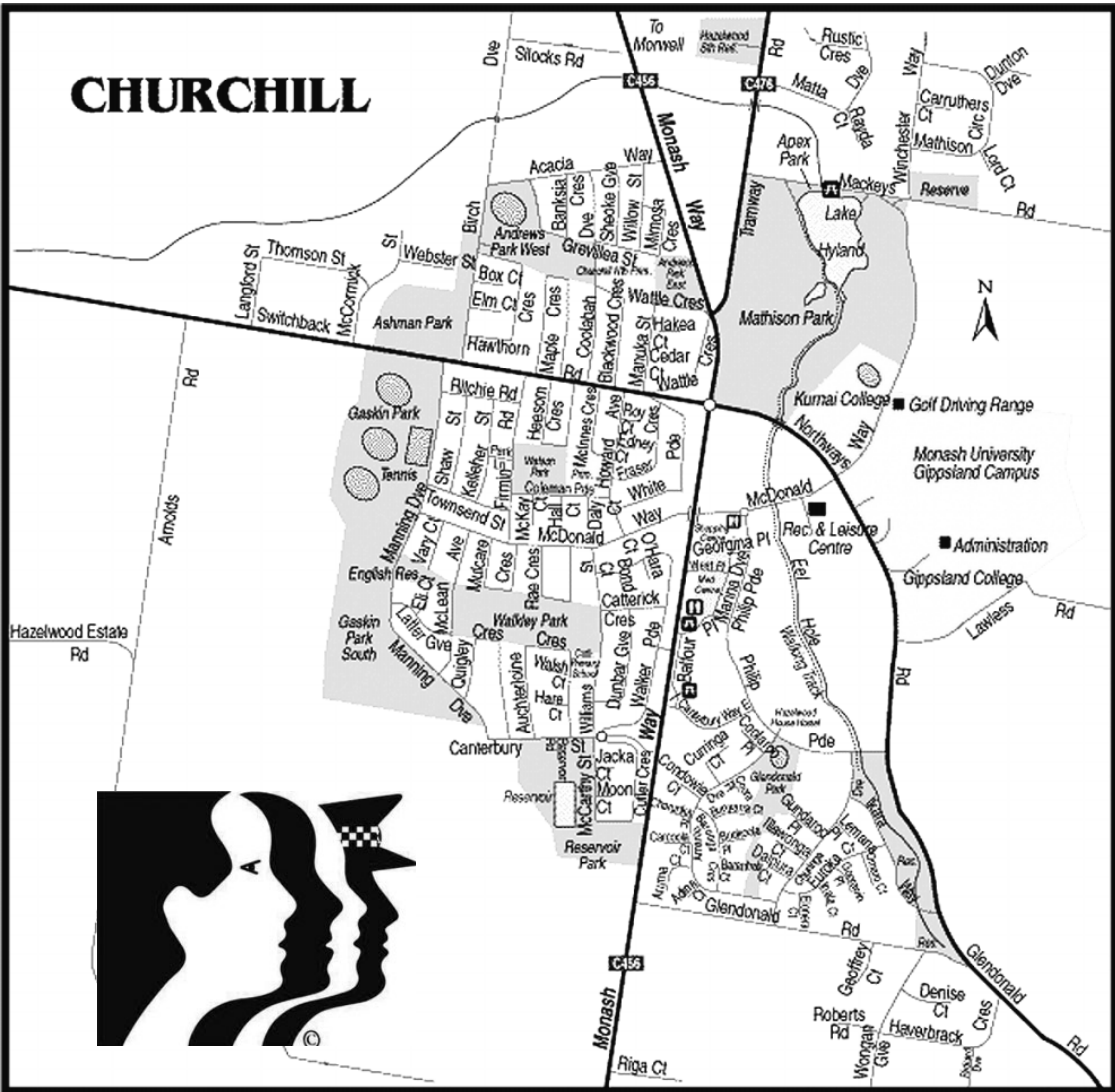


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Watch for the Signs



Neighbourhood Watch Extended to Cover the Whole of Churchill

NEIGHBOURHOOD Watch area LTB 22 has extended its area of coverage to include the Central Business District, Haverbrack Estate, Glendonald Estate and Hazelwood Heights. This decision means that Neighbourhood Watch effectively now covers the whole of Churchill.

Its, according to Sergeant Peter Allen from Churchill Police, a very positive move and encourages residents who see anyone acting suspiciously or doing something silly to contact them.

Neighbourhood Watch is a community based crime prevention program. It relies on the community and the Police working together in a partnership to reduce crime and increase safety and security of residents.

Four simple strategies are used to achieve this aim: operation identification, reporting suspicious behaviour, security and safety awareness and signposting.

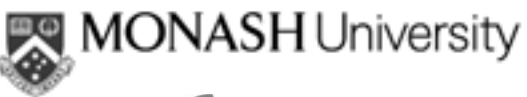
Members of Neighbourhood Watch are in the process of organising signs and also a letterbox drop informing all residents of the program.

Neighbourhood Watch meets every third Thursday at the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre at 7.30pm and all residents are welcome to attend. For more information ring Peter McShane on 5122 1745.



Sargeant Peter Allan (left) and Constable Rob Nicholls

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Grand Finals Win For Cougars



The Cougars: Back - Brittany Webb, Hayley Ellis, Matt Burney, Michael Sands, Front - Jenna Hunter, Carlie Woodbridge and Kobie Notting

CHURCHILL Indoor Junior Netball Association Inc held its 2005 Grand Finals in August.

In the 17 and Under section the Cougars played the Yinnar Pixies. The Cougars have played strongly all season and have used their height advantage well. In the first quarter both teams started nervously but the Cougars natural game flowed and they went ahead 6 goals to 3.

In the second quarter the Cougars height advantage really came into play as nerves settled. The Pixies defended well but couldn't hold back the Cougars from scoring. Half-time scores were 17 to 7. The Cougars really took off in the third

quarter, taking their score to 26, adding another 12 goals in the last quarter making the final score Cougars 38 to Pixies 12. After the trophy presentations, certificates of appreciation were presented to the players moving from junior to senior netball in the coming year.

The Cobras met the Yinnar Princesses in the 15 and Under section. The game started fast and furious with a close tussle between both teams. By the end of the first quarter the Cobras had a 3 goal lead and kept the Princesses scoreless for most of the second quarter.

The half-time score was Cobras 10 and Yinnar Princesses 4.

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The Cobras: Back - Heidi Junker, Tayla Leek, Taylah Notting, Coach Heather Notting, Front - Annie Ferguson, Alana Matheson, Rohana Atkinson and Gemma Foster

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EDITORIAL

The Churchill and District News Short Story and writing competition has closed and judging took place last Sunday.

The number of entries was again outstanding as was their quality. Thank you to all those who entered. Judging them was a difficult task with extra prizes being awarded in some classes due to the very high standard of entries.

There will be a prize presentation on 15th of September - next Thursday at the Co-Operating Church Williams Avenue, Churchill.

All the children's entries will be on display and everyone is welcome to attend. It is a joy to read the children's work - they put so much effort into their writing and presentation.

The prize giving for the Junior sec-

tions will be at 3.45pm and for the Seniors 7.00pm.

The next 'Ad'venture for the News team is the Pondage Pursuit to be held on 20th of November. It promises to be a great day. Get a team together and join in! Teams can be as small as two or up to 8. All monies raised will go towards the Cancer Care Centre. More details can be found on Page 13.

Many thanks once again to all our contributors who make this such a great paper. Welcome back to Scott Guerin who will be keeping us up to date on the cricket throughout the summer.

Spring is in the air and many thoughts are turned to the garden - we would really like to start a gardening column - any volunteers?!!

Ed

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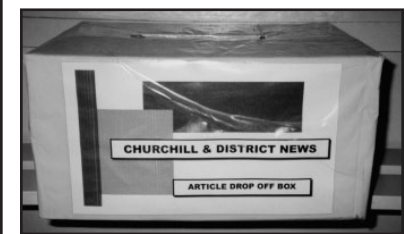
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An evening with Arch Van Berkel

Lucky Prizes



Back by popular demand, Arch is a well known local horticulturist, highly skilled in all aspects of gardening. Arch's talk will cover Pruning, Spring Gardening. Wise use of water, plus an opportunity to ask questions.

7.30pm

Friday 23rd September 2005

Co-Operating Churches in Churchill

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Lucky Prizes

Police News: Parking in Loading Bays Infringement Notices Will Be Issued

CHURCHILL Police would like to advise motorists that they will be policing vehicles that are parked at the front of 'S P and J Fish n Chip shop' and the 'Chinese shop' in Marine Parade and also in the 'loading bay zone' at the front of the shops between the 'Pizza Restaurant' and the 'Vet' at the Churchill shopping centre.

Numerous complaints have been received from other road users who are finding it difficult to turn into the street when vehicles are parked directly in front of these shops. The loading bay is for loading and unloading only. There is ample car parking facilities available for people to park their cars legally. Those who continue to park out the front of these shops where it is a no parking zone face the prospect of receiving a parking infringement notice.

Since the Churchill Shopping centre was declared a CBD by Latrobe City Council early this year, Churchill

Police have issued numerous 'on the spot fines' to those who consume alcohol from open containers and people who have been boisterous and loud in the early hours of the morning, causing interference to the quiet amenity of the area. Police encourage people to have a good time when they're out but don't spoil your night by acting like an idiot afterwards as any person offending will receive an 'on the spot fine'.

Reported Crime

During the month of August there were 10 incidents of reported crime in Churchill. 6 reported Thefts, 2 Theft of Motor Vehicles and 2 Criminal Damages. Churchill police also charged 22 people with a variety of traffic and criminal offences.

The Churchill Police Station is not manned 24 hours a day. **If you require urgent police assistance at any time, please call 000.**

Lost Property

Police are attempting to locate the owners of several items of 'lost property', that is being held at the Churchill Police Station. Items of lost property include:

An LGC-800W mobile phone, located on 24.5.05 in Manning Drive Churchill.

A multi tool leather man that was located on 29.6.05

in Monash Way, Churchill.

A silver electric scooter, located on 14.8.05 in Walker Pde, Churchill.

A gold coloured bracelet that was located on 18.8.05 in Williams Avenue, Churchill

If you are missing any of these items, please contact the Churchill Police on 5122 1790.

Unlicensed / Unregistered Motor Cycles

Churchill Police are disappointed with the number of unregistered motorcycles being intercepted in previous months; most riders of these motorcycles are also found to be unlicensed.

Riders of motorcycles using recreational registration are reminded that there are conditions for the use while

riding on public roads, such as the rider must have a relevant motorcycle license or permit, they must not carry a pillion passenger and the rider must wear an approved motorcycle helmet. The penalty for riding an unregistered motorcycle on a public road is up to \$419 and unlicensed riding is \$524

Oxfam Australia Local Celebration

Eighty people including family and friends and members of the Morwell branch of Oxfam were invited to celebrate our branch President's, Mrs Robern Lubawski's, sixtieth birthday. The Morwell members helped cater for the event. Robern's husband John planned the exciting occasion.

The party was held at Cedar Lodge Morwell. The hire of this beautiful venue was generously donated by Mr and Mrs Anthony Claringbold who are keen supporters of Oxfam. Their two girls and a young friend kindly carried out the waitressing. A great festive atmosphere was created with colourful

decorations. An exquisitely made birthday cake forming a spire and lit by sparklers was a delight.

Displayed photos on a board of family and friends created a personal touch. A talented guitarist played in the background which added to the pleasant ambiance of the evening. Thank you Robern and John we wish you many more great birthdays in the future.

OXFAM AUSTRALIA

Our name has changed but our role is still the same. We are now officially known as OXFAM AUSTRALIA

Oxfam Australia's vision is of a fair world in which people control

their own lives', their basic rights are achieved and the environment is sustained. We aim to increase the number of people who have a sustainable livelihood, access to local services, and an effective voice in decisions, safety from conflict and disaster and equal rights and status.

Our work is a partnership .through which Australians enable poor and marginalized people to control their own development, achieve equitable treatment exercise their basic rights and ensure the environment is healthy and sustainable.

Old Time Family Dance

When: Friday 23 September

Where: Jeeralang North Hall

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Music: Harmony Plus

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Supper: Bring a plate to share

Sandwiches supplied by the Committee

The hall is available for hire, it has an excellent dancing floor, and is heated and is in a rural setting.

For more information ring Zelma Mildenhall on 5166 1264

Letter To The Editor

Thanks To Mr McGauren

I wish to thank Mr Peter McGauren and his staff for the donation of an Australian Flag to Hazelwood Guide Unit. Also thanks to Brendan Jenkins and staff for all their information.

The Hazelwood Guide Unit only started in April of

this year. If anyone is interested in Guiding for their daughters or themselves by becoming a Guide Leader or a Unit Helper please contact me on 5122 2148.

