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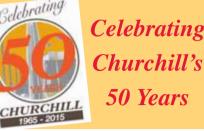


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Churchill and District News Writing **Competition Presentation**

Lots of people were able to attend the iting Competition Presentation Night with



a large number being our junior winners and their families. It was great to see the families come to support and encourage their children. In welcoming those present, Ruth Place



of congratulation and encouragement from Member for Morwell, Russell Northe. Thanks were extended to the s

their reps, writers, teachers, parents, mentors, encouragers, and promoters of this night, who all contribute to this event.

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CDCA -More about Churchill's 50th Anniversary

By Margaret Guthrie

Applications opened for Latrobe City Council's Community Grants Program on July 7. CDCA would like to encourage eligible local organisations considering hosting events to celebrate Churchill's 50th anniversary, to apply for funding under this program.

CDCA wrote to Council seeking an additional allocation of funding for 50th anniversary community activities in Churchill. Council advised that, due to budgetary restraints and Council's desire to keep rate rises to a minimum, no such additional allocation could be made, but that local organisations submitting applications for events to celebrate Churchill's 50th would be "viewed favourably".

Whilst this is no guarantee that all such proposals will be funded, it does seem likely that Council will support some 50th anniversary events hosted by local community groups.

More information about Latrobe City's Community Grants program can be found on Council's website: http://www.latrobe. vic.gov.au/

Note that applications must be made on-line and that the closing date is Friday August 22. Late applications will not be accepted! Council is to make a decision on successful applications in late September and applicants will be notified of outcomes at a later date.

Part of each CDCA Committee meeting this year is given over to updates on planning for Churchill's 50th anniversary celebrations, including commemorative activities on Sunday March 15.

This is the actual date of Churchill's birthday - the Township of Churchill was

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proclaimed by the then Secretary of the Morwell Shire on this date in 1965.

A CDCA Working Group has been established and is progressing plans for activities and a commemorative ceremony to coincide with this date in 2015.

A winning design for Churchill's 50th anniversary logo competition has been decided and is reprinted in this edition of the News (see Page 16).

CDCA would like to thank the Churchill & District News for conducting this competition. We'd also like to thank all those who submitted logo design entries having a logo designed by a local is just the thing to start advertising Churchill's 50th!

The logo will be available for use, upon application, on publicity and promotional material for 50th events.

Community organisations wishing to use the logo should contact CDCA with a description of the 50th activity and how the logo is proposed to be used in support of the event. A copy of the logo in a format suitable for reproduction will be supplied to suitable applicants.

CDCA approached has major stakeholder organisations in Churchill -Latrobe City Council, Federation University, Monash University, Hazelwood power station and the Victorian Government (as the representative of the former Housing Commission which built the early Churchill) to support Churchill's 50th anniversary plans by contributing to infrastructure to commemorate this occasion.

Whilst no firm commitments have been 'locked in', there have been some promising discussions with some stakeholders about possible contributions.

Meanwhile, work has commenced on

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Stage 2 of the Churchill Town Hall works, which include our new Civic Space.

An area on the north-east side of the Town Hall will contain our new War Memorial, which was commissioned by CDCA in consultation with Morwell RSL. The sculpture (for it is a sculpture, not a

traditional monument) depicts the dark side of War, Sacrifice and Service by community members who have to leave the warmth and comfort of home.

Like any piece of art, some degree of viewer interpretation will be left to the imagination - CDCA hopes the memorial will be well received and talked about. Our advice is that both the new Civic

Space and the on-going works in the central shopping centre car park will be completed in time for Churchill's 50th anniversary. We will have a much improved Town Centre in which to conduct some celebratory activities! Our Annual General Meeting will be

held on Tuesday August 19 in the Board Room at the Gippsland Enterprise Centre (formerly Green Inc) in McDonald Way. More details, including starting time

and guest speaker details will be available

in the next issue of the News or by viewing CDCA's website later this month. All local residents are welcome to

contact CDCA to raise matters of local concern. Visit our website at http://cdca.org.au/ for more information, meeting agendas and

minutes or to contact us. We can also be contacted by writing to CDCA at PO Box 191, Churchill, emailing info@cdca.org.au or phoning 5122 2997.

RAINFALL FOR JUNE



During the month of June we have had eleven rainy days which gave us a total of 94.5 mm for the month. This takes the total for the year so far to 299.5mm.





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\$1,233 In funding to share local Member for Morwell Russell Northe today history announced that Churchill and District news will

Government's Local History Grants program.

"The program history time a light on Victoria's community history, will support the group to print 200 copies of 'Looking Back an Oral

receive a grant of \$1,233 through the Victorian

History'," Mr Northe said. "Churchill and District News plays an important

role in our community and this project will not only help to tell the story of its development, but of our

This grant also recognises the important work done by the many volunteers of the group/society who play a valuable role in collecting, recording and sharing the stories of our past."

The group is one of 63 Victorian community organisations, ranging from schools and libraries, to sporting clubs and museums, who will share in close to \$350,000 in grants through the 2014 round of the

Minister for the Arts Heidi Victoria said the Local History Grants program provides access to stories that may have otherwise remained untold.

"The Local History Grants program supports projects that tell stories from communities across Victoria. Together they help to give us an understanding of our state and our people. Congratulations to all the 2014 recipients and I look forward to seeing the historic works come to fruition in the years ahead,"

The Local History Grants Program is managed by Public Record Office Victoria.



Russell Northe MP, presents grant to Ruth Place

A full list of grant recipients and further information on the Program can be found at www. prov.vic.gov.au.

Churchill and District News would like to extend its sincere thanks to the State Government for awarding us a grant to help produce our next history book "Looking Back An Oral History Volume 4". The team are working hard on the production of this book and we hope to launch it next May.

Sixty years old and still as strong as ever

By Leo Billington

A significant milestone is being celebrated this week as the Morwell Fire Brigade Auxiliary turns 60

Back then, an advertisement first appeared in the Morwell Advertiser on Thursday, June 24, 1954.

"The Morwell Fire Brigade hopes to establish a Ladies Auxiliary at a meeting to be held in the Brigade Hall in Church Street at 3 p.m. next Tuesday (June 29 1954). All interested are invited to attend the meeting and will be made welcome. The Morwell Brigade has established a record of service and efficiency, and it is anticipated that the attendance at the meeting will

According to Auxiliary President, Angela Darling, over those 60 years the Auxiliary ("Ladies" was dropped in recent years) has contributed enormously with fundraising activities including catering and

"The Morwell brigade has used these funds to improve station facilities, obtain extra fire-fighting equipment and provide financial assistance for teams attending demonstrations. Auxiliary members have also ensured availability of food and refreshments for brigade members attending fire incidents at any time of the day or night," Ms Darling explained.

"We should be careful not to casually dismiss the invaluable support role of Auxiliaries provided to all fire brigades. It's also important to remember that women remain in the workforce longer, and the impact this has on time available for voluntary work. Nonetheless, many of our members have recollections of being called in at all hours of the night to prepare sandwiches and drinks for firefighters 'out there' doing what's necessary.'

In the Thursday, July 1, 1954 edition of the Morwell Advertiser, it was reported that "an auxiliary to the Morwell Fire Brigade was formed at a meeting

Gippsland Carers Association Carers Support Group

The next meeting of the Gippsland Carers Association Carers Support Group will take place on Wednesday July 23, 2014, at 10am at Gippsland Disability Advocacy, 8 Hopetoun Avenue, Morwell. People who provide care for a loved one with a disability are invited to attend, to share a cuppa and chat with others like themselves in a welcoming and non-judgemental environment. For more information, please ring Dot Kitwood on 0402 457 241.

in the Morwell Fire Station on Tuesday afternoon, at which sixteen ladies were present. Mrs. Harrington was elected President, with Mrs. R. W. Brinsmead snr., as Vice-president, and Mrs. Warne, Secretary. Object of the Ladies' Auxiliary will be to raise funds for competition gear and for other amenities for the firemen, whose work is entirely voluntary. The need for the establishment of the Auxiliary was outlined by [newly appointed] Station Officer, [Harold] McDonald. The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be held at the Fire Station on Tuesday, July 13th."

The Morwell Fire Brigade was officially formed on January 1, 1915. On this day, it became affiliated with the then Country Fire Brigades Board.

For many years thereafter, fire-fighting resources were scarce as were the funds required to obtain necessary equipment to be an effective and efficient brigade. With leadership from successive volunteer brigade Captains combining with a supportive local community, fund-raising ideas were many and varied. Raffles, euchre nights, dances, concerts, moving picture nights and music recitals were all in the mix over almost 40 years raising monies. The original fire station was used – at a small fee – for auctions, dancing lessons, badminton and even served some years as the first Morwell Scout Hall.

Any assistance from state and local government was highly valued also, but limited, despite lobbying and persuasive pressures emphasizing urgency for a fire brigade capable of providing safety to a community which was rather fire prone.

'From that first meeting, it was made known a Ladies' Auxiliary will raise funds for competition gear and other amenities for the firemen," Ms Darling "Gradually over time, however, fund raising now complements a wide variety of social functions meaning our focus has changed."

"It's during times such as this that the Auxiliary is publicly noticeable. As our birthday is now being celebrated, we acknowledge all members who have worked tirelessly throughout the years making a significant contribution to Morwell's Fire Brigade," Ms Darling concluded.

To date, 11 Auxiliary members have been awarded Life Membership of the Morwell Fire Brigade.

