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Churchill CFA Honours Members Achievements

THE Annual Churchill Fire Brigade Presentation Night was held on Saturday 13th October at the Churchill Football Club Rooms. Members of the Brigade, their partners and family, neighbouring brigade representatives, members of the CFA hierarchy, two life members, and other local community members who have a special attachment to the brigade, attended as various awards were presented.

Long Service Awards were presented to Scott Randall for 12 years service and Anthony Gallagher for 25 years. Encouragement Awards went to Adam Beilby, Chris Gallagher.

Annual Pumping Awards were presented to: Steve Shankland, Adam Beilby - Two Man Marshalling Teams (Pumper); and Rodney Scale, Andrew Thompson - Two Man Marshalling Team (Tanker).

Graeme Renwick, Shane Renwick, Adam Beilby, Jacob Last, Nathan Renwick - Five Man Teams (Pumper) and Steve Shankland, Adam Beilby, Nathan Renwick, Chris Gallagher, Adam Bickley - Five man teams (Tanker).

Five Year Service Awards went to Adam Beilby, Graeme Beilby and Steve Shankland

A Ten Year Service Award was presented to Chris Gallagher

Rookie of the Year was Nathan Renwick
Shane Renwick was presented with the Annual Shane Renwick Special Man Award.

The Most Consistent Trophy- was won by Darren Devlin and the Captain's Trophy by Scott Randall

Firefighters of the Year were Darren Devlin, Shane Renwick.

Rob Langston was thanked and acknowledged for his fine efforts and time spent with the brigade over many years.

David Rankin of CFA Region 8, and Captain Steve Barling, both thanked the members for their wonderful efforts for the brigade and community over the past twelve months and extended their thanks to the partners, and families, for their support.

The Football Club supplied a lovely meal in the Clubrooms that were decorated with red and white balloons especially for the occasion.



Daniel from Boolarra Primary School proudly holds Boolarra's Rural Community of the Year Award

Boolarra Rural Community of the Year

BOOLARRA has been named 'Community of the Year' in the prestigious 2007 Victorian Regional Achievement and Community Awards.

and developed into a thriving town at the foothills of the Strzelecki Ranges. In recent years Boolarra has reinvented itself into a friendly and self reliant village. Congratulations Boolarra!

Boolarra began as a small railway stop

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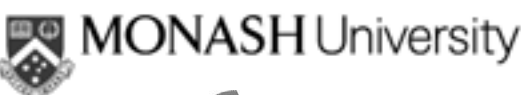


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Editorial

Community Newspaper Association of Victoria

The second annual conference of the Community Newspaper Association of Victoria (CNAV) took place in Lorne in October.

The Association began in 2003 with the aim of developing an active network to support the many community papers in Victoria and to raise the profile of community newspapers with all levels of government. The Association now has approximately 50 members from across Victoria.

The Conference was very lively and informative and included the presentation of eight awards. I am pleased to report that the Churchill & District News was a finalist in the 'Best Community Reporting' category.

This reminded me of the first editorial I wrote in November 2002 in which I quoted the Rev. Peter Arch, who founded the Churchill News in 1966:

'...it is your paper...You or anyone can contribute to it. All ideas and suggestions are welcome. The Editor would be most grateful for contributions.'

The Churchill News was presented with a certificate from the Association which we accept on behalf of all of those who contribute to the paper making it a great community paper!

Hard Waste Controversy

A lot has been said and written about the controversy surrounding the new hard waste system. Both Cr Darrell White and CDCA representative, Margaret Guthrie have their say on page 4.

The matter will again be before Council at their meeting on the 19th November and residents still able to contact the Council to have their say.

However, I also invite readers to forward their thoughts on the subject to us at the News, either via the webpage or by mail - we are interested to know what you think.

Junior Fishing Competition

The Churchill & District News will be hosting this years Junior Fishing Competition at Lake Hyland on 17th November. It is shaping up to be a great day.

Thanks to the hard work and commitment of the Mathison Park Committee the venue is terrific. It includes newly installed fishing platforms that are wheelchair accessible.

For more information on accessibility please ring either myself on 03 5122 2589 or Ruth on 03 5122 1961.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Reel Time Fishing Club who joined with the Churchill Angling Club were unable to organise the event this year.

The News Team were happy to step in - it is a great event - and we have been overwhelmed with the amount of support we have had to put it together. I am sitting here surrounded by prizes that have been donated!

The future of the competition, however is uncertain. If there is a group who would be willing to become involved please contact us at the News and maybe we can secure its future.

Latrobe Community Grants

A big Thanks to Latrobe City Council for their allocation of two grants to the Churchill and District News, one for the paper and one for next year's Churchill Festival!

As a not for profit organisation staffed entirely by volunteers this kind of assistance is invaluable.

Churchill Citizen and Young Citizen of the Year

Once again the Churchill & District Lions is calling for nominations for Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year. If you know of anyone who you think deserves to be recognised please put them forward - an entry form is on page 14.

Ed

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Churchill Lions Feed the Masses!

John Barker, Publicity.

THE Barry Sheene Memorial Bike Ride thundered into Morwell on Thursday 11th of October with 850 motor bikes in convoy en route to Phillip Island for the Australian MOTO Grand Prix.

The convoy started in Bairnsdale after being fed breakfast by the Lions Club of Bairnsdale, where it was flagged off by Australian Champion Mick Dooin. The convoy

headed out of town under police escort for their lunch stop at Kernot Hall, Morwell where the huge crowd was ably catered for by the Lions Club, Lioness Club, Lions Ladies and any helpers that could spare the time.

Last year the number of riders was estimated to be approximately 1000 and was definitely exceeded this year as the ride becomes more popular.

After a much appreciated lunch stop and a chance to stretch the legs, the convoy set off again under police escort for Phillip Island and all the fun and excitement of the Australian Grand Prix - which incidentally was won this year by another Australian, Casey Stoner.

The lunch stop is coordinated by Latrobe City and we thank them for inviting our Club to be the caterers once again for this great event.



This way guys!

Concert to highlight Parkinson's

PARKINSON'S is a common disease, with approximately one in every thousand people affected. It is a progressive, degenerative neurological condition that affects the control of body movement. Parkinson's disease is not contagious or fatal and can be managed so that those affected live long, independent lives.

Latrobe Community Health

Service (LCHS) facilitate a support group for those with Parkinson's disease and their families. The group, the Moe Movers and Shakers, meet regularly and offer emotional and practical support to each other.

In order to highlight and educate the community about Parkinson's disease, the Moe Movers and Shakers, along with LCHS and Latrobe City are holding a concert

by the Hillendale singers at the beautiful historic Toongabbie Hall on Sunday 18 November commencing at 2pm.

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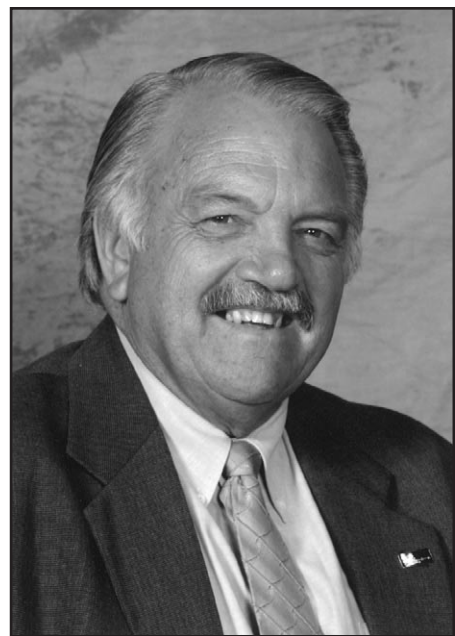
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Hard Waste Collection Service Cr Darrell White

in March 2006. The Project Group consisted of community representatives nominated by Advance Morwell, The Traralgon Chamber of Commerce; the Merton Ward Residents Association and the Churchill & District Community Association together with a number of Councillors and Officers.

The Project Group examined various options for Hard Waste removal giving consideration to service provision, the mitigation of risks, costs etc.

Subsequently, the Project Group reached consensus on recommending a model to Council that included the provision of Transfer Station Vouchers and an option of an "at-call" service at an additional cost. This model also provided a discount to pensioners who elect to utilise the "at-call" service. Council and the Project Group recognised that no service can be delivered "free".

Council adopted the Project Group's recommendations to introduce its proposed model and to monitor and review its implementation, at its meeting on 19th March, 2007.

Monitoring of the implementation of the Hard Waste service is already being undertaken, with a meeting of the Group having been held last

Tuesday, 30th October. The Group commenced reviewing the service by analysing data collected in relation to community feedback received, utilisation of Vouchers and bookings for the "at-call" service.

The outcome of the Group's review will be tabled at the Ordinary Council meeting to be held on 19th November, 2007. The review outcome will provide Council and the community with data and further recommendations in relation to the re-introduction of the Hard Waste service.

The community can provide their feedback on the Hard Waste service by clicking on the word "feedback" at the top of the Council's webpage: www.latrobe.vic.gov.au or by emailing latrobe@latrobe.vic.gov.au

Comments can also be made by mail to:

Latrobe City Council, PO Box 264, Morwell. 3840.

Churchill Skatepark Relocation

A Churchill Skatepark on-site meeting has been planned for Tuesday 20th November at 5.00pm to consider both the potential alternative locations for this facility, together with the types of features the new Skatepark could include. Contact has been made with the local Senior and Junior School Campuses to seek their support in publicising this meeting to encourage par-

ticipants attendance. The local representatives on the Latrobe City Youth Council have also been invited to be in attendance as well.

Latrobe City Council - Electoral Representation Review

Electoral representation reviews consider the number of Councillors and the internal electoral structures of local Councils. Each Victorian Council is reviewed separately before every second election. Members of the public and groups have had the opportunity to contribute submissions at set times in each review.

The Reviews aim to provide fair and equitable representation for voters.

Considerations include:

- *The "one vote, one value" principle;
- *Similar municipalities across Victoria;
- *Communities of interest;
- *Demographics;
- *Growth potential; and
- *Any special circumstances in the particular municipality.

This evening, the various groups and individuals who responded to the VEC's recently released Preliminary Report for Latrobe City Council, and who have requested to be heard, will have this opportunity, commencing from 6.30pm, in the Nambur Wariga

Room at the Council's Headquarters, 141 Commercial Road, Morwell.

A significant number will make presentations in their 10 minutes of allotted time.

Churchill & District Intergenerational Hub

Work on the design for the Churchill & District Intergenerational Hub is reaching its final stages. The floor plan for the building was "signed off" in August this year and over the past two months the architects along with community stakeholders and Latrobe City officers have been designing the more technical aspects such as fit-out and fittings, engineering and structural design.

A key aspect of the Hub design has been the use of environmentally sustainable design principles to reduce the impact of the building on the environment. These include solar hot water, photovoltaic cells to generate electricity, energy efficient lighting and air-conditioning, water recycling, and the use of environmentally friendly fabrics and paints.

The tender to construct the Hub is due to be advertised in the third week of November and it is anticipated that the successful builder will be chosen in time to commence construction in February 2008.

FOLLOWING is a "snapshot" of the sequence of events that has transpired within Council in its endeavours to contend with the community's stated desire for the re-introduction of a Hard Waste Collection Service.

Latrobe City Council ceased its previous Hard Waste Collection Service in June 2004 when the "three bin system" was introduced. There were concerns raised at the time about risk to the public such as trip hazards from Hard Waste left on roadsides; risk to workers handling large or bulky items inappropriately, and concerns for visual amenity and hygiene in the period preceding the collections.

To address community concerns in relation to the disposal of large items, Council put together a Project Group

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Hard Waste - CDCA Member of the Project Review Group

Margaret Guthrie, President
The introduction of Council's new Hard Waste Service has been quite controversial in some quarters and a number of rate-payers have expressed their dissatisfaction at being charged for tip vouchers that may not be used. Some have called for a refund on the \$24 that they have been charged.

The Council convened Hard Waste Project Review Group met at the end of October, as part of the Group's scheduled monitoring process. Concerns expressed by rate-payers opposed to the scheme were discussed in detail. Some 500 objections have been received by Council.

Some rate-payers have called for the immediate scrapping of Council's Hard Waste Service. All members of the Project Review Group agreed that it was too soon, after only a couple of months, to discontinue the service.

Other information at hand was also noted. Since the vouchers were distributed with the rates notices on September 3, more than 1800 of the vouchers have been handed in at the Transfer Stations as residents exchange the vouchers to dispose of their hard waste. Additionally, some 76 bookings have been made for the at-call service.

There are 27,000 rate-paying tenements in Latrobe City. The hard

waste vouchers have a bar-code, so that Council can identify the property for which they were issued. This is in order to identify take-up at both the Transfer stations and through the at-call service. The vouchers may be used by residents not living at the property address, which enables the vouchers to be sold or used by neighbours, friends and family willing to assist others with hard waste disposal.

The Project Group originally decided that all rate-payers should make a financial contribution for the provision of this service, just as all rate-payers make a contribution to the costs of providing other Council services such as kindergartens, libraries, park maintenance, etc, regardless of whether the service is utilised by the specific individual.

