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## Churchill's First Anzac Day



The Morwell RSL in co-operation with Churchill and District Community Association conducted Churchill's inaugural ANZAC Day ceremony in Churchill. The well-attended event was a respectful observance of the day and included many local residents in the ceremony. *Full story and pictures middle pages . . .*

### Upcoming Events for Churchill's 50th Anniversary Celebrations

- 1. Churchill & District News Volume 4 Looking Back history book launch** May 24 at 2pm at the Co-Operating Churches. Please come and share your memories of early Churchill.
- 2. Churchill Football Club Past Players Re-Union Day/Night event** Saturday June 13. Watch the game in the afternoon and get together at 7.30pm for fellowship and finger food catering.
- 3. Gippsland Trade Printers Open Day** Saturday July 18 from 11am-2pm.

Factory tours, showbags, wanted posters, etc BBQ lunch.

- 4. Churchill & District News Short Story and Poetry Competition** Entries must be received by July 16, 2015
- 5. Gum Leaf Quilters Quilt and Craft Exhibition** September 12-13 at the auditorium, at FediUni 10am - 4pm
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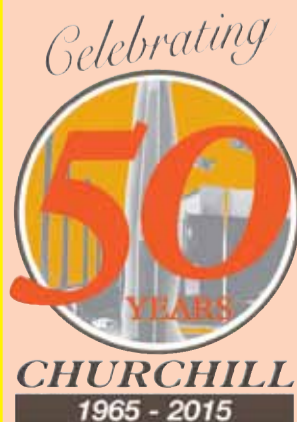
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# The Good Friday Family Fun Day at the Churchill Hotel

By Stacey Coulthard

It as an absolute pleasure to be a part of something that I think has brought this close - knit community even closer together.

An amazing start to 2015 with spectacular weather, which helped entice families young and old to this year's Good Friday Appeal Family Fun Day Fundraiser.

We saw approximately 5000 people venture out to The Churchill Hotel for the fun filled day.

We had 21 market stalls which catered for all interests and ages, and a specific "kids area" for all aged children.

This area included a jumping castle, fairy floss, face painting and Kids Kraft Korner.

It was a no smoking or drinking area, enabling the kids to be in a "kid friendly environment".

Live entertainment throughout the event brought Melissa Pollard, The Middle Men and The Good Ol Boys out to The Hotel to keep the atmosphere humming.

With a "Silent Auction" and raffles, these activities helped make a considerable amount of money and contribute to our final tally for the day of \$10,645.90.

Cassandra Ellerington assisted with the coordination of the market stalls and Silent Auction, without her assistance things could have been a different story. A huge thankyou goes out to her and her husband Pete - what wonderful support from such dedicated and committed locals.

Our local Churchill &



District Lions Club had their hot plates burning and cooked up a wonderful sausage sizzle, which had peoples' mouths watering all morning. Thankyou for your donation and help on the day, it's greatly appreciated the dedication and commitment

that Guy and I have received from you and your group thus far.

Colin Watson Motors also made a wonderful donation along with the Churchill Fire Brigade. Your contributions helped make a difference to someone's life, thankyou.

Raffle prize donations received from many local businesses throughout Churchill and surrounds, to which we are so very grateful.

We wouldn't have been able to do what we did, if it weren't for the local patrons and businesses supporting this day. Again thankyou.

We will start looking into forming a committee shortly,

to assist with next years' fundraising and organising.

Expressions of interest are encouraged to contact Stacey at the Hotel on 5122 1800.

We anticipate making the 2016 Family Fun Day bigger and better and hope that the community and its' surrounds will get behind the Churchill Hotel to make it yet another huge success.

We are a part of this community in the hope to make a difference as a whole. So get behind The Churchill Hotel and be a part of raising some much needed funds for The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

## Rainfall for April 2015

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# Addition to the Art and Culture Pathway unveiled

A small but appreciative crowd gathered at Federation University for the unveiling of a sculpture located near part of the pathway which will eventually link all pathways around Churchill.

Mike Answerth, who has been an initiator and active participant in the Art and Culture Pathway project, began procedures by saying how grateful he was to the former Gippsland Education Precinct Board and Loretta Hambly in particular for encouraging the development of the pathway project. Last year the part of the pathway adjacent to the sculpture was opened.

Those present would witness the unveiling of a significant piece of sculpture called Mungo Moon donated by Don Barrett of Modella, who was so impressed by the project that he was eager to be part of it.

Professor David Battersby, Head of Federation University Australia, welcomed all to Federation University and paid his respects to Gunai/Kurnai elders past and present.

He thanked Mike for his diligence in getting the project going.

He commented on the site of the sculpture being one of beauty and peace.

David thanked Don for his piece of work, saying it was an enormous compliment he paid the university in



Mike Answerth, Don Barrett and Professor David Battersby

giving his gift. Don, David explained, is a local artist of significance who has been exhibiting for more than thirty years.

Don responded by thanking David for his kind words.

He also extended his thanks to Harry Ballis, Mike who showed him around and through whose enthusiasm he wished to be part of the project, Claire Givensary, Acquisition Officer, Anton Wray and Chris Waterman who helped with installation and the private contractors.

Don explained about the title of his work saying he had visited Lake Mungo fifteen years ago.

It had been very dry for 20-40,000 years. He said he could imagine the local Aboriginal people being in the area.

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Mike thanked all involved and then invited them to afternoon tea.

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- Stall holders shall not pack up stall earlier than 1.30pm unless prior arrangements have been made with the Churchill Lions Club Market Manager, or due to inclement weather conditions or stall has sold out of products.
- Stall Holders are required to supply all equipment for the event, eg tables, chairs, marquee etc.

**Note Cancellation Policy: Less than 48 hours' notice we will still require payment or a donation to Camp Quality (Kids with cancer)**

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# Darrell White



## ANZAC Day 2015 - Churchill

Congratulations to the Churchill and District Community Association for their foresight and efforts which enabled, for the first time, a commemorative ANZAC Day ceremony in Churchill on April 25, at the town's new Town Hall Plaza in Philip Parade.

It was terrific to see so many of our Churchill and District community in attendance for this unique occasion which coincided with the town's 50th Year celebrations.

A special part of the day

was the participation of the Morwell RSL President, Bruce Jeffrey, as keynote speaker.

It was also a terrific highlight to have the presence of, and hear the thoughts from students of each of Churchill's three Primary Schools, Churchill Primary, Churchill North Primary and Lumen Christi Catholic Primary. They all spoke confidently and their thoughts clearly reflected a strong understanding of what ANZAC Day is all about. Well done to all concerned.

## Arts "Dick Bishop Memorial Prize 2015"

## opens for entries

Latrobe Regional Gallery's "Dick Bishop Memorial Prize" is now open to emerging Gippsland artists of any age, and can also be entered by artists working in groups. Entries close on Friday May 22, 2015. The prize is a dedication to local arts identity Dick Bishop, and is an important feature of the local art landscape

This prize is aimed at our local artists to give them an opportunity to shine. The successful entrant will receive a fully supported and curated exhibition at Latrobe Regional Gallery, Community

Access Gallery, in Morwell in August/September 2015.

This is an open competition meaning that artists working in any medium will be accepted. The only stipulation is that the artworks have been produced within the last year and that the artist currently resides in Gippsland.

The prize is a celebration of the contribution of local art mentor, Dick Bishop, who arrived in Morwell in 1961 to teach art at Morwell Technical School, and by 1967 had established the Diploma of Art course. In 1984 he also established TAFE courses in

Applied Art in Newborough and initiated 'The Jason Club', the forerunner of the Latrobe Regional Gallery Friends group, prior to his retirement in 1988. He subsequently remained involved in the Moe Heritage Art Group and was a mentor to a group he called 'The Dead Wombat Society' up until his passing in 2004.

Copies of the entry form are available from Latrobe Regional Gallery or they can be downloaded from the Latrobe Regional Gallery website.

For enquiries call Latrobe Regional Gallery on 5128 5700.

# Russell Northe

For more information, visit <http://www.lcbta.org.au/>

A reminder that the book launch of Churchill & District News Volume 4 "Looking Back...through the eyes of local residents" the fourth book in the "Looking Back" series, is being launched on Sunday May 24, 2015 at 2pm at the Co-operating Churches Churchill, 1 Williams Avenue.

In closing, Latrobe's Biggest Ever Blokes BBQ will be held on Friday May 22, 2015 from 11am to 4.30pm at Kernot Hall, Morwell.

Table bookings are now open, \$1100 per table of ten - all inclusive including food, drink, entertainment, monster

auction, raffles and door prizes.

There will be special guest entertainment by Sam Kekovich, Kevin Sheedy, Malcolm Johnston and John Deeks (MC).

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Latrobe's Biggest Ever Blokes BBQ will help raise awareness and provide funding to assist research, diagnosis and treatment of



prostate cancer. All proceeds to prostate cancer research and awareness.

I trust that all community members had a safe and relaxing Easter break, and hope that you managed to catch up with family and friends, or even had the opportunity to visit and experience some of Gippsland's wonderful attractions.

April 25 is an important day on the Australian calendar and I was pleased to attend a number of ANZAC Day services across the Morwell electorate.

All ANZAC Day services across the Latrobe Valley were a fitting tribute to those who have served our country and provided an opportunity for community members to

demonstrate their gratitude and respect to our courageous service men and women.

We must also pay due regard to our local RSLs who do a marvellous job in hosting various ANZAC day services across the region.

I recently had the opportunity to attend a meeting of the Churchill and District Community Association (CDCA).

The CDCA do a wonderful job advocating on behalf of the Churchill and district community and have been able to achieve some great outcomes for the community.

It's wonderful to see such a diverse array of persons and

organisations involved in the CDCA and this is one of its great strengths.

I look forward to continue working with the CDCA and its members in improvaing and enhancing Churchill and district into the future.

Also, nominations for the Latrobe City Business Tourism Awards' People's Choice Awards 2015 are closing on May 31, 2015.

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# Hazelwood Cemetery Trust

By Leo Billington

The Hazelwood Cemetery continues to draw highly complimentary platitudes from visitors.

While much required maintenance work still continues, many remember the cemetery as one where once, burials should not be considered.

Those with strong memories recall a rabbit, ragwort and blackberry infested public facility.

Two recent anecdotes were given to me.

One referred to “years ago when visitors to a relative’s grave had to use their own fern hook and stick to bash a track through the tangled blackberries, all the while making enough noise to frighten snakes.”

Another remembered that “It was only possible to lean over the external fence to peer into the distance hoping to see a family grave.”

This was how a regular visit was handled.

It’s often wondered why the area was allowed to deteriorate so much and now appears in a far more pristine condition.

The answer is hard work



co-ordinated by a more dedicated Cemetery Trust that cares about the cemetery and its environs.

A recent example of a project being undertaken is a commemorative garden for the 2015 ANZAC 100th year.

Two huge rocks dominate the discreet garden planted with rosemary.

The rocks were donated by a local company who saw the cemetery being cared for so much.

Unfortunately, there are

reports about private vehicles incorrectly entering through the wrong gateway.

Entry is encouraged via the main heritage listed granite gates.

State Government legislation covering administration of cemeteries identifies that drivers of private vehicles can be booked for ignoring Cemetery Trust approved signage.

This also applies for vehicles driving on the internal roads in a dangerous

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# Church News

## Co-Operating Churches Snippets cont.



Coffee Connection shared a special time with Don and Marion Ireland as they recounted a trip they did

several years ago with their children to Europe, Britain and America.

Reverend Brenda held a

workshop for those involved with doing, or wanting to do the intercessory prayers. It was an informative evening with some lovely prayers written. Saturday Breakfast guest was Carl Hood whose talk was titled 'Carl's Hobbies'. Carl is an accomplished model - maker including ships and model railways.

A more detailed report appears elsewhere on this page.

The Junior Youth Group had a scavenger hunt around Churchill and then enjoyed a chicken nuggets and chips tea.

The Ladies Fellowship in conjunction with the Latrobe and Francis Orchestras held a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon. An appreciative crowd attended to hear a wide selection of music played by the two orchestras and a group of young music students from St Paul's Anglican Grammar School in Traralgon. A delicious afternoon tea which followed gave everyone great value for money. Proceeds were divided between the orchestra and the church.

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## Church Times

### Lumen Christi Catholic Church

35 Walker Parade, Churchill  
Tel: 5122 2226

Father Francis/Father Antony

Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass: 9.00am

1st and 3rd Sundays:

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### Churchill Christian Fellowship

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### Co-Operating Churches of Churchill

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11.00am

Christ Church Boolarra

3rd & 4th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar

5th Sundays

11.00am

Yinnar South

## Saturday Breakfast

The Saturday Breakfast held on April 18 was very well attended to hear Carl Hood talk about his hobbies of model ships and railways.

Carl was born in England and his interest in models was kindled when he visited a cousin's place and saw he had models of World War I aeroplanes hanging from his bedroom ceiling. After that, Carl was determined he would start building models.

He started by making cardboard models and graduated to model kits, being interested in ships rather than aeroplanes as he eventually wanted his models to work, and aeroplanes ran the risk of crashing if he flew them.

Carl was also interested in model railways and built up a collection of unpowered railways, as he could not afford electric ones on the pocket money he received. He still has his collection.

Carl came to Australia in 1956 with his family on the ship 'Himalaya'. His family travelled first class as his father was being sponsored by the Australian Government but Carl spent most of his time in second class which was more fun and more interesting.

Carl wanted to build models from 'scratch' rather than putting kits together from parts made by someone else.

He made a model of the 'Titanic' which was over two metres long, working from plans he had bought. Unfortunately the model was lost in the Black Saturday fires when the shed in which it was kept was burnt down.

For his next venture, Carl decided to build a scale model of the ship on which he came to Australia, the 'Himalaya'. He purchased copies of the original ship builders plans and built it, including a steam turbine he made which is powered by a small 'donkey'

steam engine. It is radio controlled and he has tried it out on his dam and intends sailing it on the lake at Mathison Park.

Carl's other interest is model railways and he is currently building an 'N' gauge layout of the steam era Great Western Railway. This railway was built by the very famous engineer Isambard

Kingdom Brunel who, along with his father Marc Brunel built the first tunnel under the Thames River. This railway is often referred to as "God's Wonderful Railway".

The photo shows Carl holding photos of his two ships. 'Titanic' and 'Himalaya'.

The next Breakfast will be held on May 23, at the Co-Operating Parish Church, Williams Avenue. Kirrilee Enders will be the guest speaker.

Kirrilee has had an interesting career as a child carer, art gallery director,



photographer and secondary school teacher. Her talk will concentrate mainly on her teaching experiences at one of the toughest secondary schools in Tasmania.

People interested in attending should contact Keith Enders by Thursday May 21, on ken.15967@bigpond.com or by phone on 5122 1148.

## C. S. Lewis

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C.S. Lewis is best known for his fictional works. However, his non-fictional writings hold a lot of information about some of his important life discoveries.

After the death of his mother when he was aged 9, he was surprised that he could ever experience any joy again.

As time went on, he had what he described on one occasion as "such a sudden intense feeling of delight that it sort of stopped me in my walk and spun me around..." So he started to want more of these times.

He considered himself an atheist, so he did not initially think that joy had anything to do with God,

saying "no slightest hint was vouchsafed me that there ever had been or ever would be any connection between God and joy".

He distinguished joy from happiness or pleasure, saying "If you want joy, power, peace, eternal life, you must get close to or even into the things that have them."

He went on to discover that it is the God behind all of this who he desired.

In 1929, aged 31, he converted from atheism to theism, admitting "that God was God", despite the fact that he saw himself as a 'reluctant convert'.