Marline Ellis

Hazelwood District Leader

Two More Disabled Parking Bays for Churchill Shopping Centre



OUR last issue ran an article regarding the need for more parking facilities for people with a disability within the Churchill Shopping Centre.

As several body corporate groups, private owners

and the Latrobe City Council provide parking in the Shopping Centre, it was expected that a review of parking needs could take some time.

It is pleasing to report, however, that the body corporate groups have investigated the matter and have agreed to provide two more bays.

The Hazelwood Village Shopping Centre Group is going to convert an existing parking bay next to the walkway and directly opposite the entrance to Foodworks Supermarket.

The effects of circulating traffic on users of the bay will be monitored for a period.

The West Place Group has limited options to provide satisfactory parking for people with disability but has agreed to mark out a parking bay in the old nursery car park, close to the Veterinary service, laundry and noodle bar.

Churchill And District News Says Thank You To Dave Quinn, CEO International Power Hazelwood

IT is a mark of the man that on the eve of the last day of his contract with International Power Hazelwood, Dave Quinn took time out to meet with our representative from the paper. Dave has enjoyed being part of this community and of being involved with its people. We at the paper have appreciated his patronage. He happily attended our first anniversary after re-launch and cut our cake, as well as attending several of our competition Presentation Nights.

Dave, as CEO, has impressed on the employees at Hazelwood that team work is essential, that no matter what their position, they will function best if they all work together as members of a team.

This is good advice for any group. He also worked to impress upon the community that International Power Hazelwood was a good neighbour, and therefore part of the community team. He hopes International Power Hazelwood won't be taken for granted. The more individuals become involved with their community, the realisation of just what a good neighbour International Power Hazelwood is cannot fail to be noticed.

Dave is grateful for the excellent support expressed by the community for the expansion of the life of the mine. He is also very appreciative of the 100% backing of the employees, whom he says have had, and continue to have huge issues hanging over their heads.

Dave has been with International Power for thirty-seven years. He expressly states that there has no falling out with the company, no ill feeling. The fact is Dave and Teresa his wife have fallen in love with Australia, and indeed this special part of it. He explained that the climate is better, there are wider spaces, and the community is friendly and relaxed.

They want to eventually become permanent residents. So even though International Power has offered Dave three jobs, one in Germany and two in Britain, he has chosen to decline and find employment here.

Dave and Teresa's visa is dependent on Dave having employment. To allow Dave to settle on a



new job, and he has had several offers, International Power will keep him on their payroll for one month. This is a challenge he and Teresa are willing to meet.

During the time Teresa has been in Australia, she has met some challenges of her own. She has come through cancer. During that time she realised how important it is to keep fit. So she has studied to be a personal trainer, and now works out of Body and Soul gym, specialising in helping people with health issues, especially those who have had cancer. She is also seeing people referred by Latrobe Regional Hospital.

Dave's greatest disappointment is not being able to finalise the West Field Extension Project before he finishes up. He says he has learnt, through the long process, to accept disappointment. However, he is also confident that the decision to go ahead will happen. It is too important not to. He also feels it will happen quickly.

This is not a reflection on his

departure, just unfortunate circumstances.

However, he states that there have been many highlights in his time as CEO, among them being the changing of the corporate identity of Hazelwood, bringing it into the huge company that is International Power.

Even though the EES process was difficult and intense, and the environmental groups and the government were both very well prepared, the final report from the EES was very complimentary about the positive conduct of the whole process, and those involved. Dave is proud of this effort.

So, how will Dave Quinn spend his last day on the job? He will visit his employees to say good-bye. It is another positive mark of this man who has made a significant contribution to our community.

We at the Churchill and District News wish you, Dave and Teresa, every best wish for the future. Thank you for your help and support.



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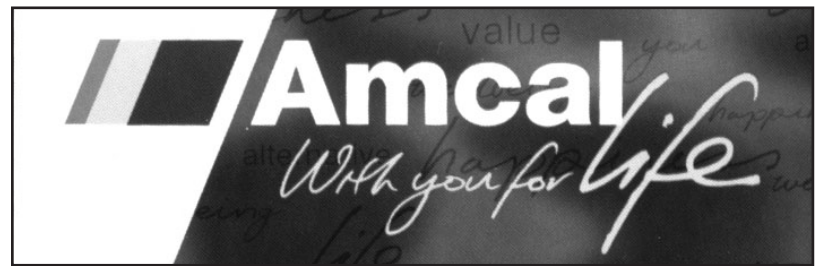
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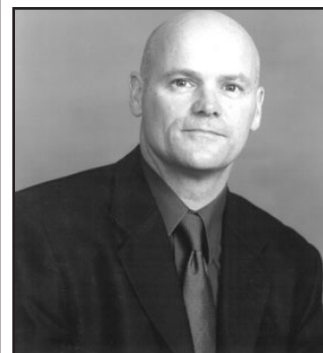
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Koala Kinder

IF you have a child who turns 3 years old before 30th April 2006 they are eligible to attend Koala Kinder. You would be warmly welcomed into the group. Children benefit greatly from this experience and have enormous amounts of fun at the same time.

If you have any queries please call Roslee on 5122 2645.

Also the Kinder would like to extend a bit thank you to the many business in Churchill who have helped with our Father's Day raffle and also to Woody's Hardware who donated a large wheelbarrow.

Thank you for supporting your community and I hope in turn you community supports you.

Celebrating 40 years of Co-Operating Church 6th November 2005

THE Rev. Dr. Bob Brown and present members of the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill would like to extend an invitation to all friends, and past members as we celebrate 40 years of ecumenical co-operation in worship, witness and service, as a co-operating parish.

The culmination of our year long remembrances will be a special weekend of reunion on November 5 and 6.

This will be a weekend of celebration and renewal of acquaintances.

The reunion will commence with a casual "Meet and Greet" session at the Co-Operating Churches on the Saturday evening from 7-9pm.

Please bring along any memorabilia you have!

Sunday worship will commence at 9:15 am.

The Madrigal Singers will start the proceedings in their special way.

Rev. Sue Gorman, Moderator of the Uniting Church of Victoria and Tasmania, will be our Guest Preacher.

After the service of celebration, morning tea will follow, with a time to view the special displays.

For lunch, comprising of delicious food and reminiscences will adjourn to the Gaskin Park Function Centre at 12:30 pm.

Cost of the luncheon will be \$25.00 per head, children under 12, \$12.00.

For catering purposes bookings and payments must be received by 2nd October 2005.

For bookings or further information, please contact Rev Bob Brown on 51221480, or email, Bobbrown@alphalink.com.au or Betty on 51221505 or mail to 1 Williams Avenue, CHURCHILL 3842, stating numbers attending Sunday Service, Sunday Luncheon, and enclosing a cheque for the correct amount.

Cheques should be made out to "40th Anniversary".



Youth of the Church taking part in a play which depicted the story of the Disciples crossing the Lake in a storm, and finding a strengthening of their faith by keeping their eyes focused on Jesus

Church Snippets

BY RUTH PLACE

Our month began with Jill and Ken taking a very active and fully resourced service.

We saw a re-enactment of Jesus walking on the water, and relived Peter's faith, and/or lack of it.

The children were given some wonderful craft options available in the narthex, during the sermon time.

The message was- Jesus comes to us in our need.

Our 40th Anniversary Celebration is on 5th and 6th Nov. and we are busy inviting all past members and friends.

There is an article in more detail, else-

where.

To raise funds for some of the expenses, it was decided to have Devonshire Teas on the second Sunday of the month for a small cost.

The first such venture was most successful.

The Saturday breakfast guest was Angela Robb from the DSE.

She spoke about the incentives available for the preservation of the remnant vegetation on people's properties.

BOOLARRA/YINNAR PARISH

By RAE BILLINGS

As a co operating parish, our services vary between the Uniting and Anglican traditions.

We are lucky to have 3 historic churches, Holy Innocents in Yinnar South (my personal favourite), Christ Church in Boolarra and Yinnar Uniting Church. Snow was all around in the sudden cold snap in mid August.

It looked pretty but up close was cold and damp!

August 28th was a milestone birthday for one of our number, and also the day that Samaritan's Purse representatives came to speak about their work.

We can only help a small number of needy children worldwide ourselves but this program has given a Christmas Box to countless thousands of children in the years it has been running.

Every little bit helps. See your local church for more details.

It was pleasing to read that more disabled parking spaces may be available in Churchill in the future.

We hope so, as several of our congregation either use these themselves or help others who do.

Contact the parish minister Bob Brown on 5122 1480 for enquiries.

CHAPLAINCY CONTEMPLATIONS

BY REV'D LYN PORRITT

The "I Think" Forums have been well attended by people in the community as well as by staff and students at the University.

These continue until 20th September at 1pm in the Hexagon Room. All welcome!

Tuesday, 13th September:

Imam Mudasser Iqbal, PhD Student, Information Technology, The Imam, Muslim Community, Monash University, Gippsland Campus "Many ways to God"

Tuesday, 20th September:

Assoc Prof Lindsay Fitzclarence, Associate Dean, Faculty of Education, Gippsland Campus "Poetry, expression and spirituality"

The University is in full swing with many assignments due and therefore much focused study and production.

Most students manage this but some struggle.

The staff do their best to be helpful and supportive as do the Community Services Counselling and Support Staff.

Those who have a religious belief or are seeking some understanding of self and spirituality often come and talk with me.

It is one of the great privileges of life to be able to journey with someone while they explore meaning and purpose in their lives.

When people let themselves be honest and take responsibility for their choices and actions with a deep

sense of commitment to the wellbeing of themselves and others, wonderful things can happen.

From a religious perspective we would say the person receives the Grace of God which will help them find the meaning and purpose to live life fully and with love.

Often, the big struggle is about the person forgiving themselves regarding past experience.

Mostly, they will accept that God forgives them long before they are able to forgive themselves. Jesus says, "I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life". John 8:12.

Many people lack the light of life as they struggle with guilt, sadness and fear.

Jesus wants us to forgive others and ourselves and grasp hold of the life we have; to be able to live and love with joy as we recognise his love and sacrifice and know the abundance of God's love as we let go of past mistakes, and commit ourselves to journeying with God, towards eternity.

We pray that people may be able to take this risk of grasping life in God.

Through Jesus Christ,
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Yours in Christ,
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Maple Crescent, Churchill.
Pastor Tony or Hermanna Marsden:
5122 2777
Sunday: 10.00am
Ladies Meeting: Tuesday 10.00am

Term Four at Neighbourhood Centre

By CHRISTINE PENPRAZE (Coordinator)

WITH the end of term three fast approaching, now is the time to start thinking about what classes you might like to be involved in for the last term. Here at the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre we are currently running courses in Basic Computers for people who want to be able to operate a computer without worrying that they may inadvertently delete files or work. We are also able to offer courses in basic adult literacy for people who need help with spelling and grammar as well as on-line computer literacy classes which involves the use of computers and the internet to make learning even more flexible. These classes are on-going from one term to the next so please call and register your interest.

Our creative writing course is still very popular and the participants are once again looking at publishing a collection of their works before the end of the year. If you would like to be involved and have a flair for writing then I am sure we can find a place in the class for you.

The Centre also provides classes in embroidery, patchwork, folk art and other crafts and would welcome suggestions on other classes that the members of the community would like to see provided. If you believe you have talents and skills in craft areas that you would be prepared to share with others, please contact the Co-ordinator and give details of your area of expertise.

The Centre is able to provide Tax Help for eligible people up until the end of October so contact the Coordinator for more information if

you require help with filling in your tax return.

We are also interested in building a strong and positive committee of management to see us into the future and especially with the potential move into the Intergenerational Community Hub, which is planned for Churchill. Once again if you feel that you can participate, or would like to volunteer your time and services, please do not hesitate to contact the Centre on 51222955. Remember that the Centre is a community resource and belongs to the community members of Churchill and district, and funding to operate the Centre comes from public money – so yes, you the public do have a say in what happens within the Centre and what it does to meet the demands of the community it services.

New Home for Churchill Lifeline

AFTER several months of deliberation over the necessary repairs to our former shop and the temporary move to the Hazelwood Village shop, we have now moved to our permanent home. It is big and bright though we do have a few more things to do to get it into tip top order. For those familiar with the 'old' or bottom shopping centre, we are in the old post office. For newcomers, we are in the walkway at the side of the

Churchill Pizza Shop.

We will endeavour to have a larger range of extremely good quality clothing, crockery, linen and everything else we normally have, all at our very reasonable prices. We hope, if you haven't already checked us out, you will do so in the near future.

As usual we will gladly accept donations of usable unwanted goods. These can be brought into our shop during opening hours, each week day from 9.30am – 4.00pm. To make delivery easy, you can simply drive up the vehicle access at the side of the Pizza Shop. Outside of shop hours, you can pop them into any of our Lifeline bins in Churchill – at the Leisure Centre, near the Vet Clinic or in the Southern Car Park. If you have large items such as furniture you can either deliver them to the Lifeline Warehouse in Fleming Street, Morwell or telephone 5133 7512 for a pick up service.