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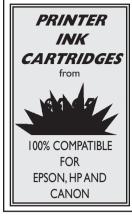
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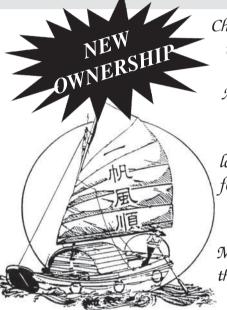
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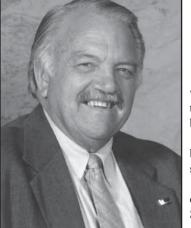
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Town Centre Works — Northern Car Park The plan for the northern car park is unfolding, Buses using the route and trucks heading for the fill on the site. However, more progress will be

with the outline of car parking areas, footpaths, the realigned Georgina Place and the taxi rank becoming clearer over time.

Disruptions to traffic and parking continue to be frustrating, but we are managing to re-open sections of parking as they become available.

A challenging section will be the reconstruction of West Place in the area just east of the Service Woolworths loading area will be temporarily diverted through Aisle "C" in the car park while concrete is being laid and then cured. This temporary arrangement is likely to be in place for about two weeks.

Town Hall Plaza and Pathway

Work on Stage 2 of the Town Hall Plaza has been slower than expected, with the contractor experiencing difficulty with the poor quality of made over the next few weeks, especially after the retaining wall for the pathway has been erected.

The War Memorial, auspiced by the Churchill District Community Association, will be located on part of the flat area of the Plaza to the north-east of the Town Hall.

It is a sculpture by Boolarra sculptor Paul Jesse, and it will provide a strong point of interest for the

Russell Northe



I recently had the pleasure of announcing \$113,000 from the \$1 billion Regional Growth Fund for RMIT University's ReActivate Latrobe Valley project to help transform Churchill, Morwell, Traralgon and Moe.

The project will include establishing popup shops at 20 empty shop sites and four vacant lots in Churchill, Morwell, Traralgon and Moe through specially negotiated leases, a shop front headquarters for the project, and the establishment of two major arts and cultural

The project will increase business and

employment opportunities, strengthen local micro industries and encourage community engagement across the region.

I was pleased to recently announce a grant of \$1,233 for Churchill and District News through the Victorian Government's Local History Grants program.

The program, which aims to shine a light on Victoria's community history, will support the group to print 200 copies of "Looking Back an Oral History".

Churchill and District News plays an important role in our community and this project will not only help to tell the story of its development, but of our region.

For more information about the Local History Grants Program you can visit www. prov.vic.gov.au

The third round of the Victorian Government's Bully Stoppers school grants, worth a total of \$450,000 are now open for primary and secondary schools in the Morwell electorate to apply.

The Victorian Government has already provided \$750,000 to 187 schools to encourage schools and students to think about how they can stamp out bullying behaviour.

Since the Bully Stoppers campaign began:

187 Victorian schools have received Bully Stoppers grants to run anti-bullying programs,

activities and competitions like 'Name the Campaign', Bully Stoppers quiz and 'Pledge Your Way to Home and Away' have attracted more than 1,600 entries;

Approximately 120,000 people have viewed the Bully Stoppers ad on YouTube, and hundreds of thousands more have viewed the ad on TV.

More than 167,000 people have visited the Bully Stoppers website.

Residential customers of Gippsland Water will save up to \$36 on their water bills each year for the next four years as a result of the Victorian Government's Fairer Water Bills initiative.

The reductions had been achieved through operational efficiencies identified by Gippsland

The Victorian Government is committed to driving down cost of living pressures and Fairer Water Bills is delivering real savings for household budgets.

We asked water corporations to provide advice on potential productivity and efficiency gains within their businesses which could be adopted to help deliver lower household water



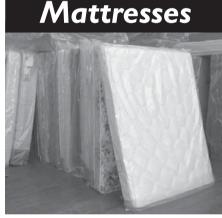
Gippsland Water identified both capital cost savings and operational cost savings which will be delivered without compromising service standards or existing hardship protections that assist vulnerable customers.

For each of the next four years, Gippsland Water will provide rebates of \$26 a year to customers paying water service charges and \$10 a year to customers paying water use charges. This means that owner-occupiers will receive a total \$36 saving off their annual water bills and tenants will receive \$10 off their annual water bills.



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We have been busy with our catering commitments lately, firstly with the Lion's Training day at the university and the last one was the Traralgon Marathon held on

This was a special one for us as one of our members, Mandy was a participant.

We are still supplying emergency packs to L.R.H as well as clothes for Premature Babies in the Maternity Ward.

We are very proud to have made donations this year to Camp Quality, Lifeline, Licola Lions Village, Lion's House Foundation (which provides accommodation for country patients/families at Austin Hospital) and to Catye Hoppner, Managing Director of Mental Health at L.R.H. to help with the refurbishment of that ward.

Left: Lionesses Mandy and Pauline collecting for the Salvos

Research at FedUni

Dr Nick Osbaldiston has joined FedUni as a lecturer in the School of Applied Media and Social Science. His other great interest is research in the fields of seachange and treechange, and their effects on the places where these have occurred.

Nick has studied these effects since attending Queensland University of Technology to do his PhD in 2006.

His research has been applied to the coastal towns of Gippsland since his move to live and work here.

A lifestyle difference is the motivation for why people move for a sea change or tree change. However what are the effects of these changes on the environment, economy, infrastructure and resources available.

With other colleagues, Nick has also done surveys of Phillip Island and Inverloch communities, with regard to how city people with holiday houses located there impact the community.

Making permanent moves has even greater impact as most people in those areas are in the higher age brackets as are the people making the change. This has and will continue to put huge pressure on infrastructure and especially health facilities. In these coastal towns, the median age is 14 years older than other areas.

It has been noted also that rural towns closer to the metropolitan areas are also growing because, again, people want a lifestyle change. Better commuting ability has allowed this to happen.

The National Broadband Network will also offer people the opportunity to work from home. Another implication to consider.

Some people in country towns also now have their home address in the country with a flat or unit in Melbourne where they stay for 3-4 days of the week. This is a unique situation in Victoria.

It has been noted that the council rates in coastal areas has risen dramatically. Nick explained that an influx of middle class people with these changes results in higher housing costs, and elevated rates and prices. So that infrastructure can be addressed by council, they need to increase the rates to help provide these facilities.

Housing prices have been tracked since 1991, revealing prices have just continued to soar. In fact some of these coastal areas now have average housing



being sold well above those of Sydney. This of course has flow-on effects with rental market prices also going up. It forces renters out of the market and away to other towns or to the periphery.

This stretch of council resources is endemic throughout coastal areas of Australia, including Gippsland council areas of Wellington, East Gippsland, Bass Coast and South Gippsland, especially with decreased population to pay rates and greater distances to cover.

Nick is passionate about continuing his research, but balancing it with his work and family life.

However he would like to continue and collaborate with like minded people around Australia. Research projects also require funding and that is not easy to acquire. Nick would like to explore in more depth, the impacts of community response to these issues. Some of the ideas to explore include why domestic tourism has declined and the effects of climate change and its serious effects especially for coastal areas.

Nick is very happy to have people contact him if they would like to talk about these issues. He can be contacted at FedUni on 5122 6846 or email nick. osbaldiston@federation.edu.au. You can also watch this ABC link

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Death of Bishop John McIntyre

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Taking account a range of factors, the most significant of which was to enable John's elderly parents (who are unable to travel and could not visit him during his illness) to be present, the family decided that the funeral would be at St Saviour's, Redfern, NSW at 11 am on Tuesday June 17. It was followed by a private cremation.

A Memorial Eucharist to give thanks for and to celebrate Bishop John's remarkable life and loving pastoral ministry amongst us for the last 9 years, took place on Friday June 20 at 1 p.m. at St Paul's Cathedral, Sale.

Both services were memorable, especially for their many positive tributes to John and his life's work.

It was a particular shock to those of us in the Anglican Church who had attended Synod at Korumburra in May.

He said he was recovering from an infection and a severe reaction to antibiotics which had affected his immune system.

We had seen him officiate in his usual fair and patient manner.

To hear of his sudden passing was unbelievable.

Bishop John will be greatly missed.

Guest Preacher

We were privileged to have Reverend Geoff Thompson from the Uniting Church Centre for Theology and Ministry as our guest preacher at both Churchill and Yinnar during the month. Thanks to Robern Lubawski and Ron Gowland for organising this.

Coffee Connections

Coffee Connections was held and after morning tea and busy chatter, several people

shared crafts which they have enjoyed, some over many years, some taken up just recently. There are many talented people in our congregation.

Churchill and District News Writing Competition Presentation Night

It was lovely to play host for the occasion and to see the many people who came to receive their prizes and hear some winning entries read to the large crowd. Lots of the junior prize winners were able to attend with their families and excitedly came forward to be presented with their certificates.

Seek First Men's Ministry

Seek First Men's Ministry held their second night meeting with a soup and sandwich tea and a sharing of songs of significance to each participant. A special time of sharing life's experiences was had by the fourteen who attended.

Saturday Breakfast.

Saturday Breakfast is not functioning through the winter months. Next Breakfast will be in September.

CRE (Christian Religious Education) Indian Dinner.

connected to the Co-Operating Parishes of Churchill, Boolarra and Yinnar held an Indian Saturday in June. It was an opportunity for the teachers to share their views on the positive outcomes of CRE and to raise funds for Access CRE body. Sixty governing people booked in for the occasion and enjoyed a wonderful array of genuine authentic, Indian cooking provided by Ruth Courtis. It was a very happy night with lots of interaction through talking and laughter. A huge thankyou goes to Ruth for the cooking, and to all those wonderful church

family people who so

willingly volunteered their

time and talents.

