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## Churchill United Soccer Club 50th Anniversary



### The History of the Churchill United Soccer Club

The township of Churchill as we know it today was in its infancy in 1969 when the Churchill United Soccer Club was founded.

Initial discussions and meetings were shared between the kitchen tables and lounge rooms of founding members Tom Sands senior and the club's first President Rod Stewart as they pushed forward to form senior and reserve fledgling teams to compete in the Latrobe Valley Soccer League in 1970. They were joined as co-founders by Bill Canby, Joe Young, Barry Jackson, Günter Binder and Ken Penfold.

Churchill has had many generations of the same families forming the fabric of the club with the four generation Sands/ Robson/

Van Aalst clan prominent along with three generation families Huizer, Bianconi, Breheny, Sterrick, Lehrner and Riess to name a few.

The early days were challenging and Churchill had various home grounds before landing at Silcock's Paddock at Hazelwood South Reserve on Tramway Road in 1972, after the Hazelwood (now Churchill) Football Club moved to its new home at Gaskin Park.

Temporary bases during the early 1970's included a makeshift pitch on vacant land between Monash Way and Tramway Road, then use of a block behind Switchback Road in an area later occupied by houses in the Maple and Hawthorn Crescent areas, and a clearing on Manning Drive where the current synthetic bowls green is situated.

The clubs nickname, the Rams, didn't

come into wide use until the early 1990's after the club accepted the moniker from legendary LVSL Secretary and soccer scribe Dick Bosma.

It's thought Bosma tagged Churchill the Rams after the Jeeralang Rams which folded in 1982, the club having played three seasons in the second and third divisions of the LVSL. Interestingly there was another Churchill and district team, the Hazelwood Cobras, which also competed in the lower grades between 1978 and 1980.

Down the years the club has worn various colour combinations with black and white predominant in the early 1970's, before red and gold/yellow was the main stay in the mid to late period of the same decade. In the 1980's the club wore gold, black and red before returning to black and white later that decade.

The club made the full transition to its current silver and red combination in 1993 after replicating the Liverpool away strip of the day.

In 1977 and again in 1978 Churchill played off for senior silverware when it went down both years in the final of the Battle of Britain Cup.

Two years later in 1980 Churchill went close to snatching its first senior League Championship when it missed out by a point to Sale City and Traralgon City respectively, who were separated by a goal difference at season's end. Needing a win on the final day to overhaul Sale City, Churchill could only manage a draw with rivals Fortuna 2-2 in a year when the Morwell club finished second from the bottom.

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# Bendigo Bank says no to Churchill

Shocked by the closure of Churchill's branch of the Commonwealth Bank, a number of locals have contacted Bendigo Bank seeking advice about the possibility of having a Bendigo Bank facility in Churchill.

The news has not been good. Bendigo Bank has said they "have no appetite for opening new branches in Victoria".

Readers may be aware that there was an agency of the Bendigo Bank operating from the Churchill Newsagent. This was shut down last October.

According to Bendigo Bank's Gippsland Regional Manager, the agency became unviable when the Commonwealth Bank decided

that Bendigo Bank agencies could not bank their takings with local Commonwealth Bank branches. This necessitated the hiring of Armaguard Security to support the operations of Bendigo Bank agencies, meaning that operational costs were greater than agency profits. So Churchill's agency, and others, were closed.

Churchill & District Community Association (CDCA) was contacted by the Mirboo North Bendigo Community Bank to explore the option of having an agency of the Mirboo North bank set up in Churchill.

The Community Bank model is a partnership between a local community and the Bendigo Bank, wherein the

community raises a significant 'founding' sum (currently around \$1 million is required), appoints its own Board of Directors and directs some of its profits back into the local community. Bendigo Bank operates as a partner and guarantor of the community bank.

The Mirboo North Community Bendigo Bank has been successfully operating for a number of years, as have similar set-ups at Trafalgar and other Gippsland towns where major banks have ceased trading.

A group of locals, including representatives of CDCA, Churchill News and several local businesses, met with one of the Mirboo North Board Directors and the branch manager. It was decided, after discussion, that our preferred option was to talk to Bendigo Bank directly about establishing a Bendigo Community Bank here in Churchill.

An attempt was made some years ago to have a Community Bank here - some may remember the efforts made to raise the necessary funding from local residents. At that time, of course, we had what we thought was a secure branch of the Commonwealth Bank, which had been here for many years and would remain for many more.

That attempt did not reach fruition, largely because Churchill had a bank. So we thought this might be the 'right' time to try and establish a Community Bank in Churchill.

Unfortunately, when approached, Bendigo Bank said they were not prepared to partner with the Churchill community to establish a Churchill bank, even if we raised the required million dollars to found a new Bendigo Bank Community Bank.

At that time, we were advised that our best option

was to try and open an agency of the Mirboo North Bank here in Churchill. We had another meeting with Mirboo North representatives and discussed the work involved before the Board could approve a new agency. This work involved a local banking survey and poll of residents willing to bank locally.

Prior to any of this work commencing, the Mirboo North Board had to seek approval from Bendigo Bank (as the partner organisation). Despite previous advice, Bendigo Bank said that a Mirboo North agency would not be approved.

They gave several reasons for this decision: costs were high; agency losses would put Mirboo North bank at risk; Churchill is located in close proximity to other towns with 'walk-in' branches; walk-in banking is in decline as more people move to on-line facilities and apps; Bendigo Bank does not view this proposal as financially viable.

So that's that - Bendigo Bank has said "no" to Churchill.

Interestingly, Bendigo Bank has been negotiating with Federation University about opening a branch at the Uni's Buninyong (Ballarat) campus. The 'long-term thinking' is that, if the Buninyong campus branch is successful, an agency might be opened at the Churchill campus.

Word was that the new branch would open at Buninyong in August but this date has apparently been pushed back to December, so any agency at the Churchill campus would seem to be a long way off.

One wonders, if a Bendigo Bank agency were to open at the Churchill campus, would locals support it, given we've been told Bendigo Bank is not interested in opening a branch or agency in town and we can bank somewhere else.

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I started to understand that alcoholism is a disease I am powerless over, and that I was also playing a part in the dysfunction of our family. I heard at one of my first meetings, that to praise the children sometimes was very important and that has stayed with me over the years.

I found that their father had great expectations of them and was always full

of criticism and I had also become very critical. Report cards are a good example: an 8 should have been a 9. It was never good enough. When I changed, I saw an 8 as a good result-much better than a 7. I never knew that I was negative in my thinking and how I communicated with my children. I am so thankful that by listening at meetings I now understand what is negative and what is positive.

I never had much confidence and the little I had was gone, but Al-Anon is such a good confidence builder.

I have a good relationship with my children today because Al-Anon taught me to let go and have trust in them. To say I am grateful is an understatement.

Thank you Al-Anon and the members who have shared at all the meetings I have been to.

## Rain at Hazelwood South

The sound of trickling water was music to the ears. After 184 mm of rain, drains and watercourses were running for the first time this year and soaks appeared. Hazelwood South had a record 224% of rain of the average for August, and the rain since January

is now 103% of the average for that period, catching up for the deficit of rain early in the year. The water dried up quickly, indicating that the groundwater is not fully saturated. Hopefully we have more wet months before summer, to moderate bushfire risk.



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# Cooking with Noelene

## Easy peach hazelnut mousse

You will need 1 x 825 gm can of sliced cling peaches. Drain the peaches, reserving the juice.

Puree half the peaches with 1/2 a cup of peach juice until smooth.

Pour into a saucepan and bring to boiling point.

In a separate bowl mix together 1/4 cup of castor sugar, 1 tbs of gelatine and 2 lightly beaten eggs and whisk until creamy.

Whisk boiling peach liquid into the creamed eggs until smooth.

Stir in 1/2 cup of ground hazelnuts and 1/2 cup of cream.

Whip 2 egg whites until stiff and fold into peach mixture.

Pour into individual

Roughly chop half the apricots, reserving the remaining halves for garnish.

Combine 500gm of veal and pork mince with 2 tbs of crunchy peanut butter, 1 cup of chopped bean shoots, 1/2 red capsicum chopped, 1/2 green capsicum chopped, 1 tbs of soy sauce, pepper to taste, 1 lightly beaten egg, 1 tbs of chopped parsley.

Lastly add the chopped apricots.

Form into an oblong shape, place on a baking tray and bake for 1 hour at 160 deg C.

Brush with 2 tbs of savoury plum sauce 10 minutes before end of cooking.

Serve remaining apricots as a side with hot vegetables, salad or pasta.

## Rich Christmas fruit cake.... 2019

As of August 25, there are 16 weeks till Christmas day.

So now is the time to get preparing your Christmas cakes, even consider giving

Christmas cakes as gifts, there is nothing more personal than giving a gift made with love.

My Aunt Ruby taught me how to cook and I was instructed to wrap the outside of the cake tin in folded newspaper sheets as this would guarantee that the outer edges of the cake would not burn or become crisp.

Don't panic, all good, our cake tins have improved and remember my aunt Ruby's stove top and oven were wood fired.

You will need to preheat your oven to 150 deg C.

Line a large cake tin (larger than 22cm) either round or rectangular with cooking

spray and baking paper.

Now cream together 350 gm of butter / marg with 250 gm of soft brown sugar until light and fluffy.

Beat 6 eggs individually and add them separately, beating well after each addition.

Now add 3 tbs of whisky or brandy or a similar flavoured non alcoholic essence.

Sift together 425 gm of plain flour with 1 dsp of mixed spices.

Mix together 125 gm of sliced pecans, walnuts, almond or a mix of the sliced nuts.

Now mix together 1 and 1/2 kg of mixed dried fruits or chopped dried fruits of your choice.

Add these to the egg, sugar and butter mixture, ensuring the mixture is very well blended.

Pour into the prepared cake tin, tap the tin on the bench to be rid of any air pockets, smooth the top and bake in your preheated oven for 2 and 1/2 hours.

Place a sheet of baking paper over the top of the cake at the 90 minute mark.

Check the cake is cooked when a skewer inserted comes out clean.

Let the cake cool in the tin and for longevity sprinkle over whisky or brandy or equivalent flavoured essence.

Allow to cool completely and wrap in baking paper and foil wrap, retain in an airtight container.

The cake will keep for months/years, until ready to ice.

Icing is optional.

## Sesame beef

Cut 500 gm of prime rump or fillet steak into slices.

Marinate in a combined mix of 1 cup of tomato puree, 1/4 cup of savoury plum sauce



and 1 tbs of sauce.

Leave to marinate for 1 hour.

Add 1 tbs of peanut oil to a pan and add 1/2 red capsicum cut into fine strips

1/2 green capsicum cut into fine strips

1 carrot cut into fine strips

1 zucchini cut into strips

1 celery stick cut into fine strips

Add 1/2 cup of bean sprouts at the last minute,

Then remove to a warmed serving salad.

Add a little extra peanut oil to the pan add 1 tbs of minced garlic and the well drained beef (reserve the marinade.)

Cook the beef until just cooked.

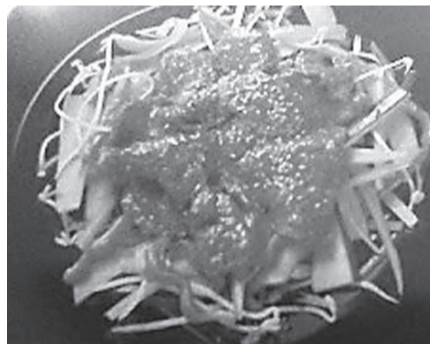
Arrange the beef over the cooked vegetables.

Add the marinade to the pan and let reduce for a few minutes.

Remove from heat and add 1 tbs of savoury plum sauce.

Spoon sauce over meat and sprinkle with 1 tbs of sesame seeds.

Serve with steamed rice.



moulds and chill until set.

Immerse moulds in hot water and invert onto serving dishes.

