

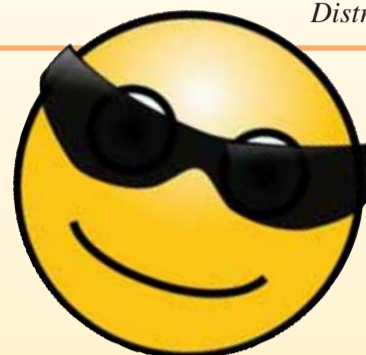
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Churchill's Own Community Festival

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Maselli Makes Debut in Italy



Stephen Maselli (second from right) with his Vicenza team mates in the Italian Youth League

Churchill's Stephen Maselli has made his first run on appearance in the Italian Youth League when his Series B Club Vicenza met Inter at the weekend.

With his team trailing 1-0 Maselli entered the game with thirty minutes to go and was charged with the duty of directing all of Vicenza's set plays and taking all dead ball goal scoring opportunities.

Despite the score staying at 1-0 the debut appearance is a huge achievement for the former Ram who has bulked up during his time in Italy to better equip himself physically in the highly competitive league.

Maselli will return to Australia in June for a well earned rest during the off season.



Stephen Maselli playing for Churchill last year. Maselli was a key player in Churchill's three successive Championships (2007-2009)

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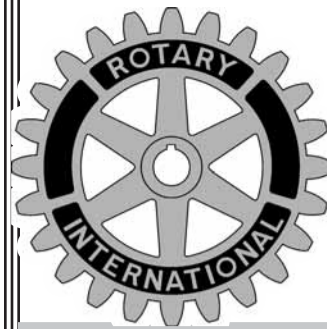
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Lake Hyland Ready for Another Round of Fishing Fun

Picturesque Lake Hyland at Churchill is scheduled for another full day of fun-filled activities centred on fishing. The Department of Primary Industries will stage a Family Fishing Festival at the lake on Sunday 2 May 2009.

This free event will include fishing workshops for children led by angling club volunteers and informative talks by local Fisheries Officers.

Participating children will have further opportunities to develop their fishing skills by attending casting and knot-tying clinics provided by experienced Fishcare volunteers.

The ever-popular 'Flathead Fred' will have kids and adults alike in fits of laughter with his entertaining stage shows. Seaweed Sally will amaze children with her extensive display of preserved and live marine animals.

Other attractions include Pete the Pirate with his astounding balloon creations and 'The Connies' with their unique free cards that they distribute to children.

A new attraction this year will be Viccas the Caricaturist, who will be kept busy drawing amusing impressions of many of the children that attend.

The day will be topped off with a jumping castle, face painters, fishing prizes, giveaways, displays, stalls and entertainment for the whole family.

Families interested in attending the day are strongly encouraged to pre-register their children to reserve workshop

places, which are limited.

Registered children will be provided with fishing equipment and bait to use during the workshops and all members of registered families will not require a fishing licence on the day.

To pre-register for the workshops ring the DPI Customer Service Centre on 136 186.

The Lake Hyland Family Fishing Festival run in partnership with the Latrobe City Council, Friends of Mathison Park, several local angling clubs, Fishcare Victoria and other stakeholders.

To view a timetable of activities for the Lake Hyland Family Fishing Festival or to learn more about the Go Fishing in Victoria initiative visit www.dpi.vic.gov.au/gofishing

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As part of the State Government's Go Fishing in Victoria initiative, Lake Hyland is being promoted as one of five 'Premier Lakes' in order to encourage families and new anglers to go fishing.

Premier Lakes will offer access for anglers of all ages and abilities, and will also feature family friendly facilities such as toilets, BBQs, picnic tables and playground equipment.

Premier Lakes are partly stocked with larger 'Premier' rainbow trout (> 1 kg) at least four times per year (subject to suitable water conditions). Stockings of 'Premier' rainbow trout will be in addition to smaller advanced yearlings that are regularly released into Premier Lakes.

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There are six different roles to choose from including Schools Assistant, English Teacher, Teacher, Outdoor Activities Instructor, Community Worker and Caring

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Find out more!

An information night is being held on Tuesday 12 April 2010 at St Paul's Anglican Grammar School, Yr 7 Centre, 150 Bowen Street, Warragul from 7pm - 8.30pm.

Lattitude staff, returned volunteers and parents of returned volunteers will be there to answer questions. You can register your interest or find out more by visiting www.lattitude.org.au or calling 03 9826 6522.



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COUNCIL "User Fees and Charges 2010/2011"

Cr Darrell White



ing on the service. By undertaking community consultation now, with a view to adoption by Council in April 2010, it enables the required notice to be given to the community for any changes to the fees and charges to be implemented from 1st July, 2010.

Council, at its meeting on 22nd March, 2010, resolved to give public notice of its intention to consider the "draft" Fees and Charges 2010/2011 and invites submissions in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Policy and Strategy. Council will consider submissions received from the community at a Special Council Meeting to be held on 27th April, 2010. Copies of the "draft" Fees and Charges 2010/2011 are available at all Council Service Centres.

GET FIT – "PLAY TENNIS DAY"

Churchill Tennis Club

It was terrific to see so many young aspiring tennis players at the Churchill Tennis Club on Monday morning 28th March last, enjoying a school holidays fun opportunity to participate in this "Get Fit – Play Tennis Round Robin" event. I understand there were more than 50 youngsters who participated, some of whom showed plenty of potential while other "rookies" took advantage of the chance to "test out" the game.

Congratulations to Churchill & District News for generously supporting this event. It was great to see Val, Ruth, Tracey, Ann and John there

helping to "make things happen". Also, well done to Churchill Tennis Club. President Sally, Treasurer Carol along with Marilyn and Bea were there to assist in the coordination of the event, and it was also good to see the support offered by parents on the courts to ensure the day was a success.

100 YEARS OF STEAM MOE to WALHALLA

Travel back in time and celebrate the 100 year anniversary of rail service from Moe to Walhalla. On Sunday 2nd May a Steam Train will be departing from Southern Cross Station in Melbourne, transporting visitors to Moe where they can choose from a range of activities for the rest of the day.



The first train arrives in Walhalla on 15 March, 1910

Visitors can choose to travel onto Walhalla, once a major gold mining centre, now a place

that time has forgotten. Visitors can soak in the history and atmosphere as they wander along the streets, enjoy a tour of the Long Tunnel Extended Gold Mine or relax with a cup of coffee in a beautiful mountain setting.

There will also be entertainment provided at the Moe Railway Station including a visit by Puffing Billy in full steam, a barbeque, music by the Wonder Dogs Jazz Band as well as displays by the local Chevrolet Car Club and the Moe Model Railway Group. Souvenirs from the day will be available as well as railway publications at a discounted rate.

Alternatively, visitors could travel by bus from the Moe Railway Station to Old Gippsstown – Gippsland's Heritage Park also located in Moe. A step off the bus takes people back in time to the 1850's where they will see how and where people lived back then.

Finally, train passengers will be able to choose to continue the train ride through to Traralgon where they can enjoy a ride on a miniature train in Newman Park or wander around the town. The train will depart Traralgon to pick up passengers in Moe at 4.45pm to take them back to Melbourne.

There are also many other events to celebrate this historic occasion including Murder on the Walhalla Express, A Moment in Time, Put your Face in the Picture and much more. More information is available at: visitwalhalla.com



A Fence, Maybe a Park and More Local Works, But Still No Lawn Bowls

By Margaret Guthrie, President Meetings of Churchill and District Community Association (CDCA) always seem to have a full agenda and a variety of issues to discuss. Our March meeting was no exception.

A 'special report' was tabled on the subject of the wire fence along the western side of Monash Way. CDCA was recently contacted by a local resident who thinks that Churchill deserves better than something that looks like a farm fence erected on the main through-road in our town.

Historically, Monash Way was planned to be a freeway, so there was a legal requirement to provide barrier fencing. There was also a significant safety issue, with early housing constructed on the western side, and the shopping centre built on the eastern edge of the road. Long-time residents may remember that there was a tragic accident involving a child that high-

lighted the need to provide a barrier fence of some description.

The fence today stretches from Switchback Road to Mc Donald Way and there is a further section along the Walker Parade frontage. It comprises several strands of rusting wire, some being barbed, held up by star pickets and treated pine posts. It is frequently cut or damaged to enable 'shortcuts' and is something of a maintenance problem for Council.

Some residents have suggested that the fence should be removed, or replaced by safety fencing that is more substantive, permanent and visually appealing.

After discussion, CDCA decided not to seek its removal, due to the obvious need to provide a safety barrier, especially for the protection of young children. Instead, CDCA has resolved to write to Council, VicRoads and our local State and Federal MPs

requesting more appropriate safety fencing be installed. Members present agreed that an extension of the solid fence erected along the McDonald Way bridge and traffic lights at Georgina Way would be quite suitable.

There was further discussion about the proposal by local residents for the establishment of a park in Walker Parade. Members representing this group (POPAC) moved a motion, which was adopted by CDCA, requesting Council investigate ways of obtaining the land in question, so that it can be rezoned accordingly.

POPAC members have been advised that Council intends to do some additional tree-planting in the Walker Parade plantations, when suitable weather conditions occur.

We were informed that some 'clean up' works at the pedestrian underpass have been done by local volunteers – many thanks to those involved for

your community service.

CDCA was also informed that works are expected to begin on the hotel site in the near future, and that a 'clean up' of the old nursery site, adjacent to the pioneer memorial wall and town symbol, will occur at that time.

A brief update was given regarding the progress of the implementation of the Town Centre Plan. Residents are advised that there will be some temporary road closures required in the future – both Phillip Parade and Georgina Place are to be reconstructed. CDCA has requested that Council arrange for a copy of the Town Centre Plan to be displayed on the shopping centre notice board.

Members also discussed the establishment of a Lawn Bowls facility in Churchill. It is about three years since the Bowls Club was formed and a year or so since Council's 'Southern Towns Recreation Strategy' identified Gaskin

Park as the site.

It was reported that delays in decision making for the so-called 'Gaskin Park Sporting Precinct' were now placing major sponsorship offers received by the Club at risk. CDCA decided to write to Council, urging them to expedite matters so that the Club can take up these offers.

CDCA meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7pm, usually at the Churchill Hub.

Next meeting is on Wednesday 28th April, 7pm, in Studio 1 (lower floor of the town hall) across from the new Hub building. All residents and items of General Business pertaining to the local district are welcome.

Contact CDCA at PO Box 191, Churchill or by phoning the Secretary, Rob Whelan on 0427223602 or via email: robwhelan@eftel.net.au

Churchill Cancer Fundraiser

On Friday March 19 the community of Churchill showed its' great community spirit and enormous generosity at the charity function hosted by the CFNC to raise funds for the Welsh and Dunn/Swart families.

Cancer has devastated both of these young families – with Leah Swart passing away three days before the fundraiser.

Over 350 people attended the fundraiser, which took the form of a trivia night and auction. Local businesses and individual residents donated over 80 items for auction, these items included 7 nights accommodation in Lucca (Italy), several signed AFL footballer players jumpers, cricket memorabilia, Channel 9 and 10 footy show tickets, vouchers, manchester, signed Melbourne storm jumper and football, V8 Super car lap and much more.

