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## Churchill parkrun a big success



An average of 74 people participate each week in Churchill parkrun. Being a free timed event, it has become a very popular fitness and social event, attracting people of all ages in all weather conditions.

Churchill parkrun started on January 23, 2016. Since then, 856 participants have completed 5,592 parkruns covering a total distance of

27,960 km, including 1,248 new Personal Bests.

The scenic Churchill five kilometre course along Eel Hole Creek is very popular due to the high quality track surface as well as its natural beauty and diversity. Run every Saturday morning at exactly 8 am, parkrun has attracted many residents from the local area who make this their compulsory

weekly family outing. Being a free event run entirely by volunteers means it's a highly affordable activity.

The use of the Churchill Hub as the meet up place has been a real bonus said Co-Event Director, Lani Cropley. "The access to these facilities for an all year round and all weather event makes a big difference. parkrun tourists regularly tell us that our

facilities are the best they have seen."

"I'm also very proud to say that we have a great reputation for being friendly, welcoming and having fun" said Lani. "Having a good laugh while exercising not only makes the time go quicker, but improves the experience for everyone out exercising."

"With participants being able to run or walk with

prams or strollers or to bring their dog, it truly stands up as a family friendly event" added Lani. "Many people think they have to wait and get fit before they come along or that they have to run, but neither is the case."

Run entirely by volunteers, each event relies on eight people putting their hand up to help out. "We have been delighted with

the number of people who contribute as volunteers and take their turn to help out in a variety of roles" said Bob. "Not everyone is able to walk the full distance or likes to run, but they are able to contribute in a number of ways by choosing to do any of the weekly volunteer roles, which are easy and can be as much fun as running.

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- Sporting Expo - Sunday November 19.

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# Consultant's Report and Recommendations

By Margaret Guthrie  
 Earlier this year, Churchill and District Community Association (CDCA) engaged a consultant to develop a strategy to assist CDCA to become a more viable and sustainable organisation in the future.

Like many volunteer-based organisations, CDCA has struggled to recruit new members and find willing committee members to help out.

Funded by the Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal (FRRR), our project aimed to engage the community to provide a diversity of views on how CDCA should evolve in the future.

Our consultant, Celeste Jennings, interviewed a number of people attending the Churchill Festival in March and subsequently talked to a range of local community and stakeholder groups or their representatives.

The final report was presented at CDCA's June

General Meeting. A series of recommendations was included and these generated some lively discussion at our meeting.

Here are the recommendations contained in the final report:

Review structure of the CDCA organisation to ensure its capacity to respond to community needs and interests

Revisit terms of governance to ensure the CDCA has flexibility to adapt and respond to community needs and interests, and that roles and responsibilities of office bearers are clearly defined and enacted

Develop and implement a targeted marketing strategy for the CDCA

Develop a participation and membership strategy in alignment with the marketing strategy and implement within twelve months.

CDCA to decide whether it wants to represent Churchill and the district or the township



of Churchill only

CDCA to remain as the 'go to' point of contact where it can triage a query, or deal with it directly depending on the nature of the issue.

Resource mobilisation - The umbrella of CDCA activity should somehow work to support an increase of volunteers and bring resources to the local area, to enable local community groups and clubs to thrive in their desired activity.

CDCA to facilitate networking and collaboration, improving the coordination of community groups

A copy of the final report is available on CDCA's website - [cdca.org.au](http://cdca.org.au)

A small working group of CDCA members has now been formed to consider these recommendations and draft an Action Plan for future

implementation. Not all the recommendations contained in the report may be adopted and CDCA will need active and enthusiastic volunteers to keep us moving forward.

Our next meeting on Tuesday July 25 at 5.30pm, will focus on developing an Action Plan for implementation, taking into account which recommendations CDCA decides to adopt and our capacity to take on the work involved.

At our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday September 19, commencing at 7pm, the Action Plan will be presented for discussion of members and we hope that Committee elections, held at the AGM, will result in some new recruits, keen to carry the Association forward into the future.

## The Nightingale - Author Kristin Hannah

Kristin Hannah is an award winning and best selling American author of more than twenty novels. Her awards include the Golden Heart, the Maggie and the 1996 National Readers Choice Award.

If you only read one book this year, make it this one!

This is the compelling story of two sisters who live in occupied France during WW2, and how they each deal with the dangers and hardships they face daily.

Their father had returned from WW1 a damaged man, and when their mother dies he sends them to live at their country home with a carer. Vianne is fourteen and Isabelle is only four years old, and very unhappy. Vianne meets Antoine and by the time she is seventeen she is married with a daughter. Isabelle is impetuous and headstrong, and is sent to various schools, all of which she is expelled from, and the sisters are no longer close.

Isabelle arrives at her father's apartment in Paris just as WW2 breaks out, but is not welcome, so is sent to help Vianne, as Antoine has been conscripted. Each reacts to the war in different ways - Vianne's focus is on keeping her daughter safe, whilst Isabelle is angry and defiant, determined to do something to liberate France from Nazi occupation.

The story tells of the desperate battle each faces to stay alive, although in

very different ways. Isabelle leads groups of allied airmen over the Pyrenees to Spain, whilst Vianne rescues Jewish children.

There are many harrowing moments for each of the sisters, and times when they face unimaginable horror, sadness and deprivation.

Everyone in our book group loved this book, and it had our complete attention until the quite unexpected twist at the end. And yes, we all cried!

**Rainfall**

Churchill has experienced a mostly dry month, with most of the rainfall occurring near the end of the month.

The total received for the month was 19 mil.

The wettest day for the month was June 6, with a total of 8 mil.

This adds to the below average total for the year. So far we have received 206.5 mil

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# Cooking with Noelene



## Memories - Bread and Butter Pudding

Preheat your oven to 180 deg C.

Slice a day old sandwich loaf into healthy sized slices.

You will need 12 slices, spread each slice with butter and a jam of your choice. (I use lemon curd or lemon butter)

In a large bowl beat together 4 eggs, 1/2 cup caster sugar, 1 tbs grated lemon rind, 300ml thickened cream and 1 cup full cream milk.

Mix until well combined.

Layer bread slices into a greased oven proof dish.

Pour egg mixture slowly over bread slices.

Sprinkle with cinnamon and bake for 35 minutes or until golden brown.

Remove from oven, sprinkle with a little extra caster sugar.

Serve warm or chilled with whipped cream.

Optional - A handful of fresh raspberries or blueberries can be scattered between the layers of bread as you line the dish.

## Pumpkin and Chickpea

### Soup

This is a very simple soup to prepare.

Heat a plug - (1 tbs) of oil in a large saucepan over a medium heat.

Add 1 large onion (peeled and sliced)

1 tbs of minced garlic

1 kg of peeled pumpkin

3 medium sized parsnips (washed and chopped)

Pour in 4 cups of vegetable stocks and 2 cups of water.

Bring this to the boil continue to simmer until vegetables are soft.

Cool slightly.

Use a stick blender process till smooth.

Now add 2 grated zucchini and 1 tin of chickpeas (420



gm) that has been drained and rinsed.

Season with 2 tsp of ground cumin and 1 tsp of ground coriander, cracked black pepper and salt.

Serve with a dollop of sour cream.

## Simple chicken casserole

Preheat oven to 190 degrees C, 15 minutes before you commence your bake.

Place 1.5 kg of chicken pieces (all skin and visible fat removed) in a large bowl with 2 tbs of minced ginger, 2 tbs of minced garlic, peel of 2 mandarins (pith removed), 12 dried apricots sliced in half, 65 ml of tamari or soy sauce, 250ml of chicken stock,

65 ml of dry sherry and cracked black pepper to taste.

Toss to make sure all chicken pieces are coated with mixture.

Place chicken with sauce in casserole, bake for 60 minutes in preheated oven, turning occasionally.

Before serving make a paste with 1 tbs of cornflour mixed with a little cold water, stir through sauce, continue to cook until sauce thickens.

Serve with cauliflower, rice or zucchini noodles.

Alternatively use your slow cooker, cook on slow for 4 hours.

## Banana and quinoa muffins

Preheat oven to 180deg C.

Line 12 hole muffin tray with paper cases.

Sift 2 cups of self raising flour into a large bowl.

Add 1/4 cup of quinoa flakes

1/2 cup of raw sugar

2 tbs of desiccated coconut

1 lime rind grated and a pinch of salt.

Mix to combine.

In separate bowl mix 1 1/4 cups of milk, 1/4 cup of rice bran oil, 1 egg lightly beaten and 1 dsp of vanilla essence.

In another bowl mash

1 ripe banana.

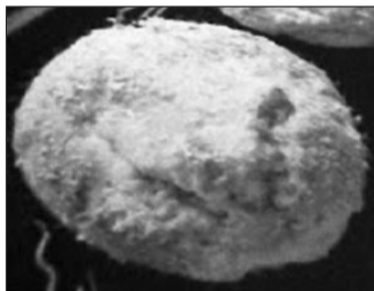
Add the liquid and banana with dry ingredients.

Stir gently using a wooden spoon until just combined.

Spoon the batter evenly between paper cases, about 3/4 full.

Sprinkle with a little extra coconut, bake for 25 minutes or until golden brown.

Cool on a wire rack.



# Sculptures at Yinnar



A very successful sculpture exhibition was held recently in Yinnar.

The display ran from April 2 till May 27.

The main street of Yinnar was converted into an outdoor gallery with 17 pieces along the road side with another five displayed in the gardens.

The 'arc' housed a further 40 exhibits including those of Artist in Residence, Kazumi Tanaka.

The mediums used by the various artists included ceramic, metal, wood, paint and glass.

The winner of the best exterior prize was Aldo Bilotta for his piece entitled "Emoji" created in aluminium and bronze.

The winner of the award for best interior piece was Andrew Bryant.

His exhibit was entitled "Regenerate" and used stainless steel, copper and wood in its construction.

Patrons to the exhibit were asked to vote for their

favourite exhibit and the prize for this was won by Pip Nikodemski for her "Layers of Woman" made in wood.

Nicole Allen was one of the main organisers of the exhibition.

Her Sculpture, "Johnnie be good" sits outside the Yinnar Hotel.

The Community Association is hoping to arrange finance to purchase this piece so that it can remain in the town.

They are also looking at the possibility of retaining some of the kangaroos entitled "The Yinnar Mob" which were created by David Doyle.



## 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 Action Plan for future CDCA activities
  - Proposed Rule Change(s)
- Presentation of Annual Report
  - Committee Elections

All members and local residents welcome.

Light supper provided.

Next CDCA meeting:

5.30pm, Tuesday July 25, 2017 at Gippsland Enterprise Centre, McDonald Way

Topic: Development of CDCA Action Plan

All Welcome



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**Have your say on Council's draft Recreation Needs Assessment Strategic Project**

Council's draft Recreational Needs Assessment is a municipality-wide strategic Project that affects the entire community, but especially active sporting users, organisations and peak bodies of Council-managed sporting reserves, ovals, netball courts, tennis courts that are currently being used. Council is now seeking our community's feedback. The intent of the draft Recreation Needs Assessment Strategic Project is to assist

Council to develop a clear policy that addresses how to prioritise the funding of recreation projects.

Through building a picture of our community's recreation uses and needs, it is envisaged that Council will be able to see what sort of projects Council can fund and get a clearer idea of the timeframes for the delivery of projects.

Council is keen to hear from users of our sporting ovals and facilities, especially if they represent a peak body or a sports club or association. Feedback from the broader community is also encouraged

Last month the Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Melina Bath and I attended the Churchill Lions Club Community Market on what was a beautiful winters day and spoke with many locals about issues that are affecting them.

The next Churchill Community Market will be held on Saturday July 15, 9am- 1.30pm. This will be a Christmas in July market with face painting, jumping castle, great food, a visit from Santa and over 40 stalls selling a variety of things.

I also recently had the pleasure of visiting Lumen Christi Primary School to speak with students about

how Government works. They were a very attentive and knowledgeable cohort of students.

Some of the Latrobe Valley's most innovative businesses were on show in the Victorian Parliament recently as part of 'Love Latrobe', an exhibition that celebrated and promoted the successes of our local business community.

The exhibition saw local businesses and organisations from across our region on display in Parliament.

The Love Latrobe exhibition provided an opportunity for our community to promote local events and showcase local businesses and companies

# Darrell White

for Council to have the benefit of all opinions on how Council should fund projects or which projects should be given precedence.

To help guide the feedback period, Council has also developed a draft Infrastructure Funding Policy and draft Assessment Matrices. These documents are aimed at ensuring Council moves forward in a fair and transparent way when planning recreation projects and that Council is consistent with funding allocations.

It is also intended that these documents together will provide clarity around the

roles and responsibilities of Council and of partner clubs when planning or managing recreation projects, and that Council may be able to forge new partnerships in future.

The draft Recreation Needs Assessment and associated documents will be on exhibition until Friday July 28, 2017.

To have a say, visit [www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/recneeds](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/recneeds) to read the documents and upload your feedback.

**Bridge works at Glendonald Road Bridge, Hazelwood South**

Latrobe City Council will be undertaking

remedial bridge works at the Glendonald Road Bridge in Hazelwood South. Local residents will be advised by letter.

The remediation works involve reinstating protection to the bridge abutments and started the week of July 10. Works are expected to take around four weeks to complete.

During the works, the bridge will be closed at certain periods. Detour signs will be in place. Please take care if you are driving in this area.

Council apologises in advance for the short-



term inconvenience these necessary works may cause to our community.

# Russell Northe

that are doing extraordinary things across our region and beyond.

'Love Latrobe' brought together the Valley's unique local businesses together at a time when many people in our community were reeling from the closure of Hazelwood and a number of other local businesses.

Unfortunately we have seen the closure of a number of businesses in our region these past two years.

However I do believe we have a strong future and the Valley's contribution to Victoria and beyond should be celebrated and promoted and that's why I was proud to host this event.

Businesses that participated in Love Latrobe week include:

- Australian Paper
- Mahindra Aerospace
- Narkoojee Winery
- Safetech
- Latrobe City Council / Latrobe Visitor Information Centre / Latrobe City Business Tourism Association

- The View From Here
- Latrobe Valley Enterprises
- Gippsland Trade Printers
- Morwell SES

New figures released by the Victorian Crime Statistics Agency today show crime across the Latrobe LGA rose 21.11 per cent since December 2014, up from 11,964 total offences at December 2014 to 14,490 offences at March

2017.