Decorate with remaining peach slices and whole hazelnuts (optional), depending on the size of the moulds you could use an extra can of peaches for presentation.

This is a really simple, elegant dessert.

## Pork and apricot loaf

You will need 425 gm can of apricot halves.

Drain off the syrup.



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# Shop Local Campaign for Churchill

Recently, representatives from Churchill & District Community Association (CDCA), the Churchill & District News (C&D News) and the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) met with a number of local shopkeepers and business owners to discuss a 'Shop Local' campaign for Churchill.

All CBD shops and businesses were invited to attend this initial meeting, which was publicised via hand-delivered flyers, as was a follow-up meeting.

Most retailers were pleased at the prospect of having a 'Shop Local in Churchill' campaign and indicated their support for such an under-taking.

A number of ideas were discussed around the table at the first meeting, including having a campaign launch at the shopping centre, producing re-useable shopping bags printed with the 'Shop Local' logo C&D News has designed, and conducting regular prize draws for 'lucky' Churchill shoppers to win vouchers to spend in Churchill businesses.

A closed Facebook group was immediately set up for Churchill traders to continue conversations around a

campaign launch, voucher prize-draws and other ideas. Some businesses are exploring the idea of 'cross-promotion' i.e. a shopper spends a nominated sum at one store and is treated to a reward at another.

Although still in the planning stages, Churchill shoppers can expect to hear more about our Shop Local campaign and a launch date in the near future.

Participating businesses will soon be provided with the Shop Local logo to display in store windows and we hope, as word gets around, that more businesses will join.

Whilst initially targeting traders in Churchill's CBD, we know that there are many small businesses operating out of people's homes and plenty of tradies' services in the Churchill and district area. All local businesses are invited to participate in our Shop Local campaign.

CDCA, C&D News and CNC are keen to support our local traders and are exploring opportunities to obtain funding for some projects to support this program.

We're also looking at avenues for more publicity for our participating local shop-keepers and their businesses, including some



media exposure for the campaign launch. Businesses that donate a voucher for the Churchill 'lucky shopper' prize draw can expect a photo in the News when someone wins their donated goods or services voucher.

Details of the Churchill 'lucky shopper' prize draw will be announced in the next issue of the News. The prize draw will be conducted on a regular basis, with a different voucher being offered at each draw.

We aim to encourage and increase 'local spend'. Our Churchill businesses offer quality goods and services, competitive rates, local employment and the convenience of near-by shopping and facilities, so let's keep business in Churchill and support our local traders!

# Hazelwood Cemetery Trust – 140 years old



By Leo Billington

The name of the cemetery comes from Hazelwood Station, a squatting run first taken up by Albert Eugene Brodribb and William Bennett in 1844 on the eastern side of the Morwell River. In 1860, John McMillan took over the run and it was held by the McMillan family until 1919 when it was acquired by the government for soldier settlement.

The cemetery site, 10 acres, was surveyed in December 1878.

The surveyed area was gazetted as a cemetery in 1879, although there had probably been some burials on the site before that time.

Some early burials marked by headstones are: Mrs Louise Wicks (May 1879); Mrs Bridget Daly (June 1879) and Michael

Keegan (July 1879).

By 1890, the cemetery had been divided into four denominational sections – and extended in later years to include the lawn plaque section, children's section, remembrance gardens and the ANZAC memorial.

The cemetery rules established in 1888 indicate that a Sexton was employed to look after general maintenance and grave digging.

Twenty years ago, a heritage walk was conducted at the Hazelwood Cemetery when a large number enjoyed a two-hour conducted walk-through.

In September a similar occasion will be scheduled.

Date - Sunday, September 29 - 1.30 pm

Maximum number - 25

A conducted walk-through of the Hazelwood

Cemetery to celebrate its 140th birthday.

Please meet at the main southern gates just off the Yinnar Road.

To register your interest and attendance, please go to this link – the registration instructions are clear. Please register by Thursday, September 26, 2019.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hazelwood-cemetery-history-tour-and-walk-through-tickets-70580039799>

Those attending this informative walk-through may consider bringing a bottle of water and a nibble or two. We expect fine weather.

The Hazelwood Cemetery Trust looks forward to meeting you.

For further information, phone Leo Billington, Chairperson – 0458 661 848.

## Hazelwood Rotary Club



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## Mathison Park

The Park shelters are now completed.

The committee would like to thank Latrobe City Council for the funding to construct Park shelters over two of the Park benches close to the Lake. These will provide shelter from the rain if the weather turns inclement as well as providing shelter from the sun, on those hot days when we should keep our exposure to the sun at a minimum to protect our skin from those harmful rays if exposed too long. We would also like to acknowledge Aaron Pearce Plumbing for installing the sheeting to the frame and Foster's On-Site Welding & Engineering for the great job that they did on the fabrication and erection of the frame.

Holcim Morwell supplied the concrete at no cost, which helped us to keep the costs to a minimum. Wayne Moore & Associates provided the Engineering computations and B4U BUILD provided the building approval. A GREAT BIG thank you to all those organisations for their fantastic support. All in all we were able to construct two shelters locally sourced for the price of one "off the shelf shelter" bought from



a Melbourne manufacturing firm specialising in park shelters.

All we have to do now is enjoy these facilities and look after them so that everyone can make use of them in years to come.

Our working bee was put off yet again this month due to the pouring rain, wind and cold.

But on the third Saturday four people turned up to work. Work included finishing off the weeding of the bed beside the long boardwalk, and doing an audit of plants which need to be replaced in our present garden beds.

Latrobe City Council officers have met with us to discuss areas in the park

where they can help us. We look forward to having these projects put in place. I am sure you will notice some marvelous improvements in months to come. The first project is some planting around the new ramp and creek area at the Kurnai end of the park.

The Council mowing team has now taken over responsibility for mowing on the east side and behind the old house. We are so grateful for this extra help to maintain the park and say a huge thank you to those responsible.

We are also thankful for the work the Community Corrections teams do to make the park look neat and well cared for.



# Russell Northe

## Hazelwood Pondage Update

The fight to maintain Hazelwood Pondage as a community asset continues. I was recently pleased to note that Latrobe City Council has passed a resolution that calls for the State Government to undertake a detailed feasibility study to consider all available options in reopening the Pondage into the future. This is something that I and many stakeholders have been advocating for over previous months.

It is pleasing to know that Council has weighed in with their support and one can only hope that the State Government finally shows some interest in understanding what this unique body of water means for our community. Last month in Parliament I had to raise my concerns about the failure of the Government to answer my questions relating to the future of the Pondage in a timely manner, which is extremely disappointing. At a time when organisations such as the Latrobe Valley Yacht Club and Latrobe Valley Game Fishing Club were asked to vacate their clubrooms, the State Government couldn't bother to answer serious questions relating to the Pondage and its stakeholders. Nonetheless we will keep persisting on behalf of those who don't want to see the Pondage slowly die.

## Fire Access Tracks Petition

In August, and on behalf of a number of local residents I was able to table a petition in Parliament that contained over 1,500 signatures and which called for fire access tracks across the State to be adequately cleared and maintained. It's understood that fire-fighting efforts in the Yinnar South fires of earlier this year and indeed in other regional areas, were often hampered by inaccessible and overgrown tracks.

What we don't want to see is a situation whereby our firefighters and first responders in any emergency event are placed at an increased risk and which in turn also increases risks to our local communities. Our local first responders do an



amazing job often in the most complex and difficult of circumstances. We don't want accessibility to be an issue when an emergency event occurs and inhibit what our emergency services do so well – and that is to protect life and assets. I have written to the Minister for Emergency Services in relation to this matter and currently await her response.

## Churchill Football and Netball Club

At the time of writing it appears the Churchill Football Netball Club will be completing another successful year. A number of the Cougars football and netball teams have had terrific seasons and will be well involved in the finals series. It really is a terrific achievement and certainly bodes well for the future of the Club with a number of quality juniors coming through the ranks.

Speaking of juniors, I also want to mention the Churchill Junior Football Club with whom I've had some interactions during the course of the year. Unfortunately the facilities at Gaskin Park No. 2 are simply not up to standard and nor is the playing surface itself.

I look forward to working with the Club, Council and the State Government in identifying any support and possible funding opportunities to ensure players, coaches

and committee members have adequate and modern facilities and playing surfaces.

Congratulations to everyone associated with the Churchill football and netball teams and especially a big thank you to the army of volunteers who help make our local sporting clubs such a vibrant place to be.

## Plastic bag ban

You will have observed that plastic shopping bags have disappeared from the checkout at the major supermarkets but did you know that all lightweight plastic shopping bags will be banned from November 1 this year? The ban will apply in all types of retail businesses and food outlets and also includes the banning of degradable, biodegradable and compostable plastic bags.

It does not cover the small plastic bags that we often place our fruit and vegetables in at some supermarkets – their inclusion may be considered at a future time. I did speak about this aspect of the ban in Parliament recently whereby I noted my support for what I think is a sensible law that minimises waste whilst improving environmental outcomes.

Photo above:  
Member for Morwell, Russell Northe  
viewing the unsatisfactory playing  
surface at Gaskin Park No.2

## Master-planning at Churchill campus, Federation University

Guest speaker at CDCA's forthcoming Annual General Meeting will be recently appointed Federation University Churchill Campus Manager, Ms Leigh Kennedy. Leigh will be sharing news of the development of a campus master-plan for the Churchill site.

Work has begun on developing the plan and campus staff have had the opportunity to have some input. CDCA is particularly interested in further links between the campus and the town and programs to engage community.

Leigh is a Gippsland local and has been warmly welcomed to her role at the Churchill campus. All local residents are welcome to attend our AGM and hear Leigh share her thoughts on the campus' future.

CDCA's AGM will be held at 7pm on Tuesday October 8, 2019 in the Board Room at the Gippsland Enterprise Centre (formerly known as Green Inc) in McDonald Way, Churchill. Plenty of car-parking is available on site and tea and coffee will be provided.

CDCA, in partnership with



the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre and the Churchill & District News, is proud to announce another recycling initiative being introduced this month at the Churchill Hub.

We are collecting plastic milk bottle and juice bottle tops – look for the special collection container in the foyer at the Churchill Hub!

These plastic bottle tops will be sent to a specialist recycling facility (Enviro) in Melbourne where they are shredded and then used to manufacture artificial hands for people in need. This is a most worthwhile project and we encourage you to contribute.

The list of items that can be taken to the Hub for recycling continues to grow – x-ray films, clean used aluminium foil, old bras, printer cartridges, mobile phones and chargers, household batteries, P5 plastics and now, milk and juice bottle tops! We are proud to be doing our bit to recycle and reduce waste going to landfill or shipped off-shore.

CDCA is also partnering with the Churchill & District News (and other key stakeholders) to inspire locals to 'Be Proud', 'Get Involved',

'Shop Local' and have 'Active Kids'. You can read more about this initiative elsewhere in this month's issue of the News.

At our last meeting, CDCA welcomed a couple of new members to our group. Surprisingly to us, whilst many locals seem to have heard of CDCA and direct inquiries and issues to us, our membership is quite small.

Membership of CDCA is free and entitles you to have a voice and a vote at our meetings, but brings no obligation to attend, join the committee or participate in projects unless you so desire. A membership application form can be downloaded from the Home Page of our website at <http://cdca.org.au/>

CDCA meets at 7pm on the second Tuesday of every second month – our next meeting (AGM) will be held on Tuesday October 8, and our next regular CDCA meeting is planned for December 10.

More information about CDCA can be found on our website: [www.cdca.org.au](http://www.cdca.org.au) or email [mgcdca@hotmail.com](mailto:mgcdca@hotmail.com) Find us on Facebook – search for Churchill District Community Association - and leave a message, or write to us at PO Box 191, Churchill.

