds of hours of in kind work to the new clubroom project.

The club commit-



Churchill Hockey Club 2006 Season

Congratulations to the Churchill Women's B Grade side who won the Grand Final this year. The women's senior teams have made it to many finals over the past ten years, though were always unsuccessful on the day. This year however the girls achieved their goal, defeating Sale 3 - 1.

Well done to 'Super' coach Pauline Linke and her assistant Linda Reid. The B Grade Premiers are: Tanya Thompson, Marlene Payne, Pam Tregenza, Debbie Wells, Meagan Wells, Ashlee Wells, Rebecca Hutchinson, David Cheater, Linda Cheater, Rebecca Cheater, Rochelle Cheater, Carol Kemp, Michela Ypelaan, Isobel Stewart, Raelene Fisher and Alice Stewart. Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys team who made it to the Grand Final, though was defeated by Moe Purple 2-1. A great effort was made by all the boys.

Our junior and senior Presentation night was held recently in the Student Union Lounge at Monash University. A great night was had by all with a fantastic turn out. After a beautiful tea, presentations were made. Awards were presented by President Linda Cheater and Coach Pauline Linke. The awards presented were:

Women's B Grade - Coaches: Pauline Linke and Linda Reid

Best and Fairest - Michelle Ypelaan
Runner Up Best and Fairest - Rebecca Hutchinson

Most Determined - Tanya Thompson
Most Improved - Rebecca Cheater
Churchill Blue Junior Team - Coach: Rebecca Hutchinson

Best and Fairest - Tamara Kemp
Runner Up Best and Fairest - Nathan Hull

Most Determined - Dean White
Most Improved - Luke Holdsworth
Churchill Black Junior Team - Coach: Gary Foster

Best and Fairest - Corey Foster
Runner Up Best and Fairest - Hannah Bertoli

Most Determined - John Pettigrew
Most Improved - Tiffany Harvey
Intermediate Girls - Coach: Rebecca Cheater

Best and Fairest - Rochelle Cheater
Runner Up Best and Fairest - Priscilla

Harvey

Most Determined - Nicole Ypelaan
Most Improved - Tiffany Harvey
Intermediate Boys - Coach: Linda Cheater

Cheater

Best and Fairest - Michael Cheater
Runner Up Best and Fairest - Josiah Bertoli

Most Determined - William Holland
Most Improved - Justin Smith

Michelle Ypelaan won the clubs' Barrett Award, while Michael Cheater won the Top Gun Award. There was a three way tie in the Junior Top Goal Scorer award with Dean White, Nathan Hull and Will DeSilva all taking the honour. The Senior Top Goal Scorer was Pam Tregenza and the Club Top Goal Scorer was also won by Pam Tregenza. Glen Stewart won the Best Club Person Award. Glen does a lot for the club, especially with the junior teams. We appreciate the work Glen does for our club. A thank you also goes to all our coaches, parents and players who give up their time to do extra jobs around the club. Without all their work we would not have a club. These people attended meetings, mark the grounds, wash tops, organize fundraising and purchasing of equipment, and much more. We would also like to thank Carol Kemp, Michael Cheater, Linda Reid, Glen Stewart and Alice Stewart for umpiring games this year.

Our Annual General Meeting was held recently. The 2007 committee were nominated and all positions were filled as follows:

President - Linda Cheater
Vice President - Gail Harding
Secretary - Kerry Hull
Treasurer - Tanya Thompson
Committee Members - Rebecca Hutchinson, Alison Doyle, Heather White, Julie Lovell, Linda Reid and Pauline Linke.

The 2007 season begins in April next year, with training starting in March at the hockey field in front of the Gaskin Park Stadium. We are still looking to fill coaching positions for next year. If you are interested in coaching or playing please contact our President, Linda Cheater on 0400 690 972.



Yinnar Bowls Club

By GEOFF MARSHALL

What a great time we all had at the open day last month. We finished off with a barbeque. Thanks to everyone who came and enjoyed themselves and the club members who helped make it the day it was.