The Latrobe community isn't immune to the crime wave sweeping the state.

Recently in Parliament I raised concerns around the closure of Carter Holt Harvey (CHH) and the effects on the Latrobe Valley community.

This is an extremely difficult time for CHH employees, their families, contractors and service providers.

It is understood that many CHH employees have been told that their employment will cease by the end of this month.

Unfortunately for our community there are many unanswered questions that



remain around the closure.

This situation is absolutely dreadful for the Latrobe Valley community particularly on top of the recent closure of Hazelwood Power Station.

## Lifeline Mental Health

### Workshop

One in four Australians will experience a mental illness in any given year

With the news of further local job losses in Gippsland recently, the ability to know how to identify and support someone suffering mental distress is something we all should be aware of.

Overall, the percentage of people reporting a high or very high degree of mental distress in Gippsland is above the Victorian average.

Demographic and health data shows that incidents of mental health issues across Gippsland are becoming more widespread. Timely access to services is also an issue, especially at the early

stages of mental illness when an intervention could easily stop the condition worsening, or stop a person acting on suicidal thoughts.

Mental health first aid is the help provided to a person who is developing a mental health problem, experiencing a worsening of a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis. The first aid is given until appropriate professional help is received or the crisis resolves.

Learn the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, learn how to provide initial support and find out where and how to get help.

Lifeline Gippsland is



running a two day Mental Health First Aid workshop on July 19 and 20, (8:30am – 4:30pm) at the Lifeline Gippsland offices, corner Church and Fleming Streets, Morwell. Bookings are essential.

Cost of the workshop is \$275 (GST inclusive), training materials, lunch and refreshments are included for both days.

To book your place, or for further information please call the Lifeline office on 5136 3500.

## Nominate now for Latrobe City Council Senior Citizen of the Year

It's time to recognise the achievements, hours of service and outstanding contributions of our older residents, with nominations now open for Latrobe City Council's Senior Citizen of the Year.

Latrobe City Council's Mayor, Councillor Kellie O'Callaghan, said nominations were a way for the broader community to acknowledge the years of experience and service that many older citizens have put in.

"Many older Latrobe City residents have been volunteering for years across a variety of organisations: from school committees, service clubs, community organisations or groups like Meals on Wheels. Their years of giving back to the community deserve to be

acknowledged.

While nominees will remind us they don't do it for the accolades, it's nice to let them know how much we appreciate the time and effort they spend contributing to our community."

Councillor O'Callaghan said last year's winner, Max Williamson of Morwell, was recognised for his active community service to the town.

"Max was recognised for his 50 years of service in a variety of roles for the betterment of Morwell. We know there are countless other older residents that, like Max, have quietly gone about their business for years and really deserve some recognition for their efforts.

If you know a dedicated community member whose praises are going unsung you



can nominate them by filling out a nomination form online at [www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/senioroftheyear](http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/senioroftheyear) or collecting a form from a service centre or library," Councillor O'Callaghan concluded.

Nominations must be returned by Friday July 28. The winner will be announced at a special ceremony during the Seniors Festival that runs from October 8 to 15, 2017.

More details about the festival will be available in the coming months. The Aged and Disability Service Team welcomes ideas for Seniors Festival events and activities and can be contacted on 1300 367 700.

## 2017 Community Grants program opened July 7

equipment purchases.

Community Development up to \$2000 for a broad range of community development programs, services, and activities.

Community Events up to \$2000 for assistance to conduct conferences, deliver special events of significance or to develop an existing event.

Individuals are invited to apply for the following:

Biodiversity on Rural Land Grants up to \$1500

per property, for projects on private and rural land aimed at protecting and enhancing existing native vegetation.

Find out more by attending a group information session

Corporate Headquarters, Morwell: Tuesday July 25, 11.30am to 12.30pm.

Need more help? Book an individual meeting

Our Grants Officer is available if you would like help to complete an application or to discuss your

project:  
 Corporate Headquarters, Morwell: Monday July 24.  
 Churchill Hub: Thursday July 27.

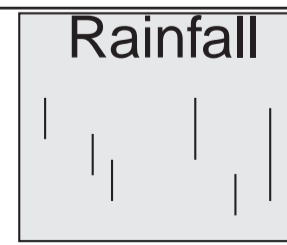
To book a time or to arrange an alternative date, phone Dean Hardisty, Grants Officer on 0428 661 071.

How to apply  
 All grant applications must be completed online by Friday August 25. For applications and guidelines visit: <http://www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/Grants>



We are inviting applications from community groups for the following programs:

Minor Capital Works up to \$5000 to develop community facilities for accessibility improvements, renovations, repairs and built in or fixed



### Hazelwood South Rainfall

Hazelwood South had 21.3mm for June 2017 which is 25% of the average. The tanks are still low.

# Churchill Fire Brigade



## Fire Safe Kids visits to the station.

Four groups of excited preschoolers visited the station during May to learn about fire fighter's uniforms

and why they wear them. Having a working smoke alarm, how to exit a burning building and how to report a fire using 000 were part of the lesson in the meeting room.

Afterwards the children willingly proceeded outside to see what equipment was stored in the truck lockers, to squirt the hose, and see the lights and hear the siren.



## So it won't happen to you! Are you sure?

The fact is working smoke alarms save lives. You only have to watch the news to know that. There has been an increase in house fires of recent years.

But have you got a working smoke alarm? Do you put off buying one? It is law that all residential properties in Victoria MUST have at least one smoke alarm installed on each level.

Or you may have one or more but do you check them? Do you change the battery annually at end of Daylight Saving Time? Do you test them frequently to see if they are still working? Do you vacuum them every now and then? (They do not work as well if coated in dust)

Are your smoke alarms situated near bedrooms, especially the adults bedrooms, and the kitchen? Did you know that when you are asleep you cannot smell smoke? Did you know that children can sleep through a smoke alarm sounding?

The responsibility for installing in correct spaces,

and checking the effectiveness of your alarm is yours.

You never know when there may be an electrical fault, due to age of wiring or overload of power points, or some neglect in the kitchen due to distraction say for a phone call or children.

How would you feel if your house did burn and people were injured or killed due to your neglect?

If you don't have a working smoke alarm installed in your home, and a fire occurs: • You are 57% more likely to suffer property loss and damage • You are 26% more likely to suffer serious injuries • You are four times more likely to die.

A small fire can grow to involve an entire room in 2-3 minutes. A smoke alarm provides early warning and time to escape.

Smoke alarms have a ten year life. The date of manufacture is indicated on the alarm. After this time they should be replaced.

The Fire Services recommend photo-electric

smoke alarms.

### Testing Smoke alarms

Monthly: Test by pressing the test button with a broom handle.

Yearly: Vacuum around your smoke alarm vents.

Yearly: Replace your 9 volt battery each year at the end of daylight saving. The Victorian Fire Services campaign each year at the end of daylight saving reminds people to "Change your clock, change your smoke alarm battery."

Smoke alarms must be installed on or near the ceiling. Take care to avoid dead air spaces. Dead air spaces generally occur at the apex of cathedral ceilings and the corner junction of walls and ceilings.

Cooking fires are common. High ceilings or the layout of your house may increase the time it takes for your smoke alarm to operate. Consider installing a photo-electric smoke alarm closer to the kitchen area.





**Umslv Celebrates Eid Festival**

Gather your nearest and dearest to enjoy a day of fun activities, entertainment and food. Come celebrate with the Muslim Community!

**Sunday 16 July**  
**10 am - 4 pm**

**Entry fee: \$5 per person or \$15 per family**

Pre-purchase your tickets to go in the exclusive earlybird prize draw.  
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What is one thing you cannot travel without? A wallet full of money.

What is your favourite country? Nepal, because this country opened my eyes at the age of 15 and fuelled my interest in future travels.

What is your best travel tip? Keep an open mind and a 'go with the flow' attitude.

If you were on a desert island who would you like to be marooned with? I would have to say Morgan Freeman, one voice I could put up with day after day. I'm sure he has a few great stories to share.

What is the best food you have eaten on your travels? I would have to say hands down anything I put in my mouth whilst travelling through Italy (I also like to refer to it as Eat-a-ly).

Where is the most unusual destination city or thing you have seen/visited? Bwindi Impenetrable National Park where I trekked with Mountain Gorillas (Put it on your bucket list).

How many countries have you visited? 46.

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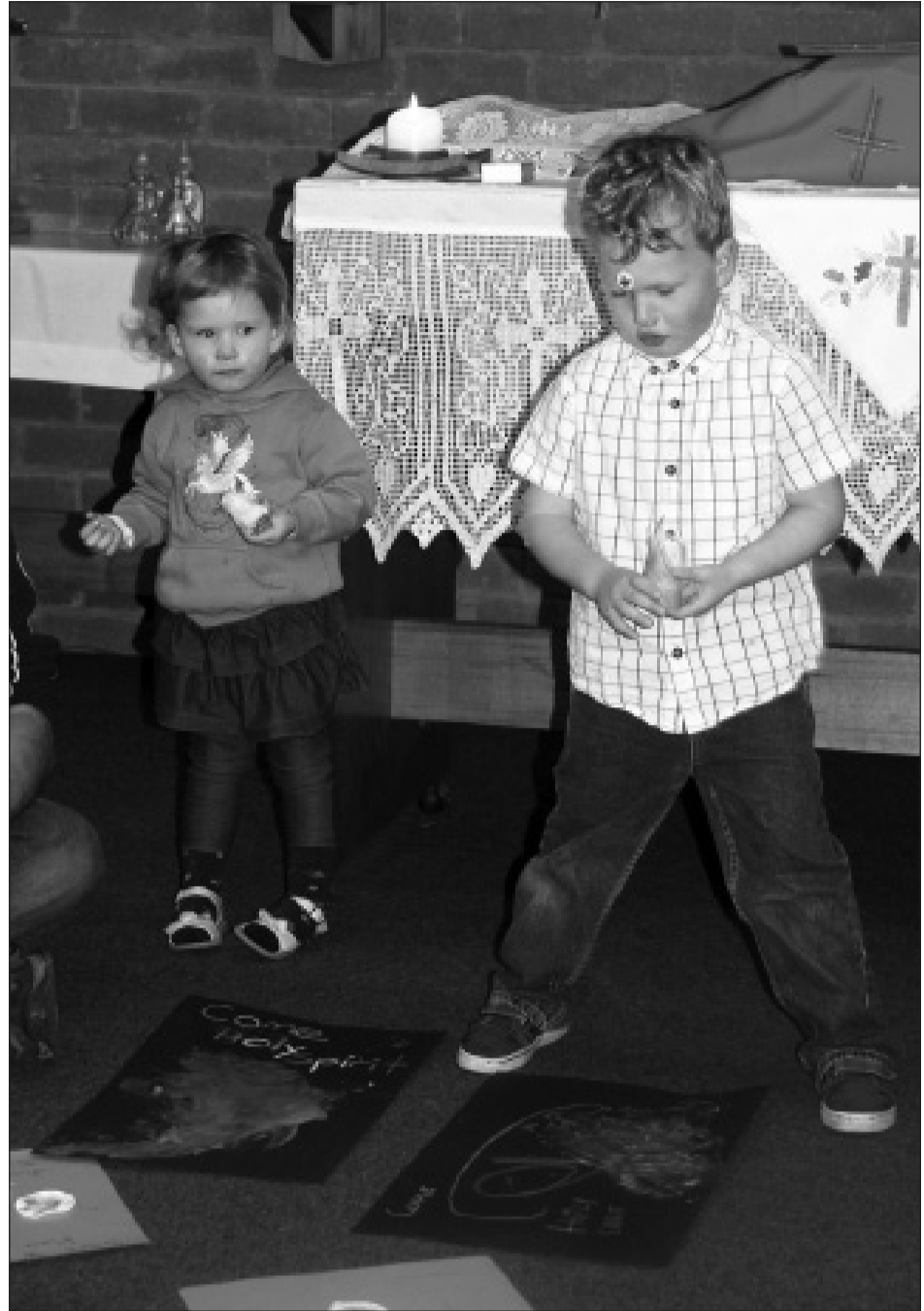
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# Church News



Above: Childrens Ministry  
 Above Left: All Age Worship  
 Left: Reverend Brenda Burney Pentecost Service

**Youth Group**  
 Youth Group met for a Fun with Food night. There was good attendance. They cooked ham and cheese scrolls and chocolate mousse. They played games like Connect 4 with cookies and

discovered how far you can stretch a jelly snake without breaking it. The devotion was about recipes. We follow directions to cook. The Bible is our recipe for life.

**Saturday Breakfast**  
 Heather Enders was the guest speaker and her topic was 'Understanding the emotions behind the Refugee issue.' Heather is developing a framework for people to understand the sometimes emotional issues around

refugees coming to Australia. Saturday Breakfast now has a recess for the months of June and July.  
**Services**  
 Reverend Brenda made an extra special effort with the Sunday celebrating

Pentecost or the coming of the Holy Spirit to the people in Jerusalem. Red, yellow and orange balloons and ribbons were suspended from the ceiling. The following week she asked us to imagine our

picture of God. It was interesting to observe what people drew and said. Some had no image of God. We all agreed that God is special in an individual way to each of us.

## Student Connect

By Frank Lees  
 I haven't thought much about it before, but there are some interesting intersections between 'game theory' and Christian thinking. A paper about 'Game Theory in Christian Perspective' by Reverend Dr Ben Cooper has made me think more about this. So, with permission from him, briefly (very briefly) 'game theory' is a discipline which considers the behaviour of 'multi-person' decision-makers in interactive situations.

apologies to all who understand this better than I do). Whether 'game theory' accurately portrays real human interaction is part of the dilemma... because of the options to either play fair or cheat...and it is often criticised for promoting selfishness.