Churchill's Heritage Sites

By Margaret Guthrie, President, Churchill and District Community Association.

What do you think are the significant heritage sites in Churchill? Suggestions have included Hare's house at Mathison Park, the town symbol, the pioneer memorial wall, the first house built in Churchill and the Binishell at Monash. CDCA is seeking ideas from the Churchill community on what might be included on a panel display "Heritage Sites Today".

This panel will be the last in a series of six portable display panels on the subject of Churchill's history. Dr Meredith Fletcher, from the Centre for Gippsland Studies at Monash, has been commissioned by Latrobe City and CDCA to design and produce the series of 6 panels for the Churchill community, as our 40th Anniversary Project.

After community consultation, it was decided that the focus should be

on the story of Churchill, rather than the history of the district. Whilst the panel titles are yet to be decided upon, the themes will include 'pre-Churchill' (i.e. Hazelwood district), 'why Churchill' (Industrialization and SECV), 'the community's early days' (building a town), and 'partners in development' (Yallourn Tech/GIAE/Monash and Govt - Housing Commission).

Another exciting aspect of our project is the production of a further series of 6 panels painted by students from Churchill Primary School. The themes will compliment Dr. Fletcher's panels and the series will be titled 'Churchill's history artistically represented through children's eyes'.

A 40th anniversary event will be held on Saturday 12th November to unveil the panels to the public. An informal gathering is planned for the afternoon and is likely to be held in the forecourt of the new Gippsland

Education Precinct, with a more formal evening presentation in the Student Union Lounge at Monash.

Local students will provide musical entertainment at both gatherings. Other schools are also being approached to become involved in the event. We're planning to have a booklet on the panels available to give away on the day, and a display of photos and memorabilia on view.

CDCA welcomes your ideas, suggestions and offers of assistance for this project and the November event. Please contact the Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602, or write to us at PO Box 191, Churchill 3842.

CDCA meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Link Room at Monash University. Next meeting is on 4th October. All residents of Churchill and district are most welcome to attend.

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Churchill Wattle Club

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The group has developed and changed over the years but has always been a friendly and welcoming place. The Wattle Club is staffed by two qualified staff members who provide a wide variety of meaningful activities. Each

group goes on an outing each month with some of the more recent trips including Sale, Rosedale and Warragul.

On Friday 30th all current members and volunteers will join in a day of celebration.

A slide show of the Wattle Club's history will be shown as well as the unveiling of a mosaic wall plaque the group members have made. In the afternoon entertainment will be provided.

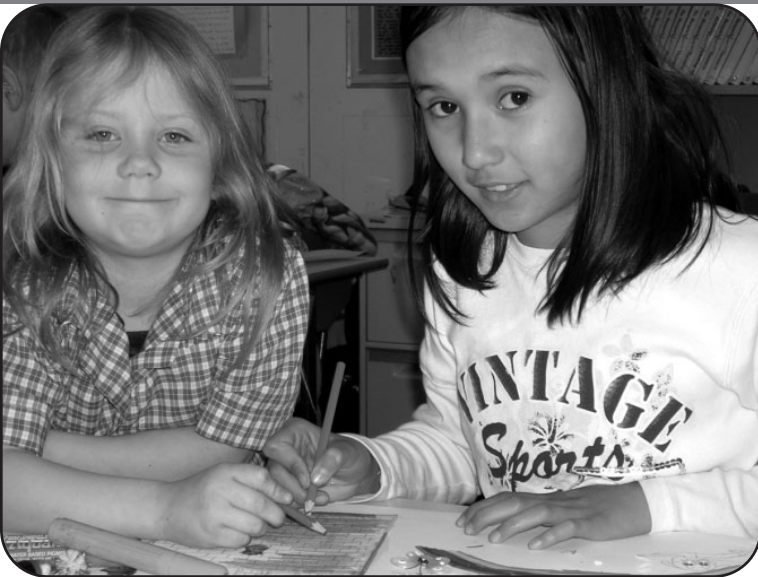
MATT'S OP SHOP YINNAR

Drop in on Wednesday or Thursday afternoon from 1pm to 4pm, or Saturday morning 9.30am till 12 noon. All helpers are voluntary and monies support our

parish. You never know what goodies you might find. Ring me on 5134 5659 (can leave message) for any queries.

Schools News

Churchill Primary School Foster Child in Mozambique



**JESSICA KERR- NEW YELLOW HOUSE GIRL
CAPTAIN**

WHEN the Yurus Family returned to Papua New Guinea, a vacancy for Yellow Hose Girls' captain arose. Churchill Primary School is pleased to announce that Jessica has been selected by her peers, to fill the vacancy. The school wishes Jessica all the best.

CLIC - COMMUNITY LEARNING IN CHURCHILL.

Mrs Helen Dyson- Grade 1/2 teacher at Churchill Primary School ran a very successful module called "Helping Your Child With Writing and Reading". It was so well attended that the school has agreed to run a follow up session in 2006.

The next module on offer is with Wendy Smart doing "Cooking on a Budget". These two nights will be Wednesday 7th and 14th Sept. 2005, from 7-9pm in the Staffroom at the school. Remember, all members of the community are welcome to participate. Just phone the school on 51221343 to register.

**CHURCHILL'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY PANELS OF
MEMORIES**

Churchill Primary School has been selected by the Churchill and District Community Association, to help with the design and painting of the panels. Six students have been chosen to work with Dr. Meredith Fletcher from Monash University Gippsland, to brainstorm ideas for the design of the panels. While these students have used their creative ideas, many other students from all sections of the school, will have a part in contributing to the finished works of art.

WORLD VISION FOSTER CHILD

The children are pleased to announce that they have chosen Lazaro Frasco Manuel, a five year old boy from Mozambique. Already the students are hard at work to raise funds to support this little boy.

LONE PINE

On Tuesday 16th August, representatives of Legacy and the R.S.L. visited the school to help them plant a Lone Pine tree. This gives the school a link with the battlefields of Gallipoli, where Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed on 25th April 1915.

On a hilly part of Gallipoli peninsula there was plateau covered with low scrub, with just one stunted pine tree in it. As this plateau was of great military importance, the invading ANZACS and the defending Turkish troops both wanted to hold onto it.

The ANZAC artillery often shelled this plateau, using the pine tree as a landmark. They could then measure the angles to targets at which they wanted to aim their guns. The pine tree became known as the "Lone Pine", and gradually the part of the plateau became known as "Lone Pine Ridge".

Lone Pine was one of the bloodiest battles of World War I, and was certainly the heaviest fighting of its kind in which Australian troops ever took part. It became a part of Australia's history. The ANZAC troops help Lone Pine

Ridge from 10th September until the ANZACS retreated from Gallipoli on the night of December 19th 1915. During that night, most of the ANZAC army was evacuated and three officers and 31 men stayed behind until 3am, to cover the retreat.

The three officers were Lieutenants Brinsmead, Savige and McIlroy. Lieutenant Savige was born in Gippsland and became famous as a General in World War 11. He is renowned for being the founder of Legacy. Lieutenant Brinsmead was also a founding member.

One of the soldiers on Lone Pine took home a pine cone from the Lone Pine tree. Several years later the pine cone opened up and gave up its seeds. Five trees grew. The tree, now in the school ground is a descendant from the one of those five trees which was planted at the Shrine of Remembrance in Melbourne.

This is legacy month and people will be asking you to buy a legacy badge to support their work for the widows and families of those who fought in our wars.

DRESS UP DAY FOR BOOK WEEK

There was a very frightening witch in the office when I called into the school on Friday. But when I said hello, she smiled beautifully at me. The general buzz around the school was one of great excitement as many children got into the mood and came dressed as their favourite book characters. The school organised a cross age mixing of students who worked together for the morning, to produce a BIG book.

This book were shared at a special assembly on Friday afternoon.

CLUSTER MUSTER

The school participated in the Cluster Muster of schools in the Morwell area. This took place at Monash University. Much planning was undertaken to put into play, ways of maximising resources and helping students make a smooth transition from one level of education to the next.

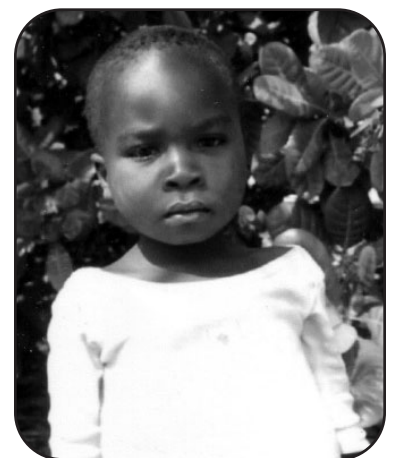
The children of the Churchill and District Primary Schools Ensemble opened the event with several items.



**Above:
Taeisha Post
and Chanelle
Kadir**

**Left:
Brodie Murdoch**

**Below:
Courtney, Darcie
(flute), Sarah,
Jemma (clar-
inet), Matthew
and Josh**



Lazaro Frasco Manuel

Author Cath Crowley Visits two Local Schools



LUMEN Christi Primary School and Churchill Primary School celebrated book week with a special visit from author, Cath Crowley. Cath, who currently lives in Melbourne, grew up in Churchill and attended Lumen Christi. Her parents now live in Boolarra. Cath as lived taught overseas. She studied professional writing and editing at RMIT and works as both a freelance writer and a part-time teacher. Cath has written two books, The Life and Times of Gracie Faltrain and Chasing Charlie Duuskin, and is currently working on her next book.

Cat received a warm welcome at Lumen Christi, starting with a quick tour of the school, which brought back fond memories for her. She spoke to Grades 3-6 about how she came up with ideas for her books, her inspirations and future projects. The students had the chance to ask many questions. Cath was presented with a Lumen Christi mug, flowers and a bottle of wine from school captain, Molly Stephenson. At Churchill Primary Cath spoke to all the students and ran writing workshops with the Grade 5 and 6's. The students all enjoyed the day.

Below are comments from Grade 6 students from both schools. Molly Stephenson has written the Lumen

Christi article, while Jordan Fenech and Jayme Day have co-written the article for Churchill Primary.

When Cath Crowley came to Lumen Christie she did a talk to Grade 3 to 6. Cath was really nice and everyone was asking her questions. During the talk it was interesting to listen to how Cath came up with the ideas to write her stories. I have read both of Cath Crowley's books. She is a good author and I love her books. They are hard to put down once you start.

By Molly Stephenson.

Cath Crowley, a writer from Melbourne came to our school to talk about her stories and how she wrote them. After her talk she did workshops with the 5/6's. She told us about how to write a poem. Ms Crowley did hers about her family. She described about what they are like and why they are like that. Our 5/6's learnt a lot of helpful and interesting ways to improve our writing skills and how to make your own character for your books. We listed a name and described how you want them to be in a book. We would like to thank Cath for coming to our school in her free time, it was great.

By Jayme Day and Jordan Fenech.



Molly Stephenson and Cath Crowley

Schools News

What's been happening at Churchill North Primary?

MUSTER CLUSTER DAY

On Friday 19th August our school was closed so that all our staff could attend the 'Kurnai Cluster Muster' day at Monash University. The day consisted of information

lectures for some 300 teachers from the Kurnai Cluster. This day was an excellent opportunity for teachers across the cluster to network through sharing of individual and schools' programs highlighting work samples that demonstrate excellence in schools.

Teachers were involved in four forums covering the key DE&T initiatives of the Essential Learning Standards and the Principles of Learning and Teaching. There was also a session on Information and Communication Technology.

POLICE CONCERT

It was wonderful to see our School Captain Cindy Chin receive the Code One Achievement Award at the Blue Ribbon Police Band Concert. Cindy received the award for being an excellent role model who is always helpful and friendly. She strives to achieve her best at all times. Congratulations Cindy you are a wonderful ambassador for our school. Daniel Beyer was chosen to receive a free ride in the front seat of a police car. I think he wants to have a ride in one of the Highway Patrol cars. The concert was a wonderful experience for our students with over 1000 school children from around the Latrobe Valley attending.

BOOKWEEK ACTIVITIES

On Wednesday 24th August from 9.00 am - 10.45 am students rotated around three activities based on short listed books. They made paper folded dogs for 'Mutt

Dog', bears in rubbish bins for 'Dougal The Garbage Dump Bear' and windows for 'Belonging'. Some of the students work will be on display in the Multi-purpose room at the concert.

H2Y (Churchill Youth Group)

By Cindy and Kailah

On Tuesday the 30th of August, The members of the H2Y held a workshop at school. From Churchill North Primary School, the members of H2Y are Cindy, Kailah, Luke, Rebekah and Crystal and they were the ones to welcome and thank Miriama and Faday. Miriama and Faday conducted the African Dance and Drumming workshop. It was held between 11:15am and 1:15pm in the Multi Purpose Room, and all students in grades 5 and 6 attended the workshop.

