

Kurnai College Junior Campus



Year 9 Surf Camp

Kurnai Year 9 Surf Camp Outdoor Ed 2014

Not too long ago, our Outdoor Ed class went to Wilson's Prom to participate in a surf camp. We camped, settling in with the environment and getting the feel of nature. I've always wanted to be able to surf. I have friends that do it, and they have always said to me that it was great fun and that I had to do it. I knew it would be a fantastic experience to go surfing. Let me tell you that my friends were right! It was a challenge, but I love challenges.

When we first arrived, we set up camp and wandered over to the beach and Tidal River to just check out what we were up against for the three days we were there. The water and weather were beautiful, and we were very lucky with what the Prom had to offer. We went in for our surf lesson around two o'clock, and we were obviously a bit rusty: a lot of wipe-outs. After the two hour lesson, most of us could stand up and some were even surfing on the face of the wave rather than the white wash! It was so good, and it made us excited for our next two lessons. That night, we went on a night walk, checking out the wildlife and admiring the nature.

The second day, we were up nice and early for breakfast and our first surf lesson for the day. Once again, the waves were perfect. Both lessons that day, we all improved massively and by the end of the day we were all at the back catching all the big waves. It was very good for our fitness to be outside getting some exercise in a different way, as for surfing you need to use all your core strength. That night we went to Squeaky Beach. It was so wonderful, relaxing and it was actually so nice to just play on the beach and run around the rocks and stuff. We actually stayed there for about four hours! Then after that, half the group walked

back to Tidal River. The walk was awesome, and it even involved a bit of rock climbing. It was really pretty too, because the sun was setting as we journeyed around the rocks.

If I could do the whole camp again, I definitely would. A lot of us are planning to start surfing more, and continuing to improve in the summer. It was a great experience, and I'm glad that I got to be a part of it.

By Rose V.

Discovery Day at Federation University

On Friday October 24, all Year 8 students went to Federation University to participate in some activities that were run by current university students. The Year 8's went through a rotation of three different activities, which included; a scavenger hunt, a journalism activity and a marketing activity. Students had to work in small groups to complete a task in each of these activities - some of them were very creative, particularly the marketing activity. The purpose of the day out was to give the students an insight into some of the courses that the university offers, and to get them familiar with the layout of the university.

We would like to thank the Federation University staff and the students who volunteered their time to spend with our students.

I enjoyed the activities that they told us to do because they were fun and engaging. The activity that I most enjoyed was the marketing activity because it was fun to come up with a new brand for the tin of coffee that I chose for my group. I also enjoyed the scavenger hunt because I got to look around the university. The journalism activity was fun too. We were given a list of words and had to make a story out of them.

By Aiden E.

I enjoyed Discovery Day because it got us familiar with the University and some of the courses we could choose. The activities we did were about marketing, a scavenger hunt around the university and a journalism activity. My favourite part was the scavenger hunt because it got me familiar with the campus and I learnt a bit about the classrooms and where everything is. In summary, the day was pretty good and interactive. It is a good campus.

By Emma M.

Remembrance Day

On November 11, Kurnai College Churchill Campus participated in Remembrance Day. Students were given a talk about the impact of war on people, and the importance of paying our respect to those soldiers and civilians who sacrificed so much to protect their world at that time. Afterwards, we listened to Mr. Bonnici playing 'The Last Post'; we had a minute of silence and then heard 'The Reveille.' Many students commented that they personally appreciated the opportunity to reflect and show their respect on this very important day. Some of our students wrote the following reflections:

It is important to remember because not only do we need to remember the soldiers who sacrificed themselves, but we also need to remember that we need to avoid war.

David S.

I think it is important to remember because it teaches us that there might be hardships, blood, battle and deaths, but there is honour in war if you are fighting for what you believe in.

Brodie S.

It is important that we observe this moment in history after 98 years because of the lives that were lost. The people who fought, are still a part of our nation, even if they have died. It is the time when they stopped the war and said

'No' to more war.

Zekinthia H.

It is important to remember because there was so much loss of life of people who wanted to protect Australia. These people put their own lives on the line to make sure that Australia stays a safe place to live. They left their loved ones and they should be remembered for this.

Anthony E.

We need to understand how horrible war is and learn to appreciate life. We also need to respect all those who died for our freedom, as we may not have been born if it wasn't for them.

Natalie B.

I think it is important to observe this moment in history because thousands of men risked their lives to protect their country and people. We should show our respect for their courage and dedication.

Nikki D.

The reason it is important to observe this moment in history is because it provides a lesson that gives us reasons to not fight and reasons for us to sort issues out. If we have to fight, then fight for what is right, freedom. Today we remember the brave and the fallen, the men that fought in war for our freedom and rights.

Johnathan H.

Kurnai College was also represented at the Morwell RSL Memorial Service by our school captains Maneesha, Britney, Jacob and Luke. The students laid a wreath in memory of those who have lost their lives during all the wars and conflicts in which Australian soldiers and other defence forces have fought.



Remembrance Day



Joseph Bonnici playing the Last Post and Reveille

Boolarra Primary School

A snap shot of activities through the year



The incoming preps on their first visit looked a little nervous



The school pool provided some welcome relief during the hot days in February .



We worked hard to develop our Drumming Routine to open the Folk Festival



School Council President, Luke Potter presented our Student leaders with their badges at a BBQ in Railway Park



Mr Peavey provided tennis lessons



Our School Captains did a great job all year



Our football netball teams



With lots of help, our gardens thrived

Churchill North Primary School

Churchill North Maths Activity Day

On November 13, Churchill North Primary School had a day filled with different activities about maths. In Mrs Dunne's class the students did lots of counting games about 100. Some made fruit loop pictures with 100 fruit loops. Others tried to skip 100 times in less than 100 seconds where they had to jump as fast as they could.

