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Churchill Neighbourhood Centre Gum Leaf Quilters



Left to Right - Members of the organising committee Standing - Henry Parniak, Jackie McLure, Lorraine Andrews. Seated: Joan te Weirek, Jean Baudendistel.

**4th Biennial Quilt and Craft Exhibition
Monash University Auditorium**

Approximately 500 people came through the door of the auditorium at Monash University on Saturday and Sunday August 24 and 25, to experience the Quilt & Craft Exhibition.

There was a total of 189 exhibits on display, and twenty-four stall holders in attendance, displaying, demonstrating and selling their crafty goods, for all to see.

It was officially opened by Dr. Matthew Carroll, a Senior Research Fellow at Monash Gippsland. He is the Co-Ordinator of Aging and the Life Research.

Fifty invited guests attended the opening including Russell Northe, MLA, Member for Morwell, and Cr. Darrell White, Latrobe City Council.

Matthew thanked the major sponsors, who make the Exhibition possible, with special thanks to Latrobe City Council.

The organising committee were well organised with roles specified for the erection of the displays. Jean Baudendistel said there was magnificent teamwork used to mount the displays which took from 9am-4pm on the Friday.

The committee was thrilled with the quality, interest factor and variety of the exhibits.

The Neighbourhood Centre's Men's Shed fellas made all the quilt display stands as well as the display boards used on the stage area.

Two new ventures this year were the photography section and the wedding dresses display, which drew a lot of attention.

The photography section came after the Regeneration digital photography classes held in association with Monash University, at the Neighbourhood Centre earlier this year.

The wedding dress display came about when Anne Hogg told the group that she had crocheted her wedding dress on her way to work each day.

That started people thinking that the wedding dresses would fit in with the craft show.

So Anne Boothman contributed her sister-in-laws dress from the 1950s, Lily Bell contributed the one from 1916 and the short one belonged to Jean Baudendistel.

Jean says that they will do it again in two years and initiate new ideas to keep the show fresh and interesting.

A special AFL team quilt was made for the raffle.

The raffle winners are :

1st Prize ticket 2132 - Cheryl Cook - Moe

2nd Prize - Sewing Machine ticket 0165 - P & J Gauchi - Essendon

3rd Prize - Vivo 81cm TV ticket 0989 - Mavis Lamb - Boolarra

Winners in the Quilt Challenge- "Things I Love"- were announced by Russell Northe.

1st - Pam Vander Zalm - Outback Sunsets

2nd - Lorraine Andrew - Kim and Lyric

3rd - Jean Baudendistel - No Frogs - No Me

Winners of the Toyota Sewing Machine Awards were judged and announced by

Brian and Bev Thomas - AISIN Australia PL, Toyota Sewing Machines, who donated a sewing machine as the winner's prize.

Winner - Christine Luck - Roberts Quilt - original design

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We need you to tell the real Latrobe Story

There are a lot of people talking about Latrobe at the moment, but have they got the full story? A recent survey of 300 people who live throughout metropolitan and regional Victoria showed that most have a negative perception of who we are, based on their idea of coal and electricity.

Latrobe City Council Mayor, Councillor Ed Vermeulen explained that it is important we ensure people know the full Latrobe story.

"It's true, we are the seat of the state's power industry, but that is only part of who we are. We have a proud history and a diverse mix of skills and industries, and it's the people, the places and the experiences that make Latrobe what it is.

Latrobe has already attracted significant attention on our transformation journey. There is a lot of talk about brown coal, carbon tax and transitioning but it's important that the broader community understand there is more to our region and that we have significant potential.

We already know why its great to live, work and play here. We now need everyone to get on board to tell the rest of the world!" Cr Vermeulen said.

Latrobe Story is a new and exciting project, initiated by Latrobe City Council, but owned and driven by you, the people of Latrobe. Latrobe Story is about you, your community, your workplace and the valley we call home.

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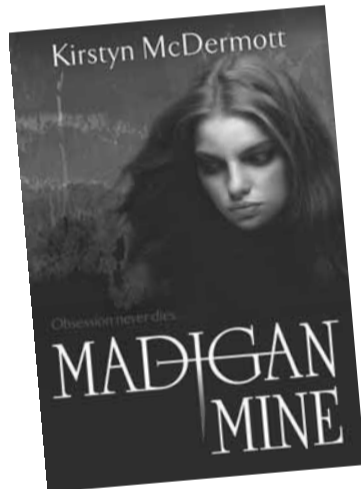
your dream home or launch your own business in Latrobe? Is it just a life without traffic jams that you like best? Everyone has a story to tell so come and join us at www.latrobestory.com.au and share your

Latrobe Story with the rest of Victoria, Australia, and beyond," Cr Vermeulen concluded. The Latrobe Story website will be available to add your story from Monday August 6 until Wednesday September 19.



Book Review

Madigan Mine – Kirstyn McDermott



By Sam Gillett
After coming back into contact with his childhood sweet heart, Alex finds out that the manipulative Madigan isn't all that she seems. After committing suicide, Madigan is in Alex's head... and she's there to stay. A successful, award winning author of short stories, this psychological thriller is Kirstyn McDermott's debut novel. In 2010 Madigan Mine won the Chronos award for Best Long Fiction and the Aurealis award for best

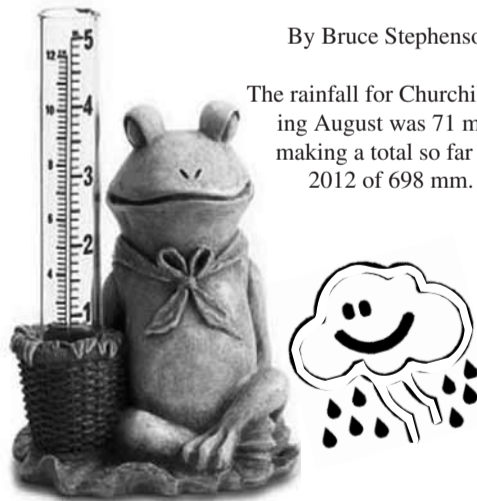
Horror Novel. Although sold as a horror novel, there aren't too many scares along the way. In-depth descriptions help you visualise every scene in the novel as McDermott doesn't hold back with her writing. Nor does she hold a connection too close to her characters as she will put them through anything in order for the story to work. Even when writing about magic she can make you believe that the event is plausible. The only thing to be wary of, is the

violent and intimate scenes— although there are not too many of them. You do, however, feel for Alex on his journey and find yourself hanging on to every word in the book. This book is not for little children; is more suited to an audience of 15 and up. It deals with sensitive issues such as suicide and psychological trauma. With her book Kirstyn McDermott does prove that Australia can produce books at a high standard to challenge the US and UK market.

Churchill Rainfall

By Bruce Stephenson

The rainfall for Churchill during August was 71 mm, making a total so far for 2012 of 698 mm.



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Don Di Fabrizio honoured

At the Bendigo Bank Gippsland Business Awards, held on Friday August 31, much to his surprise, Don Di Fabrizio was inducted into the Gippsland Business Awards Hall of Fame.

Using stealth, he had been lured along to an event, similar to many for which, in the past, he said, he had no time to enter or attend.

After many years of hard work in Morwell and surrounds, first with a company which sponsored him to come to Australia to work, then with his own business in partnership with his brother, Don received this award eighteen years after he retired due to ill health.

Those eighteen years have not been idle years with much community volunteering being undertaken by Don, and those willing helpers who never seem to refuse Don's requests for help.

Don's induction last Friday night into the 2012 Gippsland Business Awards (GBA) Hall of Fame means he joins other Gippsland businesses which have been recognised.

Each year does not mean there is an inductee - only when the GBA committee recognises an outstanding nominee. This year it was Don.

Leo Billington wrote the following words about Don for the awards night.

"Mr Di Fabrizio now joins an elite group of Gippsland businesses previously inducted into the Hall of Fame. The award is not given every year and this year, the occasion aimed to honour an individual or business whose achievements have had a significant and positive impact upon Gippsland."

In presenting the award, Chairperson of the Gippsland Business Awards Inc Committee, Graeme Sennett, explained that Don Di Fabrizio had been selected on the basis of his business acumen, ability and integrity as well as his innovation, ambition and clarity of vision.



"The Gippsland Business Awards Committee recognized Don's outstanding service and overall contribution to his chosen specific industry and the positive impact he had on the reputation of the Gippsland business sector.

There is widespread agreement that his promotion of a positive regional business attitude and demonstrated ongoing philanthropic commitment to the Gippsland community is to be applauded," Mr Sennett said.

"Don's achievements make him eminently qualified to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Equally important, the committee felt we could acknowledge the business achievements of individuals or businesses whose efforts may be locally understood, but also which the broader Gippsland business community may not fully appreciate."

Gippsland Trade Printers Business Award



Churchill's Gippsland Trade Printers entered the Bendigo Bank Gippsland Business Awards for 2012 and in June were nominated as a Finalist in their category - Manufacturing and Fabrication. On Friday August 31, the awards night announcing the winners of each category was held at the Monash University Auditorium, Churchill.

Gippsland Trade Printers, affectionately known as Gippy Trade Print, have had a solid financial year as a trade manufacturer, sending the majority of their printed goods outside the area to large Australian consumers, mainly along the eastern seaboard. Although the print industry itself is in decline and Australia wide, one printer per week is closing its doors, Gippsland Trade Printers is a quiet achiever that supports a niche market segment, and is still enjoying steady demand and strong brand loyalty within the industry.

In December, they joined forces with a third party to purchase the struggling LV Printers in Traralgon, opening up potential for the company to gain further manufacturing from local commercial print buyers. Unfortunately, the last six months have not been kind to the local market with confidence down and futures uncertain.

This has led to the combining of the two businesses, which will move to 17 Church Street shopfront in

Traralgon around the corner to 54 Grey Street, losing the LV Printers brand and just trading under the Gippsland Printers banner by the end of September.

With all this happening around them, ten members of the business attended the awards night hopeful for success.

This hope turned into reality when category sponsor, Jane Oakley from Regional Development Victoria, announced "Gippsland Trade Printers" as the winner.

Directors Troy Judkins and Peter Ceeney accepted the award on behalf of all staff both past and present who have helped this century old business develop into the successful award winning business it is today.

The Churchill connection on the awards night was further enhanced when Don Di Fabrizio was inducted into the Hall of Fame for his support to the community and business achievements.

It was a very well presented awards night, highlighting the strength of Gippsland's business community and the endeavour that its business people put toward developing commerce in the region. The auditorium at Monash University was a fitting venue and enhanced the prestige of the night for all finalists, offering a delicious meal and great entertainment that made the night a spectacular celebration of Gippsland business achievement.

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Northe's Natter

I had the pleasure recently to attend an event hosted by the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre team. The Gum Leaf Quilters' 4th Biennial Quilt and Craft Exhibition was held at the Monash University Auditorium on the weekend of August 25 and 26, with the launch being conducted on the Friday evening. Congratulations to all award winners and in particular the Gum Leaf Quilters who did very well in this regard.

There were some 175 exhibits on display with a wide variety of works including, quilts, crafts, old wedding gowns and a photographic display all of a very high standard.

Credit must go to all associated with Churchill Neighbourhood Centre who did such a marvellous job in putting the exhibition together, along with all those who have put their exhibits on display.

Churchill Neighbourhood Centre plays a vital role in the local

community with a number of courses and activities being provided, and I encourage local residents to visit the Centre and enquire into the range of activities that are currently offered.

I was also lucky enough recently to announce Government funding of \$140,000 to create a heritage walk in Morwell.

The Gippsland Heritage Walk through the Gippsland Immigration Park and around Lake Kernot will celebrate the history of Gippsland.

The project will attract a large number of people for a variety of purposes including recreation, culture, education, tourism, family and community events.

This project is part of the "Putting Locals First" program which is a \$100 million initiative that enables regional communities to devise and deliver service and infrastructure responses that reflect local priorities.

I also had the opportunity to announce some funding for the



Russil Northe MLC

Churchill community, for the Eel Hole Creek pavilion feasibility plan, to the tune of \$16,000 through the Putting Locals First Program.

This pavilion is hoped to be built along the Churchill Art and Culture

Pathway, and will provide a great space for information gatherings by Churchill residents. It is great to see projects such as this receiving funding, and I know this is a project about which a number of Churchill residents and organisations are very excited.

I would also like to make mention of a couple of important programs now available to employers in the Latrobe Valley region.

Firstly a Gippsland Apprenticeships Program has been established with the aim to place 50 unemployed apprentices with Latrobe Valley employers by June 30, 2013, so they can complete their trade qualifications.

This will boost the region's supply of skilled labour. Employers will receive a \$4000 Employer Incentive Bonus to help with the cost of hiring and training each apprentice who is currently unplaced.

Further details can be found at:

www.needanapprentice.com.au.

The \$15 million Latrobe Valley Industry and Infrastructure Fund (LVIIF) is currently open to businesses in the region who are able to generate growth within their business and at the same time create local jobs.

This fund has already served our community well with successful applicants thus far including Hydro Australia, Fishers Timber, National Foods, Stirloch Construction and Mahindra Aerospace.

The criteria for LVIIF has recently been altered to ensure small and medium enterprises are able to access this important fund.

Our local economy is constantly diversifying and this fund is vitally important to supporting businesses in the region whilst creating new jobs at the same time.

Further information can be found at www.rdv.vic.gov.au/infrastructure-programs/latrobe-valley-industry.

Latrobe Leisure Churchill

2012 FIBA (International Basketball Federation) Oceania Pacific Youth Basketball Championships:

International Basketball is coming to Latrobe City with the Churchill Leisure Centre hosting the 2012 FIBA Oceania Pacific Youth Basketball Championships from November 24 to December 2, 2012.

The event will attract 16 teams from Australia and across Oceania including teams from Tahiti, Fiji, PNG, New Caledonia, Guam, New Zealand and Samoa. 200 competitors will call Churchill home for the duration of the event, being accommodated on-campus at the Monash University Gippsland Campus.

The participating Oceania teams will be making a wonderful contribution to sport in the Latrobe Valley with teams being involved in numerous community engagement activities.

Teams will also invest time to promote themselves, their countries and basketball to the youth in our community.

Latrobe City plans to capitalise on the opportunities that this event brings with the influx of international visitors to our municipality.

Through working with our local schools, community, sporting and business groups there will be leveraging opportunities and support mechanisms required which will ensure that all teams and visitors to our City have a great experience.

Latrobe City is seeking flexible, motivated and enthusiastic people with a commitment to providing a positive sport experience for our visiting athletes.

People who have been involved in other major events and have an interest in sport will be considered favourably.

Most importantly Latrobe City is seeking volunteers with a passion for helping others.

Areas requiring volunteers will

include: General Event Support:

Basketball Specific, Event Logistics, Competition Management Games, Village Support, Field of Play Support, Function Delivery, Medical Support.

Why get involved?

★Valuable work experience and references

★An opportunity to develop skills and knowledge

★Thorough induction and training program

★An opportunity to play an important role in the delivery of an international event

★Great opportunity to meet new people

★Uniforms and lunch supplied

What will the commitment be?

Time commitments will vary according to the role volunteers are assigned.

However as a guide a minimum of eight hours per day could be expected.

