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## Lumen Christi celebrates 40 years



### Lumen Christi 40 Year Anniversary celebrated in style

More than 160 parishioners, former residents, school Principals, nuns, clergy and members of the Co-operating Churches congregation crammed into Lumen Christi Parish Centre on Sunday July 30, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the Lumen Christi Parish.

Visitors and former parishioners came from as far away as Ballarat, Phillip Island, Orbost and, Melbourne as well as throughout the Latrobe Valley to attend the celebration.

Lumen Christi Parish was established on January 1, 1977 by Bishop Fox and the first Parish Priest was Father Jeremiah Coffey who later became Bishop of the Sale Diocese.

Prior to the commencement of the special Mass, celebrated by Parish Priest Father Siju Xavier and assisted by former Parish Deacon Terry Rooney, a brief history of highlights of the parish over the past four decades, was outlined to the assembled congregation.

Representatives of the three churches of the parish, Churchill, Boolarra and Yinnar took part in several important ministries during the

celebration while important roles were also performed by former nuns Sisters Madeline and Audrey, and former School Principals Michael Dyson, Denise McKenna and Joanne Brewer, with current Principal David Cooper.

A large choir of men and women parishioners was assembled specifically for the occasion and, led by Paul Devlin, provided magnificent music and singing throughout the Mass. A special commemorative bookmark and brochure were produced for the occasion and distributed to those present.

Following the Mass, the crowd moved

to the School Eco Centre where a delightful shared lunch was enjoyed by the large gathering. Father Siju took the opportunity to formally welcome everyone, particularly, Reverend Brenda Burney and members of the Co-operating Churches, and to thank those who had assisted in the organising of the event and provision of the wonderful meal.

After lunch the crowd was entertained by music from young parishioners Emma and Joseph Darling and Tessa Kuijpers, and singing from Peter Pooley and David Lees to cap off a great day of celebration.

### Community Events What's Happening?

**CDCA AGM -**

**Tuesday September 19.**

**Tennis Come 'n' Try Day -**

**Monday September 25.**

**Junior Fishing Day - Saturday October 28.**

**Sporting Expo - Sunday November 19.**

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# Churchill Community Garden Group

Churchill district resident Sheina Renton has been involved as a member of Churchill Community Garden since the first community consultation in 2014. Since then she has worked long and hard on the plans for the garden, and the seeking of permission to implement those plans from Churchill Neighbourhood Centre (which auspices the garden group), the Churchill Hub and the Latrobe City Council (which owns the land on which the garden is located).

Once development of the garden was underway in 2015, it was Sheina who instigated, researched and coordinated decisions as to construction methods, soil treatment, composting methods, the worm farms, what vegetables should be planted where, and when; she set up and attended just about every working bee; time after time Sheina also organised the garden group's presence at markets, fairs, exhibitions and festivals. Early in 2015 she accepted the role of President.

In 2016 Sheina also worked to gain for the garden a grant from the Latrobe City Council. This is in the process of being used to buy the new large worm farm, the "Worm Habitat Grande", as well as

an irrigation system and many useful gardening tools.

Sheina is also responsible for starting and running the children's garden project, and for coordinating plantings and harvests with the community café and cookery classes at the Hub, as well as setting up a fund-raising trolley in the foyer of the Hub from which members of the public can buy excess produce, flowers, seedlings and other garden-related goodies.

In the recent 12 months, the Churchill Community Garden Group was approved for a grant that was funded by the Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal and Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund. Sheina played a key role in applying for the application for the grant with other garden group members. She brought many ideas forward to the group each week about where and how the grant money could be spent in the garden. We now have new garden beds on the embankment/hill. They were built using stones by a local stone wall builder. They are perfect for our garden as they will receive more sunlight during winter time than our other garden beds. We will soon have fruit trees planted. We have a sensory garden



which is looking incredible and will be a main feature of the gardens when it starts warming up. Sheina put a great deal of work into finding the right style of pots for the sensory garden.

Sheina has always provided the group with ideas and suggestions. Her husband Greg has helped in the garden too with building different items for us.

Sheina has chosen to retire from the role of President, however she will continue to be involved in the Garden. Taking over as President from July 2017 is Summer Lakeman, a Churchill resident and student of a Bachelor of Community and Human Services at Federation University.

The Churchill Community Garden group has some current projects that they are working on as well as new

projects that will pop up soon. We meet every Monday morning 10am - 12pm at the Churchill Hub. We have a formal meeting once a month. We enjoy spending time out in the garden and we sometimes stay back to help the staff at Churchill Neighbourhood Centre with the set up for the Community Cafe Lunch at 12:30pm.

This only costs a gold coin donation and is worth coming along to for the delicious food they serve. Membership with the garden group is free and we have a wide variety of jobs that we do within the group. Anyone is welcome to join us.

From everyone at the Churchill Community Garden Group and our friends at Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, we would like to say thank you to you Sheina for everything you have achieved over the years.

**Rainfall**

**Churchill Rainfall**

July has been the wettest month for the year, with rain fall registered on 24 days throughout the month. The total received for the month was 63.5 mil.

The wettest days for the month were July 20 and 26, each recording a total of 10 mil. So far we have received 270 mil for the year.

**Hazelwood South**  
 Hazelwood South had improved rainfall for the month of July, we had 64mm for the month which is 80% of the average, compared to 25% in June.

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# Start getting ready for summer

It doesn't seem possible that the Brigade would be starting to tell you to begin your clean up ready for summer, but it won't be long before the warmer weather is here and with the lack of rain this winter it won't take long for the ground to dry out and the leaves and bark to fall.

If you require any help with how to be bushfire ready, you may phone the Brigade on 5122 2121 and leave a message. Someone will call you back with help.

### Members help with Coolaroo Fire

The huge fire at the Coolaroo recycling plant in Melbourne produced huge clouds of smoke and fumes which were very unpleasant

for the local residents. Getting this fire under control needed some of our local brigade's knowledge gained from the experience from fighting the mine fire. Two compressed air foam system appliances (CAFS) were driven to the scene and with the production of the thick foam, the fire was more easily extinguished. Local volunteer members worked in shifts over a three day period, assisting the MFB fire brigades prior to the arrival of bigger units from interstate.

These CAFS vehicles were tested in the mine fire with appliances sent over from Tasmania, Canberra and Queensland to smother the burning coal. Following



the success of the use of that procedure, two CFA tankers were retrofitted to become CAFS vehicles and were located at Traralgon South and Churchill Fire Stations, where training in their use was undertaken. These vehicles are the only two located in Victoria. They are located here due to the power stations and mines. These appliances are now used widely across the state and locally, being operated by our local volunteers.



## Donations of books to Friends of Latrobe City Libraries

The Friends of Latrobe City Libraries would be happy to receive donations of books. of the books which will be checked for condition and age.

Please contact the Secretary Jill Beck on 5174 1005 or by email [jbck@wideband.net.au](mailto:jbck@wideband.net.au). Our storage is limited but we would appreciate the opportunity to add more suitable items for our Book Sale in October, the profits of which are used to assist with events such as the school holiday programs.

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Darrell White

**Annual Community Grants 2017-18 Program open now:**

Council's annual Community Grants Program is now open for community groups to make online applications for consideration. These grants are available to local not-for-profit groups or individuals for projects to be undertaken in the coming financial year.

Grants are available

across three categories for group applications: minor capital works (up to \$5000), community development (up to \$2000) and community events (up to \$2000) and for individuals.

Council also has available grants to encourage biodiversity works to be completed on private rural land (up to \$1500 per property).

This annual Community

Grants Program demonstrates Council's significant contribution and commitment to community projects and is a way for Council to support grassroots community activities. Council is keen to support our community to think of new and innovative ideas for projects that they would like to deliver for our community.

Community groups and

not-for-profit organisations within Latrobe City who have a project that needs funding should consider making an on-line application.

This annual Grants program may be a way for funding to be obtained to enable a project to be undertaken.

The closing date for receiving applications is 4pm, Friday August 25, 2017.

For more information, including support to complete the online application, phone the Grants Officer, Dean Hardisty, on 0428 661 071 or email grants@latrobe.vic.gov.au

For more information, phone Abby Clavarino, Latrobe City Community Development Officer, on 5128 5658 or email Abby.Clavarino@latrobe.vic.gov.au

**Melina Bath**

Bakery Industry' for the third year in a row. Congratulations must also go to the Churchill Hotel for being finalists in two categories, 'Excellence in Customer Service - Accommodation up to 10 rooms' and 'Excellence in Customer Services - Club/Hotel'.

I also wish to share some news about the Back to Work Scheme, which has been extended to June 30, 2018.

The timeframe needed to be extended to support former Hazelwood workers who are still seeking employment and also cover Carter Holt Harvey employees who are about to lose their jobs.

I encourage small

businesses across the Morwell electorate to have a look at some of the events that are taking place across Gippsland as part of Victoria's Small Business Festival.

Victoria's Small Business Festival runs from August 1 - September 7, this year and features a collection of events and workshops aimed at encouraging and inspiring business capability, leadership and collaboration.

Small Business Festival events in the Morwell electorate:

\*Wednesday August 23, 2017. 10am - 4pm.

Small Business Bus Traralgon Outside DELWP Office, Traralgon.

Cost: Free.

\*Wednesday August 23, 2017. 5.30-7.30pm.

Your Business in a Digital World - Short Workshop -

Federation University, Building 5N 158, Churchill Cost: \$10.

Thursday August 24, 2017. 12.30-2.30pm

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Tuesday August 29, 2017. 7.00-9.00am.

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Wednesday August 30, 2017. 5.30-7.30pm

Effective Record Keeping for Small Business - Short Workshop.

Federation University, Building 5N 158, Churchill



Melina Bath

Cost: \$10.

Thursday August 31, 2017. 6-8.30pm.

Learning to Soar: Dinner with Lydia Lassila OAM (Traralgon Roadshow)

Premiere Function Centre, Traralgon Cost: \$60 (Adult), \$45 (Early Bird).

For more information you can visit [www.festivalbusiness.vic.gov.au/](http://www.festivalbusiness.vic.gov.au/) or call 13 22 15.

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**Morwell memorial garden to honour service personnel**



A memorial garden honouring Morwell's servicemen and women will be established in the grounds of the new Morwell Central Primary School.

Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester today announced Morwell RSL Sub-branch would receive \$2,400 from the Federal Government to build the garden.

"It is terrific to see the Morwell RSL working with the school community to remember and honour the sacrifice of those who served in the armed forces," Mr Chester said.

"The garden is a great way to teach our children about wartime history and will become a focus for the school community on special days of commemoration, particularly on ANZAC Day

and Remembrance Day."

Morwell RSL Sub-branch President Bruce Jeffrey said the new garden would include a small pine tree propagated from the Lone Pine planted in front of the Australian War Memorial.

"There will also be a bronze plaque mounted on a granite plinth honouring the men and women who served in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations," Mr Jeffrey said.

"We've created a few memorials like this at our local schools and it has helped the RSL to build partnerships and awareness among the younger generation. We're hoping this garden will be finished in time for a commemorative service on Remembrance Day in November."

Morwell Central Primary

School principal Justine Smyth said the school community encouraged the involvement of the local RSL.

"The garden will bring Australia's military history to life for our students and be a reminder of the sacrifice that has been made over many years for their freedom," Mrs Smyth said.

"The students have shown particular interest in the story behind the Lone Pine seedling and its connection to Gallipoli."

The Morwell garden is one of 62 community projects from around Australia to receive funding under the Federal Government's Saluting Their Service program.

For more information about the Saluting Their Service program, visit [www.dva.gov.au/consultation-and-grants](http://www.dva.gov.au/consultation-and-grants).