In Miss Byrnes' grade we were working on chance. We played a game of heads and tails, flipping the coin to win. We had to guess the chance of getting heads or tails. As a group we worked out the chance of a snake hatching out of a chicken egg, an elephant coming out of an ostrich egg and many more.

With Miss Wells' class we worked on patterns. We read about the different ways to organise objects into groups and then used this information to make patterns. We made patterns out of food and threaded them onto necklaces, they were delicious!

As a whole school, we played Greedy Pig. We all had to keep count as a dice was rolled. We had to try to get the biggest number before a six was rolled, and we could sit down and stop adding on whenever we thought a six might be next. We all had a ball, make sure you try playing Greedy Pig too.

Discovery day

On November 7, Churchill North Primary School went to Federation University for 'Discovery Day' and participated in multiple activities to give students an insight of what university is about. Each student got to experience some science, nursing, ICT and art. One of the highlights that students raved about was in ICT when students got to create their own interactive computer games then test each other's. At the end of the day all students got to graduate from Discovery Day with an award, with some even receiving a cap and gown to

graduate in for outstanding achievement and participation. We look forward to seeing our students graduate one day!

Churchill North Kinder Transition

Churchill North welcomed our new preps for 2015 during another Transition Hour. The students dressed up as a policeman, a nurse, a doctor and a vet as we were learning about People Who Help Us and what these people do in their jobs. The children listened to stories, cut out and coloured in pictures.

Kurnai Concert

On Friday October 30, Churchill North was visited by Kurnai's band which performed a variety of songs. These included The Doors, Shania Twain, and Katy Perry. During the concert, we welcomed back some of our talented ex-students who were well remembered by all. Some of the Churchill North students were invited to join the concert playing 'Jingle Bells'. Together Kurnai and Churchill North united to play 'Zombie Stomp' and 'When the Saints Go Marching In'. Smiles were on faces as everyone was mesmerized by the performance of their talented peers.

4/5P Learn to Swim

Over the past six weeks, students from 4/5P have been walking down to the Churchill Leisure Centre where they have been receiving swimming lessons. Students have been learning different skills, such as diving, sculling, freestyle, backstroke and many more. Jayke has been learning how to pin dives. "First you stand up on the platform, then you put your arms by your side and then you step off the platform into the water, making sure your arms stay by your side." Sophie said she has gained more confidence in the water this year because "I have learnt a lot of new things to help me swim."

Freestyle and backstroke are the favourite swimming strokes in 4/5P, with Shania,

Courtney, Lucas, Alma, Jaylan, Seth, Zac, Ariel, Hudson and Jarrah liking freestyle the most and Chloe, Brandon, Max, Lachlan, Tyeisha, Klara, Tayla, Jayke, Sophie and Elli-Rose liking backstroke. Riley, Blayke and Amity's favourite swimming stroke is breaststroke.

"At the end of each lesson 4/5P gets to have free time, which we all love!!" (Elli-Rose)

On Friday November 28, we had a Swimming Carnival with the whole school. This means we get double swimming on Friday, which EVERYONE in 4/5P is really excited about!



Yinnar South Primary School

At Yinnar South Primary School, we have eight curriculum drivers that underpin our two year educational cycle. This term our focus is 'Change'. Students of all ages engage with this topic examining it from their individual developmental stage.

Students have considered topics ranging from basic scientific concepts, such as forces and motion, through to the people, and creations that have changed our world. We have built learning into practical and authentic learning opportunities such as putting our new posts in the garden, through to the pulling apart of computers and making the internal components work.

'I have been amazed at the creativity and problem solving the students have

demonstrated,' (Katy Grandin – Principal) Lights and circuits.

Forces – twisting, pushing and pulling.

Air pressure.

Measurement and levels.

The senior students attended Federation University's Discovery Day. This wonderful event encourages students to consider tertiary education in the future by giving them the opportunity to participate in university 'classes'.

At the end of the day the students all got to 'graduate'. A great day. The students spent the car trip home discussing what they were going to do when they went to university.

Garden Launch

This week we had our Official Garden Launch. The students prepared a delicious afternoon tea for our guests, and the school was able to recognise some of the amazing community groups who have supported this ongoing project:

- Yinnar/Yinnar South Landcare
- Hazelwood Rotary
- Mirboo North and District Community Foundation
- Mirboo North and District Community Branch of the Bendigo bank
- Sproutwell Greenhouses
- Department of Environment and Primary Communities (DEPI) - 'Communities for Nature Grant'

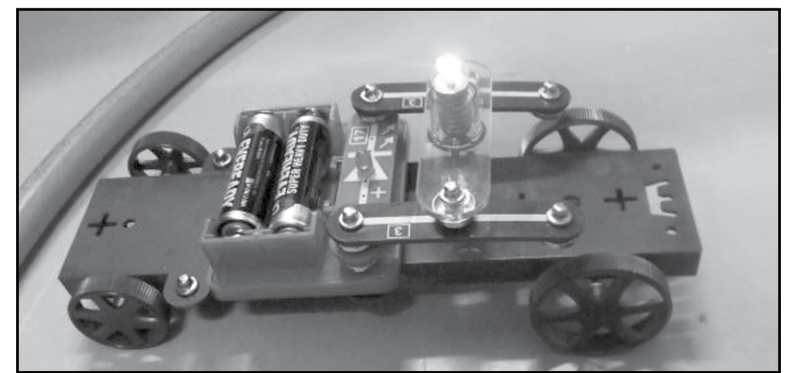
Latrobe City Council

Bunnings Morwell

Morwell Eternity Church and the Cooperating Churches of Yinnar, Boolarra and Churchill

Students, staff and parents of Yinnar South Primary School and many, many more wonderful local individuals.