The costs of transfer station fees for hard waste and the provision of an at-call service were carefully calculated and the \$24 fee for 3 vouchers struck, along with the cost of the at-call service.

It was estimated that some 90% of vouchers might be used and so the remaining 10%, paid for but not utilised, would provide the funds needed to subsidise the at-call service to provide a concession rate for pensioners, who might be most in need.

It was also envisaged that landlords who are not residents would

either pass their vouchers on to tenants or use the vouchers to tidy properties and dispose of hard waste as needed. The Office of Housing, as landlord to a significant number of properties in Latrobe, has advised that vouchers are available for tenants to collect from the OoH Morwell office.

Members of the Project Review Group were unable to reach consensus on whether the scheme should immediately be adjusted to allow for refunds on unused vouchers. Some felt that, due to public opinion, Council should do this, whilst others felt that voucher use should be monitored for a longer period. It was also noted that any refunds introduced now would not only increase administrative costs, but threaten the viability of providing a pensioner concession rate for the at-call service.

The views of the Project Group members will be contained in the report to be presented to Council on 19th November. Ultimately, it will be Councillors who decide whether to maintain the current service or modify it in some way.

CDCA meetings are held monthly. Tea and coffee is supplied. All Churchill and district residents are most welcome. We can be contacted at P O Box 191, Churchill, or call the Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602 or email wc-bs@net-tech.com.au

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Students in Years 3-6 at Lumen Christi Primary School are currently studying civics and citizenship and I look forward to meeting with them in the coming days to answer their questions about the State Government and Parliament.

I'd also like to encourage people to get along to Yinnar on November 27th as the community hosts the participants of the 2007 Great Victorian Bike Ride overnight. I hope an enjoyable evening is had by all.

And finally, good luck to all participants in the Churchill and District News Junior Fishing Comp on November 17th. The lake was stocked with trout earlier this year through the government's Family Fishing Stock program so I hope you can catch that elusive "big one".

I extend my sincere congratulations to the Boolarra community and in particular, the Boolarra Community Development Group on being named 'community of the year'. Due recognition was received through the 2007 Regional Achievement & Community Awards and I hope each and every Boolarra resident shares in the sense of pride such an achievement should evoke.

The Hazelwood Pondage was once again placed on the radar of national sports enthusiasts last month, this time hosting the State Open Water Championships over two successful days.

The winner of the main event was Olympic champion, Grant Hackett and I am sure his involvement will assist in growing the event's stature over the



Lisa Schilling, Munier Schilling and Julia Auciello

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Careers Consultant at the Gippsland Campus, Lisa Schilling said, "Growing students self confidence, their oral and written communication skills and effectiveness to function ethically in work and community situations help produce a high-level graduate.

This event saw many highly motivated students from all campuses attend. The students found the program to be very informative and beneficial."

Day one of the program involved employers from local organisations

including Skilled, ASIC, McMillan Partners, Gippsland Water and Gippsland Jobs. Representatives from these organisation presented specific career topics focusing on resumes and applications, interview techniques, employability skills, graduate programs and job search strategies.

On day two mock interviews were conducted with students being interviewed by representatives from Gippsland Jobs, Gippsland Business Support, Kodak and Recruit Solutions.

"For some students this was their first opportunity to experience an interview and the advice they receive will assist enormously in the future. It can help in calming the nerves when you have an idea of how an interview will be conducted," Ms Schilling said.






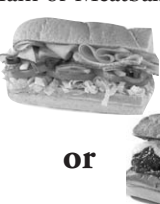
Ms Schilling added that for some

students, the Co-operative Education Program unique to the Gippsland Campus has already assisted in raising students employability skills as they receive paid work experience while they study.

The knowledge learned in the lecture theatre and laboratories can be put into practice in the workplace. Not only do the students gain the necessary experience in the workforce but the host employers are given access to highly enthusiastic, academically competent, job ready students.

Programs like the Co-operative Education Program and Career Essentials reinforces everything the students have been learning and feedback on the two day program by employers and students was very positive."



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Saturday Breakfast

The Breakfast was held on 27 October at the Co-Operating Churches. The guest speakers were Bret and Arch Van Berkel and they spoke about their experiences whilst walking the Kokoda Track in July this year.

Brett initially outlined the military aspects of the Kokoda campaign, giving details of the Australian forces and the tactics employed in fighting the Japanese. In July 1942 Japanese had landed at Buna and Gona on the Papuan north coast and a month later landed another force at Milne Bay. Their intention being to capture Port Moresby on the south coast and hence on to Australia. The barrier for them was the steep, rugged Owen Stanley Mountains crossed

only by a few foot tracks the most important being the Kokoda Track.

Arch spoke about the walk. They were accompanied by two of Brett's cousin and his brother Jie. It had particular significance for them because their grandfather had fought in the battles at Kokoda. They had their grandfather's army hat which they took turns in wearing on the walk.

The mountains were very steep and walking downhill was particularly difficult. They were in an organised group and were helped by about 81 local porters who carried food and equipment, etc. Not everyone completed the walk which required considerable fitness and endurance and they slept in tents and ate basic rations.

Their talk was supported by a hand-out, maps, photographs and a PowerPoint presentation which included photos of their walk.

The next Breakfast will be the final one for this year and will be held on 24 November at the Co-Operating Churches.

It will commence at 7.30am and Ian Hornibrook will be the guest speaker and the title of his talk will be 'How to Cope with a Project for Going Forward in the Church.' He will cover his experiences at the Mooroopna Presbyterian Church.

Please let Keith Enders know by Thursday 22 November if you are attending. Phone: 5122 1148. e-mail: kbenders@net-tech.com.au

Church Times

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Entry: \$5.00 per person Children Under 12 Free

Contact: Glenda: 5166 1819 or Robyn: 5166 1306

New KYB Group Starting

For any ladies interested, there will be a new KYB (Know Your Bible) study group starting up in Churchill. This is a non-denominational group, so everyone is welcome. There will be an initial coffee morning/get together on Tuesday November 20th at 10.30 am at 2 Matta Drive, Churchill. For further information, please call Jolonda Harvey on either 51 22 1983 or 0428 550189.



Churchill Carols by Candlelight

Sunday December 23

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Chaplaincy Contemplations

The rhythm of life continues at the University. Students have handed in their final assignments and are now doing their exams. Exam periods are a time of concern for many students who become deeply anxious. Others are quietly confident. For some students there are other challenging life events which impinge on their study time and make life difficult. Please keep all students in your prayers at this time.

As soon as the exams finish many overseas students are off home to spend time with their families before resuming next year and others are leaving us having completed their courses returning perhaps, for Graduation in March. The University recently held a special farewell for these students; a Graduation for those unable to return.

Spring is here and the birds are singing with beautiful songs and daylight saving gives us evening time to enjoy the outdoors and contemplate the beauty of creation.

The 1st November was All Saints day and the 2nd November All Souls day in the Church calendar.

It is good to pause and honour all the saints who have contributed so much richness to the Church and brought such diverse gifts to be used in the honouring of God, as the Body of Christ. We may pray that our hearts are touched and enlightened as God sends the Holy Spirit to bring us wisdom and deeper understanding about what it means to be a person of God.

We might ponder all the people who have died and are now with God who contributed to this little planet with love and a desire to understand.

The reading from the Gospel for All Saints day is Luke, Chapter 6, verses 20-31:

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

For yours is the kingdom of God.
 Blessed are you who are hungry now,
 For you will be filled.
 Blessed are you who weep now,
 For you will laugh.
 Blessed are you when people hate you,
 and when they exclude you, revile you,
 and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

But woe to you who are rich,
 For you have received your consolation."
 Woe to you who are full now,
 For you will be hungry.
 Woe to you who are laughing now,
 For you will mourn and weep.
 Woe to you when all speak well of you,
 For that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

This is a salutary reading in the light of the coming Federal Election and the appeal being made to our "hip pocket" with such a focus on the economy and tax cuts and a refusal to face climate change consequences based on a self-centred national view of what is best for this country economically rather than what is best for the

whole world and for our grandchildren and their children. Verse 31 has Jesus summing up how he wants those who can "listen", to live. "Do to others as you would have them do to you". He is asking us to love our enemies, to do good to those who hate us, to turn the other cheek and to give to others with generosity.

Our Australian society across the past ten years has become narrowly focussed on economics and self interest and has grown a long way from these ideals. Visiting students from other countries see our standard of living and our homes and the plentiful food and the space and marvel at what we have.

They don't see the farmers struggling with drought and the homeless people and the poor. They do see how much we take for granted what we have in this land.

We are an island and we can choose to see ourselves in isolated terms just focusing on what is "best" for us using narrow economic criteria and refusing to face the interconnectedness of all things.

We could choose to see ourselves as a society with the opportunity to focus on the social and environmental good and put in place the institutions and infrastructures which will support a socially equitable, just and loving society which can act as an example for other countries to follow.

Let us pray, at this time, for people to make choices which are based on love and equity, not greed.

Yours in pilgrimage
 AMEN

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





Bill Honoured for Community Service

Zelma Mildenhall

A happy crowd of friends gathered in the Jeeralang North Hall on Friday 28th September to enjoy old time dancing and support Mr Bill Mele

During the supper break Bill, President of the Hall Committee, was recognised for sixty-five years of community service. A Latrobe City 'Certificate of Recognition' was presented by Cr Doug Caulfield and a 'Thank You Certificate' was presented by Mr Bernie Mele on behalf of the Committee and friends.

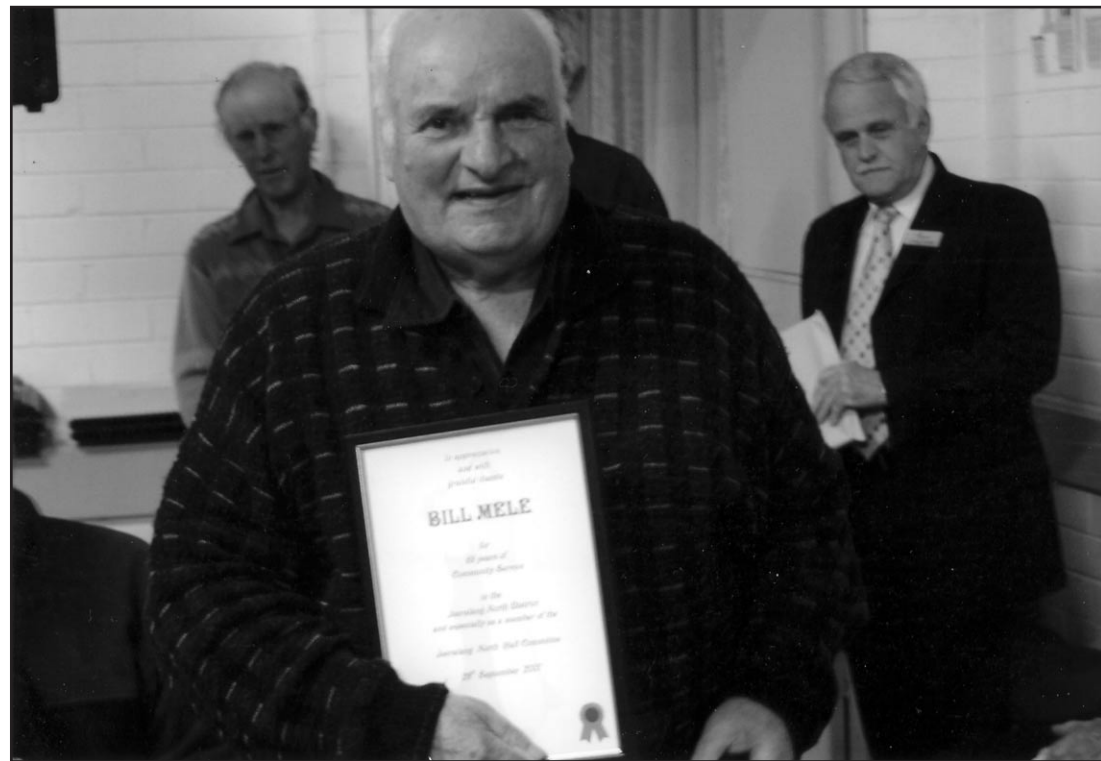
Bill has been a member of the Hall Committee since 1949 and

President from 1952, except for a three-year period from 1992-95. He was foreman when the hall was built in 1953. The cost of the completed hall and supper room was £1,395 /1/6. At the Grand Opening Ball on Friday 23 September 1955 Sir Herbert Hyland officiated. During Bill's time on the committee many improvements have been made. Power was connected in 1961, a toilet block added in 1979, a hall ceiling installed in early 1983, the kitchen remodeled in 1984, ceiling fans installed in 1991 and electric wall heaters in 2000. Prior to the hall ceiling the dance music was

often difficult to hear above the noise of heavy rain on the corrugated iron roof!

Bill has been a member of the Progress Association having held the position of secretary and later president. In 1977 he was elected to the Shire of Traralgon and served three terms as Shire President. He taught at local primary schools until he retired from teaching in 1959, and worked the family farm at Jeeralang North until recently.