The auction (conducted by Barry Richards) raised

over \$25,000.00 and showed how generous the community of Churchill can be. On top of the auction, raffles were conducted during the night. These plus the door entry and other donations resulted in over \$35,000.00 being generated for the two families.

The atmosphere at the night was indescribable with fantastic goodwill and genuine heartfelt concern for both families. The night included laughter, tears and a "Skype" link up with Gary from hospital as well as a special message from both families.

The community of Churchill should be very proud that it has been able to come together and achieve such a fantastic result for two very special families in our community.

Special thanks must go to all involved in organising the night, especially the Churchill Football Netball Club, Jodi Ditterich and Mark Answerth.

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David Tree addressing members of the Hazelwood Rotary Club

\$67,000 Disbursement by Rotary

Hazelwood Rotary has had a particularly active time over the past eight months, which was reflected in Treasurer Mac Wood's recent report. More than \$67,000 has been disbursed by the Club during this period including \$10,000 of bushfire funds and more than \$37,000 in fundraising for Gippsland Rotary Centenary House. Other sizeable commitments were \$3,000 to the Indigenous scholarship program for Monash University and \$6,000 spent on Go Youth camp for under-privileged children.

Fundraising activities continued during the month with BBQ's at the Multicultural Day at Kernot Hall, Bunnings (2) and Traralgon South Kitchen Opening. Other activities included a clean up of Eel Hole creek for Clean Up Australia Day, a working bee to give an elderly bush fire victim a "garden blitz" and planning for the Churchill Festival.

Interesting guest speakers who attend the Club dinners during the month included Alan Scarlett, Executive Officer, at Monash University who enlightened members on the impact of Monash University Gippsland on the local community and David Tree who received International publicity for his act of kindness to a koala during the bushfires at Delburn. The famous photo of David giving the

injured marsupial a drink of water from his bottle was printed on the front page of more than thirty newspapers across the world.

Hazelwood Rotary is sponsoring two students from Kurnai College to attend the Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) which will be held later this year. This program gives Year 11 students the opportunity to learn how United Nations Assembly works and to take part in a mock debate on a topic of international importance.

Rotary Offers Students Unique Opportunity

Hazelwood Rotary is offering students currently in Year 11 the opportunity to apply for a place at the prestigious National Youth Science School to be held in January 2011.

For twelve days in January, successful applicants will live on campus as a university student in Canberra with students from around Australia who share a similar interest in Science. They will meet a range of scientists and researchers, visit their work locations and do the things they do every day. This gives students the opportunity to test drive careers in Science, Engineering and related disciplines as well as to meet some of the brightest students in the nation.

Applicants must undergo inter-

views at the local Rotary Club level and, if nominated by the Club, then at a District level to be selected to participate. Hazelwood Rotary last year sponsored Craig Dent from Yinnar who was selected to participate in the Forum and he found it a very rewarding and enlightening experience. Further information can be obtained by contacting Chris Payne at the RC of Hazelwood, PO Box 298, Churchill 3842.

Problem Gambling in Latrobe City.

Hazelwood Rotarians were amazed to learn of the extent of poker machine gambling within the Latrobe municipality when Community Education Officer for the Gambler's Help Service Stephanie Cohen recently addressed the Club.

Figures show that more than \$48 million passes through gaming machines in the Latrobe municipality each year.

This is in addition to gambling on the TAB, Internet betting and other forms of betting.

Many people suffer an addiction to gambling as a result of many reasons including loneliness, depression, other causes. Latrobe Community Health Service provides a counselling service for people seeking to overcome their addiction.



Stephanie Cohen from Gambler's Help Service addressing Hazelwood Rotary Club



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World Day of Prayer



By RUTH PLACE

The service for World Day of Prayer was prepared by the women of Cameroon this year. Cameroon is a republic located in the centre of Africa above the Equator at the extreme end of the Gulf of Guinea. It is open to the Atlantic Ocean with a coastline of 402 kilometers. It borders with Nigeria in the west, Lake Chad in the north, Chad in the north-east, Central African Republic in the east, and by Democratic Republic of Congo, Gabon, and Equatorial Guinea in the south. It is approximately twice the size of Victoria. The administrative capital is Yaoundé, with the economic capital being Douala. The population is 17,500,000. There are approximately 230 languages spoken by the 230 ethnic groups, which make up the population, and consists of 40% Christians, 20% Muslims and 40% indigenous beliefs. The official languages are French and English. They gained independence in 1961.

Natural resources are iron ore, timber, bauxite, hydropower and petroleum. Agricultural products include coffee, bananas, cocoa, cotton, oilseed, grains, livestock, rubber and root starches.

Deforestation, poaching and over fishing and over grazing are becoming environmental issues.

The constitution guarantees the equal rights of men and women and civil law provides equal rights in the areas of inheritance, credit, and employment. Only males have land rights.

Rural women supply approximately 90% of the food required, devoting 6-8 hours daily to agriculture. In 1989-90 more than 20%

of rural households were headed by women.

Men are responsible for cash crops, while women bear the entire responsibility for food production, assisting men with land preparation, harvesting and other work. Men also have responsibility for fishing, and livestock, women are in charge of fish processing and marketing, poultry raising, small livestock and share in the processing of milk products for both home and community. Women are also responsible for domestic tasks including food processing, and collection of firewood and water. Women work approximately 1.5-3 times longer than men.

Rev. Abraham Maluk a Sudanese Anglican priest from Moe, was the guest speaker. Although from Sudan, he said the situation in Cameroon was similar to that of Sudan.

He spoke of the 23-year war, which has divided his country and caused many to flee. He says it is the war which has also brought many of his people to Christianity.

With Abraham were five of the women of his community. They sang some moving songs. Over supper, following the beautiful service, the congregation were able to talk more with their guests.



Saturday Breakfast

Olivia Jackson

On March 27, we held our monthly Saturday Breakfast. There were 11 present this time. Some say that people just come to sample Keith Enders' famous porridge - tasty and with a generous mix of sultanas. Then those at the Breakfast insist that they come to hear from the visiting speaker Keith has chosen for the day.

Last Saturday we heard from Rob Gaulton, who is the United Church Chaplain at the Fulham Correctional Centre in Sale. His work is part-time. He is paid for working 8 hours a week but he is often there for much longer than that.

He described Fulham as an all male prison or "correction centre" as they prefer to call it and the largest in this state.

The residents range from multiple murderers to tax evaders. They start in a single cell containing a toilet and wash basin, with their three meals provided. With good behaviour and cooperation, they can progress to better facilities. This is a lodge with ten bedrooms and a kitchen, bathroom and toilet. They can still get three prison meals a day, or someone may prefer to cook for the group. The next step up is to a cottage with four bedrooms. The residents do their own cooking and are expected to keep their cottage clean. This is good for long-term prisoners.

Ten years ago, the majority of prisoners were Caucasian but now there are



many Vietnamese, Aboriginals and Africans. The prison population also has a large percentage of those with a mental disorder. Nowadays there are many young people with a drug addiction problem.

Rob Gaulton has a free run of the prison and prefers to see prisoners in their cells or lodges rather than having them come to his office. He deals with about 50 people who need to see a Chaplain. He is careful not to push religion, but if the prisoner brings up the subject of spirituality or Christianity, he goes on from there.

The next Breakfast will be held on Saturday 24 April at 7.45am, but details are yet to be finalised. People interested in attending or wanting details should contact Keith Enders on 5122 1148 or at kbenders@net-tech.com.au.

Church Snippets

Clean Up Australia

Church members were invited to join the Rotary Club Clean Up Australia effort.

Lenten Studies

Several of our congregation has once again joined the Cell Groups of Lumen Christi to study the six sessions of the Lenten study book. This has been a time of great fellowship, appreciative learning and understanding of each other's approach to our Christian walk. Our grateful thanks are extended to the people of Lumen Christi who have made us so welcome and included and shared their hospitality so generously.

Easter Club

Eighteen members of the Co-Operating Churches and Lumen Christi volunteered for the annual Easter Club activities for children from grades 1 / 2 and 3 / 4 from Churchill Primary School. Eager students arrived excitedly to

share in a drink and biscuit before hearing the Easter Bible story told by the volunteers accompanied by overhead projector slides. They then enthusiastically took part in the craft activities provided before departing with an Easter egg and a book mark.

The Annual General Meeting

The AGM was included in the service, which was a focus on the positive activities and achievements of the church over the last twelve months. Although we have smaller numbers attending, we do manage to achieve many wonderful things. Two members prepared a humorous CD of photos and captions.

We said a sad good-bye to Jill and Ken Tabart who have re-located to Melbourne. A scrumptious morning tea was served to compliment the occasion. They are pictured below with Garry Mauger.





John Lee presents Marlene Austin with a cheque for \$5,000

Morwell Stroke Support Group Donation

The members of the Morwell Stroke Support Group were very surprised to receive a donation of \$5,000 recently. This money came to them from the Estate of Trevor Strangward.

The Executors, John and Janet Lee, have made very generous donations to charities, where funding is otherwise very difficult to come by, and the Support Group appreciate very much indeed having been chosen as one of those groups.

John presented a cheque to Marlene Austin on 2

March, when the Support Group was having a picnic day at Newman Park, Traralgon.

The Support Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the Meeting Room, Nicholson Rehabilitation Ward, LVH, from 1.30 p.m. to 3 p.m., unless otherwise stated. Any enquiries can be made to Marlene Austin, on 5668 1355 or Coralie Pickett, on 5169 6496.

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Churchill & District News

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1. Adult 18+
2. 10 - 17 Years of Age
3. Children's: 4 - 9 Years of Age

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International Workers' Memorial Day

It's that time of year again when Gippsland Asbestos Related Diseases Support (GARDS) holds its Annual Wreath Laying ceremony to coincide with International Workers Memorial Day on Wednesday April 28 in the Centenary Rose Garden, Commercial Road, Morwell at 11.00am.

There will be a free BBQ with the compliments of Gippsland Trades and Labour Council. All in the community are welcome to attend to honour and celebrate the lives of those suffering or who have lost their life to a work related accident or illness. Invited speakers are Latrobe City Mayor Kellie O'Callaghan, John Parker from Gippsland Trades and Labour Council, and a mystery guest speaker who will talk about the very emotional and sometimes dangerous job they do as a part of their everyday life. We will set time in the ceremony for an ecumenical service so those who would like to bring flowers and pay tribute to workers who were tragically taken from us or who are suffering as a result of work place accidents.

Of course, our resident bag pipers David Duncan and Bill Dunbar will be in

attendance and singer/guitarist Danny Boothman from the Strzelecki Strings will be there.

We would love to see all of you join us for this occasion and show families from the Gippsland community how much you care.