With small class sizes, high teacher ratios and an education that is individually tailored to maximize your child's potential, we hope you visit soon and see our innovative and exciting educational program. Please phone Katy (Principal) on 03 5169 1540 to arrange a school tour.



Kurnai College University Campus

Well done Hayden

The VCE Leadership Awards were presented in the Queen's Hall at Parliament House.

Kurnai University Campus School Captain Hayden Stephens, was one of the eight out of twenty-four short-listed nominees.

The eight finalists were invited to attend the event and to present themselves to the audience.

Hayden was a finalist because of his school and community engagement.

As a school captain, Hayden helped to create a positive environment at Kurnai College. He was an active member of the schools Positive Behaviours Support group that aims to improve the school environment by encouraging respect and empowering others. The group developed a school policy around positive behaviour that Hayden actively implemented among his peers.

Hayden is an active member of the Morwell Fire Brigade. He was honoured with the 2014 Firefighter of the Year award for his work with the Morwell Mine Fire, and over 100 other fires which he has attended in the twelve months since he joined the brigade. Hayden believes that respect and collaboration are key components to successful fire fighting.

Hayden was also Deputy Mayor at Latrobe City Youth Council. He is a passionate voice for young people in his local community. He instigated discussions with the Latrobe City councillors about creating community spaces dedicated to young people and their needs. He

has represented the Youth Council interstate as well.

Each nominee was given three questions relevant to their fields to which they had to respond.

The school staff, who attended with Hayden, said they were most impressed at the depth of Hayden's thinking and feeling on topics. They were honoured to accompany Hayden to this occasion, and to have him as part of their school community and to see how well he represented his school.

In answer to his three questions Hayden replied that "We have been swamped by multi-national companies and it is important to maintain rural communities, especially rural produce". He continued, "There is no 'I' in team. Do not be afraid to ask for an opinion or for help".

This process is sponsored by Lenovo and the Herald-Sun. Each participant received a Lenovo laptop, a year's subscription to the Herald-Sun and a plaque.

Well done Hayden and best wishes for the future.

Human Powered Vehicle

Three teams from Kurnai College competed in the RACV Energy Breakthrough at Maryborough in late November. This required the teams to race against the other competitors, but to pass an RACV safety test for road rules, scrutineering (displaying knowledge of the vehicle) and presenting a display and presentation before three judges, describing their journey of getting a vehicle to the event.

This included finding sponsors, developing the technical specifications, effects of greenhouse gas emissions on the environment and a brief description of the aims of their chosen charity to support in the process.

The VCAL Hands on Learning students have been focusing on energy and innovation throughout the year. They chose the White Ribbon Foundation as their chosen charity, naming their vehicle "Dark Secret"- the slogan of the foundation, and a seriously ill fellow student. White Ribbon Foundation works to stop violence against women.

Through fund raising by selling white ribbons and wristbands, they raised \$240 for the foundation. They also had to fund-raise to pay for their trip to the event. This they did by car washing and detailing, and having a Mexican Baked Spud Day.

The students secured sponsorship from GATT Panels which painted the vehicle, and monetary donations from Hazelwood Rotary, Aus Geothermal and AGL.

The vehicle was built by G-Trikes and assembled by the VCAL metal class students.

To compete, the students had to organise themselves into a roster to do the 432 laps of 1.34 kms non-stop over 24 hours. Ninety-six teams competed. Kurnai VCAL team came 129th in their category and 61st overall out of 96 teams.

Teacher Brett Gay, said he was so proud of the way the students conducted themselves, organising the roster to eat, sleep and ride over the 24 hours. He said they showed

determination to represent their college well. They looked after each other, holding a team meeting to decide who would do what and when. They were their own pit crew as well, doing the maintenance on the vehicle. Brett says their teamwork was commendable.