He said 'I believe in Christianity, as I believe that the sun has risen; not only because I see it, but because by it I see everything else'.

# Church News



Members of Lumen Christi Parish joined with Co-Operating Churches for Walk of Witness around Churchill

## Co-Operating Churches Snippets

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Easter filled our early days of April. A lovely quiet contemplative service was held at Boolarra on Maundy Thursday evening, remembering the last night of Jesus' life before his

crucifixion. On Good Friday Reverend Brenda held a beautiful service which profoundly reminded us of the great sacrifice made by Jesus in dying for us, and what that means for our lives now and in the future. We were

joined by members of Lumen Christi Parish. This service was followed by our Walk of Witness around Churchill, starting and finishing at the Co-Operating Churches with a hot drink and warm Hot Cross Buns. Our Easter

Sunday service was a great celebration of God's victory over death through Jesus' resurrection.

During the school holidays, a primary school program was held for two hours on each of the Tuesdays.

A good attendance of children enjoyed the program of games, morning tea, the Easter Story told interactively and craft activities.

On the Monday of the first week of the holidays a Music Playgroup was

held with several families taking advantage of the time to be together with other families with small children, enjoying playing time, and musical involvement with refreshments.



Students from the International Students Association enjoying the Tarra Bulga National Park.

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students of students at the Gippsland for over four decades. If you would like to read the AGM report you can contact MUGSU on 5122 6248 for a copy to be mailed out or it is available at [www.mugsu.org.au](http://www.mugsu.org.au).

# Book launch was held at the Federation University

A book launch was held at the Federation University Churchill campus on Wednesday April 29. Co-editor and author, Dr Nicola Johnson, spoke about this recently released book entitled, 'Critical perspectives on technology and education' and how more than 20 researchers from across the world had contributed chapters about laptops, smartphones and everyday technology use and their role in education. The book examines key educational ideas from a perspective that carefully considers the complex relationships many of us have with technologies and education.

The event catered to 50 attendees and was a timely and important opportunity to connect further with community members. In association

with the Learning with New Media Research Group in the Faculty of Education at Monash University, Dr Johnson also promoted the ongoing research surrounding educational technology in schools with which she is involved.

Recently appointed as the new Deputy Head of the School of Education, Nicola also promoted the quality of teacher education available in the region. In addition to offering degrees in primary education and graduate degrees in a Masters of Teaching in both the Primary and Secondary sectors, Nicola also announced that a new secondary double degree program would be offered in 2016 from the Gippsland campus in partnership with the School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. The Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor

of Education double degree provides an opportunity for people to become qualified to be teachers of history, English, media and screen studies and sociology.

The second major program to be provided in 2016 is a Bachelor of Education (Birth to Year 6) which provides a four year qualification in Early Childhood.

This degree will be of particular interest to those who wish to work in early childhood centres, kindergartens, out of school hours care, occasional care, pre-schools, long day care and it also enables graduates to teach in primary schools.

Dr Johnson said, "Both of these programs I know will be of major interest to many school leavers as well as mature aged students, and we are thrilled to be able to provide these opportunities

here at the Gippsland campus.

These new programs are only possible because of the amalgamation of the Monash University Gippsland campus with the University of Ballarat, and the support and commitment of two particular people, namely Professor John McDonald, the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Education and Arts and Dr Annette Foley, the Head of the School of Education. It has been my pleasure to work closely



with both of them to help contribute to a united School of Education that focuses on establishing strong

partnerships with schools and the greater Gippsland community," she said.

## Churchill Lions Club

On Saturday April 11, Churchill Lions assisted the Lionesses catering for the riders at the Callignee Hall for the launch of the Lions Ride for Sight Bicycle Riders. Ride for Sight is in its 22nd year and this year started the four day event at Drouin, riding through South and Central Gippsland raising money for the Centre for Eye Research in Australia, finishing back at

Drouin.

The Lions Club put on a number of sausage sizzles throughout March/April. The Lions were at the 50th Anniversary Celebrations putting on a free barbecue. On Good Friday the sausage sizzle was a huge success with the unexpected numbers who attended at the Churchill Hotel carpark, with all money raised going to the Royal Children's

Hospital Appeal. There's also regular appearances at Bunnings at Mid Valley with a sausage sizzle on two days during April.

The Lions members have been busy with plenty of other projects.

Several members of the club have enjoyed spending three days at a maintenance working bee at the Lion's Village Licola Camp where

a large number of children attend camps each year.

Two members from Churchill Lions have recently been appointed to serve as District Officers, Peter McShane as Secretary and Steve Duggan as Youth of the Year Chairman.

The Club also financially assisted Operation Teddy Bear - a state-wide Crime watch program.

The Club also assisted with the Lions Prostate Cancer Research project, the Victorian Lions Foundation, the Lions Cord Blood Foundation and Haemophilia Foundation.

The Lions Club also financially supported students from Kurnai College to assist in the Student Bush Fire Recovery Program. Students will be sent to Tasmania and



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# Mathison Park



Max picked up fallen branches along the Tramway Road section.

The park is looking really attractive. We have had the community services people working in the park and they have contributed to the neat and tidy looks.

We have lots of trees to plant at the next two working bees and during the week when people have spare time.

We need some extra hands who would like to see the east side further vegetated.

For further information ring Ruth 5122 1961 or Faye 0427 696 780.

Nine people arrived to help at the last working bee and so much was achieved. Lots of fallen bark and leaves were raked up and taken in Dave's trusty ute to the rubbish pile. Then it was off to where several trees had fallen over tracks to clear them up. The piles of rubbish grew a lot through our efforts

and with the help of the ute and Chris' trailer.

A lovely cake and slice helped renew the energy levels to proceed. Lots of the tree guards in the Tramway Road section were straightened and their stakes hammered in more securely.

To finish off a great morning's work, Dave and

# Plant now for autumn and spring colours



May is the perfect time to choose deciduous trees and shrubs for autumn colour as some trees like maple's and liquidambar's colours vary depending on the individual tree.

If you choose one now you can see the autumn colours your tree will have in the future. Plant your bulbs as soon as possible for the best results. Bulbs planted under deciduous trees add colour to the garden until your tree gets its new leaves in spring. They won't compete with the tree for moisture, nutrients and light because they are actively growing while the tree is dormant and leafless. The opposite happens in the warmer months when the bulbs are dormant and the tree is actively growing.

Some bulbs, particularly tulips, respond well to being put in the fridge vegetable compartment for a month

prior to planting, as the cold activates the shooting process. Leave the bulb's foliage to die off naturally and don't cut it off when it starts to yellow later in the year, as this is when the bulb stores nourishment for the next seasons flowering.

Try planting some sweet pea seeds now for colour and scent in spring if you have a trellis for them to climb on. Wet the soil first then plant the seeds in a position in full sun. We have planted some for our sensory arch at the Churchill Community Garden situated behind the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre. They come in a huge variety of colours and are a good cut flower with a lovely perfume.

Information sourced from Burke's Backyard Magazine (May 2006 issue) and Gardening Australia (June 2011 issue) written by Sheina Renton (Secretary - Churchill

Community Garden)

Please ring Kassy on 0478 544 224 to secure your place for our Workshops at the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre/Hub 9-11 Phillip Parade, Churchill.

For a gold coin donation, John Mauger who has had many years of sustainable food growing experience and training, will be presenting two workshops.

Saturday May 23 at 2pm-types of food gardens -traditional, raised bed, no dig, vertical, container gardens and more.

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The great news over the last month is that the new bridge across Billys Creek near the Braniff's Road entrance has been completed. The bridge was constructed from an old bridge span which was mounted on new footings. The contractor constructed new footings on each side of the creek and attached the bridge span across it. A great job has been done with it looking like it has been there for years.

The contractor also completed work on a new culvert near the Butt Butt track and secured the creek bank where it was under - washing the track. A section of track was at risk of falling into the creek since the direction of the creek had changed over time, and was

eating into the area under the track. The creek has been redirected and track secured by a wall of rock.

## John's Jottings

This month I am providing ongoing snippets lifted from the Morwell National Park Management Plan (1998) which I'm sure will make interesting reading for you too.

## Management Plan continued from last month....

"2.2 Management directions

Major management directions for the Park are outlined below:

### Resource conservation.

Significant natural features will be given special protection.

Biological surveys to identify significant fauna will be conducted.

Management prescriptions

will be developed for areas of significant botanical interest.

### Park protection.

Co-operative management with adjoining landholders to control pest plants and animals will be encouraged.

The revegetation program for degraded areas will be continued.

A Fire Management Plan will be developed for the Park, with particular emphasis on fire prevention, suppression and ecological burning.

### The Park visit

Billys Creek Valley will be developed and promoted for day visitor use.

Bushwalking opportunities will be improved and extended.

High quality information on the Park's natural values will be available.

Visitor enjoyment of the Park will be enhanced by improved interpretation of key features - for example, native vegetation and historical features.

### Community awareness and involvement.

Co-operation with local landholders, community groups and local Government will be fostered to encourage the application of the Good Neighbour Policy to management issues on or near the boundary of the Park."

To be continued next month.....

### April Activity Report



### Activity 1

At this activity we had Beryl, John, Matt, Ken, Darren, Japanese exchange student Yuto, Chinese exchange student Jeffrey and Craig. This activity was to mount six nesting boxes constructed by the Morwell Men's Shed. The weather did not look good with much rain overnight and more earlier that morning.

The group transferred to the Braniff's Road entrance and there numbered the new boxes. Firstly we travelled to the new bridge and nearby construction works. This new bridge will make it easier for the people from the Braniff's Road area to access the park. This bridge will remove the need to use Pipeline Track which is very susceptible to land slips. The track signage will need to change with one sign needing to be moved and another removed.

The new nesting boxes were placed along the Braniff's Road track. This area was replanted from farmland so these boxes will provide more animal living sites. Throughout the morning we observed many mobs of kangaroos and at the end of the activity spotted a pair of wedge tail eagles. The weather panned out well with only a brief shower at the end of the activity.

### Activity 2

For the second activity the group got together for a BBQ and spotlight walk. For this activity we had Wendy, Matt, Mike, Cathy, Tamara, Ken, Margaret, John, David, Rose, David, Yuto, Jeffrey and Darren. It was our largest turn out. John and Margaret had started earlier upon the BBQ, while Ken, Matt, Tamara, David and David set up the spotlights and sheets for the moth survey.

The evening darkened very quickly, so the BBQ was eaten by spotlight. After dinner the group travelled to mothing spotlight to see whether any moths had come in. Only a few moths had come in during this cool evening.

Many from the group then went for a spotlight walk around Foster's Gully. Many different animals were heard and seen with possums, koalas, wallabies and owls seen or heard.

The area is very different at night and the whole environment is different. The park at night is very different to the daytime.

The group returned to the mothing spotlight and found that it was not a great night for moths. Over the years Ken has found over 700 different moths (of which 552 have been identified) within Morwell National Park.

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Ian John Hornibrook was born on February 18, 1935 at Shalimar Private Hospital in Cheltenham. He was the 10th child and the 5th son (to even the score) of James and Laura Hornibrook. One sister was said to have made the comment "Oh no, not another cup and plate to wash". She must have been on kitchen duty at the time.

Ian was the only sibling to spend his entire childhood in the one town as his father was a Railway Station Master, and previously the family had moved towns every two years or so. They had settled permanently in Cheltenham five months before Ian's arrival.

Ian attended Cheltenham State School, apart from a period during the war years when he and his sister Valda were sent off to live with relatives in Sandford for fear of a Japanese invasion. Ian and Valda were forced to take a crash course in horse riding as it was the only transportation available to get to school!

His secondary years were spent at Brighton Technical School where his love of woodwork and sport were developed.

After finishing school, he started his Shop Fitting apprenticeship at Brooks Robinsons in South Melbourne.

A couple of buildings he worked on were the Melbourne Town Hall and the Shell Building in the City.

Ian and his wife-to-be Val, both attended Brighton Technical College, but it was three years later before Ian came courting. The first date was to the movies to celebrate his 18th birthday. They were married in 1958.

Shortly after this they moved into their first home in Springvale. Greg and Leanne both came along during the Springvale years. At this time Ian was working as a timber estimator at Burwood Timber but in 1967 he made the career change to teaching. At the completion of his teacher training the family made the big move to the country where Ian took up the post of woodwork teacher at Morwell Technical School.

They moved from a suburban brick house with all the mod cons to a rustic wooden farm house with a mile long driveway, where the kitchen cupboards were fashioned out of tea chests. Shortly after moving to Driffield, Trevor joined the family.

A year later they bought their first country home and Ian set about extending and improving the property. He had always had a wish to build his own home and in 1978 he built the family a beautiful

## Vale Ian Hornibrook

four bedroom home on Walsh's Road in Yinnar. Son Greg was a handy assistant on this project and many others over the years.

After earning Long Service Leave at the Tech School, Ian branched out again and went into partnership with his brother-in-law, Graham, and purchased Churchill Joinery. Ian enjoyed this, but it took lots of time and was challenging.

Following this venture, he then returned again to teaching, first at St Paul's in Traralgon and then it was off on another 'Sea Change', with a move to Shepparton TAFE. He had to live in a caravan park for six months until the Yinnar house sold and Val could join him in Mooroopna.

Another move followed in 1991 as he took up the position of Head of Building Studies at Frankston TAFE. He retired from teaching in 1996 and moved back to the country life in Yinnar where all of the children had settled. Here he got to spend time with all of his grandchildren.

Over the years Ian and Val enjoyed many travelling trips, a lot of these towing their own van. Fun times were had on many of Ray Linton's Bus Tours. Val remembers how happy these times of being together were. The first old caravan developed a hole while in Queensland and

clothing began to fall out on the road. Val says a car pulled alongside of them and asked if they knew they were losing clothes out the back of the caravan. They pulled over and while Ian attempted to fix the problem, Val walked back along the road collecting the pieces of clothing.

Over the years Ian played tennis, cricket, football (which led to a broken leg), and in the later years he was involved in umpiring football, both as a field and goal umpire. Val says Ian

hours spent on committees and working bees within his church, local tennis and football clubs, Mid Gippsland Football League, the Yinnar and District Community Association and the Greenside Villas Committee. "Our life was not our own," said Val.

Daughter Leanne, said her best memories are family picnics and always knowing when her dad was about to arrive because his whistling arrived before he did.

Greg said he will always be thankful for his dad



loved his sport- participating and representing the club. In his retirement he settled into many years of competitive croquet. Ian was the representative for Gippsland for Victorian Croquet. He organised the renovations to the new clubrooms they built. He combined his love of woodwork with his croquet and made a number of mallets, both for himself and others.

Ian was always a great community man. With many

teaching him how to use his hands and how to build/repair things.

Trevor said his dad was always willing to offer advice, which was generally sound. And when he was young he always knew that it was time to head home from rabbiting when he heard his dad's whistle from across the paddocks.

Craig and Claire, his grandchildren, will remember the smell of sawdust and

asking Grandpa over and over again to tell them how the

doctors reattached his finger. Whether you knew him as Ian, Dad, Grandpa, Uncle, Horni, Hooka or as the enthusiastic man at the school crossing, we can all agree that he was a wonderful and generous man.

Val says he was a great Dad who loved his family and knew the importance of family and community relationships. He will be sadly missed by all who knew and respected him.