The CRE teachers

Church Times

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Rev. Brenda Burney Willams Avenue, Churchill. Tel: 5122 1480

Glenda and Ian Combridge Tel: 5166 1819 Sunday Service: 9.00am

Lumen Christi Catholic Church

35 Walker Parade, Churchill Tel: 5122 2226 Father Francis/Father Darek Saturday: Mass: 6.00pm Sunday: Mass: 9.00am 1st and 3rd Sundays: Yinnar: Mass: 10.30am

2nd and 4th Sundays: Boolarra: Mass: 10.30am

Boolarra/Yinnar Co-Operating Parish

Week 1 - 11am at Christ Church Boolarra Ang. HC Week 2 - 11am at

Christ Church Boolarra Ang. PPP

Week 3 - 11am at Uniting Church Yinnar U C A. H C

Week 4 - 11am at
Uniting Church Yinnar
UCA Service of the Word
Week 5 - 11am at
Yinnar South Anglican H C



Churchill Christian Fellowship

Maple Crescent, Churchill Sunday: 10.00am

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Check electric blankets for kinks in the wiring.

Clean the lint filter in your dryer (and continue to do this after every load).

Check appliances for visibly frayed or damaged wiring.

Complete the Home Fire Safety (http://www.cfa.vic.gov. au/plan-prepare/home-fire-safetychecklist/) to see if you've done everything you can to protect you and your family.

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It is important to act as soon as possible when graffiti is sighted so that immediate action can be taken to clean up the mess.

If you are witness to acts of vandalism of any kind you should contact the police, noting the time and place of the incident and it is also a good thing if you

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Looking Back . . .

Churchil's 50th Celebrating with a series of stories from the first 25 years

John and Tonny Koedyk

By Ruth Place

A phone call took me to see John and Tonny Koedyk who had some photos to share and a story to go with them. They both have wonderful memories and shared their experiences as the first 'milkies' of Churchill.

In March 1962, Lindsay Thompson, Minister for Housing in the Bolte Government, announced that Yallourn would be disappearing, as the coal under it was needed for power production.

In 1963 Churchill town was finally approved and in September the contract was let for the sewerage.

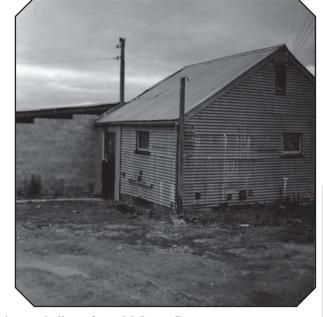
At that stage John said to Tonny, "Let's go and look at this new town." So they trotted over to the area and found no indications of any town. They finished up in Fraser's Road at a farmhouse and found a farmer covered in cow dung. We said we were looking for the new town of the future. The farmer lifted his hand and pointed to the hills to the east and said that is where it will be. "How do you know? We asked. "I'm the councillor. I know. I'm Keith White. (Darrell's father).



Then the sewer went in.

Churchill had just been laid out and this huge pile of sharp sand, as John called it, was at the beginning of Howard Avenue across from where the Police station is.

Two of his daughters, Caroline and Michelle are playing on it. Howard Avenue was the first street to be made and the



houses built, as far as McInnes Crescent.

In those days Switchback Road was a single lane with nothing but paddocks on the northern side where Tom Lawless had land.

In those days the government regulated the dairy industry, and to do so gave responsibility to the Dairy Department sub section, the Milk Board who set the rules and regulations for the licensing farmers, transportation, manufacturing and dairymen.

Each had to have a license and had margins and costs for each section. Milkies had to have an address for the license. John and Tonny decided to take on the milkie's job for



After a lot of searching John and Tonny found an old farmer's shed on what was the Medew's old farm, located where Firmin Road and McDonald Way intersect. There was an old tank on the site and the boys of the family had fun rolling down the hill in it.

When Firmin Road was constructed, the Koedyks found another shed in Goodings Road. Both of these sheds were leased but never used!



So the milkie run began.

It was four full bottles of milk delivered and four empty ones taken back to Traralgon each night where they lived at the time. This number grew in time until John could not fit all the milk in his car boot, so a trailer was added.

On October 20 1965, the first resident, Graham Ayres and his family moved into the first house. Graham was to be the supervisor for the first 102 house contract let, covering the block Howard Avenue, McInnes Crescent and Switchback Road. Marley Pty Ltd won the contract

Reverend Peter Arch moved into McInnes Crescent on November 25, 1965. He began the first Post Office service.

When the town population grew, Peter asked John and Tonny to take over the service. Part of the growth was the Koedyk family happily moving into a house in Switchback Road. Tonny said people knocked on their door at all times of the day and night to collect their mail which was delivered



When the shopping centre was ready the post office moved there and Jean Brick, who died last year, was the post mistress for many years.

John's milk run went on until the shopping centre was completed. Then they took up the lease of the Milk bar and dairy.

Cooking Back . . . Churchil's 50th Celebrating with a series of stories from the first 25 years

John and Tonny Koedyk . . . cont.

Housing Commission land was made available and the Koedyks had the dairy built in Switchback Road (next to where Sulty's Fencing is now).

Mr Malone built the dairy/milkbar in 1979 and the Koedyke's began operating out of that. It was sold to John Shaw of Yinnar and later the dairy part was sold to John McCafferty before it closed due to no more deliveries.

The family became involved with the town activities and son Gus was one of the first Scouts of Churchill along with Phillip Haycox.

The next contract for houses was the Heesom, Firmin Road and Switchback Road area.

The Koedyk's were not the only people doing deliveries in Churchill in those very early days. Peter Tormey at No 17 Switchback Road, delivered briquettes and Jo Joosten delivered vegies and fruit.

Otherwise people had to go to Morwell for all their sports goods, groceries, medical and daily needs.

John describes the first settlers in Churchill as pioneers- pioneers who worked hard as a community to establish services.

Thank you John and Tonny for your memories, for sharing your precious photos, and for all you did for the residents of Churchill.





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We look forward to welcoming new students beginning their studies during semester 2!









Family Fishing Day

On Saturday May 3, Relationships Australia Victoria (RAV) held a Family Fishing Day at Lake Hyland, Mathison Park Churchill.

Despite the threatening weather, which thankfully held off for the duration of the event, 75 enthusiastic adults and children attended the event – unfortunately only 4 fish (3 Red Fin and a Carp) were caught for the day. The Carp weighed in at a whopping 1.5kgs and took home the prize for Biggest Catch in the 9 to 14 age group category. The Hazelwood Rotary Club provided a fantastic bbq lunch for all the families that participated on the day.







Winter soup recipes

Chicken Soup

Preparation time: 15 minutes Cooking time: 180 minutes

Ingredients

1 large boiling chicken, quartered

2 carrots, peeled and chopped

1/4 turnip, peeled and chopped

1 onion, chopped

2 leeks, peeled and chopped

3 stalks celery, chopped

chopped parsley, to garnish

Cooking method

1. Place quartered chicken in a large pot. Cover with water and simmer for 30 minutes. 2. Add vegetables, salt and pepper and cook slowly for 2 1/2 to 3 hours. (Alternately, pressure cook for 30 minutes.)

3. Strain through colander. Cool. Chill in refrigerator. Skim fat.

4. Serve reheated with matzoh balls, noodles or meat filled dumplings or just plain. Garnish with chopped parsley.

Creamy Tomato Soup –

Serves: 4

Ingredients

2 tablespoons rice

1 small onion, finely chopped

1 1/2 cups water

1 X 440g can tomato soup, reduced or no added salt

3/4 cup evaporated reduced fat milk

1 tablespoon tomato paste, reduced or no added salt

1 teaspoon fresh basil (or 1/2 teaspoon dried basil)

4 tablespoons grated reduced fat cheese **Cooking method**

1. Add rice, onion and water to a mediumsized saucepan and bring to the boil over a medium heat. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes.

2. Add tomato soup, evaporated milk, tomato paste and basil. Gently heat.

3. Serve with a little grated cheese on top.

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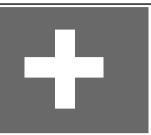
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Friends of Morwell National Park

Green Walks continue to be held in the park each month with the aim to get more people walking, more often, in local parks, state parks and bushland reserves. The next Green Walk planned in Morwell National Park is:

Sunday August 24, 10am

Foster's Gully Walk (meet at Kerry Rd)

John's Jottings

John has continued with his historical collecting and this month his jotting comes from an article "Some historical facts -Morwell National Park" compiled by Ellen Lyndon.

"A man named Alf Foster selected 60 acres on the flat below the Quigley selections, on what is probably Lot 17 on the Shire maps. Foster built a hut about half way up the flat, which then was only a swamp into which the creek disappeared. He fenced a couple of acres with a slab fence to grow potatoes. A road cut across the flat close by the hut. My informant was Reg Page who later owned this little farm. He thought it was then the only route from Morwell to the hills about Budgeree.

Mr Page said, "About 1954 Jack Grant of Budgeree told me he used to cart from Morwell with the bullocks, and when crossing the flat, the mud and water would be up to the bullock's bellies. I knew Alf Foster junior who is 86 now, and I think father was out there on the flat before he was born (1866). Reg Page drained the flat by cutting a drain through to take the seasonal water down to Middle Creek. Very little water passed down in summer.

It was thought at the one time that there was gold in the gully. A prospector was working in the present park during the thirties, one George Edwards.

He sunk a fairly deep shaft just off the present creek track just before one reaches the old gravel pit on the creek side in scrub. I doubt any gold was found but the orchids were

Edwards' camp was on the highest point of the hill behind the Ranger's house, on what was later APM land. It was hung about with orchids on the neighbouring shrubbery, and he used to take generous samples to the neighbouring town's flowers shows and exhibit them. I suspect that he took a basketful down to the National Herbarium at one time." **June Activity Report**

At this activity we had John, Neil, Darren and ranger Mark. The group met in the car park and caught up on the last month's news. It was only a small crew but it was great to have Neil back for his second activity. Neil completed his membership to the friends group and will be the first member signed up for 2014/15. It is great to have another member with new

members always welcome.