Or...when we choose an item from a restaurant menu a 'one-person' decision making takes place; add the restaurant owner choosing the menu and how to arrange the menu options and prices, and we have a basic 'multi-person' decision making happening. When that is made interactive, and studied, we have the basis of 'game theory' (with

So here's the point of intersection with Christian thinking; because most of God's Word mentions individual desires having social outcomes; and that the basis of human decision-making, if not God-focused, has a negative impact on society. The 'origin' of human desires cannot be answered by 'game theory'. Bad social

outcomes usually arise from bad individual desires and decisions, and God's Word shows that to be as a result of wanting to ignore God! 'Game theory' has been said to promote cynicism (which some see as better than optimism about social progress). But the Christian message promotes love. Love in a hostile world is both costly and apparently irrational, but it is also powerful. Worth thinking about!

## Church Times

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

Williams Avenue, Churchill  
 Tel: 5134 2849  
 Fr Edwin Ogbuka /Fr Siju Xavier  
 Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm  
 Sunday: Mass: 9.00am  
 1st and 3rd Sundays:  
 Yinnar: Mass: 10.30am  
 2nd and 4th Sundays:  
 Boolarra: Mass: 10.30am



### Churchill Christian Fellowship

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

# Hazelwood cemetery



By Leo Billington  
Reading through snippets of history about the Hazelwood Cemetery, one is continually surprised by the apparent lack of respect and care by former administrations for the location.

(Today, under state government legislation, the cemetery is governed by the Hazelwood Cemetery Trust, comprising volunteers who are custodians of the location.)

Early editions of the Morwell Advertiser and Latrobe Valley Express often published articles highlighting the cemetery's disgraceful condition.

Even today, residents with accurate memories refer to the then volunteer trust members as the 'barbed wire and crowbar' brigade, being those two preferred methods to fix anything.

In its edition of Monday, March 1963, front page headlines in the Morwell Advertiser announced "This is Morwell's disgrace." It referred to "...the long grass and unkempt graves at Morwell's Hazelwood cemetery."

The ill-informed journalist only had part of the facts, it was a disgrace but the cemetery was never Morwell's Hazelwood Cemetery.

Actually history records that in 1929, the then cemetery trust was asked to consider a name change from Hazelwood to Morwell Cemetery.

Thankfully, this Health Department request was dismissed.

In answer to community pressure, in November 1982, a new lawn section was officially opened. Largely

through support of the Morwell Apex Club who gave \$500, and as a strategy to save the cemetery's viability, 56 plots were made available.

The Latrobe City Heritage Study, (February 16, 2008) published the following:

'The Hazelwood Cemetery covers several acres, perched on the ridge of a small hill north of Yinnar (now called Anzac Hill), with views to the surrounding country to the West and Hazelwood to the South-East. Its boundaries are marked by a chain-wire fence and regularly spaced Italian Cypress (Cypressus sempervivens) at approximately 7 metre intervals.

The plantings vary in age. The paths run at right angles forming a cross through the cemetery and the graves are predominantly East and West facing.

The older graves are mostly within the Northern part of the cemetery with clear groupings distinguishing the denominations reflected in the local community (e.g. Catholic section at top of hill). It now includes a lawn cemetery.'

Why is it significant? Historically and socially, it is significant as the first cemetery established in the Morwell and Hazelwood districts and is a representative example of an early rural cemetery in the area. As many of the settlements surrounding the cemetery have been lost to the Morwell open cut, the cemetery now provides an important tangible record of the early settlement of this area.

The cemetery is also significant for the memorial

gates. While a number of major bushfires have devastated the Gippsland area in post-contact times this is one of the few permanent memorials to the impacts of the fires upon communities. Aesthetically, it is significant as a most picturesque example of a small rural cemetery, which is enhanced by its plantings of Italian Cypress and elevated setting overlooking the surrounding countryside.

The past decade has witnessed significant improvements within the cemetery as well as throughout the external perimeter.

Speculative estimates (and guesstimates) suggest the Italian Cypress trees were planted just before 1950. Other than "ordinary self-sown gum trees", these trees represented the "cemetery gardens." Frustratingly, blackberries, bracken fern and ragwort arrived freely and frequently.

Now there is a rose garden, with plans to extend this. There are deciduous trees, which presented a lovely show of colour this autumn, and over the coming months, more planting is planned.

One project of which we are proud is joining with the Yinnar, Yinnar South Landcare Group for a Community Tree Day on Saturday July 15 from 9.30 am to 2.00 pm. New plant stock will be planted along the cemetery's western boundary therefore making another step towards a garden cemetery.

The Italian Cypress trees won't be so lonely now after nearly 50 years of horticultural inactivity.

# Friends of Morwell National Park

Over the last month, Ken recorded five radio interviews with ABC Latrobe Valley about the local wildlife. The five short interviews discussed the local animals found within the park and local area. The interviews played in the week of June 19 to 23.

## John's Jottings

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

"4th September, 1988

Dear Friends,

Whew! You'll be receiving this, rather late, but then I wanted you all to have the most up-to-date news possible. But to start at the beginning..

August 14th saw a small but enthusiastic group of Morwell Friends being hosted by the Friends of Warrandyte State Park at the Friends Exchange we had had organised for some time. It was a bit strange being lectured by Ian Roche about a different Park, but then he has spent quite some time there. Following an introductory talk, we ambled along the banks of the Yarra River observing some of the results of different projects - willow clearing, koala releases, disabled walking track and interpretation signs. Most informative. The Tunnel was certainly something to see!

After a pleasant BBQ lunch, we then drove in convoy over to another section of the Park, near where the first gold was found. Ecologically different, but the historical influence of people through the area was quite noticeable with old shafts, tunnels, dwellings etc. A real eye-opener even for a local boy!!

The following Sunday saw 16 people gathered at the SES Office for our first-ever Annual General Meeting. Presidential and Treasury Reports were given. We especially welcomed Robyn Calnin, who is seconded from Buchan Caves in place of Ian Roche, and presented her with her first formal task - receiving officer at the elections for Office-bearers. The 1988/1989 committee is as follows:

President - Yvonne Aplin  
VP/Activities Organiser - Neil Grigg  
Secretary - Peter Bryant



Treasurer - Johanna Aziz  
Non-portfolio - Geoff Galvin and Ken Harris

Special thanks to Judy Lambert and Margaret Loughborough for their help, wisdom and support on the Inaugural Committee. Tribute was especially given to Margaret who is leaving in two weeks' time to "retire" to Tasmania with her husband. Safe moving and we will miss your support."

Signed by Peter Bryant

## June Activity Report

At this activity we had Matt, Beryl, Ken, Graeme, Wayne and Darren. We had apologies from Rose, Hayley, Mike, Cathy, Peter, Wendy Mc, Tamara and Grant. So today we only had a small work crew. We started off by catching up on the news from the last month and looked over the Job Safety Analysis for the day.

After the meeting Matt went to get the waders and other gear while Ken drove Graeme, Beryl and Darren into Potato Flat. Wayne left after the meeting and Matt left after delivering the work gear.

Looking around Potato Flat it was determined that we need in a future activity to remove some fallen trees and branches and slash the overgrowth that is blocking the track around Potato Flat. With the low winter rainfall, the creek remains low, so work in the creek was possible when normally it would be impossible in winter. The day's work was weed removal (especially tutsan) along

Billys Creek.

We suited up into waders and collected the other gear we needed. We returned to the point we finished last month. Today it was wasp free. Ken stayed on land searching for moths and lichens. Ken ended the day with a small branch with seven different varieties of lichen.

We again found many large tutsan bushes. Many berries were collected and most plants had begun shooting ready for spring. Progress was slow since many tutsan (and other weeds) were found and removed. Before lunch light drizzle started but did not affect us greatly since the creek has a good tree cover.

Later the drizzle had stopped so we stopped and had lunch at Potato Flat. After lunch we returned to the creek. After a few more hours we still had not made it to the second creek crossing, so a section remains from the second creek crossing to the fallen trees farther upstream on the straight stretch that still need to be cleared of weeds.

## July Activity

Sunday July 16, 10.00am

The group will meet in the Junction Road car park to complete our mid-year nesting box survey.

You will need to bring your lunch along with clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions on the day.



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9.30am	STRENGTH FIT	LIFE FIT	STRENGTH FIT	FLEXI FIT	FLEXI FIT	BOX FIT
10.30am		FLEXI FIT				RIDE FIT
10.45am				AQUA FIT		
4.30pm					YOUTH FIT	
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# Latrobe Leisure Churchill extends its programs



Latrobe Leisure Churchill has a great range of programs to help keep the public fit and healthy, strong and flexible. There are now more of these program sessions available at the centre.

Lifefit is a low impact session, and is held on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8.15am and Tuesday at 9.30am. The class is run by a trained instructor, is inclusive of all abilities and focuses

on bone health through low impact movements and weight bearing, to keep muscles toned and strong for stability. This is particularly important as people grow older to maintain that strength to help avoid falls. There are balance exercises to again help with counteracting falls because as we age this ability declines. Taking regular exercise gives a person good mental health and a feeling of well-being, as well as a sense of

social connectedness through being in a group class where you have the opportunity to socialise as well as exercise.

These are all good reasons to visit the Latrobe Leisure Churchill and participate in one of these affordable classes. It is an opportunity to make friends and join them for coffee after.

For other programs available see the new timetable.

## Chillicrafts open for scrapbooking

Lisa Hopman runs Chillicrafts in Church Street Morwell.

She loves doing crafty things. After watching U-Tube and seeing the lovely new papers and other items associated with the craft of scrapbooking, and how it was evolving, Lisa became involved about five to six years ago, doing scrapbooking at home.

Then Lisa was invited to go on a retreat where scrapbooking was being done. There she met a lot of ladies with similar interests and they asked her to join them and later to teach them what she had learnt.

So it was that three years ago, Lisa decided to open

the shop in Church Street Morwell to run classes.

She is open Monday to Friday from 10am - 4pm. There is Crafty Tuesday where participants do scrapbook pages, or mini albums which means using different papers, stamps and inks to prepare pages for adding photos at a later date.

They also do off - the - page work which involves decorating small cabinets, jewellery boxes etc for their own use or as a gift.

Once a month on a Saturday or Sunday, Lisa runs an Art Journal class where participants use good quality papers, inks and stamps to decorate a page as a personal way to express themselves

and bring out their creative talents.

There are other classes on a Thursday evening and Friday.

Lisa describes these classes as a social time with the opportunity to learn new techniques, skills and share ideas from the tutor and each other while having time to spend with like-minded people. It can be calming, relaxing and therapeutic.

Lisa stocks a good supply of scrapbooking materials including papers, inks, stamps tapes and glues.

Costs per class range from \$15-\$25 depending on the items being made.

You can 'like' Lisa on facebook.

## Churchill Town Safety Group



### Drive to the Road Conditions

With winter well and truly upon us, we have seen some wet weather and foggy conditions around the Latrobe Valley area, and these conditions make traffic conditions particularly tricky at the best of times.

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# Churchill parkrun

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Roles can also include checking or marking the track and making sure it's safe, or picking up the rubbish. Every bit helps."

Churchill parkrun recently acknowledged the contribution of two volunteers, Patti Heeley who has volunteered 50 times and Patrick McGown who has volunteered 25 times.

Coffee and breakfast at the Vintage Chill Café in the Churchill Shopping Centre following parkrun is also a

favourite routine of many.

The social element is as important as the event itself and a great time to meet new people and extend networks.

Statistics show that the majority of parkrunners come from Churchill and the surrounding small towns and districts.

Run Director Heather Farley stated that the weekly timed event has also proven to be a strong training circuit not just for athletes of all ages, but also netballers, footballers,

soccer players and the like.

"Sometimes during the season and during the off season parkrun is used as part of a regular training regime that seems to work well.

In fact, the weekly event has been so successful that a WJR (Walk, Jog, Run) Churchill group has been set up and has been operating weekly on a Wednesday evening for over a year now for anyone wanting to work further on their fitness", said Heather.

"While totally separate from parkrun, everyone involved with this group has recorded improved times and levels of fitness."

There are now three parkrun experiences on offer each week within Latrobe City, the other two being at Traralgon and Newborough, which have been strongly supported by Latrobe City Council.

While all three start at the same time, people have the choice of rotating between

parkruns, staying at their preferred track or even trying others that operate in other parts of Gippsland.

So addictive is parkrun that many people are known to plan their holidays and trips across the state, Australia and overseas around parkruns, which are run the same way across many different countries.

For anyone wanting to participate, just register on the parkrun Australia website and choose Churchill as your

home event. You will then be given your own barcode to print off and take along weekly so you can have your results emailed to you after each run.

The Churchill parkrun website <http://www.parkrun.com.au/churchill/> and facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/churchillparkrun/> provide good information and capture the essence of parkrun.

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## Churchill & District Lions Club

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# Churchill & Districts Lions Club



The Churchill Community Market is just that - a market for the Churchill community, a market for people to enjoy a few hours out, meet friends, have a bit of fun, find that bargain and maybe a bite to eat, listen to some music, and for people outside of Churchill district to visit and see what a great place Churchill is.

Unfortunately the numbers of people attending the market have fallen off, and stall holders have not turned up when they say they will attend, placing the market in a position where it could face the same fate as other markets such as the 50 Mile markets in Morwell and Traralgon, which have recently ceased trading.

The Churchill Lions Club is committed to delivering a viable and thriving fun market for Churchill, and we need Churchill people to support and come to the market.

It is a monthly event for Churchill and everyone who lives in the area. A thriving market is good for the community and good for the area, good for our traders, good for Churchill.

We have great support from the Churchill Hotel management, which allows the Club to use the carpark for the market. Club members put in countless hours getting the market together and we have a core group of stall holders who turn up each market regardless of the weather. We have provided free entertainment for the kids, free face painting, free music, we have a jumping castle - something for everyone.

The Community Market will again be held on July 15, which will be a Christmas in July Market.

Stall holders will dress their stalls with Christmas decorations or dress up, we have some exciting new stall holders coming along, Santa will make a visit and all children attending the market will receive a free sausage in bread.

There will be free prizes given away during the day.

Everyone attending the market will get a chance to win a Giant bike from S & J

Cycles in Morwell.

You have to put your name in the barrel at the market located near the Lions catering, enter as many times as you like, and we will draw the winner on Saturday, September 16 at the market.

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

One such project was the visit of the Life Education program at Churchill North Primary School recently.

Around 170 Churchill North students received free access to vital health and drug information.