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### Open \*

1. Open Primary age children 7-12 story or poem.
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3. Open Adults 18+ story/drabble or poem

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1. Local Children's 7 and Under Short story/poem or picture story
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3. Local Children's 11 - 13 yrs Short Story (illustrations welcome)
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5. Local 14 - 18 yrs Short Story

6. Local 14 - 18 yrs Poetry

7. Local Adult Short Story

8. Local Adult Poetry.

9. Local A Children's Story: A story written for children

10. Local Drabble- a 100 word piece of fiction

11. Local Special category for Churchill's 50th Anniversary. "My Life in Churchill", "Changes I have seen in Churchill". The latter may be something in which the children could be interested.

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# Hazelwood Rotary



By Leo Billington  
 With its 37th birthday looming in August, the Hazelwood Rotary Club continues to play a vital role in this local community. Its long list of achievements and assistance programs then, and now, is to be congratulated.

**Bowelscan – the 2015 program**  
 Hazelwood Rotary has been a long standing, staunch supporter and advocate for the nationwide Bowelscan program.

SAVE YOUR LIFE is the message for Rotary's May 2014 Bowelscan month.

The Bowelscan bowel cancer awareness program is conducted each year. Test kits are available from participating pharmacies for only \$10.00, which includes the cost of testing and confidential notification of your results.

Please see the Page 16 for local statistics in this edition of Churchill & District News.

**ANZAC Day – Churchill, April 25, 2015**

Reg Kemp, our incoming President for 2015–2016 represented the club at this inaugural occasion at Churchill. Being part of this community for so long was illustrated by our presence and we look forward to a continuing association to commemorate future ANZAC

remembrances.

**Guest speakers**

Peter Freeman, (local amateur radio enthusiast) was a recent guest speaker with his topic, "Out and About with Amateur Radio". Peter was first exposed to radio communications in the mid-1970s, resulting in his study for the Amateur Radio examinations. He became a licensed Amateur Radio operator in 1978.

He has explored many aspects of the hobby, including building equipment for weak signal communications on the VHF, UHF and microwave bands. He also combines Amateur Radio with his love of the great outdoors, bushwalking and cross country skiing.

He is President of the Eastern Zone Amateur Radio Club and contributes to the hobby through being a registered Assessor and being the Editor of Amateur Radio magazine, the journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia.

Professionally, Peter lectures in anatomy and physiology at Federation University Australia in Churchill.



Peter Klaaysen from the Rotary Club of Casey was another speaker with his topic, Wheelchairs for Kids.

This project was first started by the Rotary Club of Scarborough in Western Australia in 1998, building wheelchairs and distributing them to needy children in developing countries.

Peter brought with him an example of these wheelchairs. The subject matter was quite a revelation about what services Rotary actually provides to those less well off than us.

Club member Jane Sharp has provided two talks detailing her committed efforts towards compiling a family history. To date, Jane's travels have taken her to Europe (France and Belgium) and England (the Cumbria District) where her family history dates back to the 16th century.

**Local and other organisations assisted since July, 2014**

As mentioned, Hazelwood Rotary has strong links with many other organisations including: Rotary Centenary House, Strzelecki District

Scout Association, Kurnai College, White Ribbon Day, Mathison Park Committee of Management, Disaster Aid Australia, Pistons Car Club, Yinnar Football – Netball Club, Churchill & District News, Clean Up Australia, Bowelscan, Yinnar Primary School, Yinnar South Primary School, Bushfire Relief in Tasmania, annual Christmas Wrap at Mid Valley, Hazelwood Cemetery Trust, Mother's Day gift wrap at Mid Valley, Very Special Kids, Operation Cleft, Bunnings Christmas Hamper, Motor Neurone Disease Australia, Federation University Science Experience, Churchill Neighbourhood Centre, School of St Jude in Tanzania, Churchill Community Project and the Kurnai Human Powered Vehicle team entry at Maryborough in November 2014 – just to name a few. Our club always remains busy and committed to supporting the wider community across a huge range of initiatives.

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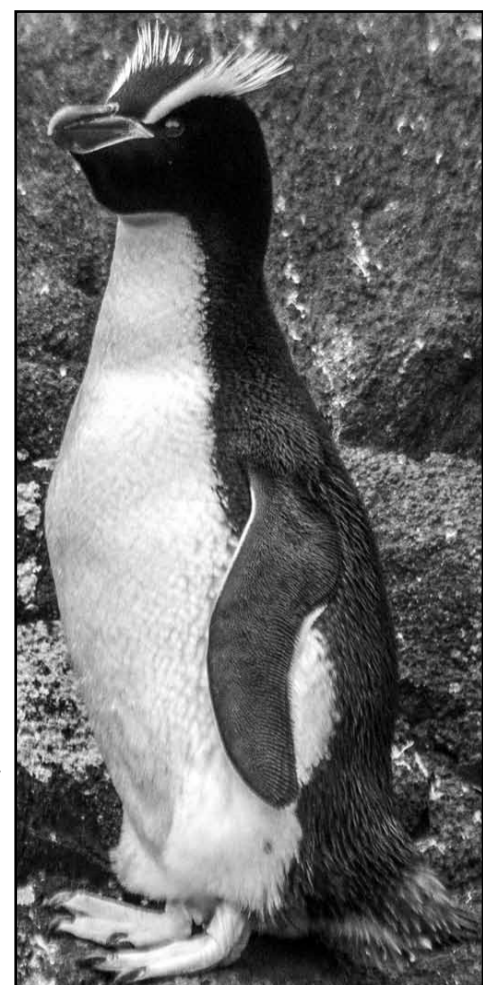
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# Chatham Islands

The presentation at the Latrobe Valley Field Naturalists' Club meeting on Friday, June 26 will be by David Stickney. David, our Club President, is a keen birdwatcher and accomplished photographer.

His talk will cover a trip to the Chatham, Bounty Islands and Antipodes Islands located about 800 km east of New Zealand. A region described as the Galapagos of the Southern Ocean because some 40 species of seabirds breed there; about 11% of the world seabird population. The Erect-crested Penguin (pictured) is only found on these islands.

The meeting from 7.30pm is at the Uniting Church Hall on the corner of Old Sale Road and Chamberlain Road, Newborough.



Photograph: A rare Erect-crested Penguin by David Stickney

An excursion on Saturday June 27 will be to the Edward Hunter Heritage Bush Reserve in Moe.

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# Art and Ceremony



By Margaret Guthrie  
Churchill and District Community Association is sponsoring local primary schools to produce displays of student art work.

Lumen Christi Catholic Primary School created a wonderful art montage for ANZAC Day, which may be viewed on our purpose built display stand in the concourse of West Place shopping centre. Churchill Men's Shed designed and constructed the triangular stand.

Both Churchill and Churchill North Primary schools have accepted our invitation to participate in this program and CDCA is looking forward to having more student art works for community display during Term 2 and beyond.

Our inaugural Churchill ANZAC Day commemorative ceremony was quite a success. CDCA would like to thank all who attended and all those who worked behind the scenes to make this event a success.

We were thrilled with the number of local organisations who wished to participate in laying wreaths during the service and the willingness of all our guest speakers to say a few words on this solemn occasion.

A very special thank you is extended to local residents Leo Priems and Ian Place, both Vietnam Veterans, who volunteered to lay a wreath

for CDCA on behalf of the Churchill community.

CDCA would also like to acknowledge Bruce Jeffrey, President of Morwell RSL, for being our Master of Ceremonies on the day. Morwell RSL was a great support to CDCA in organising this event, as was Churchill & District News and the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre.

The Churchill & District News team has also been assisting CDCA in creating window displays to promote Churchill. These displays have been in the former 'Aussie Disposals' store in Commercial Road Morwell. The current display is a selection of photos from the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event held in March.

A CD containing over 100 photos taken on the day is available from the Churchill Neighbourhood Centre office at a cost of \$10. Profits will be shared by CDCA and the Centre.

The formal unveiling of the Monash Way underpass art mural was held at the end of April. CDCA has received some very positive feedback about this art work and we are pleased that we have seen several public art works 'unveiled' in Churchill during our 50<sup>th</sup> year.

The new sculpture on the Art and Culture Pathway - 'Mungo Moon' - can be

viewed on the path between the Lawless and Northways Road intersection and Eel Hole Creek. The Service Memorial sculpture, newly erected in the Town Centre Plaza on Philip Parade, proved ideal for wreaths on ANZAC Day.

CDCA hopes that the community will embrace the new Plaza - a formal civic space for Churchill, with flagpoles, monument, and adjacent facilities - and build a tradition of holding our own ceremonial occasions, such as happened on ANZAC Day. CDCA will happily support other local organisations to plan future ceremonial activities here.

All Churchill and district residents are welcome to contact CDCA to raise matters of local concern. Visit our website at <http://cdca.org.au/> for more information, meeting agendas and minutes or to contact us.

We can also be contacted by writing to CDCA at PO Box 191, Churchill, emailing [info@cdca.org.au](mailto:info@cdca.org.au) or phoning 5122 2997.

CDCA meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month, commencing at 5.30pm, in the Board Room at the Gippsland Enterprise Centre (formerly known as Green Inc) in McDonald Way. Observers and new members are very welcome.



## Churchill Fire Brigade



During the month, members from Churchill Fire Brigade have been checking smoke alarms and changing batteries for the seniors of our

town. Those who had their checked expressed thanks for the service.

If you are a senior living

in your own home and have not had a visit and would like one, please ring Ruth on 5122 1961 to make an appointment.

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# Invitation

To all members of our community




Dear Community Members,

You are cordially invited to attend the launch of the Churchill & District News Volume 4 of our "Looking Back... through the eyes of local residents", an oral history of Churchill and District series.

To be held on Sunday, May 24 at 2pm at the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill at 1 Williams Avenue Churchill.

There will be a time to share your favourite memory of Churchill. After the formalities, a light afternoon tea will be served, provided by our wonderful Ladies Fellowship. All four volumes of the series will be on sale. The cost of the books is \$15 each. We have a launch day special of all four of our books (Volumes 1, 2, 3 and 4) for \$55.

Phone Ruth on 5122 1961 or email [place@aussiebb.com.au](mailto:place@aussiebb.com.au)

# Underpass Comes to Life



The much maligned underpass under Monash Way has seen a transformation.

Doyle and his fellow street artists Seb and Darcy, have added colour and attractiveness to a dingy space.

In the process Doyle has been getting to know the citizens of Churchill as they pass by and watch him at work.

Doyle describes the Churchillians as friendly and awesome with lots of different opinions about the work, but a broad appeal.

The features he has chosen represent our community and how the artists see it, after consultation with the community.

The artwork has transformed an unpopular, dirty, unsafe place into a place to be admired.

There is a nice ambience created by the new street lighting when it is dark.

Doyle would like to encourage the kids to feel it is theirs, not a place to damage.

The artists have used a combination of house paints, enamels and spray cans to create their designs.

Doyle sees Churchill as a unique place. Hopefully, he says, the underpass will be the beginning of an art trail.

Doyle had great praise for Margaret Guthrie, CDCA President who has helped them a lot and been most supportive.

Margaret herself says

that it is exciting to have a different style of artwork in Churchill, other than those which exist. It is good to have diversity.

She has enjoyed watching the three young people at work and how they have engaged with the community. She is impressed with their skill seeing lots of the work done with freehand.

This she says is something to change the space to a bright, cheerful, attractive colourful one, of which we can be proud.

There has been lots of interest shown by those passing by.

People will look at the variety of images and make of them what they will through their own eyes.

The murals are relevant to Churchill.

As the young people from Kurnai College were going home when the visit to the underpass was made, they were asked to give their opinions.

“Great”. “Like the colours”, “Pretty cool”. “I like the designs” “I like the street art” “It is colourful” etc. were answers quickly given.

There were no negatives. People of Churchill are encouraged to go and have a look.

On Wednesday April 29, the Underpass was officially opened with speeches by Darrell White, Member for the Upper House for Gippsland, Harriet Shing, Margaret

Guthrie CDCA President and Doyle the artist.

Darrell said that Latrobe City Council was pleased to be a partner in the project working closely with CDCA.

The goal was to have this a place where people felt safe and it could be well used. He added that we could take pride in having a unique piece of artwork in town.

Harriet Shing said that this artwork added artistic flair and expression, adding to a vibrant, safe, welcoming innovative space. She warmly congratulated all involved, hoping it would inspire other local artists to be involved.

Margaret Guthrie thanked all involved, paying tribute to so many people willing to be involved - residents, Police, State Member Russell Northe, Latrobe City Councillors and officers, CDCA, the Town Safety group, Project Steering committee, and Mike Answerth. It shows what we can achieve she said when we work together.

Margaret concluded by giving special thanks to Doyle for the way he carried out the project and engaged with the community while doing so.

Doyle thanked Margaret for her energy and engagement saying she is extraordinarily active.

Doyle praised the Churchill community saying we are dynamic and interesting. He said we were innovative using art in a contemporary way and encouraged us to do more.

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# Churchill brightens Morwell's shop fronts

There are several unoccupied shops in Morwell.

The Reactivate the Latrobe Valley initiative allowed CDCA to have the old Aussie Disposals shop to mount a display.

Churchill News was then able to follow this with a display of our papers over the years and our items for sale.

Two weeks later an ANZAC Day theme was added to the existing array.

The display included many hand - made knitted and crocheted poppies, posters supplied by the RSL, a veteran's army great coat, tank suits,

shirts, slouch hat, belt, and signage saying 'Lest We Forget'.

There is now a display of photos of the 50th Anniversary celebrations.

It has helped to promote Churchill's 50th activities.



## Outstanding Success

BOWELSCAN mass screening for bowel cancer has been an outstanding success.

It is very pleasing to say that there were no positive test results for post codes 3840, 3842, 3869 and 3870 that is Morwell and districts, Churchill, Yinnar and Boolarra. but there were three in Traralgon.

There were 26,642 kits sold with 22,231 returned for testing.

This is just under a 84% return rate compared with the free Government kit with only 25% are returned.

There were 258 positives

(1.155 %) in the program.

Of the total positive tests, 174 were female and 215 male,

The youngest 20, oldest 95.

The 60 to 80 age group returned most positive tests but the under fifties had over 7% of total positives.

If you or someone you know is over 40, a Bowelscan bowel cancer test could save a life. It is not too late, buy one today.

Local participating pharmacies are Churchill Pharmacy, Priceline Morwell and Davies & Moller, Princes Way Morwell.

## Churchill Neighbourhood Centre

### Term 2 2015 classes & activities

Located at the Churchill & District Community Hub

9 - 11 Philip Parade, Churchill



Churchill Neighbourhood Centre is a not-for-profit organisation. All classes need a minimum of 7 people to go ahead. Bookings are essential and mid term enrolments are welcome.

### Health & Wellbeing

#### Country Kitchen Cooking with Noelene Marchwicki

Learn basic principles of cooking country style using fresh produce. For the more adventurous cook. Contact us for weekly menus.

**Tuesdays 10am - 12pm or Thursdays 6.30pm - 8.30pm**  
\$132 for 11 weeks or \$12 a week

#### Tai Chi with Julie Lucas

Slow, gentle and tranquil movements which enable harmony in mind and body, improved mobility, suppleness and mental alertness.

**Tuesdays 9am - 10am and 6pm - 7pm**  
Contact 5122 2588 for all enquiries.

#### Community Garden

Join other local gardeners and share and learn ideas, skills and interests. The focus is on edible produce and other garden types like sensory, cultural, and native gardens.

**Thursdays 10am - 12pm**

#### Men's Shed

The Churchill Men's Shed is a place for all men to spend time working on their own, or on community projects, in woodworking, furniture restoration, metal working or anything else. It is a great chance to meet others and form new friendships.

