

CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS

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Churchill and District Intergenerational Community Hub

An Update on Churchill and District's Multipurpose Building

THERE is excitement growing for the development of the Churchill Hub project. The steering committee members are being approached regularly and asked how the project is proceeding.

At present there are many elements of the project being addressed and a great deal of work is underway to ensure that the project moves forward.

It is an exciting time to be involved with this project as there is so much being achieved to push the project closer to its construction phase. The committee is gearing up to produce final architectural designs, the funding submissions have been completed and are in for assessment and local partnerships are growing through the ongoing consultations with the community.

Building Design

The floor plan of the Hub is to be designed to invite the sharing of resources, space and to encourage the interaction of visitors. At the same time there will be areas separated for private space to suit the needs of all users. A large, safe, friendly and inviting environment is being designed for childcare needs.

There is a community kitchen being developed for the use of visitors to the centre and for possible catering requirements. The kitchen space will be accessible as shared space and available for use by all programs utilising the Hub.

The establishment of a public library will make the library services more accessible to people within the district. Along with the library, there will be an establishment of computer



resources and internet connection for the public.

These are just several of the many concepts and ideas being developed by the committee based on feedback from the community. This feedback is important in the development of the project to ensure that the needs of the district can be addressed as best as possible. This is why there is a strong devotion to community engagement.

The Churchill Public Hall

Plans are underway to redevelop the existing public hall to include the hall into the development of the Hub.

There have been some interesting and exciting ideas put forward regarding the Public Hall, which include the discussion of the existing roadways adjacent to the hall along Philip Parade. The redevelopment of the roadway is under investigation to build a connection between the

Hub and the Public Hall.

The hall itself will receive a facelift to highlight the link with the Hub and to reinvigorate the existing structure. The interior is being examined to develop a plan to make the facilities suitable for new services and projects.

The lower level of the hall will be developed to allow for studio space for local community projects, arts and crafts and neighbourhood learning programs. The upstairs hall area will be utilised for the possible development of music and drama groups. There has been some enthusiastic input for the upstairs gig space for local bands to practice and perform as well as visiting performers and a venue for underage discos.

The plans for the redevelopment of the Public Hall are in the concept stage and therefore there is still time for more community input. The possibilities have not been limited and there is room

for change to meet community desires and needs.

Fundraising

The Churchill and District Community Association have commenced the fundraising push for the community to raise \$50,000 to contribute to the fit out of the Hub.

They wish to reinforce previous requests for local community groups and services to join in the push to reach the desired amount. The Hub project will bring fantastic benefits to the community. It is our community therefore, it would be great if we all could get behind the fundraising drive.

Donations can be made by mail to: Churchill and District Community Association, PO Box 191, Churchill, 3842

Community Engagement

The steering committee is strongly and enthusiastically engaged in community consultation to ensure that the district is included in the process of developing the project. They are currently undertaking measures to meet with local schools and service clubs to gather more feedback and to identify the individual needs of the community.

It is a community project and therefore community input is vital.

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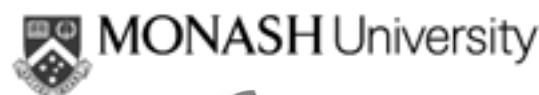
Pictured above: artists impression of the link between the Town Hall and the Hub.

An Eggstravaganza!



Yinnar South Primary School's Easter Eggstravaganza. Story and more pictures on page 8

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EDITORIAL

The Churchill Intergenerational Hub - that is quite a mouthful, but what does it mean to residents? To find exactly what it is please come along to the Public Meeting on 22nd May. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Hub is a major development and will have an impact on almost all residents, be it small or large. The meeting will be an opportunity to ask questions and raise any concerns with the City

Council and the Steering Committee.

The photographic competition has now closed. We were thrilled by the number and quality of the entries and thank everyone who entered.

All photographs entered will be on display at the Prizegiving on May 18th and also at the shopping centre - more details on page 13. All are welcome to attend, not just the prizewinners. See you there! Ed.

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The Churchill and District News echoes the thoughts of many Churchill residents as it extends its deepest sympathy to the Doherty family on the tragic passing of Elyse.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.



First Session Free Neighbourhood Centre

The Churchill Neighbourhood House Learning Centre, based at the Monash Churchill Leisure Centre, continues to offer a wide range for programs for people in all ages. The activities include computer training, embroidery, patchwork quilting, folkart painting, and lead-lighting, and new participants are most welcome.

Interested people are welcome to attend their first session for free, and then decide if they wish to continue attending the classes. Prices for classes are approx-

imately \$5.

The quilting group recently acquired a professional quilting machine, and will be training people to use the machine in the near future.

The Centre is planning to hold a craft market later in the year.

The Centre is also seeking support from the community through the donation of fabric pieces to be used in making quilts for charity.

For further information is available by contacting the Centre on ph. 5122 2955.



Family Photos Models Wanted

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An Update on Churchill and District's Multipurpose Building

There is no point in developing a community project if the community is not involved. The community must be a major player in the project to ensure that the project remains focussed on meeting the community's needs.

There is a public meeting being organised to discuss issues that have recently been addressed by the steering committee. There will be a display of concept drawings to provide avenues for the public to gain an insight into some of the proposed ideas and to offer a basis for ideas and needs to be addressed. There will also be discus-

sions regarding fundraising, a community investment program, the Public Hall, Neighbourhood house and the governance of the Hub after construction.

If you would like to be a part of the project and have your thoughts and ideas addressed or if you just want to know what is going on and the progress of the project then come to the public meeting.

The meeting will be held on: Monday 22 May 2006 at 5:30pm, Churchill Town Hall

Light refreshments will be provided.

APOLOGIES: RE CHURCHILL FESTIVAL

By RUTH PLACE

IT is always risky when we name names that someone will be left out. This is of course what has happened in our thanks to our volunteers and stallholders.

Our sincere thanks go to these wonderful volunteers- Damon D., Darren D., Bob C. Peter, David and Kevin G., David L., Trevor B., Martin R. Tess Mc. Terry K. and the ladies from Lumen Christi Parish who helped in the Easter Activities tent. Also thanks to all those who dis-

tributed leaflets to many places. If we have left out anyone else, we are sorry. We appreciated all the help we received.

To Paul and the Lumen Christi display on behalf of the school and the parish, thank you for your efforts also. Glad you had a good day.

We have had some wonderful positive feedback. We are always open to ways we can improve, so if you have some helpful comments we would love to hear them.

Women's Health Day

SATURDAY 20 May will be an exciting day for women to get together and enjoy a series of mini health seminars on offer at Latrobe Community Health Service, 42 Fowler St. Moe. During the day, there will be six concurrent sessions of which women can choose 3 to attend.

These will be run by a dietician, psychologist, continence nurse, Gippsland Womens Health Service

Nurse, Gippsland Breast Screen and for something more physical, Tai Chi. There will be lots of other information available and 'show bags' to take it all home in. The day will run from 10 am to 3.45 and costs \$10 which includes lunch.

Women must register by 12 May. To obtain a booking form contact Latrobe Community Health Service Moe ph. 5127 9100 or 5127 9139.



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Neighbourhood Centre Quilters Group Celebration

ANNE and Jean of the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre quilting group, with the backing of their group members, decided to raise the funds to purchase a quilting machine.

The reason for this was many of the ladies found the job of quilting on a small machine was hard work and left them with sore shoulders, if they attempted any larger pieces of work.

The ladies had visited a quilting show and seen this machine costing approximately \$5000. The price seemed daunting, that is until Anne decided that they should give it a go, and try to make their dream come true.

Their first money raiser was a raffle. The group made things which they used as the prizes. This raffle was well supported, especially by the people of Churchill when they sold tickets outside Café le Mac. \$1600 was raised- a great effort which enthused the group. But it was Anne who went to businesses and asked for donations.

She had a marvellous response. She says she was overwhelmed by people's generosity. The group also decided to put in for a Latrobe City Council Community Grant.

This was successful, adding a

further \$2200 to the total. The group now had sufficient funds to purchase the machine.

It is big a whole (small) room at the Neighbourhood Centre has been set aside to house the machine. To accommodate the machine at the correct height, a table was needed. Here, the handyman skills of Jean's husband came to the fore, creating a table which holds and support this marvellous machine.

As a tribute to Anne who did so much to ensure the purchase of the machine, it has been named "Annie". Anne is chuffed at this salute.

There are 10-12 in the group, and their teacher is Christine Luck. The group plans to learn how to use the machine competently, and then offer to teach members of the public how to use it.

There will of course, be fees to use the machine, but this will help with costs for maintenance and materials, like threads.

Plans for the future, include making quilts for charities such as the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre, and hospitals. The group also hopes to be able to use computers to generate patterns and designs.

For Adult Learner's Week beginning on 1 September, the group

wants to have a quilt hanging at the Neighbourhood Centre.

To celebrate and launch this machine, an event took place at the Neighbourhood Centre on Wednesday 19 April. Amid an enthusiastic and excited buzz, speeches were made by Anne Boothman and Henry Parniac, opening proceedings.

This was followed by a demonstration of "Annie". The morning concluded with a delicious spread to eat, accompanied by much chat about the "Annie".

The Quilter's Group would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for their donations: Latrobe City Council, Morwell Art and Framing, Latrobe Valley Machining, Sheer Perfection Hairdressers, Holmes Road Transport and Trading, Morwell Newsagency, Christine Luck, Mill Shop Morwell, Jomar Joinery, Morwell Fish and Chips, F&T Fitting and Machining, Mick Baudendistel, Manny's Market Morwell, Coles New World Morwell and Foodworks Churchill.

Pictured: the launch of 'Annie', the quilting machine.



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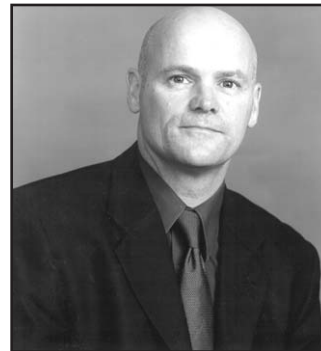


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Proposed War Memorial For Churchill

THE Churchill & District Community Association (C.D.C.A.) is chasing up a design that will fit the allotted budget. They are working with Morwell R.S.L. to ensure the design is acceptable.

