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Success for Churchill HPV Team



Winning Team: L-R: Nicola Brighton, Manager Rob Higgins, Katrina Hutchinson, Melissa Jonas, Britteny Webb and Nikita Jongerius



Nicola Brighton and Tyson Webb on the start line of the six hour race

THERE was success on a grand scale when a small group of Churchill teenagers competed and won a recent Human Powered Vehicle Race in Tasmania. The team came home with the trophy after winning the secondary schools section of the race. That section was the largest class in the race with teams coming from three states to compete.

The eleven riders had all previously raced as part of Churchill Primary School's HPV program. The group rode as two teams with the all girl team of Britteny Webb, Nicola Brighton, Melissa Jonas, Nikita Jongerius and Katrina Hutchinson winning the six-hour race by 27 seconds. The category allowed for up to eight students in a team, with up to half being male. It was against these larger and physically stronger teams that the Churchill girls triumphed. They also finished fifth overall, with many adult teams competing.

The second team consisting of younger riders James Curwood, Tyson Webb, Whitney Mathieson, Mylah Lewis, Darcy and Kayla Jongerius also performed extremely well finishing fifth in the same class. This was a mighty effort for a group several years younger than the other teams. The unofficial competition between the two Churchill teams played a big part in keeping the lap times

consistently good through out the long race and added to the fun.

The vehicles were flawless and the riders executed former principal Rob Higgins's race strategy to perfection.

The final half hour of the race was nerve racking with progressive scores no longer being broadcast. With the second place team from a local Hobart school, using their strongest boy riders, it was a gutsy effort for the Churchill girls team to hang on. It was a huge relief when the chequered flag came down, with the girls less than half a lap in front.

While the race was the highlight of the trip, the teams and their accompanying parents also enjoyed other aspects of Hobart including a bike ride down Mt. Wellington, ice-skating and visits to the Salamanca Market and the Cadbury Factory.

The team's success is shared with their sponsors Australian Paper, International Power Hazelwood, Loy Yang Power, Latrobe City, Hutchinson Row Electricians and Rotary International Hazelwood. Also to be thanked are team manager Rob Higgins and Gay Higgins, Mechanics/transport duo Roger Brighton and Murray Hutchinson and parents Cathy Curwood, Kim Jongerius, Wendy Mathieson, Janet Jonas and the amazing Jenny Webb.

Water Restrictions Scaled Back



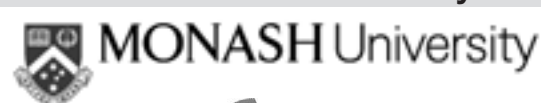
Monash Way after the deluge

After the drought breaking rains brought a deluge to Gippsland water restrictions across the area have been scaled back. All towns across the Gippsland Water's

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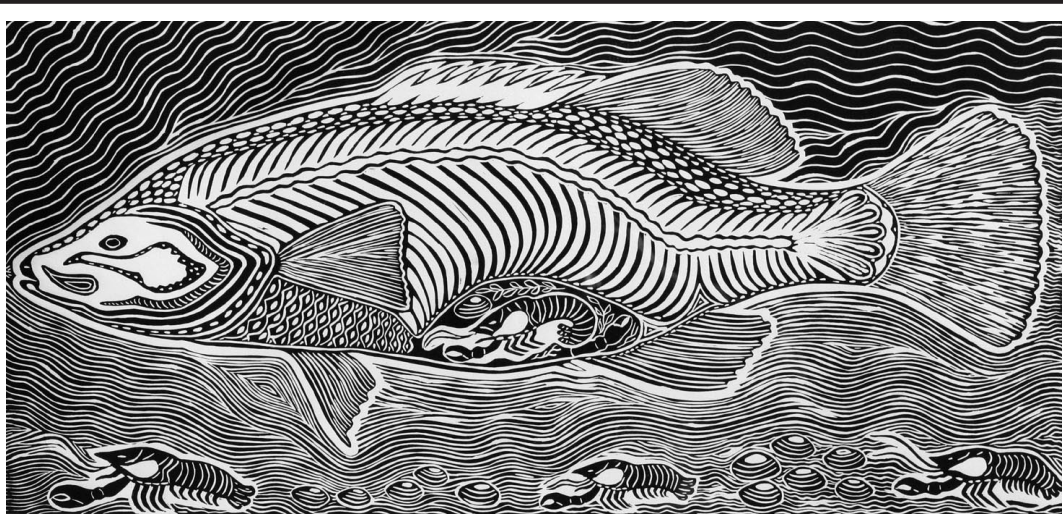
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Bubbles on the Surface II

SWITCHBACK Gallery cordially invites you to the opening of the Bubbles on the Surface II Art Exhibition. The opening will be held at the Gallery at Monash University, Churchill on Tuesday 14 August 2007 at 5pm.

Bubbles on the Surface II, is a response by Aboriginal artists to a research project about water in the drylands of the Murray-Darling Basin. The stories begin at Terewah, home of the black swan, the Narran Lakes, in western New South Wales.

In stories, paintings, lino prints, and wood carvings, U'Allayi researcher/artist Chrissiejoy Marshall, and Paakantji artist Badger Bates, take us on a journey that connects water, landscapes, people and animals. The Narran Lake is part of a songline that physically links, in the footprints of the great creator Biaime, with the

Brewarrina Fish traps, Mt Gunderbooka and a waterhole at Byrock, hundreds of kilometres apart.

Like bubbles on the surface, the project moves out from the Lake to the creeks, rivers and waterways of the Murray-Darling Basin, creating connections between people and places.

Bubbles on the Surface II is the second exhibition of the project, including some earlier works and expanding into an exciting new collection of carvings, lino prints and paintings.

The Exhibition runs from 14th August to 6th September 2007.

Pictured above: Parntu Thayilana Wiithi (Cod eating yabbies), Linoprint by Badger Bates

Churchill Man Fined for Keeping Corn Snake

A 20 year old Churchill man appeared in the Latrobe Valley Law Courts on Monday 18 June 2007 charged with keeping a controlled pest animal.

Mr Brian Beazley was convicted of keeping a corn snake, fined \$250 and ordered to pay \$80 costs.

The Morwell Regional Response Unit called DSE Wildlife Officers to Mr Beazley's property on February 21, where they seized the snake.

DSE Wildlife Officer Anthony Ball said corn snakes are native to North America, but they thrive in

most conditions.

"Corn snakes could establish viable breeding populations in Victoria if they were to escape from captivity or were intentionally released into the wild," Mr Ball said.

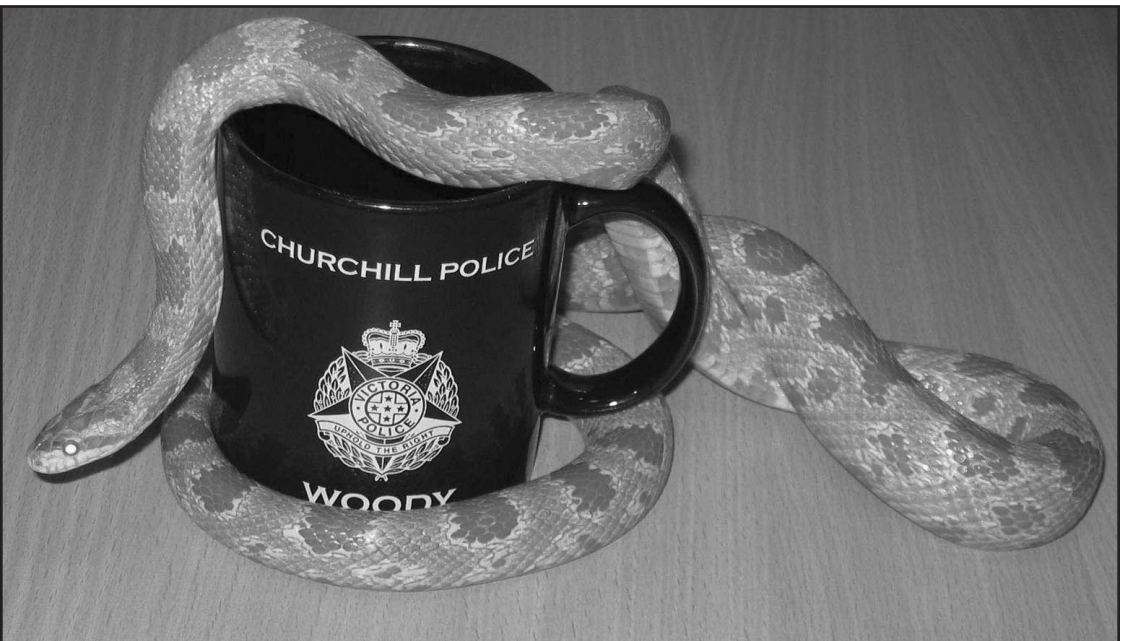
"They would then prey on Australia's ground-dwelling marsupials and small birds, damaging these populations and providing direct competition to Australian reptiles."

Mr Ball said there was no evidence to suggest this man was involved in the illegal importation of

these snakes, so he was not charged under the (Commonwealth) Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act.

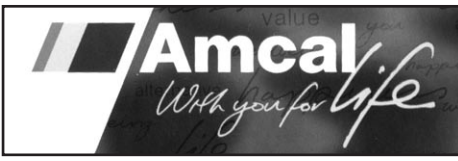
Penalties for possession of the snake are up to \$110,000 fine and/or two years' jail under the Commonwealth legislation.

Mr Ball urged anyone with information about illegal possession or trading of exotic reptiles such as corn snakes to contact the DSE Customer Service Centre on 136 186. All calls will be taken in the strictest confidence.



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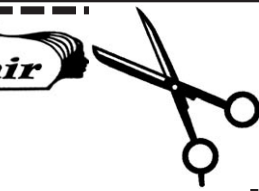
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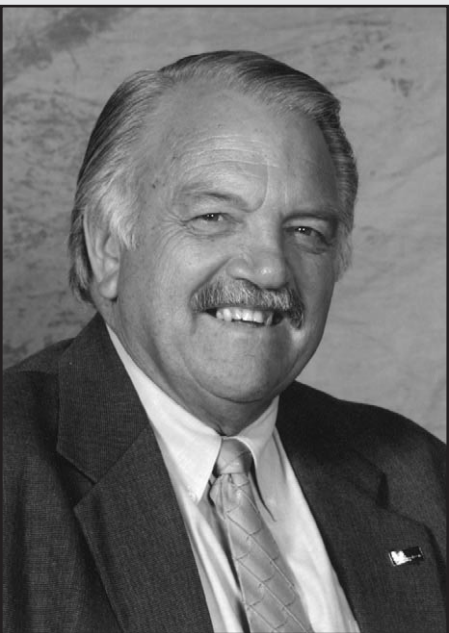
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Churchill & District Intergenerational Hub Update

By Cr Darrell White

design over July and meeting with stakeholders to integrate specific features needed by each organization and user-group.

In developing the design the architects have drawn on some of the history of Churchill and some of the design trends present when Churchill was first developed. The result promises to be a striking but very functional community facility, providing library, neighbourhood house, maternal and child health, childcare and preschool services as well as improved community facilities such as a community kitchen.

Once the schematic design is finalized the next steps include drafting the detailed design, documentation and tendering, engagement of a builder and construction. On the current timeline, construction is due to commence in late October or early November and is planned to be completed by July/August 2008.

In addition to this, the Governance committee has been hard at work developing the operating and management rules and procedures which will ensure the Hub facility will function effectively when open. This Committee is sorting out both

the day-to-day procedures to operate between stakeholders and how the future development of the Hub will be decided.

Churchill Town Centre & East West Link Concept Project

Following a series of consultations by Beca Planning, the Consultants engaged by Council to complete the Large Town Structure Plan Project Study for Churchill, Beca have identified the need to have stronger east / west linkages through the Churchill Town Centre to better connect the township, the Town Centre and Monash University.

As a result of their work, it is anticipated that the Large Town Structure Plan for Churchill will very likely be an agenda item at the Council Meeting to be held on 16th July next.

In addition, it is understood that the up-coming VCAT Hearing scheduled for the end of July next may result in the Council being requested to consider a revised plan for the "Old Shopping Centre" which takes "on board" all those matters which resulted in the original application being

refused.

Latrobe Leisure Churchill - Membership

A broad range of membership options are available that include access to the Pool, Gymnasium, Group Fitness sessions and Squash.

Membership is available in 3, 6 and 12 month blocks.

Centre Based Membership allows access to the designated facilities at Latrobe Leisure Churchill.

Latrobe Leisure Card Memberships allow access to the designated facilities at Churchill Moe Newborough and Morwell.

Direct Debit Memberships are available in both the Centre based and Leisure card options. These memberships are ideal for those wishing to join as a long term member.

The community is encouraged to take full advantage of these facilities. A friendly welcoming environment awaits all those who "walk through the doors" at Latrobe Leisure Churchill.



War Memorial for Churchill

By Margaret Guthrie, President

As part of the Churchill Civic Gardens Project (on the site of the old nursery adjacent to the Town Symbol and flagpoles), a war memorial will be constructed to honour those who have lost their lives in service to Australia.

CDCA has been granted funding to construct an appropriate monument with the approval of the RSL. We have engaged local sculptor and artist, Paul Jesse, to work on this project on the community's behalf.

Paul has devised concept plans and detailed sketches for a memorial that will provide an impressive focal point for the Civic Gardens. It will be a high quality tiled concrete structure with an unusual form and fresh appearance that embraces the 'humanity' of those who served. We hope it will be a memorial of which Churchill residents will be proud.

Further funding and sponsorship is being sought by CDCA for this project, which we estimate will cost some \$7,000 plus additional site preparation costs.

CDCA has also adopted a concept plan for the proposed Civic Gardens, which will feature a circular form with ramps, assembly area, pavilion, shelter, public toilets and formal garden areas.

Detailed building plans and artist's impressions of the new Churchill Intergenerational Community Hub were presented at the Hub Working Group's June meeting.

Council has decided that the new building will definitely be located on the site of the current skate park in Phillip Parade. Having the building south of the current access path (across Eel Hole Creek) also creates a closer link with the Churchill Town Hall, which is also marked for refurbishment as part of the Hub development.

Additionally, council believes the new location of the building offers greater design scope, allows more room for future expansions and increases safety aspects, since the entrance to the Hub will now be away from the T-intersection of Georgina Place with Phillip Parade.

Design considerations include environmental efficiencies such as maximising natural light to minimise the need for artificial lighting, passive solar collection for winter warmth and 'night purging' of the building in summer to reduce the need for air conditioning. \$40,000 has also been earmarked for a rainwater collection system to service the building.

The children's services area in the new building (Childcare, Kindergarten and Maternal and Child Health) will also include a new Toy Library (currently on the lower floor of the Town Hall).

Stage 1 of the Hub project will see approx \$100,000 spent on the first stage of the Town Hall refurbishment - this seems likely to be works commenced on the lower floor. This is to be discussed in further detail once the architects have considered what could be

achieved within budget. Meantime, Council is obtaining estimates for the structural work required at the Town Hall, which we have been advised will be paid for from Council's Capital Works budget.

The Churchill Neighbourhood Centre is to be located alongside the new community library within the Hub and will be in view of the main entrance and foyer. The use of 'folding' wall partitions will provide opportunities for large meetings, forums and functions, which can be catered for from the large kitchen centrally located within the building.

The architects are holding further meetings with Hub service providers to address specific design details such as cupboards, bench heights, plumbing requirements, etc, prior to the final design plan completion.

Meantime, the Hub land transfer (from Monash University to Council ownership) nears completion. It is expected that, when all documents are signed and Council is the new 'owner', there will be a public sign erected on site and a 'grand launch' of the project.

CDCA can be contacted at P O Box 191, Churchill, or call the Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602. Our meetings are held at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month at the Churchill Football and Netball Club. Tea and coffee supplied. All Churchill and district residents are most welcome.

Churchill Hub Artists Impression



Annual Changeover Evening for Churchill Lioness's

Last Friday evening at the Morwell RSL saw the combined Churchill Lioness's and Lions changeover office bearers. It was noted that this will be Wendy Steenbergen's 16th year as Treasurer and that many of the women who founded the group are still active members. As always it was an evening of business, fellowship and fun. Experienced and skilful Tail Twisters, Margaret Barker and Bob Lowick extracted the maximum amount of cash and hilarity from the occasion.



The Lioness Office Bearers for 2007-2008 pictured from left to right:

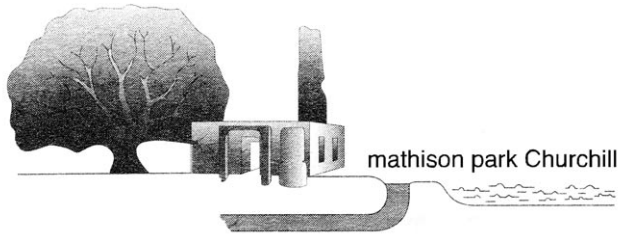
Joy Medew, Assistant Treasurer, Wendy Steenbergen, Treasurer, Sue Lowick, President, Margaret Dawson, Publicity Officer, Vicki Burgess, Secretary, Margaret Barker, Assistant Secretary. Other office bearers not present are Lisa Twigger, Vice President and Pauline Prowse, Lioness Tamer.

Many Thanks!