**Mondays 9.30am - 2.30pm** \$5 per session

### Patchwork & Quilting

#### Patchwork

Learn patchwork, material choice, techniques and design. Learn new skills as well as share tips and tricks.

**Wednesdays 6.30pm - 9pm** with Jean Baudendistel & Anne Boothman

**Thursdays 10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm** with Debbie Hannam

\$110 for 11 weeks

#### Quilting Lessons

Long arm quilting machine lessons.

**1st Monday of the month 10am - 12pm or 1pm - 3pm**

\$15 per 2 hour lesson

### New Classes

We are taking expressions of interest for: Photography (SLR and point & shoot), The world's great religions, English conversation (bring your children!), Brazilian embroidery, Painting, Craft circle and more!

### Volunteering

There are many ways you can volunteer your time at CNC:

- Help in the office
- Join the Churchill Community Gardeners
- Help with events
- Help with fundraising
- Become a volunteer tutor - help others to read and write
- Join the Board of Governance
- Deliver brochures

Contact us to find out more.

### Computer Courses

With Pauline Garood. In most classes you can bring your own laptop or ipad/tablet, check with us first. Bookings essential!

#### Basic Computer Skills

Scared to turn on a computer, but would like to know how to and where to go from there? This beginner class will help you to gain confidence with Windows as well as email and internet. Use our computers or BYO laptop.

**Fridays 10am - 12pm** \$66 for 11 weeks

#### Computers for Employment

Learn to use Microsoft Office 2010 programs: Word, Excel, Publisher, Access, Power Point, Outlook, Windows 8 and QuickBooks. Internet and email can also be covered.

**Tuesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm** \$66 for 11 weeks

#### Intermediate Computers

This class covers ipads, tablets, mobile phones, internet, genealogy, email, skype, social media and Microsoft Office programs.

**Tuesdays 3pm - 5pm or Wednesdays 1pm - 3pm**  
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#### Photo Editing & Digital Scrapbooking

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### Writing & Discussion

#### English Conversation for Parents with Isabel Temple

Practice English conversation skills in a relaxed environment where you can bring your children. This class is for parents with English as a second language who don't have access to childcare.

**Wednesdays - Classes starting soon, register your interest**  
\$8 per session

#### Discussion Group with Isabel Temple

Interested in discussing topical issues? Social issues on environment, community and world events are all covered from newspaper articles and documentaries.

**Fridays 10am - 12pm** \$6 a week

#### Tuesday Afternoon Discussion with Ebrahim Alvandi

Open to everyone, students and local people, native English speakers and people with English as a second language. This group provides you with the opportunity to expand your social network, share ideas, improve your communication skills and help people in their English skills. **Classes starting soon, register your interest**

**Tuesdays 4.30pm - 6pm** Gold coin donation

#### Creative Writing with Cora Pal

Improve your writing skills, put pen to paper and share your stories. Short stories, poetry, fact and fiction.

**Tuesdays 10am - 12pm** \$66 for 11 weeks

#### Book Club with Isabel Temple

Join the Churchill Bookworms, read and discuss a book a month! This is a CAE book club and cost includes the book borrowing. Contact us for the booklist.

**Last Friday of the month 10am - 12pm**  
\$130 per year / \$82 concession, plus a gold coin donation each week.

Churchill Neighbourhood Centre acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government and Latrobe City Council.



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# Ride for Life



Lions Clubs of Gippsland united to provide support for the Lions Ride for Sight event now in its 22nd year.

Heyfield, Maffra, Sale, Longford, Loch Sport, Yarram, Toora, Churchill, Rosedale, Traralgon, and Moe provided accommodation and meals at Heyfield, Bundelaguah, Sale, Seaspray, Woodside, Yarram, Tarra Valley National Park, Callignee, Broomfields Lane, Rosedale, Glengarry and Moe, as they rode the 371 kilometres of the route, which finished on Sunday April 12.

The event began with dinner on April 8, with the ride beginning the next morning at 8am, after breakfast.

There were fifty-three participants from all over Victoria and one from New South Wales, plus thirteen in the support team.

Our own Kay and Peter McShane were part of the support team. Kay was the Club Liaison Officer between the clubs and the committee.

Ride for Sight is a fun, non-competitive four day cycling event which brings together riders of all abilities, including a number of vision-impaired cyclists on tandem bikes, to raise money for eye research and spread the word about preventable blindness.

Host Lions Clubs organise accommodation and catering

for the riders and support crew.

Riders appreciate the opportunity to meet fellow Lions, enjoy the great meals they provide so necessary after a day's hard riding, and the camaraderie experienced.

Churchill & District Lions assisted the ride by having Herb Smith from Yinnar Lions driving Churchill & District Camp Quality Rally car as the support vehicle; donating money towards the accommodation at Licola; sponsoring Norm Hall an ex Churchill & District Lion and feeding the riders and support team a delicious lunch at Callignee Cricket Ground.

Herb has been driving the support vehicle for many years now.

Most vision loss can be prevented if it is detected early enough.

An estimated 300,000 Australians have glaucoma but half of them don't know that they have it.

Everyone with diabetes is at risk of vision loss and although laser treatment for diabetic retinopathy is effective, it cannot restore lost vision.

Approximately 1,700 corneal transplants are performed each year.

This event all came about as a result of a challenge issued by Helen Keller in 1925 to

Lions Clubs International at their International Convention in Cedar Point, Ohio, USA to become Knights for the Blind.

Lions Clubs International has risen to this challenge and has made research into and treatment of vision loss a fundamental aspect of Lionism worldwide.

The goal of the organisation's worldwide program is to eradicate or cure preventable blindness.

All riders and support crew pay a registration fee and riders must also raise at least \$400 each in sponsorship.

This is a huge commitment and shows how dedicated they are to this cause.

At Sale they did tin rattling and raised an incredible \$700.

On top of this the participants also donate items to be auctioned on the last night of the ride.

A further \$13,000 was raised through this. The goal was to better the amount of \$40,000 raised in 2014.

They did it. A total of \$43,500 was donated to the Centre for Eye Research Australia to fund the 'Personalised Eye Consultation' trial, developed by Dr Gwyn Rees at CERA.

Now, Ride for Sight has raised more than \$850,000 for eye research.

# The Sale Floral Art Group

The Sale Floral Art Group meets once a month and draws membership from a wide area of Gippsland.

Rob Pengelly the only male in the group, hosted the group at his spacious residence and garden near Churchill, on a beautiful warm Thursday in late April.

Rob has a long history with flowers being an enthusiastic rose cultivator.

He has now turned his creativity to floral art and has been most successful in winning prizes for his efforts.

The participants on the day were from the Floral Art Group but also included members of the Morwell Centenary Rose Garden and other local people interested in this art.

Three reasonably new participants enjoyed the lovely setting.

"It is easier to be more creative in such a beautiful relaxing setting," they enthused. "We are novices but we love it and look forward to each month. We are learning more and growing in confidence. There is a range of ages in the group. We get lots of help from the experienced ones of the group who are keen to share their knowledge."

Margaret, a local participant said how good it was that the group had been able to come to the district as it puts Churchill on show.

Judith, also a local participant, said she loved seeing people enthusiastic about doing something.

It was her work for 50 years. It is something which can take you out of yourself into something else.

The Rose Garden people were enthusiastic about the day saying it had been calming and a delight to meet such a lovely group of people.

Everyone seemed to be really happy with their efforts at wiring, the skill demonstrated for the day.

President Heather said there were lots of skills in the group which are shared.

The work is innovative and not what you might buy in the shops.



It takes lots of time, but time well spent.

They are taught techniques which can be adapted.

It is a lovely social group who get on well together. They have some common interests like gardens and being creative.

Each year's syllabus is

arranged around what the group wants to learn.

Some go to workshops in Melbourne, but they return to share their new knowledge with the group.

They compete overseas. Anyone interested in joining the group can contact Rob.



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# Churchill Develops

Gaskin Rise Estate is situated on the west end of Churchill just past the sporting facilities of Gaskin Park.

Work on the infrastructure for the Gaskin Rise Estate is under way.

The lots will be fully serviced

including town water, sewer, power, made road and gas.

The allotments will be bigger than the usual.



The area will be landscaped and include parks and walkways to link it to the rest of Churchill.

There is also a new development proceeding out at Jeeralang Junction. Churchill is going ahead.



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## Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill

### Part 2

*Continued from last issue*

#### Politics - The Early Days.

'Leadership is not a popularity contest; criticism is part of the job.'

In the 1900 elections, Winston stood again for the seat of Oldham as a Conservative. He was able to win with a narrow majority, mainly due to the popularity he had developed as a newspaper correspondent. However once in the House of Commons, he found how hard it was to be called upon to speak. It seems his vote in the House of Commons was not important, and because he still needed to build up a sound financial base, as only cabinet ministers were paid to be politicians, he embarked on a speaking tour of the United States and Canada, telling of his adventures during the Boer War. He soon realised that the sympathies of the Americans were with the Boers so he changed the tenor of his talks to support both causes. Introducing him at one lecture, Mark Twain described Winston as a hero of five wars, author of six books and a future Prime Minister!

While he was a brilliant speaker and his speaking engagements were very well attended, Winston's tour was only moderately financially successful, due to poor organisation by his agent.

On his return home, he was able to speak in the House of Commons for the first time on February 18, 1901. He soon established a reputation

as a good speaker, however it was not long before Winston's non-conformist attitudes became apparent. He was not a loyal party member as he held opposite views on a number of issues. In May 1904 he finally crossed the floor and voted with the Liberal Party who represented the working classes. This party supported Home Rule for Ireland, free trade and a number of social reforms, and policies that Winston himself believed in.

In the 1906 election he successfully stood as a Liberal candidate and was appointed as Under-Secretary for the Colonies by the Prime Minister, Herbert Asquith. It was a time of turmoil in Parliament with most of the Liberal reforms being blocked by the Upper House (The House of Lords) which was controlled by the Conservatives by a large margin. In 1907 Winston was appointed as a Privy Councillor. To hold this position it was necessary for him to stand again in a by-election which he lost, because he would not support votes for women. Winston then stood again in another by-election this time in the seat of Dundee. His speeches denouncing the Conservatives were popular and he won by a huge margin.

On his return to Parliament he was appointed President of the Board of Trade, then later Home Secretary, and eventually held the position of First Lord of the Admiralty by

World War 1.

#### Marriage and Family

'The quality of a leader is often reflected in the quality of his marriage.'

The Countess of Airlie, who had helped Winston win his Dundee seat, had a granddaughter called Clementine Hozier. Winston married her on September 12, 1908 at St Margaret's Church in Westminster, the church for the House of Commons. This church was filled to overflowing with family, friends and numerous high officials with an enthusiastic crowd, including the East End Pearly King and Queen, cheering as the couple left the proceedings.

Their personalities were opposite each other in many respects. He was a war hero, author and a Parliamentarian of international standing. He had boundless energy and would work till 3 am, slept late, took risks and whenever possible had daring adventures.

Clementine was ten years his junior. She was an excellent tennis player, a good hunter, an early riser, retired early in the evenings and was an inveterate worrier. She was also of Scottish decent, hence believed in living frugally. Money problems made her nervous. Winston expressed everything, wept freely and lavished affection on her. She called him "Mr Pig." Clementine however was often tired and she kept things bottled up until her temper would explode. She was

known by Winston as "Mrs Kat." Both were terms of endearment as they both loved each other and would support one another. Their children were known as "kittens." Whenever anyone entered the house they would announce themselves by shouting "Wonk, wonk!" Everyone in the house would repeat the greeting.

Clementine and Winston would eventually have five children, Diana, Randolph, Sarah, Marigold and Mary. Their fourth child Marigold was born four days after the official end of World War I, but died less than three years later with septicaemia. The Churchill's last child,

prisons and for the prisoners were also improved. He set up the equivalent of today's labour exchanges where the unemployed could find jobs, and he introduced the National Insurance Act in 1911 where working folk had to contribute to the scheme.

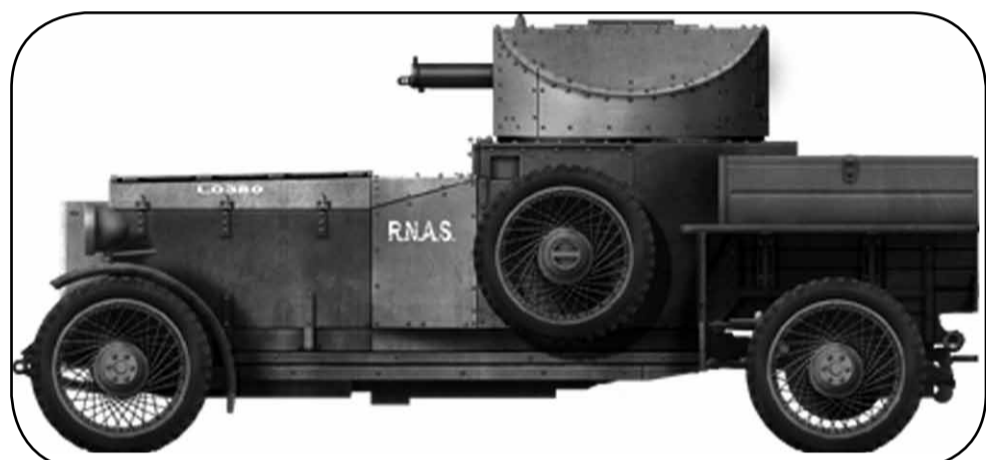
Regardless of these reforms, Winston will be most remembered for his having supported moves to send in the troops to help police in the South Wales coalfields. His support for Irish self-government was equally unpopular.

In 1909 Winston was in the Middle East and was photographed with Germany's Kaiser Wilhelm

their state of readiness and efficiency. He realised the advantages of using oil rather than coal to fuel the new ships, so he persuaded the Government to purchase a major share in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company now called British Petroleum (BP).

Winston was happy to give scientists the support needed to invent new ways of fighting war. His willingness to trial new inventions was a characteristic that became a hallmark of his political career.

He recognised the need to purchase the newly invented aeroplane as it was able to carry out reconnaissance and support troops in battles that



Rolls Royce armoured car built in 1914

Mary was born in September 1922 at Chartwell, Winston's favourite home. Mary was free of the 'Black Dog' depression that plagued her parents and siblings.

#### Back to Politics, Winston's foresight, moral compass and notoriety.

'Leadership is the power to shape the future'

Whilst Home Secretary in Asquith's government Winston continued to gain a reputation as a radical member of the House of Commons, by promoting

viewing Germany's military strength. Afterwards he wrote a prophetic warning to his cousin:

"The European situation is far from safe and anything might happen."

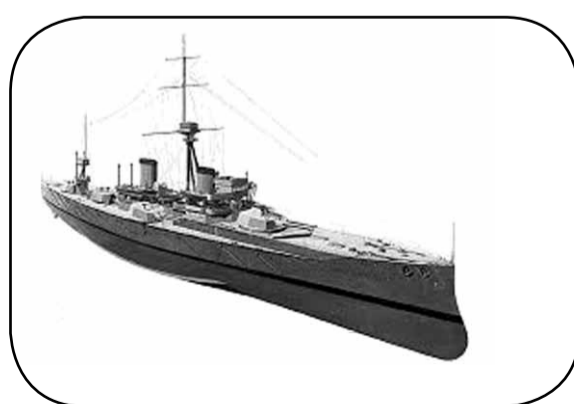
Tensions in Europe continued, so he warned the Prime Minister of the military improvements that Germany had made to their army. As a result, Winston was made First Lord of the Admiralty and worked closely with the First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir John Fisher. They implemented

involved the Navy. These aeroplanes would also be able to provide protection for the ships in the ports and dockyards. Winston established the Royal Naval Air Service, against the advice of Field Marshall Lord Kitchener, who believed that the aeroplane would not be of any use to the Army.