As part of this project, the C.D.C.A. wants to be able to have a place where the names on the Honour Roll from

Hazelwood South Hall can be inscribed. Interested parties can contact Rob Whelan on 51223602. This memorial will be part of a bigger overall plan to develop the area where the old nursery was.

Church Times

Co-operating Churches of Churchill

Rev. Dr. Bob Brown
Williams Avenue, Churchill.
Tel: 5122 1480
Glenda and Ian Combridge
Tel: 5166 1819
Sunday Service: 9.30am.
Choruses: 9.20am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church

35 Walker Parade, Churchill
Tel: 5122 2226
Father Malcolm Hewitt
Saturday: Mass: 7.30pm
Sunday: Mass: 9.30am
1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays: Yinnar:
Mass: 11.00 am
2nd and 4th Sundays: Boolarra:
Mass: 11.00am

Churchill Christian Fellowship

Maple Crescent, Churchill.
Sunday: 10.00am
Ladies Meeting: Tuesday 10.00am



Church Snippets

Churchill Festival

THE congregation played a significant role in supporting this event. The Ladies Fellowship cut the sandwiches, which were distributed to all the volunteers and stall holders. Other members helped with transport of tables and seating. Ian was responsible for the electrical needs and the church stall. Several members staffed the Easter activities tent. The Churchill and District News team organised the event.

The Church thanks everyone who came, held a stall, participated in some way, and enjoyed the day despite the weather.

Easter Services

As is our usual custom, Lumen Christi and the Co-operating Churches shared services together. Tenebrae was held at Lumen Christi this year. In a very moving way Christ's last days and hours were presented in seven parts. After each part, a candle was extinguished, until finally the Christ Candle was extinguished to represent Jesus' last breath on the cross.

On Good Friday, the Walk of

Witness took place. Commencing at the Co-Operating Church the walk proceeded to Lumen Christi, to the Post Office, the Newsagency and the tree near the Switchback Road round-a-bout. At each place Bible readings, reflection and singing, retold the story of Jesus' last days. The weather was kind with only gentle rain on occasions. The hot cuppas and warm hot cross buns were welcomed by the weary walkers as the service finished back at the Co-Operating Church.

Easter Sunday was a good celebration of the happy remembrance of Jesus' coming back to life to once and for all, conquer death, and to be the sacrifice for all human kind who through faith receive the grace of God, by believing Jesus died for all.

Karen Price -Alzheimers Awareness Group

This talk was organised by the Ladies Fellowship, and was open to the public. The group who attended were most interested and entertained by the speaker Karen Price, pictured left.

Karen presented a very informa-

tive talk about dementia and memory loss. There is an article elsewhere in this issue by Karen, for your information.

Easter Club

About 80 children, pictured above and below enjoyed the time of loving fellowship, Easter message, and craft activities, provided by the wonderful members of the congregation on the 6th and 20th April. A tired crew of helpers went home after the two sessions of 1/2s and 3/4s.

Ivy Goodwins Ordination

For those of you who met the lovely Ivy when she was our supply minister for 2 plus years, you will know how good a job she will do, and has been doing, as an ordained minister of the Uniting Church of Australia. Ivy has followed her calling to be a minister, even though taken up in later life, to the point of her ordination on Sunday 9th April at the Warragul Uniting Church. Ivy has been serving at the parish of Stratford, where she has been asked to continue in that role, but now as a fully ordained minister.



Saturday Breakfast

THE last Breakfast was held on Saturday 22 April at the Co-Operating Churches with the Rev Lyn Porritt, (pictured above) Monash Gippsland Chaplain, as the guest speaker. Her talk was based on the one Lyn gave at the series of lunch time sessions at Monash in 2005. Lyn spoke about the various images of God she had experienced during her life, beginning with those of her childhood which particularly influenced her.

She was thankful for her mother for introducing her to some of those images which helped her appreciate God as a caring and understanding being. Lyn went on to talk about how people's images of God change as they get older and as they have various experiences throughout life.

How God can be seen in nature and in experiences that people have with nature such as at the seaside, at night and at other times were mentioned.

Likewise the love and kindness of a caring God can be experienced at times with encounters with people under various situations. Lyn's talk was well illustrated by photos in a PowerPoint presentation.

The details for the next Saturday Breakfast has not been finalised at the time of writing but it is anticipated it will be held on 27 May at 7.30 am at the Co-Operating Churches Churchill. Details can be obtained from Keith Enders nearer the time on 51221148 or by e-mail at kbenders@net-tech.com.au.

Chaplaincy Contemplations

WHAT a beautiful Easter it was enabling both the Churchill and Boolarra/Yinnar communities to walk with the cross of Jesus on Good Friday, one community of Christians to join in the Passion of our Lord.

At the University we had Maundy Thursday services at lunchtime and in the evening which gave people an opportunity to wash each others feet and to wait in the garden of Gethemane with a sense of empathy, participation and awe at this journey which Jesus undertook with determination and faith in God.

Here at the University it is now the time of year when assignments fall due and apprehension and doubt can set in. Nonetheless most students will submit their work on time, do the best they can and learn something new.

Living in this beautiful part of the world surrounded by the Strezelekies it is useful for all of us who live in this community to remember Psalm 121 when we find ourselves needing help to keep going.

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord is your keeper : the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

The sun shall not strike you by day : nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all evil : he will keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

Rev'd Lyn Porritt

Anglican Priest

Chaplain, Monash University

Gippsland Campus





Wattle Club- Two Up!

By RUTH PLACE

"QUICK! Call the cops! The Wattle Club members are playing Two Up. Some of the players are placing huge bets! How do I know? Well I sneaked in past the Cockie on the door.

Fortunately, she was distracted by those doing a very large and tricky jig-saw. When they saw me they didn't turn a hair, but went right on playing, as cocky as you please.

Well I turned a blind eye and proceeded to find out what else these unsavory characters had been up to.

It seems that to start the day Dot Rowley and Reg Selwyn, began by reminiscing on their days of army

involvement. No doubt some tall tales were spun, as they told what they had got up to lighten the enormity of the war situation.

All this excitement makes one hungry, so morning tea was served with, you guessed it, ANZAC biscuits. Well as I told you, it was all down hill from there!

Throughout the month there had been some sober (I think) times, with a visit to the Traralgon RSL Club for lunch and a tour of the newer housing areas of Traralgon, to see some of the spectacular designs, and sights.

Another outing was to Fish Creek for lunch at the Orange Roughy.

Parents Without Partners

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Worried about your memory?

AS we get older, memory change is one of our most common concerns. We have all had the experience of losing our car keys, forgetting an appointment or being unable to recall someone's name. How often have we said, or heard other people say, "my memory's hopeless these days"? After all, our memory is an essential part of who we are, so it is no wonder we become anxious and worried when we start to notice changes. We might wonder: What sort of memory changes are normal as we get older? Could it be the beginning of Dementia? What can I do about it?

Memory change associated with normal healthy ageing should not interfere with our everyday life in any significant way. Memory at any age will differ from one person to another. We are all individuals.

Some of us may have an extraordinary talent for remembering people's telephone numbers, but may be hopeless at remembering names. Others may be very good at remembering to send birthday cards on time, while the rest of us always forget until after the event! More and more variation in our memory abilities occurs as we get older.

Recent research has shown that as we get older, the most common changes we experience are in our ability to pay attention, our ability to ignore distractions (both of which can be made

worse by hearing loss), our ability to acquire and store new information, and on the time it takes for us to recall things. Our memory is also influenced by other factors such as our health, vision or hearing problems, medication, depression, grief, stress, and our attitudes and beliefs in the skills we have. In order to make the most of our memory, it is important to be aware of these factors, and if necessary, to do something about them.

Memory strategies such as using a diary, whiteboard or calendar can be helpful. Other tips such as organizing your belongings so they are easier to find, repeating new names in conversation in order to be able to remember them later, taking your time - don't rush, and minimizing distractions can also be helpful in assisting our memory. We need to choose the strategies that best suit us as individuals.

Major changes in memory and thinking which interfere with everyday life are not a normal part of healthy ageing and should be taken seriously. If you are worried about your memory it is advisable to see your doctor sooner rather than later. Alzheimer's Australia Vic can also provide information, practical advice and support. You can ring the Dementia

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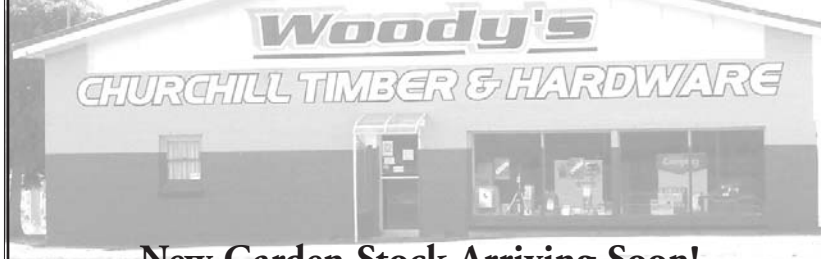


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Lions Club Of Churchill & District - Election Time

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity

TWO of our Lions participated in the Latrobe Health Lions Ride for Sight project over the ANZAC Day weekend - Norm Hall as a rider and John Barker as a support team member. The ride was over four days and covered 376km. See the report elsewhere in this publication.

The club Camp Quality esCarpade vehicle took pride of place at the launch of the Traralgon Secondary College project to build and run a vehicle this year.

Last meeting was election night with all club positions being filled for 2006/07.

There was a working bee held at the yard on our catering equipment.

Catering coming up -

Bunnings: 14th May - a free snag and drink to employees to say "thank you".

Access Education seminar at Monash Uni.

Two new members were inducted at our last meeting, Bill Hurenkamp sponsored by Reg Grisotto and Steve McMenamin sponsored by Bob Lowick.

Donations were made to -

Churchill Soccer Club to assist with completion of their club-rooms

National Stroke Appeal

Lions Australia Cyclone Larry Appeal

Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal

Lions Eye Research (Ride for Sight)

The Lions Birthday Club, sponsored and run through the Churchill & District News by our Lions Club, is a great hit. Liam Antonelli and Amy Smart were each the happy Birthday Club recipients of a \$15 voucher in April. 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.