Please see our decorative display at Dunbar Road Garden Supplies, Traralgon or visit our web site [www.geostone.com.au](http://www.geostone.com.au)



# Matt Schmitz - the Journey thus far

Travel Counsellors was an unknown name in Latrobe Valley until the establishment of Matt Schmitz Travel Counsellors in October 2012. Matt commenced this business after working in the travel industry in both Australia and the Netherlands for a number of years. As you may now know Matt Schmitz Travel Counsellors is your locally born and bred mobile travel agent. This places him in front of his competition with an ability to meet you at a time and place of your convenience, a concept previously unknown locally.

Due to the obvious need he has met for you all, he has enjoyed significant success working in an area that is his passion. Check it out:

Oct 2012- The establishment of Matt Schmitz Travel Counsellors. Matt commenced the business using a laptop, telephone and small desk in the corner of the bedroom.

2013- Continued to establish and grow the business. Due to the success a bigger space was needed and

the family relocated to allow Matt space for a large home office. If you have never seen it, once you're inside it looks like a 'normal' travel agency.

2014- Matt was first awarded the highest achievement as a Travel Counsellor - Gold.

2015- At the Australia wide conference Matt was awarded the Best Leisure Travel Counsellor for his success in selling people their dream holidays. Matt also retained Gold for the second year running.

2016- As rated by you Matt received another award at the Australia wide conference - Best Customer Service and still managed to find time to maintain his Gold status. In 2016 Matt was also nominated by his amazing work for the National Travel Industry Awards, listing him as one of the top 30 travel agents, of all travel companies, within Australia.

2017- This year has remained a strong one for Matt having once again qualified for Gold taking him to the Gold Conference in sunny



Jamaica. Travel Counsellors Australia celebrated its 10 year anniversary at an Australia wide conference at the Intercontinental Hotel and the Melbourne Cricket Ground in Melbourne.

Matt was able to again receive the honor of being awarded the Best Leisure Travel Counsellor and the Best Customer Service award, having the highest perfect scores seen in Australian Travel Counsellors history. Matt is personally celebrating his own milestone this year, five years as a business owner and over 10 years in the industry.

Matt will continue to celebrate as he meets the huge target of having visited and explored 70 countries.

Matt says, "Thank you all for your amazing support over the years. I hope to continue making your dream holidays a reality for years to come. If it was not for you guys I would not be enjoying the successes I have so far".

If you would like to get in contact with Matt Schmitz Travel Counsellors please contact him on (03)5122 1108 or [matt.schmitz@travelcounsellors.com.au](mailto:matt.schmitz@travelcounsellors.com.au).

In September this year

# Bringing world class football back to the Valley

The Government is one step closer to bringing the best of football back to the Latrobe Valley.

Member for Eastern Victoria Harriet Shing, joined Latrobe City Council recently to announce the purchase of the 12,000-seat Latrobe City Sports and Entertainment Stadium.

Latrobe City Sports and Entertainment Stadium – the home ground for local teams such as the Falcons 2000 Football Club – was chosen because it's the most significant multi-use facility and the only football stadium of its size and stature in the region.

The complex can now be upgraded with new synthetic pitches and lighting for night matches, giving it the power to attract the big football games and events.

It will provide a home for the Gippsland Football Club's boys and girls teams, and the elite-level grounds will be available for other sports that play on a rectangular pitch.

Mr Sengstock will also manage other projects as part of the sporting package, including:

- \$46 million to construct the Gippsland Regional Aquatic and Leisure Centre
- \$17 million to redevelop the Gippsland Regional Indoor Sports and Entertainment Complex in Traralgon
- \$4 million to upgrade Morwell Recreation Reserve
- \$3 million to upgrade the Ted Summerton Reserve in Moe

Mr Sengstock was formerly Chief Executive of Basketball Australia and head of Sport and Operations for the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games. He started work at Latrobe City Council on August 7, 2017.

The Government has allocated \$4.2 million to purchase and upgrade the stadium, as part of the \$85 million Latrobe Valley Sports and Community Initiative.

Latrobe City is delivering the infrastructure component with support from the Latrobe Valley Authority.

Quotes attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Harriet Shing

"This is our first step to bringing world class football, and all it has to offer, back to Gippsland."

"This upgrade will allow us to host the big ticket games and build a home that our local clubs deserve and can be proud of."

"That's what the Latrobe Valley Sports and Community package is all about – creating jobs and delivering the very best infrastructure to make our region stronger."

A regional Soccer Centre of Excellence will also be established at the site to provide a pathway for our young local athletes from the grassroots to elite level.

It's a big win for the entire Latrobe Valley community, which will be able to use the facility all-year-round, day or night.

Australian basketball champion, four-time Olympian and leading sports administrator Larry Sengstock has been appointed to oversee the upgrade of the Latrobe City Sports and Entertainment Stadium.



## Churchill Town Safety Group



### Tidy up your town!

Occasionally, there is rubbish left out on nature strips and on footpaths that become a hazard as they rot away, Rodents and other animals may use this rubbish to live in an.

They are not only unsightly, but are a health hazard and a trip hazard. Old furniture is a common thing to see left out on the nature strip and this does not always

coincide with the rubbish pick up by Latrobe city council.

Let's all get together and tidy up our town.

The best way to address this issue is to take a photo of the rubbish, note the address, and report it to Latrobe City on their web site [http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/About\\_Us/Contact\\_Us/Report\\_an\\_Issue](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/About_Us/Contact_Us/Report_an_Issue)



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## Annual General Meeting

7.00 pm, Tuesday, September 19, 2017

Board Room, Gippsland Enterprise Centre (Green Inc)  
McDonald Way, Churchill

**Agenda items include:**

- Presentation of Annual Report
- Proposed Rule Change
- Committee Elections

**Proposed Rule Change: Amendment of CDCA Rule 4.1**

Delete reference to Monash University Gippsland Campus Student Union and amend to – "Federation University Australia, Student Senate, will be asked to nominate one representative from among its Gippsland Campus members. This member shall have speaking rights at any meeting of CDCA and be entitled to vote and stand for election. The Student Senate will be asked to confirm their representative at the Annual General Meeting or at the start of each calendar year or term of office. Where there is not a Student Senate Gippsland member available, the CDCA Committee of Management may second a member of the Gippsland Campus student body and this person shall have all the same rights.

Neighbourhood Watch will be asked to nominate one representative; such member shall have speaking rights at any meeting of CDCA and be entitled to vote and stand for election. Neighbourhood Watch will be asked to confirm their representative at the Annual General Meeting.

**All members and local residents welcome.**

Light supper provided.

Contact CDCA: email - [info@cdca.org.au](mailto:info@cdca.org.au)





# Church News

## Co-Operating Church Snippets



### Youth Group

Youth Group met late in June and had a great time with a trivia night.

The participants were split into two teams.

There were four rounds - general knowledge, Bible knowledge, true and false, and movie recall. They are all now a little bit smarter!

### Coffee Connections

The July meeting had no set programme.

It was an opportunity to share anything those who attended would like - a happy occasion, milestone, good book you have read, somewhere nice you have been etc, and catch up with others over a cup of tea / coffee and morning tea.

There were some interesting items and it was a happy time of fellowship in a warm area away from the freezing cold wind and rain.

There was a time of prayer with a candle lit for each concern.

### Lion's Market

The Lions Club Market had a Christmas in July theme and the church stall

featured a Christmas tree and signs wishing folks a Happy Christmas.

Although it was cold and had periods of drizzly rain, those who attended found things to buy with some stalls reporting good takings.

The wood raffle was popular as usual with people mentioning how expensive it is to buy wood and how, because of the cold winter, they had used more than

usual. We will be there again next month with another trailer load for you.

### Garage sale

Over five days the church was converted to a department store with everything you could think of - clothing, crockery, cutlery, vases, quilts and other bedding, knick knacks, toys, craft material, books for all ages and tastes, games and much, much more.

The cake stall was well patronised as was the sausage sizzle and the pancakes, hot off the plate. Devonshire teas were a hit, especially as they could be enjoyed inside the church. Plants sold as did the items which filled up the shed.

It was lovely to see how many folks came and enjoyed the time with so much on offer, and it was worth our while as the proceeds exceeded our expectations.

## Church Times

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

Williams Avenue, Churchill  
Tel: 5134 2849

Fr Edwin Ogbuka /Fr Siju Xavier

Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass: 9.00am

1st and 3rd Sundays:

Yinnar: Mass: 10.30am

2nd and 4th Sundays:

Boolarra: Mass: 10.30am



### Churchill Christian Fellowship

Maple Crescent, Churchill  
Sunday: 10.00am

### Co-Operating Churches of Churchill

Sunday Service: 9.00am

Rev. Brenda Burney

Williams Avenue,

Churchill.

Tel: 5122 1480

### Boolarra/Yinnar Co-Operating Parish

1st and 2nd Sundays

11.00am

Christ Church Boolarra

3rd and 4th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar

5th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar South

## Student Connect

There's a 9-year-old boy in America who has caught the headlines.

Tyler Carach is a youngster on a mission to give a donut to as many police officers in America as possible.

Since beginning his quest in Florida, he has already given away over 7,000.

Tyler has adopted the pseudonym "Donut Boy" and he is currently on a six week road trip across America distributing donuts in American police departments.

He originally got the idea for the gesture in August 2016 when he saw several officers in a store. Since he knows

from experience that coffee and donuts are the police's favourite meal as his mum is a former police officer.

He decided to use his own allowance money to buy some treats for the folks in blue.

Bearing a donut-embazoned cape that reads "I DONUT Need A Reason To Thank A Cop", Tyler has mostly paid for the pastries by doing chores around his house, or collecting and selling scrap metal with his grandfather.

Recently, to ease his financial burden, and spread more sugar, he and his mother started a 'crowdfunding'



campaign to support his mission.

Whilst there may be health-related issues with this for some...maybe we should be reporting such good news stories more often than we do.

Worth thinking about!



# Plants in my Garden

By Mike Beamish

Species:

Correa 'Boolarra Bitzer'

Family:

Rutaceae

Derivation:

Correa: Named

after Jose Francisco Correa de Serra (1751-1823), permanent secretary, Royal Academy of Sciences, Lisbon, Portugal.

Common Name:

None. The hybrid name shown above is one that I have just made up, as is my right as the owner of the plant. If I felt that it was worthwhile, I could officially register this name with the Australian Cultivar Registration Authority (ACRA).

**Distribution:** This is a seedling that germinated in my garden two years ago, is presumably of mixed parentage and so does not have a natural distribution.

**Description:** A shrub to 1.5m x 1m with ovate to elliptic leaves to 30mm long and 15mm wide, glossy, dark green on top and paler underneath with a sparse covering of short, rusty, stellate hairs. When crushed, the leaves have a pleasant fruity aroma. Flowers appear over winter and are tubular to 35mm long, very pale pink at the base and becoming pale green towards the tip. The tip is split into five lobes, which are recurved outwards, exposing the exerted stamens and the style. The flowers also have a covering of short, stellate hairs and their colour deepens to a pinky-brown as they age.

**Opinion:** This plant is growing next to my front door steps on the northern side of the house, where it sits in fairly heavy shade for most of the day, only getting direct sunlight in the early mornings. It is growing in the same position as a Correa that died about five years ago and is presumably a seedling from that previous plant. The previous Correa came from a commercial nursery and was labelled 'Correa reflexa', but I don't believe it was a 'reflexa', I think it was Correa backhouseana var. orbicularis from Kangaroo Island, possibly a hybrid with Correa decumbens, similar to the named hybrid 'Dancing Lipsticks'. I base my theory on the visual characteristics of the flowers and leaves, even though

I don't have a specimen of this plant any longer. However, there is a cutting from my original plant growing in my mother's garden in Morwell, so I include a photo of it for your consideration.

Now, obviously these two plants are not identical so I'm guessing that another of my Correas has contributed to the genetic make-up of my current plant. The most likely culprit is my Correa glabra, which I think is the Coliban River form from Central Victoria and is growing about 10 metres away at the end of the driveway on the northern nature strip. This plant was covered in an article back in March 2011, so here is the photo from that article, for comparison.