In fact, Britain was perhaps the first country in World War 1 to equip planes with machine guns and launch aerial torpedoes. Winston also wanted aircraft carriers to be made so that they could be used overseas to support the British Navy.

Naval engineers were instructed by Winston to create an armoured car that would scale trenches. Eventually Winston would be known as 'the father of the modern tank' but the slow speed of the early models and their poor performance led to them being almost ineffective in World War 1.

They were labelled as 'Winston's Folly.' However, development of better engines and tactics eventually saw them successfully used in World War II which vindicated Winston's foresight. The tank became a powerful weapon of modern war.



HMS Dreadnought

many social justice reforms. Old age pensions were paid to the elderly for the first time. He introduced legislation to improve safety in mines and improve the working conditions of 1.5 million shop workers. Conditions in

a plan to modernise the British Fleet, as they wanted to increase its power by introducing the Dreadnought class of battleships. Winston visited every naval base and shipyard at home and in the Mediterranean to gauge



Winston Churchill with his son, Randolph and grandson Winston

## Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill

August 1914 saw Europe plunge into World War I. Germany unleashed a modern, industrial-based army against those of Belgium, France and Britain which were still geared to the times of Wellington and Napoleon a hundred years before. The battles Winston had experienced during the Boer War were a far cry from this new type of warfare, and so the fighting descended into the terrifying trench warfare that typified the next four years. The Navy had early setbacks due to successful attacks by German submarines on the pride of the English fleet. Winston was blamed for not equipping the Navy with the newer forms of warfare and for only having a limited number of mines that could have been used against the submarines.

In the first days of the war, the Belgian king was persuaded by Winston to resist rather than capitulate. The British Naval Brigade landed and this force, together with the British and Belgian Army troops held up the German advance for a week. The loss of momentum of the German army was to prove decisive as it allowed the French to consolidate their borders and more English troops to land and hold the Germans in the north. The Germans were finally held and other than a short-lived surge in 1918, never held the advantage again.

Winston as a Royalist was fiercely protective of the monarchy, its traditions, heritage and the British Empire. He truly believed that he was fighting against evil in this war and particularly in the next war. He knew Britain needed the help of the Commonwealth countries and the United States, because he

This proved impossible, with some losses including the Australian submarine, the A2. Winston then planned a troop landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The landings did not go well as the Turkish forces were alert and able to hold their ground after the initial incursions. The debacle of the Dardanelles campaign was due largely to the lack of commitment to the plan by his rival in the War Cabinet, Field-Marshal Lord Kitchener, who was in charge of the Army. Kitchener's poor planning and poor co-ordination of forces and equipment left troops ill-equipped for the intense battles on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The huge loss of life and the intense suffering of the troops caused an enormous political backlash for Winston. The horror of this failed campaign led him

commanding the 6th Royal Scots Fusiliers.

Winston was an active commander who cared for his men and earned their respect. It was here that he saw how poor the leadership of the Army was. He saw the useless slaughter of men. Many times he was close to death himself. He felt the scale of the carnage was due to poor leadership and also a lack of technologically advanced equipment. He felt he was wasted where he was and took the opportunity to resign his commission when his battalion and another were merged in 1917.

Winston returned to Parliament. He was appointed Minister of Munitions by Lloyd George and threw himself wholeheartedly into his new job. He made sure that Britain consolidated its



Chartwell House

The Prime Minister, Stanley Baldwin offered him the position of Chancellor of the Exchequer. He was always overspending on his own

touring and lecturing in North America and travelling widely in Europe. After 1933 he began speaking in Parliament about the threat of Nazism, the need to rearm and modernise the armed forces. Few listened.

In 1936 his friend King Edward VIII asked Winston to support him in his bid to be allowed to marry his fiancée Wallace Simpson, a divorcee. Winston, against his better judgment, supported Edward with a speech in the House of Commons and in reports in the Press, but to no avail. Edward was forced to abdicate in favour of his younger brother George. The public were against King Edward's marriage as it was contrary to their belief that marriage was for life.

On the announcement of World War II in 1939, Winston was again appointed

announcement, Chamberlain had a conference with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax and Winston. It was agreed that Winston would be the appropriate choice for a wartime leader of the Coalition Government. The King agreed and Winston Churchill was appointed Prime Minister at the age of 65. Winston also invited talented people from outside the Government to help the country in this time of crisis.

Winston felt that his life had been saved up to this point for a reason. It was time for his and his country's finest hour. "NEVER, NEVER, NEVER, NEVER GIVE UP, NEVER" became a war cry of Winston's. His writings and speeches encouraged the British people to rise up against the technologically more advanced nation of Germany. He actually



Inspecting the troops

to have nightmares of the event even into the 1950s. However, it is now acknowledged that had Winston's counsel been heeded, the Dardanelles disaster may never have occurred. Still, in 1915 Winston was removed from the War Cabinet. He noted that:

'Leaders are forged as much by time in the wilderness as by times of

supply of nitrate for high explosives and that there was enough nitrate to see out the war.

Peace returned to Britain in 1918, and Winston was offered his old job at the Admiralty of Secretary of State for War which included the responsibility of the Air Ministry. He took both positions. In 1917 he became alarmed at the rise of Communism and also the assassination of the Russian Royal family. In his new position he sent troops to help the White Russians, but this was a hopeless cause. In 1921 he had a new job, that of Secretary of State for the Colonies. Here he actively led the successful negotiations with the Irish for Home Rule.

Winston lost his seat in the next election. To cheer himself up and to provide an income, he began writing "The World Crisis" at Chartwell, his new country house in Kent. For relaxation, he took up painting and would eventually create some creditable works.

However, desperate to get back into politics, Winston stood first as an Independent 'Constitutionalist,' failing narrowly. Soon after, he ran for the by-election in Epping, Essex, as a Conservative which he won handsomely,

finances but over the five years he held the post he produced solid budgets each year. However the Government was plagued with problems with unemployment, strikes



and the continuing threat of Communism putting the country in turmoil.

The 1929 elections saw Labour win for the first time. It put Winston into the back benches and when a new Coalition Government was formed, Winston was not invited into Cabinet. He spent the next ten years in the political wilderness. Financially his needs were met primarily through writing a number of successful books,

First Lord of the Admiralty in the War Cabinet. The British Navy had some initial successes and troops were sent into France and to Norway to help Britain's allies. This last foray was doomed to failure and the Navy was called upon to rescue the troops.

May 9, 1940 was a momentous day for Winston. Neville Chamberlain resigned and recommended Winston for the post of Prime Minister to the King. Prior to this

saw German Nazism as representing evil and it was he and his nation that would rise up against this force.

Churchill unashamedly proclaimed himself an advocate of Christian Britain. Therefore he felt it was his mission to encourage the nations of the free world to rise up and fight Germany, no matter what the cost, and victory would occur once the United States entered the war.

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recognised that Britain had become vulnerable to attack and could not independently defeat Germany and its Allies.

When Turkey entered the war, they attacked Russia through the Caucasus Mountains. To relieve the pressure, Winston advocated a push by part of the British fleet through the Dardanelles.

popularity.'

Depression followed Winston to the back bench, but he overcame the 'Black Dog' by being active and not brooding. He felt that if he could have led the forces at the Dardanelles, the outcome would have been different, so he took up the position of Lieutenant Colonel

# Kurnai College University Campus

## Free Afterschool Tutoring for Kurnai Students

A free afterschool tutoring program has been initiated to support Kurnai College's students in their challenging VCE studies. Tutoring can be costly for students who are trying to expand themselves with hourly sessions ranging from \$25-\$60 per hour. Kurnai College, with typically strong support from the Smith Family, has brought in a number of highly trained Federation University students to help their students get the very best out of their education. Tutoring began on a Tuesday with maths, chemistry, physics and English being offered in Kurnai's University library. Wednesday also saw a continuation of the program with biology and psychology being offered. Students have been very impressed with the program as it offers further opportunities for them to discuss and expand on their chosen subjects.

Kurnai has been extremely impressed with its student's level of dedication this year; the study areas are always used, and students are continuing to embrace voluntary lectures, blogs and programs aimed at supporting their development.

The school is also thankful for the past students who are coming back to talk about their experiences and offer up tutoring and advice to this years' group. According to College Principal Anthony Rodaughan 'Having our past students so eager to return

and offer help to the students, and the school, shows that there is a real connection and pride associated with being at Kurnai. That is something a strong community expects and it shows we are on the right track."

The tutoring program is available for all students and will attempt to cover any class that is requested. The program will run for the next two terms and will include 'catch up' support as well as high level academic tutoring. For further information contact David Shields on 5132 3808.

## SRC Regional Conference.

On Tuesday April 20, Kurnai College hosted the Gippsland Regional SRC Conference for SRC (Student Representative Council) Victoria. The day was attended by ten schools from across Gippsland, from Trafalgar through to Orbost, out to Yarram and Leongatha and many in between. The day was a great success and credit must be given to SRC Victoria and host Kelly for making the day so enjoyable for all who attended. Throughout the day the SRC representatives from the various schools were given the opportunity to work together on a number of tasks and challenges, allowing them the opportunity to get to know one another, make connections with the region and develop a broader network. Attendees were also given the opportunity to work with their school peers to develop an action plan to combat issues they

believe need to be addressed within their own school community. They were given strategies of how to go about this. The focus of the day was the development of future community leaders and supplying them with skills they will be able to utilise throughout their lives and various career paths. A big thank you goes to the organisers and all who attended.

## Tassie Trip No 3.

Last year a team of students went to the Tasman Peninsula in Tasmania and built a large shed for a struggling elderly couple who had been living in an old caravan since the fires, and who were not in good health.

Another team has just been over to Tassie again and this time they converted one of the three bays of the shed into living quarters for the couple. The students were James Corke, Liam Kearns, Josh Hearn, Cam Smith and Reece Pendlebury. The efforts of the students were most appreciated. Brian the husband was humbled by the work and Dianne was in tears.

Brendan Campbell had been over last year and he was pleased to see the shed converted. He said he loved it. It was a great experience and he learnt a lot. He was moved by seeing the couple's faces as the space took shape. He thought it was a privilege to be able to help. Dean Lawless said the whole experience was great. Seeing the progress on the shed and being able to help them out made it good to

be part of making it happen. It was also good seeing some of Tassie which he described as a pretty place.

The project involved the students in building wall frames, plastering and concreting in a shower base.

The students had to look after their food needs mostly, but one night the Rotary Club of Tasman Peninsula provided a meal. After the meal came the nerve-wracking time of speaking to the members about their lives and their ambitions. The Rotary Club will supply the students with a reference letter which they can add to their resume.

They attended a community BBQ, and made a good impression.

Marion one of the organisers of the trip was sent this posting for Brett to share with the students.

"Marion please say goodbye to these beautiful boys from me.

They restored my faith in young people today just by talking with them at the community barbecue.

It is such a shame we only hear about the bad boys.

Thank you for your great efforts in Murdunna please understand it goes far deeper.

Wishing every success for the future.

To these great students they are a credit to their school!"

Marion added this message I received from a local community member.

"I too am very proud of them and their teachers.

Under difficult

circumstances they have achieved a great deal."

It takes about \$3000 to pay for such a trip for ten people- students and teachers. The school received donations from Hazelwood Rotary, Traralgon Rotary and Churchill Lions.

They would like to publically thank these clubs for their generosity.

## ANZAC Day

Students and teachers from Kurnai attended the ANZAC Day services at Churchill, Yinnar and Morwell. At Churchill the wreath layers were Hayden Kimpton and Justyce Rota. At Yinnar it was Chloe Robertson and Riley Hogarth with Junior Campus Captains Chloe Libreri and Kim Gordon. At Morwell Chloe Robertson, Riley Hogarth and Brandon Welsh laid a wreath with the Junior School Captains Dante Brown and Abbey Brabazon.

## VCAL Students Sport's Class.

The VCAL students have been out and about expanding their sporting horizons during their sport class on Tuesdays.

They have been invited to, and have participated in the sports of lawn bowls, bocce, croquet and golf driving range.

This has given the students a chance to experience new sports not considered previously.

Some of the students have returned to engage in the sports after the visits. It has been a wonderful opportunity to build positive relationships.

The students have written letters of thanks to the

volunteers who have given their time to demonstrate the sports and encourage the student's participation. The students have taken morning tea with them as a token of appreciation. The school would like to thank the community for hosting the students and thank them for the great opportunity it was for the students. The clubs are always looking for new members so anyone interested in bocce can contact Sally Flava 0423 499 586, for bowls contact Teena Johnson- Operations Manager 5134 3449, or croquet Robert Smallwood 5134 3082

## Year 11 Legal Studies

The Year 11 legal studies class at Kurnai College's University Campus recently hosted a guest speaker, Ron McCredie, who spoke to the class about life in prison. Ron was able to keep the students engaged with his personal experience of the legal system; from factors that led to the committing of crimes, to his time in prison as well as his rehabilitation and the work he is now doing with police to help rehabilitate young offenders.

Ron's talk was fitting as the class is currently studying criminal sanctions as part of the unit on criminal law, and evaluating the effectiveness of varying types of sanctions. The class is also considering trends in crimes, sentencing and recidivism rates.

## Right

### Tassie Trip No 3-

L-R. Cam Smith, James Corke, Josh Hearn, Ken Taylor (adult volunteer), Dianne and Brian (property owners ), Dean Lawless, Reece Pendlebury, Ange Gordon (Kurnai teacher). Front: Brendan Campbell, Liam Kearns, Brett Gay (Kurnai teacher). Meg (owners pet dog).

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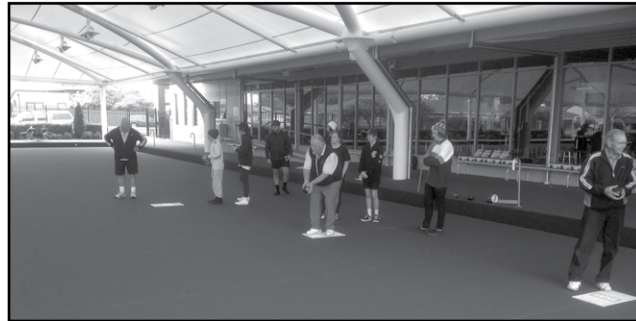
VCAL Sports Class trying Bocce

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VCAL sports Class trying bowling

## Bottom right.

Year 11 Legal Studies guest Ron McCredie



## Churchill Primary School

The Easter holidays went quickly and everyone returned to school refreshed and ready to learn. There have been some significant events at school, even though we have had only two weeks back.

### *Rededication of our Lone Pine Tree*

Churchill Primary School has an Aleppo Pine tree (now commonly called the Lone Pine) which was planted at the school ten years ago. This tree was generated from the few pine cones which were brought back to Australia from the Gallipoli Peninsula in 1915.

In 2005, the small tree was given to us by the Morwell R.S.L. and Legacy. When our new building project was begun in 2010, the tree was carefully shifted from its original position to a position near the main gate of the school. The tree was formally rededicated by Mr Les Maher of the Morwell R.S.L. on Friday April 17. He was supported by Mr Ted Dunstan, also from the Morwell R.S.L.

Mr. Mahar told the story

of how the pine cones came to Australia, and reminded our community that this connects us with those who fought for Australia and New Zealand at Gallipoli. This is especially important as we commemorate the hundred year anniversary of landing at Gallipoli.