Volunteers will all be required to attend selected training and information sessions.

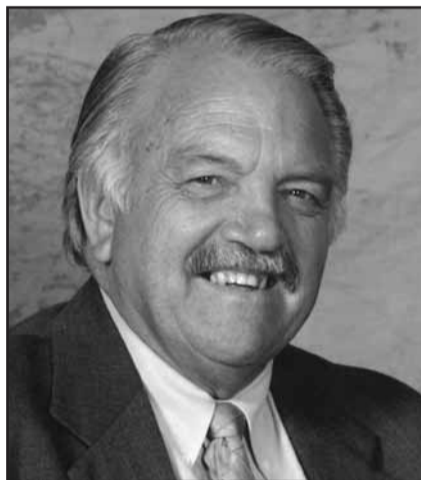
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Latrobe City Council with the support of FIBA Oceania, Basketball Australia, Basketball Victoria, Basketball Country Victoria and Monash University Gippsland is very proud to bring this event to Latrobe City and the Churchill and district community.

Volleyball Australia Women's High Performance Training Camp - December 2012:

Latrobe City will once again play host to the Volleyball Australia women's annual high performance training camp at the Churchill Leisure Centre in December.

This is the third consecutive year Volleyball Australia, Latrobe



Councillor Darrell White

Volleyball Association and Latrobe City Council have worked together to bring this important event to our city.

The fact that yet another elite sporting team has chosen to utilise Latrobe City facilities really shows the first class, high quality sporting venues that Latrobe City has to offer.

Latrobe Leisure Churchill Facilities and Services:

Latrobe Leisure Churchill (Churchill Leisure Centre) is now able to provide a broad range of indoor sporting activities for juniors and adults alike, including swimming, basketball, netball, badminton, squash along with a wide range of Fitness Programs to service the needs of the Churchill and district community.

These Programs include:

Group Fitness Classes

Latrobe Leisure Churchill has many scheduled classes each week.

There are many different classes including cycling, circuit, body bar, aqua aerobics, boxing and much more.

All abilities and fitness levels are catered for.

Personal Training

Latrobe Leisure Churchill offers a variety of personal training packages for individuals and groups.

Qualified trainers will teach how to exercise correctly and create a

tailored program to help each person reach their goals. As progress is made by each person their program will be monitored and adjusted to help keep them motivated and on target.

Latrobe Leisure Churchill has female and male Personal Trainers to choose from.

The opportunity exists for each person to choose a trainer that suits their needs and personality.

Teen Gym

This is a supervised and structured Group Session for teenagers aged 13 to 15 years. This program has been designed to give participants the chance to participate in exercise with a focus on whole body warm up, muscular endurance, aerobic fitness, flexibility and core strength.

Sessions are capped at a maximum of 20 people per session to ensure each participant receives adequate supervision and instruction.

Council of the Ageing (COTA) - Living Longer Living Stronger Program

Living Longer Living Stronger (LLLS) is a program which involves the use of body weight, dumbbell weights, barbells, fit balls, steps and floor mats. Sessions also include flexibility training, breathing and relaxation techniques.

It is recognised that as people get older they lose muscle strength and gain fat, however, this is a result of inactivity rather than age.

Strength can be regained and maintained regardless of age.

This is achieved by participating in an exercise and strength training program.

How does it work?

People can attend either the Gym under supervision of an instructor, or participate in a Group Class with other Over 50's in an environment that is friendly, enjoyable and safe. Individuals will progress at a rate that is comfortable for each person.

The Program involves the use of body weight, dumbbell weights, barbells, fit balls, steps and floor mats.

Sessions also include flexibility training, breathing and relaxation techniques.

Latrobe Leisure Churchill offers the Living Longer Living Stronger program specifically for the needs of older adults.

For details on these classes contact your local Latrobe Leisure Centre - Ph 5120 3888.

Would you like to teach English in Latrobe's Sister City, Takasago in Japan?

2013/2014 Takasago Assistant Language Teacher (ALT) Program

A unique and exciting opportunity exists for an individual looking for a challenge and adventure to assist with the teaching of English in schools in Takasago Japan for 12 months or more commencing in April 2013.

Latrobe City Council invites applications from persons interested in entering into a contract with the Takasago City Board of Education to teach English to junior high school students in Japan for a period of 12 months or more.

Applications close on Friday September 28, 2012 at 5.00pm.

The ALT will assist with classes taught by Japanese teachers of English at junior high schools and participate in kindergartens, elementary schools or other educational facilities with international exchange activities as specified under the terms and conditions of service.

All travel, accommodation expenses and wages will be met by the City of Takasago. Visit Latrobe City Council's website www.latrobe.vic.gov.au for further details as follows: Assistant Language Teacher Flyer, 2013 Selection Criteria, 2013 Application Form.

Sci-Fun at Monash University



Budding scientists try their hand at science experiments for the day

For National Science Week, The School of Science and Monash University held a Science Fun Day inviting all who would like to try out some science experiments, listen to some mini lectures and participate in some workshops.

The object was to interest people in becoming involved with science, as science is all around us. Getting people involved and enthusiastic about science was the aim of the day.

Monash University School of Science was able to access some funding from National Science Week grants, supplied by the Federal Government, and with some local university funding.

Three to four hundred people in

a wide range of ages, attended the day with much positive feedback being received from the participants.

The staff hopes to make this an annual event.

In the laboratories where three sets of experiments were available to try, everyday household items formed the basis for the experiments.

Exploring hot and cold water currents and making a density column was in the South Lab. The participants were allowed to create their own density column using household liquids, all which have their own level of density, and no matter when you add them to the column they will settle where their

density level is among the other ingredients. Hot water has a lower density than cold water and thus will not mix with cold water but sit on top.

The West Lab saw participants learn about the properties of rubber. Skewers were poked through a blown up balloon, and screaming balloon was made with a metal object being turned inside a blown up balloon and a sandwich bag was proved to be leak proof.

The Central Lab. There they could also look at the Ph of acids and bases.

After a short talk red cabbage dye was added to various household items in test tubes to see if they were acid or base.



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Saturday Breakfast



There were 19 people present at the Saturday Breakfast on August 25. As usual we were well fed on Keith's porridge and plenty of toast.

Our guests were Neil and Sue Clutterbuck, audiologists from Morwell and Sale. Their choice was appropriate as that week it was Hearing Awareness Week. We were given a quiz to fill in about the frequency of hearing loss and whom it most affected. We learnt that hearing loss affects one in four people and that this is increasing. Men are more likely to be affected than women, mostly because many work in a noisy environment and when they are not working they may be operating a noisy lawnmower, chainsaw or various noisy tools in the shed.

People do not necessarily know that they have a hearing loss in the early stages, but if they suspect they are not hearing as well as they used to, they should have their hearing checked. A well fitting hearing aid may not restore the hearing as it was when they were younger, but will certainly make their

hearing a lot better.

Hearing loss is not just an older person's ailment. The incidence of young people being so affected has increased from 13 to 19%.

We also need to be aware that hearing loss in Gippsland is more frequent than in many other places. This is mostly because of noisy occupations, as in the wood industry and jobs in the electricity field. There are also noisy forms of recreation like shooting.

Sue Clutterbuck and Neil covered a lot more, interesting things in their talk and then followed plenty of questions from their audience.

Olivia Jackson

The next Breakfast will most likely be held on September 29 at 7.45am at the Co-Operating Churches, Churchill. Arch Van Berkel will be the guest speaker and he will talk about his bike riding tour of Nepal.

People interested in attending should contact Keith Enders by Thursday September 27 on 5122 1148 or at ken.15967@bigpond.com

Chaplain's Contemplations

By Dr Pene Brook,
Chaplain, Monash, Gippsland.

That the Christian Church is divided into so many different denominations has never really troubled me. We humans have different God-given personalities with different needs and approaches to life and faith in God.

What does worry me is when one group claims to have 'The Truth' in a way that negates the faith life of others who are different from them.

It becomes an 'us vs them' situation and reminds me of a story I was told many years ago:

The Devil and his apprentice were standing beside the road of life watching those travelling along it. Suddenly, one of the walkers bent over, picked up something from the road and began to run and shout.

"What's all that about?" the apprentice asked the Devil.

"Oh," replied the Devil, "He's just picked up a piece of the Truth."

"Isn't that dangerous? Shouldn't we grab it back?" asked the apprentice.

"Oh no," replied the Devil, "Someone with a little Truth is a far more effective tool for us than someone

with no Truth at all.

With a small part of the Truth, he'll spend the rest of his life convincing himself and others that what he has is all he needs to know. It will cause conflict, division, arrogance, hatred and fear. Let him run with enthusiasm and energy."

It is wonderful to see the cooperation and friendship between the Lumen Christi and Co-operating Churches communities here in Churchill.

As people of faith we need each other to gain a bigger picture of God and God's life. To claim to have the 'Truth' in opposition to others of faith is a dangerous and damaging position.

Just after he was betrayed by Judas, Jesus said to the women and men who were there with him: "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:34-35.

You only have to look at creation or even God's own self to realise God's love of difference. May we, as people called by God and made in God's image, also learn to treasure the gift of relationship and unity in difference.

Lumen Christi Snippets

Lumen Christi Playgroup

Lumen Christi Playgroup Thursdays at the Eco Centre from 9.30-11.30am during school term. Contact Catherine Campbell ph: 5122 2231

Churchill Cuppa

Morning tea after 9.00am Mass on the last Sunday of the Month.

A Big THANK YOU

A very big thank you to everyone who supported the Fundraising Dinner on Friday evening August 24, for Fr Francis' local school community.

A very special word of thanks to Joan Black and her marvelous band of helpers.

It was especially heartening to see the Churchill and Morwell communities come together.

Thought for the week

Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received... but only what you have given: a full heart, enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice, and courage. (St. Francis of Assisi).

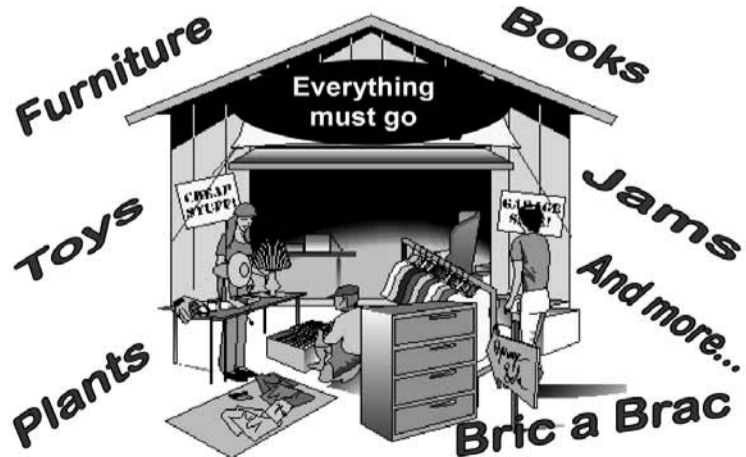
Community Singing at Churchill

Men, Women, Children - You are invited to the first OFFICIAL gathering of a 'Community Choir' at Lumen Christi Parish, Churchill on SUNDAY, September 23 from 4 - 5.30pm. Come, sing, and have your say - be involved in how this singing group should BE! For information, please contact: Yvonne - 5122 2573 or Michelle - 5122 2635. Email: my.matthysen@gmail.com.

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Glenda and Ian

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Co-Operating Churches Snippets



The Francis and Latrobe orchestras provided a large audience with a wonderful range of musical styles, concluding with the Dam Busters Theme, inviting the audience to join in the singing section.

The Ladies Fellowship again provided a sumptuous afternoon tea which disappeared with amazing speed. One would assume that playing and listening to music builds up an appetite.

A big thank you goes to the members of the orchestras who practised hard to have the concert ready, and gave those who attended a real treat.

Coffee Connections was another happy gathering of congregational members to hear Barbara and Russell Hadley talk about their recent trip. The talk was illustrated with a series of photos to highlight the travelogue.

Our Saturday Breakfast guests were Sue and Neil Clutterbuck, who presented a talk arising from a questionnaire given to each person.

There is a more detailed account of their talk elsewhere on this page.

They encouraged people to have a hearing test, as, if nothing else, it would stand as a benchmark for

future tests, but may uncover a hearing loss unnoticed by the person. What an exciting month we have had with birthday celebrations. We have had a 60th (Anne Lyne), 80th (Lois Terrill) and 90th (Mary Austin) birthdays.

All three people have, and continue to provide, a significant contribution to our church life. We are indeed fortunate.

On the last Sunday of the month two cakes were cut after the service; one for Lois and one for Mary. Robyn and Garry Mauger had prepared a power point presentation of Mary's life.

This was shown to the appreciation of the congregation, and especially Mary. Later that day a surprise gathering of family, friends and colleagues of work days gone by, came together at the Churchill Chinese Restaurant to further celebrate Mary's 90 years.

Thank you to all who came to make this a special day for Mary. Many thanks go to Judy McKenzie for making and icing a delicious birthday cake, and a 'well done' to the Restaurant staff for providing meals to the twenty three who attended.





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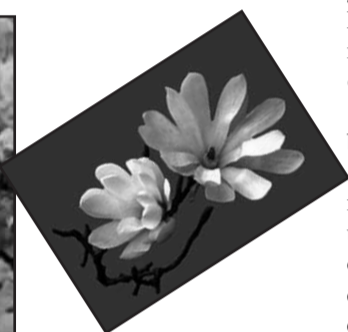


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Churchill Gardening Group



Generally grown as a hardy annual, lettuce is easily cultivated, although it requires relatively low temperatures to prevent it from quickly flowering.



Editor's note: THANK YOU.

The team at Churchill and District News would like to say a big thank you to Thelma who has been our regular gardening article contributor.

Many people have commented on the value of the practical ideas Thelma shared with our community and expressed as we do our appreciation for her efforts on our behalf. Thelma is taking a well earned break from this commitment. We welcome Bev who has taken up the reins.

Here it is already mid September! and still very wet underfoot, however the sun is getting warmer. We have 2 friendly crows, nicknamed Adelaide and Port that visit us and we are looking forward to them bringing their babies here also.

All the beautiful magnolias are making their presence known. If there is no space in your own garden for one, enjoy the sight of them around the neighbourhood. However there is a small tree or shrub magnolia *Magnolia Stellata* that may fit into most home gardens, in either pink or white colours. Right now my crab apples are coming into full bloom and the one named *Gorgeous* is a sight to see.

Camellias are still blooming beautifully in most gardens. The wonderful thing about their flowers, more often than not, is that they fall face up. This gives the garden an extra flush of colour. (If only our toast when dropped always fell buttered side up!) camellias, azaleas and other winter

flowering trees and shrubs can now be given a prune if needed, with daffodils being the exception. Let their tops die down naturally as this feeds the bulb for next year.

Everything in the garden will benefit from a boost of fertilizer: native fertilizer for natives, controlled release pellets for pots and an organic or complete fertilizer for the rest. Please read the quantity/instructions in regard to what you are using. If the Cymbidium orchids have finished flowering and are a bit crowded in their pots - now is a good time to re-pot them. Discard any old dead bulbs, then re-pot bulbs using the special orchid potting mix.