New President for GARDS

GARDS new President, Brian Clegg (pictured below) has asbestosis and knows only too well what effects the disease can cause. Brian's exposure was as a boiler attendant with the local hospitals. He has been a member of the GARDS organization since 2006 and has worked helping the group with setting up and packing up at events such as the International Workers' Memorial day and the Asbestos Awareness Day that we have every year. Brian has been inspired to help support sufferers and their families after meeting many of the members who suffer with asbestos disease and wanting to help to make their lives easier. Brian's wife Ann is also a member and part of the committee. she has been helping to support sufferers for the last 12 months in her duties as a member of the team.



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Letters to the Editor

Comment for Community Engagement

In the Council's published Open Space Policy there is a statement that says:-

"The council will provide adequate opportunity for the community to be involved in the sustainable development and on going management of public open space. One of the key strengths of the current open space network is the major role volunteers play in the development and maintenance of these areas. The contribution made by these organisations is supported via significant finance and other assistance provided by the Council"

For some time a community group who go by the name, Plan Our Park Action Committee, have been working to try and have a park and gardens established on vacant land near Walker Parade in Churchill.

We have had absolutely no encouragement or support from the council. In fact we have rarely had answer or acknowledgement of correspondence. Is this in keeping with the stated policy?

A further statement goes on:-

"Continue to provide and encourage a variety of public open space experiences that cater for community members of all ages, interests and activities"

It is our contention that even though the Council believes there is ample open space provided in Churchill; we believe there is a deficiency in open space provision.

The fit and able bodied are well catered for by the walking path along the Eelhole Creek, around Lake Hyland and into Mathieson Park.

But what about the very young, the elderly and the disabled? They need an area that is relatively flat and easily accessible. The Walker Parade site would meet this need for a chance to get some open air. Mothers with young children and the elderly would appreciate the chance to rest on their way to and from the shops.

Anyone in rehabilitation, recuperating or in a wheelchair would find this area very desirable.

The question with community engagement is how religiously is it followed, or is it window dressing? We question the application of the Open Space Policy.

Ronald Bunn
 Churchill
 (Member of Plan Our Park Action Committee)

Gardening and Weather

As a keen (although not particularly knowledgeable) gardener, I was delighted to read in the February 'News' that the Gardening Club will be providing a monthly article and attempting to answer readers' questions.

Please convey my appreciation to the Club for this service. It adds yet another element of interest to what is already "a good read" for locals when the News comes out each month.

I used to enjoy reading "Herman Ge Worm" some years ago and have missed having a regular gardening column, so thanks to all involved.

Similarly, I'd like to mention my interest in the "Rain Gauge Weather Observations" being published in the News and thank Peter Prokopiv for this initiative. I believe our local weather varies at times from the 'official' Latrobe Valley observations.

It can be difficult to judge just how wet the soil is at tree root depth when the rainfall is erratic, so I welcome this additional information. It will be helpful in considering whether supplementary (grey) watering of my garden might be required in the autumn months.

Margaret Guthrie
 Churchill

The Churchill & District News welcomes letters to the editor. All letters must have the writer's name and address for verification purposes.

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Tea up Your Friends This May

Cancer Council Victoria is urging all Latrobe residents to help tip the balance in the fight against cancer by taking part in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea this May.

Now celebrating its 17th year, Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a fun and easy way to catch up with friends, family, colleagues and neighbours and raise much needed funds for Cancer Council Victoria. Last year, 64 Latrobe hosts and their guests banded together to raise \$14,500 despite the trying economic climate. In 2010, more than 500,000 Victorians are expected to raise \$2.2 million towards Cancer Council's lifesaving cancer research, prevention programs and support services for people affected by cancer.

Cancer Council Victoria spokesperson Louise Hollaway said Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a great way to show your support for locals facing cancer and to make a tangible difference to their cancer fight.

"May is the perfect excuse to get together with friends and colleagues and

make a real difference to people facing cancer both in La Trobe and across the state," Ms Hollaway said. "Last year alone, around 770 Victorians utilised Cancer Council's Cancer Information and Support Service, which provides free information and support for anyone affected by cancer such as, the Cancer Council Helpline (13 11 20). Without the generosity of passionate communities like La Trobe, through events such as Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, this work would not be possible."

Taking part is easy, fun and completely flexible to suit your environment - at your school or club, at work or even in the comfort of your own home. Simply register as a host, set a date in May and invite your friends. In return, your guests make a donation to Cancer Council. While the official date is Thursday 27 May, events can be held anytime during the month.

By taking part in Australia's Biggest Morning Tea this year, both guests and hosts have the chance to win some great holiday prizes. For more information or to register visit www.biggestmornningtea.com.au or call 1300 65 65 85 today.



Richard having his head shaved by Adam from Cutting Corner

World's Greatest Shave

On Wednesday March 10, at Churchill North Primary School, Crazy Hair Day was held to raise money for the World's Greatest Shave. School Vice Captain, Richard Cusick, volunteered to have his head shaved to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation. Richard wanted to do this as a gesture to other children with medical conditions. Richard has Juvenile Arthritis.

He wanted to raise \$400 to add to the school's amount of \$600 to make the total \$1,000. One of the teachers had volunteered to have her head

shaved if the school raised \$600.00, but they missed the target, raising \$400, so she was able to keep her hair.

So far, the amount raised by Richard has exceeded \$500.00, which is fantastic!

Also on the day, Anish Parekh and Kelly Smith from The Good Guys attended the shave. They were so impressed with Richard's community spirit that they presented Richard with "The Good Guys Good Kid Award" for outstanding community and personal achievements in

2009 and 2010. This is just another way the Good Guys do good. A big thank you goes to Adam from Cutting Corner in Churchill who generously donated his time to come to the school to do the big shave.

Richard is now a little cold but that is nothing compared with what some kids have to go through. If you would like to sponsor Richard, just go to www.worldsgreatestshave.com.au and sponsor a shaver. Thank you to all the people who have sponsored Richard so far.

Community Bank Campaign Progressing Well

More than \$200,000 or over 25% of the target in pledges have been received in the first eleven weeks of active campaigning to start a Community Bank® branch in Churchill.

Churchill & District Community Bank® Steering Committee Chairman Wayne Casey said the Steering Committee was thrilled with the early response to the pledge campaign, but said that until the pledge target of \$750,000 is raised, the bank will remain a vision rather than a reality.

"We still need about 300 more community minded people to help"

"While our focus is on hitting our \$750,000 target as soon as possible, this early result gives us the confidence that we may move into the feasibility stage of the campaign soon."

Under Bendigo Bank's Community Bank® model, once the pledge campaign is completed, a feasibility study is conducted by an independent consultant and the community then raises share capital via a

public share offer as has happened in Mirboo North in March.

"How often can we identify a local bank returning half of its net profits directly to our community?" Mr Casey said.

"Not often, I would suggest, which is why your support for Churchill & District Community Bank® Branch is needed, and needed today.

There are currently more than 253 Community Bank® branches across Australia that have returned more than \$39 million to support local communities, and over \$14 million to local shareholders. That's a total of \$53 million in a bit over ten years and the total is rising rapidly as new Community Bank® branches open.

Last financial year the Trafalgar community received over \$75,000 from their Community Bank® branch profits donated to a large number of community groups, including the initial contribution of a 3 year, \$100,000 commitment to the

Youth Foundation Project - an initiative to help young people develop their roles and responsibilities in the broader community.

For those people who have yet to receive a pledge form, they can obtain one from any member of the local steering committee, at Ritchies IGA, Acacia Way FoodTown, the Hub or Monash Student Union shop.

"Even if you cannot, or do not wish to buy shares in our local company, please do pledge to bank with our Community Bank®," asked Mr Casey. "We need customers in abundance to make our bank a success. No business can succeed without customers so please pledge now to change to your Bendigo Community Bank®"

The Steering Committee will be well represented at the Churchill Festival on April 17 to answer any of your questions.

To learn more about Churchill's campaign for a Community Bank® branch, contact Wayne Casey on 5122 1363.

Festival 2010

Churchill's Own Community Festival



FREE ENTRY
Your MC Peter Gray

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10 AM - 3 PM



Rock 'n' Roll Dancing



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Festival 2010

Churchill's Own Community Festival

★ *Around the Grounds*



Mark Puurunen
Clown



Peter Cook
Magician



Balloonaversal
Balloon Sculpture

★ *Entertainment*

MC Peter Gray
Our Kinda Country
11.30 am - 12.15 pm
Rick 'n' Al Acoustic Rock
1.30 pm - 2.15 pm

★ *Inside Stadium*

Destination Dance 10.20 am - 11.00 am
LV Rockers Dancing 11.30 am - 12.15 pm
Latrobe Community Concert Band 12.30 pm - 1.15 pm
'Hooked On Rock' Dancing 1.00 pm - 1.45 pm

★ *Sports**



Baseball
11 am

Golf Display



Try BOCCE

Tennis 10 am



Cricket 11 am



Indoor Bowls 11 am

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Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer



FREE Refreshments

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Festival 2010

Churchill's Own Community Festival

COMMUNITY GROUPS

- Lions Club
- Rotary Club Shelter Boxes
- Scouts ● Lionesses
- Rural Ambulance
- Guides ● CFA
- Lions Licola Wilderness Village
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Oxfam/CAA
- Walker Parade/Memorial Wall Group
- Astronomical Society
- Friends of Morwell National Park
- Morwell Stroke Support
- Gippsland Motorcycle Club
- Piston Car Club
- Historical Auto Club
- Chevrolet Car Club

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

- Fusion/Awakening
- Roving Clown
- Magician Peter Cook
- Co-Operating Churches Activities
- Roaming Reptiles
- Mr Balloonatic

ORGANISATIONS

- Berry Street
- Latrobe City Council Community Engagement
- VicRoads ● Good Beginnings
- Sexual Assault
- Relationships Australia
- Latrobe Community Health Service
- Anglicare
- Lifeline
- DPI Clean Coal Victoria Group
- HVP ● Bendigo Bank
- GTLC ● U3A
- SES

SPORTS CLINICS

**Participants in all sports activities do so at their own risk
Children must be accompanied by a parent or carer*

- Baseball ● Golf Display
- Tennis ● Bocce
- Indoor Bowls ● Cricket

ENTERTAINMENT

- LV Rockers ● Al 'n' Rick
- Our Kinda Country
- Hooked on Rock
- Destination Dance
- Latrobe Community Concert Band

DISPLAYS

- Lumen Christi Primary School
- Churchill Primary School
- Churchill North Primary School
- Toy Library ● Mathison Park
- Churchill Pre School
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- Boolarra Wool Group
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Amaroo Drive, cnr Barooga Crescent	11.10 am	12.10 pm	1.10 pm
Churinga Drive, cnr Dulpura Court	11.13 am	12.13 pm	1.13 pm
Churinga Drive - kinder	11.15 am	12.15 pm	1.15 pm
Monash Bus Loop	11.21 am	12.21 pm	1.21 pm
Switchback Road	11.25 am	12.25 pm	1.25 pm
Acacia Way	11.30 am	12.30 pm	1.30 pm
Coolabah Drive	11.35 am	12.35 pm	1.35 pm
Gaskin Park, Manning Drive	11.40 am	12.40 pm	1.40 pm



Festival 2010



Churchill's Own Community Festival

*Free Fun Information
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*After School Care
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When: Wednesdays (during school terms)

Time: 9.00—11.00 am

Bring: A healthy snack & drink

Cost: Gold coin



Northe's Natter



As we approach the end of Term 1, I'd like to congratulate all the student leaders at various

Schools within Churchill and District. I've had the privilege of visiting various Schools within our region and assisting with the presentation of leadership badges. It has been a joy to assist with presenting School Captains and Vice Captains, House Captains and Vice Captains and Junior School Councillors with their badges and a big well done to those who have nominated for these positions. I wish all student leaders the very best for the rest of the term, and a very well

deserved break before Term 2 begins. I would also like to congratulate Mark Anwerth and his organising committee along with the Churchill community for supporting a recent fundraiser for the Welsh and Dunn families who are currently doing it tough. The Trivia Night held on the 19 March was a great success with over \$30,000 raised, which is absolutely amazing. Knowing that this sort of support and generosity exists within our commu-

nities is heart warming and I am sure this money will go a long way to helping the families during this difficult time. Also, well done to Tim Darby and the Churchill Cobras who were crowned the 2009/10 Traralgon & District Cricket Association "A" grade premiers, depriving the East Coast Tigers of a fourth consecutive flag. This was a great achievement for the underdogs and a fantastic send off for local cricket legend Reno Metlikovec.