Pennant has started with us getting off to a slow start, but we are picking up. This Saturday both teams are at Yinnar. On November 18 the first team is at Yarragon and the second team at Traralgon RSL.

It is the first week of two away games but we can stand it! 100 Up finals is on the 12th and Mixed Pairs is on 19th, with the start of the club singles championship starting on 26th.

Twilight bowls is on again on November 22nd and 29th. December 6th will be the last for the year, with men only \$5 and ladies bringing a place. It is a good evening out with a barbecue to finish off the night.

Good Bowling and Keep Smiling!



Adam Curwood Soccer Success

ADAM Curwood (pictured left) has been accepted into the Victorian State Inaugural Under 16 Development Squad for soccer.

He is one of only two country boys that have been accepted to this squad. In December, the squad will travel overseas to Singapore, Malacca and Kuala Lumpur.

The team will represent Victoria when it plays overseas against youth teams from those countries. Joel Baldwin from Moe will be going also.

The squad consists of 20 players who are being coached by a team of highly recognized soccer personnel. It is an official football Federation of Victoria squad.

In 2006 Adam played in the Victorian Under 15 Country Squad against other states in the National Championships in Sydney. In 2004 he played in the inaugural Victorian Under 14 Country Squad in the Friendship Games in Sydney and the Nike Manchester Nike Cup in Melbourne.

Adam's goals are to play at the highest level

possible. This year he played in the Under 16s for Churchill United Soccer Club who went on to win the league.

He also played for the Churchill Seniors. They won the Battle of Britain and lost the Grand Final in a penalty shoot out with Fortuna.

Adam has also represented the Gippsland Soccer League in Country Championships for six years. He has captained this squad for the last two years.

From 2003-2005 the squad played in the South Eastern Metropolitan League notably, in 2005 playing Super League. This year the Gippsland Squad won the Country Championships in Geelong.

Adam is to be congratulated on his achievement in being accepted to the Development Squad and we wish him all the best for a very bright future in soccer.



Churchill Football/ Netball Club "the Cougars"

Annual General Meeting Delivers Excellent Results

By Tony Martin

THE annual general meeting held on October 27 was well attended and resulted in seven new members being elected to the committee. With their relative sporting backgrounds and youth, they should be of great value to the ongoing success of the club. Rob Jenkins was re-elected unopposed as President and Phil Jellis was re-elected unopposed as Secretary. With Scott Derham having joined the exodus to south east Queensland and the Treasurer's position up for grabs Scott Bruerton was elected unopposed. Scott, as a practicing accountant, will be an asset to the club and continue Scott Derham's professional approach to the clubs financial situation, which, by the way, is in an excellent position at the end of the 2006 season. Gary Welsh, 200 gamer and life member was elected to the committee along with Aaron Pearce. Both were playing footy this season. Dale Foster, this season's senior coach and Cheryl Mason, the Junior Football manager, were also elected to the committee along with netball player Amanda Barling. Jill Jenkins, wife of Rob, was elected, we think on the basis this was the only way they were going to see each other regularly across the football/netball season next year.

Kay Jellis, Marya Stait, Julie Larkin, Rob Jellis, Ken Kerslake, Bob McCartney, Sharon Stait, John Woodbridge, Kate Kerslake, Mark Answerth and Michael Johnson were all re-elected unopposed. The next committee meeting at this stage will be on the 28 of November, when the club structure will be finalized, sub committee positions filled and the build up to season 2007 begun in earnest.

Football Operations Report

By Rob Jellis - Football Operations Manager

Although we had none of our football sides contest in the Grand Finals we were quite pleased with the effort that the senior team put in to make the Preliminary Final. We crossed quite a few hurdles along the way. The work by Dale Foster and his coaching staff to make it this far was tremendous. I

would like to thank Dale, Crock, Pato and all the players for their time and effort.

Unfortunately the Reserves were let down by numbers every week and this made it particularly hard for Eric and his helpers. It was disappointing not to make the finals for the first time since affiliation in the North Gippsland League but plenty of good still came out of the year. The effort of all the thirds to fill in, week in week out was great and I am sure their football improved from this. Also the fact that we still had the chance to make the finals with four weeks to go was also good. It was interesting to see late in the season when we did have a full 18 players for a game we were able to knock off a side that made the Grand Final. It goes to show how much talent we still have at the club, We just need the numbers. Thanks to Eric and all his helpers for the year. It was a great effort with what you had to work with.