The Life Education program runs from a mobile learning centre which travels to schools, providing students with an educational experience outside of the traditional classroom setting, and giving them the tools they need to make informed choices for a healthy life.

Children love learning from Life Education's well-known mascot, Healthy Harold, the Giraffe.

The Churchill Lions Club is very pleased to be able to support and provide the funding for this program that engages students and educates them on the importance of living a healthy lifestyle, recognising positive friendships and understanding stranger danger - it prepares them for today's society now and in the future.

The Lions Club is now into its 40th year serving the Churchill community. It still has three members in Reg Grisotto, Ray Medew and Wally Osuch who chartered the Club 40 years ago.

Over the 40 years the Lions Club has helped the local community in many ways, whether it is assisting at Carols by Candlelight which it does each year, providing new electric BBQ's at Mathison Park or helping the needy at Christmas time with funding for hampers. It also helps local sporting groups with new jumpers or sporting equipment, and schools with end of year awards and scholarships.

It is there to serve the community, especially its



youth and the elderly. The Club was instrumental in establishing Hazelwood House all those years back.

It helps the underprivileged of the area through either direct assistance or through local

charities such as Saint Vincent De Paul, Berry Street and Lifeline.

The Club has always been active in local disaster relief projects.

The Club elected a new board for 2017/2018 year -

President: Bill Hurenkamp  
Secretary: Peter McShane  
Treasurer: Peter North  
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2nd Vice President: Robin King  
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# 130 graduate at Federation University



One hundred and thirty students graduated at Federation University on May 25, a large increase on the number from 2016.

There were graduates in Education, Arts, Health, Science, Technology and Business.

This is the second year of graduates at the Gippsland campus and it is exciting to see the increase in numbers and confidence in the university.

Students with family and friends gathered at the university prior to the ceremony to be photographed, and receive their gowns and mortar boards.

The doors were opened and guests and students, in their professional categories took their seats.

When all was ready, the traditional ceremony began with a piper and a student bearing the mace, leading in the academics in their brightly coloured robes.

They proceeded to the front of the packed auditorium and took their seats on the stage.

The National Anthem was sung.

Students had come from all over Australia to study at Federation University but there were also a significant number of locals.

Chancellor Dr. Paul Hemming welcomed all and acted as MC for proceedings.

He stated that Federation University was known for its excellence in training and employment outcomes.

The conferring of awards procedures was well organised. Each student mounted the stage, doffed their mortar board to the Chancellor, who responded in kind.

The students then proceeded to shake hands with the Chancellor before being presented with their degree by the Head of the school in which they had received their qualifications.

They then proceeded off the stage to return to their seats.

Student Emily Cordy spoke on behalf of the student cohort. She reminded the students that the achievement of qualifications was only the beginning and that their hopes and dreams were ahead of them in what they could achieve.

Newly appointed Vice Chancellor of Federation University, Helen Bartlett congratulated the students on their achievements, wished them well in their futures and said how proud the university was of their achievements.

Among the cohort were many mature age students and some who were already working in their chosen field.

Following the formalities,

the academics recessed from the stage and left the auditorium. There was much mingling of the crowd, excited congratulations, happy chatter and the chance to share refreshments in the student lounge.

## Students who graduated:

Emily Hall graduated with a Bachelor of Nursing. She is very proud and feels good that all her hard work has paid off. Warragul Hospital is where she is working in the emergency and surgical ward. Emily has always dreamed of being a nurse.

Mollie Petesic (daughter of Jodie who co-ordinates the Federation Child Care centre formerly Pooh Corner) also graduated with a Bachelor of Nursing. She is happy and excited as she has always wanted to be a nurse ever since she was three years old and had a toy nurses kit. In Grade 1 she wrote a story, 'When I grow up I want to be a nurse' and she has never considered doing anything else. Mollie is nursing at Latrobe Regional Hospital.

Mick Harding completed a Masters in Fine Arts and wishes to go on to do a PhD. He wants to leave a legacy for his boys. They participated with him in his final presentation of twenty-seven pieces of art work in a gallery.

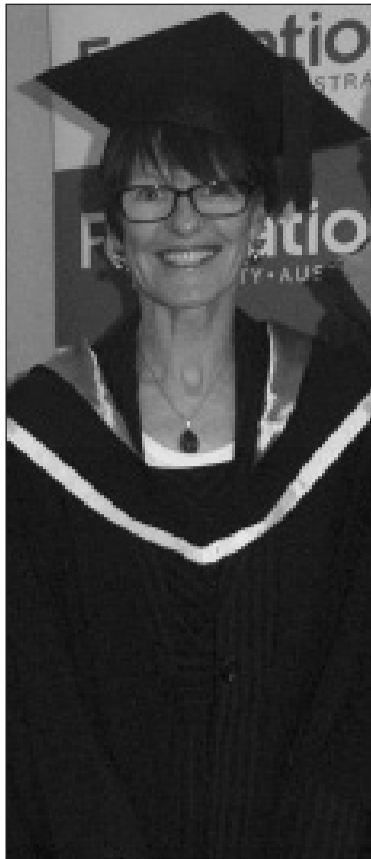
In his presentation he sang a song he had composed in his Daungwurrung language while they danced around the art work. He is proud of his achievements. Mick is from the Koori community.

Nikita Hall is also from the Koori community. She attended Kurnai College and graduated with a Bachelor of Nursing from Federation. At present she is working at Latrobe Regional Hospital and loves the work. "I really enjoy doing nursing," she enthused. Nikita is happy having a job doing what she enjoys. She has always wanted to work in health and help her community and to achieve that is exciting.

Stephen Browne, Eleanor Huston and Jessica Maber all graduated with Bachelor of Nursing degrees, saying how glad the occasion was finally here. They are all working either at Latrobe Regional or Warragul Hospitals.

Darcy Britton has graduated with a Bachelor of Visual and Media Arts.

Janine Hayes graduated



Above: Janine Hayes

Below: Mollie Petesic



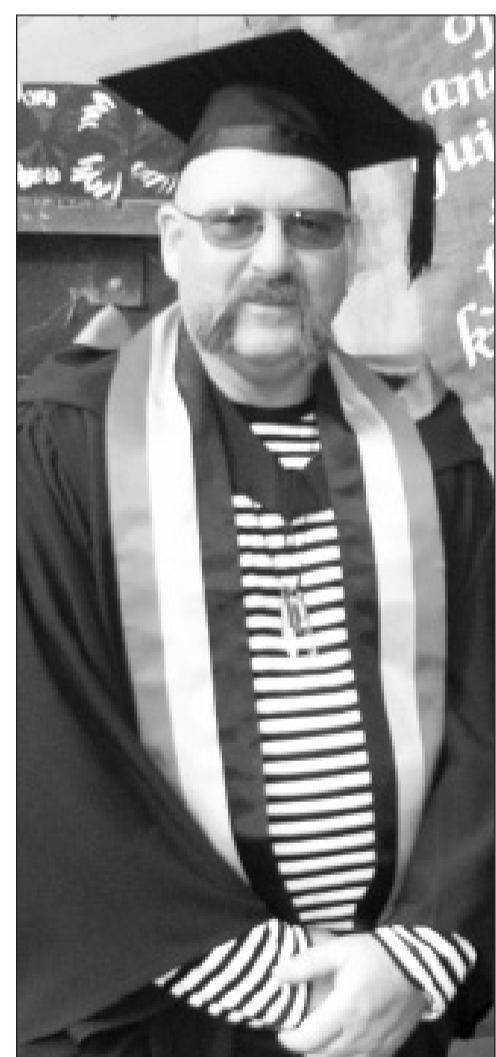
Above: Darcy Britton

Below: Emily Hall



Above: Nikita Hall

Below: Mick Harding



with a Bachelor of Allied Management. She said it was a fantastic feeling. Janine is a mature age student and believes age is an achievement not an affliction. This degree is not the first of Janine's qualifications. She has an Associate Diploma of Applied Management and Diploma in Tourism as well as an Associate Diploma in Welfare from Gippsland Institute of Advanced Education.

All these students had their families and friends there to support them and tell them how proud they were of their achievements.

More photos on the website under Galleries heading on Churchill & District News Home Page

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Fifty one boats and crews hit the waters of the Hazelwood Pondage over the recent Queen's Birthday weekend to race in the annual 2017 Latrobe City Sauna Sail

run by Latrobe Valley Yacht Club.

The club made the decision to continue running the regatta even after the closure of the Power Station, which also meant cessation of warm water to the pond.

Unfortunately there was a big decline in the number of entries from last year, down from 121 boats in the 2016 regatta. This decline has left a big hole in our major revenue raiser. Historically the regatta has supported the club to maintain rescue boats,

provision of club yachts for beginners' use and affordable membership fees.

Saturday afternoon started off with blue skies and a light breeze with the wind moderating and on Sunday morning we were greeted by a 10 knot westerly wind, abating during the day. Monday morning, competitors sailed in a 10-15 knot westerly breeze to finish the regatta.

A highlight for the weekend was once again the Presentation for the Best

Junior (under 16) competing in an open division. This year's winner was Taj Duff from the Gippsland Lakes Yacht Club sailing a Minnow, 'Wicked Weasel'. Taj came first in his division of nine yachts.

All results can be accessed at [www.lvyc.org.au](http://www.lvyc.org.au) Sauna sail page.

With the support of the Latrobe City Council and great conditions, the Latrobe Valley Yacht Club once again provided great hospitality and an enjoyable weekend for all.

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# Latrobe Community Health Service and RMIT join forces

Latrobe Community Health Service and Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to develop strategic partnership opportunities at the Churchill dental prosthetics laboratory.

The laboratory is part of the broader Latrobe Community Health Service building redevelopment at Churchill, which is due for completion in December. Upon completion, the building will host 38 new positions, including 12 dental prosthetists. "This MoU draws on our combined expertise in clinical management and education," said Ben Leigh, CEO at Latrobe Community Health Service.

"RMIT is a university with a proven track record of excellence in education and research in health and community services. Their experience in these fields will assist us in making the Churchill dental prosthetics laboratory a world-leading facility". The MoU identifies several areas for collaboration, including:

- \*Establishing clinical, management and teaching roles at the laboratory

- \*Engaging in applied dental research and innovation projects

- \*Collaborating on student placements for RMIT dental students

- \*Delivering RMIT dental training in Churchill

- \*Developing local training



and teaching practices at the clinic.

"Working with industry partners such as Latrobe Community Health Service ensures our courses are the best possible preparation for the workforce," said Peter Ryan, Executive Dean, School of Vocational Engineering, Health and Sciences.

"RMIT can provide training and education expertise, and Latrobe Community Health Service provides a wealth of practical clinical experience – it's a mutually beneficial arrangement," he said.

## Learning from nature

Magpies build their nest in a gum tree, way up high, undisturbed by humans. The magpies have a good sense of escape from larger birds.

Nature is fascinating and encouraging.

The animals on earth have been given the gift of self-preservation. They know instinctively how to take care of themselves. Humans

however, sometimes lose that ability. They become dependent on others to meet their needs when there is no obvious necessity.

This is OK to a point, when they are in a mutually loving relationship but, in a family affected by alcoholism, it can become distorted and one person ends up doing all the caring for everyone else.

When a person finds themselves in that role, they can do several things.

They can ignore what their inner feelings are telling them or they can listen to their body and can get some help from AI-Anon which has people just like them. They will need to learn to love themselves, get some sleep, talk to others and eat well.

## "What some locals do"



Photograph: Verticordia, a Western Australia wildflower by Jenny Porter

The Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists' Club's next meeting will be held on Friday, July 28 at the Uniting Church Hall in Newborough.

Members of the Club travel throughout Australia and beyond with their cameras to capture aspects of

the natural world.

At this meeting they are invited to share their photographs and information about a diverse range of topics in mini presentations.

It is always a varied and interesting night finding out 'what some locals do'.

The following day's excursion is to the Moe Yallourn Rail Trail.

Visitors are most welcome to both activities; there is no charge.

For more information phone 0428 422 461 or 5127 3393.

# 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.



# Hazelwood Rotary Club

# Plants in my Garden



By Leo Billington  
Hazelwood Rotary has kept up with selling its famous sausages. At a recent Bunnings sausage sizzle, we raised maximum funds, such was the magnificent demand for our cuisine. People are travelling miles to have one, or more, of our sausages.

thousands of Australians, a Bunnings sausage sizzle is a national institution, a reminder of being dragged to the hardware store on a Saturday morning by partners and/or parents. A "new" Rotary year commences on July 1 and Hazelwood Rotary has extensive plans for its continued massive, extensive



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



For this recent occasion, customers came from the Mornington Peninsula, the high country and even South Gippsland. Such is the word. And that word is Hazelwood Rotary - and their word is sausages. To date, over \$11,500 has been re-distributed to about 23 community groups throughout our municipality as a direct result of Hazelwood Rotary's dedicated community service. An interesting speaker has been Activities Organiser, Bunnings Morwell, Barb Harvey. Barb spoke about her work with Bunnings and her subsequent extensive contact with a wide variety of volunteer community groups. Barb explained that for

By Mike Beamish  
Species: Eremophila youngii subsp. youngii.  
Family: Myoporaceae  
Derivation: Eremophila: From the Greek, eremos, meaning solitary or desert, and philus, meaning loving, thus desert loving in reference to where the majority of species grow  
youngii: After Jess Young (1851-1909), who was 3rd officer of Ernest Giles' 1875 expedition from SA to WA and collected many plants in the northern Yilgarn area around Ullaring and Mt Churchman.  
Distribution: Widely distributed throughout the arid areas of central Western Australia, from the Great Victoria Desert close to the state border, westwards to the coast at Shark Bay and southwards to near Kalgoorlie.  
Description: An upright, compact large shrub/small tree to 4m tall and 3m wide, with silvery grey-green, opposite, linear - elliptic leaves up to 50mm long and 8mm wide with a blunt point.  
One or two flowers occur in each leaf axil in spring and summer.  
Opinion: This species is a recent addition to the garden, having been given as a freebie as thanks for doing some work in the Marriott's garden out of Stawell during the Easter weekend. It was planted in early May.  
It is in the front garden bed alongside the dividing fence, where it will get a reasonable amount of light in the middle of the day, before the shade from the larger trees will cover it into the afternoon and evening, and hopefully a bit of reflected warmth from the fence to keep the winter dampness at bay.  
The danger with Eremophilas like this one, that come from dry climates



and have grey-green hairy foliage, is that the leaves will stay too damp for too long and promote rotting from fungal attacks, making the plants look unsightly and even defoliating them completely on some occasions. The more warmth and air movement these plants receive, the better they perform. Thus, Boolarra is not the best climate in which to try and grow them! Why it is flowering now, I don't know. Perhaps it feels the local climate is equivalent to early spring in its homelands. Sources: Chinnock - Eremophila and Allied Genera. Boschen, Goods and Wait

- Australia's Eremophilas. Sharr - WA Plant Names and their Meanings. The Australian Plants Society Latrobe Valley Group meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30pm. We meet at the Horticultural Buildings of Federation Training, Monash Way, Morwell. On July 13, our meeting will feature a presentation by Colin Jackson on plants seen during recent travels around the country and on August 10, we will hold our AGM and hear short items of interest from members of our group. All visitors are welcome, enquiries can be directed to Mike on 0447 452 755 or by email latrobevalley.aps@gmail.com



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# Support local fenced dog parks

Thank you to all Latrobe Valley residents and businesses who have supported petitioning the Council for fenced dog parks. The petition is aiming to be completed at the end of July 2017, and is asking the Council for one fenced dog park in each major Council town.