Although tomato plants are now appearing in the shops, and the plants are very tempting, it is far too early for them in this area.

You will find ones planted in late October will do very well. There are many vegies that can be planted now including beans, radish, parsnip, carrots of which there are small round ones (kids love to grow these), lettuce, beetroot, chives, silverbeet, just to name a few. Right now my family and I are enjoying a small harvest of broadbeans planted in autumn.

Not to forget the flowers, of which we are spoilt for choice. Sow seeds direct into areas of the garden of cosmos, alyssum, sunflower, californian poppy, nasturtiums for a quick fix of spring /summer colour and all these will self sow year in and year out.

Happy gardening until next month.

Students get their GRIPS on rural health training

Health students will strengthen their interprofessional learning and practice through a new simulated learning program being implemented across the Gippsland region.

The Gippsland Regional Interprofessional Partnership in Simulation (GRIPS) initiative, a 12-month Health Workforce Australia (HWA) funded project which commenced in July, will see health students undertake simulation placements at partnering health services in the Gippsland region.

In a simulated learning environment within partner practices, the program led by the Monash University's Department of Rural and Indigenous Health (MUDRIH), will see health students across various disciplines conduct appointments with simulated clients/patients about health related issues. Following the sessions, a performance evaluation is carried out with an interprofessional simulation facilitator in conjunction with feedback and recorded sessions.

Interprofessional Collaboration Team Leader Ms Mollie Burley, from MUDRIH, said the program aimed to improve communication, co-operation, collaboration and teamwork for health students undertaking clinical training placements at partner health services.

"Interprofessional practice is essential for real-world learning and delivers health services that are safer, more effective and patient centered," Ms Burley said.

"Effective team-based practice and support from health professionals allows students to put to use their knowledge and skills, to better understand the work of

various health professions, and to deliver better care."

Ms Burley said the program is currently seeking Simulated Client volunteers from the Gippsland area.

"Simulated Client volunteers follow a script that incorporates medical history and conditions which require students to engage in client/patient centered care and problem-solving," Ms Burley said.

GRIPS is funded through the Simulated Learning Environment program of Health Workforce Australia as an Australian Government initiative.

Partnering health services include Gippsland Lakes Community Health, Ramahyuck District Aboriginal Corporation, West Gippsland Healthcare Group, Community Health and Bass Coast Regional Health.

Gippsland mums meet for breastfeeding support

Mothers in Gippsland are coming together in Churchill to access mum-to-mum breastfeeding support.

The Latrobe Group of the Australian Breastfeeding Association meets from 10:00am-12:00pm on the third Friday of each month (except school holidays) at Glendonald Park Preschool, Churinga Drive, Churchill. All mums, dads, grandparents, carers and children are welcome.

Facilitated by a qualified breastfeeding counsellor or community educator, these get-togethers have a set breastfeeding or parenting discussion topic. Group leader, Kate Schultz notes that, "Even if a discussion topic may not seem relevant to a mum, she is still most welcome. There is plenty of time set aside for general socialising or having questions answered by speaking to a breastfeeding counsellor or community educator."

"In response to our members requesting to meet more frequently, we are very pleased to have started up chat and play mornings", says Mrs Schultz. "Our chat and play mornings are more social get-togethers and take place on the first Wednesday of each month. We will be meeting in various locations throughout Gippsland to enjoy getting out and about with our babies and children."

For more information, please contact Kate Schultz on 5635 2464.

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Valley tyres recently celebrated forty-seven years in business in Morwell. What keeps this locally owned business operating successfully for all those years? Bob Skinner, owner of the business, says it's because it is a good working environment, with a dedicated team of staff, who always look after their customers. Many of the 'boys' live in Churchill or grew up in the town. Bob himself lived in Churchill for twenty years. His wife, Shirley was in the scouts and was a cub leader. Their sons played football for Churchill and Yinnar, and Bob plays golf.

This community and social involvement has given them a great customer base, who are satisfied and who return time and again.

Bob believes people will go where they get a good deal and are looked after.

The business has had three locations. The first is where the L.V. Express office is at present. At that time Morwell was a busy town with large shops like Target and Michael Guss operating. The business was involved with large trucks. There were access and traffic problems.

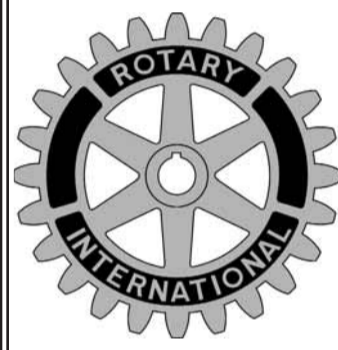
The lease also ran out. Bob was in partnership with Hedley Renton at the time. So they decided to move down to Garden Street in the new industrial estate of Chickereil St area. There were not many businesses there at first, but it was new territory and soon other businesses moved there from up town and the area grew and was successful, presenting less hassles than the busy previous site.

Shortly after moving there Bob bought his partner's share of the business, becoming the sole owner.

About sixteen years ago, when the opportunity arose, it was decided to move onto the present highway site. It proved to be a beneficial move as they can be seen by the passing traffic, and it is located near Mid Valley.

To celebrate their forty-seven years they held a BBQ and invited people to come for a visit. It was a successful trading day for them and a highlight was when an old time customer brought in a birthday cake for them. This was most appreciated by all the boys.

Bob says he loves going to work each day, saying each day is a highlight.



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Latrobe Regional Gallery invites the community of Latrobe City and the people of our sister cities, Takasago, Japan and Taizhou, China to -

- Take a digital photograph of a table in your home showing how it usually looks
- Email one image (no more than 4MB) to lrg@latrobe.vic.gov.au (subject heading 'Around the table') by 24 September
- Tell us the date and time that you took the photo and the town, suburb or city where you live.

We will then print these photographs and display them in an exhibition from 13 October to 18 November and in this way celebrate the stories and connections between our three communities.

We hope that this exhibition will also be displayed in our Sister Cities in Japan and China.

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My experience at Monash

Each and every one of us is a result of different values, and experiences; I personally believe that everyone has their own story to tell, and so I'm here to tell you a bit about my experience of growing up in Malaysia. As you all may know, the climate in Malaysia is hot and humid; we do not have four seasons and for us, it's only rain or shine. I guess the plus point there is that there are no random hail storms where I come from.

As with all different cultures, food plays an integral role in our daily lives, it is our reason for socializing, our excuse for meeting up with friends and our way of enjoying life. Regardless of what time or occasion it is in Malaysia, you will usually be greeted with one question, "dah makan ke belum?" Which means "have you eaten yet?" Our native Malay cuisine is traditionally spicy because it is believed to improve health and vitality. There is an abundance of different varieties of food to choose from, but no trip out with friends would be complete without going to the 'mamak store' which is basically an Asian fast food outlet, our own unique version of McDonalds, but instead of burgers, we have 'roti' (fried flatbread) and instead of coke we would usually order 'teh Tarik' (pulled tea) whereby tea is transferred from one glass to another with the purpose of mixing it, as well as creating foam on the surface of the tea.

In terms of the differences in language, many of my Australian friends are often quite impressed by the fact that I am multilingual, but this is only because learning Malay is made compulsory in all schools because it is our national language. We are also made to learn English in school as well as have the option of learning Mandarin or Arabic. Personally, I never received formal education in the Chinese language, but coming from a Chinese family, I learnt how to speak Mandarin and Cantonese pretty fluently.

In terms of our school environment, I believe that Australian students definitely have more freedom in terms of dress code and behavior. Back in my day, we had to have ribbons in our

perfectly tied up and braided hair. We also had frequent on the spot-checks where handphones and other 'illegal' items would be confiscated, our uniforms inspected, shoes scrutinized and nails cut short and without a trace of nail polish. One hair out of place or any inappropriate behavior meant detention, disciplinary sessions or warning letters. Whenever a teacher passed by, we were expected to bow slightly and greet them with a polite 'selamat sejahtera cikgu' which translates as "teacher, I wish you well."

High school was a very competitive environment for me because my parents expected me to achieve good results while still maintaining a healthy interest and strong performance in other extracurricular activities. Most students take 8 to 10 subjects for their O-levels exams (spm); I on the other hand took 12. The current record for the most number of subjects taken for the exam is reportedly a student who took 16 subjects; so you see, we are always competing with each other in order to please our parents and be the best. My high school days were a whirlwind of school, extra classes, martial arts training, shotput practice, discus throwing and guitar lessons. It was a hectic lifestyle but I really enjoyed the challenge and experience that I gained from it and would not change it for the world.

Asian values often dictate that we must listen to our elders, not talk back or be rude to them, and of course, care for our parents in their old age. Because of this, addressing my lecturers and elders by name over here definitely took some getting used to, because back home, we rarely address our elders by name because that is considered impolite, instead we would usually address them as 'sir, madam, uncle, or aunty' even though we might not be related. During family outings or social gatherings, younger members of the social group are expected to greet those older than them, and when food arrives at the table, the youngest person at the table is expected to serve tea and food to the older members of the family before serving themselves.

I come from a very large but tight-knit family, the third in seven children, and one value which I definitely hold dear is that we are taught to take care and defend one another. Naturally, when I came here, I thought I would miss that sense of closeness within a family the most. Of course I still miss my family dearly

but I can very gladly say that I found a family away from home here in Gippsland. After four years living here in Australia, most of my friends now give me nicknames such as 'big sister', 'mum' or 'grandma'. I know it's not very flattering in terms of my seniority but definitely very heartwarming to me.

Malaysia is a melting pot of different cultures, traditions as well as practices, it is a very special and unique country which I hope that you will be able to visit one day. Even though there are some cultural differences between Australia and Malaysia, I have learnt how to adapt to the lifestyle here. My stay in Australia has definitely left a positive impression on me mainly because everyone I have met here has been so welcoming, encouraging, patient and willing to help. I hope to always be able to hold on to my roots and the values which my parents have instilled in me, but I also hope to gain new knowledge from living here in Australia.



Friends of Morwell National Park

Mathison Park



Thank you to those four brave souls who turned up for the working bee.

Further work was done on the drain to allow water accumulating on the concrete path to drain away more

effectively. Some rubbish was collected. Fallen branches were collected and stumps of trees among the grass sprayed yellow to alert the mowing contractor.

Next working bee - September 15.

Hello everyone and welcome to this month's column.

Construction of a new toilet block has started at Kerry Road. It is hoped to have the toilet open for the public by the September school holidays.

The toilet block has been sited further along Foster's Gully track, further away from the Kerry's Road car park. The toilets are being paid from our 25th anniversary grant and the remaining monies are coming from Parks.

The Grand Strzelecki track remains closed. In June, heavy rains resulted in the creek flooding and much track damage occurred. So after being officially opened in May, the track has only been open for a few weeks. Hopefully the track will open again during spring.

Over the last month Ken has given a talk about the Park to the Moe Probus group. More recently he has discussed his mothing techniques at a conference in Bendigo.

September Activity

10.00am Sunday September 16.

We will meet at the Junction Road car park to undertake some track maintenance and weed removal in the Billy's Creek part of the park. You will need to bring your lunch and clothing suitable for the weather conditions on the day.

August Activity Report

The group who attended the activity met at the Junction Road car park and planned the day ahead. The group organized to remove weeds along the creek banks from the car park to Braniff Road. Most of the work was completed along the banks where some of the undergrowth had been knocked down by previous flooding. Many advanced tutsan plants were removed along with quite a few prunus.

At a few places we needed to clear the track of trees which had recently fallen and were blocking the track.

During the big rains of winter, lots of damage has occurred in the Park and many trees have come down. Most of this damage is still to be found around the Park.



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Lions Club Citizen Awards 2013

The Lions Club of Churchill and District Inc. will once again be organising a community function to celebrate Australia Day in Churchill.

The event has proven very popular in recent years.

To enhance the event, the club will present a Young Citizen Award and a Citizen Award to the most outstanding

person(s) in each category for their contribution to the community during the previous 12 months. This Award is now adopted as a tradition and we ask that residents again nominate candidates.

Nominees must be a resident of Churchill or reside in the immediate surrounding district.

The nominated person's applications

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

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

2013.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Young Citizen of the Year Award - applicants must be 18 years or under on January 26, 2013.

Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. Citizen of the Year Award - open to all applicants over the age of 18 years on January 26, 2013.

Closing Date November 30, 2012



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The Awards are provided by the Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc. and presented at the Australia Day Ceremony in Churchill on January 26, 2013.

Person(s) who have made a noteworthy contribution during the preceding year and / or given outstanding service to the local Community over a number of

years shall be eligible. Members of the Lions Organisation are ineligible to nominate. The person(s) being nominated must be a resident of Churchill or

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Lions Club of Churchill & District Inc.
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FORM TO BE RETURNED TO:
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Churchill Fire Brigade



The Fire Safe Kids team has been attending Lumen Christi this month to teach the fire safety messages so important to help with survival in both housefires and bushfires.

The Prep to Grade 2s have heard about the importance of working smoke alarms and what to do when they are woken by the smoke alarm at night.

They roll out of bed, and get down low and crawl to the door. They feel the door with the back of their hand as this is the most sensitive part of the hand.

If the door is cool they can proceed outside. If the door is warm or hot they know that the fire is outside the door and they should use the alternative exit of the two necessary ones for each room, to go out the window.

They were encouraged to go home and talk to their parents if they didn't have a smoke alarm, or it didn't work as it is law to have one or two in every residence.

The question always arises about two storey houses.

They were told of the option of having a fold up, or rope ladder which can hook onto the window sill so they can climb down safely. It was also emphasised that windows and flyscreens should be able to be opened for easy egress.

The children also explored clothing, both their own and the fire fighter's, coming to the conclusion that clothes are for protection.

Some materials are more highly flammable and should not be worn near heaters or fires.

They were taught what to do if their clothes did catch on fire. They should stop, drop and roll to put out the flames.

The Grade 3s-6s explored home fire safety hazards and how to avoid them, being aware of fire and its dangers in summer, being prepared for summer fires and how to reduce the risks.

Total fire bans were explained, as well as outdoor activity safety.

How and why bushfires start and what happens before, during and after a bushfire passes through were illustrated with posters.

Regeneration of the bush after was also covered, as were planned burns.

They also were shown how to prepare a home fire escape plan which every family should have.

The visit of the fire trucks (tanker for the P-2s and Pumper for 3s-6s) demonstrated the use of the vehicle and the equipment carried.



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Walking The Kokoda Trail

John Jeffery and Linda Welsh of Churchill, having put in the hard training hours, walked the Kokoda Trail, defying the mental and physical challenge of the terrain, plus the change of temperature from cold to hot each day and on occasions the addition of rain, to achieve their goals.

For John, a Vietnam veteran, he wanted to go where his Uncle Bill (one of his mother's 13 siblings) had served and follow in his footsteps. His uncle had recorded his memories of his time on the Kokoda Trail during the war, and after John read it his interest was whetted. John also wanted to take in the history of the Kokoda Trail on Australia's doorstep.

Linda did it for a different reason. A couple of years ago their son Gary died of cancer.

It had been his desire to walk the trail with some mates. His wish was never realised. Linda did it for him.