He then formally rededicated the tree and entrusted us with honouring the memory of all ANZAC troops who have paid the supreme sacrifice.

### *Lest we Forget Anzac Day Ceremony at Churchill Plaza*

Our student school leaders were asked to speak at the Anzac Day ceremony at Churchill and we are very proud of Jeremy Courtis and Rhys Luxford, who spoke for all of us.

It was heartening to hear the sincere and heartfelt thoughts of the young people from the three primary schools in Churchill.

Caitlyn Sorby and Breanna Ameerbeg also represented us by laying a wreath on the monument,

accompanied by a number of our students. We found the ceremony was very poignant, as it was led by Mr Bruce Jeffrey from Morwell R.S.L.

Congratulations to the Churchill and District Community Association for facilitating the first Anzac Ceremony at 9.00 am on Anzac Day at the new Churchill Plaza. It was great to see so many local families present and we trust this will be an ever growing annual event.

### *We will remember them. Yinnar and District Sports Day*

Churchill Primary School students attended the Sports Day on Monday April 20. From Preps to Grade 6, the students ran, jumped and threw and did shot put with their best efforts.

It was amazing to see students putting into practice what they had been taught in PE lessons and their effort was unquestionable. Unfortunately, perhaps for us, all the students from all the other schools put in the same effort and commitment,

and we came in at number six. We congratulate the Yinnar Primary School on winning the Sports overall.

It was a great day, the weather turned out to be fairly warm and the rain held off.

*Student Leader's Day*  
A number of our student leaders attended a day at Sale on April 22. Jeremy Courtis reports that about 16 students represented Churchill Primary School.

We went on the bus and it took a while to get to Sale. Once we got there we were introduced to the instructors. Their names were Andy, Mason and Rachael. There were lots of schools represented.

The instructors taught us about leadership. We learned how to stand up for ourselves and others. The main message was about becoming a better leader.

If there's a bully you can tell them to stop and you can tell someone who is bullying others to stop. No matter how old or no matter how young you are, you can always be a good leader.

You do not have to have a badge to be a good leader. There was a lot to think about as we came back to school. We enjoyed the day and felt it was very worthwhile.

### *School Wide Positive Behaviour Support*

At Churchill Primary School, we are in the process of refining our values and have adopted the following expectations.

At Churchill Primary School, we are RESPECTFUL POSITIVE LEARNERS.

RESPECTFUL embodies respect of ourselves, others and property and being responsible for ourselves and for others.

POSITIVE embodies the attitudes of positivity, confidence, appreciation and resilience.

LEARNERS depend on a growth mindset, high expectations in all areas and promoting life-long learning practices.

At Churchill Primary School, we believe that we can teach these expectations explicitly, we can target interventions to those who

need it and we can use data to make decisions related to support our students.

We are very excited about taking the next steps in our SWPBS journey to keep improving both social and academic outcomes for our students.

### *Little Bad Wolf Incursion*

This performance was a puppet play focused on the "little bad wolf," which was teased by the "three little pigs".

The play followed the wolf through a series of challenges, as he became more confident in his own ability to improve and learn how to do what wolves need to do.

It taught that we do not have to fight back when we are teased.

One of our Grade 6 students remarked that it was very cool when they moved the puppets and the way they used their voices as the characters.

The way they mixed up familiar Fairy Tales was interesting.



Wreath laying at Churchill



Lexi at the shot put



Rededication of the Lone Pine



Jeremy speaking on behalf of Churchill Primary School at Churchill's first ANZAC Day service

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# Hazelwood North Primary School

### Giving Awards

We give people an award for following the five school values.

The School values are Challenge, Resilience, Responsibility, Collaboration, Curiosity.

The school values means to do the right thing.

The responsibility means to be careful.

Collaboration means we work well with others.

Curiosity means you want to work it out.

Aaron and Shanae

### Yinnar and District sports

It happened on Monday.

First we did long jump then we did a distance run.

Then we did bean bag distance. After we did bean bag distance we did sprints.

We played against Yinnar, Yinnar South, Churchill, Lumen Christi, Boolarra

and Thorpdale. Yinnar came first and Hazelwood North came second. Last time we came sixth so this is a big improvement.

By Jake and Logan

### Memorial Garden

On Friday the teachers and the kids used our memorial garden for the first time. Our new memorial garden has a new flag pole - there are little white rocks and there are big pavers. On ANZAC Day the kids made some poppies and we put them on our little memorial garden.

Claire and Allira

### The biscuits

On Friday we made biscuits, they are called ANZAC biscuits.

We made them at school in the Art room. The ingredients went into the bowl. We mixed the ingredients together. We made them into balls. They

went into the oven. The biscuits took 15 minutes to cook.

The ANZAC biscuits looked good.

They tasted good.

Tasman and Eliza.

### ANZAC Badges

On Friday we found out about ANZAC badges. We learnt they are about the ANZACs. They are sun badges for when the sun comes up.

By Riese and Max.

### Cross Country Run

On Thursday and Friday Hazelwood North Primary School had a cross country run. The whole school did very well. The Grade 2s went first. The Grade 1s went second. The Preps went third. The Preps did two laps. The Grade 1s did three laps, the Grade 3s and 4s did seven laps, the Grade 5s and 6s did

ten laps. It was heaps of fun.

Bree and Scarlett

### Rosemary

In investigations we looked at rosemary. What does rosemary smell like?

Rosemary relates to remembering people who died in wars. It is sad about the people who died in the war.

By Zac and Kydan.

### The Yinnar and District Sports

At the Yinnar and District sports all of Hazelwood North Primary school goes to Yinnar and we all do different kinds of sports in our age groups.

Some of the sports we do are long jump, high jump and long distance run.

The Preps and Grade 1s do bean bag throw, the Grade 2s do discus and shot put and Grade 3, 4, 5 and 6 do relay races.

Last year Hazelwood

North came sixth but this year we came second!

By Ashlee and Elsa

### Maths

At school in maths we have been learning to share cookies. It was hard but we had a red hot go.

We have been challenging ourselves and never giving up. We have been having fun in maths and being resilient. We have been good collaborators and focusing on our work. We have been talking to get ideas, we have been sharing ideas.

By Jarrod

### ANZAC Biscuits

On Friday Grade 1/2A made ANZAC biscuits at school. First we put sugar, oats, butter, salt, golden, syrup, and coconut in a bowl. We took turns to stir and put it in the oven.

They were good. We liked

the taste of them.

By Bridgette and Declan

In our classroom we've been doing investigations about ANZAC Day.

Claire and I made poppies. We put them in the Memorial Garden. They looked beautiful. We made them out of sticks and patty cake pans and they were red. We coloured the sticks green and we put black inside the red patty cakes pans.

Zoe and Claire

### ANZAC Day

On Friday we did a ceremony so we could remember the people that went in the war.

It is sad because it is some people's grandfathers who went in the war. The kids and parents were very sad.

Archie and Lloyd

# Churchill North Primary School

### Junior School Council

On Tuesday night Chelsea M and Jaidyn R went to the School Council meeting and talked about the Junior School Council. They shared with them why they wanted to be on Junior School Council and what they have been involved in.

### Casual Clothes Day

On Friday April 27 the Junior School Council held a Casual Clothes Day. The students were allowed to wear casual clothes to school and were asked to make a gold coin donation to the school. The Junior School Council raised \$127.00 which will go towards buying some more large games that the students can use during lunchtimes.

### Athletics Clinic

To prepare for Sports Day, Churchill North welcomed Denis Huffer from the Little Athletics Program into our school on April 14. As an athletics and running coach, Denis was able to help us perfect our running and long jumping skills.

Students thoroughly enjoyed the new games he had to share and listened intently when being shown how to perfect their running and jumping skills. Hopefully one day Denis will get to coach some of our talented students!

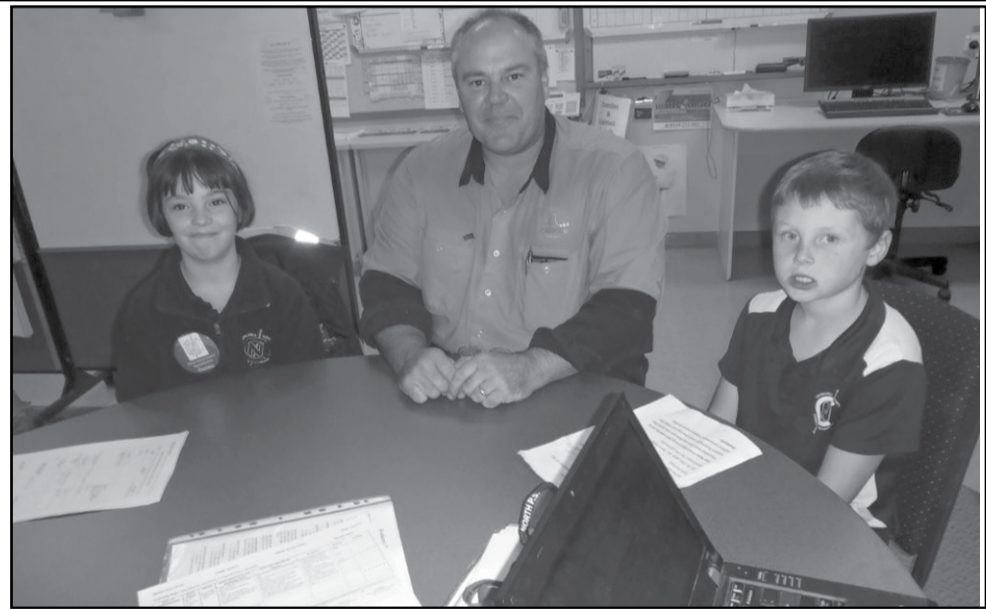
### Sports Day

During Term 1, students have been practising a variety of athletic skills. To celebrate this hard work, Churchill North held their annual Sports

Day on April 16.

Students rotated around to a variety of activities in their age groups and competed to earn points for their house colour. Students participated in shot put, long jump, triple jump, sprints, discus, kanga jump, distance throwing and relays.

We were very proud of how well all the students performed and it was wonderful to see so many smiles on their faces. A big congratulation went to Blue House for first place. Second place went to Green House, third to Red House and fourth to Yellow House. A big thank you to all the teachers and parents who participated, making the day possible.



Junior School Council members with the president of the School Council, Andrew Franks



Sophie, William and Ebony up to the mark



Bella flying through the long jump



The juniors preparing to race

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# Kurnai College Junior Campus

## School Sports Victoria State School Swimming Championships

On April 15, Bridget Cain swam at the State School Swimming Championships, having advanced from the Gippsland Regional competition in Sale. Bridget brought home the gold medal after swimming a personal best time of 34.13 seconds.

A group of 15 Year 8 students also travelled to the Melbourne Swimming and Aquatic Centre (MSAC) to support Bridget. They also

witnessed the two swimmers from the University Campus, Fabienne Schoutens and Sophie Fitzpatrick, win medals in their swims at the meet.

The Year 8 students were taken on a tour of MSAC facilities. They were able to watch a visiting Fijian table tennis team training. Whilst watching the training they were given the opportunity to talk with Simon Gerada, an Australian table tennis player who has represented Australia at World Championships,

Commonwealth Games and Olympics.

## ANZAC Services

Kurnai College Air cadets attended the ANZAC Day service in Morwell where they participated in the march along Tarwin Street to the Cenotaph. Flight Lieutenant Wayne Bass OAM led the cadets. They displayed themselves in a dignified manner as proud representatives of the Airforce Cadet Corp and Kurnai College. Guy Griffiths was a member of the cadets

from Churchill Campus.

At the inaugural Churchill ANZAC Day service, Churchill Campus student Captains Hayden Kimpton (right) and vice-Captain Justyce Rota (left) were in attendance and laid a wreath on behalf of the Campus.

At the Yinnar Anzac Day service, Churchill Campus student Captain Chloe Libreri and Vice-Captain Kimberley Gordon represented the campus and laid a wreath.

Many of our students participated with the Latrobe

City Brass Band in the midday Anzac Day service at Morwell.

Kurnai College Music Coordinator Joseph Bonnici leads the Brass Band and enabled the student body to be incorporated into the day's program.

Students performed in the official part of the program, as well as in the two combined items with the Morwell Caledonian Pipe Band.

In total there were about 50 musicians creating the wall of sound that drew the

crowds.

Churchill Campus student and trumpet player, David Saleta, described the experience as very sombre but a most enjoyable time.

He felt that the large crowd watching and listening added to the occasion.

Aaron Robbins, another of the student participants also found the occasion fun, and described it as a once in a lifetime experience.



From left: Bridget Cain (Gold: 14 yr old 50m backstroke), Sophie Fitzpatrick (Gold: 16-20 yr old 50m backstroke, Gold: 17 yr old 50m butterfly, Silver: 17 yr old 200m freestyle) and Fabienne Schoutens (Gold: 12-20 yr old 400m freestyle).



# Lumen Christi Primary School

With autumn well and truly with us, and mornings giving us a chilly start to most days, Lumen Christi has had a terrific start to term. A major focus of the term has been to join with our nation to remember and commemorate ANZAC Day. All classes have continued their history lessons with this as a focus, and the children's participation in our ANZAC events a clear indication that they certainly have grown in their understanding of this crucial national event. We have also appreciated the invitation and support of the Churchill and District Community Association to

display our students' work in the shopping centre – the feedback we have received has been lovely.

Our ANZAC Day service took place on the Friday leading into the ANZAC weekend, with School Captain Alanah Shankland being our Master-of-Ceremonies at a very moving service. The students then moved in multi-age groups through a set of activities hosted by all teachers across the school. We then all feasted on ANZAC cookies made for us by a great friend to our school community, Joan Black.

While all this was happening our feeder

secondary school, Lavalla College, sent a team of their Year 9 Atlas students to do the ground works for our ANZAC Centenary Garden. It was a beautiful link to have these students working away building a wonderful tribute to ANZAC while we conducted our school-based activities.

April 25 started in a splendid way with our school leaders Ms Brewer, Mr Cooper and captains Bethany and Alanah attending the Churchill ANZAC service. Bethany read her very sincere letter about what ANZAC means to her and we congratulate both young

ladies on their excellent representation on behalf of our school. We then moved into Morwell to participate in the Morwell RSL March and Service. It was terrific to see so many of our families attending these events.

## Confirmation

On the Sacrament calendar for this term is Confirmation. We offer our prayers and best wishes to our Year 6 students preparing for this Sacrament and also welcome those children from other schools to our school to participate in the preparation activities.

## Learning Experiences

Already this term our classrooms have been busy

with plenty of learning happening both in and out of the buildings. We have had visits from scientists from Federation University through to bus trips to Wilson's Prom. As this very article is being written the Year 3/4s are on their trip south to the Prom so we look forward to their report for next month's Churchill News. Also this month the Year 3 and 5 students will complete the NAPLAN assessment.

## Sports

On the sporting fields the major event was the Yinnar and District Athletics. After being postponed last term due to weather, this term we all

boarded buses and headed out to Yinnar Recreation Reserve. We were extremely happy with our overall efforts on the day and the highlight would be the exciting relays held as the finale to the day, in which we placed highly in nearly all races. Congratulations to the staff and students for a terrific day, but more importantly a BIG thank you to our helpers who coordinated the shot-put event. Further sporting events about to occur include the Yinnar District Championships Day and District Cross-Country. Thanks to our PE Leader Mrs Savige for her working behind the scenes to make these events happen.



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# Yinnar South Primary School

### New Buildings

The Yinnar South Learning Community is gearing up for a busy time after the confirmation of our new buildings. The building program which will be completed this year will include the replacement of two classrooms, our administration block and a new toilet block.