# Churchill & District Lions Club

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of each Month



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## Co-Operating Churches Snippets



Our third Sunday service had as a guest speaker David Speigler.

He spoke of his experience working with asylum seekers and refugees and how he had developed some wonderful relationships with those he had helped, and how thankful they were for the support given.



Martin Reid turned 80 and to celebrate there was a birthday cake to share and a card to sign to wish him continued good health.

Martin has been one of those behind the scenes people doing all sorts of things quietly over the years.

It was good to wish him well.

Coffee Connections had as its theme "I remember when...." Some interesting stories were shared, some interesting facts learnt and some older times remembered with fun and nostalgia.

Sharon continues to provide an amazing

children's program of interest for us all but geared for the children.

An engaging talk in church is followed by at least three activities to re-enforce the message of the talk.

We look forward to seeing what the children have done near the end of the service.

## Chaplain

Recently, a student group ('Christians @ Uni Gippsland' - 'CUG') hosted a 'Gideons' giveaway of free New Testaments, with free donuts.

They gave out 104 New Testaments, with good interactions around the free food too.

Each New Testament

(which includes the Old Testament books of Psalms and Proverbs) explains a bit about Gideons, has a few pages of useful helps, and provides one verse ("For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life") in 38 languages.

Other people are always amazed that more New Testaments than donuts are given away at such events.

This was a student-led activity, with the 'CUG' group running other events throughout the year, including free hot-cross buns at Easter, Bible studies, etc.

Mainly a group of young people, they are an excellent reminder that the Christian

## Peters Pondering

As I write this I realised that I have been the Minister of the Co-operating Church for about six months. In that time, I have had to learn new things. The Co-operating Church of Churchill, Boolarra, Yinnar is a unique church in that it has three denominations operating within one church. These are the Anglican Church, the Uniting Church and the Churches of Christ. This means that for me there are three different denominational bodies to deal with, and three times the amount of paperwork.

However, within the church the congregation barley remembers that they belong to differing denominations.

There is a spirit of love and acceptance even though there are different cultures operating within the church, they have Unity in their diversity.

As I was growing up there was a lot of discussion about why there were so many different Christian denominations and a lot of people outside the church wondered why the church was so divided.

The church responded with what was called the ecumenical movement, the outcome being that the Uniting church was formed as some of the Presbyterian churches, the Methodist church and the Congregational

church forming what became known as the Uniting Church. However, some of the Presbyterian Church and other denominations were unwilling to join the Uniting Churches because of differing points of views. The push for unity at the time was centred around pulling all the Churches together in one form. Humans however are very diverse and see things differently, we have different customs, cultures, languages. People in the church are no different there are many different cultures ideas and ways of doing things. There can still be unity in such diversity however as the Co-operating Church proves.

You see, though we don't all see Jesus the same way we agree on who He is, what He has done for us and we all know of the great love God has for us.

While academics seem to think that conformity brings unity any child will prove that you cannot fit a square peg into a round hole.

It is no shame to be different to other people, we should never conform to what others think is good if that is not what you are.

In other words, be yourself and allow others to be themselves and then we can truly celebrate together who we are. Just my ponderings for this month.

Peter



faith continues to grow.

My thanks to those who both helped on the day and who received a New Testament (and donut).

I trust that in reading the little book people will find, as the intro says, 'advice,

help, instruction, warning, comfort and hope, correction and direction, predictions and promises'.

All that, and more!  
Worth thinking about!

## Churchill Christian Fellowship

The Churchill Christian Fellowship meets on Tuesday evenings in Studio 1, access from Philip Parade. Visitors are always welcome. For most of this year, we have been studying the Book of Acts, which has been very exciting. Nearly all the regular members of the group have had their turn at leading the Bible Study and it has always been interesting and challenging.

Every week we also take time to pray for the needs within the group. We have seen many wonderful answers from these prayer times.

At the end of July, we had a fellowship meal and movie night. "I Can Only Imagine" is about Bart Millard, from Christian Band Mercy Me, and the story of his most famous song. A very emotional but inspiring movie.

Lynn Fowler recently

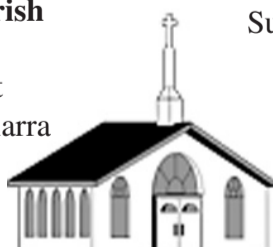
concluded an eight week course entitled "Breaking the Chains" with good results.

The next healing rally is scheduled for 7.30 on Saturday October 12, also at Studio 1.

Contact details and up-to-date information can be found at www.churchillchristianfellowship.com or phone Linda on 0400 690 972.

## Church Times

**Boolarra/Yinnar Co-Operating Parish**  
All Sundays  
11.00am now at  
Christ Church Boolarra  
5th Sundays  
11.00am  
Yinnar South



**Co-Operating Churches of Churchill**  
Rev. Peter Carter  
Sunday Service: 9.00am  
Williams Avenue,  
Churchill.  
Tel: 5122 1480

**Lumen Christi Catholic Church**  
Williams Avenue, Churchill  
Tel: 5134 2849

Fr Solomon Okeh/Fr James Fernandez  
Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm  
Sunday: Mass: 9.00am  
1st and 3rd Sundays:  
Yinnar: Mass: 10.30am  
2nd and 4th Sundays:  
Boolarra: Mass: 10.30am

**Churchill Christian Fellowship**  
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Craft mornings and prayer meetings  
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# Friends of Morwell National Park

This month we will have the last of John's Jottings. John has for years searched through the old newsletters to find little gems to share with us. A big thanks goes to John for all of his hard work for both the newsletter and around the park.

## John's Jottings (last of the series)

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

"June 4, 1990

Hello,

There's no complaints about the turn-up last month; we were able to split up into two groups. (!!!) One group went to the site off Jumbuck Road where we previously planted some trees, to re-secure the tree guards and remove some wayward pine seedlings. The other (fool) hardy bods did goat impersonations in the new section of the park to continue the removal of Verbena. Whilst the clearing looks impressive at the moment, the site will have to be closely watched to ensure that the stuff doesn't come back with a vengeance.

Rob made an interesting observation at the old workshop site where we planted back in April. Very few plants have been munched upon, however he noticed that the naturally regenerated plants hadn't been touched. I guess the disturbed soil must be a dead giveaway to any forager on the prowl.

Next meeting, on June 17, will have us combining the removal of the nightshade, that's taking off like wildfire around Billys Creek, with some tree planting. We will also be holding a meeting to deal with some business, the most important of which is paying our new members the courtesy of officially accepting them into the fold.

Hope to see you there, Steve"

Over the month we have had good rains (around 140mm) with some heavy downpours. Winter started relatively dry and it is good that we have received some late winter rains. The level of Billys Creek rose with the increased water flows. Thankfully the creek level dropped again before our activity.

## August Activities Reports

For this month we had two activities over the weekend paired with the people from Yinnar - Yinnar South Landcare group. The first activity was a presentation on direct seeding.

After the Annual General Meeting for the Yinnar - Yinnar South Landcare group was held and many problems with technology were solved, the presentation started.

Bronwyn Teesdale spoke about direct seeding as a planting method for revegetation projects. Bronwyn has worked on many large revegetation projects involving direct seeding. She went through the different tilling techniques (machinery to hand digging techniques) and showed the results from some of the projects she has been involved in. Most techniques involved spreading seed by hand into tilled areas. It was interesting to see the site photos from small seedlings after six months to saplings after two years and larger trees after a decade.

Plans for the following day where the two groups will set up some test sites on Blue Gum Hill were discussed. The plan is to create some test sites on Blue Gum Hill of direct seeding to see how effective this technique will be for this area. The Yinnar - Yinnar South Landcare group then hopes to transfer the techniques that work to their plot beside the Grand Strzelecki Track further up Billys Creek.

The second activity for the weekend was a joint activity with the Yinnar - Yinnar South Landcare group to set up test sites of direct seeding on Blue Gum Hill. For this activity we had Ken, Matt, Beryl, Tamara, Cathy, Mike, Joelle, Rose, Graeme, Hayley, Gordon and Darren; and from the Yinnar - Yinnar South Landcare group we also had Jay, Dave, Bev and Wendy.

The groups met in the Junction Road car park to make the plan for the day. Seed collected from previous activities and seed from storage was to be used today. A combination of gum, wattle and other seed was mixed with dried sand (as filler) to make the seed mixture to be spread today. Plastic bags and plastic herb containers were filled with the mixture.

The group was going to split with some driving in from Reidy's Road (to come in via the top of Blue Gum Hill) and the others driving in via Billys Creek Track. The seed mixture was split between the groups and mattocks and hoes loaded into vehicles. Mike and Matt drove their groups to the base of Blue Gum Hill and walked up the side creek to where the Blue Gum Hill Track starts to zig zag up the hill. The creek level had dropped so these walkers were able to get across the crossings without getting wet. Their terrain was very steep so a lot of care was needed and a few falls occurred.

The other group drove around the park to Reidy's Road where they entered the park and Blue Gum Hill via an adjacent property. Care was needed in driving in on the wet tracks. This group needed firstly to find the track and after finding it worked halfway down the hill. This test plot was to be adjacent to track cut in by contractors many years ago when they unsuccessfully tried to plant out the hill. The group divided with most scraping a layer of grass and weeds away for the seed spreaders to spread the seed mixture on the bare spot. A seed mixture which had added apple box was spread closest to the track. When this ran out the remainder of the plot was sown with the standard seed mixture.

This group worked on for a few hours until all of the seed mixture was finished. Thankfully the group could get off the steep hill and sit down and have some lunch.

At the end of lunch this group spotted some of the other group working up the hill. A few travelled down to help them finish up while most of the group walked back to the top of Blue Gum Hill to drive out. It was found that driving out was more difficult than driving in. The uphill trip over the wet track was difficult.

The downhill group finished up the last of their seed in an area between the two test sites. They had experimented with some different tilling techniques so it will be interesting to come back and see which techniques were effective. The three test sites are very different and match the



varieties of landscape at the Landcare's Billys Creek site. The best conditions to start the seeds off is to have good rain after the seed is sown and that occurred overnight after the activity. It will be interesting to see what the strike rates will be at the different sites.

## September Activities

Sunday September 15, 10.00am

The group will meet in the Junction Road car park to complete maintenance on the nesting boxes. You will need

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



## Morwell & District Red Cross Branch

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# Churchill Fire Brigade



### Christmas in August

Members of the Churchill Fire Brigade and Merton Group recently joined students from the Federation University FedUni Living student residences for an annual Christmas in August fundraising function.

Each year, FedUni Living across all of the Federation University campuses holds a range of functions and events to raise money for local charities, and for this year, the funds from Gippsland are being directed to the local CFA fire brigades.

A great evening of fun and laughter as guests participated in raffles and auctions for a range of items donated by Federation University, and local businesses.

Thank you FedUni Living, FedUni staff, and all those students living on-campus at Churchill for your generous support.

### Christmas in July

As one means of creating a better

teams of firefighters, for any month where there are five Mondays in the month the brigade holds a social night. Such events allow members and their families to have time together in a social setting and provides a great opportunity to get to know other brigade members and their families. This contributes to the building of a strong team who are familiar with each other, and who can work together better when attending large scale emergency events.

In July, we held a Christmas in July dinner with a fabulous, three course meal provided and served by brigade members.

A fantastic opportunity to relax and enjoy time as part of the CFA family and build on our capability to respond when needed by our community.

### Churchill Central Preschool visit.

Two groups of well behaved attentive preschoolers



New Captain Shane Renwick in his first address.

from the Hub, visited the station in August.

Thank you to all the members who supported these visits by participating in the days activities.

### Silence is Deadly

Lisa Neville, Minister for Police and

Emergency Services launched the 2019 smoke alarm campaign on Thursday August 22, alongside CFA CEO/CO Steve Warrington and MFB Acting CO and CEO Greg Leach.