Boolarra Primary School News

Yinnar & District Sports Day

THE weather was kind and we all really enjoyed participating in the recent athletic sports. Boolarra Primary School placed 2nd overall, which was a fabulous effort but even better, our staff were extremely impressed with the behaviour and effort of all our students.

Cluster Testing

The grade 5/6 students from the primary schools that feed in to Mirboo North Secondary College undertook some literacy and numeracy testing. The students will be tested again at the end of the year so that we can ensure that they are making good progress. We were delighted to see that 3 of Boolarra Primary School's 7 grade 6 students achieved outstanding literacy results. This was extremely gratifying as two of these students undertook Reading Recovery at our school when they were in grade 1. Clearly this intervention and the other fabulous programs we have in place at our school are working well.

Horticultural Activities

Our Junior School Councillors assisted two gentlemen from the Inverloch Horticultural group to run some special activities with our stu-

dents. Every student was able to take home some lovely native plant seedlings as well as some cottage garden seedlings. We also took this opportunity to plant some more native shrubs and flowers in our school grounds.

Peer Mediators

Our grade 5/6 students have now completed their Peer Mediation training. Two students are on duty each week to assist our younger students to resolve disagreements of a minor nature. They are doing a superb job.

Spelling

Our staff identified spelling as an area in which we need to do more to assist our students. To this end our grade 3 to 6 teachers have undertaken training in a nationally acclaimed program called THRASS, which is devised by Speech Therapists. We have also purchased and are using the Soundwaves program which has a strong focus on teaching phonics linked to the many different sounds that single letters and letter combinations can make. Our staff also undertook "Colourful Semantics" training with our local Speech Therapist. We will continue to work hard to find ways to assist our students to

improve their spelling skills.

Boolarra Rodeo

Our parents did a superb job assisting with the catering at the Boolarra rodeo. This was a huge team effort that saw every family help out by donating coleslaw, cutting up onions, pitching the tents we used, lending their generators, BBQs, eskies, lighting etc, and working on the BBQ at their rostered time. This endeavour will raise in the vicinity of \$1,000 for our school, which will buy this year's Children's Book Week short listed books for our Library. We are extremely grateful to have such superb support from our community.



Max, Victoria and Kadia taking part in Horticultural Activities

Forthcoming Events:

8th May -12th May: JSC stage Boolarra Idol during Education Week,

Friday 12th May - Yinnar & District Schools' Cross Country Run, Churchill

Monday 15th May - Taiko Drums and Flutes of Japan, Visiting Show at the School

Friday 26th May - Pupil Free Day, Staff to Refine the Whole School Spelling Program and Literacy & Numeracy Report Format to Parents

Churchill Primary School

Letters Home From War

Yinnar And District Sports

PRIOR to Easter the school participated in the Yinnar and District Sports. All students participated well, showing improvement on previous years. Behaviour was excellent, with many pupils displaying good sportmanship.

Events for the day included, distance running, long and high jump, sprints, discus and shot put. The 5/6s ran in the relays to end the day's activities.

Easter Club

Approximately 80 children from the 1/2s and 3/4s participated in the Easter Club at the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill. There they were made welcome with refreshments, a talk about Easter, and participated in Easter activities. The school would like to thank those at the church for their preparation and participation on the two days.

Easter Egg Hunt

This was a fun and happy way to lead into the Easter Break. Small eggs were hidden all over the oval, and found to the delight of the children.

Fundraisers- Hot Cross Buns And Easter Egg Raffle: These were most successful, raising \$174 for the buns and \$347 for the raffle.

Anzac Day

Many of the classes talked about ANZAC Day and did some work on the subject.

One Grade 5/6 put themselves in the place of soldiers or nurses at the front in the Great War,

and wrote home to their families. Two examples are printed here.

2 McKay CRT, Churchill Vic 3842

Sunday 22 July 1918

Dear Mum,

I miss you it is hard being a nurse. I have to heal one hundred people a day. So far six hundred people have died and six nurses to. I wish I was back home with you and Dad, how is little Riley going? Tell him I love him. We are going to Europe in one more month. Say hi to dad for me. It is horrible the soup is yuk because once I hound a dead rat in my soup. We see a lot of blood, it is horrible. We sailed here by ship. The ship had cannons just in case. I have met thousands of great people and soldiers. The soldiers are good to be around because we feel safe. It has been so dangerous because there are bombs and shells hitting everywhere. One of the best nurses died. I was in tears.

Love you lots, Josey.

56 Coolabah Drive, Churchill 3842

Sunday 14 September 1917

Our Grandma Hairy Chin (Mum)

I have just arrived at A.N.Z.A.C. cove in Gallipoli. I have had to eat slump that looks like chunky vomit! I had to be a Bandage Boy for a while, I've seen really disgusting things like bad wounds and badly fractured arms and legs which I've had to bandage up, it was worth it though I

got to stay out of the fight and out of those dangerous battlefields which were covered with beautiful red poppies, I will send you some in my next letter because I not able to go out and get them for fear of getting shot. While I was Bandage Boy I made some friends they were a nurse named Becky and the other Bandage Boy Bernard. The weather conditions are terrible, its always raining. I'm going to put in for Bandage Boy again for less chance of getting hurt. I don't think my friend Bernard is ok, I think they put him in the Western Front and he couldn't survive. When we arrived in Gallipoli it was green grass everywhere, but now there are corpses on the ground and gun shells going of all the time. Hope to see you soon.

Love Cameron

The Prep/1 made artificial wreaths and did a work sheet about ANZAC Day.

Gardening Project

From 8 May, the school, has begun a gardening project, which includes selecting and identifying, collecting and harvesting seeds, potting and growing of same- both indigenous species and vegetables. These will be propagated in the school's glasshouse and vegetable garden.

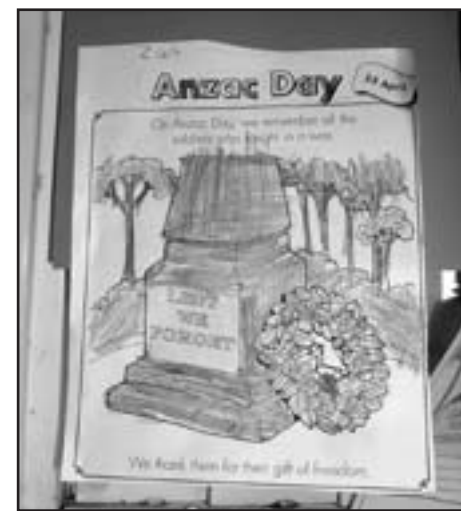
As time progresses, there will be the opportunity to be involved in a community garden, which aims to increase the community's knowledge and appreciation of the Ganai/Kurnai people's use of indigenous plants, and their spiritual

connection to the land.

The plan also includes re-vitalisation of the school's grounds with plantings of native species, and sufficient numbers of plants for the children to be able to take some home.

Plantings of vegetables will serve to educate the children about where and how they are grown and harvested.

All students throughout this project will develop their awareness of environmental issues such as saving water, interaction of living plants, land use, benefit of bush fires, the food chain, global warming and locally identified issues such as the need for willow removal to improve the health of the rivers. More news next issue.



Hazelwood North 125th Anniversary



*The whole school enjoyed being involved in the Yinnar and District Sports.

*The school has recently purchased a new computer program, Kidspiration. Students and teachers are trying it out in their classrooms.

*To celebrate Education Week, the school had an Open Morning on Wednesday May 10th; this includes morning tea in the staffroom.

*Junior School Councillors recently organised an Easter Activity afternoon for the whole school. *Junior School Council Members were the instructors for the afternoon and did a fantastic job. Thanks to Sue Duncan for guiding them through this activity.

As mentioned in the previous Churchill News, the school will be celebrating its one hundred and twenty fifth anniversary on October 6th and

7th. We are seeking to make contact with former students, staff members and parents of the school. They may have photos that can be scanned or may be willing to be interviewed by senior students at the school. Please ring the school on 51661267 for more information.

Following is a report on the Activities Day by our JSC members.

On Wednesday 12th April, Junior School Council and Year 6 students ran an Easter Fun afternoon for the students.

Some of the activities we ran were: egg and spoon race, egg collecting race, puzzles, colouring in, basket making and card making. We changed the activities every half an hour. Everyone had a great day and

the organisers learnt more about teaching.

Billy Davey, Damien Taifer and Maddi Alexander.



Schools News

Lumen Christi - Students benefit from parent body

THE students of Lumen Christi have been delighted with the installation of a new sand pit. The parent body work tirelessly for the school and this is just one of the benefits of their efforts.

Students from all classes play together, sharing toys and tools displaying such values as cooperation, tolerance and respect. It is wonderful to see the older students guiding and supporting the little ones in their play.

The school community has also been extremely lucky to receive funding from School Focused Services to implement the "Friendly Schools and Families Anti-Bullying Program." This program is a whole school approach to addressing the bullying issue, something that is in every school and something that has such a soul-destroying effect on the children who are targeted.

In 2003 The National Safe Schools Framework was published

and all schools must implement this framework in their school in 2006. This was a combined effort by the Australian and State and Territory governments to assist schools in the promotion and provision of supportive learning environments in which all students can feel safe.

The six key elements of the program are: 1. School Values, ethos, culture, structure and student welfare, 2. Establishment of agreed policies, programs and procedures, 3. Provision of education and training to school staff, students and parents, 4. Managing incidents of abuse and victimization, 5. Providing support for students, 6. Working closely with parents.

The major issues as stated in the National Safer Schools Framework resource pack (2003) are; "bullying, harassment, violence and child protection."

The Framework (2003) also states that:

'It recognises the need for sustained positive approaches that include an appreciation of the ways in which social attitude and values impacts on the behaviour of students in our school communities. Such approaches encourage all members of the school community to:

*value diversity, *contribute positively to the safety and well-being of themselves and others, *act independently, justly, cooperatively and responsibly in school, work, civic and family relationships; *contribute to the implementation of appropriate strategies that create and maintain a safe and supportive learning environment (2003)'

I feel that at present our school community is doing all it can to promote such an environment and is being proactive in dealing with such issues as bullying, the first issue listed in the National Safe Schools Framework.