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Men's Support Program "In the company of men"

Lifeline Gippsland is running a Men's Support Program for men of the Latrobe region. Men are in tune with caring for others, family, friends and the work place but not necessarily in tune with caring for themselves. For example many of the stresses caused by the fires have added to what is an already stressful life, underlying issues have been heightened, increasing the impact on men's emotional health and wellbeing. Feelings of sadness, anger, being isolated and alone all have a negative impact on men's lives, the relationship they

have with themselves, family and friends. The program, in the company of men' looks to build strength in relation to stress, self-care, family both interpersonal and personal relationships. Comments from men who attended previously are... "I've never done something like this before; I have a real sense of camaraderie, of mateship" "Life is too short to learn everything by yourself; it's great to learn from others and this group does that" "I really feel privileged to be a

part of this group I get so much from the men, I feel supported I feel heard" "I don't want anyone to fix it' I just want to be heard" The program runs one night per week for 8 weeks commencing Tuesday April 13 7.30 pm at Churchill for any man 18 years and above of the Latrobe City impacted by the 2009 fires. For all enquiries' contact Wayne Thwaites, Men's Support Program Coordinator, Lifeline Gippsland: Telephone: Office 5136 3500: Mobile 0419 637 475 or Email wayne@llg.org.au

Lifeline Gippsland

MEN'S SUPPORT PROGRAMS FOR 2010

In the company of men
 One night per week for 8 weeks.

Commencing Tuesday April 13th Churchill

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Contact: Wayne Thwaites
 Men's Support Program Coordinator
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April in the Garden from the Churchill Garden Group

Last month, we talked mainly about what vegetables seed to sow, and preparing our beds ready to transplant our seedlings out when it's time. We can also thin out such seedlings as carrots, beetroot, turnips, swedes and onions, to allow room for these to grow. You can leave your spring onions to grow in their sowing drills. This month I also spend time sowing flower seeds and seedlings, some of which can be Alyssum, Aquilegia, Candytuft, Canterbury Bells, Cornflowers, Delphiniums, Holly hocks, Iceland Poppies, Larkspur, Nemesia, Pansy, and Snapdragon. If you prefer to plant seedlings, you can always find a good range at your local supplier. Have you ever grown Schizanthus? It is commonly called Poor Man's Orchid. Why? I'm not sure, because they do not look like an orchid. However, try some. You will not be sorry. This month we have questions from a reader who wishes to know about pruning Buddleia's. *I have a 'Buddleia' in my garden. It seems to be healthy, has just about finished flowering and has*

lots of new leaf shoots appearing. However, it has grown very tall & 'lanky'. I've been advised to prune it, but I'd like to know how hard I can cut it back. (I've had some disastrous results when pruning some shrubs over-enthusiastically in the past!). Also, can I prune it at this time of year, or is it better to leave it until late Spring? - I'm not sure if it might be prone to frost damage.

Yes, you may cut back your buddleia now-almost by half, and then just keep it pinched back all the time. You should have no disastrous results. I have never known a buddleia to be frost tender. For people unfamiliar with Pepino, it is a roundish to heart-shaped fruit. When fully ripe it is a lemon-cream colour with purple striping. It tastes a little like a honeydew melon, and is very palette cleansing. I like them at breakfast. This month's gardening tip is for people who love their Geraniums. It is time to cut them back by half. Tidy them up and give them a feed of whatever you use in your garden. And of course you can start off new plants, give cuttings away and maybe swap types and colours.

We gardeners at Churchill Garden Group believe true gardeners love to swap and share and by doing so we all become fond friends and carers. Happy Gardening Folks.



Schizanthus or Poor Man's Orchid



Churchill Scouts Environmental Badge



1st Churchill Scouts with the tree presented to them by the Mathison Park Committee

The Committee has been very glad to have four visits from the 1st Churchill Scouts and their leaders Geoff Kemp and Adam Wookey. The Scouts were participating in activities in the park to achieve their Environmental Badge. During the times they visited the Koori Garden was re-mulched and pruned. The garden beds in the Conifer Collection were weeded and fallen branches were taken to piles ready for burning.

The Scouts were presented with a tree which they helped plant in recognition of their efforts in the park. A successful working bee was held on March 20. Although only four turned up, they achieved a good clean up of rubbish and the planting of three new trees. The next working bee will not be held on April 17 as many of the Park Committee will be attending the Churchill Festival.

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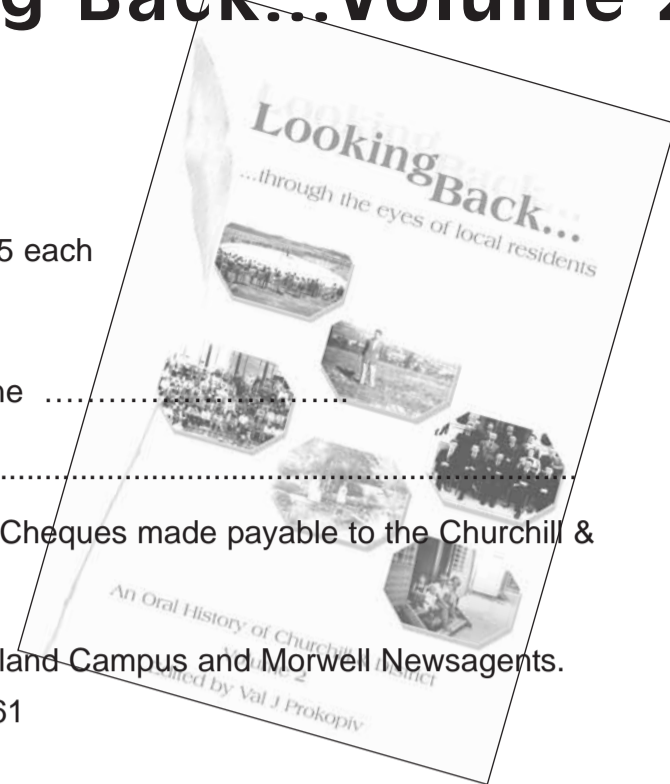
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Introduction to Ceramics

By Margaret Guthrie

Last year I was looking for something that would be fun, 'creative' and a bit different to my usual activities. I thought I might try my hand at ceramics. There seemed something faintly 'organic' about playing in clay with my hands and not too far removed from my usual hobby of 'playing in the dirt' (i.e. gardening).

ARC Yinnar advertised a Ceramics Course, suitable for beginners, as well as for those with some previous experience. I was a complete novice and thought that a small group 'introductory' style of lesson, similar to that offered by Neighbourhood Houses, would be just right for me.

The course of 5 classes covered clay characteristics (the various types of clay and their properties), hand building techniques and a try at the pottery wheel. Included in the cost was some clay to start, the use of various glazing and decorative materials and the kiln firing of the pieces produced by class participants.

Tutor Helen Coloe practiced a 'hands on' approach to ceramics, so the first session involved using your hands to create a ceramics piece ready to fire.

Students were given plenty of leeway to decide on their own choice of functional or decorative work and the ceramics studio had plenty of examples on the shelves to inspire beginners. Helen gently guided the student in developing skills and provided detailed advice and information.

Some of the other students were, like me, beginners, but more experienced ceramics students and practicing artists attended on an 'ad hoc' basis to create purpose-made pieces, avail themselves of ARC's facilities, including kiln firings or simply to share the warm and cheerful ambience of the ceramics studio.

So enjoyable were the Tuesday morning classes that, after the 5 sessions were completed, the group continued to meet. The 'official' 10 - 12.30 time slot was always flexible and frequently extended into the afternoon hours. The pot-belly stove in the studio made it an inviting

place to be on cold winter days!

I attended these Tuesday sessions for most of last year, making a number of ceramic pieces for my garden, including 'ornamental' frogs and a bird feeder. I also produced some functional pots, decorative plates and a very practical heavy based water bowl that my exuberant dog has difficulty in upturning!

This year Helen is conducting the Introductory Course on a Tuesday evening, between 6 and 8.30pm. The cost is \$125/\$115 concession. Payment plans may be negotiable upon application.

For students wishing to continue their ceramics 'play', as I did, ARC charges a small access fee which covers basic operational costs. Additional fees are charged for materials and kiln firings. I use recycled clay, which is very cheap to purchase, and share firing costs with other students when we have enough pieces to fully load the kiln. This makes the cost of my new hobby very affordable.

Helen supervises the kiln firings and is on hand to provide advice about glazes, oxides and various other decorative techniques. She also makes her own pieces, some of which are on display in the ARC foyer.

We are continuing with our Tuesday day-time 'access-to-ceramics' sessions each week and arrange to meet informally, usually about mid-morning, for a couple of hours. If there is interest from other potential students, Helen is willing to conduct the introductory course at this time.

For further information, or to arrange attendance for 'Tuesday ceramics', contact ARC Yinnar on 5163 1310 during office hours - 12 to 4pm, Tuesday to Friday and 11 to 3pm on Saturdays - or email arcyinnar@speedweb.com.au Or just call in during opening hours and have a look at the foyer display and a wander around the gallery space - there's always something of interest on show! You'll find ARC in Main St Yinnar, in the old butter factory opposite the pub.



Ceramics tutor Helen Coloe (above) with class participant, Alison Edgar
Alison Edgar tries her hand at the potting wheel (below)



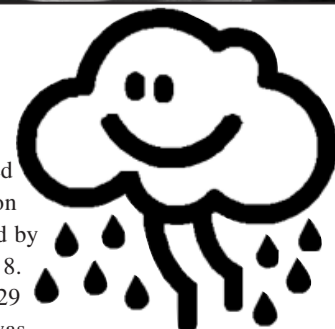
Rain Gauge Weather Observations

By Peter Prokopiv

What a difference 15 Kilometres makes! According to the Bureau of Metrology, the total rainfall at Latrobe Valley Airport for March was 86.6mm. The heaviest fall was on March 7 when 58.0mm was recorded followed by 16mm on March 8.