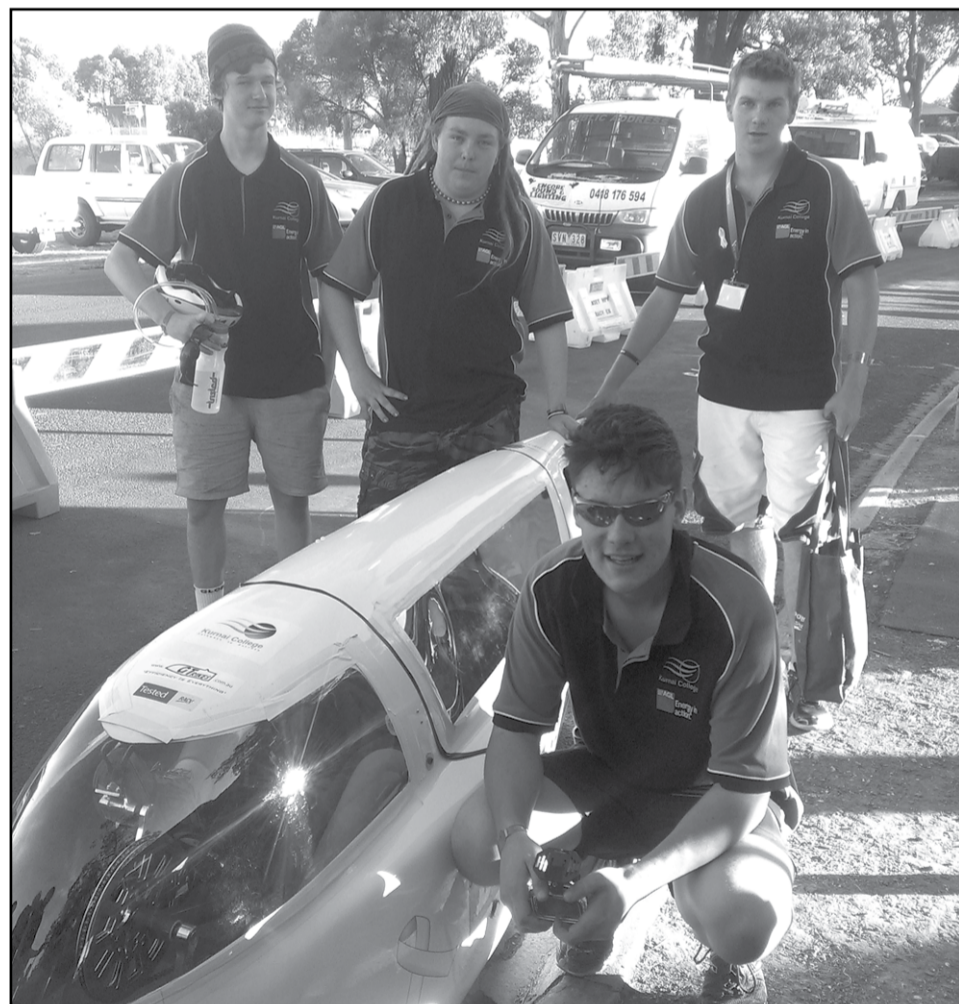
He added further that the students achieved a sense of pride and accomplishment for finishing such a gruelling event.

The objective of designing and constructing a machine encourages a team effort and provides rich curriculum material. The RACV Energy Breakthrough is an exciting program designed to provide opportunities for students, teachers, parents and local industry to work together to design and construct a vehicle, a machine or innovation in technology that will represent an 'energy breakthrough'.

The Energy Breakthrough began in 1991, when the Country Education Project began seeking new ways to engage young people in regional Victoria with a wider range of challenges.

The program encourages participants to examine and use the latest technology while considering its impact on the environment and the way people live locally and globally.

School groups work throughout the year to design, build and test vehicles and machines within detailed specifications. It requires a team effort; an across-the-curriculum approach. These groups then bring their vehicles and machines to Maryborough in November, for a huge celebration in which they can demonstrate and trial them in action.



Preschools

The Hub Preschool

Have you read at least 500 books to your child by their 5th birthday?

That's about two books a week.

Apparently your child will enjoy reading more if they have had a story read to them regularly during their preschool years. It's helpful if the child can learn to settle and listen to the book being read, and then afterwards have a chat about that story and its interesting characters.

The Hub Preschool is also promoting this early start to reading with the support of the Churchill Quilters and Latrobe City Council. They have worked together to produce a small library bag for children, which features a

screen print of 'Inla Trobe', the star of a special picture book created by Latrobe City Council. The book, called "Where do I belong? A Clementine and Ferdinand story", colourfully illustrates our wonderful area and features many local landmarks. A copy is included with the pre-schooler's library bag when their parent registers them as a member of our library.

This wonderful story is just a small example of the array of beautifully illustrated books that are available these days. There is an almost inexhaustible supply of these books in your library to read to your child.

You may like to bring your child to Storytime that is held at the Churchill Hub's library every Wednesday at 11.30am.



Glendonald Preschool

Recently, treasure maps were drawn to help search for the hidden treasure in the classroom. (It was found in the shop). This was a great activity to have on our recent rainy day. Once it stopped raining, the treasure map theme continued outside as the children sought to follow the symbols on their map to find more hidden treasure.

These and many other activities both in song and action help the students learn more about their environment and about themselves.

Christmas is coming and the Glendonald students are already selecting the patterns they want to be using with the red and green paint, to make their personalised wrapping paper.

Many more Christmas activities are planned as the preschool year draws to a close.

Next year Glendonald Preschool will have a new teacher coordinating the activities.

Mrs Marianne wishes everyone a happy and blessed Christmas and says both she and Mrs Lauren are moving to different preschools next year. They wish to thank everyone for their love and support.

Churchill Primary School students create 50th Anniversary Panels



Students and teachers involved with the 50th anniversary panels are back row from left to right Breanna, Courtney, Hannah, Chelsea, Wendy. Front row Natahlia, Pam, Samantha, Mason, Matthew, Dakota, Chloe, Nick.

Absent: Mitchell, Hayley, Rebekha, William, Dan, Tien.

Churchill and District Community Association (CDCA) approached Churchill Primary School art teacher, Pam Jordan and School Support Officer Wendy Smart, to enquire whether the students would like to create, for display, a set of eight panels for Churchill's 50th Anniversary in 2015. The panels would represent Churchill past and present.

Seventeen Grade 5/6 students volunteered. Pam and Wendy took the students on a walk around town to explore, walk, sketch and photograph the areas of interest. They visited the rock at the Hazelwood South

School site near the hotel, the cigar, the Hub, including the Neighbourhood Centre, the skate park, the Leisure Centre, Education Precinct, Green Inc. Lake Hyland in Mathison Park and the fire station. In small groups the students went to work. They have produced some wonderful representations of Churchill and those who view them will be amazed at their concepts.

Students participating were Mason, Chelsea, Nick, Courtney, Hannah, Dakota, Natahlia, Breanna, Chloe, Matthew, Samantha, Mitchell, Hayley, Rebekha, William, Dan and Tien.