Enjoying the new sandpit



Churchill Festival



Kurnai College Tarra Bulga National Park



By AARON OSBORNE and CAITLIN DOHERTY

ON the third of March year 8 ALP (Advanced Learning Program) students from Kurnai College, Churchill campus attended an excursion to Tarra Bulga National Park. The purpose of this was to compliment their students on tropical and temperate rainforests in the Asia-Pacific area. This visit to the park was led by the park Ranger, Craig Campbell from parks Victoria. The emphasis of the study was on vegetation and conservation of the rainforest. Students had to look at the dominant plant species, measure the Mountain Ash and look at the structure of the rainforest.

All the students enjoyed the excursions, as they never knew there was such an amazing temperate rainforest right at their doorstep. The students were fascinated by the foods that they were lucky enough to sample. The foods sampled include a mint

bush and plant that had quite a spicy after taste that gave some students quite a surprise. Unfortunately, some unpleasant leeches attacked unsuspecting students!

The enjoyment was cut short due to a bus driver unwilling to take the students to Tarra Valley to see Tarra falls. All the students were disappointed with some even willing to take the 8 kilometre hike down there with most not realising that they would still have to walk back up the steep hill.

Most students agreed that the experience was exhilarating and very inspiring. We have some direct quotes from the students like...

"Quality Expedition" Stephanie Treloar. "Inspiring" Jake Whitelaw. "Brought a tear to my eye!" David Sands. "A worthwhile experience" Robyn Moore

"The leeches were disgusting!!" Mandy Knight



Awareness Days

THE first of the Awareness days was held on 1 May. These days are a chance for parents and grade 5/6 students from the feeder schools to attend Kurnai, engage in a variety of fun educational activities which allow the students and parents to become familiar with the college environment. It also allows the students to experi-

ence what it is like to have different classes with different teachers in different rooms. Activities are conducted with the 5/6s and year 7/8s together.

The second day will be held on 31st May. This is a worthwhile opportunity for parents to see the school first hand.

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Yinnar South Eggstravaganza



WE started term two with an enrolment of 45 and offered a very warm welcome to our new students, Laiken, Shaquille, Cohen, Tiarlah and Declan Politis. We hope they enjoy being part of our lovely school and broader community.

The Commonwealth Games provided much of the focus for our studies at school during March. All students in grades 3 -6 completed a major project on a country of the Commonwealth and used their skills in:

REMEMBERING (Knowledge) e.g. Present a fact file of general information/research a popular sport or game.

UNDERSTANDING (Comprehension) e.g. Describe the climate and discuss the effects of living in this type of environment. Retell a traditional story in your own words.

APPLYING (Application) e.g. Make a 3D model of a traditional building (e.g. house, temple, and castle). Create a diorama depicting a festival celebration.

EVALUATING (Synthesis) e.g. Make up and perform a dance to music. Design a travel brochure that will encourage tourists to visit.

ANALYSING (Analysis) eg. Interview someone who came from or who has visited your chosen country. Plan a typical meal. Include a menu and recipes.

CREATING (Evaluation) e.g. How would your life differ if you were living in your chosen country?

Compare the life of a primary age student in Australia with a child in your chosen country. All students did a great job. Here are some photographs of students with aspects of their projects.

The Junior School Council organised an Easter "Crazy Eggstavanza" on Wednesday 12th April. Here is their report:

"Today we had an Easter Crazy day. We started off by getting the whole school on the basketball court. Each grade paraded in front of everyone. First the preps went around showing everyone in the school; the winners from that grade were Elizabeth dressed as a movie star and Nikita dressed really crazy. Then the grade 1's went around, the winner from that grade was John dressed as batman. The winner from Grade 2 was Tiarlah who was wearing a lovely white dress and looked like a princess.

The winner from Grade 3 was Cameron who looked fantastic dressed as a Zebra. The Grade 4 winner was Bryce C dressed as a farmer. The winner from Grade 5 was Caitlin who was dressed really crazy. The winner from Grade 6 was Brenton who was dressed as a Jedi Knight.

Later in the day we held an egg drop and egg roll competitions and the Easter raffle was drawn. Thank You to everyone who donated for the Easter raffle and sold tickets. We made a profit of \$159.90."



Find the frog!



New Arrivals at Churchill North Primary

By Meagan Blewett

THE students are very excited about the arrival of two baby Green Tree Frogs. The frogs are on display in the corridor next to the library for everybody to come and see.

The children are learning to feed and care for the frogs. Some children have already brought food in to feed the frogs which is great to see (thanks to Cusick Family). At the moment the frogs eat small crickets.

Each class also has tadpoles and will be studying the habitat and growth over the year. Our tadpoles have come from the Amphibian Research Centre, which

is licensed to supply us with the tadpoles. These tadpoles will become 'Rocky River Frogs'.

Churchill North Primary is very fortunate to be part of a project called 'Environmental Science to Environmental Journalism', which is government funded. All this work on tadpoles and frogs is part of this project. The project will also involve a family science night and a visit to the Amphibian Research Centre later in the year.

FREE DRESS DAY

A big thank you to all the students who participated in the Free

Dress Day. Due to your generosity we raised \$128 which will purchase 25 pairs of glasses for needy people.



Giving the Gift of sight - Lions See the Need

By JOHN BARKER, Publicity

SIGHT First is a Lions International Project, and Lions most ambitious and successful initiative ever. Thanks to Sight First, Lions have restored sight to 5 million people through cataract surgeries, prevented serious vision loss for 20 million people and improved eye care services for hundreds of millions.

Sight can be downgraded by many conditions, some of which are listed below -

Glaucoma - is a group of eye diseases in which the pressure inside the eye may or may not be elevated. If untreated, vision loss or blindness may result. Many people at high risk are unaware that they could be going blind.

At risk are people with a hereditary history and those over the age of 60 years. There are no initial symptoms - vision stays normal, there is no pain. As the disease progresses, the person may notice their side vision gradually failing. As it worsens the field of vision narrows and blindness results. If detected and treated early it can usually be controlled.

Diabetes - Diabetic eye disease refers to a group of eye problems that people with diabetes may face as a complication of this disease. Diabetic eye disease may include Diabetic retinopathy - damage to the blood vessels in the retina. This is the leading cause of blindness in American adults. Cataract is the clouding of the eye's lens. Glaucoma is the increase in fluid pressure inside the eye that leads to optic nerve damage and loss of vision.

Many people at high risk for diabetic eye diseases are unaware that that they could be going blind. The longer someone has diabetes the more likely they are to get diabetic retinopathy.

At risk are people who are diabetic and those over the age of 60 years. Diabetic eye disease shows no symptoms in its earliest stages. Blurred vision may occur when swelling in the eye occurs.

CHURCILL LIONS CLUB INVOLVE- MENT -

The **LIONS RIDE FOR SIGHT** is a fun social event raising funds for vision research into preventable blindness. This year it was a four day 376km event starting at Lions Village Licola on Saturday 22nd April and finishing at Moe (Newborough) on Tuesday 25th April. Lions clubs along the way hosted the ride with morning and afternoon tea, lunch, dinner and the stop-over venue. All participants travelled to Licola on Friday for the pre-event stop-over.

Day 1: The route started at Licola and went up and down, down and up, through the hills to Heyfield for lunch. Then after skirting Lake Glenmaggie, off across the "flats" via Newry to Maffra for the second night stop-over.

Day 2: Set off through Boisdale and Briagalong for a well earned lunch break at Stockdale. Then continuing along the back roads through Fernbank to the stop-over at Bairnsdale.

Day 3: After a group photo at Latrobe Health Offices in Bairnsdale, the group took a leisurely ride through Bengworden to Perry's Bridge for lunch. After crossing the Princes Highway between Sale and Stratford, we stopped for afternoon tea at Bunguagula then off on the "long haul" of 50km to Toongabbie for our next overnight stop-over.

Day 4: All riders, officials and support crew took part in an ANZAC service at Toongabbie before heading off for Moe via Glengarry and Tyers. On reaching the Soccer ground in Newborough, the end of the ride, many weary bodies flopped down for the luncheon and presentations.

There were 43 riders who took part and around 12 support crew. The rider's job was easy - all they had to do was ride. The support crew job was by far the hardest - they had to monitor and control the ride. Some of the riders may argue this point, but facts are facts. Signs were placed at strategic locations to direct the riders,

and Marshall's gave directions when necessary. The crews maintained communication via radios. The riders were followed by the First Aid and "tail end charlie", a pickup vehicle that controlled the tail end of the group of riders and ensured we did not leave any riders behind. The accommodation consisted of finding a spot on the floor of the stop-over venue and throwing down a swag or sleeping bag.

The Churchill Lions Club entrant, Norm Hall - this was his third ride - did a fantastic job. He again showed the seasoned riders what tenacity and the ability to hide pain could do as he kept the pace for the distance. His support, John Barker, rode in comfort (?) in the club's Camp Quality esCarpade car which doubled as the "tail end charlie". Matt Stolk from Yinnar (sponsored by Yinnar Lions) decided to take part as a rider for the first time this year and did exceptionally well considering his age and experience, easily realising his preset goals, one of which was to finish the ride.

A great time was had by all. There were



Churchill Lions Norm Hall (rider) and John Barker (support) with the Yinnar Lions entrant Matt Stolk (rider)

smiles and handshakes all round as the participants readied for their home trips, many already declaring they will be back next year. Around \$40000 plus was raised or pledged, a great effort for a fantastic cause. Churchill Lions donated \$1200, Churchill Lioness' donated \$250 and sponsorship for Norm Hall increased the total to around \$2000. The funds that are raised from "Ride for Sight" is donated for Eye Research in Melbourne.

Koala Kinder

Koala Kinder is a privately operated, 3 year old kinder group, registered with Children's Services Victoria and is aimed at pre-kinder children.

We operate on Tuesday mornings from 9.00am-11.30am at the The Walkley Park Children's Centre in Mulcare Crescent.

We employ a fully qualified teacher and an enthusiastic assistant to run each session.

We encourage you to come and visit our

Centre, you will be impressed. Limited places are available. Contact Marnie Scholes on 5122 2790 for more details.