Our rain gauge in Churchill recorded a total of 55.7mm for March, difference of 30.9mm. The heaviest

fall we recorded was 29.0mm on March 7, followed by 14.2 on March 8. 7.0mm fell on 29 March, which was the only other significant amount during the month.



Hazelwood House Happenings



Congratulations to Jane Van Dyke who was celebrating her 80th birthday with her family, residents and staff. A special surprise was a visit from her brother who she had not seen for about 20 years and her son and daughter in law from Holland



Josie and Jane playing carpet bowls at the Churchill Carpet Bowler's Club. A big thank-you to Harry who makes himself available to assist and teach the residents the correct way to bowl



A visit from the Latrobe Valley Ballroom Dancers brings back memories of the old time dances many attended in years gone by.

C & D Celebrity Chefs PIEROGI from the kitchen of Henry Parniak

Henry Parniak, who has recently returned from a holiday in Poland, gives us a recipe from his repertoire of Polish gourmet dishes this month. Henry, popular Coordinator at Churchill Community Centre, was born in Yallourn but was the child of migrant parents and only Polish was spoken at home.

On his recent trip to meet family back in Poland, he visited Warsaw, Gdansk and Krakow amongst other places. He visited aunts, uncles and cousins on both sides of his family. With his fluent Polish he was able to communicate perfectly but his relations noticed that Henry used several older expressions not so commonly in use now.

Henry is a fitter and turner who worked for the SECV. After he completed his apprenticeship he trained for the priesthood for four years before deciding that the religious life was not for him.

Henry has four children – a daughter and three sons. He has two grandchildren and another is on the way.

Here is Henry's recipe for Pierogi

Filling

500g cottage cheese
2 eggs
½ finely chopped onion
Pinch salt

Pastry

1 kg flour
600 mls hot milk
Topping
1 small brown onion chopped
100g butter

Method

Place a large saucepan of water on to boil.

Sift flour into bowl, mix in hot milk till combined. Turn pastry out on to floured board. Roll pastry out and cut into circles using a 7 cm cutter.

Mash cheese, eggs, chopped onion and salt together. Place a teaspoon of cheese mixture on one half of pastry, fold in half, pinching edges together.

Place pierogi in boiling water, cook until they rise to the top of the water. In small frying pan melt butter then add chopped onion, fry until golden brown. Place pierogi on a plate, spoon fried onion over.

Bon appetit!

Cora Pal



Syrenka - The Warsaw Mermaid in the Old Town Square



When I was Five Years Old Childhood memories from Eleanor McWhirr

The year is 1943 at home in Rathmine Street, Fairfield.

Daddy is at war. Mummy, Rex and I live with Grandpa and Grandma: Daphne, Thelma, Frank and Uncle Cyril live here too. Our house is big; the front door has bits of coloured red and green glass that makes patterns in the hallway and on the hallstand when the sun shines through.

I really like playing on the front veranda, swinging round and around by my arm on the carved post.

Grandpa's toolshed is out back and it's really dark inside and has an oily sort of Grandpa smell.

Sometimes he lets me watch as he smooths and planes pieces of wood. He drops the curly bits on me; Grandpa does make me giggle.

We have a chook house with wire on the front, two crown speckled hens and some white ones, also a big black rooster; he frightens me with the big spikes on his legs.

He chases Grandma when she is collecting the eggs. He even scares Grandpa!

The washhouse is in the garden beside the shed. On Monday, very early, Grandma makes a little fire under the copper where she boils the clothes.

The dirty clothes hamper has a big lid, the leather straps that hold it on make a squeaky noise when you lift it up. Sometimes when no one is looking and the clothes are all washed I get inside. It has a funny musty smell.

Today I just sit on top, out of the way, and watch. When Grandma uses a big stick to lift the clothes, the steam kept coming until I could hardly see her. I help turn the wringer handle when Grandma gets tired.

If I am really good I can have some pegs. Mummy will find some pretty material and I will make Peggy

dolls.

The woodshed has logs stacked and piles of knotty mallee roots. Grandpa and I sit on the chopping block and talk or he sings 'On the road to Gundagai' and 'Yankee Doodle'. Grandpa has a shop in High Street. He makes keys and fixes locks, and people bring lawn mowers, scissors, knives and saws for him to sharpen.

Mummy says he does other things out the back of the shop, but we don't really talk about that. Poor people are his friends, he sometimes gives them money. He laughs and jokes a lot, he lets us touch the lump on his nose and pretends he's going to bite us, but it doesn't really hurt cos' he has not got many teeth.

Auntie Daphne takes me places. One day we went to the zoo and had a ride on Queenie the elephant. I was a bit frightened but Daphne held my hand really tight; we had fairy floss and toffee apples. I went to sleep going home on the train.

Frank, Rex and I play hidey and chasing in our back yard, we do have lots of fun. Aunty Thelma is humming along with the tunes on the wireless, swing bands play and the Andrew sisters sing, "Drinking Run and Coca Cola". She's got her hair in rollers and is getting ready to go to the dance at the Dispensary Hall; she has a lovely long blue silky dress to wear and silver shoes.

One day when I'm grown up I'll wear a ball dress and go dancing too.

Eleanor is a long-time member of the Creative Writing Class, held at the Churchill Hub, on Tuesday mornings. For more information, please ring Henry Parniak, Coordinator, Churchill Neighbourhood Centre on 51222955.

Local Fishing Secrets Revealed

By James Pither

The Latrobe Valley is surrounded by beautiful bushland that is often underestimated by those that live in the area. For residents of Churchill bushland such as this can be found in a number of places, some within minutes. A perfect example of this is the 'Morwell National Park'. The Park is home to 'Billy's Creek', a great small stream holding large numbers of Brown Trout and River Blackfish. The sights of the park and the general feel make it a great place for bushwalking, bird watching and picnic lunches, as facilities such as picnic tables and toilet blocks are present. The stream is easily accessible as a walking path follows the creek as it 'snakes' throughout the park. The trout present are generally small in size. However they are still great fun to catch.

Another Great local spot for the eager freshwater fishermen is 'Middle Creek' situated only 10 minutes from Churchill in Yinnar South. The stream is easily accessible from Martin Walker Reserve, with has great facilities such as, toilet blocks, camping grounds and car parking. This section of the creek is terrific for trout fishing both upstream, and downstream. Fish in this stream are generally a little bigger than those found in 'Billys Creek'. This is most likely due to the stream being larger in size. In the last few years Middle Creek has had large amounts of willow trees removed upstream of Martin Walker reserve. This has opened up large parts of the creek that were previously un-fishable. It has also improved the bank side vegetation increasing the amount of food going into the stream, overall improving the health of both the fish and the waterway. Middle Creek can be fished using the three main methods, there are dozens of larger pools, perfect for the bait fishermen, however a short walk upstream using fly or lures will have great success.

Brown Trout are the main species you will encounter while fishing our local area. Remember it is important to only take what you need. There is no size limit on Brown trout in Victoria however, a bag limit of 5 is present, no more than two can be larger than 35cm in size. The most important thing to remember with local trout fishing, is there is a closed season where no fishing is allowed. For 2010 the closed season is from midnight on Monday June 14, to midnight on Friday, September 3. The best method to use when fishing our local area is Catch and Release. Most people including myself fish in this way, taking a photo and releasing the fish gives you a great satisfaction, it also allows you to catch the fish again in the future.

Fishing our local streams can be done using any of the three popular trout angling techniques. This includes bait fishing, lure fishing and fly fishing. Bait fishing is a simple but effective method, making it perfect for those just starting out. The great access that we have on our streams makes it extremely easy for those looking to spend a few hours fishing a 'pool' or two. Tackle for this style of fishing can begin with the most basic of rod and reel combos, however light line outfits such as a 2-4kg spinning rod paired with 6lb to 10lb monofilament will be ideal. A set up for bait fish starts around \$50 dollars, which is great compared to other methods of fishing which can be rather expensive. The rigs used

can be as simple as a hook tied to the line. With this rig you use the weight of the bait to cast your line. This is extremely effective as the bait is presented naturally. Another popular and effective method is the 'Running Sinker Rig'. For this rig a sinker is placed on the line with a swivel used as a stopper, from here a 30cm piece of line is tied to the swivel, with the hook tied to the end of this. Smaller sized hooks such as sizes 8-10 are ideal, they suit baits such as worms, grasshoppers and crickets which are perfect baits for trout in this area.

Using lures is another great technique for catching trout in our local streams. Lure Fishing requires you to work your way upstream along the river. We fish like this because trout face upstream, allowing the current to flow against them. By doing this they can easily see the food flowing towards them, intercepting it with little movement. This is great in regards to fishing as it allows the angler to 'sneak' up on the trout from behind, putting the bait, lure or fly upstream above the trout, where it will work back slowly with the current. The rod and reel used should be similar to that of the bait fishing outfit, however it is best to use a graphite spin rod. These rods give the angler a far greater feel for what the lure is doing as well as what the fish are doing. A small 2000 sized spinning reel, spooled with 6lb monofilament will be perfect. There are hundreds of different types of trout lures on the market, most of these are successful in catching fish. However, there are some that you can always rely on, especially in this area. Spinner blades are relatively cheap and really easy to use, making them great for beginners. Don't let their simplicity put you off as they are a proven lure type on trout both here and all over the world. Some good types of 'spinners' to ask for in your local tackle shop include Mepps, Celtas, Kokoda Spin Kings, and Hawks. Other great lure types include Ecogear Sx 40's and Vibes, Small Rapala Hard bodies, TT Lures and Rebel Hard bodies. Any of these lures fished in the method mentioned above will catch you fish. Lure fishing can be as cheap or as expensive as you like, rod and reel outfits start around \$80 dollars, and suitable lures start at just a few dollars each.

Lastly, we have fly fishing, a method often thought of as difficult due to its appearance however fly fishing is actually a great method that can be learnt by everyone regardless of age or ability. For those that are not sure, fly fishing involves using a long rod with a thick nylon line, the line is 'cast' back and forth using just its weight to achieve distance. Tied off this thick nylon line is a section of monofilament fishing line, and to this we tie a 'fly'. A 'fly' is a combination of different materials tied to a hook to resemble a particular insect. Fly fishing gives us the opportunity to be an 'imposter', trying to trick the fish into believing that the 'fly' we are offering is actually a living thing. The most difficult aspect of fly fishing is learning to cast. This is difficult to self learn, and is best taught by someone with experience. Advice can be given in some of our local tackle shops. An alternative is getting help from any of the great fishing clubs in the area. Don't expect to become a fly fishing expert overnight, it can take days even weeks to learn to cast. Some pickup the skills in just a few hours, it all



Billys Creek, Morwell National Park, (above and right) is easily accessible by walking tracks and foot bridges

depends on the particular person. I strongly urge anybody who has considered fly fishing before to give it a try, start practising in the backyard and then progress to our local streams.