A petition spokesperson wanted to remind residents that there are already areas in each town where it is legal to let your dog off the leash, but none that are completely enclosed. "Even if you are not a dog person who would use the parks, they still provide added safety for all residents, as dogs are not able to run out

in front of cars, run up to small children or reach any other dog outside those gates."

The petition spokesperson also wanted to acknowledge that many concerns have been raised about the safety of dogs within the fences. These concerns are very valid as many community members have had their dogs attacked within such parks. The petition spokesperson wanted to assure residents that these concerns would be presented to the Council alongside the petition submission. Also, to remind dog owners hoping to use such parks that "the fences at a dog park do not replace proper supervision of your dog, and that owners

always need to be vigilant of interactions between dogs, particularly upon a first meeting."

To abide by Council regulations a petition signature must be accompanied by a full name and complete street address, with no other markings made on the page. Copies of the petition can be found at most Latrobe Valley vets, Pet Stores, Neighbourhood Houses and a number of other businesses and cafes. The goal is to present at least 2,000 signatures, and we are already over half way there! Every signature counts so let your pens do the talking.



## Children's Charities Stamps

Last month we looked at charity stamps in general. This month we will look at the stamps issued for charities relating to children in particular.

The idea of using stamps to help in furthering their health and welfare date back at least to 1912, when Switzerland issued its first Pro Juvente stamps, a set of three 10c values in brown, green and red. Switzerland has issued a Pro Juvente (For Children) set every year since then. The designs have included coats of arms, Swiss local costumes, Swiss flowers, animals, birds and insects as well as children's activities.

The Dutch began their annual issues of Children's Stamps in 1924 and their designs include provincial costumes, fairy tales, children's art and Royal children, but the usual theme is children involved in all sorts of sports and children's games. The sale of these stamps is aided by children, who, through their schools, gather orders for sets and miniature sheets from door to door. They sometimes include the words Voor Het Kind (For the Children) in the design.

New Zealand is another country which has a long history of children's charity issues. The stamps have a surcharge which goes towards funding special health camps for children. The first issue was in 1929 and initially the camps were to

## STAMP MATTERS- A NEW EXPERIENCE



combat tuberculosis. As new treatments were introduced, the disease was almost completely wiped out in New Zealand and the camps were continued as health camps. The children who attend are usually those from the lower socio-economic areas, but there are no barriers for others to attend. The designs usually promote healthy lifestyle activities, although there were New Zealand birds shown on issues from 1959 to 1966.

West Germany began issuing children's charity stamps for particular charities such as Youth Hostels and Berlin Children's Holiday Fund, but in 1962 they began regular annual issues for child welfare. The early designs were usually wildlife of some type. Later issues showed aeroplanes, cycles, insects, sports and so on. Because West Berlin issued its own stamps, Child Welfare issues from there were the same as or with the same theme as that of the West German Issues. After unification in 1990, Germany has continued to issue Child Welfare sets

annually. They use the words 'Für Die Jugend' in the design.

Luxembourg has issued Children's Welfare and later National Welfare (Caritas) stamps since 1926, with a break when they were occupied by Germany from 1940 to 1944. The designs featured princes and princesses past and present for many years, but later designs featured castles, birds, illustrations from historical manuscripts and many other themes.

Finland introduced a regular issue to finance the Anti-tuberculosis Fund in 1946. This was to eradicate tuberculosis mainly from children and it continued until 1986. The issues were not an annual event but are significant none-the-less as a children's charity issue.

Other countries like Denmark, Egypt and Jamaica have issued child welfare sets over the years, and the collecting of these colourful sets would be a worthwhile pursuit.

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# Vale Robert Geoffrey Whelan

Robert Geoffrey Whelan  
Born: November 24, 1946,  
Surrey Hills Victoria,  
to Winifred (Win) Ellen  
Wheeler and Geoffrey  
Whelan  
Died: May 3, 2017  
Latrobe Regional Hospital.

The Second World War ended the year before Rob was born; that was the year his Dad came back from Borneo and everybody was affected by military thinking. Like many contemporaries who had endured the hardships and trauma of war, Geoff found it difficult to settle down. Unlike Geoff, Win was content living in their new house in Blackburn with their two small children Robert and Lorraine. Being a "city girl" she enjoyed the comforts it brought. But one day, Geoff came home and announced that they were moving to Moe and that was that! Win hated the move and all the hardship it incurred. Living in a prefab, no water laid on, no electricity, no transport and dumped in the bush with two children was not her idea of domestic life.

The acre block, situated on the property of Geoff's brother Ross, was on the eastern side of Two Mile Road, nestled amongst temperate rain forest at the edge of the Haunted Hills.

Although this move brought great challenges for his mum, for Rob it proved to be a valuable nurturing environment, both spiritually and intellectually.

Rob's mum believed that to succeed in this world, to understand what is going on and to ask the right questions so you get useful answers, you have to be able to read and write properly. She chose the day after his fourth birthday to get his keen mind in order. Geoff had made a blackboard, which he hung on the lounge room wall and performed a fun unveiling ceremony for his delighted son. Rob was an enthusiastic student and with his mum as teacher, quickly learned the alphabet.

The family grew with the arrival of David and Dorothy.

Rob loved working with his dad and one day helped set out a chook yard using the 3.4.5. triangle to square it off. It was then Rob realised numbers were magical. "I could count things, you have to when you live on the land, and there was a time for everything. Feed the dogs, cats, chooks, goats, horses, to weed and water the vegie patch and check for dead things in the water tank. Get firewood for the stove, dig deep holes to empty the dunny can into, and get dressed up and go to Sunday School in Moe. There was even time to play, but there was no time to waste. The mantra was get on with life no matter what."

Rob developed a

great love and respect for nature, his Dad pointing out many of its beautiful mysteries around the farmyard and surrounding bush. Rob said, "right from the beginning this was Dad's favourite world and a magical world it was."

Here is a poem from Rob's book, 'A Path Few Take', in which he describes how he learned to interpret nature's garden:

## "Nature School"

'Can you imagine as twilight dwindles, the cricket army is all in place

We're all here, we're all here, hear here, hear here

We go quiet when something's near

Possibly thumping on the roof

Didn't break so all is safe  
The boobook owl hoots all is well

Now you can dream of what you will

Clickity, clickity, clicking bats

Scouting in and scouting out

Don't even wake the pussy cats

Frosty morning jack's about, skipperty hop, skipperty hop

The sun shines bright  
Gossamer webs flash golden dew drop

Over crystal grass and silver puddles

Wake up, for the morning chorus

No favourites here, it's sung for all of us

A cock-a-doodle-do from the ruddy rooster

But nuts to him we'll stay in bed

Nice and warm and cosy  
Now, I remember one Spring day

Dad said although it's pretty awkward

Lie on your belly at green hood orchids

See the subtle reddish stain on the edges

Where robin red breast has opened them

Above the tongue what can you see?

Could it be the lovely maid Marion

And that robin red breast knew she was there?"

Rob thrived in the school environment, being particularly enchanted with maths and English, he was pretty good at sports too. He went on to achieve a full scholarship to attend Monash University Clayton. He didn't complete his studies, partly because he became disillusioned with the "system."

He also felt a need to help his dad out who had run into difficulties with his security business in Moe.

In 1966 he was employed as a junior staff member at the City of Moe, while there he furthered his Engineering study by attending Yallourn Technical College.

He later worked with the Shire of Cobram and after



two years returned to the Valley to take up a position with the Shire of Morwell as an Engineering Assistant. He continued with Morwell and saw its amalgamation with Moe and Traralgon to form Latrobe City Council.

For the past decade Rob was in a managerial position at the Churchill Shopping Centre, doing his best to keep things running smoothly. It was particularly challenging for him during the recent redevelopment of the CBD, but he always tried to keep the needs of greater community in his thoughts.

Here is what a close associate, Margaret Guthrie recorded as a tribute to Rob.

"If there was a welcome committee for Churchill, it was Rob Whelan – certainly that's how it was for my family when we arrived here just over 15 years ago.

Rob and Bev had a shop in the old West Place shopping centre, complete with community internet access. There were plants for sale and artworks on the walls, small gift items on the shelves and a back counter covered with large, interesting plans and design details for all sorts of projects.

Rob was always very welcoming in a quiet, reserved yet warm way, and genuinely interested in pausing for a chat. He taught me how to use the internet and set up my email address, advised me on indigenous plants and spoke enthusiastically of so many different places worth seeing in Latrobe City and beyond, from art galleries to some of our beautiful natural landscapes.

My son still speaks fondly of Rob as the first friend we made when we moved to Churchill, for Rob's shop provided a safe, welcoming place to stop on the way

home from school in his first months of being the new kid at Churchill Primary school.

We weren't the only people in the habit of calling in to see Rob; there always seemed to be people calling in. Rob, I discovered, was the repository of so much knowledge – whether it was to simply ask about the bus time table or a more erudite question such as why Canterbury Way East and West don't align properly, Rob seemed to know the answer. Later on, I came to know that Rob had worked for the former Morwell Shire and was engaged by Latrobe City Council on many an engineering project. Most of us here today have probably driven on roads, crossed bridges or passed civic projects that Rob had a hand in designing.

I got to know Rob as a colleague through our years of being committee members together for Churchill & District Community Association (CDCA). Rob was already a member when I joined and over the years he served as Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President and represented CDCA in many forums. I've only ever served as President and I did say to Rob, on more than one occasion, that perhaps he should take a turn at being President and I could take on another role.

But Rob didn't want the limelight that sometimes comes with being at the helm – he was very clear that he wanted to remain in the background and support our Association's objectives.

One of our current committee members said to me a few days ago that there is probably nobody that has had as much impact as Rob has on how Churchill is today. There are too many projects

that Rob was involved in to list them all here now, but a couple come to mind:

Rob was a member of what was known as the Churchill Intergenerational Community Hub Working Group and worked alongside a diverse group of stakeholders to design and deliver our Community Hub. He then became a member of the Hub Board of Governance, a position he held from when the Hub commenced operation.

As Manager of the West Place Shopping Centre and Secretary of the Hazelwood Village Body Corporate, Rob helped to redesign the town centre, ensuring features big and small, such as the covered taxi rank and the drinking fountain that even caters for dogs too, were included.

Rob had long-term vision for community spaces and facilities – we had many conversations over the years about what could be done to improve Churchill's 'liveability'; preservation of green spaces, more recreational pathways, some public art, a civic space, a Men's Shed, gardens, wetlands, a cultural centre, and Rob would often have a drawing or design which, at any opportunity, he would produce to advance the cause, and many of these ideas have come to fruition.

There are no plaques or signs that say Rob Whelan designed this or did that for our community but for me, there are two special places that will always remind me of Rob:

The first is the Churchill Service memorial, for it was Rob who applied on behalf of CDCA for the funding and engaged a local sculptor to make this piece, which serves as both a public artwork and a War Memorial and is the centrepiece of Churchill's civic space. The second is the Eel Hole Creek ponds between McDonald Way and Northways Rd that link the town to Mathison Park. Rob did the design work for this project, including the litter trap and supervised construction. On warm days I often take my dog there, she for a dip in the water, and me for a stroll or a rest under a shady tree if it is particularly hot.

I have seen up to a dozen varieties of bird species there on a single visit, not to mention children catching yabbies and tadpoles or even jumping into the water from the litter trap, despite the signs warning against swimming.

Lots of people pass us, walking on the pathway that Rob created and I always remember the quiet enthusiasm and absolute delight Rob had for this project.

Both of these places remind me of Rob's lasting

legacy to our community – he applied his skills to deliver community assets, creating things of beauty that speak to us of his passion for art, science and the natural world.

With Rob now gone, we have lost not just a living asset, but a gentle welcoming friend who provided warmth, support and benefit to many. He will be sorely missed."

Through his life Rob was instinctually searching, researching, recording and questioning everything he encountered, convinced that, if we care to look, our environment is actually guiding us; presenting clues, through intuition, symbols, coincidences and synchronicity.

He discovered codes in the King James Bible and Shakespearian plays, being especially excited to find the Diana Code in Romeo and Juliet.

He made a link through the centuries, to reveal a forecast of the tragic death of our Diana, Princess of Wales.

It was his almost obsessive inquiring mind, that drove him to read a Shakespearian play every Boxing Day, (while watching cricket).

It also inspired him to continuously work on "The Book", for 15 or so years, in which Rob set about sharing his insights.

The Book, in Rob's words was to share, "Hmmm... all those codes; Name, Bible, Latrobe, Australia, the Meaning of Numbers, the Correspondences, Finger Signs, Murray's Old Language, the Falcon, Jacqui's Story, the Spider, the Spaceman, Shakespeare's Diana Magic and Golden Dreams."

The block, in Bundarra Drive Boolarra, was a place where Rob found great contentment and along with partner Bev and children Robyn and Trevor, roads and tracks were dug by hand, and the adjacent bush reserve was explored regularly. They would commute from Churchill on most weekends as the children were growing up, enjoying the camping experience with caravan and campfire.