Apologies go to Ken Harris for not acknowledging his contribution to the Mathison Park article in June. The photo and commentary on the Cattle Egrets were his work.

Ken has great knowledge and great patience when it comes to bird watching and photography. We are very grateful for his ongoing contribution.

Last month our working bee was very successful with two new garden beds being prepared for planting. Thank you to all our working bee attenders- old and new. We are very grateful to Trevor Berryman for bringing his



mathison park Churchill

tractor to move the mulch onto the new beds, moving earth to both ends of the boardwalk, and several other jobs which would have taken hours manually.

Thanks also go to Dave Cranwell for the mowing he did in the deciduous plantation. It takes many hours to mow this area.

Tom is part of our committee but we are also grateful to him and his family who regularly make their farm tractor available for park use.

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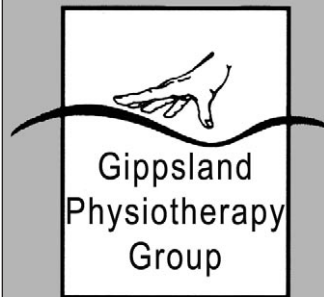
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Opinion

When Behaviour Change is Not Anger Management

By CHRIS LAMING

'Jason' is sometimes abusive at home. He scares his three young children and wife 'Kellie'. He yells, shouts, intimidates and threatens them. He has learnt that he gets his way when he behaves like this. But 'Jason' excuses his behaviour by saying "I can't help losing my temper".

His family and friends tell him that he needs 'anger management'. The problem is that anger is almost never the cause of men's violence or abuse, like 'Jason's'.

In the past, lawyers have used anger as an excuse in court, for a man's violent behaviour, in his defence. The term 'anger management' is still used widely in the courts, by the police, by the legal profession, by alcohol and drug workers, by social workers, psychologists, indeed, by the whole community.

To refer to men's behaviour change programs as 'anger management' is to mislead the community by further reinforcing the myth that the men's violence is caused by anger.

For men, like 'Jason', who abuse against their families, anger is not the cause of that destructive behaviour. The cause of men's violence is usually their belief that they have a right to act in such a way. Men's abuse or violence is usually chosen behaviour, directed to get a result.

This can be explained, because they have learned from an early age that abuse serves their convenience and gets them what they want. Abuse in the home is often about men's sense of possession, pride or authority and their determination not to let go of power and control within their families. For example 'Jason' yelling and

threatening his family might be because they are not doing what he wants, or because 'Kellie' has asked him why he is late home. 'Jason' feels he has a right to go where he pleases, with whoever he pleases, but he gets very jealous if his wife 'Kellie' does the same.

Such behaviour is what many men learnt when growing up. They say it 'worked' for their parents and it 'works' for them. The trouble is, that is usually did not 'work' for their parents, at least not for their mum, and mostly probably, not for their dad either. It certainly is not 'working' for a man, like 'Jason' whose children are scared of him, his wife 'Kellie' is afraid and has to 'walk on eggshells'. On the one hand he gets what he wants, and on the other hand he loses their trust, love and affection.

What is more, and he is not able to look in the mirror without feeling ashamed of himself and his behaviour. The trouble is, that unless someone challenges him, 'Jason' will continue to use that behaviour to bully. Pointing out to him the direct consequences of making a choice to use violence, sometimes gets a man thinking about the effects of his behaviour. Surprisingly, many men, like 'Jason', attending behaviour change programs, have little or no idea of the ill-effects of their abuse on their family.

If the abusive man is not challenged, then he will not only continue to be abusive, but experience tells us that he will probably become worse. He has rationalised that he either cannot help it, or that he is justified because his perceived right to control has been questioned or is under threat.

So when some men get angry during domes-

tic disputes, perhaps when their position as head of the family is questioned, we know that it is not anger that is the cause of their violence. To take this outside the family, many men get angry at work also, but they choose not to act out of that anger in an abusive or violent way, because they know that if they do, they will lose their jobs. Instead, they sit on that anger and when they leave work, drive home and walk in the door, they sometimes choose to release their bottled up anger and lash out at the dog, the children or their wives.

A man in a group once remarked that he could tell how wound up and angry he was as soon as he stepped through the door of his home. The family dog would put its tail between its legs and slink away without its owner having done or said anything, it just knew. It was a warning sign for the man.

Why is it that children who are used to such behaviour from their father, often run away when they hear the sound of his car coming up the drive after work? Is it because they also just know and are afraid? The fact that their dad is not scary and violent every time he comes home, just keeps them guessing and anxiously wondering when he next will be.

This anxious waiting can be very stressful and is used as a form of control. Many women express that one of the worst parts of domestic violence is not knowing, 'walking on egg-shells', always wondering when next he will 'go off'. She wonders what to say, or not say, what to do or not do, to avoid his abuse, of her, the children or the pets.

We recognise that if a man can choose not to express his anger violently at work, he can also choose not to express it violently at home. He cannot therefore say that his anger caused his violence. Instead, if he is honest, he will admit that he chooses when to express his anger and when not to. Such a man needs to learn that it is not acceptable to take his feelings out in violence, intimidation or manipulation of his family.

Let us return to 'Jason'. If he is able to put himself in the place of his wife and children, he can get a sense of what they feel when he is scary and abusive. He can then be motivated to choose to change his behaviour, the behaviour that causes their fear. Change is hard, but it is possible for most abusive men and many want to change.

So 'Jason' needs his mates and family to put the hard word on him to really do something to change before it is too late. He does not need people around him who will sympathise with his troubles and support his abusive beliefs and behaviour. He needs them to encourage him to change. But he cannot change alone. He will need help, the help of other men who have changed and are changing. He will find them at the local men's behaviour change program the SHED Project. This program has been working with men to help them learn to choose respectful ways of relating with their families: Contact: 51279100

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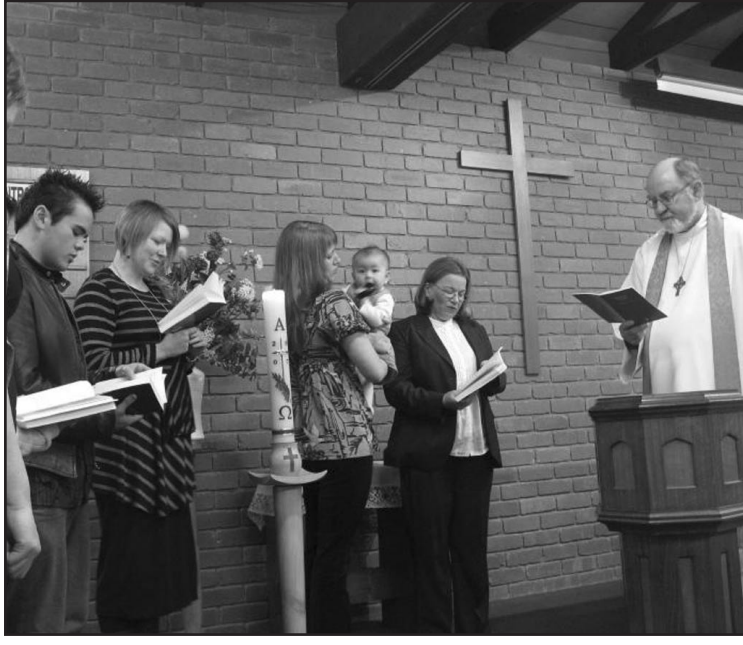
Church Snippets

Jill and Ken Tabart led the All Age Worship to start the month. They used Psalm 8 as the theme for their service. In it we celebrated the wonder of God's creation, but also remembered our responsibilities to look after God's creation.

The third and fourth seminars in Rev. Dr. Bob Brown's series on Death, Dying and Grief were well received by those attending. Bob would be interested to know what other topics the public may wish the church to sponsor. If you have ideas please contact him on 51221480.

The Ladies Fellowship invited Margaret Pedler to their June meeting. Margaret is the President of the Uniting Church Adult Fellowship. She is six months into her two year appointment. This means she travels throughout Victoria and Tasmania in her role.

The Traralgon Uniting Church Fabric Art Group designed a wonderful banner for Margaret which chose her theme "Christ-Our Light". Margaret spoke about her work and



her travels through her position.

Natalie and Arvin Estandarte had their lovely daughter Violet baptised on the 17th June. Natalie is the daughter of proud parents and grand parents, David and Anne Lyne. There was a happy congregation with many visitors who came to celebrate the baptism with the family. Violet was welcomed as a member of God's family, with hearty applause. A delicious morning tea was enjoyed along with much happy chatter.

The third of our coffee mornings was held on the 21st June. Those who attended had a lovely time of fellowship, sharing items of special significance to them. A

wide range of articles was brought by people, from an egg weigher to a coppered boot, to a pencil torch; the old to the new; but all of special interest and significance to the owner.

The two parishes of Churchill and Boolarra/Yinnar/Yinnar South, joined together for a service at Yinnar on the 24th June. This was to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Uniting Church of Australia. We were privileged to have Dr. Jill Tabart, who was the 7th President of the UCA Assembly, as the presenter of the UCA work and as the preacher for the day. A more detailed account of this service is published elsewhere in this issue.

The Community Life Panel was thrilled to be asked if the church would like to be the recipient of the proceeds from the Country and Western Night which was held at the Cricket Club on Friday 29th June. We thank the group for their generosity.

Saturday Breakfast will hopefully be on Saturday 28th July.



Pictured above right: The Baptism of Violet, above: Margaret Pedler and right: celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Uniting Church in Australia



Exploring An Important Matter In Our Life

On 26th August, the Parish Council of the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill has arranged a special seminar and discussion on "How to Share Your Faith".

This seminar will be held at the Co-Operating Churches on the corner of Williams Avenue and McDonald Way, from 11am-1pm and will be led by the Rev. Dr. Mark Lawrence, Associate Director of

Discipleship and Education at the Uniting Church's Centre for Theology and Ministry in Melbourne.

Mark is an excellent speaker and discussion leader.

The community is welcome to come and be part of this seminar. A free soup and sandwich lunch will follow the seminar. To register, please contact Robyn on 51661306 by August 19th.

Minister's Reflection

On the very cold, foggy and wintry Sunday morning of the 24th June, about forty Gippsland worshippers from the Co-operating Parish of Boolarra/Yinnar/Yinnar South and the Parish of the Co-operating Churches in Churchill gathered in the Uniting Church at Yinnar to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the UCA.

Dr. Jill Tabart, the 7th President of the UCA Assembly, organised and preached at this ecumenical service assisted by the Rev. Dr. Bob Brown, the incumbent minister of these two parishes, and various members of the congregation.

Throughout the service and in various ways, Jill reminded us of the historical background, diversity, Australian character, ecumenical and mission thrust, servanthood and Christ-centred nature of the Uniting Church.

A light lunch followed the service and an anniversary cake was cut by one of our active 90 year old members.

Part of the uniqueness of this celebration was the ecumenical background and experience that supported the occasion. The Parish of the Co-operating Churches in Churchill, which was formed in 1965 from members of the Anglican, Churches of Christ, Methodist, and Presbyterian Churches, preceded the formation of the

UCA. Nevertheless it arose out of the same ecumenical climate that informed the discussions of the Joint Commission on Church Union from the late 1950's to 1971 (when the UCA Basis of Union was finally accepted by the three pre-union Denominations). The Parish of Boolarra/Yinnar/Yinnar South, which is a co-operation of members from the Anglican and Uniting Churches in the area, was formed in 1989, after the Inauguration of the UCA.

Over the years the members of the two respective parishes have been greatly blest and their faith deepened through experiencing worship, ministry and fellowship from the different Christian traditions. So in celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the UCA, the members of these co-operating parishes are celebrating an ecumenical journey which both embraces the life of the UCA and has widened its scope to link arms with the Anglican Diocese of Gippsland, the Churches of Christ and people from other denominations. It is truly an enriching journey in response to Jesus' prayer that his present-day followers may be one so that the world may believe in God through Jesus Christ (John 17:20-21).

Bob Brown

Chaplaincy Contemplations

It was excellent to have all the members of Anglicare who work so hard in helping and supporting people in a variety of areas across Gippsland here at the University for their Conference. It was good to see them focussing on caring for themselves as well as others and a pleasure to note how much the day was enjoyed by all giving them the opportunity to come together from across Gippsland. We hope to see them again.

The community is blessed by the organisations which serve them such as Anglicare, The Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul and many other groups.

There is a lovely poem by Jean Vanier of Canada in a book called "Prayers Encircling the World" (1998) SPCK, Great Britain, page 135 No. 164 which beautifully describes what Jesus asks of us in the calling to be of help and walk with people who are poor, oppressed and in pain. Here it is:

The poor and the weak have revealed to me the great secret of Jesus.

If you wish to follow him

you must not try to climb the ladder of success and power,

becoming more and more important.

Instead, you must walk down the ladder, to meet and walk with people

who are broken and in pain.

the light is there, shining in the darkness, the darkness of their poverty.

The poor with whom you are called to share your life

are the sick and the old;

people out of work,

young people caught up in the world of drugs,

people angry because they were terribly hurt

when they were young,

people with disabilities or sick with AIDS,

or just out of prison...

people who are oppressed

because of the colour of their skin...

people in pain.

How thankful we can be for all those who do walk with others on their journeys of life with care, attention, listening and love.

The other news to talk with you about is to let you all know that the iThink Seminars are on again at the University beginning on Wednesday 8th August at 1pm in the Hexagon, Building 1S, Room 132.

This years theme is "The Environment" and listed below are the topics and presenters for each week.

8th August: Mr Russell Center, Senior Manager, Sustainability, Loy Yang Power 'Energy vs The Environment'.

15th August: Mr Hans de Zwart, Marketing Manager, The Centre for Energy & Greenhouse Technologies 'Thinking Energy: Renewable. Sustainable. Visionary. Viable.'

22nd August: Mr Les Hunt, Managing Director, Energy Education Australia 'Investment prospects in energy and the environmental impact on Gippsland'

29th August: Dr Wendy Wright, Lecturer, Environment Biology, School of Applied Science & Engineering, Monash University, Gippsland 'Conservation of biodiversity on private property: an additional service provided by the farming community.'

5th September: Mr Neville Penrose, Regional Director, Dept of Sustainability & Environment, Gippsland 'The 2006/07 Great Divide Fires & Climate Change & the Challenges Ahead'.

12th September: Prof. Sam Adejolu, Head of School, School of Applied Science & Engineering, Monash University, Gippsland 'Our Water Future - New Ways of Thinking and Using Water'.

Many people have been asking when the iThink Seminars are on this year as they have found the previous series very stimulating. So please come and participate.

Looking forward to meeting you. Blessings,

Rev'd Lyn Porritt, Chaplain,
Monash University, Gippsland

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	Monday 1.00pm - 3.00pm	Tuesday 1.00pm - 3.00pm	Wednesday 1.00pm - 3.00pm	Thursday 1.00pm - 3.00pm	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Kinesiology</h2> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Wednesday</h3> <h3 style="margin: 0;">6.00pm - 8.00pm</h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Finding balance in your life & enhancing your wellbeing through better concentration, coordination, listening, reading & self esteem</p> <hr/> <h3 style="margin: 0;">YOGA</h3> <p style="margin: 0;">Thursday evening 2 sessions 5 pm - 8 pm Integrated form of Yoga - suited for everyone - relaxation, breathing posture</p> <p style="margin: 0;">Heather - 5194 2397</p>
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Room 3	PATCHWORK (advanced) Learn quilting, material choice, techniques and design	Room available for meetings	Room available for meetings	Patchwork/Craft Activities Class designed for the beginner & novice art/craft worker, come & develop your skills in a friendly & happy environment.	

Australian men are more likely to get sick from serious health problems, such as cancer, than Australian women. Their mortality (death) rate is also much higher.

The poor health status of Australian men is complicated by the fact that men are more likely than women to shy away from medical treatment of any kind. The lack of health awareness and unwillingness to adopt a healthier lifestyle also disadvantages men.

Men have a higher death rate than women

The Australian Bureau of Statistics 'Mortality Atlas Australia' (December 2002) shows that the death rate from the main causes of death is generally higher for men than women. The average death rate per 100,000 persons (1997-2000) includes:

- Malignant (cancerous) tumours - 237.8 males compared to 146.7 females
- Ischaemic heart disease - 190 males compared to 119.9 females
- Cerebrovascular diseases (strokes etc) - 65.9 males compared to 65.8 females
- Chronic lower respiratory diseases (lung problems)- 46.6 males compared to 23.2 females
- Accidents - 35.6 males compared to 17.7 females
- Suicide - 21.9 males compared to 5.5 females
- Diabetes mellitus - 18.8 males compared to 13.6 females
- Influenza and pneumonia - 13.6 males compared to 11.4 females
- Motor vehicle traffic accidents - 13.1 males compared to 5.5 females
- Mental disorders (including dementia) - 9.3 males compared to 10.8 females.

Range of theories

It is clear that women are healthier than men, but why this is so is not clear. Some of the theories that attempt to explain sex differences in health status include the following:

Males are more likely than females to suffer from genetic disorders, so are inherently 'weaker' and more susceptible to illness. Most researchers do not support this theory.

Men are encouraged by our culture to be tough. Many men believe that complaining of feeling ill or visiting the doctor is a threat to their masculinity or a waste of time, unless they are sick or injured.