Change of Meeting Venue

By Margaret Guthrie, President
AFTER many years of meeting on a Tuesday night, CDCA has decided to trial a change of our regular meetings to the second Wednesday of each month.

We'll be starting at the earlier time of 7pm and meetings will be held in the back room at the Churchill Noodle Bar.

We've decided to make these changes in response to the requests of members who have sporting commitments on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The earlier starting time will also allow us to get home earlier at night.

Our meetings generally last less than two hours, despite the wide range of business items and ensuing discussion.

Having representatives from Latrobe City Council, Monash University and the Monash Student Union attend, along with Committee members involved with other Churchill community groups and businesses, means that our meetings are both interesting and informative.

At our April meeting one of the items discussed was Latrobe City's draft Playground Strategy, which is

open for public comment. Numerous comments from local residents have been received by CDCA and our response to the document has been sent to Council.

We have requested that Council's consultation process include direct contact with people who live near playgrounds that have been identified for future removal.

The Walker Parade play equipment is one such example, however many residents who live nearby have strongly supported the retention of this equipment.

Whilst there have also been comments about intoxicated people using this playground, it seems residents are in favour of better policing rather than removing the play equipment.

Other draft Latrobe City documents CDCA received for comment last month were the Recreation and Leisure Strategy, the Public Toilet Strategy and the Contributory Scheme Policy (Rate of private land-owner contribution to the sealing of public roads).

Whilst such documents are sometimes lengthy and may be rather dry reading, it is important

that we know the content and the possible impact on local residents. Public comment provided to the Council allows for community input and alterations to Council strategies and policies before they are set in place as planning documents for the future.

CDCA members who have Internet access/email addresses are advised of such documents via our regular emails.

If you'd like to become a member (membership costs just \$2.00 per year) and be on our mailing list, please contact our Secretary, Rob Whelan, on 5122 3602

All residents of Churchill and district are welcome to join our Association, attend our monthly meetings and join in our discussions. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th June at 7pm in the Churchill Noodle Bar back room.

You can also contact us by emailing wc-bs@net-tech.com.au or by writing to PO Box 191, Churchill 3842.

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Time: Meal Starts at 6.30pm

Health and Wellbeing

Teenage health

IT isn't easy being a teenager. Young people face many difficulties as they move from childhood to adulthood. There may be changes in family life to manage. They may be thinking about starting a sexual relationship, or facing choices about social and illicit drug use.

There is evidence to suggest that confident young people who feel supported by their families and friends are better able to successfully negotiate any potential pitfalls. However, it should be remembered that adolescence is typically a time for experimenting with risky behaviours, despite good parenting practices and role modeling.

Alcohol

Alcohol is one of the most widely used drugs in Australia. According to a recent survey, eight out of 10 secondary school students had used alcohol, with one third reporting alcohol use in the week the survey was taken. For teenagers, alcohol use is associated with a range of health risks, including: unsafe sex, unwanted pregnancy, drink driving and road accidents, fights, and criminal activity.

Body image and associated problems

The potential difficulties associated with body image may include:

- *A negative body image - where the teenager dislikes their appearance
- *Crash dieting and associated malnourishment
- *Eating disorders, such as anorexia and bulimia nervosa
- *Obesity, since physical activity levels tend to decline
- *Steroid use among young people who are keen to develop the muscular ideal.

Bullying

Estimates suggest that around one in six Australian children are bullied. Young people are bullied by their peers for a number of reasons, including:

- *Appearance, such as being overweight
- *Resisting the pressure to conform
- *Background, including race and socioeconomic factors
- *Academic achievement
- *Sexual preferences or behaviour
- *Being 'the new kid' at school.

Cigarette smoking

Despite massive media campaigns, cigarette smoking is still popular amongst teenagers, particularly young women. There is some evidence to suggest that parents are so alarmed at the thought of their children using 'harder' drugs, that smoking is considered a lesser and therefore more acceptable 'evil'.

Family life

Young people can be faced with a host of family related difficulties, pressures, and changes, including:

- *Difficulties with family dynamics
- *Domestic violence
- *Child abuse including neglect, and physical, sexual or emotional abuse
- *Separation and divorce
- Stepfamilies.

For some children of course these changes can be a good thing. For example if there has been a lot of conflict in a family, separation can be a positive change.

Illegal drug taking

Marijuana is one of the most commonly used illegal drugs amongst teenagers; more than one third have tried it at least once. Other common

illegal drugs include hallucinogens, amphetamines, cocaine and ecstasy, with rates of use ranging between four and nine per cent. It is commonly believed that teenagers turn to drugs to alleviate depression or anxiety, but most try drugs simply for fun. Young men are more likely than young women to experiment with illegal drugs. Teenagers who smoke and drink are more inclined to try drugs than teenagers who abstain.

Media

The media including print media, television and movies has been implicated in socialising teenagers in unhelpful or harmful ways, including:

- *Offering up a diet of violence, which may desensitise viewers

- *Emphasising the cultural ideal that only thin is beautiful

- *Propagating the overriding importance of money, consumerism and status symbols.

Sexual relationships

Teenagers need access to frank and honest information on sexual issues if they are to negotiate adult relationships safely and happily. Issues confronted by teenagers include:

- *Safe sex practices
- *Contraception
- *Sexually transmitted diseases
- *Unwanted pregnancy
- *Peer pressure
- *Cultural definitions of gender roles.

Suicide

After car accidents, suicide is the most common cause of death among Australian teenagers. According to research, more young women than young men attempt suicide, but young men are far more likely to succeed in taking their own

lives. In the past 30 years, the suicide rate for males aged between 15 and 24 years has tripled. Young men living in country areas are twice as likely as their city counterparts to kill themselves.

Unwanted pregnancy

Improved access to contraception and sex education has reduced the incidence of teenage pregnancy. Around five per cent of Australian children are born to teenage mothers. Difficulties faced by young mothers include:

- *Emotional trauma
- *Alienation from family and friends
- *Higher complication rates during pregnancy and birth
- *Higher risk of poverty if the child is kept.

Where to get help

Your doctor

Family Planning Association Vic Tel. Box Hill on (03) 9257 0100 or the Action Centre on (03) 9654 4766

Kids Help Line Tel. 1800 551 800

Adolescent health service Tel. (03) 9526 4400

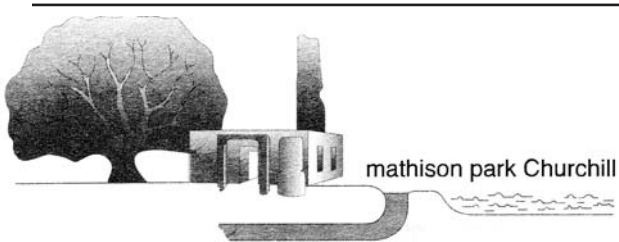
Things to remember

Cigarettes and alcohol are the drugs most commonly used by adolescents.

Young men are more likely than young women to take drugs, drink alcohol and commit suicide.

One in six Australian children are bullied by their peers.

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



mathison park Churchill

THE committee has been hard at work again. Two fences have been taken down to open more of the park to the public. Then a collection of sticks and branches was made so the mowing can be done easily and safely. Many papers and other rubbish were collected from where they had accumulated near the fences and beyond. Following that, weeding of the beds in the conifer plantation took place. The recent rain made this job much easier.

There is some positive news regarding funding for the eastern side development along Lake Hyland. We still need to have further grants to have our plans completed.

While walking through the trees along Tramway Road, one can be subject to a scolding from the Noisy Miners. They are also tell tales. You might be walking along trying to see another species of bird when the Noisy Miner will give you away with a sharp call that warns all around.

The Noisy Miner is a well known

The Noisy Miner

large, intimidating eyes.

Miners indulge in boisterous social displays called corroborees, where many birds come together to greet each other by opening their beaks and lifting their tongues, while slowly waving their wings. Communally Miners also feed, bath and sleep together. A melodious song can be heard ten minutes before sunrise between May and September.

Only the female builds the nest, but occasionally males will carry materials. The female will advertise the location of her nest by a flight display in which the head is held up and back. As many as ten plus males may visit the nest while it contains eggs, and most will participate in feeding the nestlings. A single female may be helped in one nesting season, by up to 24 males, with many more feeding visits to the nest.

The males are often larger than the females, but both sexes are similar in colouring. Breeding takes place mainly June to December. The nest is a cup shaped, often flimsy structure of grass, twigs and sometimes hair, with a felt like pad of silk in the bottom. They are usually placed at about 20metres height in trees. Two to four cream with heavy red-brown spots at the larger end, eggs are laid.

Information and picture is from the Reader's Digest Complete Book of Australian Birds.

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Back Again "Go Club" (Golden Oldies)

THANKS to the courtesy of the Churchill Football/Netball Club we are back again after our Easter break. We meet each Thursday from 1pm to 3.30pm in the Gaskin Park club rooms.

The "Go Club" (Friendship Group) is open to anyone who would like to attend.

The aim of this group is for people to meet with others who may be looking to do something for a short time each week. The program consists of bingo, cards, RummyKin (or just a chat). There are special feature afternoons with entertainers, trips to various

places, amid great friendship and "Get together time".

Each Session concludes with a "cuppa".

On May 11 we will feature a special "Mother's Day" program with professional entertainment, a 'special recognition' a special Mother's Day raffle concluding with a Devonshire Tea and Cuppa.

See you there!!!!!!

If you would like to know more about the group feel free to contact Betty Wyatt 5122 1691 or Joan Gardner 5169 1623.

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THEN please join our Playgroup in going on a warehouse shopping tour of Melbourne!

The playgroup is in need of new equipment for our growing number of children so we are having a fund raising shopping tour.

Shopping Tour

14th October 2006

Meet outside the Yinnar Post Office at 6.15am
We return approx 8.30pm.

Cost: The tour will be \$30 per person with a non refundable deposit of \$15 required by 30th May 2006.

The remaining money will be required by 29th August 2006.

The tour is a B.Y.O. Lunch. We will be stopping at a fast food outlet for people wishing to purchase their own food on the day. Complimentary lollies will be given to all passengers. Chocolates, bottles of water and raffle tickets will be available on the day for purchasing.

So please come along and enjoy a day with friends, shop till you drop and support the local community while you have a day of fun.