When extended family came to visit, a big sparkling fire became the heart of the gathering and bird magic often came up in conversation. Rob knew all about bird magic and was often questioned about its meaning.

"And what does a magpie stalling in mid-air mean? What are the swifts saying when they slice through the air about your head? Why is the robin's breast so red?"

Rob pointed out the special detail in the natural world, helping his family to appreciate the true beauty in everything.

Bev, Robyn and Trevor miss him dearly.

# Future local Churchill sport and recreation

By Bronte Hillis Harland  
A Churchill Sport and Recreation Working Party has been created in order to combat the loss of young people participating in sporting clubs. Although some clubs are doing better than others, the consensus found is that there is a lack of interest from young teens in sports and recreational activities.

There have been two meetings on May 15 and June 19 at the Churchill Hotel with an agreement to a Joint Expo. Noel Hawkins has booked Gaskin Park for Sunday November 19, with the agreed time being 10am till 2pm. Representatives of the following sports clubs attended the meeting; Churchill Cricket, Churchill Junior Football, Churchill Soccer, Churchill Scouts, Churchill Baseball, Latrobe Hockey Association, Churchill Bowls Club, Churchill Junior Basketball, Churchill Tennis, Churchill Baseball, Churchill Football/Netball and Churchill Hockey.

The Churchill Basketball and Churchill Walk Jog Run (WJR) sporting groups offered apologies.

Groups to be confirmed to participate, include Churchill WJR, Churchill Golf Club, Churchill Indoor Netball Association, Latrobe Valley Yacht Club, Churchill Volleyball and Latrobe Leisure Centre.

The associations will internally discuss what they would like to contribute to the day and decide upon guidelines on any external funding and how to distribute it.

This is an opportunity for sports clubs to get together to

collectively seek to get kids and parents more engaged in sports and recreation.

To that end the sessions will serve to create a memorandum of understanding between clubs and associations of Churchill with Peter Ceeny seeking support from Gippsport to begin this process.

Whilst it was agreed that the Churchill Sports and Recreation working party will work with the Churchill organisations only, they will market to the entire region.

Some actions arising include the creation of a joint brochure to display at places such as Berry St and Churchill Community organisations in order to better market the sporting and recreational activities to the public and involve more parents and children.

It will be an A3 size brochure folded in half to A4 and will give maximum room to advertise clubs and important logos from all participants.

The framework of each brochure advertisement will be kept similar in order to highlight the best qualities. It will have membership information, involvement nights and days as well as contact details for the clubs.

Further actions discussed include the party seeking out big names involved in the sporting community such as a member of the Australian Football League, Cricket or the Hockey Roos in order to act as a celebrity speaker for parents.

They will emphasise the importance of team activities and sports to a young child's future.

Another potential activity

would be providing gala days or presentations to local primary schools.

These three Gala days a year would rotate between different sports whilst targeting each of these sports preferred age groups.

Another possibility is having access to schools to run presentations of our sports and recreational activities.

Discussion will also include how to better market the various sporting organisations in order to attract a larger response for their efforts.

Some aspects of marketing which will be discussed include prices and costs needed in order to get the necessary support for children who can't afford the fees, as for some families the cost of sport is making it difficult to participate.

Gaining access to parents who don't have children participating in sports and maybe running a session through schools is a goal.

This could be followed by night sessions for the parents in order to talk to both parents and children about what the venture will entail and further create ties with schools.

Once these ties have been established they can get down to the business of deciding how the program will be run.

This would also allow for decisions regarding what training and game days would be best for the parents, supervisors and children involved.

Other activities would be marketing and maybe bringing together other sporting and recreational activities in the coming years.

# Morwell Historical Society

by Elaine Andrijczak  
Assistant Secretary

Morwell Post Office  
circa. 1930

The Morwell Historical Society, formed in 1962, now has a permanent home in the historic former Morwell Masonic Lodge building at 12 Hazelwood Road, Morwell. This is one of the few historic buildings remaining in Morwell and is covered by a Heritage Overlay by the Latrobe City Council.

With the generosity of six members who provided short term loans to enable the purchase of the building, the Society now has an ideal permanent and secure place to store the Society's major collection of documents, photographs, memorabilia preserving the history of Morwell and district and will also allow for future expansion of the society's activities.

The Society's logo is a photo of the former Morwell Post Office, circa. 1930, which was on the corner of Commercial Road and Tarwin Street – the site of the current Commonwealth Bank.

The Society maintains a local history collection relevant to Morwell, Morwell Bridge, White City, Derham's Hill, Driffield, Hernes Oak, Churchill, Hazelwood, Jeeralang Junction, and other small towns within the early Morwell Shire boundary and the now Latrobe City. As the Morwell Historical Society closely borders with Boolarra, Yinnar, Moe, Traralgon and Yallourn North Historical Societies, we often overlap with records from these societies.

The Society's archives contains records, some school rolls and class photos of local schools:

Commercial Road Primary School  
Collins Street Primary School  
Maryvale High School  
Morwell High School  
Morwell Technical School  
Kurnai College  
Tobruk Street Primary School  
Morwell Park Primary School  
Crinigan Road Primary School

We also have some records of small country



schools that are now closed.

The Society has photographs, cemetery records, street information and some house photos. Community organisations, sporting and recreation clubs, manuscripts, parish maps, general maps, ephemera, and family histories are just a few of the extensive records we hold.

Our Book Library consists of a wide range of subjects including local, Gippsland and other area histories, directories, war histories and personal family publications.

Donated items of relevant papers, books, photographs and objects etc are always welcome. By donating copies of your researched information in the form of certificates, wills, titles, photographs, family trees etc to the Society, you will be adding to our extensive collection so that other researchers may benefit in the future.

Do you have some old photos, papers or information or perhaps discovered some objects or artefacts pertaining to Morwell and the wider area?

If you have, please don't throw them away. We are developing an extensive

resource collection of items relevant to the local district such as early books, pamphlets, maps, newspaper cuttings. Rather than throw them away, why not donate them to the Society? If you have items you cannot part with, we would love to borrow them for copying and the originals will be returned to you.

Please visit our website at [www.morwellhistoricalsociety.org.au](http://www.morwellhistoricalsociety.org.au).

Under the tab Morwell / our newsletters – are the Society's Newsletters since 1962, including those compiled by Mr. I. T. Maddern from 1962 to 1974.

The Society meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 2pm, except December and January, with a Guest Speaker at 3.15pm. Visitors welcome.

Opening hours are the first and third Wednesdays and last Sunday of the month from 11am to 2pm, except December and January, or at any other time by appointment.

Enquiries can be made to secretary@morwellhistoricalsociety.org.au or phone President, Bruce McMaster on 5134 1149.

# Grants For Community Groups Up To \$20,000

Community groups across Gippsland can access Federal Government grants up to \$20,000 for capital projects that improve community participation and strengthen communities.

Federal Member for Gippsland Darren Chester said Gippsland had been allocated \$150,000 to upgrade community infrastructure through round three of the #lovegippsland Stronger Communities Program (SCP). Mr Chester is calling for Expressions of Interest from local groups to nominate priority projects.

"Local Government and not-for-profit community groups can apply for grants between \$2,500 and \$20,000 for infrastructure projects which improve community participation and strengthen the fabric of our local communities," Mr Chester

said.

"The SCP grants can only cover 50 percent of the total project cost; matching contributions can be in-kind or cash or funded through another government grant."

A maximum of 20 projects will be funded in each electorate. Eligible projects should be scheduled for completion by June 30, 2018.

Mr Chester encouraged local groups to contact his Traralgon office on 5174 1341 or download an SCP Expression of Interest form from his website [www.darrenchester.com.au](http://www.darrenchester.com.au) to nominate local projects.

A Gippsland selection committee will review the Expressions of Interest and invite selected groups to lodge an official project application. "We are looking for



projects that make a real difference to the community and provide the most benefits to the community and volunteer groups," Mr Chester said.

Expressions of Interest must be lodged with Mr Chester's office by 5pm on Monday July 31, 2017.

For more information about the project guidelines and application process go to <https://www.business.gov.au/assistance/stronger-communities-programme>

# Rainfall recorder on a break

The Churchill & District News team advises that our usual hard working rain recorder, Bruce, has taken a break.

Bruce aims to be back in the job by October to again keep us informed of local rainfall.

In the meantime William

Bonnici has enthusiastically agreed, with the support of his mum and dad, to take on the responsibility of recording and submitting the rainfall details to us until September.

Thankyou William, we greatly appreciate the help that you will be giving to us.

## Your Community Newspaper

Tennis Come 'n' Try

Monday September 25, 2017

Junior Fishing Day

Saturday October 28, 2017

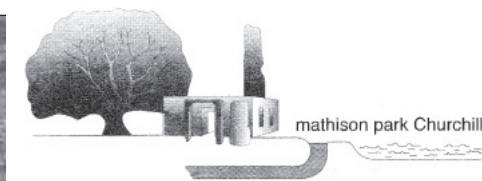
Lake Hyland

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# Mathison Park



## May Nappy Collection

The Churchill & District News team gives many thanks to all local shoppers who donated clean, unused left over nappies to the collection boxes at Churchill

Discount Chemist, Churchill Newsagent and at the Neighbourhood Centre during the month of May.

These will be donated to and used by local organisations

in our community to help others in need of assistance.

Although the collected totals were a little down on our collection last October, we still managed to have a total of 623 nappies from all boxes.

This brings to a grand total of nappies collected in Churchill over the past two years to well over 2000.

Thank you all so very much for your donations.

They are much appreciated by our team at Churchill & District News and by the recipients who will put them to very good use.



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Again a big thank you to those who have agreed to help in the park. But there is room for more helpers

One of the jobs we began to tackle at the working bee was clearing up rubbish in the paddock above the old house.

There are many fallen trees, branches and other debris needing to be collected into a pile to be burnt.

This is a pleasant area of the park but has been off limits due to being fenced and unsuitable for walking due to the hazards.

Next working bee we hope to continue the clean up, but would love the help from someone with a tractor who would be prepared to come and help push the rubbish together. When tidied we will have it mowed.

At the working bee with three of our recently new volunteers plus new volunteer Mark, we were able to whipper snip around the four rows of trees on the east side boundary closest to Kurnai College.

The trees which were established enough had their tree guards removed.

Others had their tree guards replaced and stakes adjusted.

We are thrilled with the progress of the trees growth.

During the month the Community Corrections teams did a great job mowing and whipper snipping the eastern side and preparing areas for mulching.

A huge thank you goes to Jim who moved the piles of mulch to the beds ready for

spreading. This effort makes our job so much easier.

Thank you too to the Hands on Learning class from Kurnai Junior Campus who have made another table and seat set which has been installed at the edge of the playground.


Thanks again to the Council team who keep our western and some central areas mowed.

We have a park of which to be very proud.


Working bees are on the second Saturday of each month from 9am for as long as you can spare with a finish time around 12.30-1pm.

We need 4WD vehicles and trailer, axes, picks and muscles, and a person with a chainsaw qualification. Contact Ruth on 5122 1961.


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### Cross campus activities

On Thursday June 1, Churchill Year 7 students joined the Year 7s from the Morwell campus for a cross campus day of learning about various aspects of mental health, bullying awareness and positive thinking.

The students spent the morning watching a play focusing on issues associated with social influences throughout their school life. After recess they were given a presentation by GCASA

(Gippsland Centre Against Sexual Assault) focusing on the importance of safety over social media, followed by a BBQ lunch with their peers.

Students finished the day by completing some fantastic posters and plays relating to positive mindsets, which will be displayed in the Year 7 centre.

The day had a focus on introducing students to the social issues they may encounter during their time in secondary school and we encourage parents to continue any discussions that might arise following the student's exposure to such topics.

It was great to see the students working enthusiastically with each other from both campuses and it is always encouraging to see such a positive learning environment.

### STEM Conference

On June 14, ten female Year 10 students went to Bacchus Marsh for a conference on the professions Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). These girls became aware of a range of careers traditionally dominated by males, and were encouraged to pursue them in the near future.

There were three workshops which gave the girls a taste of certain professions within Forensic Science, Environmental and Conservation along with Zoology and Veterinary Science. These activities included analysing "blood" samples for DNA, testing the concentration of copper in water and getting up close and personal with some of Australia's wonderful wildlife, including snakes, lizards and a dingo named Marley.

The opportunity was then available to talk to women with careers in science, engineering and technology. These sessions were each ten minutes long, where the girls listened and learnt about future careers. Guest speakers consisted of veterinarians, park-rangers, engineers, doctors and scientists.

The day was concluded with a presentation from a woman who went to Antarctica on a 'women only'

trip to study Global Warming. She learnt many things and imparted her knowledge to the girls, such as we heard that for each litre bottle of water, 250 millilitres of oil was used to create the plastic.

The girls then headed off on their four hour bus ride home, where they thought about the opportunities and amazing possibilities within the science, technology, engineering and math professions.

By Jacque Gordon and Ally McGown

### The Year 8 Camp to Karoonda

The annual Year 8 camp was a fantastic experience for the Year 8 students who ventured to the mountains north of Buchan.

The first stop was a visit to the Buchan caves. This is an amazing site in our backyard that few students normally get to see.

This was also the last chance for the students to get to go to the shops and the last chance to use their mobile phones, as the students find no reception at the camp. A shock to the system for many a student.

The camp is located on a beef cattle property and is situated in some spectacular mountain scenery. At the camp, all the students get to experience a wide range of activities; horse riding, zip-lining or high flying fox, climbing a rock wall,

abseiling, white-water rafting, trust and teamwork activities and night bush walking. The students all have different favourite activities.

The food is fantastic and sitting beside the bon-fire is also a highlight in itself. Dakota Jenkins gained high praise for entertaining the students with her singing.

The camp provided students with the opportunity to develop leadership skills, build new friendships, challenge themselves in numerous situations, see their peers in a different light and step outside their comfort zone.

The Year 8 students were also supported by a group of Year 10 Peer Support students; Cain Lorangi, Chloe Franssen, Dakota Jenkins, Alysha Clarke, Amber Jones and Kim Langanke.

These students remember fondly their time at Karoonda Park camp.