Bill was celebrating his 85th Birthday and cut his cake for everyone to enjoy.



Guest Speaker at Eating Disorders Support Group

The next meeting of the Eating Disorders Support Group will be held on Tuesday 23rd October at 7-9 Seymour Street, Traralgon with a guest speaker from The Eating Disorders Foundation of Victoria. Helen Franks will talk about her role as a Family Support Worker, a new role which The Eating Disorders Foundation of Victoria has established as a point of contact for carers to gain support, informa-

tion and referrals, as well as her own personal experience of caring for a loved one with an eating disorder.

Liz Jones, Community Health Nurse with Latrobe Community Health Service explains "Supporting a person experiencing an eating disorder can be lonely and very frustrating as these disorders are very complex. It is essential for carers and families to have strong

support networks in order to cope and to provide the best possible care for their loved ones and to ensure their own wellbeing."

Seats are limited and there is a small fee of \$5 to cover the expenses of the guest speaker. To register for attendance please contact Liz Jones on 51711407 as soon as possible.

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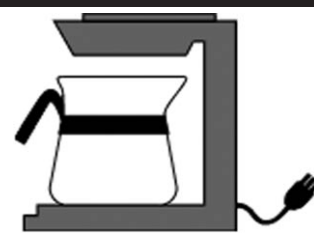
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Traralgon Combined Probus Club

The monthly meeting of the Probus Club of Traralgon Combined Inc. will be held at the Traralgon Tennis Club, Franklin St. Traralgon on Monday the 19th of November at 10am.

The speaker will be Joyce Burney, who is well known locally for her travel business and her her trip organization ability.

Joyce will include details of other facets of her life, such as her hobbies, charity work, physical fitness and family activities.

All visitors are welcome. The meeting will finish about noon and will be followed by lunch at a local venue.

For more information please ring David Tuck on 03 5174 6681.



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Churchill & District Events Calendar

Saturday 17th November

Churchill & District News
Junior Fishing Competition
Lake Hyland, Churchill

Sunday 18th November

Concert to Highlight Parkinson's Disease
2pm
Toongabbie Hall

Tuesday 20th November

Churchill Skatepark Meeting
5pm
Churchill Skatepark

Friday 25th November

Christmas Old Time Dance
8.00pm - 11.30pm
Jeeralang North Hall

Tuesday 27 November

Great Vic Bike Ride
Overnight Stop at Yinnar

Saturday 1st December

Churchill Community Christmas Celebration
9am - 1pm
Courtyard Area
Westplace Shopping Centre, Churchill

Sunday 9th December

Christmas Carols Evening
8.00pm
Hazelwood North Hall
Church Road, Hazelwood North

Sunday 23rd December

8pm
Churchill Community Carols by Candlelight
Monash University Amphitheatre

New Year's Eve

Old Time Dance
8pm - 12.30pm
Jeeralang North Hall



Christmas Celebration by Churchill Primary Schools

Students from primary schools in Churchill will soon take part in a colorful Christmas celebration in the heart of Churchill.

The Churchill Advent Pageant on Friday 30th November will see students from Churchill schools invited to join together with the community in a Christmas celebration which aims to bring children into the heart of the community in a colorful, exciting and meaningful celebration of Christmas.

The pageant is organised by Fusion Australia, with the support of primary schools, local Christian churches and the Churchill District Community Association. Volunteers from these groups will be participating on the day.

Students will meet together behind the Churchill Saloon Bar at 11.30am before parading up through the car park and shopping centre, and back to the Saloon.

Along the way the Christmas

story will be re-enacted with participation from the students and local traders. After the parade, students are invited to take the stage for a Christmas performance for the whole community. Everyone is welcome to then participate in a free family festival and barbecue lunch.

"This is a great opportunity for the community to work together to bring the children into the limelight.

We want them to be the stars of the show as we celebrate the beginning of the Christmas season," said Liz Sulley, Kurnai College Chaplain and member of the Churchill Advent Pageant coordination group.

Fusion Australia is a national youth and community organisation and has been working in the Latrobe Valley since the 1970s.

Fusion works with many local communities across Australia each year to run Advent pageants, with the aim of strengthening communities through shared celebrations.

The Churchill Advent Pageant will link up with other pageants as part of a national radio broadcast via the Community Radio Satellite service.

The Churchill Advent Pageant will begin at 11.30am at the Saloon Bar where students will assemble. There will be opportunity for photos as students parade through the shopping centre and return to the Saloon Bar. The event will conclude at approximately 1.30pm.

For more information please contact Fusion on 5134 6922.



Churchill & District Lioness Club

Margaret Dawson

At their October meeting the Lionesses were delighted to receive letters of thanks from patients for the hospital packs which they supply to Latrobe Regional Hospital for people admitted at short notice or for those who for one reason or another have been unable to bring toiletries with them. The small knitted outfits for premature babies are also well received and further supplies of those and especially the little knitted rugs are requested.

Talking about knitting - again - they have received a kind donation of 838 knitted squares from the Midlands Day Centre in Ballarat through friends Bev and Pauline. It will be all hands on deck one night in November to convert all those pieces into lovely warm rugs for our project Rugs 4 Kids.

The Barry Sheene Bike Ride kept the Lionesses busy too. Hundreds of bikers had a short stop for lunch at the Kernot Hall, Morwell on the way from

Bairnsdale to Phillip Island on Thursday 11 October. In partnership with the Churchill and District Lions they prepared lunch for hundreds of bikers and partners. So, 20 loaves of sandwiches and 100 baked potatoes later the Lionesses felt they could put their feet up - after they had helped clean up of course.

At their October meeting they were pleased to have guest speakers from Fusion which is an interdenominational Christian not for profit organisation originally established by churches in Bathurst, NSW to assist youth in their community.

The guests speakers, Geraldine, Lorraine, Liz and Ian attended the October meeting to tell the Lionesses about the work of Fusion Gippsland. Some of the activities Fusion support and sponsor are Breakfast Clubs at 3 local school venues, Captain Midnight radio programme and other general youth programmes within the Latrobe Valley. They obtain funding through donations from Clubs, individuals,

government grants, churches and philanthropic organisations. Most of their workers are volunteers.

Lorraine talked about her work with the Captain Midnight Radio programme and Liz who is a part paid Chaplain spoke about some of her work within the 3 schools i.e. youth assertiveness and the youth mentoring programme, Plan It.

Geraldine spoke about the Breakfast Club and what it entails, the benefits of supporting young people who are not in a position to arrange their own breakfast but more importantly of the social interaction and support they enjoy by participating.

They advised there is a Xmas pageant being held in Churchill on Friday 30 November 2007 from 11.15a.m. and that they are hoping for the schools in the area to take part.

All members were very interested and had lots of questions.

Latrobe Residents Affected by Cancer Urged to Call Helpline

The Cancer Council Victoria is encouraging Shire of Latrobe residents who are concerned about cancer to call The Cancer Council Helpline on 13 11 20.

Latest Cancer Council statistics show more than 340 Shire of Latrobe residents are diagnosed each year, with bowel, prostate and breast cancer representing almost 40% of these new cases.

The Cancer Council Helpline is a free and confidential service where people can talk with a cancer nurse regarding their concerns about cancer. Callers can also receive cancer information and be put in touch with local support services.

Dr Amanda Hordern, Deputy Director of the Cancer Information and Support Service at the Cancer

Council said the Cancer Council Helpline provided an opportunity for people living in regional Victoria to talk to a qualified cancer nurse in their own time.

"We are encouraging people to call and speak with our cancer nurses, particularly those in rural and regional areas as they may not have access to doctors and other health professionals in their home town," Dr Hordern said.

"Receiving a cancer diagnosis is an overwhelming experience and many people find it a very confusing and difficult time. Our cancer nurses are here to listen and provide information and support when it is needed most.

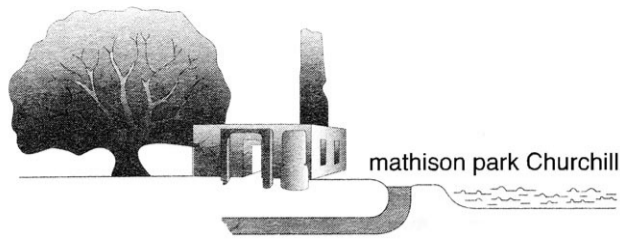
"We don't provide individual medical advice; we provide accurate

information to help callers make an informed choice and always refer callers back to their treating doctor for further discussion.

"We can also link people up to support services in their area or with Cancer Connect volunteers who have been through a similar experience," Dr Hordern said.

"The Cancer Council Helpline gives people the opportunity to ask anything they like and while remaining completely anonymous and confidential."

The Cancer Council Victoria's Cancer Council Helpline advertising campaign is now running on print and radio in regional Victoria for four weeks.



mathison park Churchill



Pterostylis_nutans

Special Plants in Mathison Park

Ken Harris

Mathison Park is mostly land cleared for farming and only recently turned into a park with many native bush species. There is however one little area, the strip along the edge of Tramway Road that still has a remnant of native vegetation. Among the special plants in this area are 11 different species of native lilies and also 5 different species of native orchids.

Two of the orchids are attractive flowers. The Nodding Greenhood Pterostylis nutans is not colourful being only green, but is such an unusual shape for a flower, with a green hood that nods forward. These grow in a dense patch in one spot in the Park.

The other orchid of note is the Wallflower Orchid or Donkey Orchid Diuris corymbosa. It gets the name Wallflower Orchid from the wallflower-like colour of the flowers and the name Donkey Orchid from the two dorsal sepals that stand up prominently like donkey's

ears.

These occur as scattered plants in the remnant vegetation along Tramway Road and it is a delight to find one in flower in the springtime.



Diuris Corymbosa

Local Laws, Fire Hazards and other information



By Margaret Guthrie, Treasurer

Latrobe City's Manager of Local Laws, Peter Fraser, attended our October meeting. Peter advised us that his officers have already commenced property inspections in Churchill, issuing notices for the removal of fire hazards.

Due to the number of complaints received in previous years and the number of properties Council identified as posing fire hazards, the Local Laws Dept decided to target Churchill first this year, before inspecting any other areas in Latrobe. 4 or 5 officers have been doing 'drive-around inspections' since the end of October.

Long grass allowed to grow unchecked at this time of year creates a fire hazard in warm weather. Long grass on vacant blocks around suburban properties also provides a perfect habitat for snakes.

Officers may issue 14 day notices for the removal of fire hazards. At the end of this period, if the hazard remains, a \$205 fine may be issued.

The land may then be cleared by Council contractors and the cost billed to the property owner.

Peter also explained that Local Government is unable to serve notice on a State Government authority, so land owned by the Office of Housing may not be served with 'Fire Hazard Removal' notices.

Instead, the Office of Housing, as Landlord, inspects its own properties and contacts tenants who are required to clean up their property. Housing Services Officers have already commenced their inspections and begun contacting tenants whose yards pose a fire hazard. Peter advised that Council has developed a good working relationship with the Office of Housing and identified OoH properties, including vacant land. Those pose a fire danger are attended to reasonably promptly.

Council also receive a high number of complaints from the Churchill area regarding dogs 'off the property'. Fines may be issued to owners for dogs found to be roaming the streets and the animal may be impounded if caught by Local Laws officers. Likewise, owners of unregistered animals may be fined, along with owners who keep more than two dogs or cats, unless they have a permit to do so or are a registered breeder.

Officers will be conducting a 'door knock' for unregistered animals early next year. The fine for having an unregistered dog or cat is \$205. Council is introducing compulsory micro-chipping for newly registered pets so that, in time, all registered animals will be micro-chipped, allowing for easy identification of owners.

only a \$20 pound release fee, instead of an \$80 fee.

The Council pound, in Driffield Rd Morwell, is open each week day from 9 - 9.30am and 4.30 - 5pm.

Stray animals may be taken to the pound at these times and owners may inspect the pound for lost animals. Alternatively, Council provides a photo gallery of animals held at the pound on its web page, so the animals may be viewed on-line.

When asked about dog-poo on nature strips and footpaths, Peter advised that owners of offending animals may be issued with an on-the-spot fine of \$25.

He advised that residents who encounter this problem on their doorstep should take photos of the dog 'in the act', in order to provide evidence! Owners who walk their dogs are required to clean up their dog's waste matter.

Council is also considering how to tackle the problem of nuisance trail-bike riders. Peter recently visited Frankston Council, where they have introduced measures to deal with this problem.

Under new Frankston By-Laws, bikes may be confiscated and a \$500 fine is issued to the offender. If the fine is paid within 7 days the bike is released after 6 months, but if the fine isn't paid then the bike is not returned at all.

Council's Local Laws officers are on call 7 days a week and Peter himself takes all after-hours emergency calls to Council.

During business hours, contact Council on 1300 367 700 and ask for Local Laws. The Council's after hours emergency number is (m) 0408 512 953

For more information about GRG or any of our activities, please telephone 5122 2997 or (m) 0407 876 443. GRG can also be contacted at PO Box 245, Churchill 3842 or by emailing g_r_g_inc@hotmail.com



A subsidised micro-chipping day will be held this month. It will cost only \$25 to have your pet micro-chipped. Should the animal later be impounded, there is

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Looking Back...