In the Thirds, we battled through the year with great improvement shown by all the players from the start of the year to the end. We had a very young bunch of kids to work with, having many that still have another two years to go in Thirds football. We need to make sure we keep these guys together as they show plenty of potential to play really good senior football for the club in the future. If we are able to do this I am sure that these boys will play finals footy in the next year or two.

Friday Night Meals Return

By Tony Martin

On Friday the 13th of October the Club reopened its "Friday night meal" family restaurant, Cougars Café, at the clubrooms at Gaskin Park. It's a completely revamped set up with chef Con Spekenbrink the power plant in the kitchen. Con has had extensive experience in the restaurant field and the excellent food presented to date has indicated his reputation is well deserved. The restaurant is in the main social room and is an incomparable venue with its glassed west wall overlooking the playing field and parklands. With daylight saving here



and daylight extending late into the evening it is a wonderfully relaxing spot to enjoy a meal at the end of the week. Children are welcome and it is possible for them to go out and play on the oval and be in full view all the time from inside the restaurant.

The menu for the following Friday evening will be posted on the club website at cfnc.vcfl.com.au by Wednesday evenings and telephone bookings can be made via Julie Larkin on 51221762. Unfortunately, at present credit card facilities are not available but that is being looked into.

Bar facilities are available. We are looking forward to seeing you all at Cougar's Café.

Netball Operations

By Rachel Paterson, Netball Operations manager.

I'd like to start by thanking our coaches for this year, Roxy Shields, Sam Webb, Kate Kerslake and Sharon Stait. Sam Webb as umpire coordinator did a fantastic job.

Amanda Barling as score secretary thanks to you also. A special thank you goes to Roger Brighton who strapped many ankles and fingers this year. To everyone who scored, umpired, worked in the canteen and helped with the many other jobs around the club and with netball - thank you. We came in under budget this year, which was a fantastic result considering we had some extra expenses, (umpires fees increased, we had every team with a coach this year, flowers for Nolene McDougall and a donation to the D grade netball trip). The Churchill Football Netball Club had two netball teams make finals this year, A and D grades, which was a great result. Unfortunately, we did not have representation in the Grand Finals.

Kylie O'Brien, Nolene McDougall and Sam Webb made the NGFNL Netball A Grade Team of the Year which was a fantastic effort by all three girls. (Ed. Rachael Paterson received the League B Grade Netball Best and Fairest award, which must have been a very satisfying result for her great effort this season.) At club

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We invite you to enjoy a Friday night meal at our new restaurant. Come along and enjoy our menu on Friday nights from 6.00pm at the clubrooms at Gaskin Park, Manning Drive, Churchill. Fridays menu can be viewed from Wednesday evening at cfnc.vcfl.com.au

level, Kylie O'Brien won the best and fairest award in A grade and Stacey Saunders and Roxy Shields were runners up. In B grade Rachael Paterson was best and fairest with Karinda Ball runner up. C grade saw Chandra Mabin best and fairest with Mandy Leesom runner up. In C grade Katrina Hutchinson was best and fairest with Katie Vary and Alana Mathison equal runners up. Nolene McDougall played her 200th A Grade game and was honored with a luncheon and induction to the 200 Club.

Behind the Scenes

By Tony Martin

Whilst football and netball are finished for the year and the players have moved on to other activities for the summer period, for those involved in the running of the club the activity continues unabated behind the scenes. With the Annual General Meeting concluded and Committee appointments completed the preparation for the 2007 season begins. Negotiations on the coaching positions for the three football teams and four netball teams are well advanced and announcements of appointments and introductions to the appointees should be available next issue. Meanwhile, ongoing maintenance of the building, associated plant and grounds/surrounds continues with the associated recruiting of voluntary labour grinding on. Rob says thank you on behalf of the club to those involved and also that offers of assistance will be warmly welcomed.