It is wonderful to celebrate the schools ongoing growth and development and recognition that we are 'Growing not Going'.

Prep enrollments are now open for 2016. We welcome visitors to come and see our 'child centred approach'. Personal school tours can be booked by calling the school on 03 5169 1540

### ANZAC Day

Yinnar South Primary School students attended

RSL services at a variety of venues on ANZAC Day.

Students marched at venues including Yinnar, Warragul and Morwell.

We are very proud of the understanding our students have of the sacrifices our servicemen have made. Another example of 'Learning coming to Life'

### District Sports Day

The students enjoyed the recent District Sports day. Every student attended and participated enthusiastically. Great school spirit. Congratulations on your personal achievements.

### Performing Arts

Our literacy focus this week in Performing Arts was the structure of Narratives. The younger students considered the fact that stories have a beginning, middle and end, while the older students

expanded that concept to consider orientation, complication and resolution.

The students then worked in multi-age groups to develop three freeze frames that represented these stages in a fairytale.

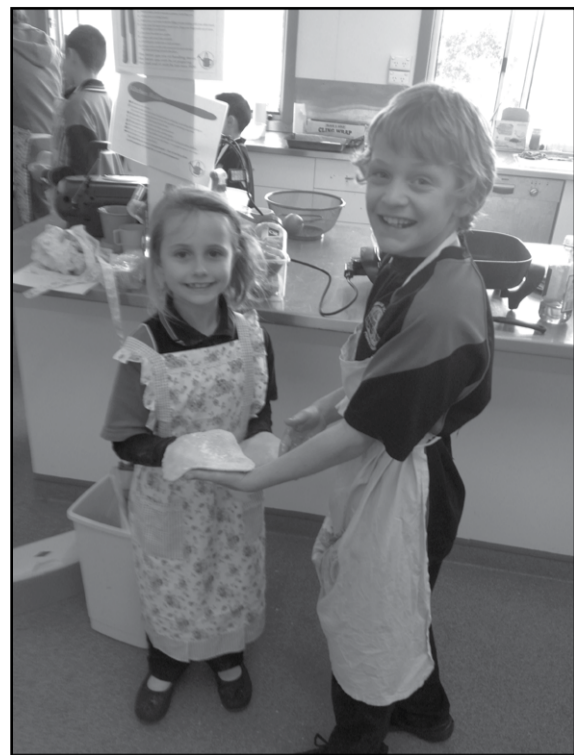
Apart from the obvious literacy development, students also worked on their communication, collaboration and creativity skills.

leadership opportunities for our senior students.

The program has many literacy outcomes as students learn about procedural writing and following instructions. The students also learn to work as a team and develop a strong sense of responsibility.



Some of our junior students having a break between events.



In the kitchen



### Health - Let's get Physical

Our Preps and Grade 1s enjoyed learning about shapes this week while practising their balancing, jumping and crawling skills.

Spinning was a big favourite for the students.

### In the Kitchen

Several of our students are away at Somers camp this week, so the Grade 2s helped out with preparing our lunch.

This week the students cooked Minestrone soup, flat bread and Anzac biscuits. The Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program encourages healthy eating and provides wonderful authentic



Performing Arts

## Preschools

### Glendonald Preschool

Great News!

Glendonald Preschool now has two new students and is running at capacity with a waiting list for new enrolments. It is wonderful the Preschool has these growing numbers to remain open.

In the classroom the children are learning about the difference between healthy food and sometimes food. In fact they have set up

a 'Sometimes Food Chocolate Factory'. Loads of talk and laughter accompanied this enjoyable learning environment as the various language and mathematical skills are practised. The children love to count and sort the brown beads and blocks that represent the chocolate products. Posters have been made by the students to advertise their products for sale.

At their shared fruit time

each day the children are encouraged to use tongs to serve themselves. Now they have the opportunity to follow instructions on how to make their own fruit kebabs.

Outside, the children continue to enjoy playing safely with their new bikes. They have developed some road rules to practise, made some traffic lights and enjoy taking turns at being the police officer, pedestrians or the drivers of the vehicles.

### Hub Preschool

#### Responsible pet ownership

On Thursday and Friday Berry visited us with her dog Baby.

We discussed how to stay safe around dogs.

We looked at pictures of happy, sad and angry dogs; and how to recognise the difference.

We learnt how to approach a dog that was with its owner and on a leash.

Please take the time to

read and take a pamphlet on Responsible Pet ownership.

Do you have a pet at your home?

We have a Vet clinic in our pretend space now; so if you have a photo of your pet we would like to see your pet.

With the children we have discussed ways to keep ourselves safe around dogs at home and in the town.

We looked at the body language of a happy, sad/scared and angry dog. We

discussed and practised when is it appropriate to approach a dog and a safe way of doing so.

#### ANZAC biscuits

The children made ANZAC biscuits to commemorate ANZAC Day. While cooking they incorporated maths and science skills by measuring, mixing, watching the reaction of the bicarb soda in the hot mixture, and eating the yummy biscuits.





# Boolarra Primary School

## P/Is about their Cape Paterson excursion

On Wednesday I went to the rock pools with Grade Prep, 1, 2 and 3. We went so I can learn better. We went to Cape Patterson to see the rock pools.

Chelsea (Grade 1)  
I went to Cape Paterson  
Laura (Prep)  
I went to see the rock pools.

Chris (Prep)  
On Wednesday the Grade Prep, 1, 2 and 3 went to look at rock pools at Cape Paterson. We went because we want to learn about animals.

Ruby (Prep)  
I went to the beach  
Brendan (Prep)

A tribute to the soldiers who fought with love,  
And on this day come sunshine or rain,  
Lest We Forget!

By Caterina of grade 5  
*ANZAC Day*  
The bang of the guns began to roar,

Soldiers told themselves this must be war,  
From their families they had parted,  
To fight in the war which now had started,

They hid in the trenches and fired their shots,  
The amount of lives lost equals lots, lots, lots.

Remember the men that fought in that war,

The nurses that saved more men than they had ever

collapses into a puddle of Soldier Scottkarm's still warm blood,  
Splashing onto Soldier Wicker's body,

Shortly joining the others on the gravel floor.  
He leans against Soldier Jones,

Who smashes his head on a jagged rock and is instantly sleeping, forever.  
A sharp pain bursts through my left side.

My face twists in agony as I collapse to my knees, hands, stomach.

Oh, this must be.....  
by Mirabel



Our students dressed up in olden day clothing at the Boolarra ANZAC service



Grade Prep - 3 Cape Patterson excursion featured some time on the Inverloch playground equipment

## ANZAC Poem

The soldiers march side by side,  
United together none will lie,  
Volunteers run bravely into the night,  
Running under their flag that is held high,  
Quarrel and violence is everywhere,  
An argument wouldn't be very rare.  
The nurses just as brave as the soldiers,  
There is no time around there for indulgence,  
Working 24/7, treating every case,  
Giving comfort to the soldiers whatever their state.  
Poppies grow up with soldiers surrounded by blood,

saw,  
For they did not do it for themselves,  
But for their countries, us, ourselves,  
Lest we forget.  
by Eve of grade 5  
*This Must Be War*  
I see mothers sobbing into the shoulders of fathers;  
Giving kisses that could mean the most,  
Hugs that could be the last,  
Goodbyes that could speak the truth.  
The soldiers proudly board the dull lonely cargo ship,  
Having to sadly pry away from their loved one's trembling fingers.  
BANG! Soldier Carman

*The day has started*  
Heat is rising  
Enemies shoot and lives are lost  
The bomb hits and sand flies  
Rain falls when the clouds cover the sky  
Evil and anger push through  
New soldiers come to fight  
Crowded trenches filled with strangers  
Hungry soldiers lie in the cold, wet puddles  
Even you are afraid of another day  
(silence) War has just begun.  
By Emre of grade 6  
*The ANZACs*  
The Soldiers stealthily run

There is no screeching fire of a gun,

They climb the slippery sand dunes up to our trenches  
This is one of our challenges.

Look at the war zones state

I have lost my best mate,  
My feet are starting to rot  
From the trenches floor which has turned to grot.

The Jam Tin Bombs roll into their lair

While the gun fires singe my hair,

Flanders Field is full of many graves

All for the bodies of those who were brave.

The red of the poppies stands for blood

It covered the ground along with mud,

The black stands for us  
We love them with lots of trust.

So we should remember the ANZACs

For they fought for us all.  
By Madison J of Grade 5

*Gallipoli*  
Today 25<sup>th</sup> of April 1915 we landed at Gallipoli.

Me and my best mate Nick Riper didn't fire a bullet but we hid behind a rock for a couple of hours though.

I was scared and I passed out. I almost forgot my name is Tree Billings but, they all call me T.

26<sup>th</sup> of April

We all thought it was just adventure but, today my mind changed. I'm very ashamed of myself because I think I killed a man. Me and Nick have been separated.

20<sup>th</sup> of May

I'm shooting with three fingers, I got shot in the hand and 20 of our guys were killed. I saw 4 of them be bombed and 8 of them be shot. I saved a man from combat.

26<sup>th</sup> of May

It was T's birthday today - but he didn't make it through. He was shot in the chest multiple times.

LEST.WE.FORGET.



Our school Captains Mirabel and Emre laying our wreath at the Boolarra ANZAC service



Caterina and Eve recited their poems at the Boolarra ANZAC service



Angus and his sister Ruby dressed in World War 1 era clothing

# SPORT

## Hazelwood and Churchill Past Players and Officials



This year our Past Players and Officials Association is holding their Annual Reunion on Saturday June 13, 2015 - a home game against Glengarry. The function is for all Past Players and Officials of our Club, along with their wives, partners and families (ie. football and netball of all grades and eras).

Coinciding with Churchill's 50th Anniversary, it is also the 50th anniversary of our club's 1965 premiership. Our club also

went on to win the 1966 back to back premiership.

The Hazelwood and Churchill Past Players and Officials Association will place a special focus on both these great sides by recognising and celebrating their wins. We are hoping for a great roll up of the old Players and Officials from these years.

The function will be a "day/night function" that will commence with a get-together at 1:00pm in our

Club's social rooms, where we can reunite old friendships and memories over a few refreshments. Past Players and Officials will then gather at their respective player's change rooms (ie. footballers and netballers) to enjoy the pre-match preparations and watch the current players enter the arena.

Our current day players will get a real buzz seeing their old counterparts giving them support and hopefully, the presence of these past club

legends, will spur the current players on to wins across the board. Our heritage is remembered and continues to be built on occasions like this. Not only do the Past Players and Officials enjoy the day themselves, but they get to meet our current players, an important part of our club's evolution.

After watching the game, all are welcome to stay, mingle and enjoy the usual after-match get together.

Our main evening event will commence in the Club's Social rooms at 7:00pm.

We are very fortunate to have Barry Whitehead as MC for the evening. Barry has been an excellent MC at a number of functions and always ensures a pleasant and humorous night. We

can assure you there will be plenty of stories, laughter, and rebuilding of old memories. It will be a great night for all.

Dress code is neat casual, admittance is \$15 per head to the function, with finger food catering included. Past Players and Officials will pay an additional \$15 for their yearly membership. Refreshments are at bar prices and the night will finish at 11:30pm. It will be a great night and we are looking forward to seeing you.

**Special Note:-**

The Hazelwood Churchill Past Players and Officials Association now have their own website (www.hcppoa.com). Visit it and enjoy the old photos, articles and contacts you can make.

You can also register yourself as a Past Player and



Official on this website.

This way you can check and update your personal contact details and by doing so will ensure you receive future Past Player and Official correspondence, notifications and letters. The site will also provide regular postings of events and various interesting articles.

Members of the website can also submit photos and articles for publishing on the website.

## Braves Start Season Strong

With a large influx of junior numbers, the Churchill Baseball Club seems set for its biggest season in recent history. With hopes of emulating its run of junior premierships in the '80s, the Braves are hopeful the new juniors will develop into fine young players who will take success into the future for the club.

The Churchill Baseball Club is also excited to announce their sponsorship for the 2015 season with new and old sponsors alike. The Braves are glad that Norm Oliver Quality Meats and Davies & Moller Pharmacy have decided to stay on and sponsor the Club. The Braves would also like to announce two local businesses who have jumped aboard - the Churchill Fish and Chip shop and Vintage C'hill.

The Braves have also secured the Churchill Hotel as their major sponsor for the 2015 season. This is a great boon for our club and will go a long way towards helping the club to get into a strong position and hopefully build onward and upward into the future.

With the Gippsland Championships and the first two rounds out of the way with April coming to a close, all of the Braves senior sides have taken their momentum from the preseason tournament and all sit undefeated after two rounds.

With juniors, the Under 10 T-ballers are quickly picking up the skills required that will allow them to play at the next level in the years to come, and having tons of fun in the process.

Playing against Sale in their second match, all of the T-ballers contributed with a

safe hit.

The Under 13 competition is full of excitement and potential as they tied their first match against the Moe/Newborough Dodgers, which saw new recruit Max hit a stand-up triple. The following week Churchill went down to Sale 10-6. The potential was there against the strong Sale side as Jacob was able to pitch a three-up, three-down inning and Brock was able to get a double.

The Under 16s played their first match against Sale which saw the bats light up as everyone contributed to getting runs around the board. The team delivered six hits - including a triple by Brad - and capitalised on Sale's four errors to score a game total of seven runs - the highest score the Braves Under 16s have made in over a year. This wasn't enough however as Sale's aggressive base-running saw them take the victory 7-11.

C-Grade has shown a lot of promise as new and old players alike join in to play. After starting off with a bye the Braves had the task of taking on the reigning premiers in Morwell Cougars.

The Braves reached the seven-run maximum each inning they went to bat until the game was called, and through pitching by Laurie Curry and Jack Gill were able to restrict Morwell to six runs. The final score was 26-6.

After having a bye due to South Gippsland not being able to contribute a B-Grade side, the Braves played their first game against Morwell.

The bats were busy and Churchill walked away with an 18-9 win. The third innings



was a big one for the Braves as they scored a total of ten runs. The Churchill Braves scored in the third on a two-run error, an error, a two-run single by Floyd Haines, a single by Shane Gill, an RBI single by Dylan Eldridge, an RBI single by Cameron Cooen, and an RBI triple by Bryce Hayley.

The Braves A-Grade had the task of meeting the South-Gippsland Miners for their first game in the Latrobe Valley Baseball Association. After scores being matched 2-2 at the end of the first innings it looked like a competitive match was going to unfold. The Braves buckled down adding a further ten runs to their score while keeping the Miners scoreless. Their second game saw Braves get eleven runs off two hits as they capitalised on a number of errors and aggressive base-running to score an 11-2 win against Morwell.

The Braves train on Wednesdays at their home ground of Andrews Park and everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and try baseball.

Juniors training starts at 4:30 with seniors following at 5:30. Games are played on Sundays.

Follow games live on gamechanger or for further information, find the Churchill Braves on Facebook or on TeamApp.

## Basketball

were held March 28, 29, 30, 2015.

The event attracted 33 girl's teams from across Country Victoria.

Saturday 28 was a grading day.

The girls only lost 2 games, one to Ballarat who won Division 1, and the other to Wodonga by 4 points who finished in the semi-finals of Division 1.

The girls were then placed in Division 3, just missing a higher division due to facing two highly ranked opponents

on the first day.

Churchill Blue Devils U12 girls then won 6 straight games, taking out the title of Division 3 Premiers with their win in the Grand Final against Wallan 57-34.