Australian Plant Society

Plants in my Garden

By Mike Beamish

Species: *Eremophila maculata* 'Aurea'

Family: Myoporaceae

Derivation: *Eremophila*: From the Greek, *eremos*, meaning solitary or desert, and *-philus*, meaning loving, thus desert-loving in reference to where the majority of species grow.

maculata: From the Latin *macula*, meaning a spot of colour, and used in the botanical sense as meaning 'with coloured spots'.

aurea: From the Latin *aureus*, meaning golden, obviously referring to the colour of the flowers.

Common Name: Spotted Emu-bush, Spotted or Native Fuchsia.

Distribution: Widely distributed throughout the arid areas of QLD, NSW, Victoria, South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory, usually occurring on heavy clay-loams which can be subject to periodic inundation.

Description: A small to medium rounded shrub to 2.5m high and 3m wide. Flowers are tubular to 2.5cm long and appear in the leaf axils on S-shaped stalks. Colour is variable, ranging from cream, yellow, orange, pink, red to purple, often strongly spotted internally, but only weakly spotted if at all externally. The fruits are green, roughly globular capsules to 2cm long.



Opinion: It is on the western wall of the house, and is a couple of feet tall. However it is not as dense a shrub as the typical pink-flowered specimen. The yellow form seems to be quite slow growing compared to the pink form. This one doesn't seem to produce as many flowers, but of course there could be many reasons why this is so, such as rainfall, temperature, aspect and so on.

Reading through the literature, it says that 'Aurea' is one of two registered forms of *E. maculata* (the other being 'Carmine Star') and has bright yellow flowers with red spots inside the throat of the tube. As you can see in the photo, mine doesn't have a red spot in sight, which always makes me wonder if it was labelled correctly when I bought it. Being such a variable species, perhaps the lack of spots is not important.

More fun at the Festival

The Thorpdale Potato Festival will return on Sunday March 8, 2015 to the Thorpdale Recreation Reserve in the beautiful Strzelecki Ranges, West Gippsland.

Included in the "Spud-related" activities are Spud Picking races, the Vin Rowe Mighty Spud Challenge, potato peeling and mashing competitions as well as cooking demonstrations and spuds to buy and eat.

You will be assured of a big laugh at the "Teams Mashed Potato Eating Competition" as well as admiring the ingenuity of dressmakers at the Hessians on the Field, and wonder at the speed of sheep shearing at the Quick Shear.

There is a Photography Competition showing Thorpdale at its best and of course we'll be sorting the men from the boys with the Footy teams Tug-of-War.

There'll be laughs a plenty watching our "young bulls" on the bucking bull and the jumping castles, face-painting and fairy floss will be popular with the children.

Market Stalls

Market Stall applications are now available for the Thorpdale Potato Festival. Cost is \$20 for unpowered and \$25 for powered sites.

Application forms can be obtained by emailing thorpdale.potatofest@gmail.com The closing date for applications is January 20, 2015 and potential stallholders can follow us on Facebook for further updates.

For more information, contact: Barbara Butterworth, Marketing and Public Relations Officer, Thorpdale Potato Festival Committee, Thorpdale. potatofest@gmail.com or phone: (03) 5634 6242

Excellent Scrollers Weekend



by Barbara Cheetham

Scrollers gathered for two days of work, sharing ideas and social get-together at the Community Hall, Churchill over the weekend of November 15 and 16. They were all members of the Australian Scroll Saw Network, a not-for-profit internet based organisation. Members travelled from Swan Hill, Ballarat, Tongala, Melbourne, and Murray Bridge, South Australia, to attend the weekend. Local members came from Leongatha, Sale, Churchill, Morwell and Budgeree.

Organisers were very pleased with the interest shown by many from the local community who visited the display throughout the weekend, and showed interest in how the scroll saws worked. There were also visitors for the day from Melbourne. All were very impressed with the number of scroll saws on display and the number of exhibits.

There were sixteen scrollers demonstrating their craft with the scroll saw throughout the weekend, and all were only too pleased to chat and share their interest and knowledge with the many visitors. Many and varied techniques were being used and demonstrated, which showed the versatility of the scroll saw and its many uses. Included was the cutting of

timber, ply, corian, perspex, thin metal (pennies) and recycling LP records into decorative items.

Beautiful pieces of intarsia, fretwork of all descriptions, many types of clocks, bowls and much more were available for purchase.

Some items were on display only, showing the magnificent hand crafted work that is done by scrollers.

One such display had three large pendulum clocks made completely from timber with absolutely no metal within the clocks. What an incredible challenge for the craftsman.

Another display was a large beautiful cathedral along with many other articles, one of which was a chess board complete with all of the chess pieces hand crafted. These were contained in a drawer below the board, a remarkable piece of work.

Quite a few of the visitors had a try at using the scroll saw and were impressed with its ease of use.

We are hoping that those who visited during the weekend may be encouraged to join our craft at some time in the future and come to enjoy great times such as we had this weekend in Churchill.

For further information contact Barbara on 5122 3530.

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Rotary Club of Hazelwood

By Leo Billington

Readers of the Churchill and District News are always invited to enquire about learning more about Hazelwood Rotary and perhaps considering joining.

During November, Hazelwood Rotary maintained its close connection with the local community assisting a wide variety of projects.

with that school displays commitment and enthusiasm which is exhibited in its innovative, integrated curriculum.