Health is largely determined by social factors such as education status, employment and income. Men from low socioeconomic backgrounds make up one of the sickest sub-groups in Australia.

Unlike women, men (particularly younger men) do not value good health and longevity.

Social reasons

Males in Western societies, such as Australia, are less inclined than women to take an active role in maintaining their own health. They are also less likely to seek professional help for problems, particularly those of an emotional nature. Some of the social and cultural reasons for this include:

The Western definition of masculinity includes strength and silence. Men may feel that it is a sign of weakness or 'femininity' to seek help.

Males, particularly younger men, tend to act as if they are invulnerable. This can lead to destructive behaviours such as drug or alcohol binges, reckless driving or other risky behaviours.

Women are more likely to have regular contact with doctors because of periods, contraception and pregnancy issues. Men don't have a similar 'system' that requires them to regularly see a doctor, and are less likely to recognise or 'act on' signs of risk.

Socioeconomic factors also play a part

The 'macho' theory proposes that if men stopped behaving like tough guys, they may start looking after themselves. Some researchers believe that blaming cultural factors like 'masculinity' is a way of passing the buck. Bad health may not be the individual's fault entirely, but the fault of the social environment in which they live. It has been well documented around the world that poverty breeds disease.

Research from the National Health Strategy's Research Paper (1992) showed that men from low socioeconomic backgrounds are more likely to get sick than men from higher socioeconomic backgrounds, and are more likely to die as a result of a range of health issues, including:

- Pneumonia and influenza - 265 per cent more likely to die.
- Cerebrovascular disease - 102 per cent more likely to die.

Respiratory disorders (such as bronchitis and emphysema) - 98 per cent more likely to die.

Suicide - 77 per cent more likely to take their own lives.

Diabetes - 74 per cent more likely to die.

Lung cancer - 55 per cent more likely to die.

Ischaemic heart disease - 54 per cent more likely to die.

The importance of employment

Various researchers have demonstrated the direct link between employment status and men's health. For example, English researchers (Hart, 1997) found that rises in unemployment led to proportional rises in the male death rate. Some of the reasons for this may include:

A man sees his self-esteem as closely linked to his role as breadwinner. He may not find self-worth in the roles of parent and homemaker.

Unemployment puts great financial and emotional strain on a family. The man, as breadwinner, may feel burdened with guilt and shame.

Men without trades who go from one unskilled job to another are more likely to feel devastated by periods of unemployment.

Men who feel in control of their lives are more likely to look after their health. Men who are unemployed often feel helpless.

Male depression

One out of every six Australian men suffers from depression at any given time. Statistics indicate:

Teenagers and the elderly are particularly at risk.

Male depression is associated with an increased risk of health disorders, such as cardiovascular disease and diabetes.

Life issues - such as the death of a spouse, separation, divorce and unemployment - trigger serious depression in men more often than in women.

Men are likely to resort to destructive behaviours in an attempt to deal with depression.

Depressed men are twice as likely as depressed women to abuse alcohol and drugs.

The suicide rate for males aged between 15 and 24 years has tripled in the past three decades.

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

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- * Office of the Workplace Rights Advocate

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Workplace Rights Expo

Gippsland Trades and Labour Council and WorkSafe are holding a Workplace Rights Expo at Kernot Hall from July 17th. There will be a host of organisations with expertise in a variety of fields and several information forums. All members of the public are invited to attend and entry is free. Exhibitors include:

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- *Anglicare
- *VEO&HR Commission
- *Just Super
- *Member Connect
- *AusSuper

*Australian Manufacturing Workers Union
 *Industry Fund Financial Planning
 WorkSafe will be conducting a seminar at 6.00pm and will be talking about "Men's Health Issues".

"Men are often the last to attend to their physical and mental well-being, they often put their families needs above their own when health is the issue. Men need to be aware and more proactive with their health" said John Parker, Secretary of the Gippsland Trades and Labour Council.

"It is important for men to understand that a physical checkup for them is just as necessary as it is for their partners or children."

There will also be a forum in the evening from Just Super concerning the changes in Superannuation. The Office of the Workplace Rights Advocate will also be conducting seminar, at time to be announced.

For more information please ring the Gippsland Trades and Labour Council office on 03 5133 7684.



Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



The Harriet Nuttall Story By Les Grauer

Introduction

Several years ago my brother Stan said we know very little about our maternal grandmother and would I do some research into it. We knew we were related to the Nuttall's but it was all very vague.

There were a few photos with no names on them in an old shoe box, but our Mum had on in a frame that she treasured, and that was of her mother with three young boys named Thomas, Phillip and Joseph Rooke. She told us that when her grandparents came out from England, her mother was employed as a nanny, and she came out later, bringing the three boys, but they were shipwrecked in Port Phillip Bay.

This was soon proven to be incorrect as Harriet Nuttall was just a young child when she left England with her parents. However, who were the Rooke boys? I eventually found a Thomas, Phillip and Joseph Rooke, born about the right time in northern Victoria, but it proved to be the wrong family.

When I traced the Rooke family to Sydney, I wondered if I could contact any descendants after two generations. With the computer's help I found there were 66 Rooke names in Sydney, and I was fortunate I did not have to telephone all of them.

To date, I have not been able to track down any of the old school rolls; perhaps I am looking in the wrong place, but the Meredith School rolls would have confirmed many dates. With the opening of the Churchill State School in 1968 the South Hazelwood School became unstaffed, but was never officially closed.

Now after three years research, I feel I have most of the story reasonably accurate.

The years have passed, and the ones who knew the real story of Harriet's life are long since gone. I have tried to prise open the door into the past a little, to tell some of the life and hardships of this wonderful woman.

My thanks to the Lakes Entrance Family History Resource Centre, my cousin Doreen Gilbert, and her brother Norman Medew (dec) for the research he did back in 1986.

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Harriet was just two years old when she left England from Liverpool with her parents John and Mary Nuttall, on 26th October 1866 on the S.S. Great Britain, bound for Melbourne. This was only four days before her third birthday. The voyage was expected to take 90 days, but they arrived on 27th December. Mary was expecting another baby anytime, and this happened sometime in November. They called her Betsy.

The Great Britain was the first ocean-going iron-hulled steamer built anywhere in the world and the first ocean-going steamer powered by screw propulsion rather than paddles. She also could carry up to 10,000 square yards of sail, and over 700 passengers.

Following her third Australian voyage the Great Britain was engaged as a troop ship for the Crimean War, in which role she served until mid 1856.

John Nuttall must have had some specific job to go to that had been arranged before leaving England, perhaps through a society or church, or he was on a contract, as it seems they caught the first available ship to Adelaide, and settled into a residence in Norwood. It was here that Betsy died on 18th January, at two months of age. It was at Norwood that Harriet's sister Anna was born on 3rd October 1869.

In 1871 the family shifted to Geelong, where Elizabeth was born in about the middle of 1872. Harriet was now 8 years old. The first of the

Nuttall babies to be registered in Meredith was Bessie in 1875. This is more than eight years after they landed in Australia.

In a letter I received from Norman Medew dated 4/5 /86 he states, "The Nuttall family soon became well known in Meredith. There is a stone building, now an infant welfare centre, and formally the shire hall that was erected by Harriet's father".

It now appears that this statement is also incorrect but there is a Nuttall Road in Meredith..

In a book called 'The Heritage of Lethbridge' it refers to the Moranghurk Run, a property of some 18,000 acres. Lethbridge is a pastoral town, 16 km south of Meredith. In the book it states, 'It is said - there appears to be no documentary evidence available, that a Mr Thomas Nuttall, a stonemason and builder, was brought out from England in the 1840s to build the Moranghurk homestead. He later resided in Meredith and carried on his trade in that area. A street that runs eastward from the Midland Highway is named after him.'

I found that a Thomas Albin Nuttall born in 1823 in Surrey, England was married at Geelong to Emma Perry in 1857. They had five girls, Marie Louise, Helen Julia and Josephine were born in Geelong. He then shifted to Meredith about two years later where Emma Agnes and Annie Ada were born.

The second, third and fourth born were not to reach adulthood. Helen died at 7 years in 1867 while Josephine and Emma both died in their teens at the age of 14 and 13 years in 1876. For two years they would have been schoolmates with Harriet, as it was 1874 when the Meredith School opened, but there had been a non-vested school operating for some years.

The relationship between John and Thomas has not been established, but it is unrealistic to believe that they were not related and in contact. Thomas seemed to have many talents. His trade has been given as stonemason, builder, cabinet-maker and in his later years it was given as lexicographer.

By the dates of his children's births, it appears that Thomas shifted to Meredith in 1862, while for John it was about 1873-4. It appears that James Summerfield shifted to Meredith in the same year. The Shire Hall in Meredith was not built until 1878, and was built by contractors Nuttall & Co for £560.

Early records in the Geelong Advertiser states 'Nuttall' John holder of 190 acres in Moorabool Road near Meredith. According to Bruce Hall of Boolarra, his grandmother knew John Nuttall, as she once lived in Meredith, and she stated he owned the butchers shop. With the large and fluctuating mining population, John could have found it was more profitable producing food, especially meat. He also wanted to farm.

It is interesting to note the connection between the Summerfields and the Nuttalls.

James Summerfield, who was later married to Harriet, already had four children by his wife Margaret when his fifth child, Anna Louise was born at Meredith in 1874. Two more children were born in Meredith to James and Margaret, William in 1877 and Margaret in 1880.

James and Margaret's first three children were born near Ararat, the first in 1867 when the discovery of gold was at its peak, and more discoveries at nearby Avoca and Marlborough were being made over a wide area, so it is quite probable that James was working the goldfields. At that time Ararat could have been the biggest town for Margaret to have her babies registered. It seems they left the Ararat area in 1871, as

Sproule was born near Geelong in 1872. They then settled at Meredith for a number of years. This is close to Steigletz, which had seen several gold rushes but was in a decline in the late 1870s. Meredith was also on the road and rail to the Ballarat goldfields. The Meredith railway station was built in 1862.

Up until now I have not been able to find much information on Harriet's early and teenage years, but she must have been a pupil at the Meredith school. The population of the town was then about 360. Today it is about 150.

In the travel guide 'Things to see: Shire Hall' it states "The former shire hall in Staughton Street, is a single storey structure built in 1878 of rock-faced basalt squares and limestone from Waurn Ponds. It is an eclectic design by Alexander Davidson with Corinthian columns, a prominent garbled portico and arcade."

After Mary Jane was born in 1883, (this was the last child of John and Mary Nuttall) they shifted to the Jeeralang Hills, where John had selected land. Their farm was near where the Jeeralang North Road joins the Jeeralang West Road. It is now covered in trees. This date is taken from the obituary of Mrs W A Young, Harriet's sister, Elizabeth.

Early settlement of Jeeralang Hills

The earliest settlement of the Jeeralang Hills began about 1880, so John Nuttall must be classed as one of the early pioneers. This is much earlier than the Jumbuk area that started about 1894.

It was about this time, in 1882, when Harriet was working as a general servant at Smeaton, that her father persuaded her to apply for a lease of additional land of 160 acres one and a half miles from his property at Jeeralang, and a lease was granted. However, three years later this was revoked and the land was bought by Donald Shaw Snr.

It could have been problems with this land that caused a rift with her father, and early in 1885 when she was 21 she went to Sydney seeking employment. Probably through advertising she was employed by James and Agatha Rooke of Newcastle. This would be early in 1885 when Agatha became pregnant, and Harriet soon became a trusted employee and friend.

James Rook married Agatha Cloudie early in 1884 in Newcastle. They had nine children altogether, and four while Harriet was in their employ. These were Thomas in 1885, Phillip in 1886, Joseph in 1888 and a daughter Eileen in 1890. Harriet would have been in Newcastle when her father died in 1888. John's health had been troubling him for two years and he died of cancer.

I must make a note here about Anna who would have been 13 or 14 when they shifted from



Meredith. By 1886, at the age of 16 she was pregnant and married the same year at St Pauls in Sale to Swede, John Gottfred Patterson, a carpenter. She had 7 children in 9 years, all at Morwell, with twin boys in 1893, one dying at 5 months. The last baby on record was born in 1895 and lived only 1 month.

The informant of John Nuttall's death certificate is signed "Anna Patterson, 'Daughter'".

Soon after John's death the Patterson family went to Western Australia.

Harriet had been working now for some years as a governess for the Rooke family in Newcastle. In 1891 Mr. Rooke, a merchant, decided to shift to Melbourne. Eileen had just died at Newcastle as Aileen Rooke.

It appears he sold his home in Newcastle, and settled Harriet with her three charges in Sydney, to await the arrival of the ship to take them to Melbourne. This was the middle of August. Both he and his wife then departed for Melbourne by train, to prepare for the arrival of Harriet and the boys on the Gambier. Harriet with Thomas ages 5, Phillip aged 3 and Joseph aged 2, left Sydney on Tuesday the 25th August 1891 at 5pm. They had a saloon cabin. It was on the evening of 27th August, after there had been a concert in the music room, which all the saloon passengers had attended in good spirits, in the anticipation of an early termination of their voyage. The lights were put out, and while the vessel forged her way through the rip into Port Phillip Bay, everyone was comfortably in bed.

Gambier and Easby collide

However, it was about 1.15am after the "Gambier" had passed through the rip it collided with the S. S. Easby outward from Sydney.

The colliers, traveling at 10 knots struck the "Gambier" at right angles near the funnel, and penetrated more than a third into it.

It is reported there was no fog, but it was intensely dark. The crew quickly lit lamps so the passengers could find their way to the stairs. There was undoubtedly panic, and some passengers trying to get dressed lost valuable minutes.

A report in the "The Argus", Saturday 29th August 1891 states: "There were several heroes. One whose conduct marked him out for an honorable mention was George Martin, a steerage passenger".

His cabin would have been up the front of the ship and not near Harriet's, but he was credited with saving the lives of several people including the Rooke boys. He must have helped Harriet get the boys on deck quickly. They would have been sound asleep, and Harriet probably could not have saved them all without help.

An effort was made to get all the women and children away in the first boat, which was terribly overcrowded, and it left with the vessel loaded almost up the gunwale. By this time the "Gambier" was sinking fast. "The Age" states it sank in seven minutes after the collision.

The remaining passengers were getting desperate and a wild rush was made for the remaining boats or anything that could possibly float. A second boat succeeded in getting away with the remaining women, but this was so overloaded that it had hardly touched the water, when it turned over and pitched all its occupants into the sea.

A third boat had been unshackled, and its crew just managed to get it away as the "Gambier" sank. This boat was able to pick up some of the passengers and crew, including the captain.

After the collision, the "Easby" reversed its engines and stood off about 200 yards away, thus not giving anyone a chance to board it. "The Age" states, "The 'Easby' was almost as difficult to reach as the land. Eventually the occupants of the first boat that reached the 'Easby' were thrown a rope ladder and were taken aboard; this consisted of 17 women, plus children". The lifeboat crew then returned to find more survivors.

The second boat, still overturned, eventually drifted to the "Easby" with a few people clinging to it. There was much criticism of the Easby's captain; it appears he first had his ship inspected for damage, and by the time a lifeboat was launched the "Gambier" had sunk, with only her topmasts above water. A few of the passengers and crew clung to these before being rescued, 6 of the crew and 20 passengers were drowned.

A heroine

The Melbourne "Argus" 29th August, under the heading "Appalling Catastrophe in the bay" states. "One of the heroines of the occasion was Miss Harriet Nuttall, who was in charge of three boys Thomas, Philip and Joseph Rooke." The "Argus" wrote that she shared with George Martin the honor of saving them as, she watched over them with much devotion, but for which they must have drowned. Mr. and Mrs. Rooke showed their gratitude to Harriet by presented her with a beautiful horseshoe brooch inserted with four rubies.

Harriet may have gone to school with David Foster; she must have known him before she went to Newcastle, as it was just a small country area where they lived. It is unknown when she left the Rookes' employ, but it was probably not long before her marriage to David Foster in the later part of 1892.

When Mary Foster (Harriet's eldest daughter) was married to William Medew in 1915, The Rookes gave them a silver teapot for a wedding present. Mrs. Rooke kept in touch with Harriet until about 1929.

Harriet would have been 28 when she married David Foster in St Paul's Anglican Church in Steigletz in 1892. David's father Jeremiah, owned a farm at She Oaks, about 2 miles from Steigletz, and where the young couple lived, but this was to be for such a short time, as David died just three years later in 1895, from pneumonia.

Harriet and David's first child was born on August 28, 1893, and Harriet went back to her mother's when the birth of her first child became near. Mary Elizabeth was born at Morwell. This is why Norman Medew could find no records of his Mother at Steigletz.

Desperate plight

Harriet's second child, Florence (my mother) was born at Steigletz on October 6, 1894, and when Harriet's husband died one year later, she was left with two little girls, 1 and 2 years old, and no provider. Her plight became desperate

when her father-in-law told her there was nothing for her there.

David's parents, Jeremiah and Ann Foster had four other children. John, Joshua, Alfred and Emma. Alfred married Mary Jane Johnston a widow with six young children, and brought them up on his 60-acre property, at Yinnar South. Now known as Page's Road. This is how Foster's Gully was named. There were three children born to Alfred and Mary. Alfred John: born 1882. Ann Gertrude born 1884 and David born 1887. Alfred John had a saddlers shop in Morwell.