AMPHITHEATRE

Work on the new 'Amphitheatre' is well under way and it is hoped that the project will be completed by the start of next term.

ASSOCIATION OF GERMAN TEACHERS OF VICTORIA

STATE FINALS for the German Poetry Competition

On the 27/8/05 Breanna Downes-Smith and Vanessa Gillet went to the state finals in Melbourne. They didn't get a placing, but did really well to get there. They were up against some native German speakers and some who weren't. At the state finals entrants had to recite two poems. The poems were: 'Die Nardel sagt zum luftballon' and 'Funf Finger frieren.' Breanna found it very nerve racking. In the regional contest students from Churchill North Primary School came home with a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Only first and second were allowed to go through to the state finals. It was a fantastic opportunity and experience for all involved.



Jessica and Jon



Book Week Activities



Breanna and Vanessa



H2Y Members with African Drummers



Cindy Chin at the Police Concert



Ben Kearns, Cath Crowley and Christine Curry



Lumen Christi Solar Eaves (Left)
Lumen Christi Eisteddfod (Below)



Good Beginnings Latrobe – Early Intervention Parenting Program



GOOD Beginnings is a parent education and support group based in Moe.

Facilitators provide support and education through the running of very small (7-8 families) playgroups. There are ten in Moe and one in Morwell. The Moe groups operate from a Prince Street venue, but at different times, and on different days.

The families come from a cross section of socio-economic backgrounds. The playgroups provide a meeting place where families can discuss and share similar problems, learning where to access agencies to help them if needed.

Through feedback from parents, special education sessions can be arranged to address such recurring problems as toilet training, sleeping habits management and throwing tantrums.

Many parents lack confidence in parenting skills. They also lack support due to their extended family being elsewhere, and can often feel alone and lonely.

Most people drive where they are going now, so the opportunities to meet people along the way are also diminished.

Playgroups facilitate the making of friendships and social interaction, which helps to avoid feelings of iso-

lation, as well as supplying a support and education framework.

Guest speakers are, from time to time, arranged to present talks about such things as dental health, nutrition, being Sunsmart, and Cooking with Kids.

Cooking with Kids is an initiative to encourage parents to involve their children in preparing low budget healthy meals.

Another initiative was a scrap booking workshop, which encouraged parents to present their family photos in an attractive format.

Other workshops or special sessions deal with promoting general good health and well-being.

Each playgroup is staffed by two facilitators and often one volunteer. This ratio over 7-8 families helps to spread the load and give a more personal approach.

Good Beginnings was a recipient of the 2004 Latrobe City Trust Gambling Impact Fund grants. In 2004, Latrobe City Trust provided Good Beginnings with a grant of \$7000 from the Gambling Impact Fund to run its Community Connect for Families Program. The grant enabled Good Beginnings to facilitate workshops and group sessions and purchase resources to assist Early Intervention Parenting Program participants who reported

the detrimental impact of gambling on their family with free personal development and self-esteem building activities.

Good Beginnings Latrobe also provides further support through a Telephone Support program, and through Volunteer Home Visiting.

Good Beginnings is looking for volunteers to participate in its next informal, casual training program which will begin in August. There are 36 hours of training- one a week over six weeks.

During the training, you cover aspects such as child development, how to encourage parents to enjoy parenting, how to help parents manage their children, how to reduce isolation, and strategies for managing age appropriate behaviour.

People can volunteer for the Volunteer Home Visiting program or for assisting with playgroups.

A Police check is compulsory.

So if you like the idea of supporting families, and would be willing to learn some modern ways of helping; you are accepting and non-judgemental; and enjoy kids,

Neci Sutherland at Good Beginnings would love to hear from you on 5127 7270.

Good Beginnings thanks Latrobe City Trust for its help and financial support.



Friends of Monash Move to Strengthen the Gippsland Campus

THE Friends of Monash are concerned that there are pressures put on the local campus that makes it vulnerable to a reduction in the quantity and quality of its services.

The Friends of Monash Gippsland, have since its establishment in 1997, been actively advocating and lobbying for the cause of the University in Gippsland.

Position Papers have been prepared on the issues of concern and representations have been made to the University and to Government.

In recent times the group has pushed for and achieved changes that have given the Gippsland Campus more autonomy, allowing it to have its own budget and marketing arm.

A strong university will contribute to the enrichment of the cultural and intel-

lectual life of both the campus and the Gippsland region. Educational and research provisions must be monitored and maintained.

To achieve its aim to strengthen and maintain Monash University Gippsland the Friends of Monash call on all who wish to work co-operatively with them to support, promote and protect the campus to contact them. Community support is vital to the future of our educational resources in Gippsland.

Membership of the Friends of Monash is open to all, with meetings being held monthly. Please contact Margaret Tomnay, Convenor, C/- Gippsland Trades and Labour Council, Wing 5, Lignite Court, Morwell, Tel: 03 51 337684, Fax: 03 51 33 3313 or email: gtlc@tpg.com.au

Health and Well Being Skin Cancer

Skin cancer - early detection is critical

Each year in Australia, around 1,200 people die from skin cancer. Yet skin cancer is an almost totally preventable disease; 95 per cent of skin cancers are treatable if they are detected early. Regular checks of your skin should detect any suspicious lumps or spots as soon as they develop.

Three types of skin cancer

There are three types of skin cancer: basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma and melanoma.

Basal cell carcinoma: This is the most common and least dangerous skin cancer. It appears as a lump or scaling area, and can be red, pale or pearly in colour. It grows slowly - usually on the head, neck or upper torso - and can become ulcerated as it grows.

Squamous cell carcinoma : These cancers grow over a period of weeks or months, and may spread to other parts of the body if not treated promptly. They occur most often (but not only) on areas exposed to the sun, such as the head, neck, hands and forearms. These cancers look like thickened, red scaly spots.

Melanoma: Melanoma is the most dangerous form of skin cancer. Each year, 700 Australians die from this disease. Melanoma is a particularly virulent form of skin cancer that is caused by sunburn during our early years. It develops over weeks to months and, if left untreated, can spread to other parts of the body, causing more serious and often fatal cancers.

Melanoma appears as a new spot or as an existing spot, freckle or mole that changes colour, size or shape. It usually has an irregular, smudgy outline and is often more than one colour.

You can prevent melanoma by not getting sunburnt. Even mild sunburn can cause skin cell damage that can lead to melanoma.

Checking for skin cancers

Try to spend 15 minutes each season checking your skin, more often if you have suffered from severe sunburn or skin cancer. Through regular checking, you will get to know your skin and will notice any changes. Pay particular attention to your arms, legs, face, neck, back, shoulders and the back of your hands.

A skin cancer can be:

A spot that looks different from others around it

A new or unusual looking mole, freckle or sore

A spot, mole or freckle that has changed in colour, shape or size

A flat spot.

Skin cancer - risk factors and early signs

Australians suffer the highest rates of skin cancer in the world. Each year, around 1,200 Australians die from what is an almost totally preventable disease. Everyone can develop skin cancer; however, some people may be at higher risk than others, due to a range of factors.

Australia exposed to more UV

Ultraviolet (UV) radiation levels in Australia are higher than in Europe, even during summer. Being located close to the ozone hole over the Antarctic means much higher, more severe levels of UV radiation get through to ground level.

During summer, the earth's orbit brings Australia closer to the sun than Europe during its summer, resulting in an additional seven per cent solar UV intensity. This, coupled with our clear-

er atmospheric conditions, means we are exposed to up to 15 per cent more UV than Europeans.

Incidence of skin cancer in Australia

In Australia, incidence rates for skin cancers are rising in both males and females. Melanoma rates in men are stabilising and, in women, are declining slightly.

The continued increase in skin cancer is due to many years of doing little to protect our skin. In the past, we did not know the value of covering up or using sunscreen. As a result, many people are now developing skin cancers.

Over the past 10 years, skin cancer control programs like SunSmart and the Slip! Slop! Slap! campaign have educated us about the importance of sun protection and the need to check our skin regularly. Because more people are checking their skin, more cases of cancer are being diagnosed.

Skin cancer rates in Australia should decline early this century if 'sunsmart' behaviour trends continue to grow.

Long term sun exposure and sunburn damage skin cells

Both long term sun exposure and sunburn cause skin cell damage, which - over time - can lead to the development of skin cancer. Outdoor workers suffer from a high incidence of squamous cell carcinoma, a skin cancer caused predominantly by years of being outdoors.

Severe sunburn increases your risk of developing melanoma. In fact, five doses of sunburn while you are young can double your risk of developing this deadly disease later in life. Mild sunburn or tanning is also not accept-

able. There is no safe way to expose yourself to the sun without increasing your risk of skin cancer.

Hereditary factors play an important part in susceptibility to skin cancer. This is demonstrated by the increased incidence of skin cancer among people of Anglo-Celtic origin. If one or both of your parents have had a skin cancer, you could be at risk, as you will have the same skin as them.

In a rare inherited condition, people with xeroderma pigmentosum have a defect in their enzyme system, which is responsible for the repair of UV damaged DNA. As a result, they develop signs of sun damage while very young and usually develop skin cancer before they turn 10.

Skin type

Skin type is genetic. If your parents have fair skin, you will too and you will have a greater risk of skin damage due to exposure to the sun. Parents with fair skin should educate their children about the importance of sun protection and encourage them to develop good sun protection habits from an early age. This is the best way to help reduce their risk of skin damage and skin cancer in later life.

People with darker skin naturally have more protection against sunburn than fairer skinned people. However, they are still at risk of sun damage and skin cancer. Indigenous Australians, one of the darkest skinned races in Australia, can still get melanoma.

Moles and freckles

Most people have moles and freckles. However, if you have a great number of freckles or moles (more than 50 moles), you are at risk of skin damage. Moles or freckles that grow, change shape or colour, bleed or ulcerate, or new spots that appear, should be treated with suspicion. Have your doctor check out any unusual spots as soon as

possible.

Solariums

Solariums tan the skin by radiating it with both UVA and UVB radiation. Both these types of radiation are dangerous to the skin. UV radiation from a solarium is also more intense than natural sunlight, emitting radiation up to five times as strong as the midday summer sun.

Where to get help

The Cancer Council Victoria, Tel. 13 11 20

Your doctor, Your local community health centre, Your occupational health and safety officer

Things to remember

Skin cancer is almost totally preventable.

Ninety-five per cent of skin cancers are treatable if detected early.

Get into the habit of checking your skin regularly for signs of skin cancer.

If you notice anything new or unusual on your skin, see your doctor

Both long term exposure to the sun and sunburn cause skin damage that may lead to skin cancer.

Everyone, no matter what their skin type, is at risk of sun damage and skin cancer.

Check your skin regularly and see your doctor if you have any unusual spots.

Outdoor workers are in one of the highest risk groups for skin cancer.

Your employer has a duty of care to protect you from sun damage.

Talk to your employer about introducing sun protection methods to the workplace.

Never rely on sunscreen alone. You will still get sunburnt - even when wearing sunscreen - if you spend considerable time in the sun.

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

Special Federal Grant For Six Local Schools

JEFF Curwood, in association with five other primary school representatives, put together and won a grant to use in the six schools. Jeff will be the Program Co-Ordinator responsible for its implementation and the inevitable paperwork of reporting outcomes.

The grant is the "Australian School Innovations In Science, Technology and Mathematics Project." It is funded by the Department of Education, Science, and training in Canberra.

The cluster's project will be called "From Environmental Science to Environmental Journalism"

The six schools are: Churchill, Churchill North, Yinnar, Commercial Road, Morwell, Morwell Park and Crinigan Road, Morwell.

This grant initiative is part of the Federal Government's proposal to boost science, technology and mathematics ability to meet the future needs of this country.

It involves up skilling teachers in those areas, so a flow on effect will generate enthusiasm and interest in the students, in these fields.

There has been a loss of students doing hard core maths and science, which is having an effect at tertiary level, leading to a deficiency in high quality people in these areas.

The six schools will be working with the School of Applied Science and Engineering, and the School of Education, at Monash University Gippsland Campus, as well as the Amphibian Research Centre at Werribee, and Waterwatch.

The students will be getting used to scientific investigations, using maths, for recording, and measuring, in scientific language. The studies undertaken will involve data collection from wetland areas, eg. Lake Hyland and the University lake.

The children will be required to:

Write up reports and research which will encompass the English aspect.

Learn how to produce mini documentaries using video cameras and computer programs to do so.

Along with their teachers, the children will participate in video conferencing with other schools, to share knowledge.

Visit and work at Monash University Science Labs and the Amphibian Research Centre.

Receive visits from the staff of the Amphibian Research Centre.

Help organise and participate in a Family Science Night at the school.

Present their recorded work in a reporting session.