For any more information please contact Samantha McGown on 5163 1312.

We look forward to seeing you on the day!



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

LIONS BIRTHDAY CLUB

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

The lucky "Birthdayites" for April were
Liam Antonelli and Amy Smart.

BIRTHDAYITES FOR MAY

Riley AKERS	8 years
Hayden ANDERS	2 years
Emily DAL PAZZO	8 years
Guy GRIFFITHS	5 years
Shyenne GRIFFITHS	6 years
Tamara KEMP	11 years
Chelsea KOOSTRA	6 years
Breanna KOOTSTRA-DENTON	7 years
Ebony KOOTSTRA-DENTON	11 years
Kayla McLURE	12 years
Ingrid MORGAN	11 years

The randomly chosen "BIRTHDAYITES" this month are
GUY GRIFFITHS and KAYLA McLURE.

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

John Barker

Publicity

BIRTHDAYITES!



Liam Antonelli,
7 years on 18th
April



Amy Smart,
10 years on
22nd April

The April "Birthdayites" were all smiles as they were each presented with \$15 vouchers for Churchill Newsagency by John Barker from the Lions Club of Churchill & District. They were chosen at random from the April list. This could

have been you - make sure you join so you also have the chance to be a lucky "Birthdayite".
IN THE EVENT OF NOT BEING ABLE TO CONTACT YOUR CHILD, ANOTHER WILL BE SELECTED IN THEIR PLACE.

WORD SEARCH - OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES



- Archery
- Basketball
- Bobsleighting
- Canoeing
- Cricket
- Cycling
- Driving
- Flying
- Gliding
- High Jump
- Hopscotch
- Javelin
- Long Jump
- Netball
- Pole Vault
- Riding
- Rugby
- Sailing
- Shooting
- Skating
- Skiing
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Trampoline
- Volleyball
- Water Polo



Band members playing to the residents at Hazelwood House

Hazelwood House Happenings

IT is five years since the 'Dalkeith Desperates' band was formed and started playing to hostels, hospitals and nursing homes in the valley.

As Hazelwood House, a sister hostel to Dalkeith, was one of the first hostels to be entertained by the band it was chosen as the place for celebrating the band's fifth birthday.

Hazelwood House residents, families and staff enjoyed a trivia night held at the hostel. The night was a fundraiser for the new bus and raised \$900

Bep Zomer celebrated her 94th birthday on the first of April.

Bep was joined by other residents and friends from the Go Club to celebrate while the Hillendale singers entertained the guests.

A Bushells and Lan-Coo promotion has just started and to assist with our

fundraising efforts Hazelwood House is hoping the Churchill Community will get behind them by saving any of the tokens from the Bushells and Lan-Choo packets.

Tokens can be left at the hostel in Phillip Parade in Churchill or popped into the Churchill and District News Box at Café Le Mac's at the shopping centre.



Happy faces of the winning team



Bep with her birthday cake decorated by Betty from the Go Club

Early Days of Hazelwood Power Station

By RUTH PLACE

Willis Connolly announced in the Victorian Parliament in October of 1961 the concept of a new power station with six 200MW units. It was to be constructed in Gippsland on land first settled by the Bennett family in 1844 and named 'Hazelwood'.

Frank Pye was born in Melbourne in 1930. He attended Middle Park State School, then the Carmelite Brothers College, which he left to go to Malcolm Moore's, a large engineering works where he began his apprenticeship. It was at this time, aged fifteen, that he met his future wife Marie (Tuppence).

After finishing his apprenticeship in 1950, he began work as a fitter on the tunnels and then on the race line at the Kiewa Hydro Electric Scheme in north-eastern Victoria.

At the end of 1951 and early 1952, Frank and Marie decided to get married. They came to the Latrobe Valley, as this was where they could get a house and find work. A house was to be a bit down the track, however, so they spent their first years together in the Married Quarters at Yallourn, by the river. Marie says it was so cold in the winter that the only place to get warm was in bed with a hot water bottle and in summer they boiled!

Towards the end of 1952, their first child, Christine was born. In 1954 Warren presented himself. By that time, they had moved into a house in Yallourn North, much to Marie's relief and happiness.

In 1957, with their third child, Rodney, on the way, Frank joined the Navy as a ship's engineer with the Navy gave him the necessary training. In August 1962, Frank was discharged. He had been injured and had spent time in the Naval Hospital in Hong Kong, where he had undergone surgery. Later he was stationed at Flinder's

Naval depot, where he filled the role as Naval Instructor.

After his discharge in September 1962, Frank started work at the Yallourn Workshops. In February 1963 he started at Hazelwood Mechanical Maintenance, as a Technical Officer. He was a part of the small team of staff the State Electricity commission of Victoria (S.E.C.V.) had brought from Yallourn, to get things going at the new Hazelwood Power Station.

Frank's boss, Alan Castelov, was in America studying the latest information on the turbines and boilers, which were to be installed in Hazelwood. Neil Kennedy, the Engineer was the second in command. Frank was Neil's assistant as Chief Clerk.

When Frank began at Hazelwood, the stack for Unit 1 was a huge hole in the ground! The place was a hive of activity, created by the contractors.

The concrete turbine blocks were being poured for Unit 1 and there was little else there. Contractors were erecting boilers, auxiliary machinery, such as coal mills for pulverising the coal. Everything was so new, the latest in state of the art machinery for that time. There were difficulties to overcome because of it. If you look carefully, you will see two of the eight stacks are slightly out of line, said Frank.

The power station was built in four stages. Each stage contained two units with each unit having its own boiler. Stage 1 took approximately two years to bring to completion, but not to operational status. However, during that time units two and three were started with the earth-work being done.

Unit 1 had an AEI turbine/generator machine, with a BMW Babcock and Wilcocks boiler. These boilers were used in all eight units, but in Units 2, 3 and 4 Parsons turbine/generators were used.

There was an air of excitement, says Frank, as

the machinery was so new compared to other power stations in the Valley. The S.E.C.V. staff were 'tickled pink'. The contractors were happy as they were working on another well-paid job.

Unlike Yallourn Power Station, much of the machinery was automatically controlled. There was trouble with the original setting up of the operation, but the on site contractors were able to help with the teething problems.

There was plant trouble too. The feed heater began to leak. Parsons, the designer, was able to solve the problem. It meant that Frank was sent by the S.E.C.V. to Ballarat School of Mines for a two-week course in explosives to obtain his Explosives Licence. To seal the leaking tubes they developed a round plug to fit inside the end of the tube. It had a hole drilled in it, into which an explosives detonator was inserted. When the detonator was fired it expanded the tube and sealed the water leaks. This was a different job for Frank, for which he had to do shift work.

Locally the Yinnar General Store supplied a lunch service used mainly by the contractors and Yinnar Hotel was used for special functions like visitors from Melbourne and other companies.

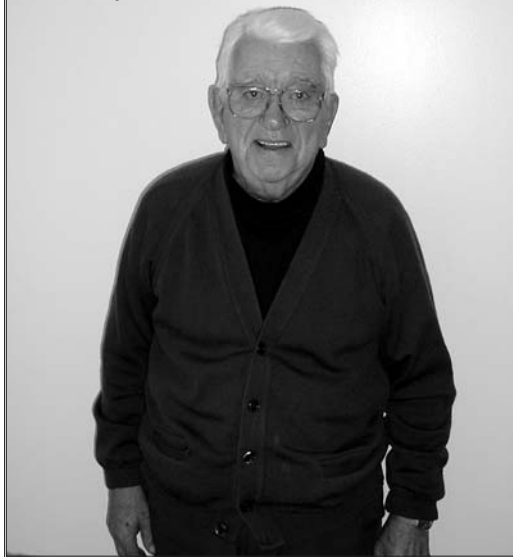
Not long after Frank started at Hazelwood, he recalls a letter being sent to the staff, asking them if they wanted to live in Hazelwood (now Churchill). Frank decided not to live there. Frank met the elderly farmer whose land was used for the Pondage area. He also met the fellow who at one time drove his cattle in his grey Rolls Royce, wearing a broad-brimmed hat.

Building the Pondage saw some interesting incidents. When it was finally full and ready to go into service, the concrete screens became blocked with little fish. Frank says it caused quite a 'to do'. Professors from Universities and Fisheries staff all came to check it out and identify what sort of fish they were. The Pondage was 'chock-a-block' with them.

Frank and Barry Hunt were sent in a canoe to inspect the screens. It was Frank's first time in a canoe and he felt a bit scared, but then remembered he could swim, so didn't worry any more. Frank says he was delighted to get a job like that as it got him out of the office. A solution to the problem was eventually found!

The spillway came into use after good rains.

Frank Pye



The Fisheries people had stocked the Pondage with trout and the trout went with the overflow of water! The locals thought it was great being able to fish for trout in their part of the river.

When construction was nearly complete, the hiring of the work force began. A new approach was used with staff being interviewed by the section heads of each department in they had applied for a job.

Finally the power station settled into a routine work ethic. Frank worked at Hazelwood from 1963 until 1987.

In that time he saw the Power Station Management appoint a Senior Clerk, part of whose job description was to organise a Social Club. Hazelwood had a very active and successful Social Club said Frank who was President for a time. One of the year's highlights was the Annual Ball, to which all came in their finest formal wear. Other events included the annual picnics, complete with Santa visits, and lolly drops from aeroplanes, and group bookings for the movies.

A Training Centre was built on the premises to train employees for their work in the power station.

Hazelwood Power Station was officially opened by the then Premier of Victoria, The Hon. Henry Bolte, on 11 March 1971.

Frank says he had a 'whale of a time' at Hazelwood. He says he was 'thoroughly spoiled', being one of the first employees at the Power Station, before most of the work force was established. He enjoyed a great camaraderie and is still associated with the Ex Hazelwood Employees Association. He has fond memories of his time there, and is now enjoying a long retirement.



Pictures of Hazelwood courtesy of International Power Hazelwood

Churchill & District News

Short Story and Poetry Competition 2006

THE Churchill & District News invites you to enter our Short Story and Poetry Competition. There will be some great prizes, with all entrants under 12 receiving a certificate of participation and a small gift. There are lots of categories to enter and no restrictions on subject matter.