There is nothing to indicate when Harriet left Steigletz never to return, but it seems she left as soon as she could make arrangement with her brother James, (Jim) to housekeep for him. At this time Jim would have been living on Whitelaws Track, near Explorers Road, Yinnar South, and possibly sharefarming for Heesoms. It was here the two girls were to start their schooling at the Yinnar South School.

It was about this time that Jeremiah Foster, retired farmer, either made or changed his will, leaving everything to his grandson Edward George Leonard (Emma's son), aged 15 years and date July 31st, 1899. He died later that year at the age of 82.

In 1899 Joseph Walker of Yinnar South, built a room 18 feet by 14 feet, and leased it to the education department for 7 pounds a year. This was built next to the Yinnar South Church, and was in use until 1922. It was later shifted to Yinnar by Frank Scanlon and used as the Yinnar Post Office from 1948 to 1971.

The children were to attend this school only for a short time, for Florence, it was only a few weeks or months, for Mary a year longer, but dark clouds were again building on the horizon for Harriet. Her brother Jim Nuttall had become engaged to Margaret Summerfield (Maggie), and they planned to marry late in 1901. This was to Jame's youngest daughter, and Harriet could see she would have to find somewhere else for herself, and her two daughters to live, before Jim brought his new bride home.

Meanwhile, James Summerfield had bought some land on Glen Donald track a few years before; it was a few miles east of where Churchill is now. He shifted there with his wife Margaret as early as 1882, or soon after. Margaret, only in her middle 50's with her health failing, died in 1889 at Morwell at the age of 60 years. James now trying to clear his land and was looking for a housekeeper. We do not know if Harriet sacrificed herself for security for her family, but she married James Summerfield in 1901, and it would have been before Uncle Jim and Auntie Maggie were married. What we do know is the children had to address their new stepfather as 'Mr. Summerfield'. Harriet, at last may of found some happiness. They called the place "Sleepy Hollow", and in 1902 Elsie May was born, followed by Ida in 1904.

The elder children settled into the South Hazelwood School, No. 3350. This was previously called Eel Hole Creek School. They had about 2 miles to walk across the paddocks, then they crossed Bennett's Creek on a log, but if the creek was in flood they couldn't get to school. It was for such a short time, as fate was about to play another hand in Harriet's life.

One year later in 1905, James was clearing some of his land, when a log rolled on him and killed him. Harriet, waiting for him to come home for lunch, must have found him. His children, Elsie and Ida were the same age as their elder sisters were when they lost their father.

The effect on the elder girls was dramatic, especially for Mary, who was 12 years old. Harriet with 2 little babies could not manage with the girls going to school. It is very likely that Mary did not go to school again. Florence, being younger was more fortunate, as two of her schoolbooks that have survived, show. She lost some years, and was nearly seventeen when she finished the 6th grade. I remember my Aunt Mary telling my mother that she was envious of her getting an education.

With more settlers coming into the area, a

General Store was opened at Jeeralang Junction in 1904. This was later sold to Jack Howard, who owned a nearby farm. Mrs. Howard became the Jeeralang Post Office postmistress. The Store and Post Office would have saved Harriet the much longer drive with the horse and buggy to Morwell for supplies. The road past the Junction forded Billie's Creek, then up a very steep hill called 'The Run', and on to the Jumbuk Road.

Harriet's farm would not have been very productive. The soil was poor and the struggle she had to feed the clothe her family, is told by Father Christmas, when one year, he was only able to leave a piece of ribbon and an apple each for the older girls.

When Florence left school at 17 she worked for Mrs. Billie Bond, doing housework, receiving five shillings a week and her keep. When Mary married in 1915, Harriet would have been 51 years old. Elsie and Ida were 13 and 11 years and not able to do the work that Mary did. It was the time to move, however I don't know when this happened, but she found what she wanted on Mackies Road.

It was about 75 acres of cleared land under native grass, (there was no super phosphate in those days) with an old house, and much closer to Morwell and Traralgon. James had probably paid for his land, but with no improvements being done for so long it would have deteriorated and I'm sure Harriet would have had to take out a mortgage to buy the new place. Here she milked some cows by hand, and the cream was sent to the Morwell or Traralgon butter factory. She had wonderful neighbours to help in the time of need. Elsie and Ida could finish their schooling at South Hazelwood School, as it was much closer.

Earliest memories

My earliest memories of Grandma are just after my Dad bought the secondhand 501 Fiat. I remember crossing over the two little bridges with the rattly planks on Eelhole Creek, just near where it runs into the Hazelwood Cooling Pondage now, and the narrow Switchback Road. The hill on Mackies Road, we called the 'stoney hill', because it was so rough. At the top was Grandma's gate, and there were faint wheel tracks down to the old house, about 400 yards away. There were a few pine trees, more to the front of the house. On the east of the house there was a small shed with some harnesses in it. Adjoining was a two-bail cowshed with a dirt floor and the boards on the end were falling off.

I made these observations on Christmas Day 1931, when I was six years old. Elsie and Ida cooked Christmas dinner, but the only thing I can remember about it is that there was red jelly!

By then Harriet has lost her speech, was confined to bed and very frail. My brother Stan told me she had three strokes. The last one killed her. Elsie and Ida nursed her from the beginning of her illness, but Ida had some pressure put on her from Ern Knight, who wanted her to leave and get married.

Two letters

My Mother kept two letters from her Mother; Harriet had only put "Hazelwood, Tuesday".

I have sent away for a new stove and wondered if Roy (my Father) could put it in for me if he has time and would like something done to the top of the chimney, I don't know what to do with it but would not like the rain to come down on the new stove. Mrs. Rooke sent over a nice little cream woolen coat for Leslie but I think it would be to small for him I am feeling fairly well now I have no news to tell you. Love From Mother.

The second letter:

Hazelwood Saturday

Dear Florrie & Roy

Just a few lines hoping you are all well, about going to Traralgon I can get away any time you like. What about coming home next Sunday. Tomorra week there will be church at North Hazelwood at night so the girls will be home for the afternoon. I thought we could make arrangements then about going to Traraglon. Bluey our new2 horse is getting much better to stand at the gates I have not been out with her on my own but

I am sure I'll be able to manage her alright.

We have had to go back to Traralgon factory again as we heard that the Morwell factore had gone bung so we have to take the cream over to Murry's now it seems a bit of a bother after being used to having him coming up for it.

Ernie Furnell is a visitor here now coming to see Ida it seems he is taking her to the pictures to nights. With love to all from Mother.

The Morwell Butter Factory was burnt down in April 1929. This could be what Harriet meant when she said it had gone bung.

Harriet died at her home, on June 16th 1932. I do not know when she had the first stroke, but Elsie and Ida were now free to get on with their own lives. Harriet's brother Jim and Elizabeth's husband were the executor of her will, and when all the debts were paid my Mother received 100 pounds as her share of the estate. These writings are how I have seen Harriet's life, and all dates have been taken from Official records.

Notes regarding the Rooke families:

James and Agatha only stayed in Melbourne 18 months to 2 years. This could have been because unemployment in Melbourne had reached its highest level since the collapse of the land boom, and many banks had closed. A daughter Lucy Adelaide was born in 1892 at Caulfield. The next birth was at Waratah NSW in 1893. About 1896 they shifted to Hunters Hill Sydney. James became the Mayor, and owed a big property there. There is also a Rooke Street, named after him.

Thomas W

Born in 1885, in Newcastle. Married Cecelia Ann McBride in 1908 at Hunters Hill NSW. They had 3 children born at Ballarat, Victoria. He died of pneumonia age 32 in 1917 (not confirmed).

Phillip MacCartney

Born 1886 in Newcastle. Sergeant in 18th Battled WW1; Enlisted August 1s, 1915. Returned to Australia on February 19th 1919. He married Mira Agnes Bull 1926. He owned a paint factory, and became wealthy. Died June 12th 1956.

Joseph Brian

Born 1888 at Newcastle. Married Olive Mare Clarke 1913 at hunters Hill. He had 3 children, Brian Bathgate: A son of his who lives in Canberra was contacted by letter. Desmond: Born 1917. Died in a Japanese prisoner of war camp in Borneo.

Patricia: Born in Sydney. Living in a retirement village in Sydney.

I have contacted her by phone. They had lost contact with Thomas and Phillip's descendants, and I could not see any benefit looking further.

Agatha Rooke only lived one year longer than Harriet. She died in 1933.

Notes on Thomas Albin Nuttall:

Susie Zada, of the Bellarine Historical Society, did the research into Thomas Albin Nuttall. Born on October 13th, 1823 at Lamberth, Surrey, England and baptized on June 18th, 1834 at St. Mary's Church of England at Newington in Surrey. His parents were Peter Austin Nuttall and Maria (nee Brewster).

Thomas Albin Nuttall married Emma Perry on February 1st, 1857 at Christ Church, Geelong. It appears that he arrived in the Port Phillip District about 1845 but then returned to England and came out again in 1852.

On the second trip he arrived as unassisted immigrant on the ship "Arundel" from London aged 29 years, his occupation being a cabinet-maker. He lived in Little Malop Street, Geelong, and his occupation was given as lexicographer.

Elizabeth Nuttall married William Young who was a builder. He built a number of houses in the Yinnar district, including the old Hazelwood Estate Memorial Hall.

Bessie Nuttall married George Summerfield, a farmer in the Jumbuk Hills.

Hugh James Nuttall Married Margaret Summerfield and farmed in the Jeeralang Hills, and later on Nuttall's Road, west of Yinnar.



Northe's Natter

month with the State Government finally announcing major water saving projects. We are still waiting for the development of the Gippsland Region Sustainable Water Strategy and I have written to the Water Minister seeking details of its status. This much anticipated document will help alleviate some of the uncertainty currently being felt by farmers, consumers and industries in the Valley in relation to our water security.

I was pleased to hear that 1000 rainbow trout were being released into Lake Hyland in time for the school holidays. I hope that locals have been able to make the most of the opportunity to wet a line close to

their home.

The Grade 4, 5 and 6 students at Hazelwood North Primary School studied a unit on government in Term 2 and I thank them for inviting me to their school to talk about my role. Given the calibre of questions thrown my way, I think we may have some budding politicians on our hands!

The Department of Justice has released an information booklet for older Victorians with tips and contacts to help older people to live confidently and independently. Anyone interested in receiving a free copy of this booklet is encouraged to contact my office at 66 George St Morwell on 5133 9088.

Well the rain we have been praying for has finally fallen - unfortunately all at once! A big thank you to all the volunteers who assisted with the implementation of the emergency response across our region.

Water has been a hot topic this

Lions Club of Churchill & District New Board...

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity Catering performed during the month -

* Darts Championship - Italian Australian Club.

Catering coming up -

* Amateur Radio Club

* Bunnings (Camp Quality)

* Computer Expo Traralgon

Our Club held it's changeover on the 29th June at the RSL in Morwell. It was very well attended by club members and visitors from Moe, Morwell and Yinnar Clubs joined in. The installation of the President Tom Quinn and the new Board was conducted by Lion John Tipping.

Lion's member Ron Draeger has resigned from the club. Thanks for

your service - we wish you and your family well.

Four of our members attended the Changeover Dinner of the Lions Club of Yinnar. A great night was had by all.

The Lions Club donated \$200 to Kurnai College for their Healthy Foods Expo.

The Club welcomed our newest member, Andre Ng who was introduced by Lion Peter McShane. Andre was inducted at the Club's changeover dinner by Lion John Tipping.

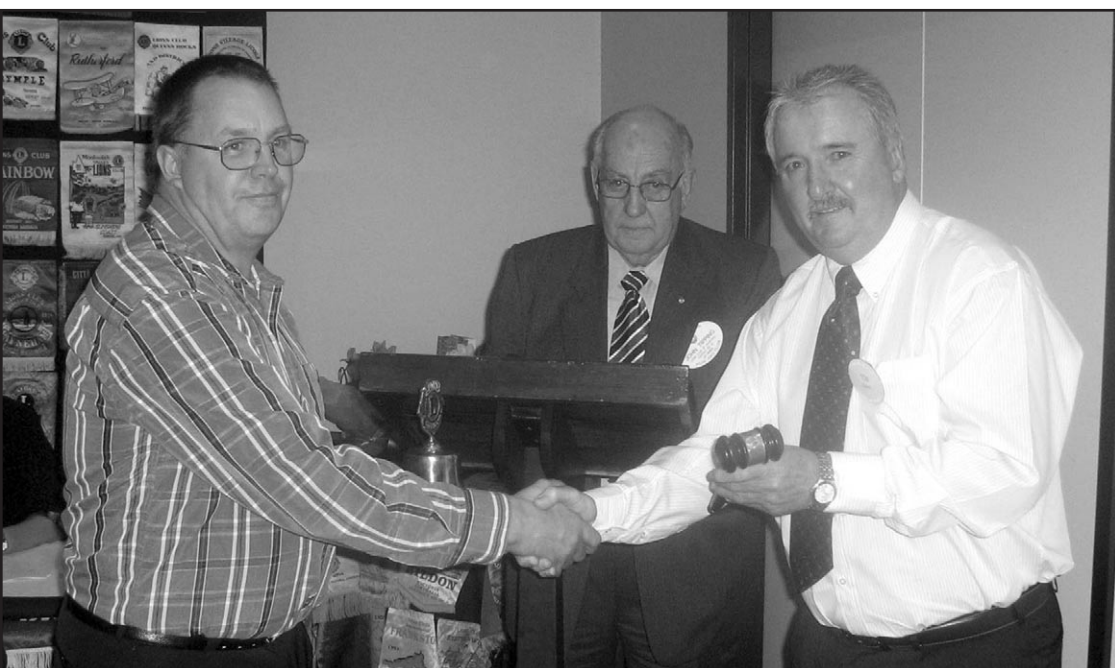
The Lions Birthday Club, sponsored and run through the Churchill & District News by our Lions Club, is a great hit. Rachel CUSICK and

Tenielle MAY were each the happy Birthday Club recipients of a \$15 voucher in June. All children in Churchill and surrounding areas under 12 years of age are eligible to join. IS YOUR CHILD A MEMBER? IF NOT, WHY NOT? Make sure your child is registered - just follow the instructions in the Lions Birthday Club list published each month in the Churchill News. WE NEED MORE MEMBERS.

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



Churchill & District Lions Club Board for 2007/2008.



Handing over of the Gavel to incoming President Tom Quinn by outgoing President Steve Duggan with installation officer John Tipping in the background.

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ated in many aspects of school life.

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Proof of Date of Birth is required - your child must turn five before 30th April 2008. Also required is an Immunisation Certificate available from Latrobe City Office in Morwell, please ring 1300 367 700 and ask for the Health Department. In only a few cases it may be necessary to contact the Australian Immunisation Centre on 1800653809 to obtain a certificate.

We look forward to seeing you and your prep child during Prep Enrolment Week.

Friends of Morwell National Park 21st Birthday- May 12, 2007

Celebrations commenced with a walk and talk through the Billy's Creek section of the Park on Saturday afternoon.

A good turnout of past and present members made the trip, Rob leading the way with the vehicle carrying the supplies, the main group wandering to the weir at their own pace and Cathy and I bringing up the rear with the support vehicle after waiting for any late attendees to appear.

Passing a cow and a dog on our way towards the back of the walking group didn't seem to be a good introduction to the natural features of the Park, but apparently nobody but ourselves saw them!

We caught up to the stragglers attempting to wade across Billys Creek at the Potato Flat ford. After pointing out the walking track with perfectly functional bridge installed, they admitted the bridges weren't there last time they were in the Park: the bridges were installed in 1995!

Rob had the billy boiling by the time we arrived and the afternoon tea was soon laid out and shown appreciation by

the group. The obligatory photo session ensued. Festivities continued into the evening at the Yinnar Pub, which turned out a very busy affair with the Pub full of locals. Luckily we had booked the back room for our party, so were able to keep clear of the crush except when ordering our meals.

The roast pork looked terrific and from all reports from those lucky enough to order it before it ran out, it lived up to expectations. Those at the end of the queue, although disappointed, enjoyed their alternatives never-the-less. With the meal over, formalities commenced with some brief words from current President, Ken Harris, Ranger Rob Howell and founding member Yvonne Aplin.

Rob presented the group with a Certificate of Appreciation from Parks Victoria, which will probably be displayed at the noticeboard in the Kerry Road picnic area.

The cutting of the birthday cake made by Cathy Beamish and featuring hand-made State floral emblems in icing was the final formal act for the evening.

Parents Without Partners- Latrobe Valley Branch

Dates for the Diary

- July**
Sat 14th Frankston Branch Cabaret Cranbourne Hall
Fri 20th Counter Tea at the tavern Moore St. Moe. Meet at 6:30pm
Wed 25th Afternoon Tea 2pm RFV
Sun 29th family Day Gippsland Folk Museum 11am
- August**
Wed 1st new members night Churchill 8pm *RFV
Sat 4th SES Dance Pakenham Hall John St.
Sun 5th Family day Walhalla or Tarra Valley RFV
Thurs 9th General Meeting 8pm RFV
Fri 10th 34th Birthday Ball Newborough Hall 8pm Members \$8 Guests \$10
Sat 11th Frankston Branch Cabaret Cranbourne Hall.
Tues 14th Morning Tea 11am RFV
Sun 19th Family day- ten Pin

- Bowling. Morwell. Meet 1pm at Bowling Alley
Wed 29th Afternoon Tea 2pm RFV
Fri 31st Counter Tea at the Morwell Bowling Club. Meet at 6:30pm
(*RFV- means Ring For Venue - Phone Fran on 51275951 or Angela on 51273185)

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Wattle Club

Another month of interesting activities and eating excursions have been experienced by Wattle Club clients. A few however have missed out due to illness. It is hoped by all that they will be able to return soon 100% well again.