Since Correas are just about the most promiscuous of native plants (right up there with Grevilleas, Eucalypts and Orchids) and readily cross with each other both in the wild and in gardens, it is very difficult to know their exact heritage. The other options for parental rights would be any of the Correas that are or were once in my garden, and these include a number of Correa reflexa, C. pulchella, C. bauerlenii or C. 'Eucla Gold'. Since the current plant is paler than its mother, I doubt that any of the red or orange-flowered Correas are the father, as you would think offspring would then be more colourful. C. bauerlenii has the chefs cap-shaped calyx, of which there is no sign on the seedling. That leaves either the C. glabra or the C. 'Eucla Gold' as the only other possible pale-flowered sires. What do you think? Am I on the money?

The other consideration with Correa hybrids is whether they are worth keeping. Generally speaking, the plant should have special characteristics if it is to be deemed worthy. Flower colour



and/or profusion is usually considered most important and my plant probably fails the test in this regard, as it is subtly rather than brightly coloured and so far has been pretty sparse in flowering. Other criteria include size and shape of the plant, leaf colour and characteristics, attractiveness to birds and other critters, scent, fruit, etc. My plant is a bit leggy, but I'll give it a tip prune after it has finished flowering, so we'll see if it bushes up. Otherwise, I doubt that 'Boolarra Bitzer' will be the next big sensation in the native nursery industry, but I believe in giving most plants a chance, so it will remain in the garden for the time being. Hopefully it will surprise me down the track.

**Sources:** Hitchcock: Correas- Australian Plants for Waterwise Gardens.

Sharr: WA Plant Names and their Meanings.



# Bound By Time

Denis Beaubois

July 15 – September 17, 2017

Gallery 1, 2 and 3

For the first time in Australia, the exhibition 'Bound by Time' brings together the major works by Sydney based artist Denis Beaubois, which cover the complete ground floor of the newly refurbished Latrobe Regional Gallery.

Created between 2011 and 2017, this seminal solo exhibition represents the most wide ranging public presentation so far, by this internationally active artist.

Underpinning the exhibition is the Currency project. This major project looks at the charged relationship we – as a society – have with money. It elicited a scandalised media reaction when first created.

From the precarious nature of state sponsored art funding, to validation of artistic merit from the art market, the artist borrows from the worlds of economics, capitalism and conceptual art (ideas based art).

In the Currency project, Beaubois has created complex gallery based environments which combine photo, video and documentary material using a variety of media.

Other parts of the LRG ground floor present works titled 'No longer adrift', (composite territories).

These reference the theme of migration and displacement, questionable notions of settlement and assimilation.



Exploration of these complex matters occurs through the use of humble commonplace materials and everyday actions by the artist, friends and his family; in sometimes absurd and innocent public performances.

Denis Beaubois' practice is idea driven rather than tied to a specific medium or material.

His past work has addressed various themes including that of migration and displacement, surveillance, and economics.

Denis Beaubois' projects have been presented internationally at The TATE Modern (London), San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (San Francisco), Museum of Contemporary Art (Cleveland), Museum of Contemporary Art (Sydney), Zero One Biennale (San Jose), Museum of Contemporary Art (Taipei), SCAPE Biennale of Art (New Zealand), Rencontres Internationales (Paris, Berlin), Koldo Mitxelena (San Sebastian) and Transmediale (Berlin).

In 2013 he exhibited at Ryan Renshaw Gallery (Brisbane) and Artspace (Sydney), whilst recently he has shown works at the New Media Gallery in New Westminister and Art Souterrain in Montreal.

He has received numerous awards for his works most notably winning the 1998 Bonn Videonale (Germany), and receiving the Judges special prize for the Internationaler Medien Kunst Preis 2001, ZKM (Germany).

Denis Beaubois has also trained and worked as a performer and was a core member of performance ensemble Gravity Feed for 12 years.

He was also a member of the Post Arrivalists and has performed with Japanese company Gekidan Kaitaisha in the Drifting View X, in Tokyo.

He holds an MA in photography and performance as well as an MFA in Time Based Arts from COFA, UNSW.

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# Friends of Morwell National Park



## July Activity Report

At this activity we had Beryl, Ken, Graeme, Wayne, Rose, Mike, Tamara and Darren. Matt and John were also there for the meeting in the car park (they needed to leave after the meeting). We had apologies from Cathy, Peter and Wendy McD. With us for the activity was Melina Bath the State Parliament member (MLC) for Eastern Victoria. She was invited along by Shane because she has an interest in natural spaces and wildlife. She was very interested in what the group does and in seeing some sugar gliders.

The days' task was to complete the winter survey of the approximately 84 nesting boxes located along Billys Creek. It was a very cold day where beanies and gloves were necessary. While it was cold, at least it was dry.

The group started from the car park and began with the nesting boxes nearest Junction Road.

Using the pole mounted camera, each box was located and then the camera was placed through the hole to video and collect still images of what was inside each of the boxes.

The roles of everybody changed throughout the day with different people locating the nesting boxes (found recorded on sectional park maps), while a few other people managed the camera, animal identification and record keeping.



All nesting boxes showed signs of use with scratching around the holes and leaf litter in most boxes. The sugar gliders, who are the most common users of the boxes, live in small family groups and frequently change boxes. Multiple gliders will huddle together in a box especially during the cold of winter.

We stopped for lunch at the Braniffs Road Bridge across Billys Creek. After lunch a smaller group (Rose, Mel and Beryl had left) surveyed the remaining newer boxes up the Butt Butt track and along the Braniff Road track.

Over the day we located at least 27 sugar gliders in the nesting boxes. There may be more found when the photos and videos are looked at on a bigger screen. All gliders

found were huddled deeply into the leaves and grouped tightly together, so what we observed from above, may not include those further from the camera or under other animals.

This was the lowest recorded number of animals found in the boxes. The winter totals have always been lower than the numbers of animals located in summer. Last year in the winter survey, we located 47 sugar gliders.

## August Activity

Sunday August 20, 10.00am

The group will meet in the Junction Road car park to complete track maintenance around Potato Flat. You will need to bring your lunch along with clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions on the day.

## Hazelwood equipment sale

ENGIE in Australia is committed to the safe and sustainable decommissioning of the Hazelwood Power Station.

This includes the removal of surplus equipment not required for demolition works.

ENGIE Hazelwood is in the process of engaging a heritage consultant to identify items of cultural and architectural heritage significance at the site.

We will then consult with the community and organisations such as Heritage Victoria, historical societies and Latrobe City Council to determine the most appropriate and respectful way to acknowledge the contribution Hazelwood made to the Latrobe Valley community and the State.

The equipment for sale in the initial auction phase includes furniture such as chairs, tables, desks and

cabinets, office equipment, white goods, tools and some large machinery.

Liquidity Services, a specialist company in industrial sales, has been contracted to run the sales process. The first online auction is planned for September 7.

For more information: <http://engie.com.au/hazelwood-closure/Asset-and-Equipment-Online-Auctions>.

## Known scams

Recently Sharon and Alana from Consumer Affairs ran an information session at the Morwell Library

We were asked if we were on the "Do Not Call" register.

Each year it needs to be renewed. Ring, 1300 792 958 to have some nuisance calls blocked.

Be prepared that the scammer will say "we are not selling you anything"... but they are.

Have you ever had the phone ring and once answered, there is a five second pause, then the message "Good-bye" is heard.

This call is from a call centre. Hang up.

Computer scammers can now gain access to genuine sales sites, and then add their own link, by writing "click here to purchase"... but don't do it.

By clicking on a link... it's a scam and you won't receive your goods.

Remember if you are asked for money to make money...it's a scam.

Some scammers will advertise items for sale and once paid for in advance, the goods are not delivered.

Know that the Australian Tax office and Centrelink will not ask for money or passwords over the phone, nor verbally threaten you.

Have you been encouraged to click on a computer site that has a hilarious film clip, or still pictures...some of these sites have computer viruses attached.

There are now scams attached to genuine advertisements for property or car sales.

However the information you type in is scammed off to a scam site where unknown to the genuine advertiser the money you electronically transfer, goes to the scammer.

There is a known scam where the same car is advertised with different number plates, and different values!

Always take time to

check various sites for the actual value of the vehicle. Remember, if it is too good to be true...then it's highly likely, it's a scam.

There are scams concerning Microsoft and Telstra... your phone is going to be cut off unless you pay... Australia Post also had a scam..."there's a delivery problem... pay... to receive your parcel".

Remember, banks do not ask for your details including passwords, over the phone.

If you purchase a product from a TV ad, "just pay...\$19.95 postage and handling"...but...if you want to return the item, the cost of return postage will be far greater as these companies pay bulk postage rates. Many people decide it's cheaper to pay for the item, than pay to return it.

Consumer Affairs reminds us to take time to make decisions. Check other computer sites to see if what you are being offered is not a scam.

Remember you have 10 days cooling off period, to decide whether the purchase is suitable.

Travelling conmen, typically from England and Ireland, go from house to house, offering cheap cash sales for a job around your home.

They don't provide a quote, or their business card with full name with contact details and ABN number.

Nor do they offer a receipt. Either the job is

poorly done...or not done at all.

Protect yourself – sign up to Scamwatch

Visit the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) website. On the [www.accc.gov.au/littleblackbookofscams](http://www.accc.gov.au/littleblackbookofscams), is available online. This book is internationally recognised.

"To stay ahead of the scammers, learn more by visiting the ACCC's Scamwatch website – [www.scamwatch.gov.au](http://www.scamwatch.gov.au) –where you can sign up for free email alerts on new scams targeting consumers and small businesses".

You can also follow Scamwatch on Twitter at @scamwatch\_gov or [http://twitter.com/scamwatch\\_gov](http://twitter.com/scamwatch_gov).

If you have provided personal information to scammers, contact IDCARE on 1300 432 273.

Use PAYPAL to pay for items. Be aware that if a site says "PAYPAL is not available", then do not purchase from that site.

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# Minister visits Churchill Dental Prosthetics Laboratory

Minister for Regional Development Jaala Pulford, inspected construction of the Latrobe Valley University Training Clinic and Dental Prosthetic Laboratory in Churchill recently.

When completed, this facility will include three dental surgeries, two podiatry rooms, two physiotherapy rooms, community meeting rooms and a dental prosthetics laboratory.

“This massive facility is creating local jobs, supporting local businesses and putting a smile in the Valley,” said Minister Pulford.

The facility is on track for completion in November. Latrobe Community Health Service thanks the Churchill community for their continued

patience while we redevelop the site.

## Men encouraged to talk when times are tough

The importance of talking, listening and checking in with workmates was the take-home message of a recent Men’s Health at Work event hosted by Latrobe Community Health Service.

Over 100 people from Gippsland businesses and community organisations gathered together to hear key note speaker Wayne Schwass speak honestly about his battle with depression throughout his AFL playing career and his journey to recovery.

Catherine Hodgens, Health Promotion Officer with Latrobe Community Health Service, said the

event was an important step in breaking down the stigma associated with mental health and encouraged the men in the audience to feel comfortable in talking about their feelings and asking for help.

“On average, six men each day take their life through suicide in Australia, and tonight was a reminder of the ways we can all look after our mental health. If you or someone you know is in crisis, the most important first step is to talk and begin a conversation about the hard stuff in life,” said Ms Hodgens.

If you or someone you know is experiencing depression, call Lifeline on 13 11 14 or Beyond Blue 1300 224 636.

## Impacts of gaming on young people

Latrobe Community Health Service recently partnered with the Institute of Games to host a Youth and Gaming Forum for parents, teachers and other youth professionals to explore the impacts of gaming on young people.

Young people across Gippsland are being exposed to screens and technology like never before. Digital Australia reports that 96% of children aged between 6 and 15 engage in some form of gaming screen time on a regular basis.