Be involved in a website development specifically for the project which will allow public access, with links to other websites.

Re-enforce their knowledge by teaching it to other students.

The significant funding will cover things like professional development for teachers in the fields of technology, and scientific investigation method, as well as transport cost, resources like cameras, computers and computer programs etc.

Some of the proposed activities could involve raising tadpoles/frogs, visits to wetlands, water quality monitoring, wildlife observation, scientific investigation.

Each school will have a different habitat to investigate.

This is an eighteen month project which is about doing real life science, and about which the school is very excited. Three of the schools will be building on their present knowledge, while the other three schools will be starting from scratch, but with the support of the experienced schools. Each school will find the most functional way to best implement this project.

The benefits of this project will be

Being able to contribute to the way new curriculum is set up in an integrated approach.

The privilege of working in leading edge technology. Spreading the skill base for teachers and children.

Allowing two teachers per school to be trained in each skill area.

Provision of real life situations for the fourth year university students who will also become involved, from the Environmental Science, Information, Communication Technology, and English Schools. This will be their major fourth year project.

Teachers/children will have the support of the fourth year students in the introduction of the new skills.

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Fishing In Lake Hyland- Mathison Park

AT the time of publication, no word had been received re the Tidy Towns Competition outcomes. We will have to be patient a bit longer!

Each year the Department of Sustainability and Environment, put about 2,500 yearling Rainbow Trout in Lake Hyland. Due to the fact that there is not flowing water, the trout will not spawn or reproduce. This means that the lake can be fished out.

The reason DSE do this is to allow opportunities for kids and other anglers to wet a line. BUT there is a bag limit which is 5 fish per person per day. In small water areas like Lake Hyland there is no minimum legal length. However the Fisheries Officer whom I talked to

asked me to remind all anglers that a Recreational Fishing Licence is essential if you are over 18 and under 70, or unless you have a Senior's / Senior Citizens card. The fishing licence revenue is ploughed back into the fish stocking program. So people who do purchase a licence help to maintain fish supplies in places like Lake Hyland. If you have any inquiries or want further information you may ring Eric Wiseman at DSE on 52722100.

Some concerns have been raised with fishing in Lake Hyland. If the bag limits are not observed, the Lake will become fished out very quickly. This is a sport in which many people like to participate, so going over the bag limit deprives others. Also, if

the Department of Sustainability and Environment hears that this is happening they may not restock the Lake!

Another concern is the amount of rubbish being left behind by those who come to fish. Tangled fishing line, empty cans, wrappers, and broken glass are just a bit of the mess that remains when fishers vacate a spot.

Of worry is the continual breaking of branches to make forked sticks on which to rest the fishing lines; and the digging up of the ground for worms.

Please take your rubbish to the provided bin, or take it home.

Please think before you destroy the plants, trees and ground.



DSE Stocking Lake Hyland

Ducts Need Regular Cleaning



DO You Have Ducted Heating Or Cooling In Your Home?

Did you realise that without regular cleaning, the ducts can become a health and safety issue of your residence?

No? Well here is why!

Ducts, according to medical research, accumulate dirt, dust, pollen, viruses, bacteria, mould and dust mites.

Because 1 in 6 people suffer from allergies and asthma, caused by the air being blown out of the ducts, which could contains these things, you and your family could be contaminated.

Things like plastic toys, cutlery, dead

rats and cockroaches have been found in ducts.

They don't sound like pleasant places to be.

But also a build up of dust in your duct work can, in the case of ignition, cause a rapid and devastating fire, as smoke and flames can roar from every vent making an inescapable inferno.

So the message is have your ducts cleaned regularly to prevent these health and safety issues.

In Churchill, Bluey's Duct Cleaning Service can be contacted on 51223800, for a free inspection and quote.

Invitation To The 60th Anniversary Of Churchill Brigade

TO celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Brigade, an Open Day will be held at the station on Sunday 16th October from 11am- 3pm. A barbeque lunch will be available

All members of the public are cordially invited to visit the station and have a look through, as well as observe demonstrations.

A photo board will be erected showing the brigades activities over the years. Any past members of the brigade or community members with memorabilia are

asked to bring it to add to the display, on or before the day.

Also happening will be:-

A display of fire appliances, including some of the older fleet from bygone days, and incorporating our modern day state of the art appliances.

There will also be free fire extinguisher demonstrations and free fire extinguisher checks.

THE VENUSIAN HOTHOUSE

BY JEFF SING

BRILLIANT Venus outshines every other celestial object in the night sky at the moment.

The only exception is when the Moon is present.

However, Venus is visible for only three hours after sunset until about 9 p.m., during the month of September. This short period is due to the inner planet's close proximity to the Sun and the complex configuration of Venus's orbit with respect to the Earth.

Venus's greatest eastern elongation (47°) occurs on November 3. Greatest elongation is the largest possible angle between the Sun and an inner planet as seen from the Earth.

Mercury spends less time above the horizon at its greatest eastern elongation (which also occurs on November 3) than Venus, due to a smaller angle (24°) when east of the Sun. Mercury will set about 1 1/2 hours after sunset from October to December. November is a good time to see both inner planets at their maximum distance from the Sun.

From October until the end of the year Venus's viewing time will extend up to a maximum of about four hours after sunset in early December (that is, midnight daylight savings time). Venus will remain a prominent feature in the evening sky until it is lost in the glare of the Sun in January, 2006 before it appears as a morning star in early February.

Why does Venus sparkle so brightly and how hot is it? One can assume that Venus shines so brilliantly because it is very close to the Sun (although Mercury is nearest to the Sun), and its distinction as the closest planet to the Earth (when it is directly between us and the Sun, at a minimum distance of 39 million km). However this does not account for Venus's powerful reflectivity and the extraordinarily high temperatures found on the planet.

The answer to the above question lies in Venus's extremely thick and dense atmosphere. Venus is covered by deep layers of poisonous carbon dioxide, which accounts for 96% of its atmospheric composition. The remaining 4% of Venus's atmosphere consists of mainly nitrogen.

The atmosphere on the Earth, on the other hand, is almost entirely composed of a nitrogen - oxygen ratio of 4-1 (78% nitrogen and 21% oxygen) with the remaining 1% consisting of argon and carbon dioxide and traces of other gases such as neon, helium and methane. (By comparison the carbon dioxide-nitrogen ratio on Venus is 24-1.)

Scientists believe that the atmosphere of Venus closely resembles the primeval atmosphere of an early Earth.

The upper atmosphere on Venus contains a layer of cloud 20 km thick from an altitude of 68 km to 48 km above the surface of the planet. Above and below the cloud layer is a 20 km deep layer of haze. The temperature on Venus ranges from 100° C at an altitude of 100 km above the surface to 500°C at ground level, higher than the hottest spot on Mercury and hot enough to melt lead.

The highest cloud deck 68 km above the surface of Venus traverses the globe every four days travelling in a cold (-43°C) 360 kph jet stream. As the altitude decreases the atmospheric pressure increases to 90 times that of the Earth on the surface of Venus. It is the equivalent to the air pressure one would experience being 1 km below the ocean on the Earth, but with temperatures hundreds of degrees hotter.

The cloud layers contain droplets of sulphuric acid in the form of mist and other sulphur compounds. The thick layers of permanent cloud and haze creates a runaway greenhouse effect. If it weren't for the greenhouse effect the average noon-time temperature on the surface of Venus would be only 350°C, instead of the present stifling 480°C.

How does the greenhouse effect work? And how is it different on Venus than upon the Earth?

The best analogy is to illustrate the effect of sunlight entering through the windows of a parked car on a warm day. Since the glass windows of the car are transparent to sunlight, the interior upholstery and fittings heats up, raising the temperatures inside.

The reflected heat in the form of infrared radiation cannot escape as the glass windows are

opaque to infrared light and the heat is retained – further increasing the temperature. If the outside temperature is 30°C then within about three hours the total temperature becomes a very hot 50°C inside the car.

The above example is the principle of the greenhouse effect.

In a similar way carbon dioxide (like the glass windows of the car) is responsible for the greenhouse effect on Venus causing the extreme temperatures on its surface.

Although 80 % of visible sunlight reaching Venus is reflected back into space (producing a brilliant spectacle for observers on the Earth) enough light penetrates to the surface of Venus to be re-emitted as infrared radiation that cannot escape back through Venus's carbon dioxide-rich atmosphere. The trapped radiation produces the high temperatures found on Venus.

Unlike the Earth there are no oceans or water on Venus to dissolve the carbon dioxide. The planet is parched dry.

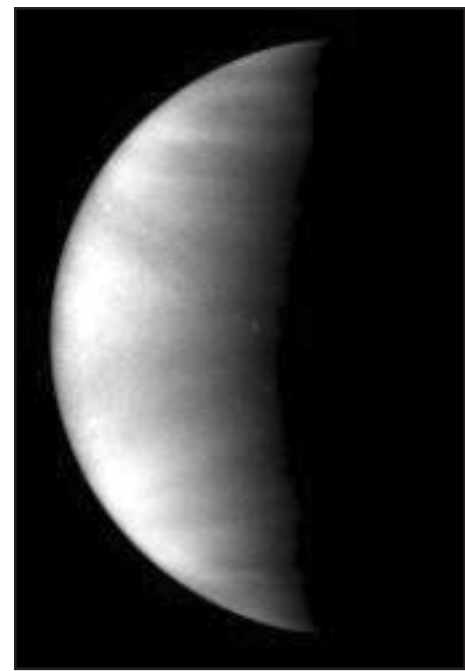
On Earth, the atmospheric water and carbon dioxide both contribute to the mild greenhouse effect in our air.

Warmed by sunlight, the surface of the Earth emits infrared radiation, some of which is absorbed by water vapour and carbon dioxide gas, causing the air temperature to rise.

The burning of fossil fuels and other man-made greenhouse emissions increases the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. Because of the large scale cutting of forests, decreasing the number of plants available to convert carbon dioxide gas into oxygen and other carbon compounds, the greenhouse gases are retained contributing to an increase in global warming.

The Magellan probe, launched by NASA in 1989, surveyed 98% of the Venus's surface using radar techniques during the period from 1990 - 1994. About 1,600 volcanoes were detected from images taken of the surface but whether they are all dormant -or that some are still active - no proof has yet been found.

Volcanic eruptions in the past- or still going on at present - may be the reason why there are



fluctuating levels of sulphur dioxide above Venus's clouds. The absence of lightning around the volcanoes detected by Magellan puzzled astronomers as lightning is a sign of volcanic activity on Earth.

The Venusian landscape is remarkably flat compared to the Earth. More than 80% of its surface is covered with volcanic plains and gently rolling hills created by numerous lava flows. The rest of Venus' surface mainly consists of two large highlands (or 'continents') and towering mountains such as Maxwell Montes, which is 11 km high - compared to Mt Everest's altitude of 9km.

The planet has undergone a lot of resurfacing due to volcanic activity in the past, so the observed structures are relatively new.

Venus (Aphrodite in Greek) is named after the Roman goddess of beauty and love but little did the ancients guess thousands of years later that it now resembles a hellish, inhospitable hothouse. However, the planet is truly such a fascinating and intriguing place.

The next meeting of the Latrobe Valley Astronomical Society will be held on Tuesday, September 13 at the Wirilda Environment Park conference centre, near Tyers starting at 7.30 p.m. For further details contact Gavan Dinsdale on 51746453 or visit the society's website at <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~lvas>.

Focus On Glendonald Park

By David Guthrie, President

A new Community Garden Project is being planned for Glendonald Park. Residents have defined 'community garden' as one that involves the local community in the design, construction and maintenance of the garden. Latrobe City Council will oversee this project, which has received funding from the Dept of Human Services.

The garden is to have an indigenous theme, including some sort of artistic or cultural aspect. Discussions are currently underway with individuals and groups with the expertise to advise on project planning. Community consultation is also planned for a later date.

Glendonald Residents Group holds a number of working bees in the Park each year. National Tree Planting Day (31 July), saw volunteers collecting rubbish, weeding garden beds and planting new shrubs. A BBQ lunch was provided and 'the workers' were given native seedlings to plant in home gardens.

GRG also conducts other activities in the Park for the community's benefit. Planning is underway for another

School is a partner in this venture and we thank the school for their support. The new Monday program in Glendonald Park will complement existing after school activities on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at the school.

Glendonald Park is a great venue for children's play, family outings and community events. Facilities include a BBQ shelter, tables and seating, a toilet block, play equipment, BMX track, basketball court and an oval with cricket nets, wicket and goal posts.

If you'd like to know more about our activities, we can be contacted at PO Box 245, Churchill or by phoning the Secretary, Barbara James, on 5122 1407

GRG Inc.'s next General Meeting will be held in Glendonald Kindergarten at 6.30pm on Tuesday 27 September. Supper and childcare is provided. All residents of Glendonald are welcome to attend.