The Waratah Restaurant near McDonalds is a training restaurant for hospitality students at TAFE. The students were pleased to wait on the Wattle Club members, serving them a very nice meal which was appreciatively received. To complete the outing, the members returned via the back road through

Traralgon.

Da Nunzio's in Moe is another favourite day out eating haunt. The reason? They have a variety of main courses which are scrumptious, BUT they also have yummy sweets-especially, straight out of the oven, hot brandy baskets filled with fruit and cream.

Do you know a person who does not like chocolate? Chocolate Making Day was therefore very popular. Using a fondue maker, chocolate fondue was produced. Into this was dipped skewers filled with fruit. Marshmallows were also

dipped into this delicious mix!

Pamper Day was well received also, with chair massages, back massages and a hand care package for the ladies.

Former PAG Co-Ordinator Shannon, took leave to have a baby. There was a competition to guess the baby's birth day and weight. Bonnie was the nearest guess. Well done Bonnie.

Whether going on an outing or staying at the Centre, the PAG group have their time filled with interesting activities which stimulate them both physically and mentally.

Yinnar South Primary School



Art Gallery/Military Excursion

Both of our excursions were very successful. The children had a great time checking out some of the rich history of Gippsland's Military as well as seeing the wide range of mediums in which artists work on our Sale Excursion and once we got over some initial hiccups with the bus (it went to Yinnar Primary School first, then broke down twice in Pakenham) and despite the cold, we had a fantastic day at the Melbourne Museum. The behaviour of our students was outstanding on both days and was a credit to the school.

Thankyou very much to Mrs James for organising what were two very worthwhile excursions.

Sovereign Hill

Our grade 5 and 6 students had a fantastic time in May at the Sovereign Hill Camp along with students from Yinnar Primary School. Congratulations to all our students on their participation and behaviour. The camp was really well run by Yinnar teachers Ms Gill and Mr. Twomey. Special thanks to Brad Marriott for his absolutely fabulous help at camp. He was a great help at all times to both our students and the students from Yinnar. One of the bus drivers passed

on the message that the children were a real credit to their schools and their parents. Sovereign Hill provides a fantastic educational experience for our senior students and enhances the curriculum they study in grade 5 and 6.

Harmony Day

On Friday 25th May, nine children from Yinnar South Primary School attended the Harmony Day story writing competition. All of the nine children who attended were finalists in their age group, this is a fantastic effort. Well done and keep up the great work.

Congratulations to John, Bradley, Anneke, Pat M, Alden, Madie, Gen, Daymon and Shaquille.

On Friday we went to the Harmony Day story writing competition Awards. There was a really cool act. I won the award for the Grade 5 section. I got pencils, a Trophy, a voucher and a certificate.

Daymon.

Last Friday I went to Harmony Day Award ceremony there was a performance it was cool I got in the Regional finals. I am so happy Shaq

Lumen Christi Primary School

Multi-Age Activities At Lumen Christi

For the last few weeks of Term Two, children from Lumen Christi Catholic Primary School have been involved in a number of multi-age activities. Children were divided up into six activity groups ranging from Prep to Grade 6.

The first multi-age activities were for 'Harmony Day' on Tuesday 12th June. The day, organised by LOTE teacher Janet Bland, included a range of activities from countries such as Italy, Portugal, Poland, Japan, China, France, Indonesia and Australia. The

children had a wonderful day, and engaged in lots of interesting activities - with the highlight of the day, for many students, being able to wear the

national dress from their family's country of origin.

Next, the school enjoyed a rotation of activities for Olympic Day on Friday 15th June. With fantastic weather children were involved in activities ranging from dance, skipping, running games to hoola hoops.

On Friday the whole school did some activities. We had all sorts of activities. They were skipping, chain tigg, hoops, toilet tigg, dancing and Follow the Leader. In Follow the Leader we had groups of four. When the music changed, the leader had to go to the back of the line. It was great fun.

Rafia Grade 1

On Friday, Lumen Christi had Multi-age groups. My favourite was rock, river, tree and flush the toilet.

Matthew Grade 1

Today the whole school had a sports day. The activities were Macarena and the chicken dance, rock, river, tree and skipping. My favourite one was the chicken dance and the Macarena dance.

I liked the skipping too.

Liam A Grade 2

On Thursday the 21st of June Lumen Christi enjoyed another set of multi-age activities for 'Green Day'. Groups rotated around 7 activities including tree planting, mini green houses, worm farms, recycled construction, solar activities, environmental games and dance.

All students and teachers enjoyed the multi-age activities.



School Olympic Day



Hazelwood North Primary School

Bessie Frood Tournament!

On Friday the 8th of June all of the grade 6 girls went to Morwell Park Primary School for the Bessie Frood tournament, 2007.

They got there by Mrs Fosters, Jenny Yates and Jan Zammit's cars.

We played many teams such as Churchill North, Churchill, Lumen Christi, Morwell Park, Yinnar, Yinnar South and lots more.

We won every game and were into the semi finals. We then lost against Yinnar but we won our section.

Afterwards we were all treated with a trip to McDonalds.

Thank-You to all the parents who came to support us.

We had a great time and wish to go again even though we can't.
By Claudia Yates and Maddi Alexander.

Winter Round Robin Football

On Friday the 22nd June, grade 5/6 went to the Churchill football ground to compete in a football tournament. We played 5 games against Lumen Christi, Churchill, Yinnar, Thorpdale and Boolarra. We won 4 out of 5 games, we lost to Yinnar by a point. We came second out of all of the other schools. The team played excellent. We had a lot of fun!

By Jacob, Jayden and Frazar

Healesville Sanctuary

Yesterday prep, 1 and 2 went to Healesville Sanctuary. We left at 8:00am to get there. We got there at 10:30am. My group was Sam, Alice, Josh, Mitchell and Peter, and Mrs Wyeth. We first had a bit of a snack after a long ride on the bus. Then we went to the information room. Then a person, who has worked there for a long time, helped and showed us around. Then we went to the bird of prey show. It was soooooo cool. A bird nearly hit me in the head! Our group saw a lot of them except for two. We went to the wildlife Health Centre. The two ones we didn't see were the lyre-birds and the fruit bats. Some of the things that were there were emus, dingoes, reptiles, Tasmanian Devils and koalas.

By Rose Van Rooy.

On the 26/6/07 the preps, grade 1's and grade 2's went to Healesville Sanctuary we left at 8 o'clock and got there at 10:30. The people in my group were Sam Davey, Josh, Peter, Mitchell and Mrs Wyeth. We saw Wombats, Tasmanian Devils, Platypus, Reptiles, Kangaroos, Koalas, Dingoes and Emus. We watched the Birds of Prey Show it was Fantastic. Some birds were very close to the ground when they were flying. My group saw all of the animals except Fruit Bats and Lyre birds. It was a fantastic day.

By Alice Davey.

School Camp 2007

On the 24th of May 2007 grad five and six went to Melbourne. First stop Science Works first we went to sports works I raced Cathay Freeman I lost but I had good try. We saw two shows, the plantarium and an Antarctica show. The Antarctica show was a blast we got to touch real penguin fur. The plantarium was fantastic it was about how to navigate with the stars.

Next we went to the Melbourne Aquarium it was a load of fun my favourite animal was the green turtle. There are some fish that are born a girl but when they get older some of them turn into boys! We saw SHARKS! They were really big and had the sharpest teeth I've ever seen!

We finally got camp but we had to WALK 100 MILES! With our bags. I was in a cabin with Annie, Stacey, Lisa, Taylor, Claudia, Shannon and Holly. Tea was delicious. It was Chinese. There was noodles, rice and veggies but the cauliflower was DISGUSTING! Desert was fabulous. It was chocolate mousse with chocolate sprinkles or 100's and 1000's.

The next day we went to Parliament house and The Old Melbourne Gaol. Parliament house was boring but the green house

and the red house was alright. Old Melbourne Gaol was so scary and it smelt bad but it was really interesting I learned a lot about Ned Kelly.

By Jade Howell

Melbourne Camp 2007

On Thursday the 24th of May all the 5's and 6's went to camp in Melbourne. We left at 8 a.m. We were on our way to Science Works first. The entire grade 5's went on the big bus and all the grade 6's went on the mini bus. When we stopped at Science Works we had a snack and a drink. After we had all finished eating we went to Sports Works first. Then we went outside and ate lunch. When we finished lunch some people went to the gift shop and had a look. At Science Works there was an Antarctic Science show. It was really cool.

We were on our way to the Planetarium. We watched the Guiding Lights program. We got to lie down while we watched it. The Guiding Lights were about how people could get around by looking at the stars.

Then we went to the Aquarium. It was Mrs Foster's grade in one group and the rest of the grade 5's in another group. We walked around the aquarium looking at fish, a shark, sting rays, jelly fish and heaps more. We got to hold star fish and sharks eggs and other things.

After all that we were finally on our way to camp. When we got to camp we had dinner pretty much straight away. After we ate dinner we had dessert.

We were on the buses and on our way to the Rialto Tower. It was really tall and when we went outside it was really cold and really windy.

When we got back to the camp we had supper cake and Milo. After we finished we went to bed.

It was Friday the 25th and we had to wake up early. We had breakfast and when we had finished we got our bags ready to put in the bus.

The first place we went to that morning was the Electoral Commission or AEC. We talked about parliament and voting. When we had finished talking we went to a room and did a work sheet about things we had talked about. The grade got to do a vote on sport.

Then we were on our way to the Parliament House. When we got there we had a guy named Ray take us around. He took us to the green and red room. He told us about Parliament House and where people would sit if they were there.

Now I was excited, we were on our way to the Old Melbourne Gaol. We had a lady take us around. First we had a look at Ned Kelly's death mask. We talked about Ned Kelly and when he got killed. Then we had a look at the place where people got hanged and talked about how many people got killed. It was scary walking up the stairs. After a while we all went into a cell and the lady told us ghost stories about the gaol. When she had finished we went down stairs and had a look around. In two of the cells there were fake dummies but they looked real. They freaked me out. When we had finished having a look around some of us went to the gift shop and got some things.

We were finally on our way home. On the way we played games like I Spy. On the way we stopped at Pakenham to have some thing to eat. After a while we finally got back to school and



Russell Northe with 45A



Healesville Sanctuary (above) and Melbourne Camp (below)



we could go home. I had heaps of fun!! By Georgia

Russell Northe

On Friday of June 2007 Russell Northe came to Hazelwood North Primary School. We listened for a while and then we asked questions. He told us he was a back bencher in the House of Representatives (The Green Room). He said that he has never been to Canberra Parliament house. He really likes his job. He knew Peter Hall in high school. Peter Hall was Russell Northe's teacher. Russell Northe knows some of the opposition people. He said most of the opposition people are nice. Russell Northe has been to other schools. People come to Russell Northe for help and information.
From Sam and Brett

Echidna (By Mia B)

Echidna, Echidna,
You are so cute,
Did you know you are very spiky?
You eat ants, bugs and grubs.

Echidna (By Joel M)

Echidna so cute and spiky,
You can prick someone,
It's sort of like a splinter that stings,
You get your spikes to protect your baby,
You can lay eggs,
And dig, dig and dig,
Straight down into the ground.

Echidna (By Keiley A)

You are very cute,
You have very sharp spikes,
Did you know that you were an egg?
Then you were a pink jelly bean,
Then you were a full grown echidna,
We love you.

Kangaroo (By Lucy M)

Kangaroo, Kangaroo,
You have a Joey in your pouch,
When you are a baby,
You look like a pink jelly bean,
In your mothers pouch.

Echidna (By Nonda L)

Echidna, Echidna
You move so slowly,
You can swim,
You like to dig all day,
I don't like it,
When you get run over by a car,
I don't want to pat you.

Koala (By Shelby L)

Koala, koala,
So cuddly and cute,
You're the pet I would like to meet,
We love you,
Koala has a pouch,

A koala with a pouch! how funny,
But that's what you need,
And that's what you have,
We are all different.

Cute Koala (By Thomas H)

Koala, Koala,
You love to sleep,
Koala, Koala,
Up at night,
Having his tea,
Koala, Koala,
You are cute and cuddly,
Koala, Koala,
Your gum leaves are juicy
Koala, Koala,
You don't drink much water.

Koala (By Mikayla M)

Koala, Koala
You're a cuddly friend,
You're sitting in a tree,
Eating gum leaves,

Cute Echidna (By Lauren A)

Echo echidna,
You are cute,
But... You have sharp spikes,
So I can only pat you on the head,
But you probably won't like it much,
Even if I touch you.
Cute and cuddly

Cute and cuddly (By Emma M)

Koala, koala, Koala,
Up at night
Having a feast,
On the top of a tree,
Koala, Koala,
We see you,
Koala, koala
We love you
We can see you
Cute and cuddly
But you have sharp claws,
You are not a bear at all

Boolarra Primary School

Boolarra Community Borrowing Library

We have a fabulous range of reading materials available for any community members to come and borrow. It's not a complicated system - you just select your books and write your details in our borrowing book. You can borrow for as long as you like - we could use the space on our shelves that your borrowing would create! Some of our Junior School Councillors would be very happy to show community members to the Library (in fact they are eagerly awaiting a chance to do so!). Just report in at the school office any time during the day, sign the Visitors' Book and we'll arrange a guide for you from there. We'd love to have the opportunity a visit to our Community Library would provide to showcase some of the great work our students do. For further information contact the school on 5169 6471

Walking School Bus

One of our parent representatives on School Council, Michelle Hassett is working hard to set up a Walking School Bus. The state of the paths around Boolarra is currently delaying the commencement of this program. Hopefully it will be up and running in some form by term 4, when the weather is more favourable. This would be a great way for our students to enjoy socialising as they take a pleasant stroll around our beautiful town on their way to school.

Breakfast At School Program

This continues to be a big hit with our students who are requesting that we stage it every fortnight instead of the current once a month arrangement. For this to occur



Investigating the Walking School Bus route

we need some sponsors as the school purchases most of the breakfast ingredients. If anyone can assist with the costs associated with providing the Breakfast at School Program, please contact the school on 5169 6471.

Milo Meeting

At our school we stage a monthly meeting where the grade 5/6s relax over a Milo and discuss with the principal the good and bad aspects of school life. Some great ideas are presented. As a result of the most recent meeting we will stage our Monday assemblies in the multi-purpose room until the weather warms up. We will also obtain a kettle and a microwave for the life skills room so our students can have cups of soup and heated lunches during term 3.

SPC Drive

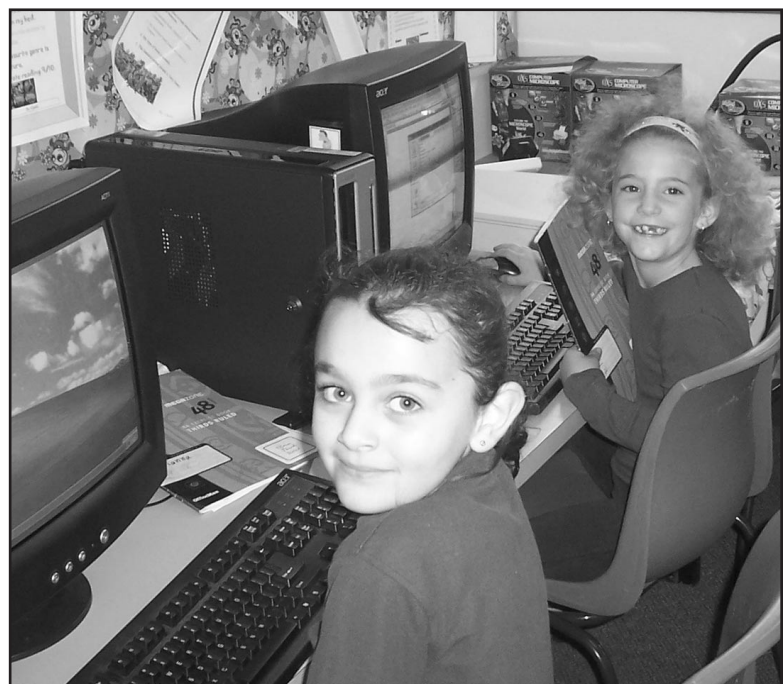
We are currently collecting orders for SPC products to raise money for our Thinking and Learning Centre (Library) and for the Boolarra Pre-School. Please take this opportunity to buy lots of goodies and encourage everyone you know to buy lots too, as there are definitely bargains to be had. Stock up on tinned fruit, baked beans, tomato paste and more! This is our only major fundraising venture for the year so we hope to raise lots of money to buy new reference books for our Thinking & Learning Centre. Order forms are available from the school or the Boolarra Post Office and Shops. Orders and money need to be back at the school by Friday 20th July. Ordered items will be available for collection from the school in early August.