If river fishing is not what you are after, or you are looking for a more child friendly alternative then you can't go past 'Lake Hyland'. The lake is situated on Mackey's Road in Churchill and has exceptional facilities including toilet blocks, large barbeque area, picnic benches, fishing platforms (with wheelchair access) and walking tracks, making it great for the entire family. The lake is regularly stocked with Rainbow Trout, which range in size from a few hundred grams to a massive 4kilos! As well as trout, there is also redfin and carp present in the lake, which make great sport fish, especially for the kids. Rods and reels should be similar to those used in rivers, however baits such as corn, worms and Powerbait should be used. Fly fishing and lure fishing isn't hugely effective in the lake due to its murky colouring, however fish are caught occasionally, so it's always worth a try. It is important to remember that a catch limit of 5 trout exists in Lake Hyland, no more than two of these fish can be larger than 35cm. The fishing options are endless, the places mentioned are just a few some of the great spots that exist around the Latrobe Valley. Try out the methods I described, in your local creeks and rivers, I am sure you will be surprised to find there are great fish to be caught in all sorts of different places.



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Hazelwood North Primary School

CIRCUS CHALLENGE!!!!

On Tuesday, the Circus Challenge came to our school. They showed us some tricks and we learnt some too.

We had a go at using supa-stix. It was hard, but fun. I could flip the supa-stix and throw the supa-stix! The instructor made it look easy.

We also had a go at juggling silk. It was easy for me, but I thought it would

be hard. I didn't drop the silk once.

We also had a go at spinning plates. It was a little bit hard, but I got it in the end. It was my favourite thing. The whole time I thought spinning plates would be my favourite thing.

I enjoyed the Circus Challenge!

By Brodie



Prep Buddies

Every Friday our grade goes into the preps room to help the preps learn different things. Everyone has a prep buddy.

So far we have helped the preps type a letter up for their parents to introduce them to their child's buddy. Grade five/six wrote about who they are and what we will be doing.

We have also been doing activities on Kid Pix, a program that lets you draw and stamp things. We printed our work out.

We have also been playing with the circus equipment. We bought new equipment after the Circus Challenge. We have enjoyed sharing our new skills with the



preps.

We are having a good time teaching the preps and getting to know them.

By Aiden

Crazy Hair Day!

On Monday 22nd of March, we had Crazy Hair Day, put on by the Junior School Councillors. The money we raised was for the Leukemia Foundation. Luckily, we had enough money to get all

the teacher's hair done, and in the end there were some very good hairstyles. Most of the students coloured their hair and there were certainly some weird and wacky hairstyles! Crazy Hair Day was lots of fun and it all went to a good cause.

By Jacob.

Our Library

This term we have been doing library sessions. We explore many different subjects. Our first subject was the Winter Olympics and that led onto Canada. We talked about the culture, history and animals of the area. Finally, we moved onto the Native Americans and their way of life. The 5/6 classes have made traditional American yawn dolls and decorated the art room in winter themed decorations. The 3/4's have made necklaces like the women of some of the tribes and made polar bears with paper. 1/2's have made walrus masks and moose antlers and the Preps have made Indian headwear. We have also held a book fair. It was very successful and we sold \$2,500 worth of books and earned \$730 to spend on books for the library. Our library now has many new books for us to enjoy and learn from.

By Rachael.

Parent Teacher Interviews

This term we have had parent

teacher interviews to tell parents about how their children are going at school. We have also had our parent information night. We have discussed about test results and homework. All of the teachers were pleased at how well all the students have settled into the new classes.

By Rachael

An Edible Argument.

This term the year fives and sixes learnt some persuasive writing techniques.

Milky Ways

Milky Way's are the best chocolate bars ever made. I can't believe anyone could not like them. They are delightful.

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By Thessa

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Tabloid Sports Carnival

On Friday the tabloid sports carnival came to Hazelwood North to show us how to do different types of activities.

The river cross was fun but challenging, you had to use luck and memory or else you would be buzzed out. The cricket was wicked and silly because you had to

pop the ball up and hit it at the same time. The sling-shot was awesome and easy because you would pull the shot back and let go and it should go into the basket.

Over all I think the tabloid sports carnival was great fun for me and everyone.

By Riley

Responsible Pet Ownership

Guest Speakers visit Prep – 2 students at Hazelwood North

This is what the preps had to say.

On Monday, Kelly and Kathy came to visit us. They taught us to be quiet and safe around dogs. They brought

Charlie along. He is a big black poodle. They taught us a song and gave us some stickers, a book, a CD and a DVD to help us to remember what we learned. Thank you Kelly and Kathy. We loved it and we loved Charlie too.



Our Day with The Western Bulldogs

By Grade 3 / 4R

On Monday March 15, 2010 Grades 3 and 4 went to the footy clinic at Morwell Football Ground. The Western Bulldogs players arrived on a bus but were a bit late, so we waited in the grandstand.

There were lots of activities set up on the oval such

as specky bags, tackle bags, kicking goals, handball, ball skills, hip and shoulder, kicking and marking. Our class really liked doing the tackle bags and the hip and shoulder.

Some of the players were Adam Cooney, Ben Hudson, Robert Murphy and Brian Lake.



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By Christina

Tennis

Last Friday a group of people from

Hazelwood North Primary School went to Churchill to play tennis. The students were Liam T, Charlie M, Luke V R, Rachael M,

Johnny P, Alice D, Rose V R, Jordan T and Sam D. They played against Boolarra Primary School. We played to see who would represent our school for Yinnar and District. It was a lot of fun for everyone. Thank you to Mrs Davey, Mrs Phelan, Mrs Meade and Mrs Foster.

By Sam D

Zone Swimming

We took 28 students to Yinnar and District swimming sports, which were held at Churchill Leisure Centre, and we took 19 to Zones swimming sports. Grades three to six went to the Morwell Leisure Centre to compete against Morwell and Traralgon schools for Zones. Some people will go on to represent our Region.

By Alice D

Lumen Christi Primary School

AROUND THE CAMPUS NEWS

We have a very busy but extremely productive term. Two staff members completed a 4 day course on 'Positive Partnerships' an autism training program for teachers and professionals.

This was a wonderful course to assist schools in understanding the complexity and difficulties of having a child on the Autism Spectrum.

Each participant received a very detailed kit with many suggestions and strategies to guide our school to becoming an 'Autism Friendly School'.

We look forward to implementing a variety of strategies, which will actually assist all our students reach their potential.

We were also lucky enough to be invited to participate in a program to reduce bullying in schools.

Six staff members joined with the other Churchill school to learn how to be part of 'Creating a Peaceful School Learning Environment' - CAPSLE .

This program concentrates on educating the bystanders witnessing situations and empowering them to help the situation.

It also looks at identifying natural leaders or potential amongst the students and arming them with skills.

Mrs Webster, has commenced Reading Recovery training and Mrs Leviston has started EMU, Extending Mathematical Understanding a program that assists Year 1 students improve their mathematical skills.

All classes are participating in the 'Bluearth' physical Education Program; this is a program that promotes mental health, self esteem and physical skills.

All teachers and students thoroughly enjoy these lessons and are becoming more skilled.

The big news of course is the progress of our new library and technology centre.

It is looking absolutely magnificent and we are all very excited about moving in to it.

We will also be building new student amenities and refurbishing our old library

and making it our administration block.

These changes have been made possible through the Federal Government's 'Building the Education Revolution' funding, for which we are extremely grateful.

Hopefully our new solar panels will be installed through the holidays.

We will then be able to cut down on electricity expenditure and the students will be able to observe our power usage.

This was made possible through the National Solar funding also courtesy of the government.

Lumen Christi Active After School Program

In Term One our After School Program ran swimming and snorkelling sessions at the Churchill Leisure Centre of a Tuesday afternoon.

The children had the opportunity to experience snorkelling with the helpful instructions of Rob Timmers of S.E.A.L Diving Services.

All children had lots of fun and learnt the fundamental skills of snorkelling. Children were able to use equipment such as snorkels, fins and an underwater scooter.

The Active After School Program would like to thank everyone that was involved, especially Tom Harlow.

On a Wednesday night children were able to participate in an athletics program helping to interest children in track and field sports.

On Thursday nights we ran a cricket program through Churchill Cricket Club with the help of Matthew and Ryan Harvey which was much appreciated.

Children had a fantastic term learning skills of cricket and other sports.

This program is designed to keep children active and involve them in sporting activities.

In Term Two we will be running three new programs.

These include a Fitness Program on Tuesday, Football on Wednesday and Martial Arts of a Thursday.

AFL FOOTY CLINIC - SCHOOL ATHLETICS DAY

AFL footy clinic

Grade 3 and 4 students from Lumen Christi were lucky to participate in an AFL football clinic in Morwell recently, run by the Western Bulldogs.

Former Brownlow medallist Adam Cooney and local boy Robert Murphy were joined by 14 other players from the Western Bulldogs, who led various football skills and drills for the students to practice. The students were extremely excited to meet some of their heroes and have a kick with them too!

Athletics Days

This March the children competed in the Whole School Athletics day and the Yinnar and District Athletics day. The children competed in various sports including sprints, long distance, long jump, high jump, discuss and shot put.

Congratulations to Churchill Primary who were the overall winners on the day but congratulations also to all children from all schools who competed and gave each event their best shot. Well Done!!!



Lumen Christi is also very excited about receiving a gift of eighteen DS's, a Wii and a WiiFit from Nintendo. These will be used for brain training in

maths as well as extra activities for the children at lunchtimes and special occasions.



Progress of our new Library and Technology centre

Reconciliation

On Wednesday March 17, 11 students from Lumen Christ continued their faith journey and made their first reconciliation.

The students will now prepare for another Sacrament later this year, which is the Sacrament of the First Communion.



Kurnai College Churchill Campus

School Captains/Vice Captains of the Student Representative Council (SRC)

Jessica Middlemiss (Captain)

Jessica would like to be a link between staff and students, to help get the staff messages across and be able to let staff know student's points of view. She wants to help improve things around the school, especially in leading a review of the uniform to include some new fabrics and designs, especially for the girls.

Luke Cattanach (Captain)

Luke also has a desire to improve the uniform. He wants to see the yard cleaned up physically, and verbally, particularly in regard to swearing.

Amber (Vice captain)

Amber wants to see a better school environment, and to help improve the school.

Chase Hansford (Vice Captain)

Chase wants help students get their messages across to the teachers acting as a link between them. Chase believes that the students are not scared to talk to him, where they might be hesitant to talk to a teacher.

All of these fine young people realize their positions hold a great deal of responsibility.



They will be called upon to make speeches at assembly, talk to the students and inform them of their role as captains.

Principal Nello Carbone sees the SRC as the link between the student body and the staff.

Nello says he will welcome any issue that is brought to his attention and is worthwhile and take the time to examine it.

Teachers Karen Parker and Amy Kihl-Larsen are supporting this program.

Kurnai College Churchill Campus

Victorian Equestrian Interschool Challenge Win



Four Kurnai students participated in the Victorian Equestrian Interschool Challenge and won overall. Maddison, Paige and Toni have been riding since they were very young, having had an interest in horses instilled into them by parents who loved and kept horses.