Recent research reveals that only 16 per cent of

people have smoke alarms in their bedrooms and many Victorians are confused or unsure about the usage, location and maintenance of smoke alarms.

The new safety advice recognises the potentially deadly consequence of silence as a fire spreads while people sleep.

It marks a significant change to previous guidance that smoke alarms were only necessary outside bedrooms and in hallways, with residents now being urged to install interconnected smoke alarms in every bedroom as well as in hallways and living areas.

### Smoke alarm tips:

\* Smoke alarms should be installed in bedrooms and

all living areas, where most fatal fires start.

\* Each month, test smoke alarms by pressing the test button.

\* Each year, vacuum all smoke alarms to clean the vents, and change batteries in any battery-operated alarms.

\* After 10 years, replace smoke alarms regardless of the type.

\* Install a smoke alarm in all bedrooms and living areas, including hallways and stairs.

\* Get a smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium battery so you don't need to change the battery every year.

\* Consider getting interconnected smoke alarms, so that when any alarm activates, all smoke alarms will sound.



## Old Time Family Dance

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## Churchill / Latrobe City Neighbourhood Watch and Churchill Town Safety Group

### Online banking, accounts, etc.

This month, we are looking at online purchases, banking and keeping your money and accounts safe.

Many of us now turn to online banking and online payments for goods from places like ebay.

If you are one of these people, it is a good idea to keep track of your savings accounts almost daily. If you have made a payment for goods on line, keep track of your accounts to see that the correct amount has been taken out of your account. If you are shopping on ebay etc, it is wise to shop using "PayPal". That

way of paying ensures that your money is safe and if there are issues, they will "Go into bat" for you and see that all is fair and just. If something looks suspicious, double check it before buying. Never give your PIN No to anyone and keep your PIN No shielded when using it in public. If you are using a credit or debit card, purchase a protector for your card which is basically a metal shield and that will help protect you from scammers. If you notice anything on your bank statements that is out of the ordinary, contact your bank or credit union asap.



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# Get Fit – Play Tennis

## ROUND ROBIN and TOURNAMENT

### Monday, September 23, 2019



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 Contact Carol Scott 0409 326 769

**CHURCHILL TENNIS CLUB**  
**Get Fit - Play Tennis Round Robin & Tournament**  
 Monday, Sept 23, 2019 - 9.00 am - 11.00 am and 11.30 am - 2.30 pm  
**ENTRY FORM**

Player's Name.....

Phone No..... Age .....

Section played..... LVTA/Other

My Son/Daughter would like to enter the -

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# CDCA

Churchill & District Community Association Inc.

## Annual General Meeting

**7pm, Tuesday, October 8, 2019**

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

**Guest Speaker:** Ms Leigh Kennedy, Churchill Campus Manager, Federation University  
Topic: Campus Master-Planning and Community Engagement

**Agenda items include:**

- Presentation of Annual Report
- Annual Financial Statement
- Committee Elections

All members and local residents welcome.  
Tea and coffee provided.  
Contact CDCA: email - [mgcdca@hotmail.com](mailto:mgcdca@hotmail.com)



# Family FUN Day

## GARAGE SALE

The Co-operating Churches  
1 Williams Ave Churchill

**Saturday October 19, 2019**  
**9.00am - 2.00pm**

- \*Sausage Sizzle\*
- \*Pancakes\*
- \*Cake Stall\*
- \*Plants\*
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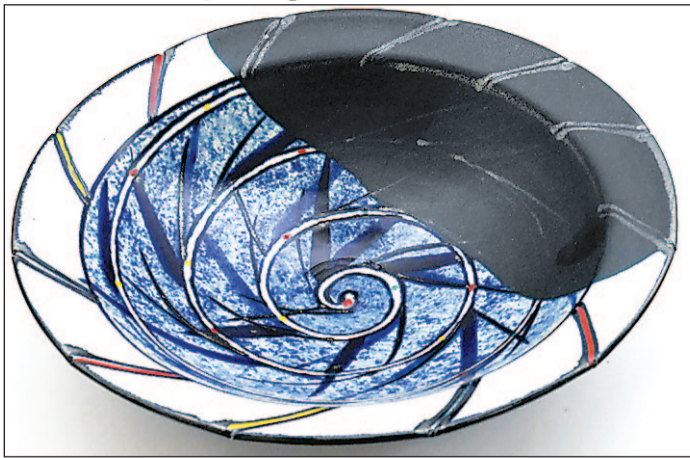
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# Kevin White – Vessel: A Voyage



This exhibition 'Vessel: A Voyage' features over forty works produced from 1983 to the present by acclaimed artist Kevin White.

Kevin White is one of the most eminent artists working with clay in Australia and has been instrumental in educating a generation of

younger artists, dedicated to the medium of Ceramics.

White's porcelain vessels and their contemporary embellishment take inspiration from the elegance, philosophical sophistication and technical skill of the East Asian ceramic tradition.

Latrobe Regional Gallery

is hosting this ceramics exhibition to help raise the profile of this art form and increase the community interest.

'Vessel: A Voyage' will run until October 27 at Latrobe Regional Gallery, Morwell.



## STAMP MATTERS- A NEW EXPERIENCE



### Stamp and Coin Fair

Our club, Latrobe Valley Philatelic Society, is gearing up for our annual Stamp and Coin Fair to be held on October 19 at the Uniting Church Hall on Park Lane in Traralgon from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be dealers from across Victoria in attendance and everyone is welcome to come along. Our hourly lucky door prize will be conducted and this year we have a special attraction. To celebrate the Club's 70th birthday, Australia Post has produced a special postmark. A postal officer will be in attendance to postmark covers with this special cancel on its first day of use. After this date it will be used at Traralgon Post Office for a few weeks longer.

Our club competition was held at our August meeting and all entries will be on show at the entrance to the Fair as our annual display. The theme this year is Anniversaries. Refreshments are available and our Valuers will be there to help you. We hope to see you all there.

### Orchids

In August my wife and I attended the Orchid Show at Mid-Valley Shopping Mall and the display of blooms was up to its usual high standard. I hasten to add that my wife is the orchid grower in our family as I have a brown thumb with most plants. However, I do appreciate their beauty and their elegance.

Orchids grow in most parts of the world and to date, even in very cold areas and there are around 28,000 species. They are known for their colourful and often fragrant blooms. Since the 1800s the discovery of orchids in the tropical rainforests of the world have led to the widespread cultivation of orchids and over 100,000 hybrids and cultivars have been propagated.

There are several types of orchid, the most popular being the Cymbidium, Dendrobium, the Epidendrum, the Bulbophyllum and the Pleurothallis. The Cymbidium is the most popular with orchid growers because once established it is

a very forgiving plant, almost thriving on neglect. The plants need to be split up and re-potted every three or four years. The Dendrobium is best known as the Rock Orchid. The Bulbophyllum has a root system which attaches to rocks and branches. The Pleurothallis is found in the wild only in the Americas and the Epidendrum is one of the epiphyte family which grows on other plants.

Australian native orchids are usually in the first two groups and are found only in this country. Most flowers are small and delicate and there are some very odd ones. One species from the rainforests of Northern Queensland flowers underground.

Australia Post has featured the orchid in a number of sets including the Cooktown orchid, Queensland's state flower in 1968, a set of native orchids in 1986 and a joint issue with Singapore in 1998. Orchids are also featured on stamps from many other countries around the world and offer an interesting group to collect.

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# Be Proud – Churchill and District

Churchill & District Community Association (CDCA), with the support of the Churchill & District News as well as other concerned parties and individuals are creating a plan of action to build a stronger community spirit.

The plan, under the logo 'Be Proud – Churchill and District' will incorporate three programs which all have their own logos, their own projects and their own goals. This will bring together some projects already under way and some new initiatives.

The aim is to use project momentum to encourage greater community participation to help solve some of the issues currently facing our town.

We want to build a stronger local voice and engender greater civic pride to address the decline of some services and opportunities. By setting project plans and giving the community real actions, we may achieve some, if not all, of our goals to

help the Churchill community thrive.

## Program 1 – Be Involved; Make A Difference

### Project 1 – Bendigo Bank Agency

Liaise with Bendigo Bank and Mirboo North Community Bank in an attempt to establish a banking facility in Churchill. (Note that we now know that the Bendigo Bank will not support an agency nor a stand-alone entity in Churchill – see separate report in this issue of the News)

### Project 2 – Old Service Station at Monash Way and Acacia Way corner

Commence a letter-writing campaign to United Petrol Company from Churchill and district townfolk. (See next month's issue of C&D News for more information and a standardised letter to send to United)

### Project 3 – Hazelwood House

Continue to investigate any new opportunities to ensure Churchill maintains

a facility for its aged population. (Contact CDCA or Churchill Neighbourhood Centre to join the Working Group addressing this issue – email mgcdca@hotmail.com)

### Project 4 – Hazelwood Pondage

Join the efforts of the wider community to have the Dam Wall Report made public and retain the pondage as a local recreational facility. (CDCA is writing to Russell Northe MP, Yinnar & District Community Association and Latrobe City Council)

### Program 2 – Shop Local Project 1 - Loyalty Program

Bring businesses and shopkeepers together to discuss creating a loyalty program such as a monthly voucher for a 'lucky' Churchill shopper to win. (See 'Shop Local' article in this issue of the News for more information)

### Project 2 - Joint Promotion

Create links between our businesses so that they can explore greater possibilities

of joint promotion and collaboration. (See 'Shop Local' article in this issue of the News for more information)

### Program 3 – Active Kids Project 1 – Signage

Seek funding to create a sign highlighting all the sport and recreational clubs and programs that Churchill has to offer. (Suitable funding sources are being explored)

### Project 2 – Continued Collaboration

Create links between our clubs and associations so that they can explore more opportunities for joint promotion and collaboration. (Some joint activities between clubs are in the planning stages)

In the coming months, readers will see more news and promotions about these projects. We aim, by tackling these projects, to better connect our community with our businesses, our sporting clubs and our local associations. We want to encourage locals to get involved through real actions, word-of-mouth discussions and media exposure.

We may not achieve all that we set out to do, but we can certainly build a stronger community. Come on Churchill and district residents – let's be proud of what our town has to offer!



## John Conomos – Beyond

Artist, critic and writer John Conomos' latest exhibition "Beyond" is coming to the Latrobe Regional Gallery. "Beyond" is a video exhibit mixing the space between cinema, literature, critical theory and the visual arts.

Conomos' videotapes, installations and photographs have been widely exhibited throughout Australia, Europe, the United States, Japan, Canada, and Latin America.

"Beyond" will feature a world premiere showing of a video installation the "The Girl From the Sea" which is



a personal essay documentary about the artist's mother coming to Australia in the early 1940s as a teenager, arriving to work in country NSW cafes for her uncles and aunts.

The film's subjective

voice-over delineates the artist's relationship to his mother.

John Conomos' "Beyond" will be on show at the Latrobe Regional Gallery, Morwell from August 17 and will run until October 27.



### HELLOWORLD TRAVEL MORWELL

In July I was lucky enough to be given the opportunity to travel to Bangkok and Singapore. Flying Thai Airways our first stop was Bangkok, where we shopped at the local markets on land and even on water by taking part in a floating markets tour by boat. My favourite experience we had in Bangkok was the Thai cooking class tour, which I would highly recommend everyone do if they travel to Thailand. I couldn't believe I could cook such amazing tasting food! After 3 nights in Bangkok we then moved onto Singapore, which I was most excited about. From Gardens by the Bay to Universal Studios, Singapore has got something on offer for everyone. You also won't be disappointed with the lack of opportunity to do some shopping throughout Singapore, they even have shopping centres underground! With Singapore Airlines flying into so many cities around the world, why not have two holidays and stop over in Singapore? You won't regret it! With all the team at Helloworld Travel Morwell having experienced both cities first hand, we would love to have a chat about your next holiday destination.