Linc enjoys Breakfast at School



Georgi' & Kyle hard at work (above)
Bry & Eden in the Thinking & Learning Centre (below)



Churchill Primary School

The wet and cold weather of winter may be well upon us but that has not slowed down the happenings at Churchill Primary School. Throughout the past month the students and staff at Churchill Primary School have been busily involved in a range of curriculum and co-curricula activities.

Year Prep - 2 Heritage Park Visit

On Friday 1st June students from Prep - Year 2 boarded buses with their teachers, principal and parent helpers to spend the day at Heritage Park in Moe. Throughout the day students had the opportunity to explore the village at Heritage Park with highlights including a ride in the fire engine, role playing a marriage in the church, a lesson in the old school and spending time with the animals.

This was a fantastic day out with students learning more about their local community and its history.

ALL Day, EVERY Day

The staff and students at Churchill Primary School are incredibly proud of their achievements over the past few years in improving student attendance. The school has adopted an ALL Day, EVERY Day motto to encourage all students to attend school regularly. This motto is supported by a range of programs within the school to engage students and encourage attendance. During the month we had visitors from the Department of Education come to speak to us about our programs and the significant improvements we have achieved in this area. Once again, we have to thank our parents and students for their valued support in this improvement area, well done.

Sporting News

With the onset of winter our senior students

have taken to the winter sports of netball and soccer. Churchill Primary School entered highly competitive teams in the recent Bessie Frod Netball tournament and also in the Yinnar and District Winter Sports Round Robin. Throughout all their matches' students from Churchill Primary School displayed exemplary sportsmanship and team spirit. Congratulations to all students who represented our school and thank you to our coaches Andrew Greco and Carmel Shields.

Breakfast Club

Our school community and our breakfast club team in particular have been bowled over by the generous support provided in June by the Morwell Bowling Club. The Morwell Bowling Club has made a generous donation of \$5000 to support the Breakfast Clubs in four local schools. On Wednesday 20th June, Jo Whitelaw took three of our students, Carrissa, Jacob and Emma to represent Churchill Primary School at the cheque presentation in Morwell.

The ongoing support of local community groups such as the Morwell Bowling Club and others will ensure that we are able to maintain our fantastic breakfast program that offers a nutritious breakfast to students each school day.

2008 Enrolments

The Churchill Primary School community is gearing up for several Open Days in early Term 3, where prospective families will have the opportunity to come and see our school at work.

Open Days are being held on Wednesday 18th July and Monday 23rd July with information available from the school office. Students at local Preschools should have all received an information pack about our school and upcoming Open Days.

This year we are really encouraging all par-

ents to enrol their children by the end of July 2007, as it allows us to plan a successful transition program to support Prep students in their move to school. As a thank you for early enrolment and a welcome gift to our school, we are offering a \$50 Uniform Voucher to all new enrolments that are completed by July 31st.

If families are unable to make it to one of our special Open Days in July, please do not hesitate in contacting the school as Every Day is Open Day and tours are available at other times.

Free Fruit Friday

Churchill Primary School is pleased to announce that it will be a Phase 1 school in the new State Government initiative, Free Fruit Friday. This program will offer all students in Years P-2 with a free piece of fruit each Friday. The school has been selected to participate in Phase 1 due to their involvement in the 'Kids Go for Your Life' program, a program designed

to improve children's physical health, diet and general wellbeing.



Moe Heritage Park



Kurnai College & GEP

CHANGES AT KURNAI

Anthony Rodaughan, College Principal, in his Newsletter Prologue, thanked Craig Lamshed and Chris Paynter for their efforts at Kurnai, and wished them well for their adventure at the Victorian International School in Sharjah.

Best wishes were also extended to Emily Fairbrother who is off to work in the USA for next year. John McKeand was thanked for his energy, dedication and wonderful teaching prowess as he retires.

Anthony announced that Mr. Nello Carbone will be Acting Principal at Morwell campus for term three and that Ms. Michelle Metcalf-Reid will be Acting Assistant Principal.

In Anthony's absence of six weeks at the beginning of term 3 Sharon Adams will be Acting College Principal.

Anthony thanked all the staff and students for their hard work this half year and wished them a well earned and well deserved holiday.

Year 11 trip to Melbourne Zoo

On Tuesday 8th of May, year 11 Psychology and Biology classes went on an excursion to the Melbourne Zoo. The Psychology class took part in several data collection exercises. We compared data collection methods by observing the baboons to collect quantitative data and observing meerkats to collect qualitative data. Half way through the day we went into a room, this room was filled with reptiles. We were lucky enough to get the opportunity to handle one of the snakes. We also investigated the role of ethics in zoos and looked at the processes in place to protect the interests of the animals. The ethics section also covered discussion of the experiments on monkeys that were conducted by Harry Harlow in the 1950s, and how those experiments would not be considered ethical today. The biology class had an education session on dentition and diet which involved observing various animals eating and then looking at how their teeth had evolved to suit their diet. After a slow trip to the Zoo due to two lanes of the Bolte Bridge being closed, a good day was enjoyed by all.

The day finished on a McHigh (MMM cheeseburgers).

Adelle Hudson, Nikkeea Dowe, Kylie Atlee, Jodie Fancke and Nick Jones.

Legal Studies Road Show 10th - 11th May

Following up on the greatly anticipated Legal Studies Road show we are pleased to report what a great success the two day Expo was. This was a wonderful opportunity for country and regional Legal Studies teachers and students alike to access the best workshops and speakers on a variety of topics without the time and expense of travelling to Melbourne. The speakers and workshops were organised free of charge to the students, as well as their lunches, and bus travel to the Court Precinct. The expo was invaluable in assisting students with their upcoming assessment program, especially for those studying year 12.

Over the two days there were some 205 students involved in the roadshow hailing from 5 colleges across the region. These students were able to participate in a number of workshops. On Thursday, the Year 12 workshops included: Meet the examiner, Parliament and Law Making, The Jury, Changes in the Law, Mediation to settle disputes, and Criminal Justice. Friday's workshops were for unit one and two legal studies students. They included: Issues in Criminal Law, Parliament (We had Rodney Quantock as the special guest Speaker), the Law and Banking and Mobile 'Phone Contracts, Sentencing, Culpable Driving Role play, and the Jury.

The students enjoyed many aspects of the two days with the role play being a favourite in all workshop areas and the Mobile Phone contracts segment being of particular interest to this age group. The presenters were well spoken but also spoke a language that was easily understood and encouraged quite a bit of interactive feed back from the students attending.

The Gippsland Education Precinct would like to express its appreciation to the Victorian Law Foundation and also to Monash

University for organizing the Expo

Adam Sharp Legal Studies

Kurnai College would also like to thank Mr. Adam Sharp for his extensive organization of this wonderful event. Students listened attentively to Rod Quantock's amusing portrayal of House Speaker.

Unique Opportunity At Melbourne University

The excursion to GTAC on Thursday began with a bleary-eyed 6.30 am. start from Churchill. The day offered our Unit 3 VCE Biology students a unique opportunity to work in small groups with their own young research scientist as "mentor". Students used research quality equipment, in a State Of The Art Teaching Laboratory. Students had a pre-laboratory lecture, in which they were shown computer animation by a world-leading scientist and animator. After a short break, they worked on 5 experiments, one of which involved making plant "stem cells". After lunch at Melbourne University they completed their laboratory work. It was agreed that it was a very worthwhile, but tiring day. The students obviously used up a lot of energy on the day, judging by the amount of McDonalds food consumed on the way home! Sandra Flake, Biology Teacher

Year 7 Camp Coolamatong

On the Tuesday the 29th of May, Year 7 students, teachers and peer support leaders from Churchill Campus hopped eagerly on the bus to camp Coolamatong, where we would be staying for three nights. On the way up, we stopped for lunch at the Bairnsdale Park and we all had a turn going down the giant slide. When we got to camp we met the camp leaders and then we got settled into our cabins before we had our first activity.

The activities were horse-riding, sailing, abseiling and rock-climbing, low ropes and archery course, bike riding, bushcraft, canoeing, and a boat trip to the ninety mile beach where we played fox holes. In bushcraft we learnt how to make damper and during the bike riding activities even the teachers had a go on the unicycle. Everyone had lots of fun playing the activities on Wednesday, which were organised by the staff of camp Coolamatong, and competing in the Trivia Night on Thursday night, which was organised by our teachers (Team 6 won!). The Year 7's, peer support leaders and teachers all enjoyed the camp and got to know each other in a different setting from school. On Friday we returned to Kurnai very tired but happy having spent a great week together at Camp Coolamatong

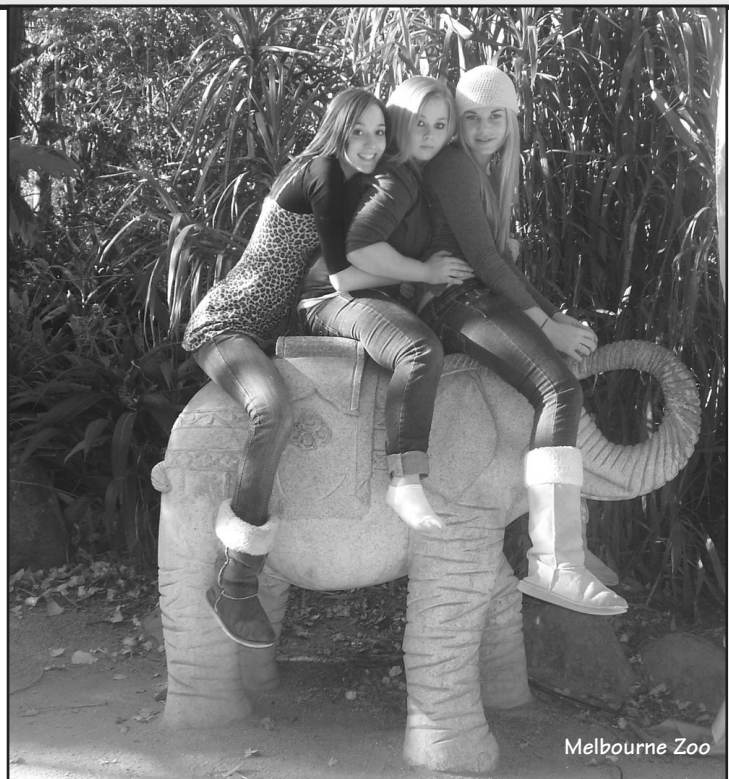
By Kristy-Lee Hrvojevic.

Tournament Of Minds

Tournament of Minds (TOM) is on again this year. TOM is a challenging educational program that provides an opportunity for students with passion for learning and problem-solving to demonstrate their skills and talents in an exciting and vibrant way. Teams of seven students from Years 7 to 10 are invited to participate within the secondary division. There is also a primary section. Students are required to solve a Challenge in Language and Literature, Social Sciences or Maths and Engineering in the six weeks prior to the Regional Tournament day in August at which they present their solution. Regional Tournaments are held in Bendigo, Churchill, Geelong, Shepparton and three metropolitan locations. Winning teams go onto a State Final and potentially on to the Australian Final.

Last year a team from South Gippsland Secondary College in Foster represented Victoria in the National finals. How would you quickly make a rope to urgently retrieve a vital cargo that has fallen out of reach? Teams had six weeks to work out a solution and to design and construct ingenious tools to make the rope out of just six ordinary cotton balls. On the day the crew must make the rope in front of three judges and an audience. The rope needs to be up to 1 metre long and able to lift up to 5 kg. The Harmonious International Convention of Characters Under Pressure (HICCUP) is meeting for the ninth time. The aim of the convention is to alleviate pressure by promoting harmony. However every year there is some kind of hiccup. This year is no different; as usual the convention turns into a farce. Each team must devise an account of the events of the convention in the style of a farce. They must include half a banana, a soiled white glove, a chain and a map, as well as characters from a number of well-known children's books. Each of these three challenges was presented by enthusiastic students at Regional Finals of Tournament of Minds in the past. New challenges are set each year.

Each team must also respond to a Spontaneous Challenge on the day, where they are given an unseen problem to solve on the spot. Tournament of Minds (Vic) Inc is a not for profit Incorporated Association run primarily by volunteers. The Hon Justice Michael Kirby AC CMG is the Patron of Tournament of Minds. Principle spon-



Melbourne Zoo

sors of TOM in Victoria are La Trobe University and Swinburne University of Technology. This competition challenges our talented students to meet the challenge of working in teams, thinking creatively, and persevering when things get tough. If you think that you would enjoy working in a team for a six week period to solve a problem during the first weeks of Term 3, see Nicole Pryor at Churchill campus, or Chris Paynter at Morwell Campus.

Mr B's Gig Guide

This week saw the first band rehearsal for the Kurnai Cluster Combined Primary Schools Music students. For the majority of the students, this was the very first time that they were making music with other people, hearing other instruments, and sitting near students who attend other schools. Parents took the opportunity to attend the rehearsal at the Kurnai Morwell campus. Even though it seemed that the parents were actually more nervous about this first gathering than their children, all of the children left the rehearsal on a high, with a real buzz (note: no lollies or sweets were issued during the rehearsal).

Building and Construction VETIS Site Visit

Students from Kurnai College, Lavalla Catholic College and Traralgon Secondary College gained an insight into the building and construction industry when they visited major building sites in Victoria Harbour, Melbourne.

The 30 students, who are studying Certificate II Building and Construction in the Vocational Education and Training program, were hosted by David Waldren, Design Manager at Grocon.

The students were taken on a tour of the soon to be finished AXA Complex being developed and constructed by Grocon and also the Bovis Lend Lease and Safeway sites, being developed by Bovis Lend Lease and constructed by Grocon. Across the two sites the students were able to see major construction at vastly different stages. One site was at the fit-out stage, with completion due on 25th October 2007. Students were amazed by the size of the 11 storey building and the amount of labour and money expended on the building.

The second site was in the early stages of construction, with two floors and the elevator section started. Prior to entering the site students were shown a slideshow of how developers expected Victoria Harbour to look in around twenty years time, as well as the finished appearance of the site we were about to enter. Our guide Sebastian, the Site Manager, then showed us around the site. Explaining the building procedures and pointing out what sections had been presented in the slideshow. Sebastian outlined the chain of command on a building site. He described the different occupations required to complete tasks and the qualifications required to work as a builder on a large site.

While on site, safety was paramount. Students donned their own safety boots and glasses, as well as fluorescent vests supplied by Gippsland Trades and Labour Council and helmets purchased by the Baw Baw Latrobe Local Learning and Employment Network with the support of Ausworkwear and Safety, Morwell.

Feedback from both students and supervisors has been positive, with one student commenting that "It was the best excursion I've ever been on".



Law Week



Melbourne University



Monash Way after the deluge



Water Restrictions Scaled Back

Gippsland Water has announced that all towns across its service area that are currently on Stage Three Water Restrictions reverted back to Stage Two Water Restrictions from on Monday.

Stage Two Water Restrictions will affect all customers in the following towns:

Boolarra, Briagolong, Buln Buln, Churchill, Cowwarr, Darnum, Drouin, Erica, Glengarry, Hazelwood North, Heyfield, Jumbuk, Mirboo North, Moe, Morwell, Neerim South, Newborough, Nilma, Noojee, Rawson, Rokeby, Rosedale, Sale, Seaspray, Thorpdale, Toongabbie, Trafalgar, Traralgon, Traralgon South, Tyers, Warragul, Willung, Wurruk, Willow Grove, Yallourn North, Yarragon and Yinnar.

Under Stage Two Water Restrictions, customers are now permitted to wash their car with a bucket, and water their gardens using manual or automatic watering systems during specific times on alternate days.

The hours of night for watering are 8pm to 10pm for manual watering systems, however, due to the end of daylight savings, customers who would like to water their garden at the earlier time of 5pm to 7pm can obtain an exemption by phoning Gippsland Water on 1800 066 401.

Gippsland Water's chief executive officer John Mitchell said, "The Board decision to scale back water restrictions was taken prior to the recent floods. Our Board will review the revised restrictions at the July Board meeting."

Key restrictions that apply under Stage Two Water Restrictions include:

For garden beds only:

+ Manual watering systems can only be used between 6am to 8am and 8pm to 10pm** on alternate days.*

+ Automatic watering systems can only be used between midnight to 4am on alternate days.*

+ Hand-held hoses fitted with a trig-

ger nozzle, watering can or bucket, can be used at any time.

+Watering lawns is banned.

+Vehicles can only be washed with a bucket, watering can, high pressure cleaning device, or commercial car wash. (Hoses cannot be used at any time).

+Paved areas or hard surfaces such as courtyards, decks, footpaths or driveways cannot be hosed down.

+ Pools and spas can only be filled with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle. New or existing pools or spas of 2,000 litres or less may be filled at any time. Filling a new or existing pool or spa of 2,000 litres or more requires an exemption.

*Odd numbered houses can water on odd days of the month (1, 3, 5, etc.) and even numbered houses can water on even days of the month (2, 4, 6, etc.). Properties with no number are considered an even numbered house.

**Due to the end of daylight savings, Gippsland Water customers may apply for an exemption to water their gardens at the earlier time of 5pm to 7pm on the alternate watering days. Customers will need to contact Gippsland Water on 1800 066 401 to apply.

Five key towns including Boisdale, Coongulla, Glenmaggie, Maffra and Stratford will remain on StageFour Water Restrictions until further notice, due to water quality issues in the Macalister River system.

Gippsland Water would like to thank all its customers for their support of water conservation measures over the summer months.