“Young people are increasingly exposed to gambling through gaming. With thousands of free apps and video games that mimic gambling readily available online, it is becoming harder to tell the difference between gambling and digital games,” said Ashlea King, Gamblers Help Community Education Officer at Latrobe Community



Wayne Schwass, mental health advocate and Catherine Hodgens Latrobe Community Health Services, Health Promotion Officer at the recent Men’s Health at Work event.

Health Service.

Ms King said many video games allowed children to play ‘gambling-style’ games, normalising gambling.

“Many games are set up with false odds that give players the impression it’s easy to win. This normalises

gambling, and young people are under the false impression there is minimal risk involved,” said Ms King.

Gaming expert and Director of the Institute of Games, Steven Dupon provided relevant, in depth information as to why gaming

is one of the many things that push young people to gambling. For more information on gambling and tips for parents on keeping gaming fun and safe, visit Steven Dupon’s website at [www.videogames.org.au/about/](http://www.videogames.org.au/about/)

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## People’s Choice awards for Churchill - Vintage C’hill

By Kelli and James Love.

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# Hazelwood Rotary Club



By Leo Billington

A "new" Rotary year commenced on July 1 and Hazelwood Rotary has extensive plans for its continued massive, extensive community involvement.

Ian Wilson will continue as President until December 30, 2017 and then Leo Billington will continue through to June 30, 2018.

Ian's "rollover" was held early in July at an evening attended by members and guests. The predominant feature of Hazelwood Rotary is its friendliness and innovative move away from tradition [in Rotary] making it a far more interesting and vital social group.

It was in this light that Ian's "rollover" was a most enjoyable occasion. Ian

was inducted by Assistant Governor Carol Crewe. Ian in turn presented Leo Billington with a Paul Harris Fellow – Sapphire Pin award.

Pistons Car and Bike Club Secretary, Catherine Parmenter was one of our guest speakers in July. Catherine outlined details of her club's 2017 car and bike show scheduled for Sunday, October 29 at Gaskin Park.

Hazelwood Rotary, Hazelwood Cemetery Trust and the Yinnar-Yinnar South Landcare Group recently joined together in a massive



tree planting program at the Hazelwood Cemetery. It was a huge success with plenty of enthusiastic volunteers.

Our last guest speaker for

July was Kylie White, interim Chief Executive Officer at the (then) newly established Latrobe Valley Authority. Our club joined with Mirboo



North and Trafalgar Rotary Clubs to hear Kylie speak about the early beginnings of the LVA, providing a brief outline of its charter and tasks

to fulfil. For anyone interested in joining Hazelwood Rotary, please contact President, Ian Wilson on 0409 937 222.



## Supporting younger veterans returning to civilian life

Community and ex-service organisations can now apply for help to provide ongoing services and support for younger veterans.

The Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester said the Supporting Younger Veterans (SYV) grants program recognised the importance of the transition phase for Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel at the conclusion of their service.

"We are finding that some of our younger veterans are struggling when their military careers end," Mr Chester said.

"In this second round of the grants program, \$1 million is available for projects that build community support and look after the unique

needs of younger veterans transitioning to civilian life.

Applications are invited for a range of initiatives including mentoring, team building, self-improvement and creative activities that promote social inclusion and peer-to-peer support for younger veterans.

The enthusiastic response to the first round of this grant program resulted in 11 projects being funded ranging from art, writing and higher education programs to research and support for emergency accommodation," Mr Chester said.

"The Government is committed to honouring the legacy of all our veterans. One way we can honour that

sacrifice and the service of previous generations is to look after today's veterans."

Minister for Veterans' Affairs Dan Tehan said the SYV grants program would provide \$4.25 million over five years and delivered a commitment to support the needs of younger veterans as they left the ADF.

"We understand that younger servicemen and women face unique transition challenges as they leave the ADF and integrate back into civilian life.

These grants will assist in raising awareness of the important issues facing younger veterans", said Mr Tehan.

Applications for this

round of SYV grants close on September 1. The successful applicants will be announced later in the year.

For information, visit [www.dva.gov.au/consultation-and-grants/grants](http://www.dva.gov.au/consultation-and-grants/grants) or by calling the Department of Veterans' Affairs on 133 254.



## CHURCHILL COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

Saturday, March 18, 2018

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# Nappy Presentation Day



Photographs by Brenda Cheetham

## A busy time for Churchill and District Community Association

by Linda Reid

The committee has been very busy considering the consultant's report and formulating an action plan based on community feedback, and building on the strengths of the association.

We also considered our small number of volunteers and time available to them.

We listened to your comments and agreed that we could be communicating better and looking at a more effective way to consult with you and for community members to give us feedback on issues.

One of the decisions we have made is to incorporate, which will allow us to auspice projects/groups if we are able.

A Churchill project that we have been approached about is the construction of the pathway linking Lake Hyland to the University which will complete the loop.

Together we are sourcing funding and hopefully will be successful. We will let you know the result.

We also discussed email trees with community groups, maintaining our web page <http://cdca.org.au> and shortly setting up a Facebook page as well as a regular article in the Churchill News.

We are also interested in running some forums based on community interests or needs and would like to hear your thoughts on topics and speakers.

We have kept our objectives:

CDCA will promote at

local, regional state, national and international levels the interests of the people of Churchill and its district.

To actively promote the area as a great place to live and raise a family.

To act as a voice on issues of strategic significance to the whole area.

To advocate for open, transparent, inclusive and responsive processes to be adopted in planning and decision making to Churchill and district.

To establish and encourage forums for discussion on issues specific to Churchill and district.

To assist organisations based in Churchill and district to further their interests by encouraging interaction between groups and stakeholders.

To act as a voice for groups and individuals to present specific issues to Council, State and Commonwealth Agencies and/or other relevant organisations.

To act as an impartial body with membership drawn from the community and relevant interest groups in Churchill and district.

Our next meeting is our Annual General Meeting on September 19 at Gippsland Business Centre (formerly known as Green Inc) at 7pm.

Everyone is very welcome and there is no pressure to be on the committee or hold a position.

Come along and enjoy light refreshments with us and have a chat.

Distribution of the May collection of clean, leftover, unused nappies from Churchill businesses took place at the Hub in July.

Many thanks were given to Churchill Discount Chemist, Churchill Neighbourhood Centre and Churchill Newsagency for their efforts in collecting 633 nappies.

These have now been passed to the recipients, Salvation Army of Morwell, and St Vincent de Paul, Churchill, where they were gratefully accepted, to be used to help those in need.

Representatives from Churchill & District News who helped organise this effort, Mike and Marion Answerth from St Vincent de Paul, Myla Bennett, Major Alan Milkins from the Salvation Army, and Abigail Brown from the Hub attended the presentation.

Ruth from Churchill & District News began proceedings, presenting the nappies and asking that as nappies can be so expensive would each recipient like to speak on how the nappies will be used.

Mike and Marion Answerth on behalf of St Vincent de Pauls thanked Churchill & District News for



the nappy donations and their support. St Vincent de Paul volunteers distribute food hampers and assist clients via the local Vinnies shops to purchase clothing and furniture.

They said that having parcels of nappies on hand will be very useful in future when families are in need of this support.

Myla Bennet, the welfare worker said, on behalf of the Salvation Army, Latrobe Community Support Services and Major Alan Milkins (Morwell Ministry) she would like to say thank you once again for supporting

them and it was greatly appreciated. These nappies will be a benefit to all clients who are in financial difficulties at this time.

"As a Welfare Administrator, part of my role is to oversee all of our Latrobe Community Support Services (LCSS). We have 15 volunteers working on different days.

We help with Emergency Relief and our door is open to all those less fortunate.

Assistance that can be given includes food parcels, medical assistance (prescription), furniture, clothing, household goods,

advocacy, disaster relief, pastoral and spiritual help, Christmas cheer in December and information".

Major Alan Milkins spoke about the closure of Hazelwood Power Station, suggesting that the real problems have not yet been seen, however he is expecting more families needing relief in the future.

For any further information contact Latrobe Community Support Services, phone 5133 9366.

The presentation was concluded with everyone enjoying a friendly chat and cuppa.

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# Gippsland Australian Muslim Community donates to LRH



The Gippsland Muslim Community recently donated \$500 to the Latrobe Regional Hospital during the GAMCI Iftar held at the Federation University Student Lounge.

"Iftar" is an Arabic word which means breaking fast, and is held during the holiest month of the Muslim calendar – Ramadan.

Five community Iftars were held during the month of Ramadan which brought together Muslims and non-Muslims from throughout the region and the south eastern suburbs of Melbourne.

During Ramadan Muslims abstain from food, drink and other pleasures. Muslims fast from sunrise to

sunset and the Iftar's begin at sunset.

Fasting allows people to experience how those less fortunate feel and to appreciate the bounties of God (Allah), which can be easily taken for granted.

One of the pillars of Islam is charity.

Charity serves as a way to bring justice, balance and kindness to every society and community, as well as providing for the needy and less fortunate.

The virtue of charity is increased during Ramadan.

To appreciate the kindness and the involvement of the Latrobe Regional Hospital in the lives of the Muslim community, a donation was

made on June 24.

The holy month of Ramadan ended on June 25 with the sighting of the new moon.

The Eid Eid Ul Fitr (festival of breaking the fast) early morning prayer at Kernot Hall attracted over 200 people, showing that the Gippsland Muslim community is solid and growing.

Pictured as well as GAMCI (Gippsland Australian Muslim Community Inc) Vice President Dr Zafar and Treasurer Ahmed Nabulsi presenting a cheque to LRH Community Ms Celine Foenander.

O'Callaghan concluded.

The Project Reference Group consists of three Councillors (Councillor Dan Clancey – Chair

Councillor Bradley Law and Councillor Alan McFarlane), three Council officers (General Manager City Development, Phil Stone, Manager Arts and events, Michael Bloyce and Project Officer, Andrea Smith) and representing the community, education and creative sectors:

Nathan Byrne – St Paul's Anglican Grammar School (educational representative)

Terry Fitzgerald – Federation Training (educational representative)

Bryce Ives – Federation University (educational representative)

Christine Skicko (community representative)

Peter Harrison (community representative)

Simon Hemming (community representative)

Frank Bezzina (local artist/performer)

## Latrobe Creative Precinct

**Latrobe Creative Precinct (PRG)- Project Reference Group appointed**

Latrobe City Council has appointed seven community members to the Latrobe Creative Precinct Project Reference Group, a step forward to the next stage of the multi-million dollar facility. Latrobe City Mayor, Councillor Kellie O'Callaghan, said the community appointments comprised local representation for the arts and education sectors.

"The Latrobe Creative Arts Precinct is a \$30 million project with the new centre to be the home of a 750-seat theatre and an activated outdoor event space. We are currently in the process of engaging an architect, with building to begin in 2018, but we are pleased to have already appointed the Project Reference Group.

The selection panel included Councillor White, Councillor Howe and myself, along with three

officers from the arts and events team. We received 11 applications for community representatives and the selections were made against rigorous criteria to ensure we have a well-rounded, considered and appropriately experienced group," Councillor O'Callaghan said.

"We are particularly pleased to welcome the educational representatives to the PRG because the existing Performing Arts Centre will be remodelled and refurbished into the Creative Industries Training Centre where students can study arts and creative industry subjects.

With the additional insight of the local artist and community representatives who between them provide a broad understanding of the local arts and creative scene, this PRG can guide the project through each stage until we can proudly open the Latrobe Creative Precinct", Councillor

# Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists



New Holland Mouse by Phoebe Burns

"New Holland Mouse – threatened species" is the topic for discussion at the Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists' Club meeting on Friday, August 25 at the Uniting Church Hall, Old Sale Road Newborough from 7.30 pm.

Phoebe Burns is an ecologist specialising in native Australian rodents. As part of her PhD she is working on a project to test the decline of New Holland mice across Victoria.

At Wilsons Prom, across the Yanakie Isthmus, she is conducting a long term study of survivorship of the small, remnant population of New Holland mice. She is also testing their population

health in response to The following day's planned burns in Providence excursion is to Providence Ponds and Gippsland Lakes Ponds, east of Stratford. Coastal Park.