At the Bar

Overheard #1: So how come there is a drought problem in this country? I don't know about you but over the last 40 odd years whenever we decide to have a BBQ or some other function that we want to conduct outdoors the weather never cooperates and it rains regardless of the season. Has everybody given up and outdoor stuff isn't

planned anymore or is it that here in the Latrobe Valley there is a 95% wash out guarantee comes with the address.

Overheard #2: What is it about a \$2 potato peeler that causes people to form such a deep attachment to them that the average one is about 10 years past it's used by date before it is consigned to the rubbish bin. In your travels look around and you will see what I mean. If the average peeler had an odometer attached it would have about 100,000 metres on it. Having said that it dawns on me there could be a run on peelers, so I had better make a move and get a replacement for the one that caused me to write this before the price goes up and I get into more trouble.

Rotary Decides on Cougars Café for weekly meeting venue

Since the demise of the Churchill Hotel the Hazelwood Rotary Club has been conducting their weekly meetings at Cougars Café and from all reports the venue and catering has met with approval from all concerned. Chef Con appears to have it all under control and is presenting an excellent menu to the Rotarians. The Cougars are looking forward to an ongoing mutually beneficial relationship with the Rotarians and thank them for their support.

Bingo every Wednesday!

Bingo is on every Wednesday evening. The program starts at 7.30 pm and it's eyes down at 8.00pm. There are three sets of 10 games with a considerable jackpot on the last game. The bar is open during breaks and drinks and eats are available. There are various competitions included. All in all it's a great night, so round up your friends who like a punt and come along. The boys who run it, Brian, Fred, Robbie Chips and Jeff, say "the more who play, the more we pay."

Churchill & Monash Golf Club Inc Golf Results

Saturday Men's Comp: 7.10.06

A Grade: S McCafferty (12) 41pts. B Grade: J Dickson (20) 42pts. C Grade: C Barnes (32) 44pts. DTL: J Trembath, P Fitzmaurice, W Peter, D Cluderay, M Brereton. NTP: 3rd J Sterrick, 12th B Bartram, 5th D Taylor, 14th M Brereton. Birdies: b Bartram, J Dickson. Pro Pin: B Bartram.

Sunday Men's Comp: 8.10.06

A Grade: W Peter 40pts. DTL: J White 34pts. NTP 14th W Peter. Birdies: W Peter.

Sunday Ladies Comp: 8.10.06 CCR70

A Grade: D'Alterio 37pts. DTL: K Moroney 35pts. NTP: 5th P Hrynyszyn.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 10.10.06

CCR69

A Grade: K Moroney (21) 40pts. B Grade: S Jeffery (30) 41pts. DTL: S Cooke (38) 39pts, V Verheyen (31) 39pts, M McConville (21) 38pts, D Judkins (45) 37pts. NTP: 3rd: K Raber, 12th: S Jeffery, 14th: S Cooke. Birdies: S Jeffery, B Beebe. Longest Drive: 0-35 K Moroney, 36-45 V Rowley. Lost Handicap: S Jeffery 30-29.

Saturday Men's Comp: 21.10.06

Stroke

A Grade: G Beyer (11) 67. B Grade: P Shields (20) 62. C Grade: B Murphy (29) 65. DTL: S Wotton, J Trembath, J Dickson, D Taylor. NTP: 3rd J Sterrick, 12th G Down, 5th S Wotton, 14th R Jenkins. Birdies: B

Murphy. Pro Pin: S Wotton.

Sunday Men's Comp: 22.10.06 CCR70

A Grade: P Ludlow (15) 36pts. DTL: R Welsh (21) 35pts C/B. NTP: 3rd P Ludlow.

Sunday Ladies Comp: 22.10.06

CCR70

A Grade: E E'Alterio (22) 37pts. DTL: C Barnes (34) 36pts C/B. NTP: 3rd M McConville.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Par 24.10.06

CCR 70

A Grade: M McConville (21) +1. B Grade: D Judkins (45)+1. DTL: V Verheyen (31)+4, A Hlbbert (45)+2, C Ellis (30) Square. NTP: 5/14th 0-35 J Beck, 36-45 H Croft. 3-12th S Cooke. Birdies: S Cooke. Lost Handicap: D Judkins, V Verheyen.