*Until next time,  
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**T** Call 000, **TIME** is critical.

### F.A.S.T heroes save lives in Victoria

There are real life super heroes walking amongst us – everyday Victorians who have saved a life simply by knowing how to recognise a stroke F.A.S.T and calling an ambulance.

National Stroke Week (September 2-8), the Stroke Foundation celebrated these incredible individuals and encouraged all Victorians to learn the most common signs of stroke.

Stroke Foundation Chief Executive Officer Sharon McGowan said stroke strikes the brain, the human control centre.

“Stroke is always a time-critical medical emergency, but people from all walks of life can come to the rescue by recognising the signs of stroke and calling an ambulance,” Ms McGowan said.

“Eighty percent of strokes will display one or more of the F.A.S.T signs.”

Using the F.A.S.T test involves asking these simple questions:

Face - Check their face.

Has their mouth drooped?

Arms - Can they lift both arms?

Speech - Is their speech slurred? Do they understand you?

Time is critical. If you see any of these signs call triple zero (000) straight away.

There will be more than 14,000 strokes in Victoria this year alone.

Ms McGowan said when a stroke strikes it attacks around 1.9 million brain cells each minute. However, treatments can stop this damage and the more rapidly a stroke can be treated, the better the outcome is likely to be.

“The more people who know the F.A.S.T signs of stroke message and to call an ambulance at the first sign, the better,” Ms McGowan said.

“A recent Stroke Foundation survey found one in two of us know all of the symptoms of a stroke, with knowledge significantly higher among females and the older demographic.

Be sure to spread the F.A.S.T signs of stroke message to your friends,

family and colleagues. The life you save may be your own.”

National Stroke Week is the Stroke Foundation’s annual stroke awareness campaign.

Thousands of activities were held right around the country, including information stalls, morning teas, talks from stroke survivors, health checks, personal or team challenges and fundraising events.

### Stroke stats for Gippsland federal electorate.

There will be more than 400 strokes in the community this year

There are more than 3,425 people living with the effects of stroke in the community.

### Risk factors

Almost 29,000 people suffer from high blood pressure

More than 39,000 people have high cholesterol

Almost 68,000 people are physically inactive

More than 3500 people suffer from atrial fibrillation

# Latrobe Streetgames



Coach TJ and Churchill players getting into 3x3 basketball at Churchill Community Leagues

Latrobe Streetgames has been bringing a bunch of free games and sports to teens and young adults around the Latrobe Valley over the past 12 months.

Most of our participants love having a variety of games, a relaxed, and more casual atmosphere when they’re getting active. But for those who prefer a more structured game, we also have a couple of social sports leagues running each week.

We pop up in 11 or more locations every week at a variety of times, (plus we’re

soon heading to Baw Baw Shire). Make sure to follow us on Facebook, Instagram, or via our website [www.latrobastreetgames.com.au](http://www.latrobastreetgames.com.au) to keep updated. We can’t wait to see you at one of our events!

We are also popping up at the following schools in Term 3 so keep an eye out for us!

\* Lowanna College 1:20-2:05pm Tuesdays

\* Kurnai Churchill Junior campus 12 - 1.45pm Wednesdays fortnightly from August 21

\* Kurnai GEP 1 - 1:50

Thursdays

\* Kurnai Morwell Mondays 1:05 - 1:50pm

\* Traralgon College Wednesdays fortnightly from August 28

\* Morwell FLO skate school 10 - 11am and 1 - 2pm Fridays from August 17

“The people here are really friendly, and the games and activities are actually really fun. Everyone can join in no matter your age, it’s a really good session to meet new people too.” –Tegan

## Plants in my Garden

By Mike Beamish

Species: Prostanthera calycina.

Family: Lamiaceae.

Derivation:

Prostanthera: From the Greek prostheke, meaning an appendage, and anthos, meaning a flower, referring to the small appendages on the anthers.

calycina; From the Latin (and Greek) calyx, meaning cup, plus -inus, meaning like or similar to, and used botanically in reference to having an unusual calyx.

Name: Red Mintbush.

Distribution: Endemic to South Australia, from Port Lincoln on the tip of the Eyre Peninsula, westward along the coast to about Fowlers Bay, occurring on sandy soils associated with limestone.

Description: A dwarf shrub to 60cm tall and broad, sometimes lax and lying on the ground, sometimes erect and spreading. Leaves are elliptic to orbicular, to 1.8cm long, scattered along the stems, dark green on top and paler beneath and nicely aromatic. Flowers occur from mid-winter to early summer in the upper leaf axils and can be red, pink, orange, apricot or yellowish. They have a long thin calyx to 1.5cm long, green to maroon in colour with a hairy, glandular exterior, out of which the tubular corolla extends another 2cm.

Opinion: My specimen came from the Donnan’s garden at Eagle Point in 2012



and managed to survive in its pot for longer than it should have, until I planted it in the bed on the western fence line in 2015 or 2016. I have a bad habit of forgetting about my purchases for far too long, but this one managed to outlast me.

I remember when I finally put it in the ground, as a leggy stick with leaves in a tube, that I didn’t expect it to do very well, but it has taken on the challenge and put on a goodly amount of growth. It is now about 50cm tall, still quite leggy so that it needs staking to remain upright, but has many more branches on which to display its flowers. It has flowered nicely over the last couple of years, so I hope it can persist, which is much more than I can say for its frustrating cousin, the Scarlet

Mintbush *P. aspalathoides*. My latest attempt at the latter, about number six, turned into a brown stick while we were up the Wellington River over the New Year break. It’s probably time to give up on that one!

Sources: Sharr – WA Plant Names and their Meanings, Elliot & Jones – Encyclopaedia of Australian Plants, Volume 8, Online – Flora of South Australia.

The Australian Plants Society Latrobe Valley Group meets on the second Thursday each month at 7.30pm, at the Horticultural Buildings of Federation Training, on the corner of Prince’s Drive and Monash Way, Morwell. All guests welcome, please let us know you are coming by calling Mike on 0447 452 755.



## ADVANCE NOTICE

of the

### Annual General Meeting 2019

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2:00pm**

*followed by afternoon tea*

To be able to vote at the AGM, or stand for election to the Board of Governance, you need to have been a paid-up member for **at least 10 business days.**

***So if you are not yet a member for 2019, now is the time to join!***

***Existing members will be sent a membership renewal form, but you can pick one up at the Office or ask to have one emailed to you.***



# Churchill history demolished



Watson Park Kindergarten, Churchill's first kindergarten has been demolished. Sadly the building was vandalised and then an attempt to burn it down was made leaving it in a poor condition. Even though Council tried to find an organisation to occupy it none was found and the only option was to pull it down. But watch this space for developments.

## St Matt's Op Shop news

A surprising number of brave people ventured out into the rain and hail for the St Matt's Op Shop Book Bazaar on August 10. Free books were offered for children along with free coffee, tea and cupcakes, and a variety of paperbacks and hard cover books were available at half price.

We still have plenty of good books in stock, including cookbooks for 50 cents each and bestsellers from \$1 to \$3. Stock up and sit by the fire with a good book.

Our next event will be a Spring Sale on September 14. The lambs are leaping, the blossoms are blooming, the birds are singing, the bees are

buzzing and we are having a half price sale on children's clothes, toys and games. Keep up with our events by liking the "St Matt's Op Shop Yinnar" Facebook page or by emailing [stmatssyinnar@gmail.com](mailto:stmatssyinnar@gmail.com).

Reduce your impact on the environment by saving secondhand items from landfill and reducing the need for new items to be manufactured. Shopping at St Matt's is also a great way to save money with children's clothes \$1 each, winter jumpers \$3 and winter coats \$4. Donations of clothing and small items in good condition are gratefully accepted during opening hours. As a guide

don't give it to an op shop if you wouldn't give it to a friend so no chipped crockery, broken toys or torn/dirty clothing please. Unfortunately we do not have space for furniture and larger items.

The Op Shop is located at 26 Main Street Yinnar (in the church building next to Smee's garage) and is open on Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm and Saturday from 10am to 1pm.

New volunteers are welcome and will need to obtain a Working with Children check in compliance with new government regulations.

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## MEN'S TEAM OF THE HALF-CENTURY 1969-2018

### Goal Keepers

Adrian Huizer, Jason Sands

### Defenders

Andrew Maselli, Jamie Robson, Jason Sterrick,  
George Tewierik, Wayne Van Aalst, Luke Van Lambaart

### Mid Fielders

Mark Bianconi, Nigel Browne, Phillip Dyson, Roy Hainsworth,  
Mitchell Jackson, Nathan Lugton, Stephen Maselli,  
Gerry Riess, Paul Riess, Rick Van Aalst

### Forwards

Luke Cheney, Stephen Riess Richard Te Paa, Mark Husquin

**Captain:** Jamie Robson

**Coach:** Luke Cheney

**Trevor Riess** – President  
Saturday July 27th, 2019



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1975 presentation night at Shaw's Ballroom, featuring President Dave Sargeson (dec.), best and fairest winner Rob Sands with Warden Mersey and Stan Hughes.



Houses on Manning Drive visible in the background in the early 1970's, when Churchill wore black and white stripes.



Club stalwarts Tom Sands and Fred Riess at the 1970 Presentation night

Churchill has remained in the first division since its inception and has been noted for its commitment to junior development, but in 1990 the club hit its lowest point when it finished bottom and was forced to play a relegation match against undefeated Second Division Champions Morwell Rangers/ Loy Yang Condors United.

Effectively fighting for its survival Churchill blazed away to win 8-0 in the first leg of the decider with the Combine understandably conceding the second leg with such a deficit to overhaul.

From here it was onwards and upwards for the club as it set about building with a renewed drive and emphasis on junior programs.

Pushing into the top four in 1991 for

the first time since 1985, the club continued its climb by collecting its first senior team silverware with the Charity Bowl in 1993 with a 2-1 win over Moe United in the final, and also finished runners up in the Battle of Britain Cup after losing to Morwell Falcons 2-0 in the final. The following year Churchill pressed for the League title but would finish second to Traralgon Olympians.

In 1998 Churchill cracked it for major success when it won the Battle of Britain Cup for the first time after a replay and eventual penalties to get over Warragul. That same year we also finished runner up League Champions after losing an epic 4-3 decider to Warragul United when the Championship was contested in a final's series, remembered

by many as the house of stoush.

Up until 2005 Churchill had won just six senior club trophies before what could only be described as a golden era began; and in the period 2005 to 2014 there were a further 29 senior club trophies added.

Kicking things off in 2005 Churchill claimed the Battle of Britain Cup and the Finals Series Premiership.

In 2006 Churchill went back to back Battle of Britain Cup winners but fell short of League Championship and finals series glory. Churchill were also recognised in 2006 as the GSL club of the year in recognition of the growth of the club and the path the club was on.

However it was the League Championship

title the club craved and in 2007 Churchill broke through after 38 years of trying.

Quite fittingly the feat was achieved with players predominantly developed at the club and adding to the milestone the team went through undefeated with an average winning margin of 5.7 goals. That same year we also made it three Battle of Britain Cup victories in a row, equalling the record set by Yallourn. With Reserves and second division claiming their Championships too the club completed a rare clean sweep.

In 2008 Churchill managed to go back to back and claimed the league Championship once more.