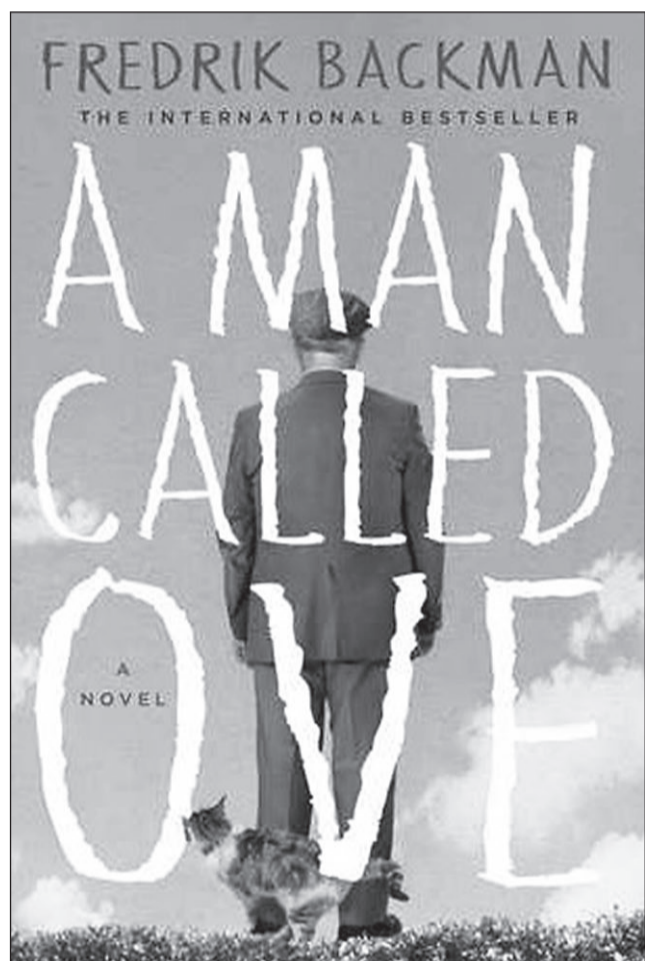
## A Man Called Ove

**"A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Backman**

Fredrik Backman is a Swedish blogger, columnist and author. This is his debut novel and it has sold over half a million copies in Scandanavia. He has also written "My Grandmother Sends Her Regards and Apologies", and it also went straight to number one in Sweden.


"A Man Called Ove" is full of dark humour. The story is about Ove, who believes he no longer has anything to live for, and is contemplating suicide. He makes a number of attempts, but each time something happens which causes him to fail. He doesn't get along with his neighbours initially, and refers to everyone with a label, such as Blonde Weed, Cat Annoyance and so on. People are categorised by the kind of car they drive. He can see no positives in the younger generation, and is very resistant to change and authority (except his own). He is impatient, irritable, grumpy and very irritating, and possibly suffers from obsessive compulsive disorder.

Things begin to change when a new family moves



in next door, and despite himself, Ove finds himself being drawn into the community, and by the end of the book he is an integral and loved member of the neighbourhood.

In the opening chapters of this book I found Ove to be particularly annoying, and was tempted to not persist with it. However a friend from book group encouraged me to "stick with it" and I am really glad I did. This is a heart-warming story, and remember "it is meant to make you laugh."



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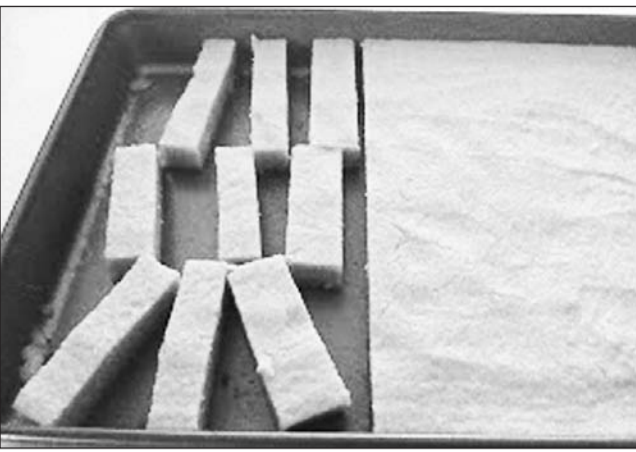
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# Cooking with Noelene



by Noelene Marchwicki  
**Cheesy Polenta Chips**

Spray a 20 x 30 cm slice tray and set aside.

Bring 1 litre of vegetable stock to the boil.

Pour in 220gm of polenta and stir until thickened. Remove from heat and mix in 100 gm of finely grated Parmesan cheese, a desertspoon (dsp) of butter or margarine and 1 teaspoon (tsp) of Italian herbs.

Pour the mixture into the prepared pan, smooth over the top and cover with cling wrap.

Place the tray in the refrigerator till completely cool and set (allow for at least 3 hours).

This part of the preparation can be done the day before.

When completely set, turn out the polenta and slice into thick chips.

You can freeze the prepared and sliced polenta in an airtight container, separating the layers with baking paper to avoid them sticking together.

To cook ....place the chips on an oven tray that has been sprayed with oil.

Place in a preheated hot oven 200 deg C, and roast until golden and crisp (25-30 minutes).

I turn my polenta chips once through the cooking process.

## Tomato Eggplant Cakes

Mix 1 tablespoon (tbs) of freshly chopped basil, 1 dsp of ground oregano and add 1 tbs of minced garlic with 1 tsp of chilli paste (optional) with 2 cups of tomato paste.

Wash and trim ends of 2 eggplants, slice very thinly

(1/2 cm).

Coat the eggplant slices with the tomato mixture on both sides.

Measure out 2/3 of a cup of polenta (corn meal) and press onto the eggplant slices, both sides.

Line an oven tray with baking paper and place slices side by side on tray and bake in a preheated oven on 160 deg C for 45 minutes, turning after 30 minutes.

These are fabulously delicious .....

## Pavlova Roll



The first pavlova (pav) roll I ever tasted was made by Margaret Hutchinson and it was just delightful .

I remember it was similar to a traditional pavlova but also different as it was soft, pale and puffy .

The pav roll is filled with thickened cream and can be flavoured with a variety of flavours or fresh berries or fruit.

You have to have a strong heart when the soft billowing meringue quickly deflates as it cools, but that's part of the construction.

It is a little messy to make.

It is essential you have a good quality Swiss roll tray.

You have to give it a go!  
Heat your oven to 200 deg C.

Beat 4 egg whites (room temp) to stiff peaks.

In a separate bowl mix together 1 teaspoon (tsp) of cornflour, 1 tsp of white wine vinegar and 1/2 tsp of vanilla extract.

With the electric beaters running add 1 tbs of 150gm castor sugar at a time, adding the cornflour mix half way through, until the mixture is glossy and stiff.

Line your Swiss roll pan (30 x 20 cm) with spray and baking paper.

Spread the meringue mixture evenly over the pan, smooth over and even to the edges.

Bake for 8 minutes, until fluffy and lightly golden.

Remove from oven and it is at this stage you may need a stiff drink as the meringue deflates.

Breathe it's ok.

Dust with sifted icing sugar.

Lay a clean tea towel over

top and quickly invert and remove the baking paper.

Set aside to cool.

Whip 300 ml of cream until thickened.

Spread the thickened cream over the cooled meringue, top the cream with lemon curd OR mixed berries OR sliced fresh strawberries sprinkled with a little sifted icing sugar.

Use the tea towel to help roll the meringue forward, ending with the seam underneath.

Slice any excess fruit to decorate the ends of the roll, use a spatula to carefully place on a platter, slice to serve.

Keep covered in refrigerator.



## Primary Industries

Australia's development has always relied on our primary industries - what we can harvest and what we can dig out of the ground. As a consequence, we have produced a large number of stamps depicting these industries and people associated with them.

The first issue was in 1934 to celebrate the development of merino sheep by John Macarthur. The issue comprised of three values, a 2d red, a 3d blue and a 9d purple showing a merino sheep on Macarthur's property at Camden, N.S.W. The 2d value had two printings, one with darkly shaded hills and one with light shading. The design was later used on the 5d purple definitive of 1937 - 56. The next issue was another definitive, the 1/3d Hereford bull.

In 1948, a 2 1/2 d stamp was issued to honour William Farrer who was instrumental in developing strains of rust-free wheat.

Rust was a fungal disease which was blighting wheat crops across Australia and threatened to wipe out Australia's wheat crop altogether.

Farrer used seeds from other countries to develop new varieties which resisted the fungus.

He also developed a number of strains which could grow in areas of low rainfall,

## Fresh approach to seasonal work in Gippsland

A trial is now underway to encourage unemployed people to take up seasonal horticultural work to get experience and improve their skills.

The Government's Seasonal Work Incentives Trial offers a range of incentives for unemployed people to undertake seasonal horticultural work to help them gain experience and improve their skills.

The Gippsland Member for Gippsland Darren Chester, said the Seasonal Work Incentive Trial would support job seekers and businesses keen to give workers a start.

"This is a win-win for local workers and growers in the horticultural industry, which is often in need of short-term labour during peak times," Mr Chester said.

"Horticultural work offers excellent practical opportunities for people keen to build their skills and gain work experience. Gippsland has unlimited potential as a vegetable and fresh salad

## STAMP MATTERS- A NEW EXPERIENCE



which allowed the area under wheat to expand and for farmers to survive through drought years.

In 1951, a 3 1/2 d stamp was issued to commemorate the discovery of gold in N.S.W. It depicted John Hargreaves.

In 1953, two strips of three stamps were issued celebrating food production. The green 3d strip and the red 3 1/2 d strip featured beef cattle,

butter production and wheat harvesting. Later that year a 3 1/2 d stamp was issued for Young Farmers Clubs. In 1958 a 4d stamp commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Broken Hill and the mining of silver, lead and zinc there.

In 1961, a 5/- stamp was issued for the Northern Territory Cattle Industry. Two different papers were used for this definitive issue, white and cream. In 1969 a set of four Primary Industry stamps were issued showing sugar, timber, wheat and wool. In 1970 a 5c stamp was issued for the 11th International Grasslands Congress held in Australia for the first time.

The National Development issue of 1970 depicted cotton growing, bauxite mining and the production of oil and natural



gas. A 12c stamp showing Animal Science was part of a 1971 set and in 1972 a set of four primary industry stamps were issued showing fruit, rice, fish and beef cattle. A further National Development issue in 1973 featured Iron Ore mining.

In 1981 a set of four stamps featured the Gold Rush Era, in 1986 a stamp showed mustering and a strip of five stamps featuring shearing, honouring the song 'Click go the Shears.' In 1989 a set of four stamps showed four common breeds of Australian sheep.

Since then, there have been a number of other issues depicting primary industries in Australia, the latest as recently as 2015.

Remember, Traralgon Stamp and Coin Fair, October 21, 2017.

growing hub for Australia and the broader Asian region. I am excited by the opportunities this trial can provide for both our growers and people seeking work."

Minister for Employment Michaelia Cash, said the Seasonal Work Incentives Trial offered financial incentives to support unemployed people to take up work opportunities for up to six weeks.

"The Government understands that the best form of welfare is a job," Minister Cash said.

"The Seasonal Work Incentives Trial is targeted to assist 7,600 unemployed people to undertake seasonal horticultural work, such as fruit picking, to get work experience and build their skills."

The \$27.5 million two-year trial began at the start of July and is capped at 7,600 participants.

The trial's incentives are available to eligible Newstart and Youth Allowance (Other

recipients who have been receiving those payments continuously for at least three months and are participating in jobactive, Transition to Work or Disability Employment Services.