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The First Butchers in Churchill- Tony and Kay Radford

By Ruth Place

Tony and Kay Radford were Churchill's first butchers and first to open a shop in the town. I was invited to meet Tony and Kay at their business, McDonalds in Traralgon, where over a latte they told me about their family and their lives.

Tony's Mother Mary Henderson was born at Lake Boga and is still living at 93 years of age. She married James Radford (dec. 1968) from Sydney. James was born and grew up in Sydney where he went from primary and secondary education, on to Teachers' College. He came to teach at Balranald State School. Mary, at that time, was living near Stoney Crossing, where she had been educated.

James and Mary met, probably at a local dance, and grew to know and love each other, leading to their marriage in Balranald. They had seven children- the twins Margaret and Yvonne, James (dec) Adrian, Tony, Mary (Willaton) and Therese.

From Balranald, the family moved to Swan Hill, then Yallourn, where James secured a job at the SEC. He rose through the position of Director of Fuel Supply to become Senior Manager at Yallourn.

Kay was born in the western District, one of two children.

From Hamilton, the family moved to Morwell. On one occasion when Kay went to a Younger Set dance at Hernes Oak, she met Tony. They didn't take long to decide that they were meant for each other and were married in Yallourn at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in January 1964. Father Frank O'Reagan officiated.

Married life was started in Morwell where Catherine was born, the following year.

Tony had become a qualified butcher after doing an apprenticeship with Latrobe Meat Supplies. Kay had a job as Secretary at Kelly Bros. Motors. Tony later changed to Witson's Butcher.

It was while he was walking down Gude's Arcade in Morwell one day, that he saw Bert Harvey. Bert and his wife were one of Churchill's first resident families. He told Tony that the Housing Commission was wanting shopkeepers to come and occupy the shops built in their new shopping centre in Churchill. He strongly suggested that Tony apply for the Butcher's Shop position.

Tony was only 25 years old he recalls. He had one daughter, and Kay working. They had bought and paid for a block of land in Morwell. Kay's wage had allowed them to pay it off in 38 weeks. They were planning to build a split level house on it. Tony pondered on the suggestion of Bert as he went home that night after work. He and Kay sat down and discussed the pros and cons and decided to give it a go!

Tony stated the Housing Commission had predicted that Churchill would grow by 200 new houses a year. There would be a helipad and other wonderful facilities. It would be a wonderful opportunity. Of course it didn't happen!

An application was lodged with the Housing Commission, who accepted their proposal, saying they were the ideal young couple for a young town.

These following memories were recalled with great fun and fondness. Eyes lit up and smiles appeared as the memories came flooding back of these hard, but happy times, and the faces of folks in Churchill. Times that have, I

would say, contributed to colouring their approach to life since then.

In the beginning of their time at Churchill Butchery, they lived in their Commercial Road home in Morwell. On Monday morning, John Keating from Yallourn North would give Tony a lift to Churchill. They had no car. Tony stayed with his sister Mary and her husband Brian Willaton at Jeeralang Junction, for the rest of the week. Brian would drop Tony off and pick him up from work.

Kay came out on the bus, with the baby, to help with the book work. She also made

who needed it, say if unexpected visitors arrived. As long as it was replaced all was well. Tony reassured me they did not do sly grog! Ross kept his medications in the fridge also, until he was able to afford one for himself.

Tony's day started at 4am and finished at 6pm. Everything was cut up by hand. After a while he was able to afford a band saw which cut two hours off his work load. After three years Tony took on an apprentice- Steven Harvey. When Tony's day was over, he walked home with Ross Ollquist. There were no street lights. Kay used to talk about getting a garden



sausages and mince steak and served in the shop. They kept a cot in the spare toilet for the baby.

Soon the family shifted into a Housing Commission house, at 42 McDonald Way. They had sheets at the windows at first, until Kay's Mum sent money to buy curtains. Kay and a girlfriend lacquered the floor. Tony's Dad bought them a heater.

The other two children were born while the family was in Churchill. Catherine was born in 1965, Jim in 1967, and Michelle in 1969. All three were born at the old Morwell Hospital, now St. Hilary's Nursing Home.

To start with there were few customers, although they had 29 the first day. Gwen Harvey, wife of Bert, came to help them decide if the sausages they had made were good. She bought 2 pounds, took them home and cooked them, returning to say they were good.

Kay was responsible for the banking of the shop money. This had to be done in Morwell, as the State Bank in Churchill would not deal with business accounts. She went on the bus with the three children, to achieve this.

There was no phone on at the shop until later. Tony's Dad died in 1968. Jimmy O'Brien came to the shop and got Tony, driving him to Morwell. There were no phones in the houses in McDonald Way either. Kay recalls that Tony was away for 10-12 hours with no communication link, something which causes no concern in this age on mobile phones!

Tony recalls they used to hide their sausages in the back of the fridge as they contained too much meat for the regulations. The Health Inspector used to come and check!!

Two dozen bottles of beer were always kept in Tony's fridge and were available to anyone

going, but Tony's retort was that he couldn't see the yard as he went to work in the dark and returned in the dark. It was of no consequence to him.

Tony was prepared to open on Sundays for people who had unexpected visitors and needed some extra meat.

Kay delivered meat in the pusher after 4pm, if people required. After they bought a car in 1969, Kay would parcel up the remaining meat of a Saturday morning's

trade, and rather than see it wasted, deliver it to families around town.

Families and individual customers quickly remembered include the Doctor from New Zealand, the Woodbridges who lived up in the hills, Mrs. J.A. Moore, The Farleys, Lindsay Willaton, Kath Tanian, Vi and Jeff Biram, Mrs. Bonner-Morgan, Mary and Jack Fox, Bill ??? who became a councilor, Isobel and Maurice Leeson, the Spains and Answerths. Tony and Kay were anxious to not miss anyone, but qualified that by saying it was 40 years ago, and they were sure they would think of others if given time. Tony stated that the local farmers were great customers and supporters of the business. Kay would deliver meat to the out-of-towners once they bought their car. She remembers going to one customer and staying for a chat. But the headlights being left on meant a flat battery when it came time to depart.

Radford's Butcher shop supplied all the meat for the SEC Social Club Car Rallies. It meant staying up all night to make up to 3000 hamburgers and 2000 snags. They also had the contracts for the SEC Christmas parties. The Hazelwood Football Club was supplied with hot dogs. Hazelwood Fishing Club used Tony's scales to weigh the fish caught in competitions.

Tony was called upon to be Father Christmas.

The family went to Mass, upstairs in what is now the old Shopping Centre, where the Butcher shop was then. Tony was a member of the Committee to form the parish of Lumen Christi. He and another man were responsible for setting up the fold-up altar ready for Mass. Kay was with the Catholic Mum's Committee. They both marveled at the number of children who attended Mass then. Tony started naming all the families in McDonald Way and we added up the number of children. It was 26, just in one street!

Kay recalls that getting ready for Mass with three young children, necessitated preparation beginning the night before. The children's fringes were trimmed and the car was washed. Mrs Simpson was given a ride to Mass.

Their children went to school at Sacred Heart in Morwell. Three drivers- Mary O'Reilly, Ann Van Rhine and Kay, took it in turns to drive the children to school. Kay was often terrified driving the car in Winter as Monash Way would flood when Eel Hole Creek would pass over, as well as under the road near Acacia Way. She was sure that they would be washed away. But it never happened she says with relief. During that time Kay became involved with Sacred Heart School, hearing the children read.

Later after they moved from Churchill Kay had the opportunity to become an Integration Aide at Sacred Heart, to a little boy with muscular dystrophy. She fondly remembers the times they had together learning and having fun.

The early days of Churchill were remembered as days when nearly everyone joined in the social activities, reached out to help each other, bought things for families if they were going shopping in Morwell, offered a ride if someone was walking, baby sat each other's children and made helping each other a two way support. Churchill was a small community where everyone was equal and all were battling to improve the town. Tony and Kay say they had no complaints! For social occasions the Radford's always supplied the meat. Kay remembers organising a Dinner Dance at Yinnar with prawns three layers deep on the tables. It had never been seen before!

It was a great time in the Radford's lives being a young married couple in a young town. They recall things that were done which they say would not be acceptable now with today's rules and regulations. Tony said "We were happy rogues having happy times". It was a busy life but a satisfying one.

Two further incidents came to mind. Kay says she took herself to hospital in a taxi when Michelle decided to be born. Tony tells of having a growth on his eye.

He went to work and cut up as much meat as he could before taking a taxi to hospital where the doctor cut off the growth. He then returned to work and proceeded with the rest of his working day.

Ross and Elizabeth Ollquist were good friends whose services were called upon several times for Michelle, who seemed to get into some interesting situations.

Once she swallowed a three pence coin and was going blue. They rushed her into Ross who called an ambulance and took her to hospital where it was extracted. Another occasion, she caught her toe in a hinge and needed Ross's help again.



A Churchill & District History Series

Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



During their time in Churchill, Kay was President of the Watson Park Kinder Committee. The committee organised fetes at the park between Fraser Crescent and White Parade, to raise much needed funds.

Tony became a member of the Churchill Citizens Association.

The Radfords moved back to Morwell after five years. Tony had received an offer too good to refuse. They took over the Milkbar opposite the Town Hall on the corner of Hazelwood Rd and Commercial Rd. Then Tony was asked by the SEC to close down Rockmans in Yallourn. The next venture was AJ Shoes in Morwell, Traralgon and Sale, with Lace Up and Button Up in Traralgon. A significant move then came with the buying of McDonalds in Morwell. This followed with the purchase of Traralgon, Bairnsdale, Sale, Moe and Warragul. They have been with McDonalds for 27 years. Traralgon is the only one retained now.

In that twenty-seven years, the Radfords have experienced a life which revolved around family, work and charities. Kay says they have been given a unique opportunity to be locals supporting their local community.

"It is no big deal to share and put back into the community which supports the business," says Kay. Their business has supported local football and other sporting clubs.

Their success with running charity events has been an example to others, and has also

involved them with other charities. It has given them a lot of satisfaction and enjoyment.

Kay was an inaugural member for Ronald McDonald Children's Charities, and also Friends at Parkville, for 17 years.

Balls were run at Crown Palladium with 1000 plus guests raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for the Ronald McDonald Children's Charities.

Tony received a Grace Award for outstanding commitment to the community in 1992.

He was on the Ronald McDonald Board at Monash, for 7 years. To be part of that board, you must own three or more McDonalds operations. This board caters for people who come to Dandenong area for cancer treatment. 82% of those were from Gippsland.

Tony and Kay received an award which conducted them into the Hall of Fame in Sydney, in 1995. Only one operator per year is chosen. It is awarded for their work with these charities.

Tony also received the Ronald Award which is the highest award to be received in the industry.

For the last 6-7 years, Kay has become heavily involved with Rotary. She wears three hats. One as member of the Board of Management for Gippsland Centenary House, two as the Chairperson for Fundraising for the Gippsland Centenary House and three as Immediate Past President of Hazelwood and District Rotary Club. She was the first woman

to be appointed President.

Kay had been to a conference in the Western District and had called at the Ballarat Centenary House to see how it worked. On return she aired the idea by speaking to Ken Peake about having a Centenary House here in the Latrobe Valley to compliment the new Cancer Care Centre to be built at Latrobe Regional Hospital. Ken Peake was very encouraging, suggesting she take it to the current Chair of the Board of Management. The Board gave its commitment to this massive undertaking, backing the idea fully. Heather Beaton, Tony and Kay went to see Felix Pintardo, the CEO of the Latrobe Regional Hospital to also sow the seed of the idea. He thought it was an excellent move.

Tony was able to secure \$100,000 from Ronald McDonald Children's Charities, and so the venture got under way.

Ken Peake was President of the Latrobe Group of Rotary Clubs. He mooted the idea to them and they all came on board. The result has been massive fundraising events, with Centenary House now up and operating, assisting the patients and their families attending the Cancer Care Centre for treatment.

Kay and Tony are very proud of their three children and the success they have made of their lives. Each one has followed in their footsteps owning McDonald's outlets.

Michelle runs three businesses in South

Australia, organising balls with up to 700 guests and raising up to \$200,000 profit. Jim is in Sale.

From primary school at Sacred Heart they went on to secondary schooling.

Catherine went to Lowdes in Traralgon, Michelle went to Gippsland Grammar as a boarder, and James (Jim), went to Xavier College in Melbourne as a boarder.

Catherine is married to Darren Cowell and they have two children Kayla and Joel.

Michelle is married to John Walsh with daughter Kate, and Jim is married to Helena Li.

Tony and Kay have certainly put back much into their communities which have benefited greatly. They both say they have received many fold more for themselves by doing what they have done. There is a real sense of satisfaction by giving to, and supporting your community. But they have also enjoyed travel with McDonalds to the World Wide Conference in Monte Carlo, as well as to Australasian Conferences in Hong Kong, New Zealand and Fiji. These are wonderful occasions with up to 30,000 people in attendance.