Full details of Stage Two Water Restrictions and applications for exemptions can be obtained by visiting www.gippswater.com.au or contacting the Gippsland Water Service Centre on 1800 066 401.

Further information about sustainable water management can also be found at www.ourwater.vic.gov.au.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

I am writing to you on Behalf of the Neighbourhood Watch Churchill, with regards to the Hazelwood shopping centre in Churchill.

There is a need to address a few things in regards to traffic and pedestrian travel in that centre. When the shops and new car park were first built, there were distinct arrow markings on the road as to which way the traffic was supposed to travel.

These markings have now disappeared. There was also a "Zebra" crossing installed which has also disappeared.

This is a dangerous area in our Shopping Centre. With traffic driving on both sides of the road, it isn't wide enough, for 2 vehicles.

It is our belief that without the necessary maintenance in this area it may soon result in an accident with the possible injury or loss of life to either a child, adult, elderly person or a disabled person.

As it is the disabled parking bays in the Shopping Centre are not the standard width for a disabled parking zones. There is not enough width to open doors without hitting the car beside that bay.

We invite the citizens of Churchill to make comment on the apparent lack of maintenance in the hope that some action will be taken by the necessary authorities.

Thank you.

Peter Gray

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator LTB 21/22 Churchill.

Editor

Re: Hazelwood Village Shopping Centre.

I write to you to complain concerning the traffic issue at Hazelwood Shopping Centre.

On Friday 22nd June 2006, I had an accident due to the traffic hazards at the shopping centre. Drivers do not give way to the right, as per Vicroads road rules. We have pedestrians crossing in front of cars, behind cars, between cars. It is a dangerous area. I am sure I am not the only one who has problems in the car park.

Children do not look before crossing the road, and the elderly have no chance of crossing the road safely with no pedestrian crossing. They rely on the courteous drivers who stop and wave them across in front of them.

Am I the only one having these problems at the Shopping Centre?

With thanks

Regards

Andy Burr

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HAZELWOOD HOUSE HAPPENINGS



Resident Roma McQuilten and past board member Tom Lawless cut the celebration cake to mark the 10th birthday of Hazelwood House.

Glad Giles celebrated her 89th birthday surrounded by her family and friends and her twin great granddaughters. Glad is pictured below cutting her cake.



Nell Young celebrated her 85th birthday with staff and residents. Nell and care manager, Jenny are pictured above with the lovely birthday cake made by the hostel cook.



Guests, residents and families enjoyed afternoon tea and entertainment to celebrate the Hostel's 10th birthday.

Hazelwood House staff and residents would like to thank the Hazelwood Rotary for their generous donation of \$500 for the bus fund. The new bus has now been ordered and should arrive within the next six weeks.

Care with fires and appliances



Last month we began to tell you some of the concerns about which to be aware, which can cause burns and scalds. The TV news is certainly highlighting the fact that winter is a time to be careful with fires and appliances which heat your home.

HERE IS A QUICK CHECKLIST

- *Have you had your chimneys cleaned?
- *Have you had your ducted heating ducts cleaned and checked?

*Have you had your gas heating appliances serviced for safety and fuel efficiency?

*Have you checked the battery in, and the functioning of, your smoke detector?

*Have you, as a family prepared a home fire escape plan?

*Have you and you children found out what to do if there is a fire in your house?

HOW CAN YOU GUARD AGAINST FLAME AND CONTACT BURNS?

1. Install a guard in front of the heater and open fire.
2. Keep watch on children near

open fires and barbecues.

3. Never use petrol to start or build up a fire or barbecue.

4. Keep children away from a hot iron.

5. Teach children how to stop, drop and roll, if their clothes catch on fire.

6. For children's sleepwear, get close-fitting garments with "Low Fire Danger" or "Styled to Reduce Fire Danger" labels

7. Be extra careful when there is a heater in the children's bedroom.

8. Keep clothes airers away from fires and heaters.

9. Be extra careful when there is a heater in the bathroom.

RECOGNISE THAT CHILDREN HAVE AN INTEREST IN FIRE.

Many children are fascinated by fire from an early age. This can lead to playing with fire.

*60% of cigarette smoking-related burns are suffered by children under 5 years.

*Almost 70% of children referred to fire services for lighting fires come from a family with at least one smoker.

*Use child resistant lighters.

*Lock lighters and matches away.

Wanted

Patons Woolcraft Book

Contains patterns for knee warmers, layettes, beanies, jumpers for all ages, socks etc. Please contact Ruth on 5122 1961



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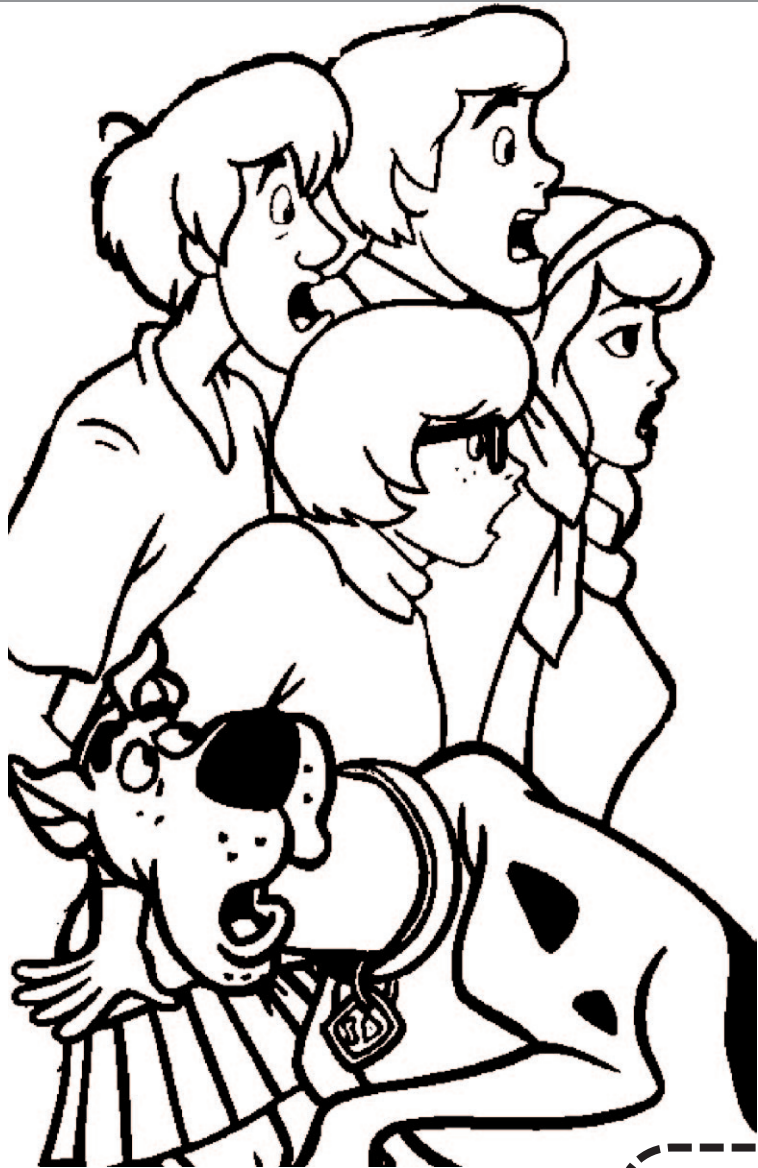
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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Hi Girls and Boys. This month we have a picture of Scooby Do and his team for you to colour in.



Sudoku

The rules of Sudoku are simple. Place a digit from 1 to 9 in each empty cell so every row, every column, and every 3 x 3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

2	4				3		5	8
6			5			3		7
	3	5				9		
8				7				9
			3	8	1			
	2			6				5
		6				7	1	
9		2			7			6
4	7		6				8	2

Betty Botter

Betty Botter bought some butter.
 "But," she said,
 "the butter's bitter.
 If I put it
 in my batter,
 it will make
 my batter bitter.
 But a bit
 of better butter--
 that would make
 my batter better."

So she bought
 a bit of butter,
 better than
 her bitter butter.
 And she put it
 in her batter,
 and the batter
 was not bitter.
 So 'twas better
 Betty Botter
 bought a bit
 of better butter!

Mystery Meal by Bruce Lansky

Great green globs of greasy, grimy gopher guts, mutilated monkey meat, little birdies' dirty feet.

Hot school lunches aren't fit for kids to eat. So pass the ketchup, please.

Pizza topped with rotten eggs and sauerkraut, seven-week-old speckled trout. Toss it at your friends and shout. Start a food fight—you'll get caught, without a doubt. So pass the pepper, please.

BIRTHDAYITES!!

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB

*Proudly sponsored by the
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Hi Kids,

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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB
 PO BOX 110
 CHURCHILL 3842



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

The lucky "Birthdayites" last month were
RACHAEL CUSICK and TENIELLE MAY.

BIRTHDAYITES FOR JULY

Alexandra BENNETT	12 years
Matthew BIANCONI	10 years
Jaryd DOWNES-SMITH	8 years
Ashlee FLANIGAN	12 years
Courtney HOOINEYER	7 years
Tien MUDGE	5 years
Joshua SHANKLAND	1 year
Sydney SIMPSON	5 years

The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" this month are
JARYD DOWNES-SMITH and TIEN MUDGE.

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

John Barker

Publicity



Rachael CUSICK
 7 years on the 2nd June



Tenielle MAY
 9 years on the 23rd June

These June "Birthdayites" were all smiles as they were each presented with \$15 vouchers for Churchill Newsagency by John Barker from the Lions Club of Churchill & District. They were chosen at random from the June list. This could have been you - make sure you join so you also have the chance to be a lucky

"Birthdayite".

IN THE EVENT OF NOT BEING ABLE TO CONTACT YOUR CHILD, ANOTHER WILL BE SELECTED IN THEIR PLACE.

Vale ~

Myrtle Irene Henshaw

Mum was born in 1923 in South Norwood a suburb of London.

Shortly after that the family moved to Beckenham just a few kilometres away

Mum attended Marian and Vian Primary School in Beckenham and Balgovan Central School

At Secondary School she was very good at sports. She represented her County in the All England Games in High Jump and Hurdles

She finished her Secondary schooling just as the Second World War began

Her only sister Beryl recalls how their schooling and lives were disrupted by the bombing. They would go to school and spend most of the time in the shelters. They were often sent home at lunch time.

For a short period of time she worked in an Insurance Office in London.

Like many of her country women she was called up to serve in the forces in the Auxiliary Territorial Service (A.T.S)

With her close friend Peggy Foster mum visited the Callum family to collect some belongings of a family member who we believe had been killed. The Callums ran an "open house" for service personnel. They had at one time been neighbours of the Hobdens (mum's maiden name). It was there that she met a young Australian Air Force officer.

On the 29 January 1944 they were married. Mum used to tell us how her family saved up clothing coupons to buy the material for the lovely wedding dress she wore.

Their first son John was born on November 4 1945 at Beckenham.

When dad was repatriated home at the end of the war mum was not allowed to accompany him but had to wait for a separate ship which brought

home the wives of Australian servicemen. She arrived on the "Atlantis" in Melbourne June 28 1946.

On her arrival in Wodonga she and dad lived with Grandma and Papa Henshaw behind their tailors shop in the main street while they waited for a house to be available from the then Housing Commission.

When that house became available they moved to William Street in Wodonga.

The family expanded quickly with the birth of Linda in 1947, Peggy in 1948 and David in 1950.

With accommodation becoming very "stretched" the family moved to a larger house just around the corner in Watson Street. I can remember that we had the local carrier with his horse drawn flat bed wagon to help us with the move. There I can also remember mum chasing us pesky kids out of the kitchen and tripping and breaking her wrist.

After a very short "breather" for mum the family once again expanded to include Richard in 1954, Lorna in 1956 and Jill in 1958.

During this time mum, who had a fine singing voice, often sang as a soloist in the newly formed Wodonga Baptist Church.

After spending a year at Tangambalanga the family moved to Eildon. She smiled when the Catholic priest arrived. He thought that a family with seven children had to be Catholic!!! There mum was involved with dad in the formation of the Eildon Baptist Fellowship. It was at this stage that the older children began to leave home to study in Melbourne.

After seven years the family was once again on the move to Maffra. There mum was active in the local Methodist Church where she and Dad ran a Christian Endeavour for the Young People. It was at this stage that sons and daughters by

marriage began to be a part of the family with Neil, Les and Jenny taking their places.

After 5 years the family was once again on the move to Seymour. There mum returned to work in the School Office acting as the clerical assistant.

Two years later the family once again moved this time to Churchill.

Being married to a teacher in those days meant a life "on the move." Mum became an absolute expert at moving house although I suspect she never came to like it. She took pride in being able to arrive at a new place, unload the truck and be away on holidays in 48 hours. No mean feat when your family is as large as hers!!!

Dad's retirement saw mum take him "back home" to England for a visit to all the remaining friends and places that had been a part of her early life. She had a wonderful time.

Soon after that a tough part of mum's life began with both her and dad involved in a serious car accident which left him with a brain injury which severely hampered his ability to communicate with speech. With her usual huge inner strength mum took on the task of caring for dad at home for 17 years. During that time her opportunities to take part in social activities were severely limited. At this time she found the Wattle Club at Churchill to be a great support and source of friendship. After dad went into care she continued to visit him twice a week for six years. At this time she also fought her own battle with cancer.



With dad's death in 2002 mum's life entered a new phase and she began to more fully enter into the lives of her children, grand children and great grand children. She also took the opportunity to travel with visits to U.S.A., Paris and Canada as well as Central Australia. She took to visiting those of her family who lived further away in Adelaide and Tamworth. Her suitcase with its familiar pink ribbon became a regular visitor to airports around the country.

Her life did not simply fade out, it rose to a crescendo with visits to Canada, Melbourne and Tamworth in the last year.

Mum's family and friends were her life. It is at her insistence that the list of names in her Funeral notices are not in generations but in complete families.

She went to be with her Lord still full of life.

John Henshaw



Soccer Play in Glendonald Park



Glendonald kerbside collection

Partnerships



By Margaret Guthrie, Secretary
GRG Inc is partnering with a number of organisations to provide a range of activities for local residents.

The Traralgon office of the Dept for Victorian Communities sponsored a BBQ for a 'Soccer Play' activity we held in partnership with Churchill United Soccer Club. This was held after school on the last day of Term 2.

Under the guidance of Club members, children practiced a range of soccer skills on the Glendonald Park oval, including 'heading', 'shooting' and 'dribbling'. The activity finished with a short game of soccer, before enjoying sausages and hamburgers at the BBQ shelter.

Volunteers from GRG cooked, prepared fruit and provided tea and coffee for adults in need of warming up. Despite the cold, the activity was greatly enjoyed by children and adults alike.

A few days earlier, we welcomed members from the Mounted Police Division of Victoria Police, who attended the Glendonald 'Cop Shop'. The 'Cop Shop' is held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Churinga Drive shops and is an opportunity for residents to meet police officers on an informal basis to discuss issues and obtain advice.

The Mounted Police were pleased to be greeted as friends by many locals who came out to chat

and pat the horses. GRG had planned 'afternoon tea' for kids and police the following day, but it was so wild, wet and windy, the horses stayed in their horse-trailer while we all partook of hot soup inside the Glendonald kindergarten.

Sgt Peter Allan from Churchill Police station, along with Aboriginal Liaison Officer, Snr Const Patrick Hamilton, attended our June meeting as guest speakers and answered a variety of questions from residents.

This month, during the first half of our regular meeting, representatives from the Office of Housing will be in attendance to provide information and respond to questions.

In August, our guest speaker will be from Latrobe City Council and will talk about plans for the Churchill Community Hub.

Last week, volunteers from GRG, supported by workers from the DHS Neighbourhood Renewal project and Council, organised a 'Big Day Out' family bus trip to Heritage Park in Moe. Residents from Glendonald, Traralgon East, Morwell East and Moe Heights shared lunch, activities and laughter at a low cost school holiday outing.

Other GRG volunteers have organised some activities for National Tree Planting Day, which is officially held on July 27th.

Next Term, in partnership with Churchill Neighbourhood Centre,

we are planning a series of indoor after school activities for local children at the Glendonald kindergarten.

Anyone from the Churchill area is most welcome to attend our activities or volunteer with our Group. We conduct children's activities, organise social events and provide some community services.

Last month we conducted a neighbourhood kerbside collection of large furniture items for disposal at the tip, to assist residents who don't have access to a trailer, are unable to manage shifting larger items or cannot afford tip fees. Our costs were met by sponsorship from mecu (a Credit Union with offices in Morwell, Traralgon, Moe and elsewhere), who have sponsored our annual World Environment Day for the last 3 years.

For more information about this, or any of our other activities, please telephone the Secretary on 5122 2997. GRG can also be contacted at PO Box 245, Churchill 3842 or by emailing g_r_g_inc@hotmail.com

Our meetings are always held on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Glendonald Pre-school in Churinga Drive. Tea, coffee and childcare are provided and all are welcome.

"the Cougars"

Churchill Football / Netball Club

Around Football, the season so far: - by
Tony Martin

The senior football team is performing exceptionally well, having eleven wins from eleven games as of, round 11 on the 30th of June. They are well and truly in first place on the ladder by two games with Heyfield next on 9. Dean Jenkins is in sixth place in the goal kicking with 29 closely followed by Nathan McDonald in seventh place with 27, the leader is on 33. In the last month there have been some very close and exciting matches and coach Leigh MacDonald would have to be well pleased with his charges performances to date.