Under guidance and tuition of teacher, Brett Gay, a team of VCAL students from the Gippsland Education Precinct (GEP) entered the 2014 RACV Energy Breakthrough event held at Maryborough (Victoria). The GEP

6 students received their awards. Rotary member, Brenda Burney was "the driver" of this initiative, working alongside staff members at the school. Five students received awards - Nixon Hall, Hayley Sheers, Sophie Scholes, Georgia Martin and Elly Walker. School Principal, George Telford and teacher, Hayley Coffin, attended the evening along with families and friends.

A golf day conducted at the Traralgon Golf Club raised funds for research into Motor Neurone Disease.

A torturous disease, there is never enough funding available for research to help alleviate it. This annual golf day, organised by Hazelwood Rotary Club member Chris Payne, in conjunction with the Traralgon Golf Club, does its bit to raise funds. Hazelwood Rotary looked after the catering.

Hazelwood Rotary joined with Morwell Rotary to cater at the recent Saturday evening light show held at Morwell's popular rose garden.

It was an innovative way of showing the huge array of roses, all groomed ready for their public showing. The club also provided financial assistance towards the recent public campaign highlighting the urgency to eradicate domestic violence. White Ribbon Day brings this unsavory behaviour to everyone's attention and many Rotary clubs will now be promoting the same degree of public awareness.

Guest speakers

Doctor Veronica Kyle was a guest early in November. In 2004, Kylie was sponsored by the ARHRF Indigenous Health Scholarship and qualified as a registered pharmacist and, with further study, is now a medical practitioner.

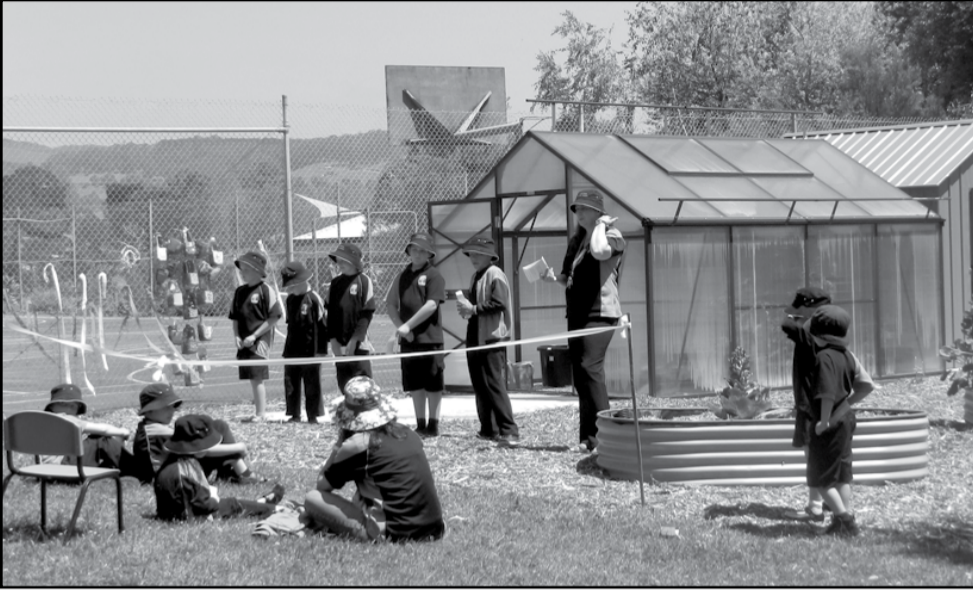
Veronica's sponsorship through this program was

supported by Hazelwood Rotary. Veronica graduated as a pharmacist in 2007 and as a medical practitioner in January 2014. [ARHRF - Australian Rotary Health Research Fund.]

Local audiologist, Neil Clutterbuck, was another guest speaker talking about his chosen career and experiences working with those who suffer hearing loss.

2014 Christmas Wrap - Mid Valley Shopping Centre

Hazelwood Rotary once again co-ordinated the 2014 Christmas Wrap at Mid Valley Shopping Centre. Well known Rotarian Mac Wood is the key co-ordinator who has been in contact with a wide range of community groups called upon to help through until Christmas Eve. The Christmas Wrap service began on



Community activities

Yinnar South Primary School was a recent beneficiary of funding from the club to purchase a small garden shed to complement their initiative in establishing a community garden. An energetic team from Hazelwood Rotary built the shed which now serves as storage for gardening materials, now the community garden is open. At an official opening on Friday, November 28, parents and guests were hosted by school staff and students on a pleasant afternoon which included guided tours of the school. Everyone associated

Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) team received financial sponsorship from Hazelwood Rotary to enable their participation in this popular annual event, which this year attracted a record 365 teams from Victoria and interstate. This year was the 24th annual event, so next year will be a big year with plenty of celebrations. The GEP team was proud of their vehicle which rated rather highly in its class.

Joining with the Yinnar Primary School, Hazelwood Rotary supported the Yinnar Primary School - Junior Community Award. A function was recently held where Year



December 1, and payment is by donation.

World Polio Day is acknowledged this month as Hazelwood Rotary supports this massive world wide effort to eradicate polio.

If interested to learn more details about Rotary, please contact President Ray Beebe on 51 22 1366

Also, please visit our Facebook site to see and learn more about the wide variety of activities involving Hazelwood Rotary.

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Sunday, December 21

Held outside at the Co-Operating Churches, 1 Williams Ave, Churchill

BBQ at 6.30pm. Gold coin donation.
Proceeds to breakfast clubs at our local schools.

Carol singing, items and the Christmas story from 7.30pm

If the weather is inclement, Carols will be held inside the church.

Supplied - carols booklets and some candles and holders.