It is lovely to think that this work began when they were part of our community of Churchill, as shopkeepers and residents. It is also great to know that Kay is still involved and supportive of our Hazelwood and District Rotary Club.

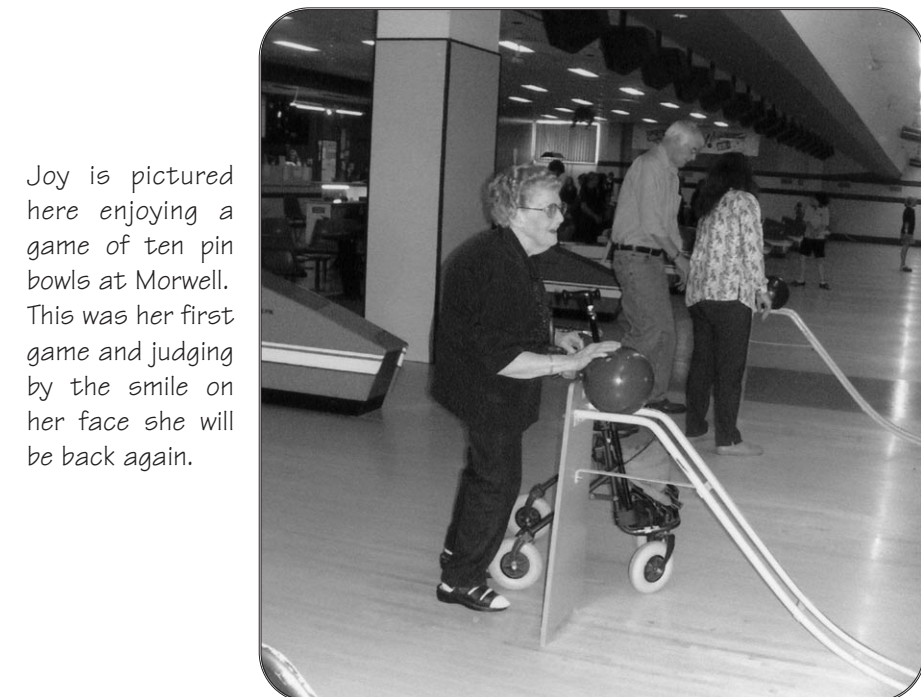
Hazelwood House Happenings



Some of the residents have joined the Tuesday Power House Club at the Morwell R.S.L. Pictured left are residents wearing their 'Melbourne Cup Day' hats.



As a fundraiser the hostel held a bag party where residents, staff and families were able to view a large range of handbags, beauty cases and children's items. There were some great Christmas ideas.



Joy is pictured here enjoying a game of ten pin bowls at Morwell. This was her first game and judging by the smile on her face she will be back again.



The Cooking Group at work decorating biscuits with icing and sprinkles

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Monash Gippsland Primary Education Interns on Display

Monash University Gippsland Campus held their annual Primary Education Expo last week. Members of the educational community were invited to meet fourth year Primary Education students and view the work they had undertaken as part of a comprehensive internship program at local and international schools.

Heather Dawes, spokesperson for the Expo said that feedback was particularly positive with this years being the biggest ever. "The level of involvement was wonderful and really demonstrated how students had developed professionally throughout their degree. Part of the students unit work was to plan, implement and evaluate the validity and effectiveness of a particular area of teaching and learning within their internship."

As well as the 23 student exhibits, many external stall holders were also in attendance including representation from Recruitment agencies for teaching overseas, Unions, Educational resource providers, Education associations Government Departments.

Visitors were interested in discussing with the interns their placement experiences at places like the Cook Islands and Maningrida in Arnhem Land.

Monash Gippsland Primary Education students Ineke Vanvliet from Morwell, Kate Stranger, Rosebud and Abbey McKenna,

Churchill experienced teaching at the Cook Islands as part of their placement. These schools did not have access to the resources we take for granted, so it was up to the interns to be innovative in their teaching strategies. The experience also gave them an understanding of teaching and mixing in a different culture and country.

Ineke said of her time on the Cook Islands, "It was a life changing experience for me, especially the two weeks on the small island of Aitutaki where I not only taught the children but I also lived with one of the local families."

Abbey had an equally meaningful placement stating "This was a great experience for me as I realised how resourceful I could be and quickly set up a network of assistance". The children love to come to school but it is different to the strict environments of uniforms and schoolyards we are used to in Australia. The children come to school in bare feet and the local chooks and dogs are also part of the everyday life at school. I still keep in touch with the teacher and children."

Kate will never forget the people and the children who were so welcoming, beautiful and friendly. Kate said, "I am returning to Rarotonga to visit everyone again. I ask you, who wouldn't want to work on a tropical island."

Kylie Clarke who undertook her

place in Arnhem Land said, "I felt so privileged to be part of the first intake at Maningrida, I really encourage any students who are thinking about an alternate placement to take advantage of the remote teacher placement as a way of experiencing a unique and rich cultural experience."

Most students undertook their internships at local schools including Liddiard Road and Grey Street Primary as well as Moe South, Trafalgar, Yinnar South, Yarram and Foster.

All graduating interns displayed and shared their innovative ideas in order to pool resources, new ideas and knowledge for effective use in classrooms as they begin their new teaching professions. The delivery of exciting programs in Music, Engineering, Science and The Arts, Health, Physical Education and research on various teaching strategies and demonstrated creative ways of facilitating Literacy and Mathematics will benefit future students. All programs were in relation to teaching and learning and included the integration and implementation of the new Victorian Essential Learning Standards.

Sponsors for the event included Bunnings Warehouse, Bakers Delight, Olivers Butchery Mid Valley Morwell and the Australian Education Union.



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2008 CHURCHILL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

NOMINATION FORM

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

NOMINATION FOR (Please tick appropriate box):

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Young Citizen of the Year Award
Must be 18 years or under on 26 January 2008.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Citizen of the Year Award.

DETAILS OF THE PERSON BEING NOMINATED:

Surname: Other Names:
 Private Address:
 Occupation: Telephone Private: Business:
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THE PERSON IS BEING NOMINATED FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY IN:

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TO BE COMPLETED BY PERSON SUBMITTING NOMINATION:

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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

FORM TO BE RETURNED TO:

The Secretary
 Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc
 PO Box 110
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COMPLETED FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY:

FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2007

Lions Club Citizen Awards 2008

John Barker, Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc.
 For several years, the Lions Club of Churchill & District Incorporated have been responsible for organising and running a community function for Australia Day in Churchill involving citizens of Churchill and especially our youth.

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

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

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

The awards will be supplied and presented by the Lions Club of Churchill and District at the Churchill Australia Day Ceremony on 26th January 2008.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc Young Citizen of the Year Award - applicants must be 18 years or under on 26th January 2008.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc Citizen of the Year Award - open to all applicants over the age of 18 years on 26th January 2008.

The closing date for all applications is Friday 18th November 2007.

Nominations for Latrobe City's Australia Day awards invited

Nominations are being invited for Latrobe City's Australia Day community awards. The Awards will be presented on Australia Day 2008, and will recognise some of the outstanding individual and group contributions being made to the community.

The awards, as in previous years, comprise Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, and Community Event of the Year. However, this year a new category has been announced - 'Community Award of the Year', which will be presented to a citizen or group who has performed outstanding community services in the local community.

Nominations are being invited for the following Australia Day community awards in 2008:

Citizen of the Year recipients are people who have demonstrated through their hard work and dedication that they provide a significant contribution to the community in the current year or over a number of years. They also need to demonstrate outstanding leadership skills and/or are a role model for their community members or organisations; and excel in one of the areas of community service, in arts or culture, sport and recreation, business or the environment.

The Young Citizen of the Year recipient must be under 25 years of age or under on 26 January 2008; and is someone who either lives, works or attends an educational institution within the municipality; and has either made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or has given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

The Community Event of the Year recognises a person or group which has staged a noteworthy community event within the municipality during the past year, while demonstrating that they are a community event and not a profit making venture.

The Community Service award for the Year is awarded to a resident or community group which has demonstrated that they have performed outstanding community service to the local community, either during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years. Nominated community groups must be able to demonstrate that they meet a community need or priority and have provided exceptional service to the community; that they are not-for-profit community based groups which consist of four or more members; and that they operate within the municipality.

Nomination forms for all awards can be downloaded from the Latrobe City website on www.latrobe.vic.gov.au/australiaday or from one of the Latrobe City's service centres, in Moe, Morwell and Traralgon. Further information can be obtained from Latrobe City, telephone 1300 367 700. Nominations close 5pm, Friday 16 November 2007.

CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS



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Hazelwood North Primary School



Hazelwood North Idol

On the last day of term three we held our Hazelwood North Idol Finals. It was amazing how so many people had great talent and could sing confidently in front of the whole school. There were four sections: years prep -two, three-four, five-six and open duets.

After the idol competition had finished years four and five show cased their stop motion animations. The school community got to see how we are not only talented musically, but we also

have excellent computer animation skills.

The morning was exhilarating for many of our talented students. The grade six did an excellent job at organizing it with the assistance of Mrs Szwarek.

By Caitlin, Stacey and Mark.

Enrolments for 2008

Enrolments for 2008 are still being accepted. Parents are most welcome to telephone the

school 51661267 to arrange for a chat with principal Ian Drysdale and a tour of the school.

Phillip Island Camp

Our Year 3 and 4 students have a three day camp at Phillip Island in November. There are many activities planned, including a visit to the Penguin Parade and to the Wonthaggi Coal Mine.

RACV Energy Breakthrough

A group of sixteen Year 5 and Year 6 students will be participating in the RACV Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough later in November. Teams of eight students pedal the vehicles for a total of fourteen hours.

Students also make a team oral presentation and also need to learn about the technical aspects of the vehicle.



Human Powered Vehicles (H.P.V)

At Hazelwood North Primary School some students have been very lucky to participate in the Human Powered Vehicle race at Maryborough.

To prepare for the race we have been doing four hour practices on Thursdays from 1 o'clock pm to 5 o'clock at night. We practice at the go-cart track in Morwell.

We have also raced in different weather, like really hot days some cold days and a day in some rain. We have

two teams, one grade five and one grade six.

The grade fives race in Rampage, and the grade six team races in Overdrive. For the race we have to do a presentation about HPV that have to include why we want to race, sponsors, pit stops and photos. We really enjoy HPV and we can't wait until the big race at Maryborough from the 21st to the 24th.

By Meg Van Rooy and Mark Foster.

Lumen Christi Primary School

Walk-a-thon

On Friday 19th October Lumen Christi held their annual Walk-a-thon.

Students in all year levels walked or ran laps around the school for a designated time to raise money for new sports equipment for the school.

Students were sponsored by friends and families per lap of the school. Students and classes have the opportunity to win some great prizes.

Book Week

Book Week was celebrated at Lumen Christi in August. The theme for Book

Week this year was READiscover.

The students had a wonderful day, which began with a dress-up parade. Children came dressed as book characters and followed the parade with multi-age activities for the day.

These included art and literacy activities rotating around the school where teachers used books as a basis for their activity.

Throughout the term, all classes in the school had studied the short-listed books for children's book of the year in library classes.



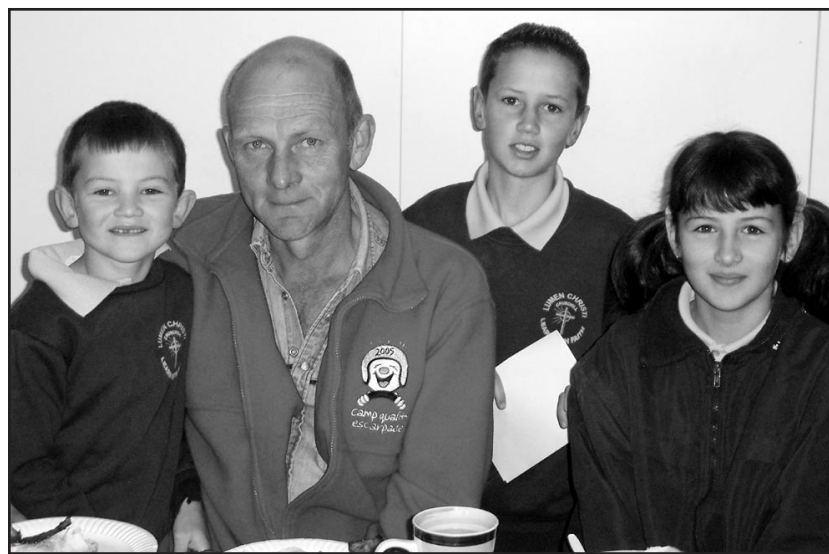
Fathers Day Breakfast

Once again the staff of Lumen Christi prepared a Father's Day breakfast for the dads and granddads and their children from our school. We had two sittings the first starting at 7.00am so that means we, the staff have to be at school bright and early and also be happy.(A bit of a challenge).