The incentives include:

- participants being able to earn up to \$5,000 each year from qualifying seasonal horticultural work without it being assessed under the social security income test;

- eligibility for a Seasonal Work Living Away and Travel Allowance of up to \$300 each year, if they undertake qualifying seasonal horticultural work more than 120 kilometres from their home; and

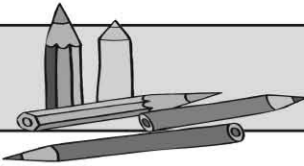
- employment service providers will receive a Provider Seasonal Work Incentive Payment of \$100 per week for up to six weeks a year for each eligible person that they place with eligible farmers.

For further information, visit [www.employment.gov.au](http://www.employment.gov.au).

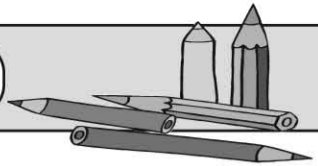




# School News



## Churchill North Primary



*Harold and Life Ed visit Churchill North Primary School students*

Children at CNPS were lucky enough to be visited by the well renowned Life Education van in late June, to meet the engaging educator Jan and healthy Harold the Giraffe, who have for generations been educating Australian children to live to their full potential. With the clever combination of the very enthusiastic Jan, a little bit of magic dust, state-of-the-art portable facilities and a cheeky sidekick giraffe, children at CNPS learnt about being safe and healthy.

The juniors learnt: how to identify which people in their lives are special to them how to identify "sweet" or "sour" friends sweet friends speak nicely

to you even if they're angry or in a bad mood, they don't yell at you, they look at you and face their body towards you when they are speaking and listening to you, they say nice things and use their manners, making you feel healthy and happy, sour friends do the opposite

being safe and healthy in public hold an adults hand to cross the road

three steps to syringe safety (STOP: Don't touch, tell an adult and warn others) drinking and using water to wash your insides and your outsides

very importantly, children learnt the difference between "friendly" people and "tricky" people (tricky people ask children to come away from their parents [lure them] to help with or do things that a

child should not have to do) Some children found it difficult to identify tricky people so we hope all the adults reading this can have a conversation with the children in their care about "tricky" people.

*Churchill North's Learning Power Awards*

On Monday June 19, some very special students at Churchill North Primary School were presented with awards for their growth in their exemplary attitudes, skills and behaviours towards their learning. The students achieving the awards were awarded for outstanding achievement in areas such as their work quality, growth mindset, problem solving skills, their attitudes towards being challenged and their work ethic. It was terrific to see the improvements that all

of the students who achieved the awards had made in these areas. We are all proud of their growth.

*Churchill North wears P.J's to school*

The students and teachers at Churchill North Primary School showed their support for the local hospitals on the last day of Term 2 by wearing their pyjamas to school. Pyjamas, dressing gowns and fluffy slippers were all the rage in support of the local fundraiser "Give Me 5 for Kids" which is organised by one of the local radio stations to provide funds for the children's wards of both Warragul and Latrobe Regional Hospitals. In excess of \$100 was raised in support of the hospitals by the Junior School Council for the school, all in the comfort of their pyjamas!!!

*Values Activity Morning at Churchill North Primary School*

On Wednesday June 28, the children from Churchill North Primary School took part in a Values Activity morning. During the morning the children were able to participate in a range of activities based on our School values of, Respect, Responsibility, Trust, Team Work, Co-operation, Courage, Listening and Patience. Children rotated through a range of activities in multi-aged groups, visiting different teachers to learn about the Values. Some of the activities involved creating posters, making masks, making listening ears, working as a team and eating marshmallows. The children enjoyed the activities and ended the morning with a

stronger understanding and appreciation of our school's values.

*Leadership in the making at Churchill North Primary School*

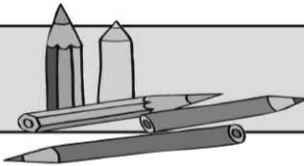
On Wednesday June 21, William and Stephane attended the School Council Meeting at Churchill North Primary School. At the meeting they were able to practise their leadership skills by presenting to the School Council the fundraising activities and projects the Junior School Council has been involved in. The parents and staff members who attended were all impressed with the confidence the children showed in sharing their ideas with the Council and look forward to hearing more about the events in which the Junior School Council are involved.



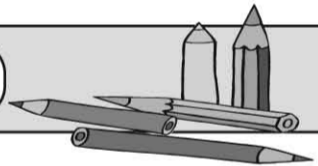
Left: Saffy, Noah, Riley Stevie and Chantel visiting Jan and Harold in the Life Ed Van  
Right: PJ day at the school



# School News



## Hazelwood North Primary



*House Activities*

For the last day of Term 2 the House Captains prepared and led some special activities.

Students participated as a House group rotating through each of the four activities - celebrating NAIDOC week, researching an Australian

animal, measuring their jumping and relay skills, and designing a new Australian coin.

On the day each family of our School community received a free copy of the beautiful picture book "Lulu the kangaroo" by Bill Charlton. The book tells the

heartwarming true story of a kangaroo rescued as a joey and raised by the Richards family, who named her Lulu. The story describes the fun of daily life with Lulu, and then astonishes us by describing Lulu's loyalty and actions which saved the life of Len Richards. Lulu was awarded

the National Animal Valour Award for what she did that day.

Thank you to Mr Len Richards who donated the books about his family's very special kangaroo, so we that might all share in Lulu's story.

In the second last week the Foundation and Grade 1

students had their fairy tale dress up day. We had lots of fun making crowns, wands, castles and performing puppet shows using fairy tale characters.

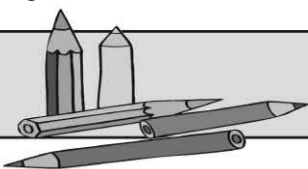
On the last Monday of Term 3 we made pizzas.

Students got to choose the ingredients to put on their pizzas. We were practising our collaboration and resilience skills (especially when making the pizza dough). We also learnt about food from different countries.

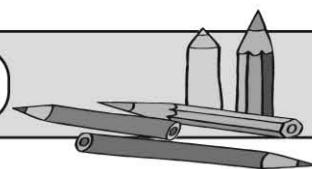




# School News



## Churchill Primary



### What's on in Term 3 at Churchill Primary School

Term 3 at Churchill Primary School has started very well with many wonderful activities and learning tasks planned by students and staff to look forward to. If you have pre-school students and would like to come and see what school is all about, come and see us at Churchill Primary School as we have lots to offer.

Term 3 every year is a busy time for our Victorian State School Spectacular students, as they attend rehearsals in Melbourne leading up to the big finale which is in September. The first Wednesday of this term had our choir participants

along with Mr Fitch and Jo, attend a mass rehearsal for all students.

We have also had all students in the school take part in a First Aid for students program, which was very beneficial and had students talking and sharing learning for days! We have many sporting events to attend with our Yinnar and District Sports days for schools in the Churchill Cluster happening all term. Our very talented Churchill Primary Hockey team made it through to the Regional finals last term and we will be hoping they continue their winning streak and make it through to the next round.

Our Student Representative Council has a

disco planned to raise money for a local charity that is yet to be decided. During Book Week, the last week of August we will have our annual 'dress up as your favourite book character' parade, with many book related fun activities happening throughout the week. Meerkat Productions will also be visiting our school to put on a book week related production for the whole school.

To top off the busy term we have our School Footy Colours day closer to the AFL grand final where we get to show off our support for our favourite football teams. We are all looking forward to a very exciting term of learning at Churchill Primary School. *Victorian State Schools*

### Spectacular

On Wednesday July 19, eleven of our students headed off to Melbourne with Mr Fitch and Jo Whitelaw for our first Mass Choir rehearsal at the Melbourne Town Hall for this year's Victorian State Schools Spectacular.

The Victorian State Schools Spectacular is one of the largest performing arts events in Australia. It is a professionally staged production performed annually to an audience of over 10,000 people.

The Spectacular includes a cast of almost 4,000 Victorian government school students, working towards a common goal in a collaborative, competition-free environment. It aims

to provide an invaluable performing arts opportunity to Victoria's government school students and to showcase the enormous talent in our schools. It comes together in a three-hour show that celebrates the performing arts - choir, dance, vocal, drama and orchestra.

Students are provided with a unique opportunity to work with internationally renowned industry professionals across all disciplines, as well as the amazing experience of performing live in front of thousands of people.

This is Churchill Primary School's 5th year of being involved in this wonderful production and our students thoroughly enjoyed their first "official" rehearsal.

### Premier's reading challenge

Several students from Churchill Primary School are involved in the Premier's Reading Challenge this year. Regular reading from an early age is vital for success at school and has lifelong benefits. The Challenge encourages children to read more and promotes a love of reading, supporting the Education State target to have more students reaching the highest levels of achievement in reading. Mrs Foster opens the library every morning before school so that children can borrow as often as they like.

CPS students Vincent, Eize, Hamish, Jonathan, and Natalie are all very keen readers.

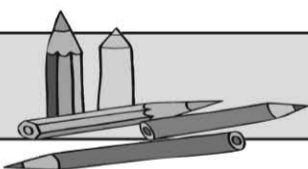


Left: Mr Fitch, Hudson B, Paige M, Kohen J, Thomas E, Lila K, Emilee M, Moncidel S, Andrew T, Vivian H, Lola H and Isabel O take a break from singing at the VSSS Mass Choir Rehearsal in Melbourne.

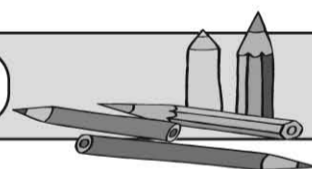
Right: Jonathan T, Vincent K, Natalie B, Eize K and Hamish S enjoy reading!



# School News



## Kurnai College Junior Campus



### Jiyun Experimental School

Kurnai College has again hosted a short-term Chinese Study tour from the Jiyun Experimental School. The group of students has experienced living with volunteer Homestay families. The Homestay provides a welcoming, nurturing and safe environment for these young students, as it will likely be the first time these students have been out of China. These occasions also give the opportunity to learn about the Chinese culture and

share our Australian way of life. It is a great experience for both the Chinese students and the host families.

While at Kurnai, they have participated in a mix of English Language classes located at the University Campus, and immersion classes at the Junior Campuses. These classes were followed up by organised afternoon activities within the local area. The Chinese students went to "Jump and Climb", a day-trip to Wilson's Promontory, as well as activities the host

families engaged in.

### Cross-country Runners

A big well-done to Gracie Kearns, Claire Irving, Ben Bremner, Kaylie Anwerth and Bridget Cain (Year 10) who competed in the regional cross country race at Lardner Park at the end of Term 2. All students did a fantastic job running the difficult 3km track. Claire and Bridget were successful in making it through to the State level competition, during the first week back this term. The run was carried out under wet and slippery conditions. Once again, the two girls deserve a big congratulations for their efforts. They did themselves and their school proud.

### Drama Nights

At the end of the first Semester, the Year 7 students put together another fantastic Drama Night. They presented a very entertaining evening of various plays and performances.

Students performed pieces of work which

they had written and practised over the semester, with back flips, comedy, guitar playing and some overall fantastic acting abilities.

The Year 10 drama class ended their Semester performing a version of 'Alice in Wonderland' in the drama room. The students who have been preparing throughout Semester 1 presented a play incorporating wacky characters and vividly colourful costumes. The quality of props for this performance added to the spectacle and was accompanied by a great musical track, and the lighting helped to create an otherworldly atmosphere. Again, it was obvious a lot of work and learning had taken place in the lead up to this performance and everyone involved is to be congratulated for their input. Some special thanks also to those staff and students who assisted with the creation of the props.

### Hands-on-Learning Projects

The students in the 'Hands On' Program have been continuing to work

consistently throughout Term 2 producing great outcomes for themselves and for the school.

The 'Hands-On' program offered to build a park bench for the Mathison Park Committee to be placed into Churchill's Mathison Park. The park bench was a great success, with all measurements and angles cut perfectly; definitely constructed to a commercial standard. The bench was trailered to Lake Hyland, and the 'Hands-on-Learning'

students cemented the footings into the ground.