The staff, Robin Fitzpatrick (Camp

Coordinator), Glen Stephenson, Chris Flake, Mary Corponi, with Bella Scott, Angela Fitzpatrick and Jade Hosken, should be acknowledge for making the camp such an enjoyable experience for all the students.

**Enterprise Day**  
As part of their Humanities classes, all Year 8 students worked on an Enterprise Project. Students worked in small groups to plan and then operate a small business for a day. All stalls were held in the Language Centre and their products and/or services were available to the school community during a series of lunch times.

The market days were extremely successful. There was a large range of products sold over the three 'market days'. Some of the stalls included bacon and egg sandwiches, photo-booth, Care Bears (giving old bears new life), bath bombs,

cakes and slices, popcorn, barbeque sausages and fancy

pastries to name a few. As in previous years, this 'market day' event has been very successful, with students providing a diverse range of products and services to choose from. Through this real-life challenge students learn about economics, budgeting and finance, marketing, entrepreneurship and team work.

**Hands On Learning**  
'Hands On' Learning (HOL) members have been continuing to work consistently throughout Term 2.

Progress on the chicken coop has slowed, as a promised deadline to build a park bench for Mathison Park drew near.

The park bench was a great success, with all measurements and angles cut perfectly. The park bench was definitely constructed to a commercial standard. The bench was transported to Lake Hyland, and HOL crews cemented the footings into the ground.

HOL have also been working on gardens throughout the school grounds.

The amount of positive feedback that the members have received from staff and students has been fantastic. They really are enjoying it, and taking ownership of their grounds. This truly is great to see.



Above: Hands on Learning



Top three are Enterprise activities  
Liam, Rhys and Ty  
Tayissa and Sophie  
Hannah and Charliize  
Bottom three are from Camp  
flying fox, abseiling and zip wire



### A future footy champion at Kurnai College

Year 12 student Aiden Quigley was recently selected to represent the NAB Australian Football League (AFL) Academy Under 16s to Under 18s. Those selected represent the best 36 players throughout all of Australia. The coaches for this elite group include people of the calibre of Luke Power, Nick Dal Santo and Brad Johnson.

Aiden was selected for the Under 18s Victorian Country Squad being one of 23 players selected to play regularly with the team each week. Aiden usually plays in the midfield but has been very handy up forward at times.

Aiden started playing footy with his home club, Yinnar. He has played with Gippsland Power all of this year, as well as having the responsibility of being captain of the team.

night was the debutantes group dancing to Madonna's 'Vogue' and their partners to Queen's 'We Will Rock You'.

The theme of both nights was Rock Royalty with music from Elvis Presley, the Beatles, Elton John, Madonna and many many more. It's always a very pleasant surprise for the teachers to see our girls dressed in formal gowns after getting used to them in more informal wear.

There were quite a few teachers who dressed up as their favourite artist to add some flair to the night. One or two of these were eye openers too.

At the end of the formal dance section University Campus Vice Captains Joel Robinson and Stacey Rogers, who were a couple in the Thursday night group, took the opportunity to thank the many people who worked very hard to plan, organise

### General Achievement Test (GAT)

What is the GAT?

The GAT is a three-hour test of general knowledge and skills in written communication, mathematics, science and technology, humanities, the arts and social sciences.

Why do you have to do the GAT?

The GAT is an essential part of the VCE assessment process. GAT results play a very important role in determining the final assessment for the VCE. GAT results are used to check that your VCE external assessment and School Based Assessment have been accurately and fairly assessed. The GAT is used in these checks because its results are a good predictor of final assessment for VCE studies. If a student has done well in the GAT, they are likely to do well in their school-based assessments and external assessments.

#### About the GAT

The GAT is a single session three-hour test. There are two writing tasks and 70 multiple choice questions. The general knowledge and skills that are tested are those that students have built up in their previous study in English, mathematics, science and social science.

#### How is the GAT used?

Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority uses GAT results, along with other external assessments, to align each school's local graded assessment scores to the state wide scale, through a process of statistical moderation. GAT scores also contribute to the calculation of a Derived Examination Score (DES).

#### VCAL Year 10 alternative Schoolies event

The Year 10 VCAL students have opted to participate in a schoolies week with a difference. It is an overseas immersion and community service trip. They are going to Cambodia for ten days to two weeks, to work with a disadvantaged school and build a new classroom.

While there, they will



Aiden would love to get drafted at the end of the year and start studying at university two years after that. At university he wants to study exercise, science or primary teaching.

We wish Aiden the best for his future in football and life. We notice that he is in the right place at the right time with salaries for AFL players rising by 10% recently. Well done Aiden.

### Debutant Ball

Over two very cold nights last week Kurnai College held its 2017 Debutant Balls at the Premier Function Centre in Traralgon.

Fifty three lovely young ladies came out to be presented to adult society. The many weeks of dancing lessons and practice paid off with all the couples putting on an excellent display of their recently acquired dancing skills. The highlight of the

and run such successful events. A special thanks went to Andrea Gordon who has led, and continues to lead the Deb Ball committee and does a wonderful job every time.



have the opportunity to visit Angkor Wat and other places of interest as well as interact with the village people and participate in their lifestyle.

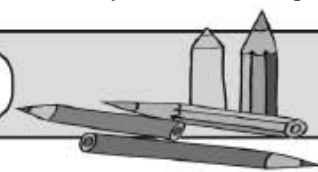
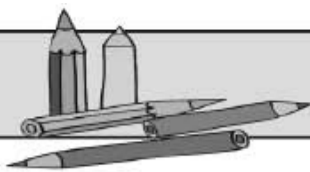
To fund such a venture, the school has contacted Rotary which will send out requests to many outside sources to raise \$50,000. St Vincent de Paul will also contribute \$10,000. The school would like to thank these organisations for their support in this matter.

Teacher Daniel Murphy

is thrilled with his students' progress and sees this experience as one which will allow them to see real world problems, develop a global awareness, raise their aspirations, build resilience (it will be a culture shock)

as it will remove the students from their comfort zone to grow them as people. As part of the program they will make a video of their trip. "The possibilities and positive outcomes arising from this trip are endless," said Daniel.





**Learning Club**  
Churchill North Primary School has been running Learning Club on Tuesday

by increasing students' self-confidence and confidence in their school work. On the final night,

enjoyed learning the final dance although it was hard to step together at the same time, but she got the hang of it quickly. Ryan enjoyed showing all the parents the effort he had put into the cards he made.

The Smith Family will be running Learning Club at our school again in Term 3 for Grades 2-6.

*Multicultural Dance Workshop at Churchill North Primary School*

On Wednesday June 14, all of the grades from Churchill North Primary School took part in a multicultural dance workshop. Each workshop included learning and performing a dance from a different culture. Some of the cultures included, Indigenous Australian, Indonesian, African, Latin, Greek and Italian. The children were excited and enthusiastic to learn about the

*Churchill North Primary School Breakfast Club*

With the return of the cooler weather, the students at Churchill North Primary School have been enjoying a range of delicious warm food for breakfast. Students can choose from raisin toast, normal toast, baked beans on toast, eggs on toast, porridge, yoghurt or cereals. The breakfast club at Churchill North Primary School offers more than just breakfast. It is a chance for the students to catch up with each other and to socialise with staff before their learning day begins. Thayne enjoys eating toast the best. Marcus enjoys fruit and Ruby loves eating porridge.

*Cricket Clinic*

On Tuesday May 23, Churchill North Primary had Rob from Cricket Victoria come and teach us some cricket skills.

I learnt how to bowl and hit a ball correctly. To hit a ball correctly, you need to lift, step, hit and stop. My favourite part was the obstacle course we did when warming up. We were surprised to get free bandanas and pencil cases! I loved the cricket clinic because hitting the ball builds your muscles!

*By Elivia  
Churchill North Playgroup at Tribes*

On Wednesday June 14 and Friday June 16, parents and children from the Churchill North Playgroup celebrated the end of an exciting term with a visit to Tribes Play Centre in Morwell. Children, parents, grandparents and carers all enjoyed a fun filled morning watching their children play on the slides, tunnels, in the ball pit, on the trampoline and also in the jumping castle. Churchill North Playgroup is

open to the community and is held every Wednesday and Friday from 9:00am till 11:00 am (during the school term).

Children and families get to participate in a range of

educational and fun activities. If you would like to come along all that is required is a gold coin donation and a healthy snack. We would love to see you there!



nights this semester. It has been a great opportunity for our students to participate in activities that develop their academic and social skills. Additionally, Learning Club aims to increase student engagement with learning

Learning Club invited parents to come along to school and see the work students had completed throughout the semester. On the night, students presented parents with a dance they had been learning. Sofia said she

different cultures and perform the dances. All students within the school will continue to practise the dances which will be performed at our school concert towards the end of Term 3.



# School News

## Hazelwood North Primary



On June 23 the Grades 2-4s went to the

Latrobe City Council Offices in Morwell. First, we listened to Kellie O'Callaghan talk about what the Council does to help the community.

Then we had a mock Council meeting with Councillor Dan Clancey. Claire was the Mayor and the mock Councillors were Tasman, Mitch, Mackenzie, Aaron, Max, Jake, Elsa and Maddison.

There were two speakers, Jada and Archie.

We had a debate about a water slide on Church Road in Hazelwood North. It was really fun!

Then we split into four groups to learn more about what the Council does in the community.

We went on a tour around the building to visit people who worked for the Council. It was really interesting to see. We learnt about Local Laws

and what they do. Local Laws look after animal welfare, tell people to keep the community clean and safe and also give out parking tickets! The Council also manages our waste.

The three types of waste are recycling, rubbish and green waste.

It costs about \$1.5 million a year to get rid of our waste! The Council also has community services. The community services are

things like local pools, leisure centres, local skate parks, the Little Theatre, transport services and health services.

We really enjoyed the tour and interesting activities. It was fun for some people to have a photo with the Mayor Kellie O'Callaghan and Councillor Dan Clancey. We would like to say another thank you to the Latrobe City Council!

By Kydan Makepeace and Claire Thorburn.



# School News

## Lumen Christi Primary



Lumen Christi has enjoyed the sunny start to winter and finished the term off strongly both in and out of the classrooms. As a school and parish community our highlight was the Confirmation for our Year 6 students. Father Siju our Parish Priest was joined by the Bishop of Sale, Bishop Patrick, who led the Confirmation Mass.

The students deserve praise for the way they prepared for this important event and for their participation on the night. We would love to thank Paul Delvin for his leadership in organising the music for

the night and for the band of talented Men in Black, who added so much to the ceremony with their singing.

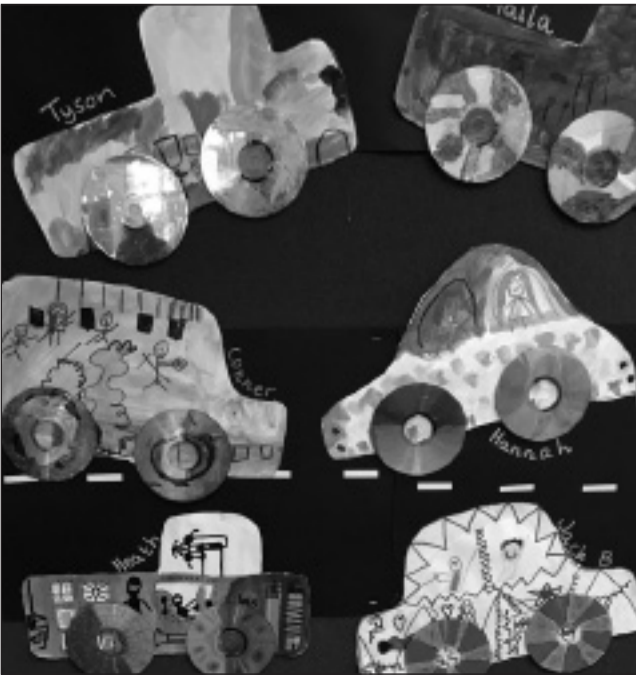
In the Art Room the students have enjoyed a range of activities inspired by the works of American pop artist, James Rizzi with his vibrant and colourful paintings. We have included some photos of student work.

On the sporting field we have had continued success with the school football and netball teams kept busy during June. Our netball teams, both a girls and boys team, participated in the Morwell Bessie Froid Tournament with the girls winning on the day and the boys finishing runners-up.

In the cross-country events, we had Valentina make it all the way to the Region event where she walked away with a very creditable 'Top 25' finish.

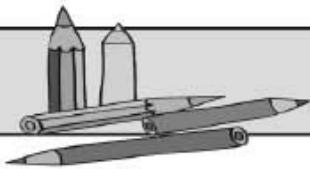
Our Enrolment program began in June with both new and existing families encouraged to tour the school and meet with our Principal, Mr Dave Cooper. Dave has enjoyed showing new families around the school highlighting the many strengths and offerings available to our students.

If you are considering enrolling your children at our school please give the school office a call on 5122 2231 or just drop in to introduce yourself.

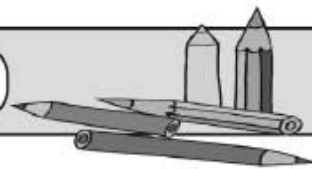




# School News



## Yinnar Primary



Our children and staff have taken a well earned break after a busy second term at Yinnar Primary School. Excursions and sporting events were high on the agenda this term as well as continued learning in the classrooms.

Our Grade 3/4s travelled to Coal Creek to explore our history and our 1/2/3s had a similar excursion to Gippsland Heritage Park. The students showed great interest in the buildings and equipment of yesteryear. At Coal Creek the students tried their hand at learning in an historical school setting, while at Gippsland Heritage Park the students watched a blacksmith at work, rode in the old fire engine and played games from the era.

On the sporting field the girls' soccer team continued

on their winning way. They have progressed to the third round to be held in Sale during Term 3. Following this our 5/6 girls were also able to attend a "girls in football" event in Morwell to further develop their Aussie Rules skills.

The School Captains have been hard at work with planning the redevelopment of our bush hut. They were very pleased to be able to commence work on the hut completing the laying of a brick floor.