Charlie Lynn, also a Vietnam Veteran originally from Orbost organises these ten day,

134km, tours and has himself walked the trail over sixty times, doing several treks each year. 2012 is the 70th Anniversary of the Kokoda campaign, and so it was even more significant for our two walkers and the 31 other trekkers on this tour with 33 porters plus carriers, who come from the villages which are situated along the way.

The trekkers came from a diverse mixture of backgrounds and were great company along the way.

At the place the Kokoda battle started, the group stopped for a briefing and then observed a minute's silence, before proceeding through the archway to begin. John thought to himself "At last we are on our way. We've done all the climbing training. Let it begin!"

On the second day at Isuravi Village, there is the Kokoda Memorial which has four pillars; one each for Courage, Mateship, Friendship and Endurance.

The memorial looks out over the beautiful Owen Stanley Ranges. Here at dawn, a service of remembrance was held in the dark.

It was very emotional and at the end, the porters and carriers sang some of their local songs and their National Anthem to the group. The group responded by singing Advance Australia Fair to them.

After that, both John and Linda remarked that all you did for the next ten days was think where you would put your next step.

It was both mentally and physically fatiguing, high stepping, crossing rivers through waist deep water or crossing narrow bridges, climbing up steep

muddy slopes, sloshing through swamps ankle deep in mud and at the end of the day arriving about 4.30pm after a 5am wake up call.

After particularly trying sections the porters would sing to the walkers as an encouragement.

It was also emotionally draining. Hearing the history of the battles, visiting a cemetery, learning about the youth of the untrained soldiers of 18-21 years who gave their all in these dreadful surroundings, to stop the war coming to our shores, and appreciating the difficulties of carrying heavy mortars and a pack through the terrain, was very moving.

Linda said she did not go for that reason, but hearing about it she could not come back unaffected by what she had heard.

John agreed, saying he now has a big appreciation for the soldiers who had one ground sheet between six on which to sleep, survived on bully beef, suffered the scourges of malaria, and carried heavy loads.

This appreciation also extends to the Fuzzy Wuzzys who carried food and ammunition to the soldiers, and without being asked, carried out the wounded.

Nearly each day started at 5am with ablutions and pack up, followed by breakfast, then briefing of the day's walk, before departing at 7.45am.

Each hour they would stop and regroup. The billy would be boiled at morning tea stop and lunch would be about 1pm.

Arrival at camp, usually the outskirts of a village, saw clothes changed, washed and hung out to dry after a shower, usually cold, or a wash in a stream.

But the good part was the carriers had set up the tents and the meal was being cooked ready for the hungry trekkers. There were sing-sings given by the local villagers.

Meals consisted of spaghetti, beans, soup and onion, with wonderful fresh fruit such as paw paw and bananas.

The food was reported as 'lovely'. Breakfast was served in the dark.

Both Linda and John expressed their admiration for the porters who were with them every step of the way, helping them cross narrow bridges, supporting them up steep inclines and keeping a watchful eye out.

Linda called them 'our angels'. They are the great grandchildren of the Fuzzy Wuzzys who were such a help in the Kokoda Campaign. But they also commented on the help and support given by each of the paying walkers too.

They met a gentleman in one village who had acted as a mail carrier during the war. His name is Faoli Bokoi and John had his photo taken with him. He owned a jacket and hat covered with badges from all over the world.

Both Linda and John commented about how clean and tidy the villages were but also how basic. Some had schools, but mostly the children sat on the floor. Many children had to walk a fair distance to school.

There is no welfare in Papua New Guinea, and in this area there is no electricity, and few taps. A trip to the river was the source of water.

Each of the walkers had taken some pencils, rubbers, erasers, exercise books and coloured pencils. These were left at Port Moresby where Charlie Lynn's group would pack them up and deliver them to a village.

At one village the walkers made donations which would go to buying school uniforms for the children.

A portion of the fare of each walker goes to supply materials for things like a community centre. The local people like help with the materials but want to contribute to the project by doing the building which they say then gives them pride in and ownership of the resource.

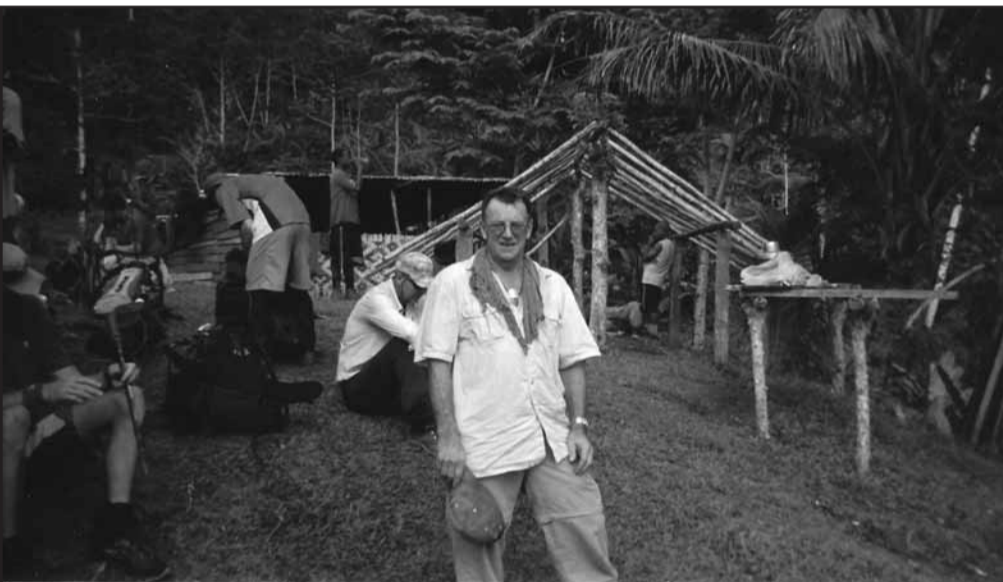
The villages were welcoming and helpful. Over the years of doing these walks, \$30,000 has been supplied to the villages.

At the end of the trail, the porters insisted that Linda go through first, as she had often been the last each day to finish. The porters formed a guard of honour, clapping as the walkers came through. They then sang songs.

John and Linda found the going tough and are glad they did the training. But both expressed their great sense of achievement in fulfilling their goals and more.

They now have a greater sense of the Kokoda Campaign and the effort put in by our young Australian soldiers to keep our country free and prosperous.

It was an emotional but satisfying experience which they will not forget.



Rotary Club of Hazelwood

The Rotary Club of Hazelwood celebrated its 34th birthday on Monday, July 30. On August 1, 1978, the club was chartered having its first members drawn from the Rotary Club of Morwell. Basically, the Morwell club had increased its membership to the point where it was decided another club could be sponsored, and in this case, the foundation members were generally living in the Hazelwood – Churchill area at the time.

There are two charter – foundation members still connected to the Hazelwood club, John Breheny and Tom Thomsen. Originally there were 25 charter members and included in this list was David Crane, Keith Williams, Bruce Johnston (Elaine is a member of the Hazelwood club now), Graham Benson and Arthur Davis who was the first President.

One of the club's earliest projects included the staging of Carols by Candlelight and assistance with the then popular Yinnar South Country Fair. Carols by Candlelight was conducted for more than 20 years while participation in the Yinnar South Country Fair continued until the Fair unfortunately went into recess in the mid-1990's.

Currently, some of the long serving club members besides Tom Thomsen and John Breheny include Ross Ollquist, Geoff Thornhill, Owen McKenzie, Alan Davey, Mike Answerth, Mac Wood, Dave Aubery, Heather Beaton, Ken Peake, Ray Beebe, Chris Payne, Carol Crewe, Richard Henshaw, Reg Kemp, Aldo Minchella, Kay Radford and Ian Wilson.

Recently the club celebrated Jeans for Genes Day in acknowledgement of the work of the scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI) which has a single aim - to improve and extend the lives of children everywhere.

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Club members wore jeans and told of their memories when first allowed to wear jeans during their childhood.

During the past two weeks, some members have spoken about their childhood and what the attractions are of their



chosen profession. Many of the personal recollections and anecdotes have been extremely humorous.

GippsWebs for Business

Gippsland students build webs of success for local business

The efforts of 114 IT-savvy secondary school students to help local businesses get online were recently acknowledged at this year's GippsWebs for Business presentation night.

A joint venture between Monash University Gippsland, Telstra Country Wide and Gippsland Local Learning and Employment Networks, the GippsWebs for Business program helps to link local businesses and students for online success.

Students spend time with small business owners and local entrepreneurs, gathering information and learning about the daily operation of the business, before using their skills in IT and web development to create a website that will help grow the business.

This year, 114 Information Technology students from 12 secondary schools across Gippsland were partnered with 31 local businesses, with first prize going to "Triplicity" from Lavalla Catholic College, second prize to "Pizza Pi" from Catholic College Sale and third prize to "Random Cards" from Catholic College Sale.

Head of the Gippsland School of Information Technology at Monash University, Associate Professor Manzur Murshed, said that GippsWebs for Business was an important part of supporting the uptake of new technology throughout the entire Gippsland community.

"Beyond helping provide small businesses with a fully functional website at no cost, the program gives secondary school students real-world experience and technology that they may not be able to access elsewhere," said Associate Professor Murshed.

Telstra Country Wide Area General Manager for South East Victoria, Ms Loretta Willaton, added that the program was becoming a key means for business to strengthen partnerships with local schools, and provided many benefits for all participants.

"GippsWebs for Business is an excellent opportunity for local business to become involved with new technology, assist students with school curriculum and provide future employment gateways to help retain young people in the local region."

Baw Baw Latrobe LLEN Senior Partnership Broker, Ms Nicole Skinner said the program was a unique opportunity for students to learn not only about IT, but also about local business.

"The GippsWebs for Business partnership provides a valuable link between local business and schools which gives young people an excellent insight into the world of work."



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Hazelwood House Happenings



Our residents enjoyed a morning of button making, courtesy of Faye. Buttons, fridge magnets and brooches were created by all. Some of these consisted of ladybirds, butterflies, babies' booties and various colours and shapes of buttons. We would like to thank Faye for giving us this opportunity.



Our residents joined in the Olympic fever by attending activities and gaining points. They thoroughly enjoyed the games afternoons where we had quoits, hookey, skittles and bowls. Our Olympic winners were May Wilson who won gold, Josie Smith the silver and Elva Broadbent the bronze. Well done to everyone who joined in.



Our cultural day this month was 'England'. Jacky, our staff member is from England, and talked about the town in which she was born and bred. Some of our residents talked about the towns they were born in such as Lincoln and Reading. We had artifacts from Harrods and photos of various places in England. At the end of the session we had English lollies and McVities digestive biscuits. A video was played of stately homes and glorious countryside of England.



Bill Barratts' relatives, Heather and Trevor, came in for the afternoon to tell us about their 'Shearing holiday' in the Victorian high country. They brought in a full fleece and a DVD of how the shearing was performed. All our residents thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Heather and Trevor.

Neighbourhood Watch



Robbery

Nil for the month (Nil previous month)

Assaults

4 for the month (6 previous month)

Three offenders have been charged with assault related offences during August. All came to police notice as a result of family violence incidents. Police are making follow up enquiries in relation to a stabbing that occurred in Amaroo Dr on August 16.

Arson

2 for the month (Nil previous month)

Overnight on August 23, unknown offenders have set a bin alight in Hazelwood Shopping Centre. Police are also investigating a fire in the toilet block of Glendonald Park on August 26.

Property Damage

7 for the month (6 previous month)

Three offenders have been charged with property damage offences during August. A phone box in Churinga Dr had the glass panel smashed sometime on August 3. A fishing sinker appears to have been fired at a window of a residence in McDonald Way. This incident could be linked to others that have occurred in Morwell, Moe and Traralgon.

Burglary

4 for the month (Nil previous month)

A rural property in Hazelwood South has been broken into twice in the month by offenders accessing an unlocked door. Police advise that it is not a good practice for people to leave doors to houses unlocked whilst they are away from the property.

Theft from Motor Vehicle

5 for the month (1 previous month)

All thefts from motor vehicles were committed in residential areas with four being in driveways.

Three of the vehicles were unlocked with a handbag, purse, binoculars, a First Aid kit and coins stolen. Four of the thefts were committed overnight August 19 in the Churinga Dr, Ikara Way Euroka Cres area.

Theft of Motor Vehicle

Nil for the month (Nil previous month)

Theft

3 for the month (4 previous month)

An iPod and mobile phone are amongst the items stolen during August. Two gas cylinders have been stolen from a cage beside the Churchill Hotel overnight August 5.

Police remind the community if they see something suspicious they should ring 000 or if they have information in relation to an offence contact Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 or www.crimestoppers.com.au.

Visit Neighbourhood Watch's Virtual Security tour pages

Neighbourhood Watch's virtual tours are interactive computer programs which enable you to conduct safety and security audits on your own property, using sophisticated 360° digital imaging.

There are five tours available and they can be viewed at our State Neighbourhood Watch website. Hover your computer mouse over this link, <http://www.nhw.com.au/Virtual-Tours> and at the same time hold down your control button, left click and you will be taken direct to the page. The tours you can choose from are:

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Virtual Bike - Virtual Bike covers a multitude of safety and security issues designed to encourage safe, effective, practical cycling in the community, in an effort to reduce the extent of road trauma amongst cyclists.

Community Safety Month provides Victorians with a chance to take part in activities and events and learn how to make local communities safer places to live and work. Held in October each year, the month aims to promote awareness about a broad range of safety matters, including crime prevention, personal safety, safe work practices and staying safe during an emergency.

Community Safety Month was initiated in 1996 by the Victorian Safe Communities Network, which coordinates the project with support from Victoria Police.

Local communities, groups, schools, regional services, businesses, state and local government departments and agencies, are encouraged to build community safety partnerships by organising safety activities with other groups.

By promoting safety and safe practices within your community, you will be contributing to increasing the confidence of Victorians about safety.

Community Safety Month practises a partnership-based approach, with over 80 per cent of activities organised in partnership between two or more different organisations, groups or government agencies.

Some examples of activities you can organise are:

Promote Community Safety Month in your organisation's newsletters and on your website.

Organise a community forum or seminar on a community safety topic of your choice.

Run competitions with a safety theme in your local newspaper or organisation's newsletter.

Distribute information (flyers/leaflets) to promote your organisation and their safety message.

Undertake safety audits of local areas - home, business, and shopping centre.