With a small team it was easy to all travel together to our worksite in one vehicle. We travelled to the bottom of Zig Zag Track and there we suited up ready for the creek. Three of us put on waders while Neil remained on the bank since there were no waders in his size. We all travelled to Potato Flat where we tried to find a point to access the creek.

As we worked along the creek we removed a variety of weeds and collected many berries from the advanced tutsan plants we found. We definitely located less tutsan, so it is reassuring that our work over the past few years has been worthwhile. Few tutsan seedlings were found and this is a good sign. Most tutsan could be pulled with the soil being soft. The spraying that had been done a few months ago has been effective on the blackberries and partly effective upon the tutsan. These tutsan still had fruit and some were shooting again.

The creek was deep in some sections and the waders were important to keeping us dry. The waders were also useful to reach some hidden parts of the park and helped us to discover some previously unseen treasures. Located in the creek were a number of reflector posts taken from beside the vehicle track. Somebody has been removing these and throwing them into the creek. It will need to be decided whether these posts should be collected and repositioned.

During our time in the creek John located the fender from an old tractor and a pipe from the old Morwell water pipeline. Neil needed to leave after a few hours, so the rest of us continued up to the third bridge crossing (just before Billy's Weir). We finished early and left at lunchtime. During a day that promised rain we came out dry. Now the area between the car park and the third bridge crossing is weed free.

July Activity

Sunday July 20.

The group will meet at 10.00am in the Junction Road car park. This month we will travel to the top of Blue Gum Hill and work on the removal of the fence at the top of the hill. We will need the star picket remover, gloves and wire cutters. You will need to bring your lunch along with clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions on the day.



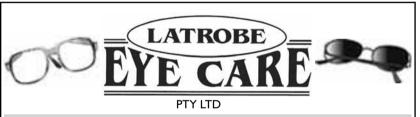


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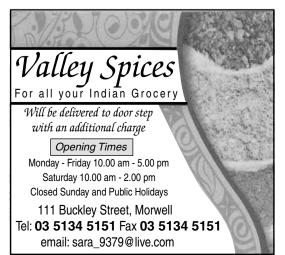
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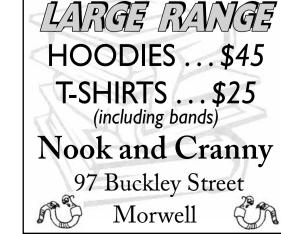
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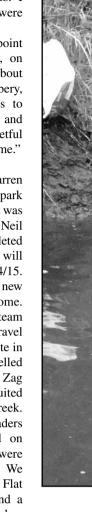
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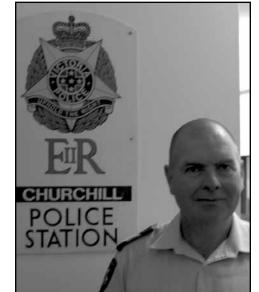
The Eyewatch Latrobe Police Service Area Facebook page has been a huge success since it started in April 2013. Since the start of 2014 the community has assisted police via the page to identify twenty five offenders for offences ranging from theft, theft of motor vehicle through to theft by finding. Police are also pleased with the way the community embraced the page during the recent mine fire, becoming a onestop shop for emergency information.

The page also provides community safety information, crime prevention information as well as the crime reports for each of the towns within Latrobe Police

Service Area. The "sister" page to the Eyewatch Latrobe page is the Crime Watch Newsletter Facebook page and this is more focused on Neighbourhood Watch and community information such as product recalls and similar.

The Eyewatch Latrobe Police Service Area page can be accessed at https://www.facebook.com/#!/eyewatchlatrobepsa?ref_type=bookmark

The Crime Watch Newsletters page can be accessed at https://www.facebook.com/latrobecrime.



Phil den Houting, Sergeant Station Commander - Churchill Police

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In regard to the theft from motor vehicles, we had NO reports for the month of May, which is a sensational result, and it is great to see that people are taking the time, and making an effort to remove valuables from their cars, and to lock them.

When people are heading away for holidays I would ask that they 'holiday proof' their residences. Have mail held or redirected, or arrange for a neighbour to collect it.

A light on a timer is also a good idea. Tell your neighbours that you are away, and ask them

to keep an eye open for people or cars that may be loitering in or around the area.

It is also a good idea to lodge an 'Absence from Residence' form at the police station.

These can be downloaded from the Victoria Police website at http://www.police.vic.gov.au/content. asp?Document_ID=9479 or by attending at the police station.

The website has quite a bit of information in regard to the safety and security of your house.

Latrobe City Council wins prestigious National Award for Local Government

At the National Awards for Local Government, Latrobe City Council won the 2014 National Award for Excellence for Local Government, presented by the Deputy Prime Minister Warren Truss. It also took out the National Award for Local Government in the Youth Employment category for the Steps to the Future Indigenous Employment Program.

Latrobe City Council's acting chief executive officer, John Mitchell, said that winning the overall award and the youth employment was testament to the collaborative approach of the program.

"The National Award for Excellence is a tremendous accolade to receive. It is an acknowledgement of the power that a partnership approach can hold. I am proud of the achievements of the staff involved in this program and their professionalism in delivering it.

This program delivers employment outcomes by using a mentoring process to foster the development of role models for youth in the community. It enables participants to choose a pathway towards a career of their choice and has proven to be a powerful tool in the increase of Indigenous employment and career development.

Latrobe City is one of Australia's major provincial centres and is home to industries and government and private organisations. Gippsland has a disproportionately high unemployment level in comparison with other municipalities across Victoria.

The region's Indigenous young people are subject to an even higher level of unemployment.

By delivering a range of initiatives the program

addresses the barriers that prevent Indigenous Australians from participating in employment, education and training. There are real employment opportunities that arise from this program and we work with some of the region's largest employers in a range of industries, such as Latrobe Regional Hospital, Transfield, GEST and Bank Mecu," Mr Mitchell said.

Latrobe City Council's coordinator employment development, Joanne Brunt, said that the success of the program depended on collaboration.

"It's important that we continue to build on our relationships with local employers and within the local indigenous community.

Success breeds success, and with our preemployment and pre-apprenticeship training we can offer local young people the real skills they need to go on to achieve employment. Not only that, but this program also prepares businesses to employ Indigenous Australians.

As part of our Indigenous Employment Program, Latrobe City Council and the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet pool resources in order to increase employment prospects for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our region, and the results of this program speak for themselves. Receiving this award is a recognition of all the people – the mentors, the employers, the training providers, the young people themselves – involved," Ms Brunt concluded.

The program is a joint initiative funded by the Australian Government Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.





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Category 1: 7 & Under Short Story and Poetry Winner Courtney Stivic

One day the bees were angry because the bunnies were picking the flowers.

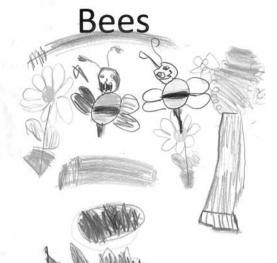
So the Bees started chasing the bunnies.

The Bees were licking the flowers and they were following the

They decided there were enough flowers for all of them and they became best friends.

They lived happily together ever after.

The Angry Bees



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Category 2: 8 – 10 Short Story and Poetry

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Australia

Australia is young, not to mention vast Striking landscapes with a fascinating past. Uluru is a large sandstone rock formation Sacred to the Aboriginal people, the Anangu nation. We have stories about serpents and other fantastic animals Kangaroos, koalas and others that are not quite mammals. The platypus has a bill and flippers of a duck But it is a mammal that lays eggs. When the Europeans came and saw the platypus They thought it had stuck on flippers and legs. The lyrebird is another living thing That is famous for the many things it can sing A bizarre land with extraordinary creatures, All of them with remarkable features. There are many more things to add to this list, but you've got the idea



Category 2: 8 – 10 Short Story and Poetry

Equal 1st Kacy Naporowski

My Damaged Name Poem

K is for Kangaroo, with protective scales. A is for Australia, that jumps everywhere. C is for Chow-chow, that is the best Country Y is for yacht, which is very fluffy. N is for night, that floats on the sea. A is for apple, with lots of stars. P is for Pomeranian, which has white flesh. O is for octopus, which is so cute. R is for rhino, which has 8 legs. O is for orange, with a horn on its head. W is for West Highland white terrier, that's very ${\sf S}$ is for St. Bernard's, short with white hair K is for K.F.C.that are big dogs I is for iguana, it is yummy

Category 9: Adult Poetry Winner Caroline Tuohey

If you want to see these things, you will have to come here!

We have a bridge at Carrathool that's worth its weight

It's now the last one of its kind and very, very old.

'Bout nineteen twenty four is when it started out its life; Now twenty fourteen is the year it's causing awful strife.

It's 'heritage' and 'listed' which now means it gets repaired. The price of all its fix-it work will have you running scared. Six million dollars is the figure of the cost so far, that's gone on paint and bubble-wrap, on silicon and tar.

And don't forget the witch's hats, the signs and all the nails, the nuts and bolts, the pylons and the lovely new steel rails.

But here's the thing that's giving everyone a lot of pain: The bridge is too darn narrow – just a dodgy single-lane.

When horse and cart and even Mister Ford's fine model T were how folk travelled to and fro, the bridge worked beautifully.

But times have changed and things got big – machines all simply grew. The bridge is just not wide enough – most farm-gear can't fit through.

The farmers and the local folks have all expressed dismay, when driving trucks and tractors to the bridge way down at Hay.

The Six Million Dollar Bridge

But all our cries have fallen on what seems to be deaf ears and maintenance is what's been done for nearly thirteen years.

We often have some traffic lights set up to make us wait, while irritation festers as we're now all running late.

Then other times, the traffic is held up by signs on sticks. We sit in disbelief and witness yet another fix.