CATEGORIES

1. Children's 7 and Under Short story/poem or picture story
2. Children's (8 - 12 yrs) Short Story (illustrations welcome)
3. Children's (8 - 12yrs) Poetry (illustrations welcome)
4. 13 - 18yrs Short Story
5. 13 - 18yrs Poetry
6. Adult Short Story
7. Adult Poetry.
8. Local History - My Story. (This category will be judged on content alone and there are no restrictions on length of story, i.e. they can be under 1000 words.)
9. A Children's Story

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

*All stories must have a com-

pleted entry form attached to the manuscript with a paper clip (no pins or staples)

*The author's name must only be on the entry form and not on the manuscript

*Entries must be original, previously unpublished work.

*Each entry must include a title

*Multiple entries will be accepted

*Unless otherwise specified, permission to reproduce entries in the Churchill & District News or for publicity purposes will be assumed. Copyright remains with the author.

*Writers will be credited whenever their writing is reproduced

*Entries must be received by 25th August 2006

*All pages should be numbered

Length of stories are to be:

*Adult: 1000 - 2500 words

*Under 18: 500 - 2000 words

*Children: up to 500 words

Poetry, free or rhyming verse to be:

*Adult: min 8 lines and max. 48 lines.

*Under 18: min 8 lines and max. 48 lines.

*Children: up to 20 lines

*Entries will not be returned and participants should keep a copy of their work.

*The Judges decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into

*Signing of the entry form for this competition constitutes acceptance of these conditions of entry

Entries to be mailed to:
Churchill & District News
Writing Competition, PO Box 234,
Churchill 3842

Closing Date: 25th August 2006

Entry Fees:

\$3.00 Per Short Story/Childrens

Story - \$2.00 Concession or Student

\$3.00 Per Poem - \$2.00

Concession or Student

Children, Under 7, Under 12 and U18 Categories - 50c.

Special Category: Local History - no entry fee

CHURCHILL & DISTRICT NEWS SHORT STORY & POETRY COMPETITION 2006 ENTRY FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

I have entered: _____ Short Story(s) _____ Poem(s)

Title of Story(s): _____ Category _____

Title of Poem(s): _____

I have read and understood the conditions of entry and agree to abide by them. I certify that this is an original unpublished story or poem, written by myself. This entry form can be completed on behalf of U12's by a parent, guardian or teacher.

Signature _____

Entry Fee to be included with Entry Form. Please make Cheques or Postal Orders Payable to the Churchill & District News. No cash or stamps please: Mail entries to: PO Box 234, Churchill 3842

Churchill and District News Photographic Competition 2006

Prizegiving and Display Thursday 18th May 2006 7:00pm

Co-Operating Churches In Churchill
Williams Avenue, Churchill

All Welcome

All photographs will be on display at Shop 13, West Place
Shopping Centre
from Tuesday 23rd May - Friday 2nd June

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**Friday 19th May 2006
7.30pm**

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Tickets: Betty Reid Ph 5122 1505
Robyn Mauger Ph 5166 1306

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FOR TICKETS

Lifeline Gippsland Churchill Shop News

WINTER may officially be only weeks away, but the cooler days mean it is time to check out the winter wardrobe. If you want a new look, why not visit the Lifeline Churchill Shop and have a look at the wide range of winter wear we have to offer. Not only do we have clothing for the whole family, we also have stocks of wool, needles, patterns, as well as footwear, toys, all sorts of home ware, and many books to read whilst curled up in front of the heater.

The shop is located up the walkway at the side of the Churchill Pizza Shop in West Place and is open each weekday from 9.30 until 4pm. If you have good quality

items that you no longer have any use for, you may bring them into the shop during shop hours. Alternatively, the items may be taken to the Lifeline Warehouse at the corner of Fleming and Church Street in Morwell, or a pick up by the Lifeline van can be arranged by telephoning 5133 7512.

All the proceeds from Lifeline shops helps Lifeline Gippsland continue their telephone counselling service, which is available to people from the NSW border right through to the eastern suburbs of Melbourne, 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

CHURCHILL FOOTBALLERS AND NETBALLERS TAKE ON CHARITY CHALLENGE

THREE teams of four members each from the Churchill Football Netball Club recently took part in the challenging Oxfam Trail Walker to test their endurance and raise money for Australian charity, Oxfam. The teams consisting of current players Gary Welsh, Darren Blair and Adrian Waller, past players Tony Beevor, David Rohde, Mark Answerth and Shaun Answerth, local triathlete Geoff Galvin and netballers Kylie Debono, Jo Hutchinson, Sue Raba and Janelle Larkin. Together with more than 2,000 other entrants they undertook the 100km uphill course through the picturesque Dandenong Ranges beginning at Ferntree Gully and finishing at Mt Donna Buang. All team

members had undergone several months of endurance training prior to the event and were supported by dedicated teams of friends and relatives who provided food, refreshments and medical assistance along the grueling trail as it wound through parkland, townships and bush tracks.

The course can be completed either by walking or running and each team was required to raise a minimum of \$1,000 in sponsorship. The Churchill Footballers and Netballers raised a total in excess of \$8,000.00 through generous support from friends and relatives and through special fundraising events they conducted.

The event was held during a cold

snap in the weather and, in the heights of the Dandenongs, the atmosphere was particularly crisp. After driving their bodies for more than 12 hours the Churchill men's teams were dismayed to reach the foot of Mt Donna Buang at about 7pm at night only to find that snow was falling on the mountain and the organizers of the Trail Walker had stopped competitors going any further for safety reasons. The exhausted competitors were forced to call it a day and were denied the ultimate reward of reaching the top. However, all who competed felt that they had achieved a great deal and in the process had raised a considerable sum for a good cause.

Fire Restrictions End

PEOPLE who live outside the boundaries of the town are now allowed to burn off. However, people who live within the town boundaries are NOT ALLOWED TO LIGHT FIRES AT ANY TIME of the year. This is a Latrobe City Council by-law. Anyone caught burning off will be subject to fines.

People outside the town boundaries are under the Summary Offences Law, which states that if you burn off, and your fire gets out of control, and causes damages to nearby properties, you will be sub-

ject to fines.

If you are in doubt about whether you are permitted to burn off, please contact the Latrobe City Council Fire Officer, Lance King, on 1300 367 700.

Smoke Detectors

Many of Churchill's Senior Citizens took advantage of the Fire Brigade's annual smoke detector checks, and received a new free battery. This is another service provided by your Fire Brigade.

It is a useful time for everyone to remember to check their smoke

detectors and make sure they are in working order. SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!

Annual Memorial Service

On 7th May, at Frankston, their will be the annual memorial service for those firefighters who have lost their lives in the service of their communities. Several members of the Churchill Brigade plus the McLeans who lost their son Darren, will attend.



Peugeot Women's Classic 2006



Churchill Monash Golf Club Inc Results

Saturday Men's Comp: Stroke Medal 25.2.06 CCR67

Scratch: J Armstrong (14) 82 C/B. A Grade: J Armstrong (14) 82-68. B Grade: P Junker (19) 84-65 C/B. C Grade and Medal: A Vandenharn (31) 92/68. DTL: V Monument 64, I Wilden 65, F Sedjak 65, C Flanagan 65, J Sterrick 66, W Barnes 66, Dwyer 68. NTP: 3rd A Vandenharn, 5th S Wotton, 12th G Britton, 14th F Sedjak. Putts: J Sterrick 26.

Sunday Men's Comp: Mixed Championships 26.2.06

Scratch: E. D'Alterio/G Beyer 88. Handicap: E Winters/ B. Beebe (33) 72 Nett. Runners Up: E D'Alterio/G Beyer 73 nett. DTL: I Wilden/J Leslie 74, K Moroney/L Stein 74 ½. NTP: 14th W Peter, 5th E D'Alterio.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Par 28.2.06 CCR 69

A Grade: K Moroney (27) +5. B Grade: M McDonald (32) +3. DTL: J Beck +3, C Barnes +1, K Raber -, M McConville -. NTP: 12th M McConville, 5th S Cooke, 14th V Rowley. Birdies: V Rowley 14th, Lost Handicap: K Moroney 27-26.

Saturday Men's Comp: Foursome Championship R1 4.3.06

Scratch: D Williams (21), S McCafferty (11), 86. Handicap: B

Barnes (27), G Blizzard (24), 67 ½. NTP: 3rd P Fitzmaurice, 5th Jeff White, 12th P Fitzmaurice, 14th D Taylor.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stroke Medal 7.3.06 CCR71

Scratch: E D'Alterio 90. A Grade: K Raber (29) 65nett. B Grade: C Barnes (32) 71nett. DTL: M McConville 70, E D'Alterio 71, C Gardam 71, J Blizzard 71. NTP: 12th J Leslie, 4/14 0-35 K Moroney, 5/14 36-45 S Cooke. Birdies: J Leslie 12th. Putts: E D'Alterio 24. Longest Drive: 0-35 M McConville, 36-45 V Rowley. Lost Handicap: M McConville 22-21, K Raber 29-26.

Saturday Men's Comp: Foursome Championship 11.3.06

Scratch: C Flanagan/K Hills (13 ½) 168. Handicap: R Jenkins/D Jenkins (19) 138. Day Event: P Fitzmaurice/J Dickson (25 ½) 67 ½ DTL: C Flanagan/K Hills 67 ½ D Jenkins/R Jenkins 68, V Monument/F Sedjak 68 ½ NTP: 3rd D Jenkins, 12th J Trembath, 5th T Peters, 14th P Ludlow.

Sunday Men's Comp: Stableford 12.3.06 CCR68

T Sterrick (13) 41pts. Hole in One: C Speekenbrink 3rd. DTL: L Stein (12) 39pts C/B. NTP: 3rd C Speekenbrink, 5th B Murphy. Eagle:

C Speekenbrink.

Sunday Ladies Comp: Stableford 12.3.06 CCR70

K Moroney (26) 44pts. DTL: V Anderson (30) 35pts C/B. NTP: 5th P Hrynyszyn. Lost Handicap: K Morney 26-24.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Stableford 14.3.06 CCR70

Winner: Di Scurlock (16) 36pts. DTL: S Jeffery 35, C Barnes 34. NTP: 5/14th (36-45) M Mitchell, 12th Di Scurlock. Birdies: Di Scurlock (12th).