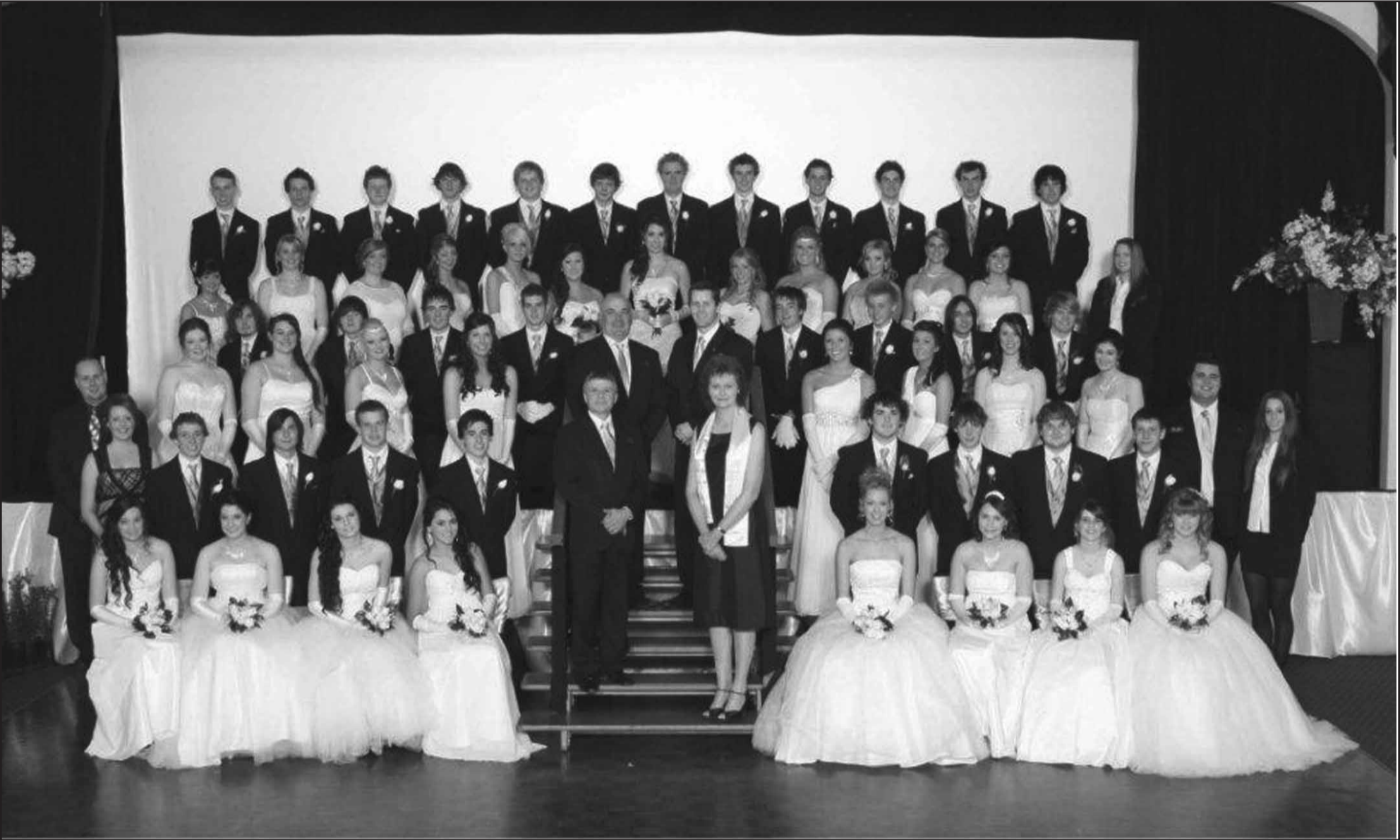
Prepare a safety display for your local shopping centre.

Launch safety projects and campaigns in your area.

Run practical workshops on safety, for example a self-defence seminar.

Create an open day style event, enticing the public to get an inside look at the safety measures you have in place.

Kurnai College Debutante Balls



By Jerome Johnston

I had the privilege of attending both of our Debutante Balls on Thursday and Friday August 16 and 17.

I was the partner of Kate Wareham on Thursday night, in what was a night to be remembered.

It all started seven weeks ago when we were

given our list of eight dance lessons over four weeks, to be ready for this one night.

I can remember walking into our dance practice and watching most people getting frustrated with the dance instructors, and the rest of us were tripping over our own feet.

We made a statement that we could not do it. As the dance lessons went on we seemed to

get it.

The dance lessons drew us all together, tested and enhanced our friendships and through it, we were able to make new friends.

This year we were joined by four couples from SEDA who seemed to bring the life into our group!

Thank you guys for your support and

friendship.

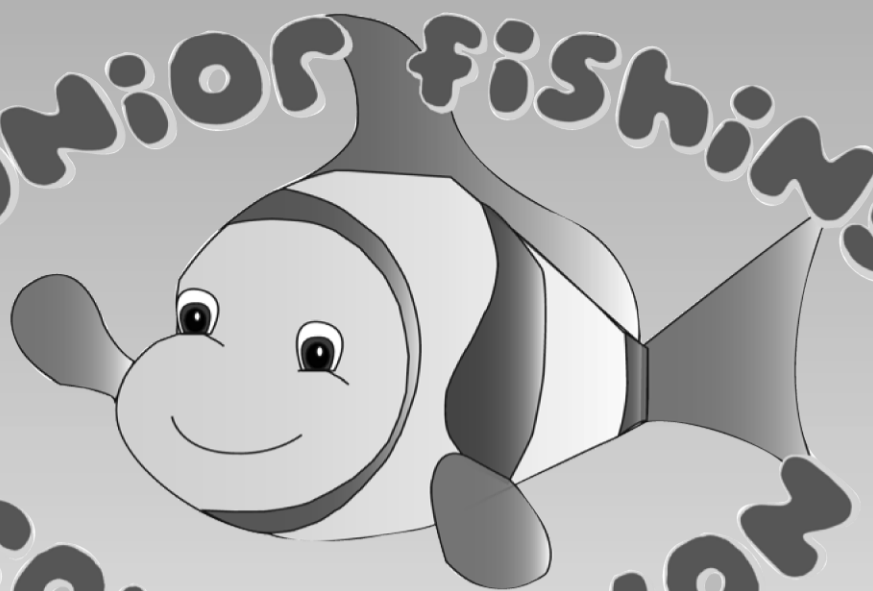
We held this years' Debutante Balls at a new venue (the Traralgon Premier Function Centre), where all of our guests enjoyed a two course meal.

The photo booth was a real hit. Thank you to the 4 main teachers who made this event happen; Sen, Mick, Kristy and Andrea.



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they weren't accustomed to, but they also behaved brilliantly and showed good manners. Our team placed 2nd overall which saw our 4 highest scoring team members receive silver medals.

Fundraising News

Our Fundraising team recently staged an Olympic Extravaganza Night. This not only raised \$1,100 for the school, but was also a lot of fun. An intrepid band of parents help out at our Bunnings BBQ one cold and miserable Sunday. This effort raised over \$600 for our school. We are currently conducting a Pie Drive. All the money raised will help us to get a veranda over our Multi-purpose Room entrance and our student toilets painted.

Thanks!

We are very grateful to everyone in the community who collected shopping stickers and vouchers. In total we had 412 Woolworths sheets and 12,158 Coles vouchers. We're still collecting milk caps. We'll let everyone know what resources we obtain for the school through this fabulous support!

Champions' Day

Some of our students competed in an Athletics Champions' Competition. Congratulations to Jemma Napier who placed 1st in High Jump, 2nd in long jump and 3rd in the 800m run, Linc Oddy placed 1st in long jump, Ella O'Kane placed 1st in discus and 3rd in shot-put, Daina Howard came 3rd in both the sprints and high jump, Lydia Reiske 2nd in 1500m and 3rd in long jump and Emre Cupples placed 3rd in shot-put. Some of these athletes will now go on to represent the Yinnar and District schools at the Zone Athletics in September.

Science Expo

During Science Week we held multi-age rotation day which was a great success. Students experienced a range of different activities from making slime to creating balloon-powered hovercrafts.

Open School

To mark the beginning of Literacy / Numeracy Week, we invited everyone to visit our school and view our students' work and our resources. A "Scavenger Hunt" was a feature of the evening to ensure our visitors went to all our classrooms. This was hotly contested by the 24 families that attended with many successfully completing it and receiving prizes.



Breakfast at school with a difference!

Another feature of our Literacy / Numeracy Week activities was a "Blokcs, Babes and Books Breakfast at School". Our students were able to bring along their Mums, Dads, Nans, Pops or any other significant adults in their lives. Everyone enjoyed breakfast at school together and shared their favourite children's books. We had such a big crowd it was difficult to hear which spread students wanted on their toast. Some of the mums made some delicious muffins to add to the juice, porridge and toast we usually enjoy during our Breakfasts at School.

Maths Games

We concluded our Literacy / Numeracy Week with a school-wide games session on Friday afternoon. Everyone from prep to grade 6 joined together to play some classic card games, monopoly, connect 4 and lots of other great games that build numeracy concepts and skills. Eve's grandmother came along and taught some of our senior students how to play Bridge.

Fathers' Day Stall

At this time each year we provide \$1 and \$2 gifts that our students are able to purchase for the special men in their lives. Our students appreciate this non-profit making service we provide.

Lumen Christi Primary School

Grade 3/4 Eisteddfod

After weeks and weeks of practice, we finally got to travel to Traralgon to compete in the Latrobe Valley Eisteddfod. We were in the Group Speaking (Gr 3-6) section. Once we got on stage, most people were very excited and nervous at the same time, we had butterflies. The lights on the stage were so bright it was hard to see our conductors. We performed two pieces, "A selection from Peter Pan" and "A Witches Cat". The adjudicator said we had "expressive choral speaking with a variety of vocal intonation, pace and pitch", "lovely smiling faces" and "energetic recitation". She also described our performance with "voices used in an imaginative way such as howling" and we "built the dramatic action with a variety of pitch and pace". When it was all over, we nervously waited for the results. We were so surprised and happy because we came third in our section.

Eisteddfod- Grade 5/6G

This year Grade 5/6G entered in the Traralgon Eisteddfod in the Sketch section. Our play was called Moondyne Joe. After many weeks of practice the day was finally here, Wednesday August 29, and our class finally got the chance to perform at the Traralgon Little Theatre.

We were the third competitors on the program and, after a

short lighting glitch, which made us feel even more nervous, it was on with the show. Everyone remembered their lines, they looked great in their costumes and the adjudicator was impressed enough with our performance that we received first place! We were very excited when she announced the results. We really appreciated all the help from Mrs Barrett and Mrs Glowacki, and we were thankful for all the parents that helped with transport.

Adjudicator's comments (Andrea Crawford):

Visually effective blocking for the opening. Costumes complemented and added to the characterisations. Good, clear projected voices. Camaraderie evident between the actors. Sound understanding of the sequences of events. Chorus work effective and added to this tale. A great choice of play for this talented group. Characterisations sustained throughout. Everett's store scene - energetic with lots of action. Great blocking. Congratulations on a well-rehearsed performance.

Grade Preps Excursion to Melbourne Zoo

As part of their theme "From little things, big things grow" the Grade Preps travelled to the Melbourne Zoo. They were able to spend time exploring the Zoo before participating in the Cycles of Life Education Program at the Discovery Centre. It was a very fun and educational outing for the Grade. Here are some of their recounts: We went to the Zoo. I saw a turtle and we looked at the seals. We went home on the train. (Ethan McKinnell)

We went to the train station and caught a bus to the Zoo, then we went to look at lots of different animals then we went to have lunch. We went to the train station and went on a train to Southern Cross then went on a bus to Morwell then we went home. (Nathan Smart)

Sport Roundup

Athletics

On Monday August 13, we had athletes compete in the SSV Yinnar and District Champions' Day over in Newborough. The results were as follows:

First

We look forward to the next round of competition

Student	Event	Place		
Blake Whykes	Boys 10 year old 100m	Second		
	Boys 10 year old 200m	Third		
Ethan Foster	Boys 11 year old 100m	Third		
	Boys 11 year old 200m	Second		
	Boys 11 year old Long Jump	First		
Skye Wilson	Girls 11 year old 100m	First		
	Girls 11 year old 200m	Second		
	Girls 11 year old Long Jump	First		
	Girls 11 year old High Jump	First		
Georgia Hutchinson	Girls 12/13 year old 100m	Second		
	Girls 12/13 year old 200m	First		
	Girls 12/13 year old Long Jump	First		
	Girls 12/13 year old High Jump	First		
Jarod Walker	Boys 11 year old 1500m	Third		
Vincent Schoutens	Boys 10 year old 800m	First		
Chelsey Van Rossum	Girls 10 year old 800m	First		
	Girls 10 year old Long Jump	Third		
	Girls 10 year old High Jump	Third		
Baylen Riley	Boys 10 year old Discus	First		
Cameron West Bayley McLure Vincent Schoutens Blake Whykes	Boys 9/10 year old 4 x 100m Relay	Second		
	Chelsey Van Rossum Chelsea Michael Meg Hutchinson Jade Nehls-Iversen	Girls 9/10 year old 4 x 100m Relay	Second	
		Georgia Hutchinson Mellissa Stewart Skye Wilson Hollie Nicol	Girls 12/13 year old 4 x 100m Relay	First

(Division) which will be held on Thursday September 13.

Basketball

On Thursday August 16, a Lumen Christi boys' team competed in the SSV Yinnar and District basketball held at the Churchill Leisure Centre. It was a Round Robin Competition and there were three games to play, with the team winning against Churchill Primary and Hazelwood North. However, once points were tallied there were three schools on an equal amount of points. Points for and against were counted up and Yinnar Primary School came out the competition winners while the boys came second. The players were: Tye Kessar, Zac Bland, Corey O'Shea, Aiden Ekanayake, Cameron Bianconi, Oliver Doig and Jarod Walker. We thank Luke Hamilton for coaching the boys and Sarah Fawcett and Daniel Smith Blakeley for being the referees.



Churchill Primary School

Churchill Primary School has been a hive of activity this month.

Sport
On August 10, our athletic champions went to Joe Carmody Oval in Newborough to participate in Champions' Day to find out who would represent Yinnar and District at the zone level in athletics. We were well represented by 25 students and 17 of these will go on to compete in the regional finals. The three boys' relay teams have also gone on to the next level. It was a great day in all aspects, the weather was great, the competition was fierce and our students performed in all disciplines to the best of their ability.

Our boys' basketball team played against teams from



Hazelwood North, Yinnar and Lumen Christi, to find out which school would represent Yinnar and District at zone level. Three teams ended up with the same points. Well done to Yinnar who scored more goals than us and therefore will go through to the next level. The boys' put in a spectacular effort and got better the more games they played. Pictured are Bailey Lewis, Bailey Shirreff, Cain Iorangi, Max Van der Zwart, Ryan Lowrie, Daniel Rawlinson and Eros Zappulla.



Getting into the Olympic Spirit
We held a mini Olympics on August 16. The senior school students participated in activities including hand wrestling, gymnastics, sit down volleyball, javelin (not a real one of course), thong throwing (discus.) The junior students were involved in teddy bear throwing, blind-folded obstacle course, egg and spoon relay and other activities. It was a fun time and all students participated with enthusiasm. The school has



achieved the goal of running the equivalent of kilometres it would take to get to London and we would have arrived in London for the closing ceremony. Max Van Der Zwart achieved 1000 laps of the school. Many students achieved 800 laps.

Junior School Council Disco
Our JSC ran a very successful disco this month. The new look GP room came into its own with flashing lights and rocking good music from DJs Harvey and Ashleigh Scott. The junior students came at 5.30 until 6:45pm and the senior students from 7:00 until 8:45pm. There were prizes for dancing efforts and for costume efforts. There were many fluoro accessories to buy and drinks and chips available. \$500.00 was raised for JSC projects. The Junior School Council also raised money on Jeans for Genes day. It is great to see our students supporting a community fund raising effort. Lots of our community wore their jeans and paid for the privilege. The \$250.00 has been forwarded to Jeans for Genes. Well done to our JSC.