I wait for Mister Workman's sign to turn from 'stop' to 'slow'; Across the multi-million-dollar bridge I slowly go.

The planks all shake and clatter as my car bumps through the mess; How long this madness will go on is anybody's guess.

It seems decision-makers must be proud of all the waste, as otherwise you'd think they would all try and act in haste.

A two-lane bridge for vehicles should now be their current task; Apparently a *useful* bridge is just too much to ask.

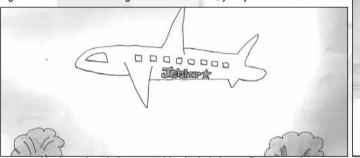
The cotton, wheat and stock that's grown by farmers either side, should cross the river on a bridge that's safe and quick and wide.

So bureaucrats in offices, don't treat us like a fool, when all we ask is for a decent bridge at Carrathool. Category 3: Children 11 – 13 Short Story

Winner Georgia Martin



I get ready to take off in the plane, how exciting! My first solo trip to New York to visit my grandparents As the plane starts to glide up, my ears pop, it takes a while for them to unpop but I don't care, I am having so much fun. Later the flight attendants start handing out drinks and food, yum yum!



I look out the window, everything is dark. I try to figure out where we are but the pilot interrupts me by making an announcement. "Everyone quickly! This is an emergency! Put on your oxygen mask NOW! I repeat everyone put on their oxygen masks immediately!"

The pilot makes another announcement "Everyone remain – (cough, cough!) calm, we will be alright" he said squealing at the top of his lungs. Suddenly I stop to think for a moment.... How can I get all of us out of here? But I have nothing! Nothing at all, not even a tiny solution.

All of a sudden the lights start to flicker on and off, which made everyone scream like mad. As the lights continued to flicker I see a green, gooey thing floating on a rock towards the plane window. I start to panic. I didn't know what it was, a green slug? No, hmmmm, what would be in space? OH NO!! It's an ALIEN! I try to tell everyone about the alien but no one believes me, they just told me to relax and remain calm. "But, but..." I said mumbling. I look through the window then "AAHHHHH!" the alien was right up close to me staring right into my eyes. "Someone help! There's... there's an alien right near me!! Ahhhhh!" Everyone turns, sees the alien and screams so loud it feels like the whole plane is about to explode into bits. Suddenly we all hear something, it sounded like a big bang. As we were all concerned about the loud noise, we didn't notice that the green light was suddenly

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A special welcome was fforded to the guest presenters

Darrell White Latrobe City Council, Tara Morley rom GDF-Suez Hazelwood, Reverend Brenda Burney from Hazelwood Rotary Club, Bob Lowick from Churchill Lions Club, Wendy Steenbergen and Pauline Prowse from Churchill Lioness Club, Peter Gray from AMPWORKS, Ian Combridge -Chairperson of the Co-Operating Churches in Churchill, Reverend Brenda Burney, priest of the

They were thanked for being part of the Presentation Night and for taking the time in their ousy schedules to attend.

Thanks were also extended to the ongoing sponsors who support Churchill and District News and its activities each year. Latrobe City Council, nternational Power. Suez Hazelwood, Rotary Club of Hazelwood, Churchill and District Lions Club, Co-Operating Churches in

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Rotary Club of Hazelwood, Ampworks, Churchill and District Lions Club, Churchill Lioness Club, Allen and Unwin Publishers, Reader's Emporium Traralgon, The Co-Operating Churches in Churchill.

Entries totalled 163 received over the 10 categories. The biggest numbers of entries came from our primary schools of Boolarra, Churchill, Lumen Christi, and Yinnar. Our local schools are wonderful supporters of the competition.

This year we introduced a new category- 'drabble'. It is a story told in 100 words. The results were well worth reading.

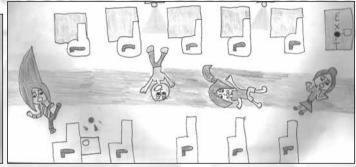
A growing number of entries come from other parts of our state and interstate who find the writing competition on our web

The prizewinners were: Category 1. 7 and Under -Courtney Stivic 'The Angry Bees' 1st , Charlotte Grant 'Fred the Dragon' 2nd, Stella 'Rachel Rabbit Voarino and her Owner' 3rd, Niamh O'Kane 'A Very Strange Night'. Encouragement, Kayla Schmidt 'Cutie Kitten and Holly' Encouragement, Lola Hughes 'A Tiger in the Forest Encouragement, Lucy Boot 'The Princess and her Knight Encouragement, Prep Reidy

Blurb:

This book is about a girl going on a plane solo to visit her grandparrents in New York, but something goes wrong. They all find themselves "STUCK IN SPACE". But an alien comes out of nowhere to help them and they are all saved.

I am literally having the most relaxing time of my life. As I take out my makeup and nail polish kit everyone suddenly starts to float. I didn't know why? I take off my seat belt to find out what is going on but then.... Aaahh! I start to float!! I was freaked out!



Everyone rushes back to their seat and quickly does as they are ordered. The pilot then yells out "WE ARE STUCK IN SPACE!" Everyone panics, they don't know what to do, but scream.

standing in front of our eyes. "What is that?" "I don't know! Actually I know what it is, it's the alien!"

"WHAT!!" Just when everyone was about to scream the alien said soothingly "I come in peace." Everyone looked around at each other confused. "There is no need to be scared" he said "I can help you."

Everyone was not sure if the alien was bad or good. I then stood up and thought for a moment, should I or shouldn't I believe the alien? I should. Then everyone started to get up nervously, staring at the alien, knowing that he was their only choice.

The alien started giving out space helmets that he had collected from astronauts who had left their old ones behind, because they had new ones for the next mission. The alien then fixed the plane, everyone was saved. "We are saved!" everyone cried out. We started getting ready for our trip to New York but before we did everyone said "thank you" to the alien that helped us. What a day!! I thought and continued painting my

'What do the lizards do at night time?' Encouragement, Prep Ellis 'Where is a good place for the Easter Bunny to hide eggs? Encouragement.

Category Children 8-10 Short Story and Poem -Cadence Ing 'Australia' Equal 1st, Kacy Naporowski 'My Damaged Name Poem Equal 1st, Tige Renwick 'Fish in a Lightbulb' 2nd, Tamsyn Walker 'Through the Drain 3rd, Stella Mason 'Smarty-pants' Encouragement, Jye Wilson Encouragement, Jem Mills 'An Amazing Present Encouragement, Dakota Wilden 'Elevator Trouble Encouragement.

Category 3 Children 11-13 Short Story - Georgia Martin 'Stuck in Space' 1st, Lewis Orr 'The Polar Bear' 2nd, Jess Hoghton 'One weird oak tree 3rd, Tamika Sorby 'An Adorable Surprise' Encouragement, Chloe McCulloch 'Garbage Can' Encouragement, Sophie Kootstra, Elly Walker 'Old Mrs Yamagoo's Revenge' Encouragement, Jessica Campbell 'The Monkey and it's Banana' Encouragement.

Category 4 Children 11-13 Poetry - Lewis Orr 'Ares' 1st, Abdus Sami 'Mirror, Mirror'

Category 5 14-18 Short

Story - Tessa Just 'A Job Well Done' 1st, Olivia Browning 'What Goes Around, Comes Around' 2nd, Tessa Just 'Princess Tess and the Perfect Story' 3rd.

Category 6- no entries

Category 7 Drabble, Pauline Cleary 'Passing By' 1st, Pauline Cleary 'Time Waits for no Woman' 2nd, Carmel Lillis 'Who did I rob? 3rd, Kevin Jackson 'Bubbles Encouragement.

Category 8 Adult Short Story - Janice Williams 'Every Good and Perfect Gift' 1st, Anne Powell 'Mrs Mac is Evacuated 2nd, Kevin Jackson Rainmaker' 3rd, Bruna Romanin 'Mother, Where are You? Encouragement, Anne Powell 'Murder at the Neighbourhood House' Encouragement.

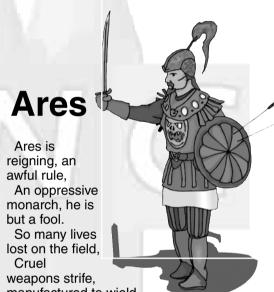
Category 9 Adult Poetry - Caroline Tuohey Six Million Dollar Bridge' Wendy Nickson Fine Obsession' 2nd, Pauline 'The Coast' 3rd Cleary Janice Williams 'Word Passion' Encouragement.

Category 10. A Story for Children, Megan Higginson 'Evelyn's Cat-astrophe' 1st, Tessa Just 'Chaos Arrives' 2nd Megan Higginson 'Raymund and the Fear Monster' 3rd, John Lawson 'The Mouse that Squeaks ' Encouragement.

Well done to all our winners.



Category 4: Children 11 – 13 Poetry Winner Lewis Orr



manufactured to wield, Lakes of blood, a fool is to yield,

He dies from the moment he lowers his shield.

For mercy is none, and revenge is sweet, In the land with the spear and the harsh cruel heat.

And the blade will plunge and the blood will As ash after ash is poured in the urn,

And every war fought by monarch and men, Only serves to make Ares smile - again.

Category 7: Drabble Winner Pauline Cleary Passing by

At dawn, a sliver of shadow snaked across the lawn outside her bedroom window. She felt detached, unafraid. Pale light seeped into her room. She waited.

By midday, the pain had ebbed, leaving her with a curious feeling of lightness. Outside her window, she watched a last golden leaf cling to a twig, suspended, trembling in the faint breeze. She

At evening, they found her. She was lying on the bed, facing the door, arms outstretched. Eyes wide, she seemed to smile, as if about to rise and usher in an important caller, someone passing by, a welcome guest.

Pooh Corner Childcare Centre



The children in Playroom 4 at Pooh Corner Childcare Centre have been learning all about Healthy Eating.