Murdo's interest began later in his life. All of them had riding lessons, and have loved horses from an early age.

The idea of entering this challenge originated when they were attending Yinnar Primary School and has continued since. Their parents entered them, and this has continued while at Kurnai, but unbeknown to the staff. This year with their win, they decided to share their success. The school is thrilled that they are continuing their passion.

First prize consisted of a horse rug and matching jacket for each person, sponsored by VEIC, and a medallion. The organizers are going to visit the school to present these prizes.

The sections in which the students entered are as follows:

* Best Presented: the rider is assessed on how they ride and how they are turned out (their clothing).

*Pleasure Mount: how well your horse can behave and co-operate.

*Show Jumping Circuit: progressing through a series of jumps in the fastest time.

*Jumping Equitation: how you look as a rider and how your horse performs.

*Games: activities done in the fastest time e.g. pick up a stick from a barrel and place it in another, weave through witch's hats, race over jumps

*Handy Mount: includes posting a letter in a mailbox, pick up an object and put in a designated place, walk the horse over a tarp and bridge, open a gate and walk through and close it. This activity proves the horse is listening and responding with confidence.

*Time Trail.

Around the Campus

Clean Up Day

Teacher Deb Sheppard reported that Clean Up Day (Friday 5th March) went fantastically. Fifteen bags of rubbish were picked up from the school perimeters by 11am, and by the end of recess a further five bags had been gathered.

This was done by fifteen committed volunteer students.

Analysing the rubbish, they noticed a predominance of certain categories like plastic forks, lollipop sticks, and sauce squeeze sachets. These students are now in the process of having a think tank on ways to reduce this waste with provision of alternatives.

Year Eight Medieval Feast

Bernie Cropper, Year 8 Team Leader, has been

engaging her students in medieval studies. This two-week project included studies on medieval times, not just book work but physical building of castles, trebuchets (catapults), using pool noodles for jousting bouts, playing rugby and tug-o-war.

The culmination of the studies was a large Medieval Feast consisting of food that had not come from the New World, e.g., no potatoes, tomatoes capsicums etc.

The meal included roast beef, pea and ham soup, honeyed carrots, baked parsnips and cabbage and curant casserole.

According to teacher Deb Sheppard who cooked the meal for the 120 students plus staff, everyone enjoyed the feast. They also enjoyed the studies, making the models and joining in with the physical activities after the weeks of bookwork.

Fire Brigade Visit

My name is Georgia. I am a year 10 student at Kurnai College in Churchill.

On March 19, Dave from the Boolarra CFA (Country Fire Authority) came to our school and taught us about fires and how to deal with them if we were firemen.

We split into two groups and had a relay, which was fun.

The starting point was in the fire truck.

We had to climb off it carefully, roll out the hoses, join them together, and spray at a target.

We each had different jobs to make this happen, and my job was to look out for the signs of the other people holding the hose so

that I could tell Josh to turn the water on and off.

For me it was a good activity and

a very useful exercise for leading, taking control and working as a team in the future.



Churchill North Primary School

SWIMMING

Grade 5/6 S of CNPS participate in swimming each Friday, students walk to the pool for a 6-week program, and swim for about an hour.

Students learn freestyle, backstroke, treading water, survival backstroke and how to get out of the pool in an emer-

gency. Students learnt how to dive and how to tell if water is safe. Students are taught new skills and brush up on skills they already know.

Reporters Tamara Allen and Jordan Hammer, Grade 6



Grades 4 - 6 Clubs

Students in Grade 4- 6 have the opportunity to participate in clubs, this is a fun activity coordinated by teachers.

Mrs Edwards runs a gardening club. At the start of gardening, students walked around the school and looked at the gardens. Where the gardens were bare students planted some new plants. Now it looks much better.

Miss O'Brien runs a sports club. Students ran around the basketball court twice, then played a game of

basketball. It was fun because it was free rule. Free rule means no rules.

Mrs Hunter runs a drama club. Students acted out some scenes from well know movies, plays and productions. It was great fun.

Mr Thomas taught a group of students how to green screen. Students created a film with the flip cameras and then transferred the film into kahootz and created a back ground. Students are still creating their movies.

Mrs Hodgson chose paper craft

to teach to students. Students made paper hats and paper planes. Next on the agenda students will make gift cards.

Miss Scotson taught students the art of film making. First students had to plan their movie, take photos and film objects around the school.

Students look forward each week to participating in clubs.

Reporter Gemma Laidlaw, Grade 6



Churchill North Primary School

More News From CNPS

Letters to Zambia

During the term Churchill North Primary has looked at what it is like to be a student in Zambia. It would be really difficult as the school buildings had holes in the roof. Students had to go to the well to get water and they didn't have many books to learn from. It wasn't a very good learning environment. Grade 4, 5 & 6 students wrote letters to students in Zambia and are going to have pen pals. We are also going to save money for the broken rooves. Reporter Tyler Roncari, Grade 4

4/5 Science

Grade 4/5 students have been researching different inventions. Some students have researched spray on skin which was invented by the CSIRO. Other students researched braces by Dr Percy Raymond Begg. These projects were presented at assembly to the whole school. Reporter Tyler Roncari, Grade 4

Football Clinic

We met a man called Noel; he taught us some football activities. The most popular game was baseball, football. In baseball football you have three bases,

there is only allowed to be one person in a base. Each person had to kick the football into the middle of the field and someone had to catch it. The person who kicks the ball has to run to a base. All grades were involved in the football clinic during the day, it was great fun.

Reporter Cameron, Grade 2

School Leaders

Students in Grade 3 – 6 recently voted for our school captains and vice captains. Our school captains are Jazmyn, & Jake, our Vice Captains are Siobhan and Richard; they will do a great job representing our school.

Our house captains have also been announced. They are – Banksia - Bryan D & Gemma L, Acacia - Wyatt C & Chloe T, Grevillea - Maddison B & keen G, Coolabah - Kailee & Corey KD. These students are the leaders of the schools sporting groups.

Others students in Grade 5 & 6 have taken on managerial positions within the school, such examples include - junior school council, putting out the school crossing flags, managing lost property and hosting of assembly.

Reporter Emily Vella, Grade 5

Shave for a Cure

Students at Churchill North Primary School were set a challenge by Ms Hanratty to raise \$600.00 and she would shave her head with money raised being donated to 'Shave for a Cure'.

Lucky for Ms Hanratty we fell short of the total nominated and she was able to keep her head of hair. However it was a great effort of the school in raising \$400.00 which will be forwarded to the leukaemia foundation.

Grade 6 student Richard Cusick nominated his own golden locks for this worthy cause and had his head shaved yesterday in front of the whole school by local hairdresser Adam from Cutting Corner.

The school celebrated with a crazy hair day. This was hosted by students from the junior school council. Two students from each grade were nominated and received a certificate for having the craziest hair.



Boolarra Primary School

Drumming Up a Storm:

Our students thoroughly enjoyed working with Steve Shultz to kick off the musical events at the Boolarra Folk Festival.

Folk Festival Art Show:

Our Art Teacher Ms Karen Twomey and our talented students created a magnificent Art Show on the seaside theme, which was displayed in the Lawn Bowls Club Rooms. The comments left in our Visitor's Book were all very positive and our students enjoyed reading them.

Folk Festival Auction:

We raised \$565 through this venture, which

was great. Our chief auctioneer Jack Richards and his off-sider "Macka" did a fabulous job, as did all the folk who donated items for us to sell. We think we can make this an even more successful venture next year by promoting it better. We also think we should solicit for donations throughout the year. So...if you, or anyone you know, is having a cleanup, please send items for our 2011 Folk Festival auction to the school!

Boolarra Folk Festival Thanks

All at Boolarra Primary School extend hearty congratulations to the Folk Festival organizers for another superb effort. We had a fantastic day!

Free Fruit Friday

We enjoyed a fabulous range of fruits each Friday this term. We are very grateful to our parents Kate Reiske for obtaining the funding for this and to Amanda Noy who sourced lovely fruit for our students.



T&T TROTS

Matt McGrath and Bryce Hall, both of Grade 6, won through to represent the Yinnar & District schools in the forthcoming zone tennis try outs.



Crazy Hair Day



Our Junior School Council recently staged an out of uniform day with particular emphasis on hair beautification or 'crazification'.

Everyone was asked to bring along a donation to raise money for Leukaemia research.

\$84:80 was raised, which was a great effort.



Swimming Sports

Tom Reiske of Grade 5 recently represented the Yinnar and District schools in the zone swimming trials in backstroke and freestyle. Tom placed 2nd in each event thereby qualifying for the Regional finals. This is the first time we have had a swimmer win through to compete at this level so we are very proud of Tom.

Boolarra Primary School



Hawthorn footballers helped build footy skills during their visit

Our School Athletic Sports - Peer Mediation Training

Congratulations to Penaluna (green) who were the overall winners and to Irving (blue) who won the House Spirit award. Days such as this really showcase how well everyone cooperates and works together at our school. Our House Captains and Vice Captains showed excellent leadership and provided magnificent support for their teams. The excellent behaviour of our students, the great organization of our staff and the support we received from lots of parents all contributed to the success of the day.

astute observations they made during the training program, it was apparent that we have some deep thinkers in our senior age group. We will have Peer Mediators in place by next term.

Peer Mediation Training
The grade 5/6 students recently undertook training in this important conflict resolution approach. From the



Churchill Primary School

Winner of Yinnar and District Sports Day
“We Won- For the First Time in Memory - We Won”



March 25 was a hot day but all the children put in a huge effort. The children took part in High jump, long jump, discus/ beanbag throw, shot put, distance run and sprints. There was a friendly rivalry between all the schools and all the Churchill students were ecstatic when we beat the favourite, Yinnar Primary School.

range of interesting and creative craft activities.

Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews have recently been held. A wonderful turnout of parents was seen, which shows their willingness to participate fully in their child's education.

Swimming Sports

Three students attended the Zone Swimming Sports. They tried their best against strong competition and represented the school very well, even though they were not able to progress to the next level.

The staff spent many hours preparing for these interviews. This preparation provides a platform for the learning program for each child during 2010.

Wonderful Community Effort

A wonderful community effort was experienced by a large crowd who turned out to support the Footy Club in its efforts to raise funds at their Trivia Night for those needing support in our town. It is another example of Churchill people reaching out in times of trouble. The Churchill Primary School staff team won the night. They congratulate the Footy Club for organizing such a great event, which showed such amazing community spirit.

School Athletics Sports

A great day was had on March 11 with enthusiastic students eager to run, jump and throw for their House. Congratulations to Red House which was the eventual winner on the day.

Staff Training

Five staff members attended a Mathematics professional development day in Melbourne, with Michael Ymer.

Michael's approach to mathematics uses games and rich tasks (those which include a range of mathematical knowledge and thinking skills) to engage the students in mathematical learning.

Building Progress

Education Revolution
The demolition of the old building has not gone as fast anticipated. Work has been done but it is not easy to see where.