Protective Behaviour / Cyber Safety.
Jo Whitelaw, our Primary Welfare Officer, and Derek Hayman, our Chaplain, are running a program which is centred on cyber safety. It is for the older students and it is an interesting, engaging program in which the students explore what is meant by cyber safety. It raises awareness of possible risks online for students using social media such as Facebook, mobile phones and other interactive devices. A growing number of young people are going online and this program helps them to anticipate possible problems and know how to act to minimise the effects of events such as bullying.

Special Person's Morning Tea
Grades Prep, One and Two students invited their fathers, grandfathers or a special person to come to school on Wednesday 29, to participate in activities and join in a morning tea.

With Father's Day just around the corner, there was a great



response from dads and special people. The smiles on the children's faces were huge.

There was a lot of laughing and giggling with activities using the big parachute, they read books to each other and had 3 legged races. It was terrific to see all these special people at school. Thank you for participating.

Book Week / Literacy and Numeracy Week activities.
The school was awash with book characters and champions as we dressed up for Book Week and celebrated Literacy and Numeracy week. Over the past few weeks, the students have been studying the Book Council of Australia nominees for Best Children's Book of the Year. Tony Bones came to our school and put on a show related to the book, "No Bears". It was fun filled and captivated the imagination of the students.

Musical - Suessical Jnr
Rehearsals are in full swing and our school will present the musical on the evenings of September 18, 19 and 20. The musical is based on the books of Dr Suess and there are many familiar characters on stage.

Most lead parts have been given to the grade 5/6 students, but all of our students have the opportunity to be involved. For enquiries about the musical, please ring the school.



Playgroup
Playgroup meets every Friday morning of the term from 9:00 to 11:00. However, there will be no playgroup on Friday September 21, as the school holds a big assembly. Playgroup will resume on Friday October 12. New members welcome.

Russell Northe proudly supports Churchill and District Schools.



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Churchill North Primary School

We're from Camp Rumbug ... Might Mighty Rumbug!

Wow, we are exhausted! We have just left Camp Rumbug after 3 long, adventurous and awesome days. We left on Monday morning to arrive in sunny, but cold, Foster by 10.30. Grades 3-



6 came to enjoy 3 days at Camp Rumbug to take on all the outdoor challenges like archery, abseiling, canoeing and initiative training as well as the super wild, wet and muddy challenges, including the odd bucket of water being dumped on students by some crazy teachers!

Camp Rumbug encouraged social and communication skills, teamwork and leadership, positive reinforcement, environmental awareness, physical challenge, well being, food and hygiene, caring for others and problem solving. It was really great for student-teacher bonding and student-student relationship building, it helped us all to face and overcome some personal fears such as heights and encouraged us to take risks and challenges ourselves.

In our bunk-room groups we were responsible for kitchen duties like preparing and cleaning up after dinner, washing dishes and keeping our rooms clean, which was the biggest challenge!

We can't wait to share our stories with everyone back at school and look forward to returning to Camp Rumbug in the years to come.

By Madeline, Natalie, Tyler, Guy and Cayleigh.

C.N.P.S Concert Band

At C.N.P.S we have started a Concert Band! Mr Bonnici, from Kurnai College has been teaching us how to play instruments, like alto saxophone, flute, trumpet, trombone and clarinet. Every Tuesday after school we practise playing our instruments, everyone is enjoying the learning and we each get to play a song each week. We look forward to our first performance on the night of our concert on September 19.

By Garry Dulang and Madeline Slater
Where's Wally?

It wasn't hard to find Wally in the school at Churchill North, as staff and students chose the book character 'Wally' and his sidekick 'Wanda', to dress up as for book week activities. Art teacher Mrs Algie, who coordinated the day, stated that it is important for students to have a love of reading, the theme is appropriate, if students learn to read then there is absolutely nothing they can't achieve.

During the day students worked in multi-age groups, sharing books such as - 'Silly Billy' and 'No More Bears'. Students made collages, hats, worry dolls and puppets.

During Mrs Algie's activity she presented a book to students that she had written especially for the day. It was titled 'Champion' and included reference to the schools values and achieving anything through reading. The day was extremely successful with students going out of their way to be creative in their choice of character and costume.



Yinnar Primary School

By Lachlan Hunt Champions Read

Students at Yinnar Primary celebrated Book Week with a special activity day. The theme for this year was 'Champions Read'. Students came to school dressed as a champion.

Students worked in multi - age groups on a variety of reading tasks. Students also had the opportunity to enter a competition to construct a champion using recycled materials. They also enjoyed a great champion's morning tea.

Science Day

On Monday August 20, Yinnar students celebrated Science Week with a special Science Day. Students learnt lots about science including biology, physics, and chemistry. It was great to have some Kurnai students who came and helped out with some other experiments.

Olympics Day

With the 2012 Olympics in full flight, Yinnar Primary School had its very own Olympics. The whole school was divided into four countries: China, Australia, USA and Great Britain. These countries competed in a number of fun Olympic activities. Students had a fabulous day competing in team and individual events. The winning country was USA, followed by Great Britain, and China.

Chess Tournament

At Yinnar Primary School we have a very talented group of chess players. Two lunchtimes a week these students practise playing chess. On Friday August 24, Yinnar Primary School was able to host a chess tournament, involving a number of schools

from this area. Yinnar's A team won first prize, came third with their B team, and came fifth with their C team. Everyone enjoyed themselves, and played good chess.

Tournament of Minds

A group of very talented grade 5/6 students competed in the Tournament of Minds region final at Monash University. Tournament of Minds is a problem solving/thinking competition for teams. The team of seven worked for six weeks on a long term language. The students wrote their scripts, made costumes and props necessary to demonstrate how their team solved the given problem. Students presented their challenge solution to a panel of judges. The teams also participated in an unseen Spontaneous Challenge, which required rapid thinking and the ability to think creatively.

Tournament of Minds gives students the opportunity to demonstrate their skills and talents in an exciting, vibrant way.

All the students involved in the competition are to be congratulated for their fabulous work and excellent performances. Well done,

Charlotte Hicks, Alexander Devonshire, Tayla Cheffers, Bridget Cain, Paula Hendrikse, Billy Mc Culloch and Lachlan Hunt. They managed to come second to Newhaven College.

Literacy/Numeracy Day

Yinnar Primary School celebrated Literacy/Numeracy in an exciting way. Students

were involved in a treasure hunt involving words and numbers found in the main street of Yinnar. The students participated in the activity in groups of three, by holding a fun day in the middle two hours of the day. Everyone put a lot of effort into finding the information, and worked well in their groups.



Kurnai College Churchill Campus

Kurnai Idol

The results of the Kurnai Idol competition were:
 1st Place Millie Orr accompanied by Sara Lobb
 2nd Place Rose Van Rooy accompanied by her sister Meg
 3rd Place Chelsea Rees accompanied by Sara Lobb.
 Joseph Bonnici, head of the music department at Kurnai reported that the Language and Cultural Centre was packed for the event. Joseph was very pleased with the standard of the performances saying that they were more evenly balanced,



giving the judges a more difficult task.

There was some very positive feedback with parents and students expressing amazement at the talents of theirs and other children, and the developing quality and atmosphere of the event. "This is the fifth year we have run this event and it has become a special part of the music program at Kurnai," said Joseph.

The judges, who were independent, came from Monash University, Gippsland FM and a local school. They too were amazed at the standard and made many positive comments.

The Gippsland FM judge later interviewed the student performers and gave them some air time on radio. One of them has won a couple of gigs through this.

The generosity of some local businesses ensured that everyone who performed received a prize.

Donation received with thanks

A generous member of the community has donated a powerful telescope to the school for the young people to use. Principal Nello Carbone plans to buy some books on astronomy and form a club of interested students. He is hoping to engage with



the Latrobe Valley Astronomical Society.

Nello is appealing to anyone in the community who would like to share their passion and knowledge of astronomy with the students to contact the school on 5132 3700.

Year 7'S Castaway Project. During third term the Year 7s do normal classes until later in the term, when they commence their two week, 26 hours, Castaways Project. This project brings together work in humanities, English, science, information technology and communication (ITC) and maths.

This is based around the story of a group of six teenagers with nothing but their back packs with a few survival supplies, who end up in a life boat off a cruise ship adrift after a storm, who become castaways on an uninhabited island. Later that day six other teenagers also get washed up on the island.

They have to decide how they will survive, put to use the skills they already have, use the items in their back pack to help, consider the dangers they may face, find food and shelter.

Fortunately after a month they are rescued and flown to Australia where they sell their story to TIME Magazine for \$10,000

There are ten tasks they must complete. While on the island keep a diary of their adventures. When rescued design a front cover for TIME Magazine, write a feature article about the time on the island. Using mapping skills, the students must show the location of the island (latitude, longitude, time zones and neighbouring countries), develop a set of instructions to locate features on the island, and make a 3D model showing the contours of the island. These activities use maths and mapping skills, and instructional writing including a legend of symbols.

Some land has been allocated to each castaway. They have to use maths fraction skills to determine how much land each castaway owns. There is also buying and selling of land and a re-assessment of land amounts owned.

The students participate in a lucky dip to select an endangered animal of the S.E. Asian area. They must research this animal and produce an information card concerning it. Revisiting chemistry lessons from term 1, the students are required to make soap, give it a name, design a wrapper, present a laboratory report about their method of production and market it.

After completing their schooling the castaways can return to the island and decide what they will construct- an endangered animal zoo or a tourist resort. Whichever option chosen, they have to complete a complex plan which is appropriate for each option.



To promote their option they must use ITC to develop a 15-30 second video advertisement to promote the island.

Each morning of the fortnight of this project the students are required to reflect on the effectiveness of the previous day's work and then plan for the present day. This helps the students with time management skills and being able to evaluate their progress or lack of it, to keep them on task and able to complete the project in time.

Three students spoken to for the photo were very enthusiastic about this project.

Year 9 Melbourne Camp

The aim of this annual Melbourne Camp is to see the sights, have some challenging experiences to allow the students to face their fears, and to build team work and bonding by experiencing positive outcomes through encouragement and practice.

The teachers (Almuth Otten, Luke Harrison, Ben Swift, and School Welfare Officer Selina Gray) who took the 69 students were very proud of their behaviour and attitudes. Everywhere they went the tour guides and organisers commented on how well the students were engaged and actively participating. Almuth said she was proud of the students and knew she was able to trust them to do as she asked. The four days were jam packed with activities and experiences for the students.

At Etihad Stadium, their behaviour saw the students allowed to enter many more parts of the area standard tours do not see. At Moreland Station, with West Side Circus, they participated in Circus Skills Training. Almuth said she was thrilled with the way the students took to the challenge and improved their skills (juggling, acrobatics, trapeze, pyramid building) over the session.

Parliament House showed the interest of the students who asked thoughtful questions. They met Russell Northe who spent some time with them.

The students challenged themselves also at the ice-skating and rock climbing venues. The rock climbing exercise was another way of bonding together, as each student had to have a buddy below who they could trust to help them in difficulties.

At the Old Melbourne Gaol night visit, the students sat on the lower floor, lit by only one small candle, while an actor stomped in through the upper floor, and as he moved around, told the stories of notorious events e.g. the hanging of Ned Kelly.

Other places visited included Queen Victoria Market for shopping, RMIT, Skydeck and the Edge, Galatic Circus, Laser Tag and the Zoo.

Through getting around all these venues, the students also learnt important basic city survival skills such as reading the timetables and signs. This was an excursion with many benefits and positive outcomes



Gippsland Education Precinct

Safety First, aiding our students

For a couple of months, more than 30 of Kurnai College's staff have been participating in first aid training provided by



Gotya First Aid (Swinbourne University). In Apply First Aid staff is being trained in performing CPR and being able to provide basic life support and first aid in a range of situations. The staff has been very committed to up skill their knowledge in first aid and their ability to ensure a safe environment for their students and colleagues. The highlight of the training has been all the practical activities we have been doing, to be able to practice our knowledge on a near real life situation.

All schools have a responsibility to ensure that there are a sufficient number of qualified first aiders in the school. Kurnai provided this course to ensure that as many who wanted it had the opportunity to become first aid trained, which we believe is another step towards safer schools for our children.

SRC Footy Colours Day

Thursday June 21, saw the Precinct overrun with footy colours of all varieties during the SRC's footy colours fun day. Students were encouraged to dress up in their favourite team's colours and at lunch there was a free BBQ for all, along with a handball competition. Participation on the day was excellent; a sea of colours filling classrooms, and a number of students enjoyed the lunchtime activity on offer. It was wonderful to see such involvement from our students and the SRC looks forward to running more of these events in the future.

2012 GEP Senior Netball - Gippsland Finals - August 2, 2012

Coach, Francine Chard.

On Thursday August 2, the senior girls netball team competed in the Gippsland Finals at Traralgon.

The team played three 30 minute matches and were very keen

to win all three and advance to the State Finals in Melbourne.

We started our campaign well defeating Trafalgar High School convincingly 29-17. Ramayer Gourley dominated as goal shooter, scoring 10 from 12 in the first half. Both Ellen Mills in centre and Georgia Zammit in wing attack carved up the centre court and delivered great passes to the goalies. Shannyn Van Sam Beek restricted her opponent goal shooter to just three goals for the entire game.

Another strong performance from the team saw us defeat Nagle College 23-11 in

game two. Both Emily Donoghue in wing defence, and Emily Chapman goal keeper, had awesome performances in defence with many intercepts, and Emily kept her opponent goalless. Jayne Quigley showed her speed and agility in goal attack and wing attack.

It came down to the wire in the third and final match. Opponents Wonthaggi Secondary College were also undefeated and were a rough aggressive team. We started well but their defence pressured Ramayer to 3 shots from 6 attempts to be level at 9 all at half time. Ramayer and Ashlee Travers rose to the aggressive challenge with Ashlee shooting a very pleasing 12 from 13 attempts as her opponent was unnecessarily rough.

This game was goal for goal and we lost three centre passes in a row when Emily Donoghue in wing defence was called controversially offside three times. In typical Kurnai fashion the girls fought on trying to gain that elusive turn over to level the game. The final score was 23-21 Wonthaggi's way.

I am very proud of the girls sportsmanship and tenacity. Having started the day a player down without our tallest defender Tiarne Pendlebury out due to illness, the remaining eight players rallied together. Defenders Shannyn and both Emily's giving it



all with no opportunity to rest, having to play all three matches.

We look forward to next year with most of the team eligible for 2013. Thank you to the Morwell East Football Netball Club for providing their facilities and giving us match practice. Thank you to Nadia Smith for umpiring and driving the team bus. Thank you to Nikki Hentshel for being our official scorer and photographer. Lastly a big thank you to Principal Matt Jobling who made the journey from Churchill to Traralgon twice to support the team, we nearly had it!

Yinnar South Primary School

Language Start - up Grants

Yinnar South Primary has been granted a \$10,000 Language Start- up Grant that will assist them to officially launch their languages program. The foundations for the program have been developed this year in partnership with Kurnai College. All students in P-6 will be learning Mandarin (Chinese). The program will incorporate a variety of cultural experiences as well as learning the language.