Also, in 2008 Churchill helped form the GSL women's division and entered two teams





# Churchill United Soccer Club

# 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



## MEN'S TEAM OF THE DECADE 1979-1988

Forte Bianconi  
Brian Crane  
Steven Davy  
Craig Downes  
John Fletcher  
Bill Fletcher  
Roy Hainsworth  
Brett Hornsey  
Adrian Huizer (GK)  
Mark Husquin  
Sandy Irvine (Coach)  
Fred Kaminski  
Gerry Riess  
Wayne Van Aalst  
Rick Van Aalst (Captain)  
Alan Winkelman

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The 1973 senior team at Silcock's Paddock when the pitch ran north to south (definitely 1973, not 1972 as the title of the photo says)



## MEN'S TEAM OF THE DECADE 1999-2008

Mark Bianconi  
Nigel Browne  
Luke Cheney  
Anthony Collins (Coach)  
Adam Curwood  
Cameron Dunne  
Phillip Dyson  
Mitchell Jackson  
Andrew Maselli  
Stephen Maselli  
Paul Riess  
Stephen Riess  
Jamie Robson (Captain)  
Jason Sands (GK)  
Jason Sterrick  
Richard Te Paa

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## WOMEN'S TEAM OF THE DECADE 2008-2017

### Goal Keepers

Tahlia Flake, Nicole Osborne

### Defenders

Katelin Lugton, Alicia Huizer, Maryanne Lugton,  
Elise Winkel, Renee Panayiotou

### Mid Fielders

Lani Murdoch, Mary Corponi, Shanasai Iorangi,  
Stephanie Chessum, Taryn Browne, Naomi Eaton

### Forwards

Caitlin Hall, Rosie Twomey, Mollie Emond,  
Ainsley Browne, Emily Lugton

**Captain:** Renee Panayiotou

**Coach:** Adrian Huizer

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in the fledgling competition, eager to provide a grassroots pathway for the many up and coming female players at the club.

In 2009 the club marked its 40th anniversary in style with a gutsy defence of the coveted League Champions title to make it three in a row.

In a backs against the wall display the team needed to defeat Fortuna, who were first on the ladder, in the second last round of the season and did so with a goal in the last minute, returning some of the pain inflicted by the Morwell club over the years. A week later Churchill waited until the 86th minute to claim the title when Paul Riess nodded home to win the League with four minutes to go of the season. This was a big night at the club

to say the least!

2010 proved a lean year for the men, but our women claimed their first silverware with the Browne-Huizer Trophy. This cup competition was named in honour of our very own Nigel Browne and Adrian Huizer who were instrumental in developing the female game in Gippsland.

In 2011 the club fell agonisingly short of its fourth League Championship when only a goal difference separated Churchill and Fortuna at season's end. However, we did have sweet revenge in the finals series despatching the Orangemen 4-1.

That same year our women's team dominated the competition claiming the League, Finals series and Cup.

2012 proved to be a remarkable year with achievements never likely to ever be repeated by another LVSL/ GSL club again.

The senior's feat of going undefeated plus winning the finals series and Battle of Britain cup was impressive, but when the women's team won all three and the Youth team won all three as well, it marked 2012 as the year of the Triple Treble Triumph.

2013 proved to be another agonising season when the club surrendered an eight-point buffer to Moe United with three games remaining, however back to back Battle of Britain Cup success soothed some of the pain for our senior team.

2013 capped off a period of absolute dominance for Churchill's women's team

making it another clean sweep of all competitions and stamping their legacy as the greatest women's team in GSL/ LVSL history. Their achievements winning the League three years in a row, along with three finals series in a row and a quartet of Brown-Huizer trophies is likely never to be beaten.

The following year in 2014 Churchill's senior men had a point to prove and enjoyed redemption by winning every league match for the entire season to claim its fifth League title.

What made the period 2005-2014 even sweeter for everyone associated with Churchill, is that the vast majority of players that contributed to this unmatched success were from the club's junior ranks.





# Churchill United Soccer Club

# 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



## MEN'S TEAM OF THE DECADE 1989-1998

- Asmade "Eddie" Abkadir
- Nigel Browne
- Craig Cheney
- Greg Huizer
- Adrian Huizer (GK) (Captain)
- Tommy Leckey (Coach)
- Matthew Prokopiwskyi
- Gerry Riess
- Ian Sands
- Jason Sterrick
- Ray Tanti
- Richard Te Paa
- Wayne Te Paa
- Wayne Van Aalst
- Rick Van Aalst
- Alan Winkelman

*Trevor Riess*  
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Members of the women's team of the decade present on the night.



The 1980 players trip away departing Morwell train station.



President Trevor Riess presenting Forte Bianconi and Tom Sands as the inaugural Club Patrons .

In 2015, after a disappointing league campaign, the club made the final of the Battle of Britain Cup but lost to Falcons.

We've had some great players line up for the club with John Dean and Gerry Riess winning League Best and Fairest awards in 1979 and 1986 respectively

In 1996 Nigel Browne followed in their footsteps, before Richard Te Paa also stepped up to claim the honour in 1998. Richard was also the league Golden Boot winner that year.

In 2009 and 2011 Mary Corponi won the league Best and Fairest too, stamping herself as one of the best.

Luke Cheney has been a highly decorated player for Churchill winning League Golden Boots in 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2012. Luke

also played a few games in the NSL in 1996 and was awarded GSL Legend status in 2010.

Stephen Riess tied with Luke in 2007 for the League Golden boot, both finishing with 29 goals each.

Nathan Lugton was voted GSL players player by his peers in 2010, and Nathan Osborne won the league Best and Fairest in 2012.

Molly Emond was a prolific goal scorer for our women's team, and in 2013 she won the league Golden Boot with an amazing tally of 70 goals.

Other notable achievements include Paul Riess who was selected in the Australian Under 17 school boys side in 2003, and Stephen Maselli who played with Vincenzo

Calcio during 2010 in Italy's Serie B.

Off the field the crowning moment occurred in February 2008 when new social rooms and undercover spectator viewing area were officially opened after six years of fund raising and volunteer labour. With just \$90,000 of government funding the club members saved and toiled to produce a facility that would have a replacement cost in excess of \$1m in today's money.

Later in 2011 match standard lighting was installed at the ground after years of having sub-standard training lights.

The club is eagerly awaiting funding for new female friendly changerooms to replace the current tired facility, ironically built in 1969.

Extract from President Trevor Riess' speech announcing Forte Bianconi and Tom Sands as inaugural Club Patrons, at the 50th Anniversary Ball on July 27.

"Events like these are about memories and they are also about recognition; and tonight we are making a special announcement to recognise two stalwarts of our club.

Forte Bianconi could you come forward please.

Forte your life in this club begun back in 1980 when you joined as a senior player.

You quickly became a part of the furniture as a dedicated player and club man.

You coached the club on two occasions in 1981 and then in 1989 when your club needed you.





# Churchill United Soccer Club

# 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



## MEN'S TEAM OF THE DECADE 2009-2018

Mark Bianconi  
 Luke Cheney (Coach)  
 Kwaku Dade  
 Tim Dawson  
 Ellis Hayes-Hills  
 Mitchell Jackson  
 Taylor Jackson  
 Nathan Lugton  
 Stephen Maselli  
 Andrew Maselli  
 Dean Pyle  
 Paul Riess  
 Stephen Riess  
 Jamie Robson (Captain)  
 Jason Sands (GK)  
 Luke Van Lambaart



Trevor Riess - President  
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Churchill playing on Manning Drive with the current football ground under construction in the background



Early 1980 side featuring some Churchill stalwarts.



Frank Johns and Bob Rodden preparing the concrete reinforcement in front of the J. Silcock Pavilion in late 1972.

If you come through Churchill as a junior there's every likelihood that you watched in amazement at some point Forte scaling a light tower with little or no safety gear.

Forte you've also been a long-time quiet club worker becoming the special projects man that always got things done without any fuss. Our long-term grounds keeper, your dedication to this role was amazing with the straightest lines in the league under your eye for detail. Also, the cleanest and best kept line marker in the league too.

Your eye for detail came in very handy when you researched our honour board between 2006 and 2008, making countless phone calls and personal visits to people to get the names and years right way back to 1969.

After every match you made sure the rooms were cleaned and swept out, putting in a shift whilst everyone else was having a beer, at home and away.

Fittingly your greatest contribution to our club came in a team environment as you worked with a dedicated band of volunteers to build our club rooms over several years.

You were reluctant to give the game away and played for as long as your body would let you.

You even became a goal keeper in later years and were noted for your playing gear which included gardening gloves.

Now Forte, hold tight because we have someone else joining you.

Tom Sands could you please come forward and join Forte up here.

Tom you are the essence of our club, a constant throughout all the years.

A good player in your own right your greatest contribution has been as a junior coach to generations of Churchill kids.

Countless championships and cups throughout the years were your hallmark as coach, but your patience teaching kids the basics over five decades has been your greatest contribution to our club.

If you were coached by Tom you probably remember being told "don't sit on the ball, it's not an egg" or some other wise quip.

Your influence extended beyond our club with your years as a Latrobe Valley junior squad coach a great contribution to the sport.

You were also a dedicated committee man with the interests of our junior chagers

always at the forefront of your motivations.

Tom you are our longest serving Secretary with a cumulative ten years' service.

You are also our longest serving Treasurer with a combined eight years' service.

When we review the on-field success of our club shortly, Tom you can take great pride in knowing that you have made the single greatest contribution to it through your nurturing of talent.

The accolade we are bestowing on you both is an honorary position that elevates you to an exalted position amongst your fellow life members.

There's no work involved and we all agree that you've done enough anyway. It gives me great pleasure to announce you as our inaugural Club Patrons."



# SCHOOL NEWS

# HAZELWOOD NORTH PRIMARY

## Basketball

On August 16, we played in the district basketball at Churchill Leisure Centre.

The boys team won all their games and have made it through to the second round of the competition. The girls came second, unfortunately. Both teams played really well in the hard competition. Lots of points were scored for the quick matches we played.

By Aaron and Jackson

## Poems

### Song

Made-up melodies rolling off a child's tongue,

A mother inducing sleep within her young,

Beautiful bells to be rung, So many spectacular tunes to be sung.

Ballads about all the shades of red,

A comfort to patients confined to their bed,

Great descriptions of things that can never be said, Chains of syllables as bitter as

lead.

Pop songs stuck in your head like tar,

Wonderful rhymes strung in to bars,

Lyrics of love songs travelling far,

All the ways people travel in cars.

Singing sentences from far, far away,

Music to help us get on with the day,

We pick and choose if we may,

Our preferences defining what we say.

No matter where you're from, or what you like,

We all have a song that beats to the rhythm of our heart,

And if you disagree: Pick up the mic and compose your own,

Let your tongue be the art.

Charlize Cuff Grade 6

Poems by F/IAJ

## Apples

Apples are delicious They are a sphere.

They are round.

They are red.

By Quade

## Strawberries

Strawberries are yummy, sweet, delicious

and very, very yummy.

By Bailey.

Declan I am.

Eating lollies makes me

go crazy.

Cats and dogs are good.

Likes fortnite.

Always playing fortnite.

Noah is my friend.

## Apple

Apple

Tasty and crunchy.

Red and yellow-ish.

It is round.

Sometimes they have bruises on them.

By Ella.

## Beach

I feel the hot sun.

I see the waves.

I taste the salty sea.

I smell the fresh air.

I hear the wind.

By Emersyn

## Banana

A banana looks like a curve.

A banana tastes yummy.

A banana feels good.

By Florence

## At the beach

I hear the shells cracking under the sand.

I smell fish in the sea.

I feel a lot of heat on my back.

I see people on their boats fishing for fish.

I see the sparkling water waving around the ocean!

By Milla

## Apple

Smooth, bouncy, curved, awesome, round, sweet,

delicious, soft, crunchy, juicy,

smelly, sour.

I bring two apples to school when we go to school.

By T.J

## Apples.

Round and lumpy

Juicy and

Sour and sweet.

Apples.

## Poetry from 2/3 at Hazelwood North

In 2/3 this term we have been learning about poetry. Please enjoy some poems that we have written.

### Dinner time!

Bang! Ben dropped the frying pan.

Sizzle, fizzle, went the meat.

Whoosh, went Ben!

Ohhh! He put out the fire.

Beep! Beep went the smoke alarm.

Aghh, went his sister.

Smoke! A-choo, went his mother.

La la la la, went his dad singing!