Saturday Men's Comp: Stableford 18.3.06 CCR67

A Grade: M Brereton (12) 42pts. B Grade: D Williams (21) 43pts. C Grade: J Sterrick (26) 39pts. DTL: R Jenkins 41, K Ellis 39, D Shields 41, R Hodgson 38, D Jenkins 40, G Beyer 38. NTP: 3rd M Brereton, 5th P Shields, 12th Sedge, 14th R Jenkins. Birdies: Sedge, G Blizzard, D Jenkins 12th, P Shields.

Tuesday Ladies Comp: Peugeot Classic 3BBB 21.3.06

Winners: J Beck (35), M McDonald (33), J Leslie (22) 86pts. DTL: C Barnes, S Jeffery, J Blizzard 82. NTP: 3rd J Blizzard, 12th V Verheyen, 5th/14th 0-35 K Moroney, 5th/14 36-45 S Cooke.

CHURCHILL and Monash Golf Club hosted their round of the Peugeot Women's Classic 2006 on 21st March. The all new national three-ball tournament has been made possible through Peugeot Automobiles Australia's sponsorship.

The day was a great success with wonderful support shown by members in both the level of participation and spectator encouragement.

Peugeot and the Churchill and Monash Golf Club congratulates the winning team of Jo Leslie, Merrilyn McDonald and Jill Beck. This team will participate in the state finals in November.

Winners received a teardrop engraved key ring. All players registered on the day received a memento gift as well as being automatically entered into an overall player raffle, which will provide an all expenses paid trip for one club team to the 2007 Women's Australian Open.

The Peugeot Women's Classic 2006 is

open to all amateur women golfers across the country, with state finalists flown to Sydney during the 2007 Women's Australian Open where they will compete for a trip to the Peugeot International Pro AM in Paris.

Rob Dommerson, Managing Director of Peugeot Automobiles Australia, said, "We are very proud to be associated with such a great amateur tournament, and are pleased to be able to add a touch of French style to Australian golf".

In September 2005 Women's Golf Australia announced their unprecedented sponsorship agreement with Peugeot Automobiles Australia, valued at a quarter of a million dollars.

The partnership sees the international car manufacturer as the naming rights sponsor for the Peugeot Women's Classic 2006.

The Classic is being played at local level from January through October, with State Finals in November and National Finals to be held in February 2007.

Lyn Wight and Ty Morsink from Simply Prestige, Traralgon displayed a new Peugeot sedan at the golf course (below) and presented trophies to the winners (above left)



Old Time Family Dance

The next Jeeralang North Old Time Family Dance will be held in the Jeeralang North Hall on Friday 26 May

Dancing from 8.00 pm to 11.30 pm

Music: Harmony Plus

Admission: \$5.00

Door Prize & Novelties

Please bring a plate.

Sandwiches supplied by the Committee.

More details from Secretary: Zelma Mildenhall Tel: 5166 1264



Glendonald Residents Group Inc. Making a Movie!

LOCAL film and drama enthusiast, Dan Clancey who works in the Monash Audio-Visual Department (Gippsland Campus), has been enlisted to assist our group make a short video about the children's activities we regularly conduct in Glendonald Park.

Dan has been interviewing volunteers and sifting through our photo collection in order to put together the film, which aims to show what can be achieved by the community when local residents work together and are supported by partnerships with other agencies.

The first public viewing of the video will be at the GRG Community Dinner, to be held this Friday (12th May) in the Churchill Town Hall.

Copies will be made available at a later date. Anyone interested in attending the (free) dinner (funded by the Dept of Human Services) or

obtaining a copy of the video should phone (m) 0407 876 443

The film is being financed by the Department of Victorian Communities, Monash University and from our own funds.

GRG began holding school holiday activities for local children in September 2004. Since then we've held at least one event, which includes a community BBQ or luncheon, every Term and summer break.

In Term 4 last year, in partnership with Churchill Primary School, we began our popular Monday after school activities each week in Glendonald Park, which have continued this year. On average, approx 25 children attend each week. We provide fresh fruit and vegetables for afternoon tea, as part of our focus on healthy recreation. We received a grant from the State Government's 'Go for your Life' pro-

gram to purchase the sporting equipment we use.

This term, 3 students studying Sport and Outdoor Recreation at Monash Gippsland have joined our program for their six-week student placement. Also this term, our team of volunteers attended local 'Community Coach Training' from the Australian Sports Commission's 'Active After Schools Communities' program.

The children always enthusiastically greet 'Special Guests', whether it's Santa on the CFA truck, Graeme Krutli (new Principal at Churchill North Primary School) or the horses (and officers) of the Mounted Police Branch of Victoria Police.

Other supporters of our children's activities are Latrobe City Council, Latrobe Community Health Services, Manny's Market in Morwell, Churchill Guides and Monash Leisure Centre.

Neither our program of children's activities, or our film, would be possible without the support we receive from volunteers, parents, community groups and other agencies, and we hope that our film will demonstrate the worth of these valued and appreciated contributions to our community.

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

GRG Inc meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm in the Glendonald Pre-school in Churinga Drive. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 30th May. Childcare and supper is provided. All residents of Glendonald are welcome to attend and have a say.



Melbourne Kestrals At Traralgon



By KATIE DUNCAN

ON Sunday 9th April, the Melbourne Kestrals netball team came to Traralgon. They hosted a netball skills day for young netball players from the surrounding area.

Pictured are a few of the Churchill Junior Netball

Association competitors who participated in the skills day with a few of the Melbourne Kestrel players. We all learned heaps. Afterwards we had a short game and then there was time for autographs.

Cougars The Editor's Bit

G'DAY, I'm Tony Martin and I've been asked to hang this thing together. In future columns we will have match results with "best on ground" and player/coach profiles from both games, football and netball. Of course that depends on the information being provided.

We are now into the third round and in the football arena things aren't really going as well as we would have liked, but as that bloke on the radio would say, that's life. A change in fortunes in the near future is anticipated as the teams gel and the players become familiar with each other and their roles. So stick with your club and come on down and support the players as that really gives them a boost.

On the netball front, they are off to a flying start as the results show and look like being serious contenders at the sharp end of the season. More on this mob when I find out who the spokesperson is and whether I can lever lots of info out of them via bribes or whatever.

The Season to Date

Football. 3 rounds have been played so far and as I said, things with footy aren't great but a very close game on the 29th resulting in a one point win over Boisdale/Briaralong broke a 100% losing streak for the club. As Robbie Jenkins, Club President, said after the game with undisguised relief, "my first win as president".

Seniors are 1/3; reserves are 0/3 and thirds are 0/3

Netball

These guys are going really well. After 3 rounds A grade are 3/3; B grade are 2/3; C grade are 1/3 and D grade are 3/3

Coming Up :-

Round 4, 6/5/06, Stratford, away. Round 5, 13/5/06, Glengarry at home. Round 6, 20/5/06, TTU, away. Round 7, 27/5/06, Gormandale, at home. Round 8, 3/6/06, Cowwarr, at home. Round 9, 17/6/06, Heyfield, away

Social Calendar for '06

Saturday 13th May 2006 - Trivia Night

Everyone knows what these are all about and

this promises to be a great night, so get a team together and make a name for your selves. All enquiries re details and for bookings contact Sharon Stait on 0411310197, John (Woody) Woodbridge on 0412512801 or Bobby McCartney on 0409554355.

Coming up!

Saturday 3rd June 2006: Funny Money Night (details next issue)

Saturday 24th June 2006: Mid Year Ball Bingo every Wednesday!

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

Friday Night Meals

Friday Night bistro meals are served in the Members Bar at the Clubrooms between 6pm and 8pm.

Created with the culinary skills normally experienced only at the lavish restaurants found at places like Southbank and the rest of the world, Cougars Catering presents one of the more enjoyable menus available in the area, at a most reasonable price!

At the Bar

Thursday evening between the hours of 5.00pm and 7.00pm there is a gathering of elderly gentlemen who gather at the member's bar at the clubrooms and basically drink some beer and tell lots of tall tales. They will tell you otherwise. They will explain it is a time when people with very great life experience and vast knowledge gather to solve the problems of the world and discuss other serious matters such as how much beer should cost at the club compared to what they actually do pay. Lenny MacNamara is mine host and mans the bar. He is also the keeper of the

peace/bouncer

derful job of b

it's kind of

like that.

Anyone who

is 60 or

thereabouts

and can

drink a little

and tell tales

is more than

welcome to

join in.

Please Note:

People using

the club

l i c e n s e d

facilities are

required by

law to be members of the club.

Profile.

Seniors Football Coach, Dale Foster.

After considerable persuasion, I managed to get this interview with the quiet one. As you will see we have a considerable asset at the helm of the seniors footy side.

Dale began his career at Churchill in the juniors. Leaving the club after a year in the Seniors he was recruited by AFL club Hawthorn and played there for two years mainly in the under 19s with a few reserve games. After being delisted he played with Yallourn in the Latrobe Valley league for two seasons playing in the grand final as runners up in the first year. He played in several Latrobe Valley squad games where they won the Country Victoria Championship.

He was recruited by Hawthorn again; making the senior list saw him get a couple of senior games before being delisted again after two years. He moved to Melbourne this time after traveling from Churchill for the first two years. While living in Melbourne he spent a year at Williamstown in the VFA.

The next year he moved back to live in

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Moe Football Club a year or two later. He stayed there as a player the following year.

His next club was at Morwell East as the playing coach for two years before retiring. He was talked out of retirement and was persuaded to take up the playing coach role at Yallourn North for a year. The following year after retiring again, he stayed on as a player for Yallourn North again only to be injured again.

He started coaching again when his son Steven began playing and coached his team in the under 13's. They won that grand final, and the following two years he coached the under 14's finishing third in both years.

The next coaching role was with the Churchill thirds, having success in winning the North Gippsland Grand Final. The following year they played in the Grand Final but lost.

Regarding his current role he told me, "It is with great honour that I have accepted the job of coaching the Churchill Football Club senior team, having probably traveled full circle, from a junior player to coaching the club where it all began. I am looking forward to everyone's support during the year."



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