The menu was quite a good one with juice, cereal, bacon, eggs, sausages, toast and tea,

coffee or Milo, so no one could possibly be hungry. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to have some special time with their dad or special person and to socialise and meet with other parents.

The staff really did look forward to the day and they also had a great time working together to make the morning an extra special one.



Churchill Primary School

Enrolments 2008

We are currently welcoming any new students from prep to grade six for 2008. If you are yet to enrol your child or know of someone that has school aged children, please contact the Principal, Brad Moyle.

Sporting News Kanga Cricket

Earlier this week 16 students and Miss Maiden set off to Morwell to play in a Kanga Cricket 'friendly' against other primary schools. Miss Maiden said "The kids represented the school excellently and it was a pleasure to spend the day with them".

Basketball

Mr Greco organised a round robin basketball tournament in Morwell to decide the Zone champions. One boy team and one girl team went with Mr Greco to the stadium and played very well. We wish the champions all the best.

Athletics

Miss Maiden took eight children to Moe to compete in the Zone and Regional athletics. The Zone events were in the morning and unfortunately none of our students made it through to the afternoon Regional events. We would like to congratulate our athletes on how they represented our school.

Sports Camp

This week four students were selected to participate in a Sports Camp held at Rawson. Tahlia, Tayarra,

Braydon and Tamara set off bright and early with Mr Greco on Wednesday for three active days. They will be playing sports such as golf and table tennis as well as working on their team building and leadership skills.

Swimming

The students in grades prep, one and two started swimming last month. They were all very excited until they were told they were walking! But the weather was perfect and the stroll down was very enjoyable. Once there, one group had their lesson while the other played games on the grass. All the children had a wonderful time, until they had to walk back up the hill! We all made it back, and are looking forward to the next seven weeks.

Bookfair

Churchill Primary will be hosting a Bookfair between the 12th and 16th of November. Please contact the school for further information.

Adam Cahill Memorial Sensory Garden

On Saturday a band of volunteers dug out the garden paths for the garden. It is finally taking shape. We had new taps put in ready for the watering system which is going in this week. Next week we are having our wheelchair garden bed built and installed. We have a new compost bin system going in and shade cloth for the hot house. At our next meeting we will be looking at the planting design for the garden. It's very exciting time in the garden at present.



Before

Movember

You may have noticed our male teachers with full beards over the past month. Well it was all for some fun when this week students voted how they wanted them to shave them for Movember. As you can see Mr Curwood and Mr Moyle took the challenge on board and have shaved their beards! Mr Greco is currently at Sports Camp, so we are anxiously awaiting his return.



After

Halloween



The students were very excited by Halloween last month. They were all talking about what they were going to dress up as and who they were going to trick or treat! 1/2 Henry hosted a Halloween themed assembly and then followed it up with a Halloween day.

There were eyeballs in jelly, spooky music and colourful decorations. Miss Henry also got into the fun of day, she made a very scary vampire!



Bike Ed

Students have begun to learn the safety rules of riding a bike responsibly on our roads.

Miss Maiden has been taking the grades 3/4 out

around the school as they practise their biking skills.

They are all looking forward to heading out on the roads at the end of the course.



Churchill North Primary School

New Principal

Debbie Edwards has successfully been appointed as Principal of Churchill North Primary School. She explains that she is passionate about education, challenging both staff and students to achieve excellence. Mrs Edwards believes strongly that as educators "we can make a difference in the lives of each and every child, and that it takes a community to support and nurture children in reaching their full potential."

Initiatives already implemented include a Young Leaders Program, Lunch Time Links, Craft, Cuppa and Chat and the development of a Code of Good Leadership. The aim of these pro-

grams is to provide a positive and safe environment where students want to learn and are capable of learning.

In 2008 two very exciting initiatives will be implemented; Mrs Edwards explains that School Council has overwhelmingly supported the introduction of 'The Sound Way' program which will improve results in reading, writing and spelling. Students in Grade Prep - 6 will participate within the program. Two interactive white boards will be installed within classes; this will support students in using the latest technologies and enhance student engagement.

Mrs Edwards concludes by saying that 'Churchill North Primary School boasts a very

strong school community, where she seeks to foster and support this.

Reading and Numeracy Recovery

It is with great pleasure that I announce the school will be moving into Numeracy Recovery, we already boast an exceptional Reading Recovery Program, with highly qualified staff coordinating this. Students make great progress in Reading Recovery which establishes sound skills for life. Should you require further information about either program please contact Principal Debbie Edwards. 51221976.

School Motto

It is with great pleasure that we announce the schools motto- Learn Together - Play Together. This was developed by Taylah Van Tilburg and

had the overwhelming support of Junior School Council. Junior School Council are currently working on the development of a School Song.

Basketball Grade 6

All students in Grade 6, competed against neighbouring primary schools in a local basketball competition. Although neither our boys nor girls teams won a game, the team spirit, determination and skills improved greatly over the day.

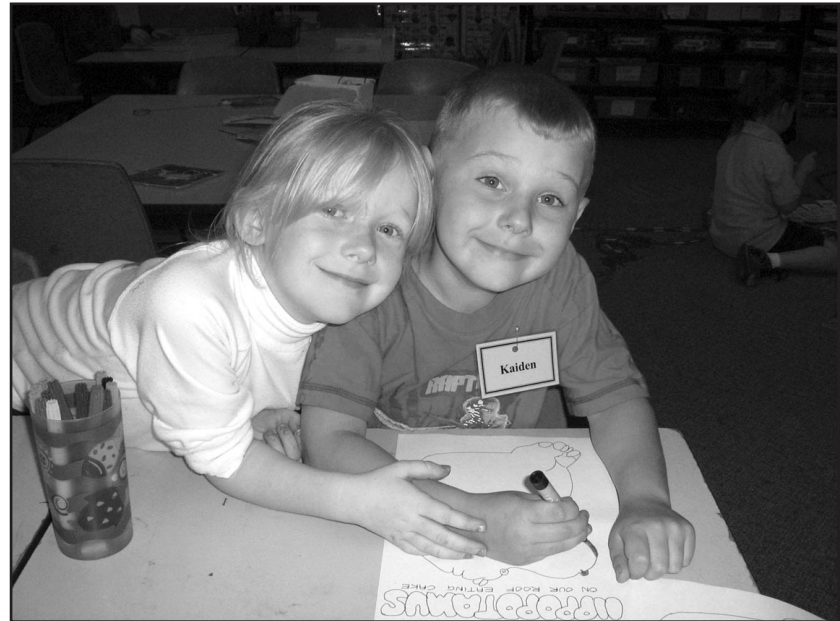
Annual Fun Run

Churchill North Primary School's Annual Fun Run was held on Friday, October 26 at the Churchill Cricket Club. Parents and friends joined students in an hour long run; students were treated to an icy pole and free BBQ lunch.

All monies raised contributed towards new blinds for our school.



School Boasts a Successful Kinder Prep Transition Program



Students from surrounding kinders are involved within a very successful transition program, where students experience an Early Year class program, have the opportunity to build relationships

with staff and students and prepare for the move to school.

For further information contact the school for an appointment.

Ann Harwood Retires after 30 Years of Teaching Service

The retirement of Ann Harwood will be a sad occasion for staff, students and families of Churchill North PS. Ann has contributed greatly to the development of students and programs at Churchill North.

Ann explains that from a very early age she wanted to be a school teacher, she would play schools and it was no surprise to family and friends when she graduated. Ann graduated in 1970 from Burwood

Teachers College and was appointed to Yallourn Primary School where she first taught grade 5, she remained at Yallourn Primary School until it closed in 1978. Other schools where Ann worked have been Hazelwood Estate, Collins Street and Tobruk St Primary School.

Ann's most memorable moments were training as a Reading Recovery teacher; she is passionate about literacy and education and most enjoys

teaching the younger children.

Ann has had many roles in education, teaching all grade levels, art, computers, library and reading recovery. She will miss the stimulation, friends she has developed and the challenges that teaching offers. In retirement Ann is looking forward to spending time with family and friends, trying new experiences and moving into voluntary work.



Priscilla and Violet

On the 16th October Zac and Jye became blue tongue lizard monitors, of Priscilla and Violet. These lizards were named by Grade 2/3 J. "We made a timetable for when we come inside and feed them.

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday we clean the tank, every Tuesday we come in at play time and play with the lizard and take care of them.

We feed them banana, snails, sliced peach and dog food. We do not feed them too much dog food because it is not so good for them. Mrs Clarkson feeds them raw egg. Violet is shedding her skin, she is 27cm long and Priscilla is 35.5cm."

By Zac Mangion and Jye May



Prep - 6 Swimming Program

All students in grades Prep - 6 are actively involved within a 6 week swimming program at the Churchill Leisure

Centre. The school has trained 2 staff member in Aust swim to maintain a minimal cost for families.



Zone Athletics

On Friday 19th October, 6 very enthusiasm students (Kacey, Jackson, Hayden Shylah, Taylah and Yong le) attended the Joe Carmody Reserve. Students repre-

sented the school in Zone and Regional athletics, giving every event their best efforts.

Boolarra Primary School

Musical Extravaganza!



This term we have Steve Schultz working with our prep to grade 6 students to develop an amazing show which will be performed at the Boolarra Memorial Hall on Friday 7th December from 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. A

gold coin entry fee will be charged to help cover some of the costs. The show will feature some of the amazing talents our students have in areas such as dance, acting, guitar, keyboard and recorder. Steve recently undertook auditions and was

extremely impressed with the quality of the acts that tried out.

Pictured above: Kea and Steve prepare for the Musical Extravaganza

From Volcanoes To Strawberries!



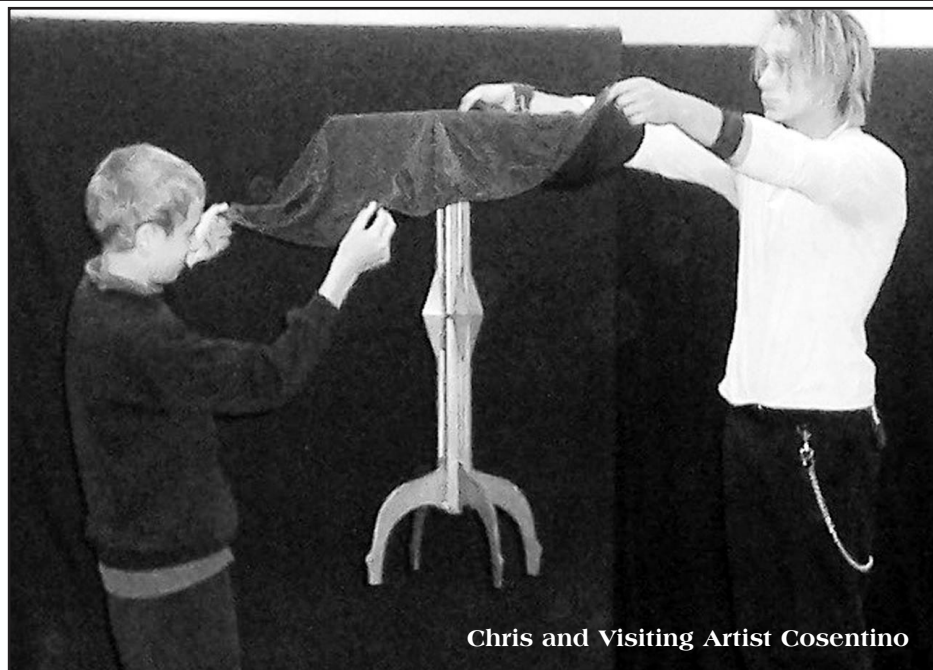
Prep & Grade 1 students admire their strawberry plants

Lots of exciting, action based learning has been occurring in our classrooms. The grade 3/4s created mini volcanoes

that actually erupted, whilst our Prep/One students have planted strawberries and are closely monitoring the growth.



Holly displays her volcano



Chris and Visiting Artist Cosentino

Making the Impossible Possible

I thought it was a very good show and Snuggles (the rabbit) was very cute. I liked the part where Cosentino made Snuggles look at us. Cosentino trained Snuggles to do lots of different things. I wish Snuggles was my best friend. My favourite part was when Madeline picked the card that was an ace and Cosentino had a card that was an

ace but when Cosentino said "Let's see your card" it was a queen! Cosentino and his brother brought a magic table and when Chris and Cosentino held it, it flew!

By Kayla N.

Cosentino did some magic tricks and dancing. My favourite part was when he turned the ribbons into green and blue birds. Snuggles the

rabbit disappeared! By Lauren P.

I really enjoyed it when Cosentino made a white handkerchief turn into Snuggles the rabbit! I also really enjoyed when Cosentino got dressed up in the alien costume. It was funny when he wiggled his nose in the alien face!

By Maddi P.

Boolarra - Rural Community Of The Year!

We were delighted that the sensational community spirit that abounds in our town was recognised with this prestigious award. Well done Boolarra!