Crash! Bam, went his brother playing the drums.

By Declan

### Swimming at the beach

Under the water

Mmmm sausages

Melting

Exciting

Really hot

By Ruby

## Katie

Helpful, funny, creative

Who enjoys art at home

Who feels sad and happy.

Who wonders what is real

Who fears the dark and

being alone

Who cares about her

Mum, Dad and Emma

Who is able to make

animal sounds

Who dreams of being a

kitten.

By Katie

## Summer

Hot, sizzling

Swimming, Running,

Playing

Beach, Picnic, Rainbow,

Snowman

Snowboarding, Making,

Playing

Cold, Freezing

Winter

By Lucy

# SCHOOL NEWS

# YINNAR SOUTH PRIMARY



Top left: The beach at Walkerville the setting for "Magic Beach"  
 Top right: John Alison reading a story to the children during a visit to the Fish Creek Gallery and Bookshop  
 Bottom left: Play equipment



## Book Week Celebrations

To celebrate Book Week at Yinnar South Primary School, we went on an adventure to Fish Creek to visit the Gallery and Bookshop of author and illustrator Alison Lester.

John, Alison's manager,

told us about the history of some of Alison Lester's famous stories, including this year's Children's Book of the Year "Tricky's Bad Day" and our favourite, "Magic Beach". Then we lounged in the library to read more from

Alison's collection - Alison has published 35 books in 25 years! The kids were thoroughly engrossed in it all, reading some oldies but goodies and some of her new stories and collaborations.

We continued on to

Walkerville South Beach - the setting for "Magic Beach". It was a crystal clear day; the blue sky and soft waves were intoxicating and nothing could stop the kids from jumping the little waves. We explored the caves and climbed to the

rock's edge, puddling in the pools as we went in and out with the tide.

It was such a special trip that we will remember forever. A special thanks goes to the parents, grandparents and siblings. Even one of our

2020 Prep families joined us on our beautiful journey for the day. It was another memorable and meaningful Yinnar South Primary School excursion.





# SCHOOL NEWS

## CHURCHILL NORTH PRIMARY

### 100 Days Smarter

On Tuesday August 6, the students from F1 R and F1 H at Churchill North Primary School celebrated attending school for 100 days. The day began with students dressing up in costumes to celebrate the occasion. Throughout the morning the students completed activities to commemorate 100 days at school. Some of the activities were, making a one hundred necklace, writing about being 100 days brighter and creating a pair of 100 sunglasses. The

students were excited to celebrate their hundred days of learning achievement.

### Somers Camp

Somers camp was a nine day camp with activities I hadn't completed before, such as orienteering where you had to use a map to find hidden things around the camp. My favourite activity was the high ropes where I faced difficult obstacles. Some of the other activities we did there were - flying fox, rock climbing, abseiling, boating, bike education and bush

cooking. I loved the camp, it is a number one place to go if you are wanting to have fun and new experiences.

By Alex 5/6W

### Somers Camp

On Somers camp we had an explosion of fun on the giant swing, flying fox, environmental studies (which is a really fun activity, that gets you to the beach and you learn about animals). There was also drama and you could learn some really funny activities that will get people laughing. You get

to make a whole lot more friends. You also get a book to remember your fun experience and you'll be able to show your kids if they go to Somers. There is also archery where you can shoot arrows. You will definitely love this opportunity full of fun and games if you get chosen to go to Somers Camp.

Angel 5/6F

### National Tree Planting Excursion

The junior classes at Churchill North Primary School participated in the

National Tree Planting day on Friday July 26, at Basslink Loy Yang. The students arrived at Basslink where they were introduced to the team of workers at the National Tree Planting day.

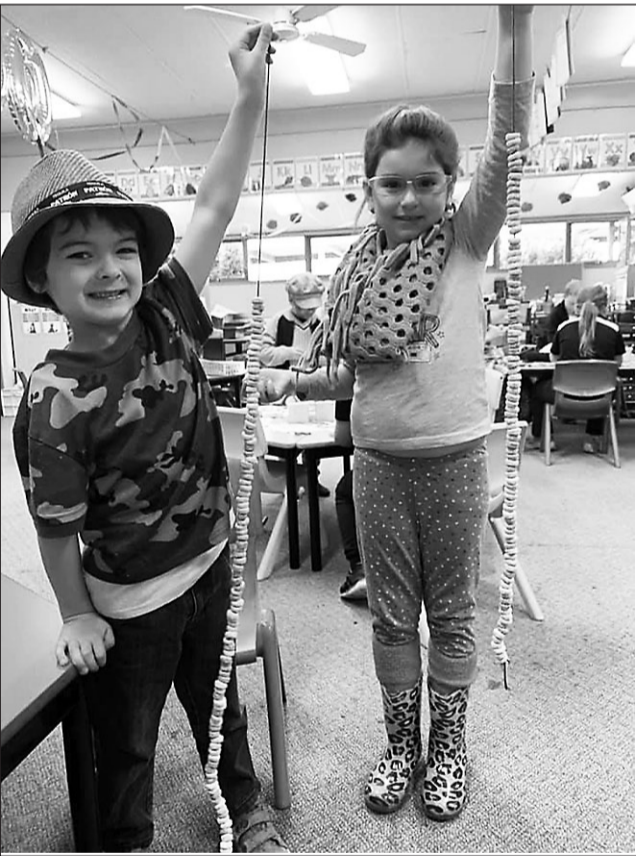
The students were given a shirt and drink bottle to celebrate the day. Once everyone had finished their playlunch the students broke into groups to participate in the day's activities. These included planting trees, going for a treasure walk and seeing the animals of Oz.

Throughout the activities the students stopped to have a barbecue lunch of sausages and a drink. One of the many highlights of the day was seeing the animals of Oz where the students met a tawny frog mouth bird, a python, a fruit bat and a sugar glider.

Our thanks go out to Toyota Australia who funded the day and to Basslink for hosting us. We are grateful for the opportunity to help our environment.



Top left: Tree planting treasure walk  
 Top right: Looking at Animals of Oz  
 Bottom left: Ian and Holly 100 days of learning  
 Middle bottom: Tree planting  
 Bottom right: Liam and Blake 100 days of school

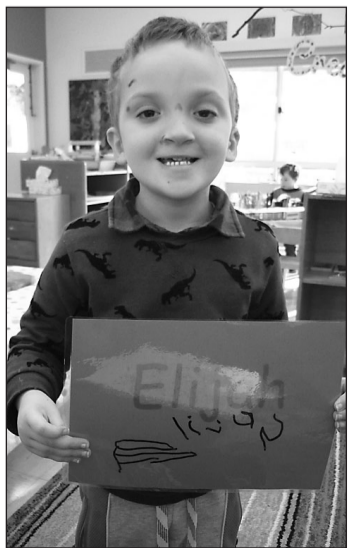


# SCHOOL NEWS

## CHURCHILL PRESCHOOL

### Glendonald Preschool

The last few weeks have all been about traditional and classic stories and extending our literacy skills. We have been reading books in the morning and following them up with puppet shows, craft tasks, playsets and cooking. This week we have particularly enjoyed reading 'The Gingerbread Man'. We then made paper gingerbread men, gingerbread scented playdough and gingerbread men biscuits. We also practised name writing with our new homework folders. It's great to see the learning emerge and the interest in early literacy being extended.





# SCHOOL NEWS

## LUMEN CHRISTI PRIMARY

### Werribee Zoo Excursion

The whole school from Lumen Christi in Churchill, recently went to the Werribee Zoo. The excursion was linked to the whole school's focus on science and their work on animal adaptations and living things.

They strolled through the Zoo in groups and had fun spotting lions, hippos, cheetahs, monkeys, gorillas and many more animals. Often having to look closely as many of the animals were

camouflaged. Many were excited to see a baby joey in a wallaby's pouch, as David from Year Prep said, "wow it's so cute!"

Of course the Werribee Zoo experience wasn't complete without a safari ride through their open range zoo area.

The children climbed aboard the big safari bus where they were transported through the open plains of the zoo to learn about some of the world's most endangered

species and what conservation efforts the zoo had in place for their animals. They even learnt about many animals and some that were even facing extinction and what needed to be done to avoid this.

Ruby from Year Prep said: "This is the best day of my life". Many children hope to visit the zoo again with their families after their amazing, fun filled day.

*Media Book Week 2019*

'Reading is my secret

power' was the theme for this year's annual Book Week celebrations at Lumen Christi Primary School.

The children dressed as their favourite characters as well as characters who have super powers such as Harry Potter, Hermione, Batman and Spiderman just to name a few.

The children had a parade in the morning then made magnifying glasses that they used to find secret messages around the school. The

children then read three of the short listed books and completed fun activities. A true favourite was, 'Here Comes Stinkbug!' by Tohby Riddle, as the children got really creative and made their own little stinkbugs creatures.

The afternoon sessions included a visit by famous Melbourne illustrator, Sunshine.

Sunshine shared her love of drawing and showed the children many of the 14 books that she has illustrated

and collaborated with various Australian authors. Her engaging and enthusiastic presentation had the children captivated.

Tusi from Year 5 said, "I don't want Sunshine to leave". Whilst Jack from Year 3 said, "I loved her illustrations".

Alexandra from Prep was dressed as a unicorn so it was no surprise that her favourite book was, 'Moondust and Starlight' a story about unicorns, written and illustrated by Sunshine.



# SCHOOL NEWS

## KURNAI COLLEGE JUNIOR CAMPUS

### Meeting with Australia's chief scientist

Recently some of our budding scientists - Azriel Halge, Sophie Bellingham, Amy Kuijpers, Jake Wheatley and Lance Townsend were fortunate to meet with Australia's chief scientist, Alan Finkel. Over lunch, the students asked questions on a range of topics including sustainability and renewable energy.

Here is an account of the visit by year 10 student Azriel Halge.

'Alan Finkel is a neuroscientist, engineer, entrepreneur and philanthropist. Our group of

Kurnai students was given the chance to sit down and talk to him in person. During the discussion he talked about his new idea of using hydrogen as power to create another avenue of renewable energy in Australia.

Our group then discussed how we can help in reducing carbon dioxide in our atmosphere. If we started pulling back on our carbon dioxide emissions, we could have the chance to impact climate change in a positive way.

We were fortunate to hear the ideas that will impact our future and share our ideas and questions involving

our future. Finkel also talked about what we could do in the future with respects to satellite technology, if it became more accurate.

Unfortunately, time got the best of us and so did a fire drill. It was an all-round amazing experience with some new knowledge gained to understand the path that science will play in our future.'

*Year 9 Melbourne discovery camp*

The students had a fantastic adventure in Melbourne city! Students experienced so much of what Melbourne has to offer. From Crown at Southbank to the

Melbourne Star. Ice skating out at Docklands, taking 'selfies' in the front of Luna Park and perusing the shops along Acland Street in St Kilda.

Students really embraced the busy bustle of people at Melbourne Central station and the shopping centre attached, as well as learning how to catch trams and navigate the crowded streets of the CBD.

The students were so respectful of the people around them and handled the long walks, crossing busy streets and waited patiently for our many events.

We love that we can get our students to experience our

beautiful city of Melbourne and we were impressed, as always, with the way our students handled themselves in an unfamiliar place

### Continuing the conversation

We will continue to promote a zero-tolerance approach to racism at Kurnai College.

We are an inclusive school and we will continue to educate our students and staff on how to be part of inclusive community and society where racism (casual or direct) is not accepted.