Bring a chair, or picnic rug, your carols booklet from the Latrobe Express and some money for the collection to go to the breakfast clubs of our local schools.

SANTA will make an appearance during the evening

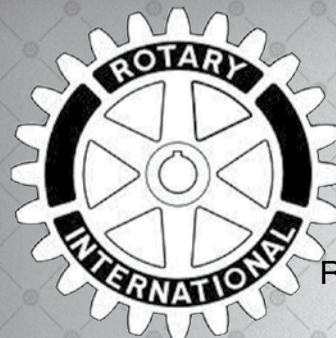
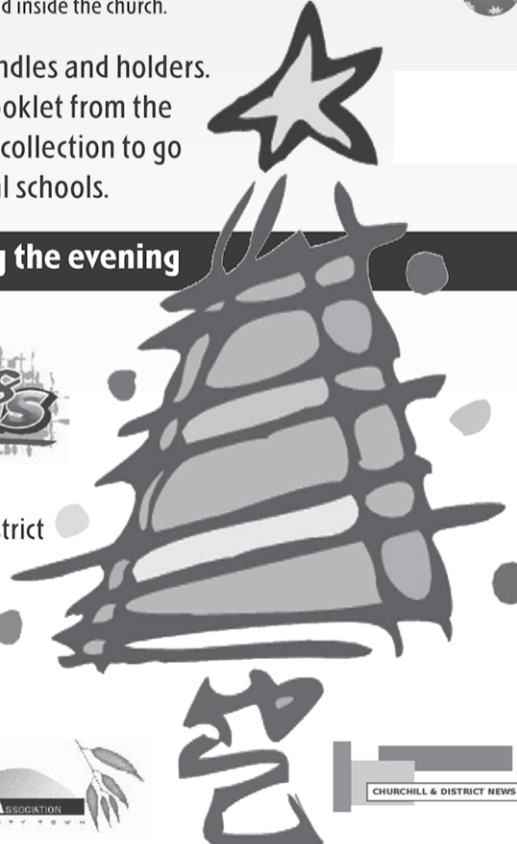
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Hazelwood Rotary

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MEETINGS:
Mondays 6.30pm - 8.00pm

ITALIAN AUSTRALIAN SPORTING AND SOCIAL CLUB MORWELL

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Bianconi in Rams renaissance

Churchill soccer stalwart Mark Bianconi has been appointed senior coach of the Rams. Championship winning coach Stephen Riess, stood down as a club coach after eight years, including the last two as the senior leader.

Bianconi follows in the footsteps of his father, Forte who coached the club for two seasons in 1981 and 1989.

Last season the 30 year old successfully guided Churchill's Youth team to the Steel Cup and has been a life long player for the club, including being a member of 13 senior trophy winning sides since 2005. "I'm looking forward to continuing the good work done by previous regimes in order to bring continued success, whilst working within the clubs philosophy of developing our young players". Bianconi said.

Churchill has claimed a senior trophy in nine of the last ten years and has either won the League or finished runner up for the last nine years straight. "Our record of success will be hard to match but the high standards set by the players on and off the field is an area where the bar can always be raised and that is something we will endeavour to do".

Club captain, Luke Van Lambaart, will deputise as senior assistant in 2015, and long term third tier team coach, Vaughan Reimers, will take charge of the now second tier Reserves team after GSL clubs voted to remove the Youth competition.

Appointments for the revived Second Division and all new under 18's teams have not been filled and the club is open to expressions of interest.



Senior squad training will commence in January and for more information about playing or coaching soccer at Churchill, Bianconi can be contacted on 0421 046 954.

In 2015 Churchill is also confident of reviving its women's team with a focus on involvement and having a go at the sport. Emily Edwards is the women's team manager and a coaching announcement will be made soon. Interested women and girls can contact Edwards on 0422 826 057 to express interest in playing.

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Churchill and Monash Golf Club Results

Saturday November 1, 2014 – Mens: 2 Person Ambrose. Winners: - C. Hogan and D. Ellwood- 78 (70 Nett). Runner Up: - W.Judkins and P.Shields- 83 (72.25 net). A. Auld and T. Collins- 83 (72.5 Nett). N.T.P: – 5th- C. Hogbin, 12th- C. Hogbin.

Tuesday November 4, 2014: - Melbourne Cup Stableford. Ladies Winner: - B. Beebe(35) 31 pts. D.T.L: - A. Hibbert(29) 30 pts C/B.N.T.P: - 5th- V. Verheyen, 14th – J. Beck. Mens Winner: - D. Taylor(19) 35pts C/B. D.T.L: - H. Martin(18) 35 pts. B. Barnes(30) 32 pts. N.T.P: - 3rd- H. Martin, 5th- R. Scurlock, 12th- H. Speake. Birdies- H. Speake.

Saturday November 8, 2014: – Mens Stableford. Winners: - A Grade: - B. Kilday (18) 39pts. B Grade: - G. Spowart (21) 42pts. C Grade: - B. Barnes (30) 34pts. Ladies Winner: - D. Scurlock (14) 37pts. N.T.P: – 3rd- B. Kilday, 5th- J. Thornby, 12th- P. Ludlow, 14th- B. Kilday.

Tuesday November 11, 2014- Ladies 1st Round Club Championships/Monthly Medal. Monthly Medal: - M.McConville (24) 68 nett. Scratch: - D. Scurlock (14) 87. A Grade: - M.McConville (24) 68 nett. B Grade: - D. Stait (44) 70 nett. N.T.P: - 5th- M. Dear, 14th – E. D'Alteria. Birdies: - D. Scurlock, E. Leggo, M.Dear.