Breakfast At School

Lots of students are clearly enjoying this opportunity to socialise with their friends and enjoy a hearty breakfast. We are very grateful to Liz Black and her church group who supply most of the breakfast supplies. Our JSC also do a fabulous job assisting with the catering. Pictured bottom left is Katy receiving toast prepared by Eve and Bry

Premier's Reading Challenge

We were thrilled that so many of our students met the challenge this year, 71 of our total enrolment of 89 students achieved this goal!

Interactive Whiteboard

The students are having a wonderful time learning how to use our new technologically advanced whiteboard and the teachers love the way it assists to engage the children in their learning. The exciting possibilities for its use are limitless.

Junior School Council News

We had magnificent support for a cause that is dear to our hearts, Canteen Day. We sold out of our own supply of bandannas and purloined additional stock from other Boolarra community members!

World Teachers' Day

It was lovely to have a special day recently to pay tribute to the sensational work our teachers do. Our students came up with just one word to describe each teacher (no easy feat). They arrived at the following: Ms Wendy Stewart - WONDERFUL, Ms Cheryl Hilton - EXQUISITE, Ms Jo Dryden - SUPER-IFFIC, Ms Tina Larrad - FANTABULOUS, Ms Karen Tingay - AWESOME, Ms Karen Twomey - WICKED (apparently that's good!). Mr Glynn Taylor - ENTHUSIASTIC. We also challenged our students to identify our staff members from photos taken when they were much younger. They must have changed a great deal as, despite some valiant attempts, we are yet to have all staff correctly identified.

Brilliant Show!

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed "Cosentino" the visiting artist who performed at our school recently. The show featured dance, mime, story-telling and illusion and had us all enthralled. Some of our grade 2/3 students wrote the following reviews:

Transition Program

We have been undertaking activities throughout the 2007 school year to help ease our incoming preps and our outgoing grade 6s into their new school environments for 2008. This program increases during term 4 with lots of exciting visits and shared activities taking place.





What is Graffiti? What Can We Do to Prevent it?



Graffiti is the marking of property with words, lettering, symbols or graphics without the consent of the owner, using materials such as spray can paint and felt tip pens. Most graffiti can be identified in the following forms:

- *'Tagging' - the signature or initials of the 'graffer' or 'writer'
- *'Pieces' - a mural containing a signature
- *Political or social comment.

Graffiti writing is practised by a range of people, from a variety of backgrounds.

The motivations to do graffiti range from seeking excitement or enjoying risk taking activities, an outlet for self-expression, notoriety and recognition within graffiti community, and identifying with a particular aspect of 'Hip Hop' culture.

Graffiti destroys property, is a crime, a form of vandalism, anti-social and a cost to the community, individuals and businesses.

Different types of Graffiti

Forms of graffiti include political graffiti. This is where there is an explicit political message of some kind. Generally this kind of graffiti originates from the grass-roots of individuals and groups who wish to challenge the legitimate or other form of political or economic order or specific government policies.

There is another form of graffiti known as Graffiti Art. This is a form of graffiti that tends to be well organised. The artists are skilled and are using this particular form of artwork to display a particular contemporary style. The works are not often done on public places and when they are done, the artwork is legal, with the permission of the owners of the properties.

Tagging graffiti is probably more prolific than any other form of graffiti. It is where individuals or groups will use a particular tag which may be a signature of some description, a type of a symbol or some other process which delineates the particular signature and identity of the graffitist. A tag may take as little as three seconds to draw and individuals may put up hundreds of tags in one day.

Who is a Graffitist?

In Australia generally graffitists are male; vary between the ages of 15 to 17 with some writers up to 30 years of age. Those young persons between about 15 -17 years of age will often fall into the graffiti sub-culture through association with friends, colleagues and family cousins and elder brothers.

The young graffiti artists often start off by tagging and drawing small pictures and small murals. The older writers, those up to about 30 years of age, have generally been within the culture for many years and even though many may only occasionally put up murals, some older writers are prolific in their activities.

What can NHW do to overcome the prob-

blems of Graffiti?

What are the signs or indicators of a graffitist?

*Generally male, there are some female perpetrators, usually though they merely associate with graffiti crews.

*Age 15 to 17 years
*Proliferation of practiced graffiti, pieces (murals), tags, appearing on exercise books, scrap books and sketchbooks

*Quantities of spray paint, 'texta" and marking type pens, particularly wide nib variety.

*Marking pens that have tape around the top.

*The presence of acids and solvents which graffitists mix into ink for penetration into paint-work.

*Paint, acid marks and non-removable stains on clothing.

*Balaclavas, hoods and black clothing and back packs.

*Photo albums, scrapbooks, videos and CDs with digital photos depicting graffiti.

*Going out with friends carrying backpacks.

*Out on the streets late at night unsupervised.

*Carrying cameras, video recorders and digital cameras

*Preoccupation with graffiti issues.

*Visiting known graffiti Internet sites. These sites listed as "favourite sites" on browsers.

*Collections of spray can nozzles from different types of household and industrial spray cans.

Preventing Graffiti

Graffiti has many negative impacts on its surroundings including:

*Costs involved in graffiti removal to Council, businesses and residents;

*Reduced perceptions of safety, especially when combined with other anti-social behaviour;

*Reduced commercial activity; and

*Reduced aesthetic value of the area.

Councils can apply the principles of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design, with vegetation, materials and coatings and lighting to deter graffiti.

These principles, shown below, are encouraged for private developments and redevelopments of existing buildings to deter or design out graffiti.

*Use creepers and foliage along a wall to break up a potential canvas and make it less accessible). Ask your local nursery for advice on fast-growing or thorny plants.

*Use textured or rough surfaces that make it difficult to apply graffiti.

*Build with high-density, low-absorbency materials such as hard-burnt bricks.

*Break up large surfaces to minimise the canvas available for graffitists.

*Keep your property well maintained.

*Ensure the site is well lit at night.

*Use an anti-graffiti coating to protect the surface when building and/or revitalising the

façade of a building.

*Paint the property in a dark colour.

*Paint out graffiti to the nearest architectural break.

Removing Graffiti

Two main options are available to remove graffiti from your property:

Liquid removal and painting out graffiti.

High-pressure sand or water blasting may be required for extensive graffiti as a last resort.

For the most effective results, graffiti should be removed as soon as possible after the incident. This is because:

*There is less time for the graffiti to bleed into the surface material, making removal physically easier; and

*Quick removal reduces the exposure time for the work of the graffitist.

Materials can be found at hardware stores. Always follow the safety procedures recommended by the manufacturer. For further technical assistance, please seek advice from your hardware store or graffiti removal specialist.

Liquid removal

For painted and protected surfaces, such as wood, metal or concrete surfaces that have a top-coat. These surfaces are easier to clean because the graffiti doesn't seep below the surface.

Use a common solvent, appropriate commercial remover or citrus oil based product.

To find the most effective cleaner, always test a small area to start with, and gradually increase intensity, starting with detergent, citrus oil, methylated spirits, turpentine or white spirit and finally acetone.

For bare or raw surfaces, such as stone, concrete, brick, wood and metal.

Two removal methods can be effective on these types of surface.

1. Apply a solvent remover, wait three to five minutes then use a wire brush, rinsing with water to remove the graffiti.

2. For heavily affected areas apply paint stripper (to dry surface), wait three to four minutes, then scrub with a wire brush. Wash the paint stripper away, taking care not to splash it on clothing or skin.

For glass, plastics, and other synthetics.

Surfaces that have not been etched, gouged or scratched make it easy to remove graffiti. Most graffiti removers will work well on glass or a blade scraper may be effective.

Caustic cleaners should not be used on or near glass or aluminium.

Greater care needs to be taken with plastics and other synthetics. Consult a glazier or hardware store if necessary.

Painting over graffiti

First, clean the surface well to remove as much of the graffiti as possible.

Aim for the closest match possible to the original paint or surface finish or paint the entire area

in a darker colour to deter a recurrence of graffiti.

Paint out to the nearest architectural break.

If bleeding occurs (seepage of graffiti through the new paint) seek advice from your local paint store on applying a scaler to the affected area.

Paint out with at least two coats of paint.

Always keep spare paint on hand. In the event of the graffiti happening again, paint out can be immediate and act as an effective deterrent.

A variety of coatings are also available to prevent graffiti from penetrating the surface. Please check with your local paint shop or graffiti removal specialist on products appropriate for your property.

Video targets Graffiti in Pakenham

Senior Constable Helen Marsham, Youth Resource Officer for Pakenham, coordinated the making of Reckless, an 11-minute video, with Cardinia Shire staff, school children & ARC Publications. The film portrays the impact graffiti has on offenders, their families and relationships and the cost and impact it has on the community.

It will be used as part of an educational workshop for Grade six and Year eight classes and will teach young people about the risks and consequences of committing graffiti and criminal damage offences.

The new initiative followed a significant rise in graffiti-related offences throughout the

Municipality in recent years, with a majority of offenders aged b/w 12 & 18.

A small group of Pakenham Secondary College Year nine students worked with a professional director to develop the storyline. The film aims to develop young people's sense of pride and connectedness to their local community, teach strategies to deal with peer pressure, increase victim empathy and decrease the risk of young people becoming involved in criminal damage and vandalism and subsequently facing criminal charges. DVD can be purchased through Shire of Cardinia for \$30.00

**Churchill
Neighbourhood Watch**
Next Meeting
Thursday 15th November
7.30pm
**Churchill Neighbourhood
House**
All Welcome
**For More Information Please
Ring: Peter Gray on 5122 2431**

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FOR GRADES 3-6

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I like Christmas because _____

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Address _____

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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
D'Artagnan SIMPSON and Tori Lee UPTON CROWE.

BIRTHDAYITES FOR NOVEMBER

Lauren AKERS	7 years	Lucinda MARTIN	8 years
Gabrielle BONNICI	1 year	Hayden MAY	12 years
Richard CUSICK	9 years	Zac MUDGE	10 years
Bryce GRIFFITHS	10 years	Jasmine PORTER	8 years
Ben LEWIS	10 years	Courtney VELLA	11 years

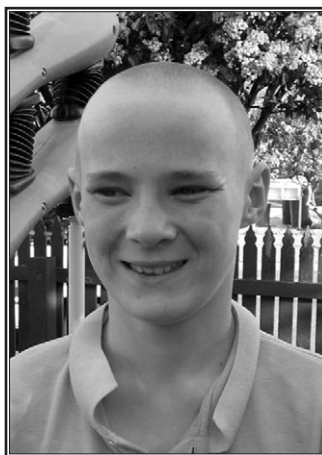
The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" this month are
LAUREN AKERS and HAYDEN MAY.

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

John Barker

Publicity

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



D'Artagnan Simpson
12 years
3rd of October 2007



Tori Lee Upton Crowe
10 years
5th of October 2007

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

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

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



"the Cougars"

Churchill Football / Netball Club



Reappointed Coach Leigh McDonald urging the boys on to greater endeavor

Around the Club Tony Martin

A well attended Annual General Meeting was held on the 23rd of October and resulted in several new faces being appointed to the committee and several of the executive positions changing hands. Rob Jenkins was elected president for his third term with Mark Answerth and Phil Jellis elected Vice Presidents. Amanda Barling is the Secretary for 2007/2008 year and Julie Larkin has taken on the Treasurers role. Sue Kelly, Deb Brighton, Rachell Esler, Roxy Shields and Peter Sheridan join Dale Foster, Rob Jellis, Jill Jenkins, Michael Johnson, Aaron Pearce, Marya Stait, Gary Welsh and John Woodbridge on the committee. John McMillan was appointed as Junior Football Liaison Officer for 2007/08. Following the AGM the committee held their first meeting and started planning for the coming year.

Leigh McDonald has been reappointed seniors coach for the 2008 season. This has to be a positive for our chances of winning the premiership next year. Leigh's influence upon all grades of football in the club is very substantial and his appointment will be of benefit not only to the seniors but also to the reserves and the under 18s.

Although the football/netball season is over, the club continues to operate its regular social program and needless to say your support is always most welcome by those putting the effort in to help the club.

Cougars Bingo is on every Wednesday evening. The program starts at 7.30pm 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."

The Past Players Thursday Night Chook Raffle is on every Thursday from 4.00 till 7.00 pm when the members bar is open with happy hour from 5 to 6pm and a chook raffle conducted weekly.

The "GO" (Golden Oldies) club operates from the club rooms every Thursday afternoon. It's a great outing for seniors looking for a fun social outlet and all are welcome. Enquiries as to the club and its varied activities can be made by contacting Betty Wyatt on 51221691.

Cougars Café operates from the club rooms every Friday evening from 6.00pm. Paula Auger and her crew are providing great meals at great prices. It's a blackboard menu and it can be viewed in the clubrooms foyer during the week. Table format is round, seating up to 8 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.

Netball Operations Annual Report Amanda Barling

I'd like to start by thanking our coaches for this year, Roxy Shields, Stacey Sanders, Rachell Esler and Nolene McDougall. Rachell Esler as umpire coordinator did a fantastic job. In what is a thankless job she worked extremely hard to ensure we had umpires every week and even umpiring extra games herself on occasion to ensure we could all get a game. A special thank you to Roger Brighton, who strapped many ankles and fingers this year. To everyone who scored, umpired, worked in the canteen and helped with the many other jobs around the club, the netballers thank you.