Snuffles without the Snuffles

Persuasive writing certainly paid off at Yinnar South Primary this month. Students wrote letters to Principal Katy Grandin convincing her of the benefits of a class pet.

Student Voice is valued as part of the school program. The students are encouraged to be involved in day to day decisions at the school. Students have recently been involved in choices about carpet, furniture and paint colours for the

library refurbishment. They have also presented ideas about future projects such as the upcoming chicken coop.

As a result of their letters, Snuffles the rabbit moved into the classroom a couple of weeks ago and is a big hit with students and adults alike. The students are working together to train Snuffles and he is almost toilet trained. He loves cuddles and is shaping up to be the most spoilt pet in town.

Busy Bees in the Garden

The students have dug up and prepared the vegetable patches. We have planted lettuces, cauliflower, broccoli and cabbage. Tomato seeds have been sown and our lavender and rosemary cuttings are doing well.

We are hoping to double the size of the vegetable patch and over time to produce enough food to supply our Healthy Cooking Program.

Yinnar South Primary Playgroup

Playgroup is thriving. We have lots of new families and Fridays are a bustling hub of activity. The school children visit playgroup as part of their social skills program.

Recently we have entertained the playgroupers by singing to them in Chinese, reading to them and taking Snuffles the rabbit to visit them. All the children love the interactions and look forward to Playgroup day.



Hazelwood North Primary School

Yoga Tuesdays

By Dylan and Aston.

Guess what we do? Yoga! We start off with aerobics when someone leads some dance moves as a song plays.

After the dancing we do some stretches, for example squats, lunges, planking competitions, hamstring stretches and calf stretches.

Then we do some yoga. We do some poses like, tree pose, baby pose, cobra pose, solidier pose and table pose.

After yoga we do meditation which is supposed to make us focus and stay on task during the day.

Then we do a cool off, by lying down and the teacher says stuff that makes us relax, then we get up and go back to class.

How does yoga help?

It helps our physical skills by stretching our ligaments and tendons and it gives us strong bones so they don't break easily. It also helps us focus and stay on task.

V Team

By Lara and Sarah

Every year the grade 5/6s go to Kurnai to take part in a workshop where we learn about computer programs. We were all so excited as we got on the bus to Kurnai. We couldn't wait to arrive at Kurnai and get started.

When we got to Kurnai the leaders showed us a slide show, which they had made earlier, about animals. They told us to make a similar slide show using PowerPoint. We had the choice to do our slide show on movies, animals or places. They showed us how to make our pictures and words come on to the screen.

We went back again the next Wednesday. We were so anxious to get our slide shows finished. The leaders showed us how to add movies, sounds and have a contents page that can direct you to other pages in the slide show. We all tried very hard to get some movies, sounds and contents but not all of us did.

We all had fun, but our last visit to the V Teams had concluded. We all learnt lots of new things. We all knew that next time we do a slide show it will be a show stopper!

Student Lead Workshops

By Nonda

Earlier this week the grade 5/6s continued with Student Lead Workshops. The workshops were volleyball and t-ball.

In volleyball we had three groups with 5 in each. It was nice because we didn't need to wear shoes and socks. We played one team versus another team and the other team watched. It was first to 5 points. The winner would play the other and the team that lost would watch. It was a great fun.

In t-ball everyone was split into 2 teams and they had a game of t-ball. They ended up having 2 games of t-ball.

A lot of people had a lot of fun.

Science Week

By Shelby and Lauren

At Hazelwood North we all got into science on science week, with some fun tasks that you can do at home. Grades 3-6 went into 4 groups. The activities were interesting and some very messy. Our first activity was playing with magnets. In this activity we had free play with magnets and explored things that are magnetic or use the force.

Another activity was balloon powered cars. In this activity

you built a car and to move it you had to use a balloon. We had other pieces of equipment like straws, boxes and Kinects. Ours failed.

Another activity was volcanoes. This was the best! What we did was make a volcano and then pour vinegar onto Bicarb soda and the volcano would erupt. It was so amazing.

The last activity was static electricity. In this activity we got balloons and rubbed them on our jumpers and hair to make static electricity.

All activities were absolutely splendid so we thank the teachers who put their time, money and effort to make the morning show-tastic and awesome.

Maths Fair

By Thomas Hayes.

In Mrs Duncan's and in Miss Barker's grade we made mini board games, to practise our math skills. We set up a mini shop so the grade 3/4's could play our game. Our game boards were designed so we could make a profit as if it was at a school fete and we were raising money for the school. I paired up with Patrick and there were other groups and pairs going against us to make a profit. My group raised \$8.40. But there were other groups that raised around \$35 so our game board wasn't that successful.

The 3/4's came into the two classes and spent their money on our games. Our group had lots of customers but the cost to play wasn't big enough. It was only \$1 so we were going up against people's who's cost \$3.50.

In the end everyone had lots of fun and made a profit. Afterwards we went on Maths300 and did the exact same thing, but with 1000 people playing the game to see if we would still make a profit. We bet 5 minutes of our lunchtime to see if ours was still a winning game board. We were saved by a group who lost \$37.80. So we didn't lose any playtime. It was enjoyable and educational.

Champion's Day

By Xavier, Thomas and Patrick

Champion's Day is a day when about fifty students from local schools perform in sports events. It was in Moe at the Joe Carmody Oval. There was a great variety of events that students could compete in. Such as: 1500m, 800m, 200m, 100m sprint, 4x100m relay, discus, shot-put, high jump and long jump.

Our school was very successful with many students getting a place in their events. The loudest cheering was for the track events, with many of the people in our school getting through to division.

Everyone tried their hardest. Our school was successful because many people got through to division. It was a very good opportunity to show our skills. At the end of the day everyone was proud and happy that they competed at an Interschool Competition.



Churchill Preschools

Special Persons Day

Both Churchill Hub Preschool and Glendonald Park

Preschool have held a special persons day.

The children were able to bring a special person to the preschool with them for a tea and a look around.

There were lots of games and activities. The Churchill

Hub held their day on Tuesday and Thursday, August 28 and 30, while Glendonald Park held theirs on Wednesday August 29.

The children at Glendonald Park prepared a special song for their special person, as well as drawings and a present.

Glendonald Park children also had an excursion to the fire station and to Churchill North Primary School in the last month.



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Out of the ashes



Ray Hodges was fire spotting from his plane for the Delburn Complex fire in January 2009. His job was to report flare up fires caused by flying embers ahead of the fire front. It was not a pleasant task as visibility was limited and smoke filled the air.

The results of that shocking fire are well known with large swathes of vegetation reduced to smouldering stumps, blackened trunks, and the ground covered by gray - brown ash. Would it ever recover from this terrible event?

Recently Ray and his wife Delma flew over the area

again, three and a half years on.

What they saw was the area had been clear felled, with remnant debris burnt.

But there in the angel shaped gully was a beautiful green display of vegetation, defying the odds and rising graciously to defiantly show what nature can do to replenish its being, following a dreadful fire.

Ray described this as a lovely sign of promise and hope for those whose property was so badly devastated, and indeed for all of us who share the photo accompanying this article.

Latrobe City Council Australia Day Nominations

Australia Day Awards nominations close October 10.

Whilst the long, lazy days of summer may seem a long way off, Latrobe City Council is already preparing for its Australia Day Awards, and part of those preparations involves gathering the nominations for the Awards. Nominations close on October 10. So, who will you nominate?

Latrobe City Mayor, Councillor Ed Vermeulen, said that last year's award recipients had devoted much of their free time to their communities.

"It is these people, who give their time to work hard for others, to raise the profile of a group or organisation, to fundraise, to help others less fortunate, who are passionate about a project or cause; it is these people we want you to nominate. Nominations close on October 10 each year so the time is always right to nominate. "Have a careful think about the people you know and work with, the local events you've attended,

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Why not download the nomination forms now and let those people know that you are thinking of them, that they deserve some credit, that they have quietly done a good job?" Cr Vermeulen said.

Categories for awards are Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year, Community Event of the Year and Community Service. Awards will be presented at the Australia Day event at Kernot Hall on Saturday January 26, 2013.

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CDCA - Water Plan and Annual Report

By Margaret Guthrie

Last month's meeting was our Annual General Meeting. Kevin Enguelli, Manager of Strategic Planning at Gippsland Water was the guest presenter. The topic 'Water Pricing and Customer Charges' generated many questions amongst the audience, to which Kevin was able to provide clear and informed response.

All attending were provided with Gippsland Water Information Packs which contained Fact Sheets on a range of topics and outlined the draft 'Water Plan' for the next five years.

The draft 'Water Plan', which includes future water tariffs, is subject to rigorous scrutiny by the Essential Services Commission (the regulating authority) before it is approved. This process means that Gippsland Water must satisfactorily justify its water pricing based on actual provision costs, treatment services, maintenance and new works.

The primary role of the Maryvale Water Factory as our sewerage treatment facility was explained in response to questions. Prior to the Water Factory's construction, Latrobe's untreated sewerage was conveyed in open drains to Dutton Downs and eventually poured into the ocean. The 'recycling' of the now-treated (sewerage) water for industry is an option when water restrictions apply.

Our annual report was also presented on the night and elections held for the 2012-13 Committee.

The following information is an extract from CDCA's 2011-12 Annual Report:

"CDCA's 'Priority Agenda Items' for the Committee's attention during the past year have been:

(1) Churchill Town Centre Plan (regular updates and consultation on issues)

(2) Christmas Activities (including engagement with Churchill Primary School to provide decorations for community display)

(3) Recreation Open Space (including on-going support for the Walker Pde Open Space/Parkland and Churchill Bowls Club)

(4) Town Safety (new issues and reports from Town Safety Group)

Highlights of CDCA activities over the past 12 months have included:

- Presentation of 'East-West Link' concept plan and community consultation forum



- Open Forum with Cr Ed Vermeulen, Mayor of Latrobe City

- Open Forum with Hon Russell Northe, State Member for Morwell

- Advocacy on local issues raised by residents (e.g. poor lighting in shopping centre)

- Letters of support for funding applications for Churchill projects (e.g. GEP Art and Culture Pathway Project)

- Participation in local Community Boards, Management Groups and Working Parties (e.g. Churchill Harmony Group, Hub Board, Hub Users' Group, Town Centre Plan Implementation Group)

- Written submissions to Latrobe City Council (e.g. Amendment C76)

- Liaison with local MPs, Councillors, Council staff and other stakeholders

- Regular CDCA column, Town Safety Group information and paid advertising in the Churchill and District News"

Committee members Ian Gibson, Peter Gray, Margaret Guthrie, Linda Reid, Bruce Stephenson, Charles Uber and Rob Whelan were all re-elected for the 2012-13 term. Alan Scarlett remains as the Monash University representative and Dan Jordan as the representative from the Student Union (MUGSU Inc). Erin Gray continues in her role with CDCA as the Latrobe City Council Township Liaison Officer.

Officer bearers will be elected from within the Committee membership at the next meeting in September.

CDCA may host one more open General Meeting/Forum before the end of the year. The Forums we have hosted this year have been interesting and relevant and provide an opportunity for questions and informal discussion. Suggestions from the community for guest speakers/presenters on a topic of local interest would be welcome

Contact CDCA by writing to us at PO Box 191, Churchill, email mgcdca@hotmail.com or phone 5122 2997..

Churchill Town Safety Group



Churchill Town Safety Group



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Churchill Baseball Club

By Sam Gillett

On Sunday, August 9, C-Grade played their Grand Final against Traralgon, while semi-finals started for all the other grades. All of Churchill's teams were represented. A-Grade had an automatic spot in the Grand Final due to finishing on top of the ladder.

Under 10 T-Ball Round Robin

All the T-Ball teams came together and held Round Robin games so no one was excluded.

Under 13 Semi Final: Churchill v Moe

Churchill came up short against Moe in the semi-final. Bradley Gill, Pat Ludgate, Brandon Barnes and Ty Hickford all played well for Churchill. They just miss out on the Grand

Final as they were beaten 5-7.

Under 16 Semi-Final: Churchill v Sale

After a competitive first inning from both sides, Sale and Churchill both had two runs on the board. Sale then looked to run away with it but Churchill rallied in the fifth to tie the game 9-9. The team got behind relieving pitcher Darcy Collins who, previously in the game, got a double play. It wasn't enough as Sale scored the winning run and knocked Churchill out of the finals.

B-Grade Semi

Final: Churchill v Moe

The first four innings were incredibly competitive thanks in part to Jason Barnes' pitching and Ashley McKay starring at right-field with five catches. Churchill couldn't hold onto the lead as Moe ran away with the game in the fifth inning.

Inning:	1	2	3	4	5	6	Runs
Churchill:	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Moe:	0	1	0	0	5	3	9

C-Grade Semi-Final

Churchill Brave's C-Grade team defeated Morwell 18-1 in a semi-final on August 25. The match was filled with big moments.

Floyd Haines was a star, hitting his first ever Grand Slam to take Churchill's lead to 11-1 at the end of the second inning.

Churchill were forced to retire early twice due to C-Grade's seven-run rule. The rule only allows for seven runs before sides are automatically switched.

Inning:	1	2	3	4	5	Runs
Morwell:	0	1	0	0	0	1
Churchill:	4	7	7	0	X	18

C-Grade Grand Final

After dismissing Morwell easily the week before, Churchill were looking to make an impact. Greg Shields pitched the game and kept Traralgon to only four runs. He also hit a home run. Sam Gillett and Troy McKay joined him with home-runs. Dylan Eldridge made some great catches at left-field before being moved to second base. All in all the team played well and went home with a great win.

Inning:	1	2	3	4	Runs
Churchill:	1	6	2	7	16
Traralgon:	2	0	0	2	4



Churchill Indoor Netball Finals

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On Saturday August, 18, 2012 Churchill Indoor Netball Association held their Grand Finals. The day was a great success with plenty of spectators treated to some hard fought competitive games.

It was great to see so many people come along to support their family and friends. We were lucky enough to have Cr Darrell White attend to present our players with their trophies.

The grand finals saw Cougars, Yinnar and Hazelwood Nth all take home a premiership.

U17/15s

Cougars 24 def Transformers 21

These two teams have been even all year

and have had to work hard for their wins. Most games have been decided by only a goal.

Cougars came back from 4 goals down in the first quarter to win their third consecutive premiership. Great game right to the end as it normally is with these two.

U13s

Yinnar Winners 24 def Beliebers 12

All players worked extremely hard. Some great shooting by Yinnar Winners saw them get the break away. Beliebers never gave up and continued to fight until the final siren sounded.

U11s Sapphires 8 def Cougars 2

Both teams were extremely nervous starting their game. With the support of their coaches and families they settled down to play a close and low scoring match.

Both teams have showed the improvement they have gained since the start of the season.

The CINA committee is extremely proud of all the players who competed throughout the 2012 season and hope that they continue to play netball in season 2013.

A big thank you goes out to Judi Buhagiar and Felicity Di Toro for their time and expertise in running our beginners sessions this season.



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Indoor Bowls

By Sam Gillett

The Bowls club held its indoor bowls championships in July with some good competition and a number of close games being fought out over the day.