The children were very lucky to have a visit from Ashlee from the Green Olive Restaurant in Traralgon, who assisted the children in cutting up a variety of different fruits, and making a delicious fruit salad. Manny's Market in Morwell kindly donated a beautiful fresh selection of fruit which gave the children an opportunity to try fruit they have never tried before.

The children learnt about where the fruit comes from, how the fruit gets to the market, and most importantly how delicious and healthy fruit is, and the importance of a healthy diet.



Hazelwood Rotary Club



By Leo Billington Year 8/9 students

Hazelwood Rotary is keen to make contact with Year 8/9 students who are interested in attending the 2014 Science Experience at Federation University Churchill on September 29, 30 and October 1 (September school holidays) Cost per student is \$115. For further information, please contact Hazelwood Rotary Secretary, Ray Beebe on 0408 178 261

Guest speakers

Every meeting night for Hazelwood Rotary features a guest speaker or an activity associated with the values of Rotary. Members of our community are invited to show interest perhaps by attending to learn about Rotary. During June, two speakers were:

Kathryn Bordonaro provided a wonderful outline of her love for Italian cuisine, backed up by a selection of photographic images from northern Italy's world renowned food and wine regions.

Recently, Churchill student, Alicia Ewen entertained club members with her talk, My China Experience, subsequently describing her recent homestay in the City of Taizhou as part of a school exchange visit. Hazelwood Rotary has a close link with Taizhou having assisted the city's main Hospital Cancer Ward with two new beds last year. Club members have also made two visits to Taizhou since 2008.

A new Rotary year

Like all Rotary clubs throughout Australia,

Hazelwood's 2013-2014 Presidential year is drawing to a close. Our Presidential Changeover Dinner was held on Monday, July 14. The new President is long time Churchill resident Ray Beebe, who joined Hazelwood Rotary 21 years ago.

Some Rotary milestones for 2013-2014

Hazelwood Rotary is one of many clubs in District 9820, which is basically all of eastern Victoria. Using funds sourced from within the Rotary organsiation, over \$40,000 has been spent within District 9820's local communities by 23 clubs.

Funding grants were keenly sourced by clubs with projects including a food sustainability project in Tonga, water sanitation and malaria prevention nets in Timor Leste and in India, an Eye Care project. These international projects used funding grants totalling \$59,500, which is a significant achievement.

Hazelwood Rotary used a Rotary grant to develop a new rose remembrance garden at the Hazelwood Cemetery. Other funds raised by our club have been committed to a community garden development at Yinnar South Primary School, food relief within Churchill and support for a proposed Churchill Community Garden.

If interested and to learn more details about Rotary please contact Leo Billington on 0458 661 848.

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

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50th Anniversary Logo Competition decided

Thank you to those who took the time to enter the 50th Anniversary go competition.

A number of entries was received. They have been reviewed by an independent panel of judges and a final choice made. The judges'

The logo's distribution will be administered by CDCA. Groups wishing to use the logo should contact CDCA. There may be some restrictions on its use. The logo can be increased or decreased to a minimum of a 2 cm square, but it must not be distorted.

It will be available in both black and white and colour.



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Churchill Chinese Restaurant changes hands after 23 years



Maggie and Tong with their son San, have lived in Churchill for 24

San has now completed university and has a good job with Camberwell

Maggie and Tong started the Churchill Chinese Restaurant 23 years ago in the old West Place Shopping Centre. It was out the back on the corner shop looking out onto the hills. It was very popular and could seat 110 people.

When Hazelwood Village began and the old shopping centre was demolished, they moved to Hazelwood Village, situated near the stairs leading down to Philip Parade. They could serve up to 85 people.

Traditional Chinese style cooking has attracted customers who have come to the restaurant for all those years.

Now as they have worked so hard, they have decided to retire and have sold the business which will stay as a Chinese Restaurant cooking the same style of food. The couple who have bought the restaurant have a family who will help them run it.

Maggie and Tong are looking forward to a well- earned retirement. They will continue to live in Churchill as everything is so handy. They would love you to say hello when you see them. They also would love you to support the new people in the restaurant as you have supported them over the

Morwell Group RSL Presentation

On June 13, Morwell RSL Women's Auxiliary President Mary Gwynne Treasurer Julie and Bassett, presented Captain Steve Barling with a cheque for \$2035.00, raised by the ladies from a Trivia Night held on April 5, a Cent Auction held on May 24, and individual donations. This is to go towards fund raising the Local Fire Brigade Group is doing, to purchase a four wheel drive vehicle. The group includes Churchill, Yinnar, Yinnar South, Boolarra, Morwell and Hazelwood North.



Book Sale Donations

The Friends of Latrobe City Libraries are holding a Book Sale at Kernot Hall on Saturday October 11. If you have any books you would like to donate please take them to the library at the Hub. Books must be in a good condition with no missing pages or loose binding. Money raised from the sale of surplus library stock and

donations will be used to support school holiday programs and library activities. The Friends meet each month and all interested people are most welcome to come along. Next meeting will be Wednesday July 23, in the meeting room at the Traralgon Library. For further information please contact Jill Beck on 5174 1005.

Mathison Park

in the park and we are very happy

Seven wonderful volunteers turned up to the first working bee. It was good to have Neil on board for the second time. A second working bee, with ten volunteers, was held a week later with Dave and his ute back. Chris was able to fell some dead tree branches and then it was all hands to the fore to clear up. Thanks everyone for two great working bees.

Noted on a walk, were two wedge tail eagles flying overhead with two plover trying hard to send them or

their way.

A group of cattle egrets has pick up their dog's business. But many also do not take a plastic been visiting regularly. They congregate on the southern end bag to pick up their dog's poo. of the lake and then fly into the Can we encourage you to do so, paddock with the cattle. so people are not stepping in it and having to avoid it on the paths and Many people walk their dogs

boardwalks.





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Category 8: Adult Short Story

Winner Janice Williams

Every Good and Perfect Gift

It was a perfect day.

Cold wind drove sleety rain behind me as I walked up the street. (Country main streets are always like that. I think local councils pay architects to design them as wind tunnels.) Just the right day to be cuddled by the fire with a new craft project.

I was about to cross the road when I saw the girl. I couldn't believe it. She sat on the bench outside the craft shop, almost blue with the cold. Where did I know her from? The memory included a school uniform. This waif wore ripped jeans and an old T-shirt that said, 'I'm Gorgeous'. Whatever the reason she had chosen it, it was not vanity. Her hair was lank. Her colour was sickly. And her body language said, "I'm worthless."

"Steph Hawkins!"

"Hello, Mrs May," she muttered.

I had taught Steph in Craft just before I retired two years ago. She'd be about sixteen now. She was one of those sad, awkward girls who never have friends, too much of a nonentity to even be bullied. Her work was dreadful: uneven and grimy.

"Why aren't you at school?"

She hunched away. ("Teachers always want to find out about you.") "I've left."

"Be that as it may, you can't sit freezing in the street. Don't you have a home to go to?" The things you say without thinking! It's true, you never stop being a teacher.

She started crying, tears making snail tracks down her dirty face. "Mum chucked me out."

I felt dreadful. "Do you have somewhere to sleep?"

"I slept in the park rotunda last night." No wonder she looked positively hypothermic.

What was I to do? As a teacher I had listened to countless heartbroken girls. But we couldn't share a counselling session out here.

"Come into the craft shop. You'll die out here, dressed like that."

"Good," she muttered. But she came. Cate's Crafts was nearly empty. Cate herself was doing her hardanger work behind the counter.

"Hello, Angela. Miserable day, isn't it!"

"Can I use your back room, Cate?" I spend so much at Cate's that she would let me bring a swag and camp on her floor, I think. She didn't turn a hair at the chilled teenager trailing after me, except to say, "The heater's on."

I switched on the kettle. "Set your clothes to dry, Steph, and put on my coat. Now, what's up? A row with Mum?"

"I'm pregnant."

Oh!

The girl looked so unattractive; my only thought was surprise that she could raise even mild interest in a male.

"Mum said I'm a slut, and she doesn't want me around. Anyway, she's leaving to live in Melbourne with her new boyfriend."

I couldn't recall Steph's mother. Had she ever come to a Parent/Teacher meeting?



Not interested enough, I expect. This was looking like a Human Services case. But poor, troubled Steph needed a friend right now, not a faceless department.

"Do you have a father?" On the spur of the moment I couldn't think of a more tactful way to put it.

"He's an interstate truck driver. He and Mum broke up years ago, over Mum's gambling. He lives with Gran – his mother – when he's home."

Gran! That was somewhere to start.
"Does she live locally? Could you stay with
Gran for a bit, just while this gets sorted
out?"

"I suppose. I hardly ever see her. Mum hates her."

"What about your boyfriend?" (Horrible thought – had Steph been raped?)

She laughed miserably. "Ex-boyfriend. He wanted me to have an abortion. When I wouldn't, he dropped me like a brick. He's with someone else now. Said he didn't want a loser."

Oh, dear.

I opened Cate's biscuit tin. Double Choc Slices. No wonder Cate complains about her spreading hips. Steph took one. She ate half, and turned green. "Do you know where ...?"

"Through that door."

She sprinted off, and I heard distressing noises. Yuck, morning sickness, too! In five minutes she returned, clammily sweating, and huddled over the heater like a stray cat. Poor kid!

Not knowing what else to do while she was busy, I'd made peppermint tea. I slapped a mug in front of her. While she sipped, I combed her tangled hair.

I couldn't keep Steph. ("I'm thinking of adopting a pregnant teenager." Imagine my husband's expression!) We'd better work on Gran. It might be a shock for the poor lady to be lumbered with a granddaughter she rarely saw, plus potential great granddaughter. But we had to start somewhere. There was the absentee father, too. Let him come to the party for a change!