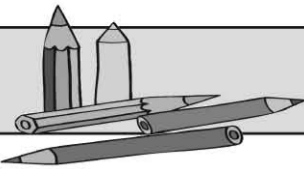
The students in the 'Hands-on-Learning Program' have also been working on gardens throughout the school grounds; cleaning them up, rebuilding container walls and replanting.

The amount of positive feedback that the students have received from staff and fellow students has been fantastic. The 'Hands-on-Learning' students are really enjoying it, and taking ownership of their grounds.

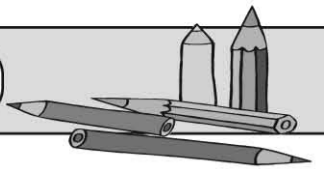




# School News



## Kurnai College University Campus



Recently we held assemblies to congratulate almost 300 students who attended school for over 90% of the time for Semester 1, and to present about 20 students who had attended 100% of the time.

While this is a great result and should be applauded there

are still a number of students who must improve their level of attendance to maximise their education.

We all know that the more students attend and participate in their classes, the more they will get out of their classes and the better they will learn and retain what they learn.

If there are valid reasons for absences such as medical appointments or other important appointments, a medical certificate or an appointment notice should be brought to school to cover the absence.

At the University Campus we always stress

the importance of attending school every day and reward students in a number of ways when they maintain excellent attendance in all classes.

Many students have already received Well Done attendance postcards to celebrate their great effort.

At the assemblies five

students in Year 12 and 13 in Year 11 were presented with certificates for attending 100% of the time for all of Semester 1 this year.

### Snow Trip

Just to show everyone that VCE is not only about study, revision and exams, the class of outdoor education students

went to Mt Hotham to enjoy the snow and try to get some practical skills under their belt, to better understand the theory they have been learning in class.

We hope they had a wonderful time and enjoyed a week away from classes.

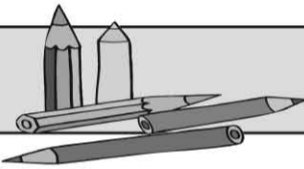


Left: Students commended for their 100% attendance record

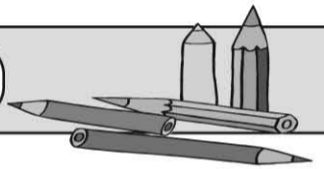
Right: Wonderful in the snow at Mt. Hotham



# School News



## Lumen Christi Primary



Term 3 has started with plenty of excitement at Lumen Christi. In the first week we had our Year 5/6 Camp and in the second week we celebrated Lumen Christi's 40th Birthday.

Our Year 5/6 Camp operates on a two year cycle with the odd years involving a bush adventure style camp, and in even years our Melbourne Immersion trip. Our camp this year began with a day at Sovereign Hill Ballarat as part of our History curriculum, and at the end

we headed to our camp at Malmsbury. The adventure component of the camp involved students having the opportunity to take on a giant climbing wall and a free fall swing - two challenging tasks that very few of the adults were game enough to take on!

Afterwards the students were taught the art of archery for which many of the students showed a talent once they completed a few practice rounds.

It was a privilege to see our students out of the regular

classroom environment, interacting positively with their peers, school staff as well as the camp staff.

We congratulate them on their behaviour, their bravery and for the way they acted as ambassadors for our school both at Sovereign Hill and at the camp.

We also thank the staff who attended the camp and for being prepared to be away from home for three days.

The photo accompanying this report was taken during our costumed activity at

Sovereign Hill where the students posed at various sites acting out the Eureka story.

Apart from being such an engaging lesson it also provided many laughs from both the staff and students.

On Sunday July 30, the Parish celebrated its' 40th birthday.

The school and parish has been an important part of the fabric of Churchill and it was a lovely opportunity to connect with past and present community members.

A more detailed report

will be included in another area of Churchill News, but in a school related context a photo of four school principals who attend the day is shown. In the photo (left to right) are Dave Cooper, Denise McKenna, Jo Brewer and Michael Dyson.

The school would like to extend their thanks to the parishioners who contributed to preparing the Mass and luncheon - it was a terrific success.

Preparations are underway to further celebrate

our 40th Birthday as the students prepare for Thursday September 7. We offer an open invitation for all past and present families and friends to join us. Further details can be obtained from the school.

Enrolments for Prep 2017 and other year levels.

If families are interested in discussing enrolment for their children at Lumen Christi they are welcome to contact the school on 5122 2231 or by calling in to visit.



Left: Costume activity at Sovereign Hill  
Right: Four school principals who attended the Parish 40th Anniversary celebration

Russell Northe proudly servicing the Churchill and District Community



### Russell Northe MLA

Member for Morwell

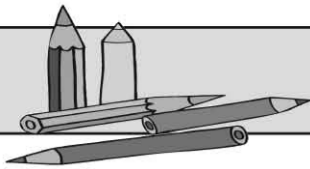
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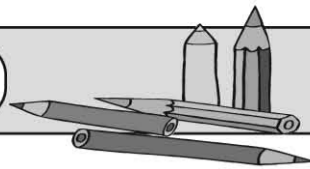
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# School News



# Yinnar Primary



Term 3 at Yinnar Primary School is one of our busiest. Planning and practice is already underway for the School Production later in the term. Bookweek is approaching, we have traffic and cyber safety presentations planned, and students will compete in district basketball.

Our girls' soccer team competed at the regional level in wet and windy conditions in Sale. The team consisted of both experienced and novice players. They have developed their team skills through three levels of competition and have shown great sportsmanship,

as well as significant improvement both in their playing skills and personal growth. They finished as runners up to Cowes Primary.

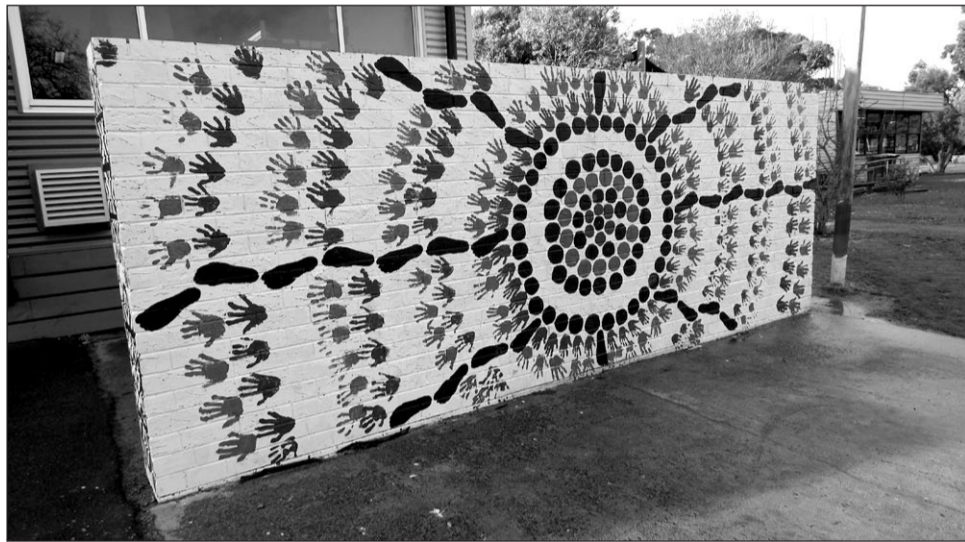
One of our students, Luke Cheffers competed in the State Cross Country at Bundoora finishing a very respectable 40th in a field of 92 competitors from all over the state.

One of our rebound walls has had a makeover with our Art teacher, Mr Twomey completing Indigenous murals on both sides.

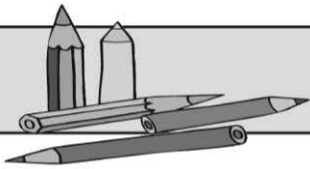
Yinnar has always been very well supported by its

families and our Book Fairs are no exception. Students have been visiting the fair during their class time and, also with parents before, and after school. The school benefits greatly as many new resources will be added to the library.

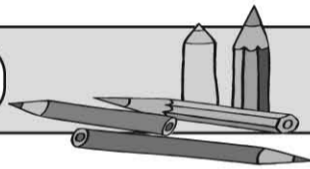
Our four Student leadership teams - School Captains, House Captains, GRACE and Junior School Council meet regularly on Monday afternoons. This gives them a dedicated time to discuss their plans with their mentor teacher and put their ideas into action.



# School News



# Churchill Preschools



## The Hub Preschool

Welcome to Rhiannon and the team to the Hub Preschool. It's lovely to have you teach our preschoolers.

The children have been enjoying a delightful start to the winter term. Recently they were treated to a visit from the Responsible Pet

Owners' educators, where the students learnt about the different behaviours of pets, particularly dogs.

They learnt that there are 140 reported dog attacks each week in Victoria. That is six attacks a day!

Children between the ages of birth to four years of age

are the most vulnerable.

Remember all interactions with dogs need to be supervised. Show your child the correct way to approach a dog and realise there are times when a dog wants to be alone.

For further information, go to the DEPI website, [www.depi.vic.gov.au/pets](http://www.depi.vic.gov.au/pets)

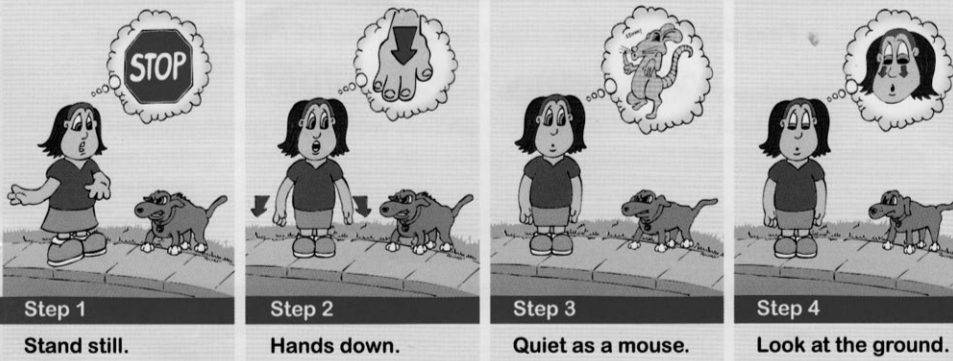
## Glendonald Preschool

Glendonald Preschool has had an awesome start to Term 3, learning about Aboriginal culture. The children have been looking at Aboriginal paintings and

symbols and their meanings. They have created collages of Borun and Tuk - the creation story for Gippsland. They have also made boomerangs using scratch art, Aboriginal flags, a rainbow serpent and

rainsticks. We believe it is important for the children to understand Australia's culture and heritage and pay respect to the rightful owners of our land.

### What to do if you are approached by an unknown or angry dog.



Rainbow serpent children (Monica, Ryan and Mason)



Rainstick maker Sadiejay



# Have a say on how our country kids are educated

Gippslanders with a stake in the education of local students now have a chance to be part of a landmark review of education in regional, rural and remote areas.

The Member for Gippsland Darren Chester, today encouraged local teachers, parents, students, employers and others with an interest in education to be part of the review initiated by the Government.

The review, launched earlier this year, has reached an important milestone with the release of a discussion paper and launch of an online platform for public submissions.

The discussion paper, prepared by the reviewer Emeritus Professor John Halsey, identifies the key issues and challenges faced by rural students and poses areas of focus to stimulate ideas about possible solutions.

"I urge members of our education community, families and employers to consider the discussion paper and take the opportunity to share their ideas and experiences about how we can best support local students to succeed in school and beyond," Mr Chester said.

"We want more regional students to complete their schooling and go on to further study, training and employment.

As many students begin to look towards the end of their final year of secondary school, there's still an enormous amount of uncertainty for their families about whether they can afford to send their child away from home to attend the university of their choice.

For many families in Gippsland, this is one of the most significant and pressing issues they face.

This independent review is giving the community a chance to provide its feedback on what's working and what's not."

Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce said the Halsey Review was part of the Government's efforts to ensure regional, rural and remote students achieve success at school.

"Students living outside our major cities face unique challenges compared to their city cousins which can cause significant disparities between their education outcomes," Minister Joyce said.

"And the difference starts early. We know regional, rural and remote students are more likely to have developmental vulnerabilities when they start school, such as lower language and cognitive skills. Their NAPLAN results are generally lower and they go on to be under-represented in

higher education."

Minister for Education and Training Simon Birmingham, said the public submissions would highlight issues to be further explored by the review through face-to-face consultations from July to October.

"Having now delivered a true model of needs-based funding for Australian schools – which results in an average annual rate of per student funding growth for students in regional and remote areas of 4.9 per cent compared with 4.1 per cent for all students - we are determined to ensure schools are armed with the best information to put this record funding to the most effective use possible," Minister Birmingham said.

"The inquiry is particularly keen to

hear from members of the education community, families, employers, government agencies and the philanthropic sector about how best we can support regional, rural and remote students to succeed in school and beyond."

The final report and recommendations of the

independent review will be provided to Government by the end of this year. Submissions close on August 29, 2017 at 5pm.

For more information visit: <https://www.education.gov.au/independent-review-regional-rural-and-remote-education>.



## SPORT

CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS

"Connecting Your Community"

### Churchill & Monash Golf Club

Saturday July 1, 2017.

Mens Stableford: A Grade - C. Doyle (11) 35. B Grade - B. Baldock (19) 34. C Grade - R. Zomer (36) 34. DTL - G. Beyer 34, W. Judkins 33, R. Able 33, G. Gosling 33, L. Oates 33, D. Byers 32, J. Barnes 32. NTP - 3rd C. Doyle, 5th P. Jordan, 12th G. Geyer, 14th G. Beyer. Birdie - 3rd. C. Doyle.

Ladies Monthly Medal Stroke July 4, 2017.

Winner - E. D'Alterio (23) 101 Gross. Medal Winner - E. D'Alterio (23) 78 Nett. DTL - D. Judkins (25) 80 C/B - NTP - 5th M. McConville 14th J. Beck.

Mens 2 Person Ambrose - Saturday July 8, 2017.

Winners - J. Butler 36 D.

Ellwood 13 53 1/2. DTL - J. Barnes and B. Barnes 55, W. Sutton and R. Sands 56, M. Hutchinson and R. Zomer 58 1/2. NTP - 3rd D. Caldwell 12th M. Brereton 14th J. Sloyan.

Ladies 3 Person Dropout Ambrose July 11, 2017.

Winners - E. D'Alterio (24) L. Peake (40) J. Beck (31) 55 3/8.

Saturday July 15, 2017. Mens Stroke -

A Grade - W. Judkins 68. B Grade J. Ambrosini 73 C/B. DTL - R. Scurlock 70, M. Brereton 73. P. Williams 73, B. Mathew 73, B. Kilday 74. NTP - 3rd T. Sterrick, 12th R. Scurlock. Birdie - J. Barnes 14th.

Ladies Stableford July 18,

2017.

Winner - E. D'Alterio (24) 32. DTL - L. Peake (40) 31. NTP - 14th M. Dear (birdie).

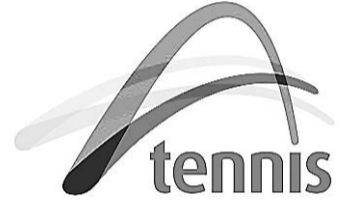
Saturday July 22, 2017. Stableford Mens.

Winners - A. Grade - A. Madigan (15) 39. B. Grade - B. Barnes (29) 37. DTL - D. Ellwood 36, R. Welsh 35, D. Byers 33, M. Soppe 33. A. Sharrock 31 C/B. NTP - 3rd B. Kilday, 5th R. Scurlock, 12th R. Scurlock, 14th B. Barnes.

Tuesday July 25, 2017. Ladies 4BBB.

Winners - S. Turner and M. McQuillen (60) 38 Points. DTL - E. D'Alterio and J. Beck (54) 34 Points. NTP - Ladies 3rd M. McQuillen.

### Churchill Tennis Club



by Lucinda Appleton Secretary

**Annual General Meeting**

Monday August 28, 2017 at 7.30pm at the Clubhouse, Manning Drive, Churchill.

All current and prospective members are invited to attend.

In addition to election of office bearers, discussion will be held on the forthcoming tennis season and number of teams to be entered

in both senior and junior competitions. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to enquire about playing competition, please phone: Juniors - Sally Kirstine 0403 282 630, Seniors - Tammy de Souza-Daw 0434 978 930.

The Club also has a Social Membership and enquiries can be made to Carol Scott on 0409 326 769 Social tennis

is held on a Monday at 1pm (varied in summer months). Play is just organised on the day for those who can attend - if you have previously played and would like to enjoy tennis again, give Carol a call.

For any enquiries regarding coaching, you can contact Sally Kirstine on 0403 282 630.

KEEP FIT - PLAY TENNIS

### Churchill Bowls Club

**Family come and try day**

The Churchill Bowls Club will be conducting a Family Come and Try Day at our bowls green Manning Drive Churchill, on Sunday

October 1, 2017, commencing at 11am and concluding at 1pm. All are welcome to attend.

The program will consist of Barefoot bowls, Indoor bowls, information sessions, coaching, followed by a sausage sizzle with tea and coffee available.

The Churchill Bowls Club will be holding its **A.G.M on Wednesday September 6, 2017, commencing at 7pm.** Members and non-members are welcome to attend.

The club has been successful with a \$16,000.00 Shade Shelter Grant from the Department of Health and Human Services. As soon as the money becomes available

we will be constructing a further 12 shelters around the perimeter of the green, with a completion date set for around November 2017.

The **Ladies indoor bowls** competition is preparing for its finals program with the two Churchill teams having a good year. Our Division 2 team skipped by G. Thompson finished in the top four and will participate in the semi-finals. Our Division 4 team skipped by M. Newton just missed out on competing in the finals, however they gave it their best shot. This is an excellent result for our club and all looks good for next year.

The **men's Winter Lawn Bowls Competition** is coming up to the business end of the season, with Churchill sitting midway down the ladder and struggling to make the finals. Unfortunately, the

loss of three close games during the season cost us dearly in our finals bid.

Anyone wishing to play **indoor bowls** on a Thursday night is cordially invited to come along and join in a fun activity. Games start promptly at 7.15pm, however to allow for team selection people need to be there around 7pm. Cost for the night is \$4.00 which includes a light supper with tea or coffee.

Our club is currently seeking people who are interested in joining our organisation as a committee member, no experience is required as training will be carried out inhouse. The club is also interested in new or past players who are interested in joining our welcoming inclusive club.

Any queries can be directed to W. Brown on 5122 1860.

### Mid Gippsland Darts Association

#### Winter Competition 2017

**DARTS ASSOCIATION LADDER after Round 5**

Team Name	Played	Won	Lost	For	Against	%	Pts
<b>BULLSHOT</b>	5	5	0	31	14	344.4	10
<b>COYOTEZ</b>	5	4	1	28	17	311.1	6
<b>YINNAR TIGERS</b>	5	3	2	29	16	322.2	8
<b>MUSTANG 1</b>	5	2	3	26	19	288.9	4
<b>JOKERS</b>	5	1	4	16	29	177.8	2
<b>MUSTANGS 2</b>	5	0	5	5	40	55.6	0

Round 3: A solid all round performance this week got the Yinnar Tigers over the line with a 5-4 win over Mustangs. Highlight of the night was a highest score of 156 from Reno Borg (YT). Mark Taylor (YT) led the pegging with 5 for the night and Sharon Taylor scored a brilliant ton.

Betty Spence Memorial Drawn Doubles Night: Our own Peter Campbell teamed up with Bullshot's Warwick "Waz" Roberts to

win the memorial doubles. Congratulations Pete and Wazza. To top off a good night Pete scored a 180 and a highest score of 140. Yinnar Tigers' Mike Bailey had a 118 finish.

Round 4: Yinnar Tigers had a great night of darts with an 8-1 win over Jokers. Men's highest score was 177 by Mark Taylor (YT).

Men's highest finish was an impressive 101 by Peter Campbell (YT) and Ladies

highest finish of 57 was scored by Sharon Taylor (YT).

Round 5: Yinnar Tigers made a good fist of trying to win but went down in the last match of the night to Coyotez 4-5. Lots of highlights in the game with men's highest score of 140 to Peter Campbell and Mark Taylor. (YT) A men's highest finish of 104 also by Mark Taylor.

There was also a fine Ladies highest score of 101 by Chloe Helmuth (C).





# Mathison Park



Cleaning up the paddock behind the old house was the main item for the working bee.

With Scott fully licensed on his tractor, the job was made easier. We now have a large pile of old, fallen dead trees etc ready to burn.

Wally used his mower and tamed a section of the grass, while Max, Barry and Ruth carted material to the pile being pushed together by Scott.

Bill went off and began some preparations for the ramp which will be made at the Kurnai end of the park. Andy took a hammer and made sure tree guards and stakes were in place where mowing had occurred.

The Community Corrections teams have worked hard and a lot of grass around trees has been whipped and mowed to create a much neater appearance. The mulch which was delivered to the beds has also been spread by the Corrections teams.

The Council mowing teams have kept other areas well under control.

All this work has created a park which presents itself as a place worth visiting.

The frosty mornings have created ice on the boardwalk and signs have been placed warning people to be cautious.

The committee is in the process of having chicken wire installed to stop people slipping.

Dogs should be kept on leads. We want to encourage



people to come to the park and feel safe.

Vandalism: Please report any vandalism to the police. Recent vandalism has been

reported and the police will be increasing their patrols of the area.

Working bees are on the second Saturday of each month.

We meet at the Mackeys Road carpark at 9am before going to the working area.

For further information ring Andy 0413 855 257

# Active Kids Churchill

Join in the Fun

The Active Kids Churchill program is designed to promote local sports and recreation and encourage more children back to activities away from the mass of on - line and digital options available.

The program will be organised by the clubs and associations and its' aims include: the release of a Facebook page updating you with local sporting and recreational events; a brochure highlighting the clubs and the options that they have on offer; an expo to allow the sampling of different sports and activities; some parent information nights to show the value of sport and recreation to their children.

At this stage, the group has only met a handful of times, but have big plans and even bigger goals. The success of the program will be measured by seeing an increase in participation especially in the older age groups with research showing a sharp drop off rate after the age of 11.

The obvious motivation for Churchill's local clubs and associations is to increase their numbers and see the full use of our many wonderful facilities and to ensure that they can provide full teams for all their age groups. The benefit for our children with this type of

collaboration is the ability to sample many different sports and find those that best fit their needs.

Our kids staying active as they go through their teenage years creates many benefits to Churchill as well. Studies show that in general they will develop greater self-confidence, a healthy mind and body, improved co-ordination and strong cognitive skills such as decision-making and perception. From a social advantage, they will learn to interact with adults such as coaches and game officials, whilst potentially networking with future employers, colleagues and work opportunities, as they move from a junior to a senior member within their club or association.

So far this initiative is in its infancy stages and is hoping to gain support to see it through to its full development. However, we would love you to get behind our program, like our Face-book page and attend our upcoming expo in November. Help us to fill our clubs and associations with happy, smiling, healthy children and get behind the Active Kids Churchill program.

Contact Peter Ceeney 0408 149 579

## While we're upgrading our facilities, we're still here for you.

Some services are still available while works are underway at our community health centre at 20-24 Philip Parade, Churchill.

You can still see a doctor, a psychologist, be assessed for services or apply for emergency relief.

When our centre is completed in late 2017, it will feature a dental prosthetics laboratory, student learning centre, and more health services.

Thank you for your patience.

For more information about services at Latrobe Community Health Service, visit [www.lchs.com.au](http://www.lchs.com.au) or phone 1800 242 696.