Last week in Team Time, Year 10 students watched the documentary 'The Final Quarter' - the story of AFL

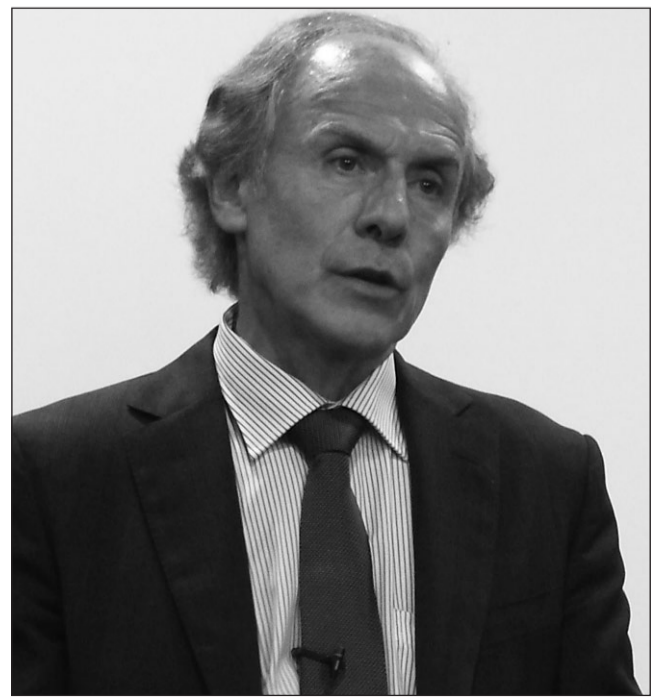
champion and Indigenous leader, Adam Goodes.

In the final three years of his playing career, he became a lightning rod for a heated public debate and widespread media commentary that divided the nation.

Racism in schools, in workplaces and on the field is an issue and we feel that many of our students need to be aware of the impact of casual racist remarks towards others (including staff and other students).



Licola Camp



Chief scientist Alan Finkel



# "Ladies in Black"

## by Madeleine St John

Madeleine St John was born in Sydney in 1941 and graduated from Sydney University in 1963.

As a young woman she moved to the United States and then to England, where she remained until her death in 2006.

"Women in Black" was written in 1993 and was the only one of the four books she had written to be set in Australia.

Her other novels were "A Pure Clear Light" 1996, "The Essence of the Thing" 1997 and "A Stairway to Paradise" 1999.

She was the first Australian woman to be given the honour of having "The Essence of the Thing" nominated for a Booker Prize.

"Ladies in Black" has been made into a successful musical and a critically acclaimed feature film.

The story is set in the 1950's in Goode's Department Store in the centre of Sydney, just prior to the Christmas rush.

All staff arrive at 8.40 am and change into the black frocks they are obliged to wear.

These are worn all week and dry-cleaned by Goode's over the weekend.

We are introduced to each of the staff members who work in the Frock Department – Mrs Williams (Patty) who is married to Frank and is childless, continuing to work although she doesn't need the money, Miss Baines (Fay) who is single and apparently a party girl, Mr Ryder, the floor manager, Miss Cartright, the buyer, and Miss Jacobs who does alterations.

Then we meet Magda! At the end of the Ladies Frock Department, past Cocktail Frocks, there is Model Gowns, nestled in a rose-pink cave, illuminated by frilly lamps and furnished with expensive sofas, accessed

through a lovely arch.

This opulent setting is presided over by Magda, who sometimes has a splash of colour with her black frock, and who is described by the other assistants as a "Continental" and who they treat with suspicion, but secretly envy as well.

The central character in the story is Lesley who has just completed her Leaving Certificate and has managed to get a job at Goode's for the summer holidays.

She doesn't like her name so she decides to call herself Lisa while she is there.

She is an only child and hopes to obtain good results so that she can attend university, and whilst her mother supports this ambition, her father is against it and agrees she can only go if she wins a scholarship.

After completing a successful interview with Miss Cartright Lisa was assigned to Ladies Cocktail where she will assist Patty and Fay, and Magda from time to time.

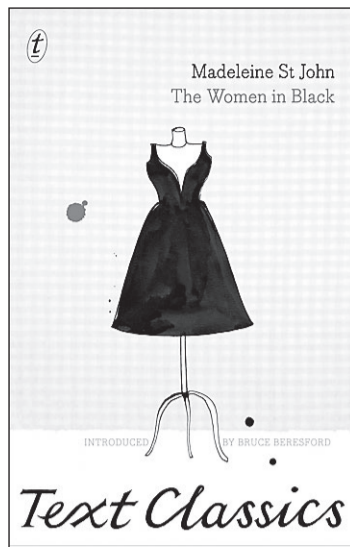
The story follows Lisa as she develops confidence and gets to know the other workers at Goode's.

When Magda asks her to help in Model Gowns they develop a friendship and Lisa is exposed to ideas and experiences that she could only previously have imagined.

The story gives insights into the lives of each of the workers at Goode's, as well as Lisa's own family.

It is set in a period of post-war migration and we see the attitudes that were held toward "reffo's", who were treated with suspicion and derision.

We see the contrast and changes in attitudes toward women and education, the



expectation that women would have a family and be "stay-at-home" mothers, the acceptance that working men went to the pub with their mates after work and had little responsibility for parenting, yet authority and control because they were the wage-earners.

We also saw contrast with the life of Magda and her family and friends, and the desire of Lisa to have a different life.

In many ways it is a "coming of age" story for not only Lisa, but Australia as well.

Everyone in our book group loved this book.

Not only is it beautifully written, it captures so brilliantly the life of ordinary people in the 1950's.

The use of language such as "frocks" and "kiddies" were once commonplace and a reminder of the time, but now seldom used.

There are many humorous passages about characters who are well drawn and believable, and our only criticism of the book was that the ending was a little too neat.

The gentle description of life at the time makes this book a real gem.

## Record losses expected as scammers target Australians

Australians are set to lose a record amount to scams in 2019, with projections from losses reported to Scamwatch and other government agencies so far expected to exceed \$532 million by the end of the year, surpassing half a billion dollars for the first time.

This year's National Scams Awareness Week in August, the theme was 'too smart to be scammed?' and the ACCC, along with over 100 campaign partners from government and industry, was urging consumers to test their scams knowledge and refresh their scam protection and detection skills.

"Many people are confident they would never fall for a scam but often it's this sense of confidence that scammers target," ACCC Deputy Chair Delia Rickard said.

"People need to update their idea of what a scam is so that we are less vulnerable. Scammers are professional businesses dedicated to ripping us off. They have call centres with convincing scripts, staff training programs, and corporate performance indicators their 'employees' need to meet."

Investment scams are one

## Scamwatch

of the most sophisticated and convincing scams and continue to have the highest losses. Nearly half of all investment scams reported this year resulted in a financial loss.

These scams are prominent on social media, with 'Facebook lottery' scams, the 'Loom' pyramid scheme, and cryptocurrency scams particularly common.

Cryptocurrency investment scams have seen record losses, with reports to the ACCC alone of \$14.76 million between January and July 2019. Many use social media platforms, fake celebrity endorsements or fake online trading platforms that are made to look legitimate.

### Protection advice

Our advice is to be wary of ads you see on the internet. Don't be persuaded by celebrity endorsements or 'not to be missed' opportunities. You never know for certain who you're dealing with or whether they're credible," Ms Rickard said.

"If you think you're speaking to a friend on social media, call them, or find another way to contact them before acting on any advice that might result in you giving away your personal details or




money."

Scamwatch also suggests that people check ASIC's list of companies you should not deal with. If the company that contacted you is on the list — do not deal with them, and even if they are not listed, continue researching and speak to a financial advisor before investing.

Be vigilant on social media, when shopping online and when answering the phone, and never give anyone who has contacted you out of the blue your personal details, banking details or remote access to your computer, no matter who they say they are. It's best to assume scammers are everywhere, waiting for you to let your guard down.

"Remember, anyone could fall victim and no one is 'too smart to be scammed'. Always ask yourself, 'could this be a scam?' and if you're ever in doubt, decline the contact or hang up the phone — it's often the safest option," Ms Rickard said.

The ACCC has produced a series of videos with tips and tricks on how to spot a scam, and to test people's awareness of scams. The full series is also available on YouTube.



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# SPORT

## Churchill Bowls Club

By W. Brown  
Publicity Officer  
The Churchill Bowls Club will be holding a Trivia Night at the Top Pub Morwell on Saturday November 16, commencing at 7.30pm.

The format will be 10 teams of 10 persons at \$10.00 per person, a light supper will be available with drinks at bar prices.

Good prizes are on offer. Bookings can be made by emailing [churchillbowls@hotmail.com](mailto:churchillbowls@hotmail.com), or by contacting Club Secretary D. Thomas on 0407 182 967,

or W. Brown on 5122 1860. The 2019/20 bowls season is rapidly approaching with the first game of the season scheduled for Saturday October 5.

The club will hold its official season opening on Saturday September 14, commencing at 1pm, with a number of practice games organised for the day.

This will be followed by an informal get together and BBQ after the day's events have concluded.

The official training nights for the year will

be held Tuesdays and Fridays commencing Tuesday August 27, at 4pm, however there will be ample opportunities for people who can't make these times, to participate in a number of other bowls programs that will be made available for this purpose.

The club has also organised a practice game against the Boolarra Bowls Club on Sunday September 29, prior to the season opening.

The club will be conducting its club

championships events over the next few months, consisting of Club Singles, Pairs, Triples, Fours and Presidents handicap, with the winners of the Singles and Pairs events representing their club in playing off against winners of other affiliated clubs, for the title of West Gippsland Bowls Division Singles and Pairs Champions.

Anyone wishing to play indoor bowls on a Thursday night is cordially invited to come along and join in a fun activity.

Games start promptly at 7.15pm, however, to allow for team selection people need to be there around 7pm.

Cost for the night is \$5.00 which includes a light supper with tea or coffee.

Our club is currently seeking new or past players who are interested in joining our welcoming inclusive club, we are also looking for anyone interested in being part of our governance team,



no experience is required as training will be carried out inhouse.

Any queries can be directed to Secretary D. Thomas on 0407 182 967, or email [churchillbowls@hotmail.com](mailto:churchillbowls@hotmail.com)



# Recycling at the Hub - another initiative



from a very successful project with Salvation Army Employment Plus (Plastic Fantastic), the Envision team has been collecting bottle caps from schools, building machinery and extruding filament for 3D printers.

During the project Envision discovered a fantastic initiative called e-Nable. This initiative links people in need of a prosthetic limb with volunteer 3D printers. Envision accesses e-Nable's 3D printer designs to make simple, self-powered prostheses.

The e-Nable designs are made with standard 3D printing materials such as ABS plastic, however Envision have found a way to incorporate recycled materials such as bottle tops into the fabrication feed stock. Envision are working their way through the e-Nable library of hands, building prototypes and with their great advances in 3D technology, making hands that will only become more flexible, giving greater dexterity for the beneficiaries, the children and people in the most need.

This collaborative project – Envision Hands – is the only project of its kind to

make prosthetic limbs from recycled bottle tops. It aims to make 100 prosthetic limbs for disadvantaged people and communities throughout India and other Third world countries.

Envision will continue to work with the community and business partners endeavouring to spread the word on reducing waste, while gaining support in both bottle top collection and fundraising activities which support these incredible environmental and humanitarian projects.



How would you like to contribute to helping to supply those who are in need with prosthetic hands? Well you can and it would cost you nothing except a little time to collect and deliver bottle tops to the Neighbourhood Centre at the Hub.

The plastic bottle tops you have on your soft drinks, juice bottles and milk bottles can now be recycled at the Hub Neighbourhood Centre. Instead of putting them in your rubbish or recycling bin, save them and deliver them to the Neighbourhood Centre.

There they will be taken to pick up points and

delivered to Envision where they will be made into prosthetic hands for those in need both in Australia and overseas.

The bottle tops are cleaned, shredded and made into filament which is fed into a 3D printer to make the hands.

### Envision Hands – An Environmental and Humanitarian Project

Envision is a small community focused organisation. They have worked throughout Victoria and Tasmania to engage disadvantaged job seekers in fascinating projects that get them work-ready and motivated. Following on



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