Players who represented Churchill were-

Breanna Croft, Jasmine Croft, Monai Porykali, Elissa Walsh, Sienna Cheffers, Ella McCulloch, Myah Healey, Kayley Answerth, Amy Hutchinson, Ebony Webb.

Coach - Kylie Higgins, Assistant Coach - Jason Sutherland, Team Manager - Kim Walsh



### Churchill U/12 Division 3 Champions

Churchill under 12 girls had success at the recent U12 Future Stars Championships in Bendigo.

These championships

## Mid Gippsland Darts Association Summer Competition



**LADDER**

Team Name	Played	Won	Lost	Bye	For	Against	%	Pts
Reapers	9	8	1	0	55	26	611.1	16
Coyotez	9	5	4	0	44	37	488.9	10
Yinnar tigers	9	5	4	0	43	38	477.8	10
Traralgon rebels	9	5	4	0	39	42	433.3	10
Motley crew	9	3	6	0	37	44	411.1	6
Late comers	9	1	8	0	25	56	277.8	2

Yinnar Tigers produced few highlights in their loss to Motley Crew round 6 on March 26, losing 8-1 on the night. Their position on the ladder is looking dubious.

Round 7 on April 9 saw the Yinnar Tigers return to winning form, defeating Latecomers 6-3. Highlight of the night was Yinnar Tigers' Mark Taylor with the highest finish of 150. Mark also tied for most "tons" on the night with Aaron Donohue of Latecomers.

Round 8 on April 16 was a close fought battle with Yinnar Tigers taking out the night 5-4. Yinnar Tigers' Mark Taylor throwing the highlight of the night with Highest Finish 125 and also Most Tons (10).

Round 9, April 23 and the Yinnar Tigers continued their march up the league ladder defeating Traralgon Rebels 7-2. Yinnar Tigers' Mark Taylor again featuring in the best players on the night with Highest Finish 123, and Most Tons 11.

The team have rallied around Mark over the last few rounds to be well positioned on the league ladder.

## Churchill &amp; Monash Golf Club Results

Friday April 3, 2015

Good Friday Ladies and Mens Stableford. Winners – Men- P. Ludlow (18) 39 pts. Ladies- L. Casey (39) 35 pts. Runners up-Men- D. Ellwood (13) 37 pts. Ladies- C. Barnes (36) 33 pts. D.T.L- Men- D. Taylor (17) 31 pts. Ladies- M. Munckton (32) 32 pts. N.T.P- Men- 3rd – D. Ellwood, 12th- P. Dent, 14th- G. Beyer. N.T.P- Ladies-3rd- M. Munckton, 5th- M. Munckton, 12th- M. Munckton.

Saturday April 4, 2015

Mens Stableford. Winner- A Grade- H. Martin (17) 36. B Grade- J. Barnes (24) 35. C. Grade- J. Ambrosini (26) 37. N.T.P- 3rd- B. Kilday, 12th- H. Martin, 14th- C. Spowart. Birdies- 3rd- B. Kilday.

Saturday April 11, 2015

Mens 4BBB Par. Winners- J. Barnes (24) and M. Rennie (31) +10. Runners Up- D. Byers (16) and P. Williams (18) +8 C/B. N. T.P- 12th J. Ambrosini, 14th- W. Judkins.

Tuesday April 14, 2015

Royal Womens Hospital 4BBB. Winners- J. Blizzard(28) and M. McConville(22) 47 pts. Runners Up- M. Dear(17) and E. Leggo(29) 46 pts. N.T.P- 3rd- M. Munckton, 5th- J. Blizzard, 14th – V. Verheyen

Saturday April 18, 2015

Mens Monthly Medal Stroke. Winners – A Grade- D. Byers- 67 nett. B Grade- C. Doyle- 72 nett. Scratch- D. Ellwood- 82 gross. Count

Putts- D. Taylor and G. Blizzard- 25 putts. N.T.P- 3rd - P. Williams, 5th- C. Doyle.

Tuesday April 21

2015- Ladies Monthly Medal Stroke. Winner- L. Casey (39) 71 nett. Runner Up- J. Blizzard (28) 73 nett. Scratch- J. Blizzard (28) 101 gross. Count Putts- J. Blizzard – 28 putts. N.T.P- 5th- M. McConville, 14th- J. Beck.

Saturday April 25, 2015

Mens Stableford. Winners- A Grade- A. Sharrock – 36 pts. B Grade- B. Baldock- 36 pts. C Grade- J. Ambrosini- 33 pts. N. T.P- 3rd- G. Beyer, 12th- B. Kilday, 14th- M. Allen. Birdies- 3rd- G. Beyer.

Sunday April 26, 2015

Toongabbie Challenge. Winners-

Mens- B. Gross (18) 31 pts. Ladies- H. Daniel (31) 35 pts, Churchill Winners- Mens- M. Allen (20) 42 pts. Ladies- J. Beck (31) 30 pts. N.T.P- 3rd- W. Heiser / M. Allen, 5th- J. Beck, 12th- J. Thornby, 14th- Di. Scurlock. Birdies- 3rd- R. Scurlock

Challenge Winner- Churchill- 29.94 ( Toongabbie- 25.43).

Tuesday April 28, 2015

WGWG Captain and Presidents Day 4BBB. Winners- J. Woznica (14) and C. Blog (18) 37 pts. D.T.L- J. Griffiths (18) and S. Caldwell (19) 36 pts. N. T. P- 5th- D. Judkins, 14th – B. Brown

Tuesday April 28, 2015

Churchill & Monash Ladies 4BBB. Winners- E. Leggo (30) and M. Dear (17)

45 pts. D.T.L- S. Jeffery (35) and C. Barnes (37) 38 pts C/B. N.T.P- 5th – M. Dear.

Friday May 1, 2015

Ladies 4BBB (AM). Winners – L. Casey (38) and V. Rowley (40) 45 pts. Runners Up- J. Armstrong (45) and M. McQuillen (42) 41pts. N.T.P- 3rd- J. Beck, 5th- C. Carder, 12th- C. Carder, 14th- J. Beck.

Friday May 1, 2015

Mens Stableford (PM). Winner- B. King (23) 39 pts. Runner Up- C. Doyle (20) 38 pts C/B. N.T.P- 3rd- D. Halkett, 12th- B. Kilday, 14th- D. Halkett. Birdie- 14th- D. Halkett

Saturday May 2, 2015

Mens Stroke. Winners- A Grade- Scratch- D. Halkett (7) 79 gross. Handicap- T.

Webb (11) 68 nett. B Grade- Scratch- T. Sterrick (18) 87 gross. Handicap- C. Hogbin (18) 71 nett C/B. C Grade- Scratch- C. Cumming (25) 96 gross. Handicap- J. Jeffery (24) 75 nett. N.T.P- 3rd- T. Webb, 12th- T. Collins, 14th- C. Cumming. Birdie- 3rd- T. Webb

Sunday May 3, 2015

3 Person Ambrose. Ladies Winners – J. Armstrong, D. Stait and L. Casey- 82 ½. Mixed Winners- J. Mitchell, T. Garratt and M. Atkins- 62 2/3. Mens Winners- S. Sanders, M. Sanders and A. Auld- 61 ½. N.T.P- (Ladies) -12th – W. Heiser. N.T.P- (Mens)- 3rd- A. Auld, 5th- D. McKay, 14th- M. Hustler.



Churchill Monash President Ian Heppleston receiving the Challenge Trophy from the Toongabbie President Bill McPherson.

## Churchill - Toongabbie Challenge

Sunday April 26, saw seventeen players from Churchill Monash Golf Club joined by fourteen members from the Toongabbie Golf Club for their annual Challenge. Despite some showers all enjoyed the jovial atmosphere. Churchill Monash was victorious with 29.94 over Toongabbie 25.43.

Winners for Toongabbie were Helena Daniel and Bill Gross. Churchill winners were Jill Beck and Mat Allan. All players enjoyed a barbeque lunch with mixed salads followed by desserts. Toongabbie left vowing to regain the Challenge Trophy next year.



Jill Beck receiving her trophy from Ian Heppleston

## Gippsland Soccer League

Recently, the Gippsland Emerging Talent Program Under 16 boy's team travelled to the Central Coast Mariners for the trip of a lifetime.

The team lived the life of a professional footballer for the week thanks to former Morwell player and Central Coast Mariners captain John Hutchinson, the ambassador of the program.

The boys watched the senior team training sessions during the week, played against the Central Coast Mariners junior academy teams – going down 6-0 - and had the privilege to meet the senior playing group.

To top off the trip they watched Central Coast Mariners defeat Western Sydney Wanderers 1-0, in Hutchinson's last home game for the Central Coast Mariners as he retires. John's last game for the Mariners was against Melbourne Victory at AAMI



Park on Sunday April 26.

Throughout the week John took time to pass on his experiences and educate the boys in what it takes to be a professional footballer. Gippsland ETP Under 16 head coach, Michael McAuley

said "John is a great example of a boy from the country who worked hard to live the dream and play professional football".

John as the ambassador of the program would love nothing more than a player

from Gippsland to follow in his footsteps and play in the A-League, something he is immensely proud of.

The program is in its infancy but Technical Director Mark Cassar intends to make it an annual event to inspire

players to play at the highest level.

ETP Results Round 2:

GDF Suez ETP had their first home game for the season recently. It was their first game using Trafalgar Recreation Reserve as their

## Churchill Bowls Club

comparable population that doesn't have a bowl green.

Churchill Bowls Club entered two Ladies Pennant teams into the Latrobe Valley Indoor Bowls Competition. The club performed admirably last year, with one of their teams making the finals. They are hopeful they can take it out this year.

The Club will also be fielding Men's lawn bowls

teams in the Traralgon and Mirboo North Winter competitions, which should allow for valuable exposure and experience for when Churchill gets a bowls green of their own.

The Club is still working on its Clubroom facilities at the Gaskin Park Sporting Precinct. The facilities should be ready and operational by late July.

The winner of the Churchill Bowls Club Easter egg raffle drawn on Thursday April 2, was B. Peters from Traralgon.

Many people bought tickets and contributed donations and the Club would like to thank everyone who did, for their support.

Thursday night indoor bowls is still going well with an influx of new players

home ground.

U/13 boys had a convincing win over Beaumaris SC, beating them 4-0. Connor Dastey scored 2 with Jarred Ross and Daniel Gatpan hitting the net once each.

U/14 boys won a close contest against Casey Comets, 3-2 with Jack Walton scoring a hat trick.

Despite a great second half, the U/16 boys could not get over the line against Beaumaris SC, going down 4-6.

They came back from 1-5 down at half time. Nelson Tombra also scored a hat trick, and Keegan Grealy netted 1.

After two rounds the U/13s are sitting third on the ladder, and the U/14's are unbeaten on top.

The U/16's have a bit of ground to make up, and are currently 9th.

It is a travesty that after 50 years, Churchill still does not have a bowls green to service its community.

The demographics within Churchill have changed dramatically over this five decade time period, necessitating some equity in the facilities that Latrobe City provides for its Churchill residents.

The lack of foresight from

local and state Governments has allowed for this anomaly to exist.

Although the Churchill Bowls Club is on the 2015/16 short list for the draft budget, the call has been made to Latrobe City Council to ensure the project rates a high priority during budget deliberations.

Churchill is becoming one of the only towns of

making the night an enjoyable experience. Anyone wishing to play can turn up on a Thursday night.

Games commence at 7.30 pm sharp, however you need to be in attendance by 7.15pm to allow team selection.

A light supper is served with tea and coffee available. Cost for the night is \$4.00.

# Health News

Latrobe Community Health Service



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## National Palliative Care Week

**National Palliative Care Week runs from Sunday 24th - Saturday 30th May. This year's theme is 'dying to talk; talking about dying won't kill you.'**

"Australians do not like to talk about death and dying, it is one of the last taboos," said Teena Twaddle, Manager Ambulatory Care at Latrobe Community Health Service.

"But death happens to us all and to have the best death possible, we need to plan and prepare for it."

To help start the discussion, Latrobe Community Health Service will hold an information day for community members to learn about the palliative care services the organisation provides.

The information day will be held from 10am-2pm on Friday 29 May at Latrobe Community Health Service in Buckley Street, Morwell.

"We encourage the community to come along and ask any questions about our palliative care service. We'll have staff members and current volunteers around to have a chat.



"There will also be staff from a number of programs related to palliative care, including respite services, counselling services and district nursing."

Latrobe Community Health Service is also seeking palliative care volunteers throughout Gippsland, mainly to provide companionship to clients who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness.

"Our palliative care volunteers are

highly valued members of staff and are passionate about caring for clients. We provide structured training to new volunteers, with ongoing support," said Ms Twaddle.

The next palliative care volunteer training course will be held at Latrobe Community Health Service in Morwell on June 16th, one day a week for five weeks. There is no cost.

To become a palliative care volunteer, call 1800 232 696 and talk to Michelle Davy or Joanne Ramselaar.

## Helping young carers stay young at heart

**When a loved one is ill, has a disability or mental illness, and needs care and attention, many people step up to help without a second thought.**

But when this person is less than 25 years old, it is particularly important to ensure they are supported in their role as a carer.

According to Michelle Possingham, Manager Carer Programs at Latrobe Community Health Service, this is important because young carers are still in the process of becoming adults. "In Gippsland, more than 400 young people identify as being a primary carer

for a sibling, parent or grandparent while still attending school," said Ms Possingham.

"Many young carers view caring as a positive experience, but research has found that if they are inadequately supported, their own physical and mental wellbeing can be seriously affected."

Latrobe Community Health Service offers support for young carers across Gippsland through social group activities designed to help them take a break from their role as a carer, such as horse-riding, diving lessons and trips to adventure parks.

Practical support, such as assistance with school fees, books and uniform expenses is also available.

"It's important for young people in these grown-up roles to realise they can get help if they need it, and don't have to feel alone.

"We realise how important it is for young people to do things other young people do, like make new friends, do fun things and ask for help when they need it."

If you are a young carer and want to find out how Latrobe Community Health Service can help you, phone 1800 242 696 or visit lchs.com.au.

## Making a positive connection with the LGBTI community



**This week Latrobe Community Health Service joined with community members in Gippsland and across the world to acknowledge International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia.**

"The day was created in 2004 to draw the attention of policymakers, opinion leaders, social movements, the public and the media to the violence and discrimination experienced by LGBTI people internationally," said Vince Massaro, Executive Director, Assessment, Aged and Disability Services at Latrobe Community Health Service.

"Latrobe Community Health Service is an organisation that is committed to providing health services that enable people to live healthier, live better and live longer; that's all people. It's important the LGBTI community feels that promise extends to them too," said Mr Massaro.

To mark the day, Latrobe Community Health Service hosted a free sausage sizzle, raised the rainbow flag and had LGBTI speakers talk about their experiences.

"We also planted a tree as a symbol of our organisation's commitment to becoming a more inclusive workplace for LGBTI staff, and an inclusive health service for LGBTI members of the community," said Mr Massaro.

Members of the LGBTI community who would like to contribute to improving the inclusive practices of Latrobe Community Health Service can complete an anonymous survey at [lchs.com.au/diversity](http://lchs.com.au/diversity).

BETTER LIVING & DYING WITH DIGNITY  
**INFORMATION DAY & EXPO**

As part of Palliative Care Week, Latrobe Community Health Service will be holding an information day where you can learn about all the services and programs LCHS provides.

**For further information or event details please call 1800 242 696**

FREE EVENT

**Friday, 29 May from 10am - 2pm**

Latrobe Community Health Service, Activity Rooms 1 & 2  
81-87 Buckley Street, Morwell