The school values opportunities to promote literacy and reading in more novel ways. Each year we participate in the Simultaneous Storytime, a national wide event involving thousands of schools, kindergartens and libraries. This year we all wore our

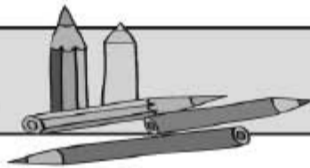
pyjamas and gathered together to read 'The Cow Tripped Over the Moon' by Tony Wilson.

In the junior area the Preps and 1s held a Teddy Bear's Picnic. The children planned the event, wrote invitations to parents, made delicious picnic food and enjoyed a wonderful afternoon with parents, grandparents and, of course, their teddy bears.

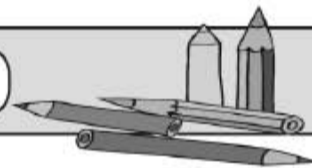
The term ended with our traditional School Disco organised by our Junior School Council. The theme this time was 'Celebrities and Super Heroes.' Of course, there were disco lights, music and games. The highlight was the VIP photo booth complete with props and a photographer.



# School News



## Boolarra Primary



Brody, Travis, Paige and Elise at the Korumburra Chess tournament



The younger students having a go at wheelchair sports

### Breakfast at School

Our students help to make this a pleasant start to the day by using fabulous manners and demonstrating positive social skills. It is always lovely to see our Junior School Council teaming together to efficiently manage the toast production and capture the action in great photos.

### Fundraising

Our parents are busily raising lots of money so we can upgrade our school pool area. During Term 2, they undertook a successful pie drive and baked goods stall at the Boolarra Football/Netball Club's home game against Mirboo North.

### Hands on Learning

The Grade 5/6s uploaded a map of the Sydney Zoo and used this to set up a replica zoo on our school oval. This exercise helped build their map reading skills and their understanding of scale and legend.

### Chess Tournament

Four of our chess players travelled to Korumburra to compete in a Chess Victoria tournament.

After seven intense games, our team was placed equal third, with Travis finishing in fourth place overall and Elise winning the medal for highest scoring girl. This was an amazing effort as we

only had four representatives (the minimum number to form a team), two of whom had never played tournament chess before!

### Tidy School Grounds

Our school is looking much tidier thanks to the work some of our parents put in weeding, laying matting and spreading mulch.

### Whole School Production

Next term all students will be involved in our performance of "Boolarra Rocks", a play written by our staff and students. The Grade 5/6s will take responsibility for playing the main characters. The show will be staged in the Boolarra Memorial Hall during the final week of Term 3. There will be a matinee and an evening performance.

### Book Fair

Our students enjoyed this opportunity to purchase some new reading material and, in doing so, added to our Library resources.

### Junior School Council News

Throughout Term 2, this industrious group sold warm Milo and raisin toast to raise money for the Starlight Foundation. On the last day of term, everyone dressed in their PJs and brought along a donation for this worthwhile cause.

### Brilliant Behaviour!

In Term 2, our students

earned two Bonus Recesses in recognition of their excellent behaviour in the playground.

### Congratulations

The two most recent recipients of the very special Aussie of the Month Awards were; Indily of Grade 5 for the fabulous growth mindset she routinely displays, which enables her to achieve exceptional learning outcomes.

Charlie of Grade 4 received the other award for his highly developed empathy and social skills, which see him mediating and resolving disputes between his friends.

### Facilities Upgrade

The Education Department determined that, as we are a school that is required to close on days of extreme fire danger, our designated shelter on site location (the LTC Building) required some improvements. As a result, the windows now have screens and the veranda and entrance area decking was replaced.

### Wheel Talk

Our students learnt a great deal from a special visitor who Mr Patrick Kilday organised. The students not only learnt about the many different ways people become reliant upon wheelchairs, they also got to try some wheelchair sports themselves.

# School News

## Churchill Preschools

### The Hub Preschool

The cooler weather brings a wonderful display of autumn leaves to some of our trees in Churchill. Particularly vibrant are the deciduous trees in our shopping centres and those in Ritchie Road.

The Hub preschoolers also celebrated autumn by

selecting a variety of colourful leaves to thread onto a large mobile and the classroom's north facing windows are adorned with some beautiful stained glass window leaf patterns.

The children enjoyed very special activities to help remember Mothers' Day or

### Glendonald Preschool

At Glendonald Preschool we have had a learning focus on Community. This has led us to set up various learning areas at the preschool like shops, cafes and a post office.

The interest in local

community made us decide to take a walk to the shopping complex. We visited Woolworths and had a fantastic behind the scenes tour. We learned about how products come to the store, their recycling process and

Special Persons' Day. The children sang some new songs and danced for the invited guests.

Then it was time for a delicious afternoon tea. The Committee helped to prepare a gift bag for each of the special visitors.

had a look in the bakery and deli sections.

We then did some shopping to make things for our Mother's Day morning tea, followed by a quick visit to the post office to post letters to our pen pals in Melbourne.



# School News

## Yinnar South Primary

### Heritage Theme

This term our research focus has been Heritage. Our students have been investigating this theme from different perspectives.

The younger students have shared their family trees and enjoyed comparing olden day items to their modern equivalents. Older students have explored local, national and international history.

### Expo Night

Our students are busy preparing for our Expo night.

Students will share work samples with their family and carers. Students will also perform in Chinese and Auslan.

### Digital Technologies

We have been enjoying exploring digital technologies such as Scratch and i-Books.

Technology is integrated into our learning program.

### Wood Working

The lunchtime wood working club has proved popular with lots of creativity and problem solving.

### Cubbies

Cubbies have continued to be popular with many extending to have their own gardens.

### New Enrolments

Enrolments for 2018 Preps are now open. School Tours can be arranged by calling Principal Katy Grandin on 5169 1540. Why not visit and see how our little school can bring 'learning to life' for your child?



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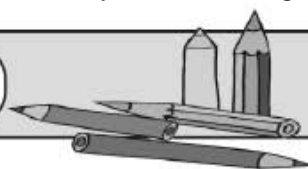
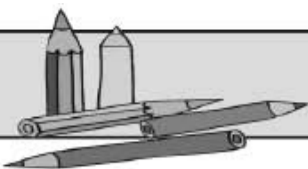
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Nick M, Will T, Blake B, Lachlan M, Aiden H, Mitchell B, Ryder L, Teshawn H, Jasmine T, Vivian H, Arabella A, Jenny B all represented CPS at the Division Hockey Championships

### Caine's arcade

In April 2012, "Caine's Arcade" went viral overnight and became a topic of internet conversation. The 11 minute film can be seen on YouTube and documents the imagination of then nine year old Caine Monroy and the amazing cardboard arcade he had constructed, keeping himself busy and entertained during the school holidays whilst his Dad worked.

This short film sparked the imaginations of people around the globe and soon people were posting photos of their own children's cardboard and recycled creations on a Caine's Arcade Facebook Page. The Imagination Foundation was formed in the United States to foster imagination and creativity

in children and in 2012 the Global Cardboard Challenge was launched.

This month, Churchill Primary School students were given the challenge to build their own "Caine's Arcade" on a special Respectful Positive Learners (RPL) Day. Students across all age groups worked together in teams to combine their imaginations and construct their very own arcade games. The activity encouraged students to challenge themselves in their creative processes and incorporated many aspects of the curriculum including maths, literacy, art and science as well as promoting teamwork and cooperation in cross-age groups.

"On Friday June 16 the whole school met in the hub

and went into eight groups.

We watched a video about a boy named Caine. He made arcade games out of boxes and waited for customers. Finally he had his first customer who was so impressed that he decided to create an event at Caine's Arcade as a surprise for Caine.

Each group had to design and make an arcade game based on the video.

That day was also our RPL day, which means we had to use all our Respectful Positive Learner values while working in our groups.

Thank you to the RPL team who organised the whole day. On RPL day the whole school dressed up in the RPL colours of green, yellow and blue."

By Nick M and Kayla S.



"On Friday June 16 at CPS, the school was involved in an activity about a boy who made an arcade out of cardboard boxes.

You get split into different groups, then we watched a video of a boy who makes an arcade of boxes.

You have to design your game and make your game out of boxes.

In our group, we built a massive football game. You had a catapult on one table and a football field with small goals on another table.

You had two balls to put in the catapult. You had four shots to get your two balls through the small goals. After lunch, you get to go around and have a shot at other people's games.

It was pretty challenging to make a catapult and a football field out of cardboard. I was proud and happy. You

learn how to build new things. There was good sportsmanship, people were being creative, and everyone enjoyed it."

By Cody H and Tyson V

### School hockey

On June 21, 12 people went to school hockey in Traralgon - Blake, Ryder, Will, Lachlan, Arabella, Vivian, Nick, Mitchell, Jasmine, Aiden, Teshawn and Jenny. We played Stockdale Road Primary. The game was hard to start with; we were losing 1 to

4. We had our half time break, took a deep breath and began to work as a team. Everyone put in their best effort and we grew as a team and managed to WIN, 7 to 6! We got a trophy and congratulated Stockdale Rd Primary and we are now going through to the 3rd round. We watched the



netballers play and barracked for Lumen Christi.

We watched the presentation for netball. Our bus came and we went back to school. We all had a great day and we all used our Respectful Positive Learner school values.

By Blake B & Ryder L

# SPORT

## Churchill and Monash Golf Club Results

Saturday 27/5/17 Mens Monthly Medal: A Grade D. Byers (14) 68. B Grade J. Sloyan (22) 69. C Grade P. Jordan (26) 65. Ladies M. Dear 71. DTL - A. Auld 69 P.Coffey 70 J. Sterrick 70 J. Barnes 71 K. Hills 71 C. Doyle 72. NTP 3rd C. Thomas, 5th D. Ellwood, 12th C. Thomas, 14th R. Welsh. Target Hole - C. Gosling - Pro Pin C. Thomas. Putts - D. Ellwood 26 - Birdie 12th C. Thomas 14th G. Beyer.

Saturday 3/6/17 - Par Mens

A Grade: A. Sharrock (19) Square. B Grade: R. Welsh (22) Square C/B. C Grade: B. King (26) +1. DTL - T. Collins Sq. W. Sutton Sq. B. Barnes Sq. J. Barnes -1 J. Sloyan -2 C/B. J. Ambrosini -2 C/B P. Williams -2 C/B. NTP - 3rd

R. Dent 5th J. Sterrick 12th B. King 14th R. Dent. Target Hole H. Martin.

Ladies Monthly Medal Stroke 6/6/17

Scratch Winner M. Dear (13) 91. Medal Winner M. Dear (13) 78 Net. NTP - 5th V. Rowley 14th M. Dear. DTL - M. McQuillen 80. Putts - M. McConville 28.

Saturday 10/6/17.

Mens Stroke. A Grade - D. Byers (13) 63. B Grade - V. Monument (23) 72. C Grade - J. Ambrosini (32) 66. DTL - P. Smart 70 D. Ellwood 72 G. Blizzard 73 P. Coffey 73 G. Beyer 73. NTP - 5th P. Smart, 12th D. Caldwell. Target Hole - B. Barnes. Birdie - 12th R. Welsh.

Ladies 3 Person Ambrose

14/6/17. Winners - D. Judkins (25) - M. Dear (13) - V. Verheyen (26) 65 1/3. NTP - 5th M. Mc Quillen, 14th M. Dear.

Saturday 17/6/17.

Mens Stableford. A Grade - G. Beyer (9) 34. B Grade - J. Sloyan (22) 36. C Grade - J. Tettman (26) 33. Ladies - D. Judkins 28. DTL - G. Spowart 34, C. Thomas 33, A. Sharrock 32, T. Collins 32, W. Judkins 31 C/B, K. Hills 32. NTP - 3rd G. Spowart 5th D. Byers 14th D. Radwell. Target Hole - J. Sloyan. Birdie - 12th M. Spoppe 5th D. Byers.

Ladies Stableford 20/6/17. Winner - B. Beebe (32) 35. DTL - D. Judkins (25) 34. NTP - 5th M. Dear, 14th M. Dear. Mens Winner - M. Brereton (11) 36.

## Mid Gippsland Darts Association Winter Competition 2017

### DARTS ASSOCIATION LADDER after Round 2

Team Name	Played	Won	Lost	For	Against	%	Pts
COYOTEZ	2	2	0	14	4	155.6	4
BULLSHOT	2	2	0	12	6	133.3	4
MUSTANG 1	2	1	1	12	6	133.3	2
YINNAR TIGERS	2	1	1	12	6	133.3	2
JOKERS	2	0	2	3	15	33.3	0
MUSTANGS 2	2	0	2	1	17	11.1	0

Round 1: A long darts night for Yinnar Tigers at the start of the Winter Competition losing to the Summer Premiers Bullshot 5-4.

A fine performance by Waz Roberts (B) with three highest scores of 140. Not too far behind was Mark Taylor (YT) with two 140s and Reno Borg (YT) with one. Mens

highest finish was again Waz Roberts with 101.

Round 2: A fine winning performance by Yinnar Tigers putting them back in the winning frame defeating Mustangs 2 by 8-2. Good dart throwing on the night by Peter Campbell (YT) with a fine highest men's score of 140.

Junene DeKaste(M2) had the ladies highest score with

100. Most pegs on the night was Mike Bailey (YT) with a total of six. For the ladies Sharon Taylor (YT) had three pegs.

With a loss and a good win in two games the Tigers are now looking for some consistency to their game.



# Yinnar and District Lions club



Yinnar & District Lions club held their annual changeover night on June 19 at the Yinnar Community Hotel. The office bearers for 2017-2018 were installed by Mirboo North Lions Club member Rod Jackson.

from Mt Erica, Churchill & District, Moe, Morwell and Mirboo North Lions Clubs as well as Zone Chairman Geoff Anderson. All those present enjoyed the great meal provided and the fellowship throughout the evening.

Tony Harwood, praised the work done by the Yinnar & District Lions club over the past 32 years and asked that they continue to serve the community and Lions International which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year.

Guests included members Incoming President,



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 <p><b>\$300</b> Cash Back</p> <p><b>390XP CHAINSAW</b> 88.0cc - 24" - 3/8" Chain - 7.2kg <b>\$2,149</b> RRP INCL. GST</p>	 <p><b>\$300</b> Cash Back</p> <p><b>395XP CHAINSAW</b> 94.0cc - 24" Bar - 3/8" Chain - 7.9kg <b>\$2,249</b> RRP INCL. GST</p>



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