Lions Club of Churchill and District Still Busy

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity CLUB members successfully catered for Camp Quality at Bunnings on 13th August.

We have catering coming up at the Latrobe Valley Express Expo at Kernot Hall.

Lion Frank Langston still not well – we wish him and his family all the best.

The Lioness Club have taken on another local project, providing "love wraps" - knee rugs, for local people. The Lions Club donated \$105 for wool.

Lion John Barker attended the Latrobe City "Launch of Commonwealth Games" at Moe. The Honorable Justin Madden addressed the assembly.

A number of Lions from Morwell paid a visit. A very enjoyable night was had by all.

Lion Bob Lowick and his committee are continuing gearing up for the Camp Quality Escarpade by following up sponsors.

A visiting Lion, Bev McKenzie from

Gordonvale, exchanged bannerettes with the club.

The Lions Birthday Club, sponsored and run through the Churchill & District News by our Lions Club, is a great hit. Zachary McLure and Shyanne Post were each the happy Birthday Club recipients of a \$15 voucher in August.

All children in Churchill and surrounding areas under 12 years of age are eligible to join.

IS YOUR CHILD A MEMBER? IF NOT, WHY NOT? Make sure your child is registered – just follow the instructions in the Lions Birthday Club list published each month in the Churchill News. WE NEED MORE MEMBERS.

To all the families in our great community of Churchill and surrounding district, we thank you for your support.

Need to contact us? Our address is The Secretary, Lions Club of Churchill and District, PO Box 110, CHURCHILL 3842.



Joke of the Month

What is a hungry mathematician's favourite food?
Anything! As long as it is a square meal!



-- Youth Yard --

MYTH - Chapter 4 Captured

By Jazzman

Darrowin had some tricks up his sleeve, or his quiver for that matter. The quiver that I spoke of was full of long, sharply pointed arrows. These were to be used with the crossbow that Darrowin was about to arm himself with.

"Nigel, step to one side!" informed Darrowin, shortly afterwards firing three deadly arrows directly and incredibly accurately at the vicious blue beast's face.

The pain inflicted dragon erupted with anger and unleashed a spiralling fireball at Darrowin. Darrowin jumped out of the way and fired two more arrows both missing their intended target (the dragon obviously).

Meanwhile, the Atlantean war-tank was charging another plasma blast; at the same time that Nigel was running into the forest south of the dragon and then stopping to hide behind yet another tree.

The dragon was furiously blasting fireballs in random directions, occasionally burning a tree or two. Darrowin wasn't planning for any of this to happen at all. It seems that intentions don't always turn out the way you'd want them to.

Finally the Atlantean tank's plasma cannon had fired a massive green plasma ball at the dragon once again, but with different results to earlier. This time, the dragon had been struck much harder, splitting its chest open and releasing dangerously high amounts of blood. The dragon died instantly.

"I'm glad that's over." Nigel said relieved. Darrowin didn't say anything, but was thinking the exact same thing as Nigel.

Nigel thought his problems were solved, but they weren't. The Atlantean retaliated from earlier (the one that supposedly helped Nigel and Darrowin) walked up to Nigel with a suspiciously deceptive expression on his face. He held out his hand, expecting Nigel to hand over something.

Nigel had not the faintest idea what he was meant to do in the unusual situation. He didn't own anything of value, apart from a small dagger that he once used to kill a Wilken Beast (right at the beginning of this story!) but other

than that, he wasn't carrying anything of any kind.

The Atlantean warrior was getting frustrated. "Hand over the soul blade!" the Atlantean grunted. Nigel, not having ever seen an Atlantean before didn't understand a word the warrior said.

"What?" Nigel said ignorantly. Now the warrior was at the peak of his mountain of anger. "I said, hand over the soul blade!" the enraged Atlantean yelled.

Darrowin kept a close eye on Nigel as he conversed with the Atlantean. He didn't want anything to happen to him, especially after losing his only son to an Atlantean squadron. Naturally Darrowin had a grudge against the Atlanteans, considering the tragic circumstances.

"I don't understand." Nigel noted. All of a sudden the Atlantean warrior pulled out an oddly designed gun of some sort. "What are you doing?" Nigel asked nervously. The warrior didn't reply, well; not with words anyway. The Atlantean fired a purple jolt from the gun at Nigel's chest.

Nigel felt dizzy, spinning out of control until finally collapsing to the ground. Darrowin was shocked, but in his own way knew that something like that would happen.

"What do you think you're doing?!" Darrowin cried lunging at the Atlantean armed with a long, darkly coloured sword. The Atlantean heard Darrowin's cry and managed to dodge the assault.

Darrowin plunged to the rough dirt that was beneath him and slashed the Atlantean in the leg. "ARGH!!!" uttered the Atlantean in indescribable pain.

The Atlantean retaliated with a plasma burst from his 'Plasma Rifle', striking Darrowin in the right-arm. Darrowin dropped his sword on the ground and nearly tripped over.

The Atlantean chuckled under his breath and kicked Darrowin with no mercy. Darrowin fell backwards, struggling to recover from the last blow...

Has our hero met his match???

Find out next chapter...



FISH
By Jessica Stephenson

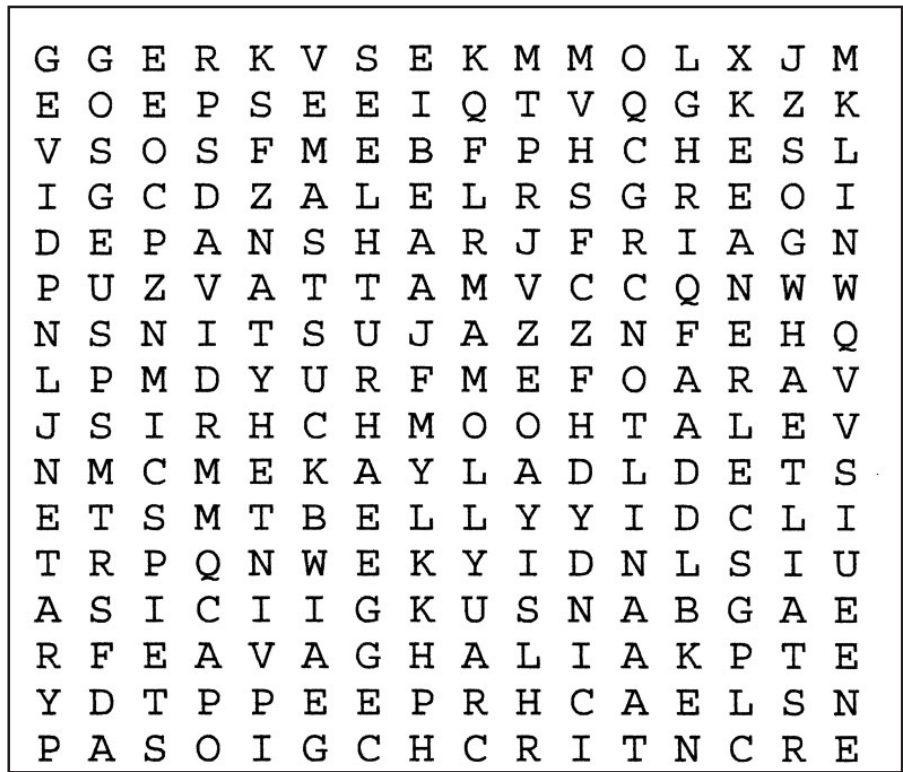
My best friend ate
My great mate
That was late
Why? Why? Why?
You ate my mate
That was late!
What sad fate.

VOLUNTEERS

By Rebekah Vandyke

Very helpful
Others involved
Loving
United
Nice
Teamwork
Eager
Educate
Resourceful
Satisfying

Here are the names of the people involved with H2Y
See if you can find their names in the word search



KAYLA
KAILAH
JAZZ
MATT
REBEKAH
LINA
MOLLY
CHRIS
CINDY
ALYSIA
CRYSTAL
LUKE
JUSTIN
DAVID

Whats happening in CERAMICS & 3 DIMENSIONAL DESIGN at Kurnai Churchill.

Teaching students how to strive for excellence, working together in improving relationships, work engagement and expecting a good work ethic are major goals for the Art Department at Kurnai Churchill. The great results produced by the students show that we are all meeting these goals well.

Classroom Activities

Large Sculptures

Monster Design

Extruding a coil

Bowl Design Preparation

Drawer Design

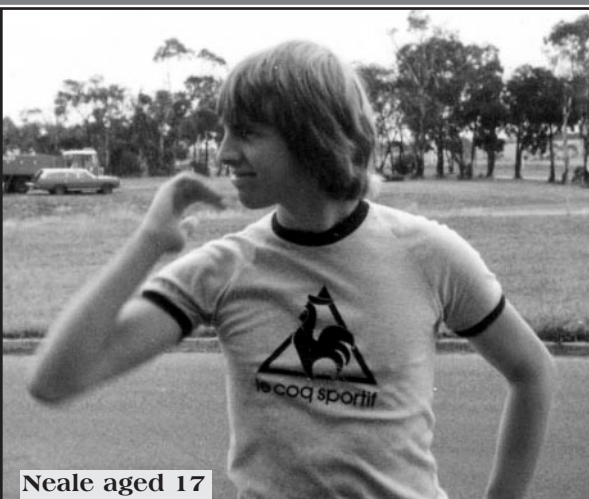
Pulling a handle

Making a pinch pot



Looking Back...

...through the eyes of local residents



Neale aged 17

NEALE was 4 years and 3 days old when he began life in Churchill on the 16th December 1966 at 13 White Parade. He is now 43 and only 5 months of that time has been spent living outside this town which he is proud to call home.

Neale's Mum Shirley Ryan was born in Port Augusta South Australia in 1929. His Dad, Alfred, was born in Essendon in 1926. The family lived in many places but notably in Mt. Gambier where older brother Rodney was born in 1950 and Drouin with Neale being born at the Warragul hospital in 1962.

From Drouin the family moved to Morwell and lived on a corner of Chapel Street and then to Churchill.

Neale describes Churchill in the early days as a Lego land with house blocks, no trees and no nothing, but says it has now developed into a vibrant community.

"There are always knockers, but I've been here all my life", he says, "and I can't think of any better place to live!"

Neale has watched the town grow and transform. The shopping centre is one example. It started out as two rows of shops with a fountain in the middle.

"I always got into trouble for playing in it," recalls Neale.

Neale remembers when Mr Koedijke had the dairy at his house on the corner of McInnes Crescent and Switchback Road. It was Neale's job to take the money his Mum gave him and go and pay for the milk.

"That was the good old days when milk was delivered," Neale says. "And Mr Koedijke still walks around Churchill! I remember the electric milk van. You could hear it a mile off and knew the milk was on its way. You could hear the stop, start noise."

Neale recalls the kindergarten in Heesom Crescent being built but says he was too old by then to attend. He also remembers when Churchill Primary School consisted of only Block A, but portables sprang up as the population increased. He watched the oval being built.

Bonfire Night holds great memories. There were ten or twelve bonfires held around Churchill, but to Neale the one in White Parade-one near their house and the one where the flats are now adjacent to McDonald Way stand out.

"I remember Bonfire Night with affection-the smell of gunpowder in the air, the excitement of Mum taking us to the Newsagents to buy our paper bag full of explosives- pre ASIO checks," gulps Neale. "There was the excitement of the catherine wheels whizzing and the penny bangers. We used to tie them together by the wicks for a big explosion. There was beauty, and great excitement leading up to it. We counted down the days. It was a real community get together. We kids usually built the bonfires," finished Neale with a happy smile of recollection.

Between White Parade and Monash Way was heavy bush. The children played cowboys and Indians, went tad poling and sometimes yabbing.

"There were thousands of hidey holes where

A CHILD OF CHURCHILL Neale Stratford

Mum couldn't find us," explained Neale. "Those days were the carefree days when children could go off for hours without their parents worrying. Children can do things nowadays, but they are watched over more. We kids could leave the house after breakfast and return for tea," says Neale with some nostalgia. Reflecting on today's age, Neale feels that these days of innocence have now gone.

The creek running through where the Monash Wetlands are, was also a great place for exploring. Hare House in what is now Mathison Park, held a great deal of interest as it was very overgrown when Neale was a boy and was very inviting. It is too clean now, there's no challenge for kids, he says. Mushrooming and black berrying were also happy Mathison Park activities. Neale collected manure from there with his Dad for their home garden.

Neale remembers the fund raising scale to illustrate funds raised for the swimming pool, being located in the 4 Square Supermarket. However, he doesn't recall any of the unrest surrounding that, declaring he was too young to notice.

The Cigar has always been a controversial addition to the town. In the late 70s there were attempts to stop the birds nesting in it. There was a recording of an eagle's call which sounded every now and then. With a laugh he says the birds would flutter out, but go back in again. He says in that time the Cigar was properly lit from within and looked quite something.