Easter Club

Grade 1/2s and 3/4s were invited to attend Easter Club at the Co-Operating Churches on March 18. Over 70 children accepted that invitation.

The school thanks the volunteers who make this program possible. Without this extraordinary effort, the children would not be able to participate in a program, which includes the Easter Story and a

National Pride Money

New louvers have been installed along north facing sides of the buildings.

JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL - RUSSELL NORTHE VISITS

Junior School Council (JSC) Training Day

The training day was run by "First Strike". The chosen students spent the day talking about leadership and what they could do around the school to make it better. The JSC is overseen by teacher Julie Telford.

purposes.

Russell Nothe Visits

Local Member of Parliament, Russell Northe, visited the school to present leadership badges. While there, he spoke to the whole school assembly encouraging each and everyone to always do their best and try hard. He congratulated the school leaders on achieving their election to the various positions.

School Captains Speak To School Council

The school captains, Nathan Slusser and Tarna Flake, spoke to the School Council on the last Monday of term one, reporting to those present how the "First Strike" folks had come to teach them how they could be a better JSC and how they could include other students in activities such a casual clothes days for fund raising

Following the assembly, Russell also did some further leadership work with the school and House Captains.



FOOTY CLINIC

The Western Bulldogs, who had just won the NAB Cup, came to Morwell on Monday following the AFL game between Richmond and Essendon in Morwell.

Students who attended participated in training activities.



Boolarra Bowls Club

By John Wyatt - Publicity

The 2009/2010 Pennant Bowls season is well and truly wrapped up and all that remains are a few special events and Triples Days and, at the time of compiling this article there are still a few internal club championships to be concluded.

In many ways, this season for Boolarra is one we would like to forget. The loss of several members from the club and club members who have unfortunately had lengthy illness problems left the club with insufficient players to fill both Division 4 and 5 teams. The end result is that the club was forced to forfeit division 5 for the season leaving a few members without being able to play pennant. Division 5 finished a creditable 5th for the year.

Our Club has creditable history going back many years and it would be a great disappointment if the club had to close down due to lack of membership, particularly with all the work and dedication put in by our founding members. To all present and past members who read this news, be assured your support is urgently needed if our club is to continue to grow in the coming years.

Having said all that, a sincere vote of appreciation is extended to the small group of members who have given so much of their time in maintaining the club and its surrounds, in particularly the green. With the assistance of grants, the work of restoration of the effects of last year's bush fires continues as a work in progress.

Before continuing any further with this news, I feel I must record the passing of one of the Clubs true stalwarts a few weeks ago, the club was deeply saddened to learn of passing of Joy Canavan following a long fight with illness. To Peter and all the family we extend our deepest sympathy and reassure you that you have our

support and that we share in your sense of loss. Joy was a member of long standing who gave so much of her time and efforts to the life of the club.

Club News and Happenings:

Club Champions for 2009/2010

Mens: Peter Sinclair

Ladies: Joy Prior

Club Pairs: Joy and Cliff Prior (Who now go on the M. G. B. A. Championships)

At the time of compiling this report I have not to hand any further club results for the Men's Group. For the Ladies several club events concluded are:

Presidents Handicap: Jenny Medew

Championships Pairs: B Coulding, B Fox

Drawn Pairs: J Whelan, B Fox

The Ladies, up until the time of writing, still have some events to be completed.

The Ladies have over the course of the season represented the club at many tournaments and Invitation days and have done very well.

The Ladies still have two major events to organise at Boolarra and they are:

Ladies Tournament and Ladies Invitation Days will be held on the 24th and 29th March.

Folk Festival: The club catering for this event was well supported and a real vote of thanks to all helpers and scone makers etc.

This will be my last news so a big thank you all who have helped with news items etc over the last two years. While for most of us it is time to polish our polish our bowls and store them till next season just remember stay fit, our sport really needs you, and I hope you really need our sport.



Round Robin Success!

Rain and overcast conditions did not dampen the enthusiasm of the 52 competitors in this year's Churchill Tennis Club's Round Robin. After a rain delayed start and a small army of competitors clearing water from the courts, play for beginners and competition play began. Those who had never played before had the chance to have a go and those who were more skilled competed strongly for the trophies.

"It was a great day," said Ruth Place from the Churchill News. "Everyone enjoyed themselves and kids of all ages had a go. It looks like becoming an annual event with numbers growing significantly from last year."

Competitors and spectators were treated to a sausage sizzle supplied by the Churchill News and cooked by the Gippsland Trades and Labour Council.

The organisers would like to thank the

Churchill Tennis Club for their support, Sally Kirstine for co-ordinating and organising play, the Churchill & District News, the Gippsland Trades & Labour Council, the competitors and parents who made it a terrific day.

Round Robin Winners:

Beginners: Winners: Skye Trotter Wilson, Alison Paramenter.

Modified Tennis: Winners: Sam Pugliese, Alex Devonshire

C Grade Doubles: Winner: Jessie Buhigiar, Runner Up: Declan Mentzing

Section 8: Winner: David Veldman, Runner up: Matt Devonshire

Section 6: Winners: Pat McGrath, Riley Hogarth, Runners Up: Ksenija Varesanovic, Tiarne Bailey

Section 3: Winner: Jeremy Sheers, Runners Up: Ricky Van Roy, Jack McGrath

Churchill Bowls Club Trivia Night

The Churchill Bowls Club is conducting a Trivia night on Saturday April 17, 2010 at the Top Pub in Morwell. Starting time will be 7.30pm, there will be 10 tables with 10 people per team, the cost is \$ 10 .00 per

person, drinks at bar prices, good prizes to be won, so get in early and book your team. For details contact W.Brown on 51 221860 or V.Hargreaves on 51 221304 .

Thank You to Latrobe City

Churchill and Monash Golf Club received \$1,000 from the Latrobe City 2009 - 2010 Community Grant Program which has been utilised as part payment for a pump, taps and piping to allow the use of captured water from their tanks to water the practice green and garden as well as for cleaning maintenance vehicles

used on the course.

This has resulted in a considerable saving of precious water and has made the work of the volunteers who do all the course maintenance tasks less strenuous and time consuming.



Rain did not stop play at the Churchill Tennis Round Robin Tournament!





Andrew McCurdy looks set for a return to the senior ranks in coming weeks after an interrupted pre season

Gippsland Soccer League Battle of Britain First Round Rams K.O. Combine

Churchill United booked a Battle of Britain Cup quarter final clash with arch rivals Fortuna 60 after defeating Newborough/Yallourn 4-2 on Sunday.

The Rams hit the ground running testing the Combines defence but with numerous raids adjudged off-side by the referees assistant their attempts were initially thwarted. However, Churchill soon claimed the lead when coach Luke Cheney pounced on a defensive error after eleven minutes to finish past N/Y keeper Justin Mathison.

Soon after returning Ram Dean Pyle combined with a rejuvenated Paul Riess to deliver Churchill's second goal. Pyle was breaking free down the left flank and his hard work paid off when he hit a pin point cross to Riess who finished with a well timed volley after 23 minutes.

Newborough/Yallourn stopped the flow of goals as the heat of the early autumn day took its toll on the Rams running game.

Six minutes into the second half Churchill went 3-0 up as Cheney claimed a brace in trademark defence hassling fashion. The Rams were cruising until a minute later

when Newborough/Yallourn captain Jeremy Dunn let loose with a 25 yard cracker that gave keeper Jason Sands no chance.

Cheney copped a knock on the ankle and he elected to sub off for young gun recruit Chris Calabrese, who was making his debut in Rams colours, giving a spark in the mid-field.

Taylor Jackson restored Churchill's three goal buffer 4-1 with 15 minutes to go before N/Y player Peter Ilic scored a consolation goal for the final score 4-2.

In the reserves Churchill won 6-0. Goal scorers: Jimmy McGrath (2), Kevin Riess (2), Nathan Lugton and Andy McCurdy. Meanwhile in second division Churchill won 4-1. Churchill goal scorers: Hector Flores (2), Michael Sands and Justin Moloney. N/Y goal scorer: Deng Maica

Round 1 of the junior season kicks off this Saturday April 10th with all matches at Churchill:

Under 7's Small Sided Game format TBA
Under 8's Small Sided Game format TBA
Under 9's Small Sided Game for-

mat TBA

Under 10's 10.30am Churchill United vs Falcons 2000

Under 11's 11.45am Churchill United vs Falcons 2000

Under 12's 11.45am Churchill United vs Falcons 2000

Under 13's 1.00pm Churchill United vs Traralgon Olympians

Under 14's 1.00pm Churchill United vs Warragul United

Under 14's Girls 10.30am Churchill United vs Warragul United

Under 16's 2.15pm Churchill United vs Trafalgar Victory

Under 18's 2.15pm Girls Churchill United vs Warragul United

Round 3 of the senior season continues this Sunday April 11th with all matches at Churchill:

Women's League 11.00am Churchill United vs Tyers Lightning

Women's League 1.00pm Churchill Rams vs Warragul United

Second Division 11.00am Churchill United vs Churchill Rams

Reserves 1.00pm Churchill United vs Tyers Lightning

Seniors 3.00pm Churchill United vs Tyers Lightning

Baseball Championships

Owen Godenzi
The 2010 International Power/Mitsui Loy Yang B, Latrobe Valley Baseball Association Gippsland Championships are to be held at Burrage Reserve in Newborough on the weekend of April 10 and 11. The Gippsland Championships were introduced back in 1981 when the Latrobe Valley Association approached the Bairnsdale Baseball Association to compete in a four round and a playoff final to bring some diversity to the players and the competition.

This arrangement continued at the start of each winter season until the Bairnsdale Baseball Association went into recession. Since then the LVBA have invited Melbourne Metro and

Regional clubs to travel to Gippsland for a weekend and compete in the competition now know as the International Power/Mitsui Loy Yang B, Latrobe Valley Baseball Association Gippsland Championships.

Teams such as Malvern, Dandenong, Berwick, and Pakenham have been strong supporters over the previous years and this year their support is set to continue.

The round robin format is used where the top two sides after the last scheduled game will compete in a Grand Final to take home the Lloyd Lewis Shield on Sunday afternoon. Last year's winners, the Churchill Braves, have competed in the past two

finals and are looking strong again in 2010. Shane Gill the Braves club coach said, "Our last couple of years have been good, and this year with a lot of new faces we will be aiming on getting them some experience in the game. We will still be strong this year but the emphasis will be the bleeding of younger and newer faces into the game. If all goes to plan our guys will get the hit out they need and we will play off in the final again".

The LVBA home and away season will commence on the 18th April for the seniors teams and the junior competition will start on the 2nd of May.

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tions will be as follows, U/10 Tee-ball, U/12 modified rules, U/14 and an U/18's major league, where standard baseball rules will apply.
For more information on the LVBA and the team closest to you visit the LVBA website at www.latrobevalley.baseball.com.au or contact John Kus on 0401334890.



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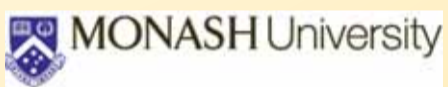
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