Something puzzled me. "Steph, why didn't you choose an abortion? Not that I'm advising it, mind. I'm not. But it would appear an easy way out."

She wrapped her arms around her flat belly, as if an attacker might rip it open. "It's my baby! I'm not going to let anyone kill her. It's not her fault I made a mess of things. Mum wasn't married, when I was born. And even a rotten Mum, who gambles and changes boyfriends all the time, didn't kill me. And no one's going to kill my daughter, either. I love her."

What was the origin of this fierce maternal drive? Was it the need for someone to love? A neglected child's craving for a baby doll? Or some deep, maternal thing? To defuse her crackling emotions, I commented lightly, "It might be a boy, you know. They come in that variety."

She giggled. "I know. But I can only see her as a girl."

I washed the cups, while she picked up her almost-dry clothes and began dressing. "I suppose you think I am a loser. Just another silly pregnant teenager. Drag up a child to get pregnant when she's a teenager, too." She flushed. Her brown eyes flashed a challenge, and I saw for the first time that they were beautiful.

"No!" I snapped. "I don't think you're a loser at all. I think you're a survivor." My voice rose of its own accord. "Women your age have migrated across half a world. Raised families in the deserted outback. It might not be easy, but you are not a child, to be foisted permanently on an elderly grandmother! You just need a bit of help, and you'll succeed."

What a tough way to be talking to this unfortunate girl, I told myself. It had all spilt out. I took a deep, controlled breath. "Who is your grandmother? Might I know her?" In the country, you know practically everyone.

"Her name's Elsie Strong. I've got Mum's surname. But I was thinking of ..."

Elsie Strong, from craft group?
Wonderful! Elsie was a woman of character.
I knew just what Steph was thinking of.
"Yes, Steph, you're right. Strong would
be an excellent name for you to consider
taking. Now, I've got a message to do here,
and then we'll go and shock Gran."

We went back into the craft shop. Cate smiled at Steph, as if homeless teenagers wandered in every day. "A bit warmer now?" Cate is a marvellous person – a great eye for colour and design, and discreet as well

While we were discussing my new gold thread work, Steph admired the embroidery yarns as if she were in an art gallery. "Aren't they lovely! All those colours, like a soap bubble!"

Odd, she had never shown a spark of artistic appreciation at school. An idea came to me. I spread the embroidery kits out. "I think I might buy one of these. If you were doing one for pleasure, Steph, – not to be marked in school – which would you pick?"

She had no hesitation. "That one!"

It was a very simple Christmas design, meant to be worked in stem stitch. One



angel played a trumpet, and the other a harp. Scrolling around the figures was the message, 'Every Good and Perfect Gift Is from Above'.

"Lovely," I agreed. "We'll have this, thanks, Cate. And a baby's nightie pattern, and a length of white cotton. Elsie can help Steph make it up, and embroider it." I pulled out my credit card, while Steph stood looking quite gormless. Were these pretty things really for her?

Elsie was certainly shocked – for about five seconds. Then she rushed out and snatched her granddaughter into her arms. "Stephanie, I haven't seen you for ages! I've missed you so much. Come in."

I helped Steph with the delicate job of explaining the situation. Then I slipped away, leaving Elsie making plans for the future with Steph. Elsie is a great planner. That's why her patchwork is superb.

She kept me up with things at craft group, over the next few months. Stephanie had found a job at the supermarket. She was picking up some of her schooling by distance education, and was doing rather well. Her father had changed jobs, and was home more often. She sewed quite prettily, now that she washed her hands before starting.

She was having blood pressure problems. They'd put her in hospital. "A month to go, but I'm sure she'll do well. She's so determined." (Like Gran, I thought. Where had Steph hidden that asset at school, as she drifted around in a fog of failure?)

She was in labour. It was going to come early. "That's probably for the good. The blood pressure, you know!" I did a whole lot of tapestry while I waited for news, and afterwards had to undo it all.

It was a girl. After Elsie rang, I wrapped in pink tissue paper the lacy shawl I had knitted, and hurried up to the hospital. Beside her were Elsie and a big awkward man with brown eyes. Steph's Dad, obviously.

A glowing Stephanie cradled little Angel Mae, in her angel nightie that read, 'Every Good and Perfect Gift Is from Above'.

Her brown eyes met mine, radiating fulfilled love. "Isn't she a beautiful little girl, Mrs May?"

Elsie turned to me, and twinkled. "Aren't they both beautiful girls, Angela?"

Category 5: 14 – 18 Short Story Winner Tessa Just



A Job Well Done



brown tore out from under the house and blocked his escape route.

Sam growled at Foxy and gave him a hard nip. Foxy fled in the opposite direction. Harry was waiting in his paddock. When he saw Foxy coming towards him, he got ready. As Foxy tore past, Harry gave him a mighty kick. Foxy yelped in pain and was trying to run away from this new threat when he found himself being shoved from behind. Shove. Pause. Shove. Pause. Shove.

Billy and Shawn kept on whamming Foxy with their horns. Shove. Pause. Shove. Pause. Shove. They pushed him over towards the barn and no matter how hard Foxy tried to leap away, they cornered him and continued their torture.

At the barn they paused. Foxy, thankful for this relief, was about to skedaddle when Tabby leapt off the barn window and dug her claws deep into

Again Foxy howled in pain. Crazily he headed straight towards Percy's mud wallow. He splashed straight into it and banged into a rock.

The rock rose out of the mud and turned to face Foxy. This was as much as poor Foxy could handle. He bolted straight towards the boundary fence and vaulted right over. All the animals ran after him. Betsy, Sam, Harry, Tabby, Red, Billy, Shawn, Drake and Percy. They followed Foxy all the way to his den. They stopped outside and called to him.

"Do you promise to never come to our farm again and disturb the hens?" they all asked.

Foxy lay exhausted in his only safe spot. He hurt where Sam had bitten him. He was sore where Harry had kicked him. He was bruised where Billy and Shawn had butted him and it stung badly where Tabby had dug in her claws.

"Yes," he called out. "I promise never to come onto your farm again. You've seen the last of me."

The animals, content with that turned around and headed back to the farm.

Red went back to laying eggs. Betsy went back to making milk and chewing cud, Sam to herding sheep. Billy and Shawn continued their arguing and Harry began plowing. Drake went back to swimming on the dam. Tabby went back to catching mice and sunning herself, and Percy went back to wallowing in his mud hole.

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Winner Megan Higginson



Evelyn's Cat-astrophe

Evelyn was a very imaginative little girl who loved to pretend to be different creatures. Her favourite was pretending to be a cat. Evelyn would crawl around on all fours, meow and purr. Evelyn would meow at her dad for a snack. She would purr her thanks.

She would ask her brother to throw her a toy mouse for her to play with. She would jump up onto the couch and curl up and go to sleep on her mum's lap. One day her family had had enough.

"Evelyn! Enough I am not going to throw the toy mouse for you!" said her brother. "Evelyn enoughl I am not going to give you your snack unless you ask for it properly," said

"Evelyn enough! You are not going to curl up on my lap tonight," said mum that night. Evelyn went to bed very sad. She liked pretending to be a cat. That night she dreamt of all different

animals. She dreamt of elephants that thundered over the land. She dreamt of monkeys swinging in the trees, and wart hogs rolling in the mud. She dreamt of fish swimming. She dreamt of pigs snuffling. When she woke up the next day. Evelyn decided she would not be a cat. She decided to be everything she had dreamt of.

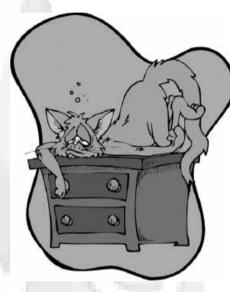
Evelyn thundered down hallway like a herd of elephants, and then she thundered up the hallway. She trumpeted like an elephant. She stomped and she stamped. The wall quaked, the floor quivered.

"Evelyn! Stop being so noisy and come and eat your breakfast!" said dad. Evelyn decided that maybe an elephant was a bit too noisy for inside.

After breakfast she went outside to play. Evelyn swung like a monkey up a tree in her backyard. She chattered like a monkey."Ooh-ooh. Eee-eee-eee."

The branches shook and shivered. Evelyn jumped up and down. Leaves drifted to the ground. And then there was an enormous crack. The branch fell to the ground. Evelyn got up and brushed herself off. Being a monkey was a little bit too dangerous she thought. Then it started to rain. It rained and rained. Puddles formed in the yard, they grew bigger and bigger. Evelyn did not go inside to get out of the rain she was a warthog. She crawled into a puddle. She splished and sploshed. She rolled and she rolled. She got nice and muddy.

"Evelyn!" cried mum. "What are you doing?" "I'm a warthog." Evelyn said as her mum scooped her up and



took her inside for a warm bath.

Sitting in a lovely warm, bubble bath felt very nice and then Evelyn decided that she was a fish. She splashed and she sploshed. Water went everywhere. It splashed up the walls. It splashed on the floor. Bubbles flew into the air.

"Evelyn!" cried mum, "what are you doing?" I'm a fish," Evelyn said as her mum lifted her out of the bath.

"Oh Evelyn! What am I going to do with you?" mum said as she dried her off. Mum helped her get dressed, gave her some lunch and put her to bed for an afternoon nap.

Evelyn curled up in her bed and went to sleep. That night at dinner Evelyn decided that she was a pig. She did not use her fork and knife. She stuck her face into her plate of spaghetti bolognaise. She snorted and snuffled. She chopped and chuffled. Spaghetti flew into the air.

"Oh Evelyn!" wailed her mum. "What are you now?" Evelyn lifted her face from her plate. Bolognaise sauce dripped off her face. "I'm a pig. Snort! Snort!"