A big sign showing the subdivisions of Churchill located on the round-a-bout corner of Switchback Road and Monash Way was a landmark, especially for the Stratford family, who could say they lived directly behind it.

On the opposite side of Switchback Road from his house was the old tin shed that was the Fire Station. Without fail, 9:00 a.m. every Sunday the siren sounded.

Churchill was put on the world map with the birth of Candice Reid the first IVF child. Neale remembers the reporter from television 60 Minutes program standing in front of their house as the cameras rolled.

He also remembers the old milk bar and dairy in Switchback Road., regretting it closing. It was where you bought supplies on your way to Hazelwood Power Station. Also recalled in that same area; the Nursery, Hardware store and Exacto Factory, the Industrial Estate which never happened.

Neale had to help his Mum in the house, as she worked at Home Pride Bakery and often did afternoon and night shifts. He regularly cleaned the house and often put on a roast. "This was never considered a chore, but something we just did," states Neale.

There were no buses to Morwell so most kids were 'trapped' in Churchill and would cluster together and do stuff - no plans, it just happened. It didn't have to be organized and there was no need for the parents to be involved.

Neale spent many happy hours exploring the surrounds. He usually walked everywhere, for example down Switchback Road to Manning Drive and into the swamps which then existed. Bikes were used by the kids to tear up and down along the tracks they had created in the bush opposite their houses.

Neale was never a sports child. He had no ambition for footy, cricket, etc, but their street was full of kids and they all used to play together

er - cricket or footy, but not competitively, and Cowboys and Indians.

One way parents were involved with their children was in teaching them to swim. This was mainly done at the Pondage. It happened when Dad got home from work or at weekends. "The summers always seemed longer and hotter, and we got sunburnt all the time, something which is never allowed now," says Neale. The Pondage was great he says. The biggest danger was stepping on some broken glass. Neale has a scar under his chin from the time he jumped off the jetty and hit his chin. It was terrific fun but he feels the blue-green algae puts people off now.

Neale began school at Churchill Primary School in 1968 and left in 1974. He was one of the first group to go through from Prep to grade 6. His Prep teacher, he says, seemed really old, but was probably all of 18 years old. Then there was Miss Fenchurch, Mr. Jim O'Brien, Mr. Gargulio and Mr. Cameron. The school was the single building of Block A and plenty of mud and dirt. Mrs. Leeson was the cleaner.

One highlight of school days was watching man land on the moon on TV in the library one wet July day. The portables are not fondly remembered. In summer, lack of air conditioning, made them the last place you wanted to be. The male teachers were all dressed in suits and appeared very serious. Students received the strap which is now long gone. The curriculum was more 3Rs centred, the emphasis of which he feels should return to today's education.

From Churchill Primary School Neale went to Maryvale High School, before it was called Kurnai, from 1975-1980. He was disappointed in high school saying, "There was no direction. If you didn't work, who cared."

Neale repeated a couple of the upper high school forms before leaving school. He entered the workforce with his first job as storeman at Woolworths in Morwell. Then he went to Paint 'n' Paper in Traralgon. Next he joined a private contractor and became a lagger (putting insulation around pipes and removing asbestos). Neale knew, and worked in, every power station around here. When asked about how he felt having worked with asbestos, Neale says he lives with the scary thoughts of the possible consequences, every day. However, every two years he is tested, and his lung function measured. Never having been a smoker, he feels may be his saving grace.

In 1985 Neale's parents moved back to Morwell and Neale bought his present family house in Manning Drive.

A year later he married Jenny McDougall, a Churchill girl who was also born in Warragul but in 1966. They were married in 1986 at the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill's church by Rev. John Gale. The couple have four great children, Thomas, Morgan, Hadden and Laura. The

names are s o m e w h a t unusual, but N e a l e explained they were names they loved. He proudly states they are all Churchill children and happy to be so. Neale and Jenny are happy to bring up their chil-



Neale aged 4

dren as Churchillians.

Following the lagger's job, Neale worked on the construction of Loy Yang B Power Station and in 1995 the demolition of old Yallourn Power Stations A, B and E. In 1997 Neale realised that work was slowly running out with the privatisation of the power industry in the Valley. Work was available only 7-8 months a year. Neale went to TAFE and did a life drawing course during the day.

In 1998/99 work was ever scarcer so Neale decided to attend TAFE full time and completed a Diploma of Visual Arts. Between 2000-2002, he went to Monash and did a Bachelor of Visual Arts with Honours.

During Neale's changes of employment and career, the family was very supportive, seeing the necessity to change and Neale's need to retrain. It was not easy for Neale, he admits, going back to study at 37 years old, and in light of his high school background. Initially he tried 6 months to see if he could succeed at study and ended up studying full time for 5 years.

Now Neale is employed as a Technical Officer at Monash University's Gippsland Centre for Art and Design. He has worked as a sessional teacher at Yallourn TAFE and has run art classes in Portrait Drawing and Photography at ARC in Yinnar. It has been a career change which came from necessity, but while studying Visual Arts it also became a lifestyle change of attitude and direction. Now as an artist, Neale says you see the world and life from a different point of view. Portrait painting is a special love, and Neale is entering a painting in the Doug Moran Portrait Prize Competition which will be judged early in 2006.

In the early days of construction of Monash University (then Gippsland Institute of Technology), Neale ventured over to the site to see what was happening and being chased from the buildings by workmen. He describes the buildings as looking futuristic and modern. Little did he know that he would get his degree and also be employed there.

Neale considers himself to be a first generation 'Child of Churchill' who is very happy in bringing up the next generation that will appreciate the vibrant community in which we live.



Neale and his family

****CHILDREN'S CORNER****

Birthdayites!



Courtney Hooineyer
5 Years Old on 9nd July



Shyanne Post
3 Years Old on 9th August



Zachary McLure
9 Years Old on 2nd August

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


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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB

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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB
PO BOX 110
CHURCHILL 3842



with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, BIRTHDATE, and whether BOY or GIRL. **We need more members so please join NOW.**

The lucky "Birthdayites" for August were
Zachary McLure and Shyanne Post

BIRTHDAYITES FOR SEPTEMBER 2005

Breamna AMEERBEG	2 years	Bonnie KEARNS	6 years
Ryan BAXTER-BOEHM	6 years	Bevan KEMP	8 years
Jedd BRITTON	8 years	Gema LAIDLAW	7 years
Tylah BRUCE	9 years	Emily LUGTON	5 years
Nicholas COOK	9 years	Taiesha POST	7 years
Tarna FLAKE	7 years	Kerry ROSEWELL	7 years
Danielle FLANIGAN	11 years	Tayla SMITH	10 years
Ellis HAYES-HILLS	7 years		

The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" for September are
JEDD BRITTON and DANIELLE FLANIGAN

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

John Barker Publicity

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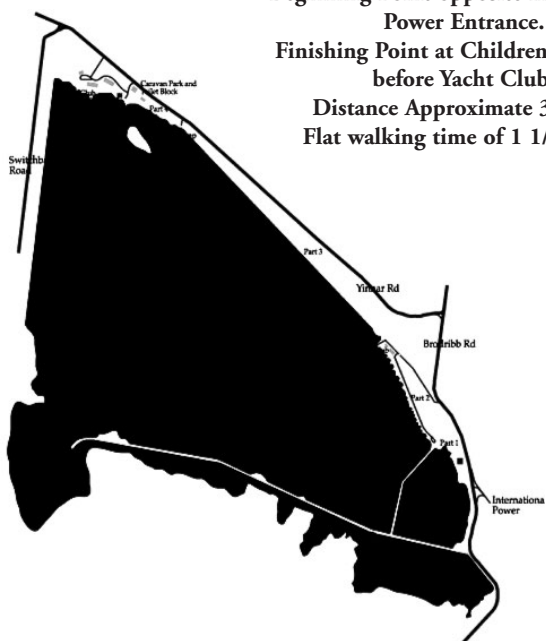
PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY NOW

Pondage Pursuit

The Churchill and District News is running a fundraising activity for the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre.

It is a combination trivia, games walk-a-thon, being held along the west side on the Pondage from the International Power Hazelwood Car Park to the Latrobe Valley Yacht Club.

Beginning Point opposite International Power Entrance.
Finishing Point at Childrens Play area before Yacht Club.
Distance Approximate 3.1 km.
Flat walking time of 1 1/2 hours



Watson Park Pre-School Melbourne Warehouse Shopping Tour

Is happening on Saturday 12 November 2005, come along a great day out with friends and family, do some shopping and have a heap of fun

Approximately 12 outlets will be visited:

\$30.00 per person which includes Morning and Afternoon Team
Payable on booking and non-refundable unless seat can be filled

Underwear	Toys
Leather Goods	Christmas Goodies
Manchester	Sports Warehouse
Shoes	Books
Clothes for the whole family	Giftware

For Bookings or enquires please telephone Lisa Dunn on 5166 1265

Snake Tales

By SCOTT GUERIN

Aaah it's good to be back, it's been a couple of years, but I'm back in the Churchill News and it feels super. This time however I am writing for the Churchill Cricket Club in what will hopefully be a regular article to keep you all informed of the goings on at the Cricket Club this year.

Of course what is a club without a committee. Graeme Harvey has been re-elected as El Presidente, Ash Bolton resumes as Vice President, Wayne Reynolds retains his Secretarial position and Craig Flanigan again takes charge of the books to keep our club running in the Black. Man about town David Shields has taken on the daunting task of Junior Vice President, Rick White dons the overalls as ground manager, whilst our beloved Captain Craig Giddons has returned for another season of mis-timed pull shots and dropped catches, with Ash Bolton assisting him with the coaching.

The General Committee is a cast of thousands, with Haydn Whitty, Rob O'Donnell, Paul McGann, Steven Mayer, Leigh Walker, Katrina Guerin and yours truly making up the numbers.

Training has commenced with good numbers so far, and will continue to be on both Tuesdays and Thursdays for the remainder of the season.

Our Season launch is to be held at the Italian-Australian Club on the 21st of September with all players invited to attend. Would be a great way to kick start, what we hope, will be a successful season. The club has signed some new recruits who

will bolster our club and we are again looking forward to winning 3 flags this year in the senior ranks. Both B and C grades are coming of premierships successes and are certainly keen to keep on the success. A Grade are probably more hungry than ever to win the flag this year, after having to sit and watch the B and C Graders enjoy their wins. Graig Giddons, as stated previously, will once again lead the Cobras in the A grade, with Haydn "The Crow" Whitty looking for back-to-back flags in his second year as captain.

As yet we do not have a C Grade captain, though a few good names, and some not so good ones, have been bandied about to lead the all conquering C grade side. Both A and B Grades Season's commence on the 1st of October.

In the Juniors, the club has probably never been in a better position for a juniors season ever. Normally at this stage of the season we are looking for Junior coaches, but not this year, we have a plethora (that means lots, Haydn) of coaches who are all keen to keep our success of last year going. Last year both our under 16s and under 14s made the grand final, with both falling agonizingly short, however to keep this success going we need committed coaches, and most importantly, NUMBERS.

Man about town David Shields will once again lead the Under 16's team, with the able assistance of Rob O'Donnell and Wayne Reynolds. El Presidente Graeme Harvey and Bob Cooper will take charge of the Under 14s, whilst Craig Flanigan and hopefully one other former champ of the Cobras

will look after the Milo Cricketers. We haven't yet filled our Under 12s coaching position, though we are hoping to get that cleared up shortly. If you are interested in assisting in any of the juniors grades this year, feel free to talk to our coaches who would be more than happy with any assistance offered.

We will be having a sign up day for the juniors on Sunday the 18th of September at Andrews Park, Churchill, commencing at 10am. We welcome all prospective juniors players to come down and sign-up to play this season.

If you have any questions, or can't make it that day, you can contact our president, Graeme Harvey on 51 221 635 or David Shields on 0400 457 459. We are also hoping to host a practice match between Melbourne district teams, Fitzroy-Doncaster and Camberwell Magpies (I think) on that day, so feel free to stay on and see some of the states premier cricketers play at the hallowed Andrew Park Complex.

For those that aren't aware, the Churchill Club rooms are available for hire for functions like 21st's, 50th's, Engagements etc. We provide catering if you wish, with both sit down meals or simple finger food available and have a full kitchen if you want to do it yourself. Drinks at bar prices. If you have a function coming up, or just want a quote, please contact Graeme Harvey on either 51 221 635 or 0412 866 811.

Thank you all, look forward to my next article which will feature a hard hitting, one-on-one interview, with the Man about town himself, Mr David Shields.

Churchill Football/Netball Results

Best Players Round 17

Seniors: Churchill 20 - 9 - 129
Rosedale 12 - 16 - 88

Best: Dean Jenkins, Greig Williams, Bob McCartney, Scott Derham, Adrian Waller, Michael Marchment.