Saturday November 15, 2014 – Mens Singles Championships – 1st Round. Winners: - A Grade- D. Byers (13) 67. B Grade: - B. Kilday (17) 62. C Grade: - C. Thompson (25) 63. N.T.P: – 3rd- G. Spowart, 12th- R. Scurlock, 14th- D. Byers. Birdies: - B. Kilday-3rd, R. Welsh- 3rd & 14th, G. Spowart-3rd, R. Scurlock-12th, D. Byers-14th

Monday November 17, 2014- Churchill and Monash Ladies Bowl. Winners- Churchill Team 2- 101 pts J. Blizzard(33) 41, E. D'Alterio(21) 31, D. Stait(43)29. N.T.P: - 3rd- M.McConville, 5th- J. Marriot, 12th- A. Membery, 14th- J. Marriot.

Tuesday November 18, 2014- Ladies 4BBB. Winners: - E. Leggo(31) and L. Peake(38) 45 pts. Runner up: - M. McConville(23) and M. Munkton(34) 44 pts. N.T.P: 5th- D. Scurlock, 14th – J. Blizzard

Saturday November 29, 2014 – Mens Singles Championships – 3rd Round. Winners: - A Grade- R. Dent(11) 70. B Grade: - W. Judkins(20) 67. C Grade: - J.Ambrosini(28) 70. Scratch Winner: - D. Scurlock. Monthly Medal: - J. McCafferty(22) 67 C/B. Star Medal: - J. Thornby 71 C/B. N.T.P: – 3rd-P. Coad, 5th-B. Kilday, 12th- R. Dent, 14th-B. Kilday. Overall Scratch Winner: - D. Scurlock- 217. Overall Handicap Winner- B. Sebire- 207.

Tuesday December 2, 2014- Churchill and Monash Ladies Singles Championships: - 3rd Round. Winners: - A Grade: - D. Judkins(25) 66. B Grade: - D. Stait(43) 70. N.T.P: - 5th- D. Scurlock, 14th- D. Judkins. Birdies: - D. Judkins. Star Medal- M. McConville(22) 75. Overall Scratch Winner: - D. Scurlock(14) 269. Overall Handicap Winner: - D. Judkins(26) 208.



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Churchill Junior Basketball



U/10 Boys A Grade Winners

Churchill Blue Devils Junior teams competed at the Moe Basketball Squad Tournament on November 8, 9 and 10. The tournament attracted 118 teams, ranging from under 10's through to under 18's with games being played across Moe and Morwell.

Churchill entered 6 teams, from under 10's to under 14's.

The tournament was a huge success for our Under 10 boys who took out the A Grade Grand Final in a thriller against Korumburra.

The boys were behind by a basket or two all game, until the last minute when the Blue Devils scored twice to win 24-21.

There were nine teams entered in the under 10 boys division, and it included many strong and competitive associations.

Players who represented the Blue Devils and

took home the winners trophy in U10 boys A were - Hunter Little, Corey Thorburn, Lleyton Hecker, Flynn Schill, Ben Burrows, Rhys McKenzie, Hudson McCulloch and Will Xerri. Coach is Jason Sutherland, Assistant Coach Shannon Towers and Team Manager Tenille Thorburn.

Under 12 boys finished on top of their pool winning four of their five games. They met an undefeated Foster in the Grand Final.

Foster led comfortably at half time, but the Blue Devils had a strong second half, but ran out of time and lost a close one 26-22.

Other notable performances over the weekend were the Under 12 girls and Under 14 boys, who both just missed out on making the B Grade Grand Final. Both teams drew against teams that played off in the Grand Final of their age group.

Next tournament for the Blue Devils will be at Warragul on February 14 and 15.

Jockeying into the future



A very busy year is almost at an end for apprentice jockey Caitlin King. This year she has been studying Year 12 subjects at Kurnai Collage GEP campus located at Federation University, while completing her second year of a four year apprenticeship with Racing Victoria. At Kurnai, Caitlin studied business management, coaching, maths and English. Through Racing Victoria she has completed Certificate 3 and continuing with Certificate 4 in Fitness to be a personal trainer. She is also completing Certificates 2 and 3 in Racing (Jockey). While down at Racing Victoria she has nutrition, race theory and self-management classes with staff from Racing Victoria. Caitlin has passed her VCAL at Kurnai and is looking



forward to the Awards Night where she will receive a special award for her effort, which has given Caitlin some more time to work full time with horses. Her Racing Victoria studies are also almost finished for the year but she will be back at it in January for the next two years. Caitlin decided to be a jockey after a few years of taking riding lessons with Catherine Martindale at Hazelwood Lodge.

She began when she was seven and at about age ten, Catherine said to her that one day she would be her first Apprentice Jockey. Since then she has worked to bring this about. Catherine is Caitlin's master racehorse trainer. This means that four times a week Caitlin is at the Moe racetrack at 4.30am - 8.30am training Catherine's racehorses. She also is able to ride other

trainer's horses. They have been very supportive of Caitlin. Then she works at Catherine's five to six days a week doing stable duties, which entails cleaning out the horse boxes and yards, and saddling and riding other horses. For Catherine she also acts as a strapper, walking the race horses around prior to their races, getting them ready for the jockeys to ride and then collecting the horses after the races, washing and cooling them down. Caitlin says she has the best support at work at Hazelwood Lodge, Moe Race Course, from her family and partner as well as from Kurnai, which accepted and allowed Caitlin to turn up late on occasions. Caitlin was very diligent in making sure she did all her school work. "I have a job I love doing," enthused Caitlin. "It is not like a normal job. I love going to work."

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