The Reserves are also top of the ladder having eleven wins from eleven starts and in first place on the ladder with Heyfield next on seven wins. In the goal kicking Rob Jellis is third with 25, and Josh Cahill fourth with 24. Rob's effort is pretty good considering he was out injured for several weeks. First place has 33 to date, which puts it all in perspective. Coach Chris Harding must be feeling as positive as Leigh.

The Under 18s are not having the most successful season to date with one win from eleven games and sitting in bottom place on the ladder. That win against Cowwar on the 16th of June was an absolute ripper with the final scores being 9.10 to 9.9 and the most exciting match of the round. The game on the 26th of May against Stratford was also great even though they lost. A great competitive spirit was displayed and Coach Neil Thompson was very pleased with their performance. It looks like his ongoing faith in their potential once they manage to work it all out is being vindicated. Here's hoping they continue in this way.

We've had a few milestones lately with Chris Burke playing his 150th senior game with the club on the 2nd of June. Dale Patterson played his 100th with the seniors team on the 30th of June and with his 24 for the reserves has a total of 123 all up. Coming up, sometime in July, Shaun McNamara will play his 200th senior game with the club. Congratulations to each of you.

Around Netball, the season so far: - by Amanda Barling

After 11 rounds we have seen a mixed bag of results across all grades. This far into the season all teams are now settled and working well together and looking towards finals action in September.

A Grade: Eleven rounds down and A grade are sitting in 4th position with 6 wins, 4 losses and a draw. Hopefully in the back half of the season the girls can work hard together and reverse the losses from earlier in the year.

B Grade: Currently in 4th position with 8 wins and 3 losses, the girls are on a 8-0 winning streak. Knocking off the previously undefeated Gormandale side on the 23rd June was the highlight of the season to date for the team. The feeling within the team is very positive and everyone has their minds set on being in the mix come finals time.

C Grade: Sitting at 6th on the ladder with 4 wins and 7 losses, the girls are still a big chance for finals if they can string together some good 4 quarter performances. A few close losses in the first half of the season should hopefully be converted to wins in coming weeks.

D Grade: Season 2007 is a learning and building one for the D grade girls. Currently in 10th position with only the one win to their names the girls have played against some quality opposition and have lost a handful of games by a goal. A very young side the girls are giving it their all, keep positive as there is a lot to be learned - the wins will come!

On the social side of things it was good to see so many of the

Junior footballers, the future in action



netballers at the recent Mid Season Ball. Very encouraging to see the girls supporting the club they play for.

Presidents Luncheon

The club will be holding the Presidents Luncheon on Saturday July 14th during their round 13 home clash against TTU. Guests will be

entertained by guest speaker John 'Jack' Elliott who played some 250 games of Australian Rules football for his old school until his mid 30's, and was at the helm of the Carlton Football Club for 20 years in the role of club President. An entertaining speaker who tells it like he sees it, Elliott will be sure to entertain. As a part of this day we have invited all our club sponsors to the luncheon as guests of the club in appreciation for their generous support. Furthermore one of our most recently signed sponsors, Aerial Skydives, will be doing a demonstration skydive onto the ground at half time & we will be running a competition to guess where they will land on the ground. The luncheon commences at 12noon at the Gaskin Park Reserve- Churchill Football Netball Club Function Rooms at a cost of \$20 a head (lunch included), with bookings required. Tables of up to 10 people are available. The Churchill Football Netball Club welcomes members, supporters and the general public to join them on the day. For further information or to make bookings contact Mark Answerth on 0439 750 088 or email manswerth@creditcollect.com.au

From the president

Well winter has suddenly arrived and the grounds are starting to get a bit heavy. So far the reserves and seniors are still undefeated and playing good football. The U18s with just the one win to date are still putting in a terrific effort and persevering although sometimes outclassed. All the netballers are working hard and having fun with some terrific efforts being shown. Socially, having just enjoyed the mid year ball, the Presidents lunch is the next major event and is on July 14 with special guest speaker John Elliot. This is on from 12 noon to 2.00pm and will be followed in the evening by the "hypnotist and comedian" night.

Tickets are selling fast so if you wish to attend make sure you see the appropriate people. As the day will be very busy if you have some time to volunteer working the canteen, bar, sponsors lunch or game day duties please express your interest, as any help will be greatly appreciated.

Auskick, the beginning of the future: -by Rob and Natalie Wilkins

Last month the Churchill Auskick children enjoyed a scratch match at half time of the Churchill and Stratford game. Great fun was had by all involved and the weather was fantastic. Auskick is a great way to start off your child's football interest with a range of different ball skill activities involved. Children as young as five can play and we have a wonderful turn out of 32 kids to date and are still growing. If anyone would like more information please phone Rob Wilkins the Co-Coordinator on 51223739 or feel welcome to come down and have a look. Sessions are on Sunday mornings at the Senior Football ground from 10.30 to 12pm.

Around the Club

With the Queens Birthday weekend and four



Chris Burke contesting the ball

"away" games in a row this Saturday will be the first home game for us in 6 weeks. With Aerial Skydives delivering the ball by parachute to the umpires at the start of the seniors game it should be a great day so come on down and enjoy yourselves. The new canteen is up and running and is a welcome asset to the club facilities. The "kicking goals" project is steaming along with a lot of work having been done in tidying up the grounds surrounding the clubhouse and the establishment of garden beds on the south side. The deck is progressing well and work on the patio and BBQ facility is anticipated to get going in the near future.

Any members interested in getting involved in the timekeeping/scoreboard operation would be most welcome and if you approach Rob I feel your enquiry would be welcomed with much delight, you may even get a hug if you're not careful!

Junior Football, the future of the game; - by Cheryl Mason

Churchill has had a great start with the Traralgon League with all age groups having a win. The third round played on the 26th May gave our Under 12's and Under 14's a win. With our under 10's giving Cumberland Park a great game by only losing by 30pts. The high scoring game of Churchill resulted in 6 goals 4pts (40) Goal Kickers were: Ellis Hill-Hayes 5 Tristan Turpin 1 to Cumberland Park's (70).

Under 12's score was 63, Goal Kickers were B. Henshaw 2, B. Mason, D. Kearns, J. Allan, B. Tyas, R. Smee and T. Johnson all on one. Cumberland Park scored 35 (3 of those goals were kicked by our player Ty Johnstone who was lent to Cumberland Park to help fill their team). Under 14's had a called game which meant they had won the game at half time as they had a lead of 60 points against City/Police. It was a great team effort with goals being kicked by D. Weir, B. Kearns, D. Skinner, D. McCarthy, H. Lowrie, R. Harvey, J.R. Nuguid, J. Adams, J. Connell, J. Kokshorn and S. Kolowski.

This week, 2nd June, is our first home match which is against Teedas U/10's 9.30am U/12's 11.00am u/14's 12.30pm where we will have Cameron Adams in Under 12's celebrating his 50 games.

Last Thurs night we had a motivational session with Craig Biddiscombe (Ex Geelong Player) from "Leading Teams" who presented some great ideas to the Under 14's and Third Players on how to set goals on what they want to do in the club and out of the club.

Our Junior Development Squad has commenced very successfully. On every second Thurs 5 children from each age group partner a Senior player with their warm up and basic skills and drills. The children all said they had a great time and the Seniors were very attentive to the participants. This will go for another 2 sessions and another 15 will be able to participate in the great experience. Any enquiries as to Junior footy please phone Cheryl on 51661797.

From the Social Committee

The Club Social Calendar for the rest of the year is as follows.

14th July President's Luncheon

14th July Hypnotist & Comedian night

28th July Funny Money Night



Sports News

18th August Sumo Wrestling & Band
 15th September Grand Final Night
 16th September Vote Count Day

On the social front June was a terrific month with participants in the trivia night on 2nd of June more than satisfied with their evenings endeavours and the crowd at the Midyear Ball on the 23rd of June voting it one of the best ever. July 14th, next Saturday, is a busy day. There is the president's lunch at 12 noon with John "Jack" Elliott, ex Carlton President, as the guest speaker. On the same day the "Hypnotist and Comedian" night is on in the evening. Bookings for the evening can be made via Sharon Stait on 0411310197, John (Woody) Woodbridge on 0412512801 or Bobby McCartney on 0409554355. Cost is \$25.00 a person and tables of up to ten people are available. The prospect of an on stage hypnotist and football/netball club combination is scary. The comedian will be hard pressed in this situation. On the 28th of July we have the "funny money night", details are available from Sharon, Bobby and Woody re this.



give you the results of the last game, the details of the next game and the ladder positions for that game. To get further details as to quarter-by-quarter scores, best players and goal kicking tallies click on the big asterisk beside the first teams name listed for that game. Clicking on "draws/results" will give you the results of all previous games and details of all future games. For those chasing up Netball results, on the competitions page select any of the footy grade results or ladder. When that page is displayed, select "competitions" on the right hand "other competitions" menu and then select the required grade's draw/ results or ladder depending on your priority. If you want to see some club photos click on photo gallery in the main menu. Select a title and when it shows the small photo click on that and an enlarged version will be displayed. Have fun!

Past Players Thursday Night Chook Raffle

If you're missing that Thursday after work social interaction session since the pub closed, wander down to the footy clubrooms at Gaskin Park in Manning Drive and renew that wanted feeling. Every Thursday from 4.00 till 7.00 pm the members bar is open with happy hour from 5 to 6pm and a chook raffle conducted weekly.

Bingo every Wednesday!

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

How to work the website: - by Tony Martin

Just a short note to assist people interested in using the club website. To access the site go to cfnc.vcfl.com.au. To get news items and articles, on the home page click on "news central". For those chasing up to date results and ladder positions for the footy, on the home page go to "competitions" on the left hand menu. Select which grade you wish to look at, and select either "draws/ results" or "ladder". Clicking on "ladder" will

Cougars Café

For that end of the week eating out experience for all the family, come along and enjoy a meal every Friday night from 6.00pm at the clubrooms at Gaskin Park, Manning Drive, Churchill. Paula Auger and her crew are providing great meals at a great price. We are running a blackboard menu and it can be viewed in the clubrooms foyer during the week. Table format is round, seating up to 10 people, rectangular seating up to 6 people, and square seating up to 4 people. If you wish to book a table bookings can be made by calling Julie Larkin on 51221762, otherwise just turn up and enjoy the experience.



Auskick, Rob Wilkins and the boys at the ball up (left)

Shaun McNamara heading for the action (above)

Junior footballers, the future in action (right)

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Churchill Monash Golf Club Results

Saturday Mens Comp: Stroke Monthly Medal. 26/05/07. CCR: 70.

Scratch: R Scurlock. A-Grade: G Fraser (15) 71. B-Grade: A Casey (20) 66. C-Grade: R Hodgson (28) 62, Monthly Medal Winner. DTL: 1 J McCafferty, 2 D Taylor, 3 F DeBono, 4 J Dickson. NTP: 3rd G Miller, 5th G Fraser, 12th F Peel, 14th R Scurlock, Eagle: 13th P Kearns. Putts: S Wotton.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Dons Chambers 5th Foursomes. 29/05/07.

Winner: Barb Beebe, Linda Casey (32) 42 pts. DTL: Susan Jeffery, Carol Barnes (28) 34 pts c/b. NTP: 3rd M McConville, 12th B Beebe.

Saturday Mens Comp: Stableford Young Achievers. 02/06/07

A-Grade: A Casey (19) 39 pts. B-Grade: A Percy (27) 42 pts. DTL: K Ellis 40 pts, S Wotton 39 pts, T Collins 35 pts, B Kilday 34 pts. NTP: 3rd S Wotton, 12th S Wotton. Birdies: 3rd S Wotton, 12th S Wotton.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 05/06/07. Scratch: M McConville 97

A-Grade: M McConville (21) 76. B-Grade: M McDonald (34) 75 M/Medal. DTL: B Beebe 78, J Beck 80, D Scurlock c/b 81, NTP: 5/14 S Cooke 33-45.

Saturday Mens Comp: 4BBB 10/06/07. CCR: 67

Winners: G Fraser (15), K Ellis (24) 48 pts, c/b. Runner Up: A Casey (19), M Brereton (12) 48pts. DTL: R Hodgson, T Colins 47 pts. J Ambrosini, W Peter 45 pts, A Percy, W Judkins 45 pts. NTP: 3rd M Brereton, 5th G Fraser, 12th C Johnson, 14th J Dickson. Birdies: 3rd K Garlick, 5th G Fraser.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Foursome Championships. 12/06/07

Scratch: D Scurlock (17), S Jeffery (27), 100 c/b. Handicap: M McConville (21) K Raber (27) 76 c/b. C Ellis, L Casey 76. S Jeffery, D Scurlock 78.

Saturday Mens Comp: Par. 16/06/07

A-Grade: A Auld (22) +1 c/b. B-Grade: S Wotton (24) -1. DTL: M Fletcher +1, W Peter -2, K Ellis -3, T Collins -3. NTP: 3rd G Fraser, 12th M Fletcher. Birdies: 5th B Baldock, 12th M Fletcher.

Sunday Mens Comp: 17/06/07

Winner: G Blizzard 29 pts c/b.

Sunday Ladies Comp: 17/06/07.

Winner: K Moroney (20) 34 pts.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Foursome Championships Round 2 and Final 19/06/07

Scratch: S Jeffery (27), D Scurlock (17) 98. Handicap: S Jeffery, D Scurlock (22) 76. DTL: H Croft, K Moroney 82 1/2. Scratch: Championship: S Jeffery, D Scurlock 198. Championship Handicap: S Jeffery, D Scurlock (22) 154.

Saturday Mens Comp: Stableford.

23/06/07. CCR: 70

A-Grade: T Sterrick (14) 33. B-Grade: J Ambrosini (23) 38. DTL: W Judkins 35, T Collins 33 c/b, C Barnes 33 c/b. NTP: 3rd C Barnes, 5th N Sier, 12th M Fletcher, 14th G Spowart. Birdies: 3rd J Jeffery, 5th P Shields.

Sunday Mens Comp: Stableford. 24/06/07

Winner: G Blizzard (25) 42 pts. DTL: A Auld (22) 36pts. NTP: 14th G Blizzard.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford. 24/06/07.

A-Grade: K Moroney (21) 34 pts. DTL: H Croft (32) 28 pts. NTP: 3rd K Moroney.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Open Day 4BBB. 26/06/07

Winners: D Judkins (34), Y Wotton (25) 41 pts. Runner-Up: F Edwards, J Blandford 40 c/b. Visitors: S Trail, S Hughes 40 c/b. CTL: V Verheyer, J Creagh 39. K Raber, L Casey 38. M Jones, M Briscoe 37. NTP: 3rd M Thompson.



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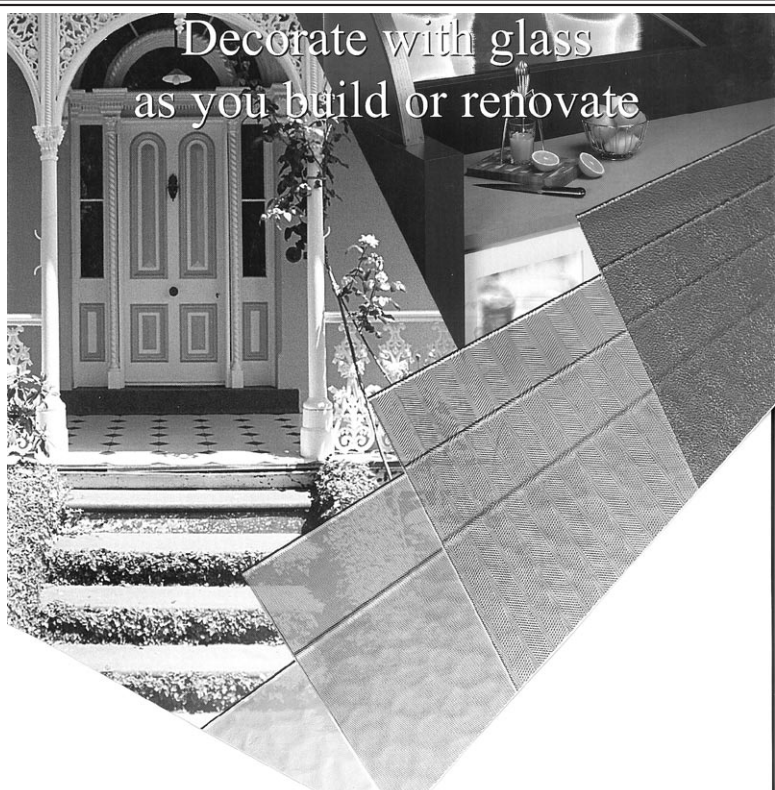
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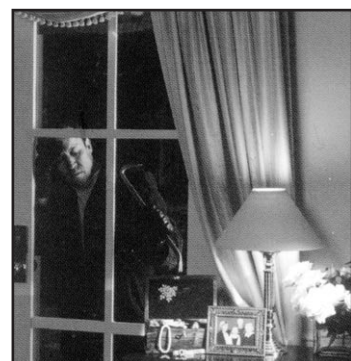


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