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The Monash Netball B Team



The Monash Ten Pin Bowling Team



The Monash Lawn Bowls Team

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Australian University Games Monash Gippsland Students Bring Home Gold!

THE Monash University Ten Pin Bowling team brought home gold from the recent Australian University Games in Adelaide. Monash is now the current Australian university champion in this sport and four of the five members of this team are from the Churchill campus.

Monash smashed their opposition, Deakin University, four games to one in the gold medal match after losing to this same team in their previous encounter. Rosalie Howard saved her best game of the week for the gold medal match bowling a score of 188, which was the best individual score in the final. Nathan Luke and David Porto (Monash Caulfield campus) were selected for the Green and Gold team, which consisted of the five best bowlers from this competition.

Two students from the Churchill campus were lucky enough to bring home a silver medal each. Peter Wallis played in the Monash Mixed Netball team which unfortunately lost the gold medal match to Deakin University 55 – 40. From all reports, it was an entertaining final played at a very high standard. Monash won their way into this gold medal final by winning all six matches in their pool before comfortably defeating Victoria University in the semi final 56 – 27.

Mat Prior was a member of the Monash Baseball team which finished second to the University of Sydney. The gold medal match was a high scoring game with the final score being 9 runs to 6. Monash won its way into this final by defeating Macquarie University 13 runs to 11 in the semi final.

It was a fairytale ending for Monash in the semi-final with a home run being hit to put Monash in the lead and to win the game. Unfortunately, the same feat could not be repeated in the gold medal match.

The Monash Women's Australian Football team was entirely made up of Churchill students, which included the coach, Ben Kimpton, and the team runner and trainer, Clarita Farrugia.

The team finished 5th overall defeating the

University of Ballarat by only 4 points in their final match. The girls knew it was going to be a tough week after losing some good players from their Southern University Games gold medal team, but they still went in and had a "red hot go" and managed to score a couple of wins. In general, their games were a good contest and skilful, and thus, were very enjoyable to watch. Aimee Buchan, Kelly Bendon and Kellie Sanders were the standout players for Monash and they were duly selected in the Women's Australian Football Green and Gold team.

The Monash Lawn Bowls team was also made up of Churchill students. This team was very close to playing off for a medal, but unfortunately they just went down to the University of Melbourne in the quarter finals, which meant they could only achieve 5th place at best.

In their next match they played the University of Queensland and won 3 games to nil, and in their final match against Macquarie University they unfortunately lost 1 game to 2, which resulted in a final placing of 6th. This was a great achievement for the boys, who have only just taken up the sport since May this year.

The Monash Men's Australian football team finished 5th and the Churchill campus had 4 representatives in this team. This team had an opportunity to play off for a medal, but unfortunately they went down to the University of Western Australia by 7 points, which meant they missed out on a semi final berth.

The best the boys could achieve now was 5th and they managed to do so by defeating Curtin University by 19 points in their final game. Local footballers James Kelly (ex Thorpdale, Mirboo North), Byron Dalliston (Mirboo North), Michael Taplin (Foster) and Michael Marchment (Morwell) were the four Churchill students playing in this team.

Next year, the Australian University Games are planned to be held on the Gold Coast in late September.



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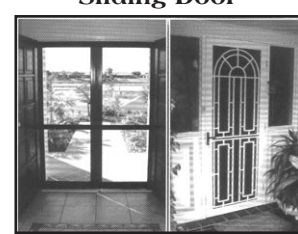
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NATURAL CLEANING TIP

Clean house plants



Put an old sock on your hand, dampen it a little, and dust the leaves of your plants. Add a dab of mayonnaise and your plant's leaves will shine



PERSPEX * ALUMINIUM WINDOWS & DOORS * HEATER GLASS * MIRRORS

INSURANCE WORK * SHOWER SCREENS * GLASS SPLASH / BACKS * GLASS