This year saw the introduction of new uniforms for all teams. Thank you to Credit Collect for sponsoring the girls thus allowing this important

step forward to be taken.

The Churchill Football Netball Club had two netball teams make finals this year, A & B grades, which was a great result, unfortunately we did not have representation in the Grand Final.

Awards

League: Amanda Knoblett was selected in the NGFNL Netball A Grade Team of the Year, a fantastic achievement in the year she also played her 200th A grade game for the Cougars! Stacey Sanders received the League B Grade Best and Fairest Player Award.

Club: A grade - Best & Fairest - Renee Veil, Runner Up B & F - Amanda Knoblett

B grade - Best & Fairest - Stacey Sanders, Runner Up B & F - Roxy Shields

C grade - Best & Fairest - Katie Vary, Runner Up B & F - Katrina Hutchinson & Kate Whitney.

D Grade - Best & Fairest - Carlie Woodbridge, Runner Up B & F - Melissa Jonas

The coaching positions for all grades for next year will be announced by the end of November. Thank you for a great season to all and I wish all the coaches and players the best for season 2008.

Football Operations Annual Report Rob Jellis

With 2007 now over the club looks forward to going one step further in 2008.

We had the Senior and Reserve sides play off in the Grand Final but unfortunately could not get over the line on the day.

The Senior side had a tremendous home and away season only losing one match for the year and finishing on top of the ladder going in to the first week of finals. It was a credit to Leigh McDonald and his coaching staff for the

Churchill Football/Netball Club



welcomes you to the

Cougars Café

We invite you to enjoy a Friday night meal at our new restaurant.

Come along and enjoy our menu on Friday nights from 6.00pm at the clubrooms at Gaskin Park, Manning Drive, Churchill.



President Rob Jenkins considering the ramifications of one of the few onfield bad days of the year

amount of work they had done from way back in December. Thanks to Leigh, Chris Burke, Matt McNamara, Bob Kokshoorn, Rick White and Chris Harding for all their efforts and hopefully we can go one step further in 2008.

In the reserves it was the same result, going down in the Grand Final which was a big improvement from the previous year not even making the finals. There were a number of players that played through the twos this year and I thank them all, it makes it much less work when you have plenty of numbers available for on the field. Dino and his staff had a very difficult time of it coming in to finals with so many players available and I would like to thank them for the great work they did all year.

In the Thirds Thommo took the job on at the start of the year and certainly did not let anyone down. The numbers again were down and some weeks the guys would play with just 16 on the ground. They had a couple of great wins and probably should have had a couple more. Lets just hope that these kids stick around because there is a lot of talent in that age group at the club with some of them hitting their final

year next year after already playing two years at that level.

I would just like to finish off by thanking all the players who played this year, all the helpers from Trainers Roger, Paul, Bill, Tammy, Matt, Leigh, all the runners and support staff, all the team managers, the ladies in the kitchen for the wonderful Thursday night meals, without all of you we would not be able to get out on the field every week. We are already doing plenty of work for next year and let's see if we can go all the way!

Presidents Annual Report Rob Jenkins

With presentation night held on Friday the 28th of September the year is over for the footballers and netballers. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the players on the manner in which they participated throughout the year. Their attitude and the way in which they conducted themselves is a credit to the club. Whilst we didn't bring any premierships home, although that may be the icing on the cake and I don't believe that is the only way we should measure success, over all it has been a great year.

Sports

Financially we have had a terrific year and this will go a long way towards building a better future for the club. This did not just happen, a lot of hard work and long hours were necessary to achieve these good financial figures. With the ongoing use of the Club facility by the Rotary and Lions Clubs and the Past Players Chook Raffle of a Thursday night we have seen a lot of new people utilising the club and we welcome them and hope they enjoy their association with us. Once again I have enjoyed my year as President, seeing the way in which we have all worked together.

I would like to thank the ladies who have spoilt the players with their choice of meals on Thursday nights, to Kaye, Kate, Julie, Sharon, Debbie, Jill, Sue, Diane, Lorraine and anyone else I say, well done and you are truly appreciated.

To Mark and Johnno who have worked hard on sponsorship you have done a terrific job and I thank you for this. During the year we have had some terrific social functions and I would like to thank Woody, Bobby and Sharon for organising these.

The canteen was very successful this year and I would take this opportunity to thank Kaye who was the canteen coordinator and Sue, Deb, Jill, Marya and all the people who helped out. To all the trainers, Rog, John, Lee, Bill, Paul, Tammy and Kobie I thank you all for the terrific effort. With the coaches I believe the effort that was put in was

nothing short of fantastic and I thank you for the year. A special thanks to the Past Players who man the gate for each home game, buy the Trophies and organise the raffle. A special thanks for the new trophy cabinets, they look great.

To Lenny who runs the bar on Thursday nights thank you also. To Tony who has done a terrific job with the news articles we thank you and hope that next year we can give you a bit more support.

It would be remiss not to acknowledge some outstanding achievements which occurred during the year -

The installation of the canteen, the cool room, the construction of the deck and concrete pad for the BBQ area, the construction and installation of the trophy cabinet in the foyer and the completion of the landscaping across the front of the club have all greatly enhanced the clubs facilities. Congratulations to all involved.

Amanda Noblett played her 200th A grade Netball game during the season and will be inducted into the 200 club at the midyear ball. She joins Megan Marks and Noelene McDougall in this exclusive club.

Shaun McNamara will also be awarded life membership of the club at the midyear ball as during the year he played his 200th club game. Well done to both of these players.

Congratulations to Julie Larkin and John Woodbridge on receiving the best Club Person and Presidents Award respectively. Both these peo-

ple work tirelessly for our club, often much of their work is done behind the scene but they are the reason why our club is the great club it is.

Thanks also to Amanda Barling and Rob Jellis, the netball and football coordinators for the smooth and professional way they did their jobs, and to Peter Sheridan for the work around the ground and for the new turf in the goal square.

Finally thank you to the committee who gave such wonderful support and although I gave them reason at times to scratch their heads. Thank you and I hope we stay together for the coming year.

Hopefully I have not left anyone out, but if I have I apologise. Hope to see all the players, the supporters, sponsors and spectators back next year, at the best of clubs, for season 2008.

The Editors Bit Tony Martin

Well this is it for this year and I look forward to 2008 and a very successful year. The way I figure it is if the boys concentrate on demolishing Heyfield we would have a good chance of winning the flag and even if we didn't, after the final series this year, it would still feel good.

Thank you very much to Val Prokopiv and her team at the Churchill News for the exposure they have given the club.



Jean Selwood and her husband Reg celebrate her 83rd birthday with her friends at the Golden Oldies(GO) club

Churchill & Monash Golf Club Inc Results

Saturday Men's Comp: Monthly Medal 29.09.07.

Scratch: R Scurlock (8) 79. A Grade & Medal: K. Hills (9) 74 C/B. B Grade: C Skinner (24) 74. DTL: R Scurlock 714, C Flanigan 74, W Casey 72, F Debono 76 C/B. NTP: 5th B Kilday, 12th K Hills. Putts: R Scurlock 24.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford 30.09.07

Winner: K Moroney (22) 31

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Monthly Medal (Stroke) 2.10.07

Scratch: K Moroney (22) 97. Medal Winner: K Moroney (22) 75. DTL: M McDonald (34) 78, D Thomas (26) 84 C/B, Y Wotton (26) 81. NTP: 12th K Moroney, 14th J Beck, Putts: V Verheyen 30 putts.

Saturday Men's Comp: Stableford 6.10.07 CCR70

A Grade: K Hills (9) 39pts. B Grade: A Auld (23) 39pts. DTL: P Ludlow 35, W Judkins 34, P Kearns 34, T Collins 34, R Scurlock 34, C Johnson 33. NTP: 3rd S Wotton, 12th K Hills, 5th C Johnson, 14th T Collins. Birdies: J Dickson 5th.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford 7.10.07

Men's Winner: B Barnes 925) 25pts.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford

7.10.07

Winner: E D'Alterio (22) 26pts.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stableford 9.10.07

Winner: K Moroney (22) 36pts. DTL: L Ollquist (35) 31, Y Wotton (26) 29, E D'Alterio (22) 28. NTP: 3rd E D'Alterio, 14th 33- 45 H Croft.

Monday - Bowl 8.10.07 CCR 78

Winning Team: Garfield (2): S Carmody (24), G Sinclair (29), L Vears (30)] 86pts. Runner Up: Mirboo North (1): S Hughes (26), C Trembath (18), J Thornburn (17)] 84pts. A Grade: S Carmody (24) 35pts. B Grade: W Heiser (34) 38pts. DTL: M Thompson 30pts, C Trembath 30pts, D Scurlock 29pts, K Moroney 29pts, L Pinner 28pts, M McConville 28pts, I Morgan 28pts, C Ellis 28pts. NTP: 5th K Moroney.

Saturday Men's Comp: 4BBB Par 13.10.07

Winners: R Scurlock (8), F Sedjak (22) +11. Runner Up: J McCafferty & B Kilday + 8 C/B. DTL: R Welsh & P Ludlow +8, G Down & J Ambrosini + 6. NTP: 3rd B Kilday, 14th G Fraser, 12th F Sedjak. Birdies: B Kilday 3rd, G Fraser 14th.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford 14.10.07

Winner: B Murphy (29) 37pts. DTL: R

Scurlock (8) 33pts.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford 14.10.07

Winner: K Moroney (22) 36pts

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stableford 16.10.07 AWCR70

Day Winner: M McDonald (34) 31. Gold Putter Winner: K Moroney (22) 61. DTL: Y Wotton (26) 30, M McConville (22) 29, E D'Alterio (22) 27. NTP 3/12 K Moroney, 5/14 0-32 K Moroney, 33-45 M McDonald.

Saturday Man's Comp: Stroke 20.10.07 CCR69

A Grade: P Coad (16) 67, B Grade: J Ambrosini (22) 67. C Grade: J Spowart (25) 71. DTL: R Welsh 68, C Skinner 70, P Ludlow 69, W Sutton 71 C/B, M Brereton 70. NTP: 3rd B Barnes, 12th M Brereton. Birdies: B Barnes 3rd, F Sedjak 3rd.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford 21.10.07

Winner: J Ambrosini (22) 32.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stroke 23.10.07 CCR70

Winner: Y Wotton (26) 71. DTL: K Moroney (23) 72. B Beebe (28) 74. NTP: 3rd J Beck. 5th /14th 0-32 K Moroney, 33-45 L Welsh.

Saturday Men's Comp: Monthly Medal 27.10.07

CHURCHILL SKATEPARK MEETING

Latrobe City Council invites interested persons to attend a meeting at the Churchill Skatepark on Tuesday 20 November 2007 commencing at 5pm. The meeting is an opportunity for users to discuss current skatepark issues with council officers. Further information can be obtained by contacting Simon Clark, Recreation Development Officer, telephone 5128 5422 or email simoncl@latrobe.vic.gov.au

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Latrobe Valley Waterpolo Association

Our local waterpolo association was one of many sporting organizations to receive funding from the Department for Victorian Communities "Our Club, Our Future Sporting Uniform Grants Program 2007" for the purchase of uniforms.

Latrobe Valley Waterpolo enter a ladies team each year into the Victorian Country Waterpolo Championships and the grant enabled them to purchase uniforms for all competing players, plus provide uniforms for their junior players who compete in Melbourne competitions. Usually players wear their own bathers, but the grant has given the club the opportunity to dress as a team, with everyone in matching uniform.

Latrobe Valley Waterpolo train at the Churchill pool on Sunday afternoons, 3.45 pm to 4.45 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in. It's great exercise and lots of fun. All age groups welcome. For more information, please contact Cheryl on 5166 1797.



Scratch: S McCafferty (13) 79. A Grade: S McCafferty (13) 66. B Grade: W Sutton (24) 64. C Grade: K Garlick (25) 71. DTL: G Fraser 67, R Scurlock 71, W Casey 69, B Barnes, 72, R Welsh 69, A Casey 72 C/B. NTP: 3rd P Jordan, 12th K Garlic, 5th R Scurlock, 14th A Van Vliet. Birdies: K Garlic 12th, W Casey 14th. Putts: W Sutton 28.

Sunday Comp: Open Mixed Canadian 28.10.07

A Grade: L Stein (13) D Scurlock (16) 68 1/8. B Grade: R Welsh (23) L Welsh (37) 66 1/2. Visitors: B Pinner (10) L Pinner (18) 69 1/2. DTL: C Thomas & D Thomas 72 3/8, A Casey & B Beebe 72 3/8, J Kydd & R Magill 74 5/8, T Trail & S Trail 74 5/8.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 3 Person Ambrose Dropout 30.10.07

Winners: K Moroney, B Beebe, D Judkins (32 5/8) 46 3/8. DTI: S Jeffery, V Verheyen, J Beck 54 1/8. NTP: 3rd/12th J Beck. Longest Drive: 0-32 K Moroney, 33-45 M McDonald.

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