Goal: Daryl Couling 4, Scott Kelly 4, Grantley Switzer 3, Chris Burke 2, Michael Marchment 2, Adrian Waller 2, Simon Answerth 1, Gary Welsh 1, Ben McQuillen 1

Reserves: Churchill 13 - 15 - 93
Rosedale 5 - 9 - 39

Best: Chris Johnson, Matt Giles, Darren Blair, Shaun McNamara, Matt Rennie, Troy Jenkins

Goals: Darren Blair 4, Matt Giles 3, Troy Darby 1, Troy Jenkins 1, Glen McCafferty 1, Shaun McNamara 1, Jim Sanders 1, Aaron Whannell 1.

Thirds: Churchill 4 - 5 - 29
Rosedale 15 - 18 - 108

Best: Ashleigh Hoogendoorn, Stephen Valastro, Josh Hawkins, Rory Shields, Nick Duncan, Toby Sims.

Goals: Ryan Cornell 1, Nick Duncan 1, Paul Metlikovec 1, Toby Sims 1.

Netball

Best: A Grade: Sam Webb, Stacey Sanders and Stacey Darby.

B Grade: Courtney Blackford, Rachael Paterson and Kylie Richards

C Grade: Janette Lindsay, Mandy Leeson and Belinda Thompson

D Grade: Kat Hutchinson, Allanah Nicholls and Brooke Souter

Best Players Round 18

Seniors: Churchill 24 - 16 - 160
Boisdale / Briagolong 18 - 9 - 117

Best: Dean Jenkins, Adrian Waller, Cory Turner, Bob McCartney, Travis Brighton, Dale Paterson.

Goal: Michael Marchment 5, David Bell 3, Dean Jenkins 3, Dale Paterson 3, Grantley Switzer 3, Daryl Couling 2, Simon Answerth 1, James Larkin 1, Cory Turner 1, Gary Welsh 1, David Williams 1

Reserves: Churchill 13 - 15 - 93
Boisdale / Briagolong 8 - 11 - 59

Best: Quiny Whitehead, Glenn Dingwall, Chris Johnson, Matt Giles, Jim Sanders

Goals: Ken Kerslake 3, Jim Sanders 3, James Torr 3, Matt Giles 2, Darren Blair 1, Glen McCafferty 1.

Thirds: Churchill 9 - 5 59 Boisdale / Briagolong 7 - 9 - 51

Best: Josh Hawkins, Nick Duncan, Stephen Valastro, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn, Brad Greaves, Dale Newing

Goals: Ryan Counsel 2, Nick Duncan 2, Josh Cahill 1, Jack Emond 1, Brett Akkerman 1, Ashleigh Hoogendoorn 1, Josh Hawkins .

Netball

A Grade: Churchill 50 Boisdale - Briagolong 26

Best: Kylie O'Brien, Stacey Sanders and Roxy Shields

B Grade: Churchill 36 Boisdale - Briagolong 35

Best: Stacey Spence, Kate Kerslake and Rachael Paterson

C Grade: Churchill 30 Boisdale - Briagolong 17

Best: Mandy Leeson, Janette Lindsay and Kerry Answerth

D Grade: Churchill 28
Boisdale-Briagolong 35

Best: Tammy Armstrong, Nicola Brighton and Allanah Nicholls

Churchill and Monash Golf Club Results

Saturday Men's Comp: 30/07/05
A-Grade: (0-18) G Miller (18) 65

B-Grade: (19-24) P Shields (23) 60
C-Grade: (25-32) A Justice (27) 68 c/b.
DTL: K Garlick 65, S Wotton 66, G Britton 66, R Sheahey 67, L Stein 67, J White 68 c/b. NTP: 3rd F DeBono, 5th S Wotton, 12th K Garlick, 14th G Britton. Birdies: 3rd F DeBono, 5th P Ludlow, 14th C Lesiw.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford:
31/07/05: CCR: 68

Winner: R Welsh (21) 41 pts. DTL: L Maher (19) 37 pts. NTP: 5th V Monument.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford:
31/07/05: CCR 70:

Winner: J Blizzard (26) 39 pts. DTL: H Croft (39) 35 pts, NTP: 5th J Maher.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stroke
Medal: 02/08/05 CCR: 70

Handicap: S Jeffery (31) 70, DTL: C Ellis 71, J Blizzard 72, V Verheyen 75. NTP: 3rd J Blizzard, 5th V Verheyen, 14th E D'Alterio. Birdies: J Blizzard 3rd. Putts: V Verheyen 28. Longest Drive: 0-32 J Blizzard, 33-45 C Ellis.

Saturday Men's Comp: Par Event:
06/08/05

(A) (0-18) D Shields -1. B-Grade: (19-24) F Sedjak +2. C-Grade: (25-32) W Barnes. DTL: G Blizzard +1, R McIvor even, A Casey even, S

Hutchinson -2, P Williams -2, K Hills -2. NTP: 3rd R Sheahey, 5th R Scurlock, 14th G Harvey.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford
07/08/05: CCR: 68

G Down (20) 38. NTP: 5th J Jeffery

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford
07/08/05: CCR: 70

NTP: 3rd J Blizzard, 5th J Blizzard.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: 4 Person
Stableford: 2 Best Scores 09/08/05
CCR: 70

S Jeffery (31), L Peake (45), 67 pts. H Croft (39), J Leslie (20), 67 pts. DTL: L Casey, B Beebe: C Barnes, V Verheyen 64 pts.

Saturday Men's Comp: Stroke -
Greenkeepers Revenge 13/08/05.

CCR 72

A-Grade: (0-18) C Lesiw (11) 74. B-Grade: (19-32) S Hutchinson (28) 74. DTL: G Down 76, A Casey 76, M Brereton 78, F BeBono 79, R Sheahey 79. NTP: 3rd F DeBono, 12th P Shields, 14th R Sheahey.

Sunday Men's Comp:
Stroke 14/08/05

Winner: G Down (20) 69, NTP: 3rd G Down.

Sunday Ladies Comp 14/08/05:
CCR 70

Winner: J Blizzard 75 c/b. NTP: J Blizzard 5th.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Ambrose-
Groundstaff 16/08/05

Winners: R Scurlock (8), J Blizzard (26), D Mogford (45), 62 5/6. DTL: L Stein (12), V Verheyen (28), J Beck (40), 63 1/2. K Garlick (23), J Leslie (20), D Judkins (45), C Ellis (33), 68. Encouragement: D Kamogn (32), B Beebe (35), L Casey (37), 78 2/3.

Saturday Men's Comp: 4 Ball
Multiplication Stableford 20/08/05

Winners: J Armstrong (14), G Harvey (31), 78 pts. Runner-Up: E Winter (32), P Ludlow (13) 74, pts. DTL: R Sheahey/G Fraser 55 pts, G Blizzard/B Barnes 54 pts, c/b. NTP: 3rd J Sedjak, 12th J Armstrong, 14th A Casey.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford
21/08/05: CCR: 68

Winner: M Brereton (11) 34 pts. DTL: D Harvey (22) 31 pts. NTP: 3rd D Harvey, 5th F Sedjak.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford
21/08/05: CCR 70

Winner: H Croft (40) 34 pts. DTL: J Leslie (20) 29 pts. NTP: 5th J Leslie.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stableford
23/08/05: CCR 70

Winner: M McConville (22) 32 pts. DTL: s Cooke (45) 31, M McDonald (35) 29, J Leslie (20) 28 pts. NTP: 5/14 (0-32) M McConville, (33-45) J Beck.



Junior Fishing Competition 5th November

The Associated Angling Club's Junior Fishing Competition is to be held at Lake Hyland on Saturday 5th November 2005.

This competition is very popular with all keen young anglers. Some wonderful prizes will be on offer as usual.

Registration will be at the Lake on

the day from 8.30am to 11.00am. There are three age groups: 4 - 8 years, 9 - 12 years and 13 - 16 years. The cost per entrant will be \$5.00 or for a family (maximum 6) \$10.00.

For more information contact Fiona on 5122 1689. Good luck and tight lines!

Keep Fit Play Tennis

By ELAINE ANDRIJCZAK,
Churchill Tennis Club

The tennis season is fast approaching and the Club is hoping to increase membership and would welcome new and previous members to the Club. Enquiries to - Carol Scott 5122 1464, Elaine Andrijczak 5122 1664, Sally Kirstine 5174 9661.

We are hoping to enter more teams

this year, so please contact us early so that teams can be arranged. Social Tennis - Mondays, 1pm - sets arranged

Saturdays, 1pm - sets arranged
Wednesdays at 6pm - this is in recess for a few weeks due to the cold and wet weather. Social Tennis will resume in September.

Sports

Grand Finals Win For Cougars

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The third quarter started very fast again with many turn-overs. The Cobras pulled away towards the end, leading 18 to 7 at three quarter time. The last quarter was played at a slower pace, with players tiring. Great sportsmanship was shown throughout the game between both teams and it was nice to watch such a friendly game. The Cobras won the Premiership 20 to 10.

The 13 and Under match between the Boolarra Elmo's and the Yinnar Checkers provided the closest game of the day. Both teams started nervously and scores were locked at 5 goals each at the end of the first quarter.

The Elmo's put on lots of defending pressure early in the second quarter to gain a small lead but the Checkers fought back and the

scores were tied at 10 each at half time. The third quarter saw Boolarra score quickly, only to have Yinnar reciprocate.

The score see-sawed throughout the quarter and provided some very entertaining and nail-biting netball. The Elmo's ended the third quarter in front by 3 goals.

Yinnar came out firing in the last quarter and pushed the score to 18 goals each with only 5 minutes of play left. There were lots of ball turn-overs in the last few minutes as the pressure got to all the players. Boolarra Elmo's won a hard fought match, 20 to 19.

The Yinnar Swallows met the Daredevils in the 11 and Under game. The Daredevils played strongly all season but started their game shakily. The Swallows small-

er players moved the ball well but struggled to shoot over the Daredevils taller players.

The Daredevils were leading 7 to 2 at the end of the first quarter and strengthened their lead at the next break. Yinnar applied lots of pressure in the third quarter to keep the Daredevils from scoring for 5 minutes. Scores at three quarter time were Daredevils 11 to Yinnar Swallows 3. All the players showed signs of tiring in the last quarter, limiting goal-shooting opportunities.

Yinnar played a very strong game against their older and taller opponents and held their opposition scoreless in the last quarter. The final score was Daredevils 11 to Yinnar Swallows 3.



Boolarra Elmo's: Back - Prue Billingsley, Alyce Reiske, Emma Lardner, Natasha Walsh, Coach Anne Reiske, Front - Anna McGlade, Kadia Iardner, Penny Owen, Julie Bernardi.



The Daredevils: Back - Jessica Middlemiss, Neteisha Nicola-Mattioli, Coach Sharon Middlemiss, Lisa van Sambeek, Suzie Moss, Front - Monica Gradford, Cassie Hall, Kayla McLure, Elisha Price.

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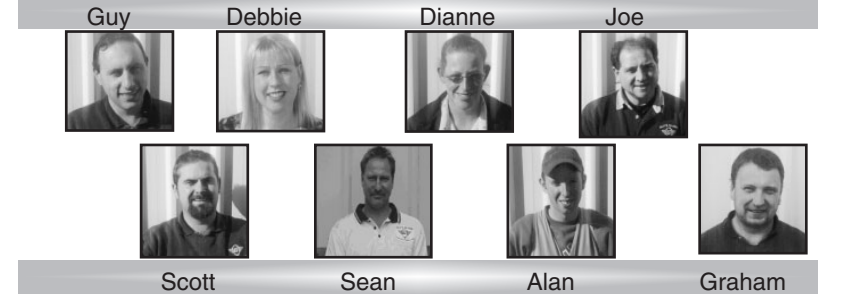
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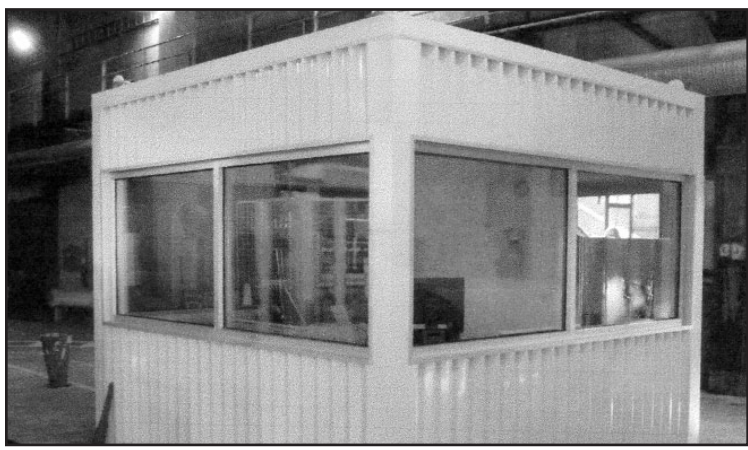
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