Eventual winners were:

Singles Champion – G Thompson

Runner Up: J Whelan

Drawn Pairs Champion – J Whelan and L Van Den Ham

Runners Up: A Van Den Ham and M Newton

Congratulations to the winners. A medal presentation will be announced in the near future.

Thursday night indoor bowls is still a popular event with many local and district residents. The emphasis is placed on enjoying an evening out amongst people with the same outlook.

Anyone interested in playing can turn up on Thursday nights at 7.15pm at the Gaskin Park Hall. Coaching is available, so come along and enjoy a social and sporting evening.

The Churchill Bowls Club will be holding their Annual General Meeting at 7pm on Tuesday, September 25. All members and prospective members are welcome to attend.

Canoe Club enters rebuilding phase

South Gippsland's only fully affiliated recreational canoe club, the Tarwin River CC. Inc has entered a rebuilding phase.

Based at Tarwin Lower, but in fact being a fully mobile club, members enjoy exploring the inland and coastal waters of Gippsland in a friendly and supportive environment.

Many practitioners of high impact sports turn to canoeing when joints begin to fail. Some back and shoulder issues caused by a sedentary lifestyle can be improved through canoeing. Performed correctly canoeing gives a full body work out.

However there is more to canoeing than most people think and developing correct technique from the beginning is important for safety and enjoyment. A club environment can offer training and advice within the safe framework of a group activity.

To introduce potential new members to recreational canoeing 'first Saturday' paddles are being held on the Tarwin River at Tarwin Lower each month. A special Seniors Week Paddle targeting active retirees, has been arranged for Sunday October 7. Club boats are available. Bookings essential.

For further information email <tarwin.river@gmail.com> or phone the Secretary on 5622 3417.

Churchill Junior Football Club

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Churchill/Football Netball Club Senior Rooms

Monday, October 8, 2012 at 7pm.

All welcome. Our club is looking for new Executive and Committee members for the 2013 season.

COACHES

Our Junior Club is looking for coaches for all age groups to coach in season 2013. If interested in coaching please send an expression of interest to:-

The Committee at P.O. Box 27, Churchill 3842

PRESENTATIONS

Our presentations will be held at Churchill Football/Netball Club Senior Rooms on **Monday, September 17, 2012 at 6pm.**

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Latrobe Valley Hockey Association



By Sam Gillett

Round 14 – August 4/5, 2012

Conditions were cold and showery again for the penultimate round of the LVHA rostered season. With just one more round left, teams are preparing their finals campaigns.

Juniors

Under 11's

Traralgon Green defeated Traralgon Gold 2 – 0.

Best players for Traralgon Green: 3 Amelia Bolton, 2 Bridie Murphy, 1 Taylor Robinson.

Best players for Traralgon Gold: 3 Shakayla Trewern, 2 Zoe Bolton, 1 Lachie Gilbert.

Moe defeated Churchill 5 – 0.

Best players for Moe: 3 Cameron West, 2 Gabrielle Medew, 1 Chloe Medew.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Ihraam Zafar, 2 Hayley Cake, 1 Dylan Jeffs.

In under 15's, unfortunately, Churchill was forced to forfeit to Moe

Women's B-Grade

Traralgon Black defeated Traralgon Blue 9 – 0.

Best players for Traralgon Black: 3 Connor Murphy, 2 Erin Scott, 1 Holly Stockdale.

Best players for Traralgon Blue: 3 Anita Charles, 2 Lynne Broad, 1 Cassie Hooimeyer.

Yallourn defeated Rovers Lightning 4 – 0.

Best players for Yallourn: 3 Tenille Tilgner, 2 Claire Prior, 1 Jenny Maslen.

Best players for Rovers Lightning: 3 Cassie Dubelaar, 2 Jasmine Langstaff, 1 Leesa Lawrence.

Women's A-Grade

Traralgon Yellow defeated Churchill 6 – 1.

Best players for Traralgon Yellow: 3 Leonie Barrett, 2 Jo Wade, 1 Val Orchard.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Tamara Kemp, 2 Alice Stewart, 1 Tiffany Harvey.

Rovers Thunder edged out Moe and won the encounter 2 – 1.

Rovers Thunder's best players: 3 Beckie Cheater, 2 Penny Kerr, 1 Jasmine Langstaff.

Best players for Moe: 3 Kate Walker, 2 Ash Vuillermin, 1 Bonnie Rose.

Men's

Churchill defeated Yallourn 3 – 2.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Sam Phoenix, 2 Folkert Janssen, 1 Michael Cheater.

Best players for Yallourn: 3 Hayden Wise, 2 Chris Read, 1 Reuben Stevens.

Moe defeated Traralgon 8 – 1.

Best players for Moe: 3 Paul cake, 2 Bryan Cake, 1

Ash Vuillermin.

Best players for Traralgon: 3 Brock Crawford, 2 Brian Murphy, 1 Andrew Edgar.

Conditions were cool but fine for the final round of the LVHA rostered season. Finals begin next round and all teams are competitive in each of the grades so it augers well for a close finals carnival.

Juniors

Under 11's

Churchill defeated Traralgon Green 6 – 1.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Ihraam Zafar, 2 Gabrielle Medew, 1 Anthony Ernst.

Best players for Traralgon Green: 3 Caitlin Mayer, 2 Brydie Murphy, 1 Monique Miller.

Traralgon Yellow drew with Moe 2 – 2.

Best players for Traralgon Green: 3 Neroli Hooimeyer, 2 Zoe Bolton, 1 Kaycee Robinson.

Best players for Moe: 3 Hayley Cake, 2 Dylan Jeffs, 1 Stuart Mulry.

Under 15's

Traralgon easily accounted for Churchill.

Best players for Traralgon: 3 Callum Lipman, 2 Ali Ravenhall, 1 Alicia Hooimeyer.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Chloe Medew, 2 Ihraam Zafar, 1 Eemaan Zafar.

Women's B-Grade

Traralgon Black defeated Yallourn 2 – 0.

Best players for Traralgon Black: 3 Erin Scott, 2 Carly Gilbert, 1 Susan Poole.

Best players for Yallourn: 3 Sara Janssen, 2 Jenny Maslen, 1 Claire Verhagen.

Traralgon Blue defeated Rovers Lightning 5 – 3

Best players for Traralgon Blue: 3 Lynne Broad, 2 Ali Ravenhall, 1 Cassie Hooimeyer.

Best players for Rovers Lightning: 3 Jasmine Langstaff, 2 Leesa Lawrence, 1 Loretta Mitchell.

Women's A-Grade

Traralgon Yellow defeated Moe 5 – 0.

Best players for Traralgon Yellow: 3 Aoife Coughlan, 2 Jo Wade, 1 Harry Broad.

Best players for Moe: 3 Ashleigh Vuillermin, 2 Gillian Massey, 1 Claire Verhagen.

Rovers Thunder defeated Churchill 10 – 1.

Best players for Rovers Thunder: 3 Penny Kerr, 2 Rebecca Cheater, 1 Corrine Metcalf.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Tamara Kemp, 2 Sara Janssen, 1 Linda Reid.

Men's

Churchill continued their recent good form with a 4 –

2 win over Moe.

Best players for Churchill: 3 Mathew Wells, 2 Folkert Janssen, 1 Sam Phoenix.

Best players for Moe: 3 John Knight, 2 Paul Cake, 1 Ashleigh Vuillermin.

Yallourn overpowered a badly undermanned Traralgon side and won the encounter very convincingly.

Best players for Yallourn: 3 Guy Dawson, 2 Danny Smith, 1 Chris Liddle.

Best players for Traralgon: 3 Brock Crawford, 2 Rhys Wall, 1 John Wilkie.

It was cold with a few showers Saturday but much improved on the Sunday for the semi-final round of the LVHA.

Juniors

No results available at present.

Women's B-Grade

In the first semi, due to an unfortunate mix-up, Yallourn were forced to forfeit to Traralgon Black. This means that Traralgon Black are straight into the Grand Final in two weeks' time, while Yallourn will play in the preliminary final next week. The winner of the Preliminary final will go into the Grand final.

In the second semi-final, Rovers Lightning notched up their first win at a very useful time by finishing over the top of Traralgon Blue. This means that Traralgon Blue are finished for the season but Rovers live to play another week.

Women's A-Grade

Traralgon Yellow was able to defeat favourites Rovers Thunder in the first semi-final in a quality game. This means that Traralgon Yellow will go straight to the Grand final while Rovers will have to try to qualify via the Preliminary final.

In the second semi, Moe defeated Churchill. This means that Churchill are eliminated this season, while Moe will play Rovers Thunder in the Preliminary. The winner will face Traralgon Yellow in the Grand final.

Men's

The first semi-final in the men's was between Churchill and Moe. Both teams played this game hard and there was some good hockey. The game was in the balance at half time with the game tied up at 2 – 2. In the second half, fortunes see-sawed with first one side and then the other looking like winners. Moe seemed to find a second gear in the second half and were able to secure a 6 – 2 win. This means that they have the rest next while Churchill have to go to the preliminary final.

The second semi was between Yallourn and

Traralgon. The more experienced Yallourn side settled down better and took the upper hand early. Traralgon tried hard but were unable to match the Yallourn team and went to the break 5 – 0 down. The second half was a different story with Traralgon also finding an extra gear. Although they eventually lost the game, they managed to find the net for 3 goals to make the final score 8 – 3. This means that Traralgon's season is over for this year. Yallourn live to play another week and will meet Churchill in the Preliminary.

A fine but cool day on Saturday made way for cold wet unpleasant conditions for Sunday's men's match for the Preliminary Final round of the LVHA finals series. With all games sudden death now, all was on the line with nothing to lose. Games were hard but fair and players had nothing left in the tank at the end of their games.

Juniors

In Under 11's, Traralgon Green were too good for Moe and won their game 3 – 1. This means that Moe's season is over for 2012 and Traralgon Green advance to the grand final against Churchill.

Under 15's produced a 3 – 0 victory over Churchill, and this books them a Grand Final berth against Traralgon.

In the **Women's B-Grade**, Rovers Lightning have continued their recent good form and defeated Yallourn 3 – 0. Yallourn women's season is now over and Rovers Lightning get to play Traralgon Black.

In Women's A-Grade, Moe defeated Rovers Thunder in the match of the day. The final score at the end of the game was 0 – 0 and after a penalty shoot-out, Moe were the victors. The Grand final promises to be a very close game.

Men's

The men's game was played on the Sunday. In driving rain that was close to hail at times, Churchill scored within the first 5 minutes at the hands of Mark Phoenix to take a 1 – 0 lead. About 15 minutes later, after a penalty corner, a penalty stroke was awarded to Yallourn. Luke Wilson made no mistake to level the scores. The sides went to the half time break 1 – 1.

The second half promised to be a hard half of hockey and so it proved. The sides have been well matched all season with very little between them and so it was the case this day. Yallourn scored in about the first 15 minutes with a goal from Guy Dawson after a penalty corner. Churchill pushed very hard and was unlucky not to level the scores. The final score was 2 – 1 to Yallourn.

Yallourn will now play Moe in the Grand Final.

Churchill Football and Netball

SPORT



By Gary Tatterson

Netball Department

With the home and away games over, the netball players at CFNC can be well satisfied with their season. The 'A', 'B' and 'D' grade teams all made finals with the 'A' grade side progressing to a qualifying final at the time this article was submitted. The 'A' grade side boasts some great CFNC names with Kassie and Lauren Dear and Stacey Sanders all carrying on a family tradition at CFNC. Coach Rachel Paterson has done a great job and the Paterson household should be well satisfied given Rachel's husband, Dale, was equal league leading goal kicker in the senior footy with 75 goals.

The B, C, D and 17 year netball grades all had very competitive seasons with 'B' and 'D' grade making elimination finals. Linda Welsh as coach of 'B' and 'D' grades was again a great support to all the players. Linda instilled that gritty determination that also enabled her to conquer the Kokoda Trail this year.

2012 has also seen the netballers celebrate many milestones and CFNC acknowledge the following netball players:

Kristy De Pellegrini 50, Maddi Burney 50, Emily Walker 50, Emily Hutchinson 100,

Rachel Esler 100, Sue Raba 100, Jenn Grimes 100, Katrina Hutchinson 150, Katrina Thomas 150, Stacey Sanders 200, Roxy Shields 200

Coaches are required for the 2013 Season, please contact Rachael Paterson 0400 564 098 if you wish to express interest.

Football Department

The senior football side finished out of final's contention in 2012. The team struggled to maintain consistency this season and was not helped by injury to key players at various stages through the season. The side has a good mix of old and young players and Coach Tim Darby is optimistic about the club prospects in the next couple of seasons. Dale Paterson kicked 13 goals in the last home and away game against Woodside, to finish equal league leading goal-kicker on 75 goals. Paterson was modest and thanked his fellow players who made every effort in the last game to try and ensure that Dale kicked a bag. In the last game at Woodside, long-serving player Corey Thomson announced his retirement and the club thanks Corey for his years of service to CFNC.

The Reserves football side was coached by

Rob Jellis in 2012 and were playing a qualifying final at the time this article was submitted. Brian Grimes is the Thirds coach and Brian expects his thirds team to feature prominently in the finals.

Although only mentioned in whispered tones, the club hopes the U18's can emulate last year's U18 side who were flag winners. Jayden Wilkins, Hamish Towns, Harley Lowrie, Dylan Weir, Rodney Croft and Josh Hussey have all been prominent players. However, the secret ingredient in the 2012 finals may well be the very talented Nathan Lugton who is a stand-out in footy and soccer and is worth the gate-fee to watch.

Rob Jellis has been appointed Football Operations Manager for season 2013 and he will be a positive contributor to continued success in season 2013.

The Churchill Football and Netball Club (CFNC) Senior Presentation Night will take place at the Churchill Hotel on Friday September 28.

Junior Football

The CFNC junior teams again took part in the Traralgon & District Junior League. The Under 10, 12, 14 and 16 teams all participated

with great spirit but failed to play finals in 2012. The dedicated Junior Club President, Noel Hawkins was glowing in his praise of the coaching staff : - Brad McCartney (10's), Danny Kearns (12's), Rob Turpin (14's) and Wade Lewis (16's). Noel also gave special mention to Joe Whykes who took training for the U16's for much of the 2nd half of the year. Joe Whykes has proved an excellent club person with Joe and Brain Grimes also running a highly successful Aus-kick program in season 2012.

Noel estimates that 8 or 9 Under 16 players will move into the Under 18 side in 2013, and this underscores the importance of having a strong junior club that provides the next generation of senior footballer's for Churchill.

The Junior Club will hold their Presentation Night on September 17 at the Gaskin Park Social Rooms from 6:30pm. The Annual General Meeting of the Junior Club will be held on October 8 at 7pm at Gaskin Park and all are urged to attend.

The Churchill Football and Netball Club (CFNC) has had a successful 2012 season and credit must go to club President Mick Johnson and his hard working committee.

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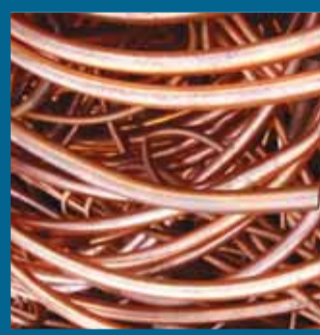
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