- "Enough!" said mum.
- "Enough" said dad.
- "Enough!" said her brother
- "Bring back the cat" they chorused
 - "Really?" said Evelyn

"A cat is quiet and does not thunder down the hall. A cat meows and does not get water everywhere," said mum.

"A cat does not snort like a pig or get muddy." said dad. "A cat is fun to play with." said her brother.

"A cat is clean and does not get spaghetti everywhere." Her mother said laughing as she wiped Evelyn's face and picked spaghetti out of her hair.

"Meeeeeooooow!" Meowed Evelyn happily.



Far away in a land that was beautiful, there was a farm. And the farm was full of animals.

There was Red, the hen who laid eggs. Betsy, the cow who made milk and chewed cud. Sam, the kelpie who herded sheep. Billy, the goat and Shawn, the sheep who always argued with each other. Harry, the horse who plowed the field. Drake, the duck who swam on the dam. Tabby, the pussy cat who caught mice and sunned herself and Percy, the pig who wallowed in his mud hole.

Everything was perfect. Everyone one got along fine with everyone else, except perhaps Billy and Shawn. But one week everything changed.

"Oh my goodness! Oh dear me! Oh me! Oh my!" Betsy looked up as Red the hen came to a screeching halt in front of her. Feathers flew everywhere.

"What's happened?" asked Betsy, slowly chewing her cud.

"IT has," exclaimed Red, almost falling over in

What's IT?" inquired Percy who had been lying in the mud quite contentedly until Red had started squawking.

"Foxy has just attacked the hen house again," wept Red. "He got someone. I think it was Henny, or maybe Penny. I'm not sure, but that's the third time this week."

The farm animals looked at each other. This was not good news.

"We have got to teach that varmint a lesson," "But how?" asked Tabby who was sunning

herself on the fence post. "We'll have to trick him and then we'll make

him promise never to come here again," bleated Billy.

"And what if Foxy just ignores you and tries to fight his way out?" asked Shawn, who believed that everything that Billy said was silly. "I'll stomp on his tail," boasted Harry. He

proudly tossed his head and stamped a hoof. "Hey! Watch out!" exclaimed Drake with an

"I'll bite him really hard with my sharp teeth,"

said Sam excitedly. "I'll give him a hard shove with my horns,"

added Billy. "I'll drop on him from out of no-where," purred Tabby.

"And I'll run straight over him," snorted Percy. For the rest of the day the animals discussed their plans. Shawn and Billy kept arguing, but thankfully by nightfall the animals were ready. The first glow of morning eventually came and with it came Foxy. He crouched low at the edge of the farm yard and looked at the hen house.

'Ha,' he thought. 'There is one right out there

Foxy was so intent on Red that he wasn't as watchful or careful as normal.

Just as he was about to pounce, a flash of



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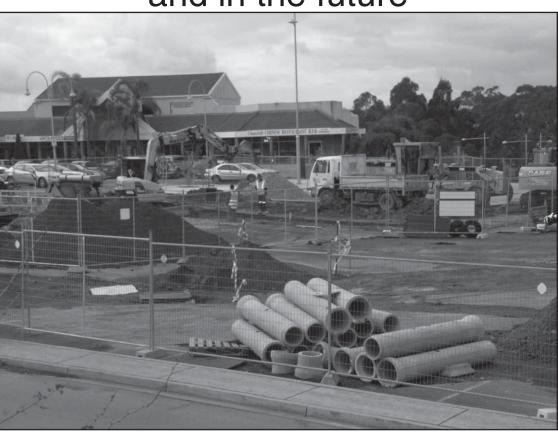
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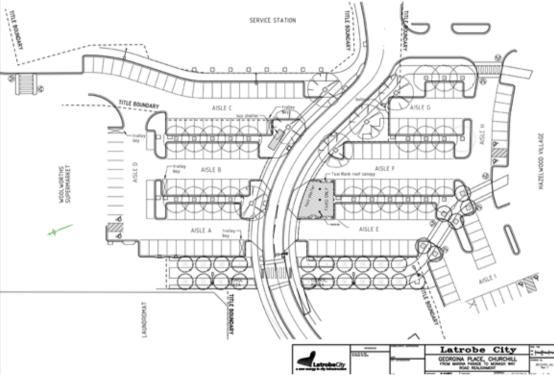
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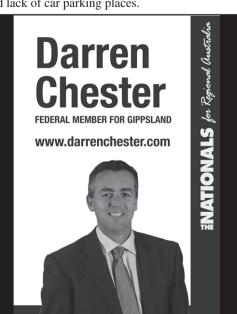


Looking at the photo of present works it seems hard to envisage the completed project as shown in the diagram. But that is what shoppers in Churchill can expect

It will be wonderful to have the area free of construction vehicles, workmen (no women were observed, but may have been present), safety fencing, stacks of pipes, and holes and unfinished sections.

Businesses have complained of lesser numbers of customers.

Customers have complained about the mud, changed parking arrangements each time they visit and lack of car parking places.



But it seems this chaos will be completed into the diagram plan in a matter of weeks.

This project has taken a massive amount of planning and consultation with lawyers for varying partners to the complex.

It is easier to start from scratch than try to do what is being done at present.

Even now adjustments are being made to fit in with other users following consultation.

So, with the promise of better things to come, hang in there shoppers and business owners, and wait expectantly for the finished product.

Comparing the 2009 plan with the current plan there are quite a few modifications from the 2009 image:

The pedestrian concourse between the centres has

been upgraded, replacing an "Alfresco dining area" near the Chinese restaurant.

The format of the parking near Hazelwood Village has been changed.

The entrance to one traffic aisle from Georgina Place has been removed for safety reasons.

Extra car parking places have been included to the south-east of the service station.

The potential "New Mixed Use Building" would now be smaller, because of the need to construct the turning area for the Ritchies loading bay (this has always been a longer-term concept)

The taxi rank has been added.

The bus shelter will probably now be shifted to near the current bus stops.

In addition, the plan for the square in front of and to the north of the town hall now looks a bit different to the original concept.

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Vale Kevin Beer 18/4/1943- 30/5/2014.

Kevin John Beer was born in Yarraville

His parents Eric and Elizabeth Beer were living in Essendon.

Kevin started school when he was five years old, attending St. Mary's Catholic Primary School in Ararat, followed by attendance at Marion College where he completed his secondary education.

Kevin's first job was as a wine bottler at a local supermarket. Then he joined the Victorian Railways as a guardsman riding in the guard's van.

It was while attending a mate's wedding in Ararat that he was introduced to Lynette Woodhouse, a friend of the bride's. It seems that from friendship grew a lasting relationship. Kevin and Lynette were married on May 15, 1964 at St Theresa's Catholic Church in Essendon.

After the honeymoon they settled in Moonee Ponds, where their first child Deborah was born.

In 1965, Kevin transferred to Traralgon and brought his family to live in Queen's Parade, followed by Foxlease Avenue in Traralgon.

In 1967 a further move was made to Hyland Street Morwell. Here Lyn produced child number two - a boy they called Peter, in 1971.

October 7, 1970, Kevin joined the Jeeralang Junction Fire Brigade, and was elected Assistant Secretary on September 15, 1971.

Late in 1967, Kevin resigned from the Railways and successfully took up his new position in the Morwell Coal Mine as a dredger driver.

Churchill welcomed the small family to 64 McDonald Way where they put down

roots. Another move, another baby. This time Mark was born. In 1975, Kevin was elected Captain of the fire brigade.

He was an innovative and instrumental member, and his ideas were implemented when the brigade formed the Fire Prevention Competition Committee.

Kevin was in charge of the brigade tanker at the Morwell Open Cut fire on November 4, 1977. Churchill was one of the first of 68 tankers which attended the fire and helped save No 19 Dredger from further fire damage. Local knowledge was a big advantage with Kevin being a dredger driver in the mine at the time.

Kevin was leader of the brigade team that won the "Discipline Shield" at the Region 10 Rural Fire Brigade Demonstration held at Rosedale on March 27, 1977.

Kevin was again part of the brigade team that won the "4 Man Truck Event and Discipline Shield" at the Region 10 Rural Fire Brigade Demonstration held at Rosedale on March 19, 1978.

As part of the six man team, Kevin attended the CFA State Rural Fire Brigades Demonstration held at Wangaratta on April 1, 1978. Five team members flew up by light aircraft from Latrobe Valley Airport and one drove up with all the gear. Churchill team was unplaced, but tried hard.

Kevin was instrumental in the brigade having a Fireman's Dinner and Presentation Night with the first one being held at the Churchill Hotel "Fishermans Bar" on May 5, 1978.

Kevin presented the first "Captains Trophy" which is a tradition continued to this day.

Kevin resigned as Captain from the Churchill/Jeeralang Fire Brigade on May 30, 1978.

He was elected 1st Deputy Group Officer of the Morwell Group on September 14, 1976 for the next 2 years.

Kevin resigned as 1st Deputy Group Officer on July 26, 1978.

He had left his mark as an organiser, leader and team member who always gave his best.

Kevin really enjoyed his work at the coal mine, working his way up to shift supervisor in 1994. He saw 30 years service, receiving the customary gold watch on retirement due to ill

Vale Kevin Beer

health, despite it being a few months before being eligible. Kevin was honoured by the company for his loyalty and good service.

Reg McCready shared his memories of Kevin as a member of the Victorian Smallbore Rifle Association.

Kevin Beer joined the Ararat Smallbore Rifle Club as a teenager. He was very keen. Kevin joined Hazelwood Club entering competitions in the Victorian Smallbore Rifle Association.

Kevin also participated in the administration of the sport. In the nineties he was elected to the State Council and served on that body for a number of years in various roles. He also took on the officiating side of the sport, qualifying as a Range Officer. In this capacity Kevin worked at a number of State Championships and a couple of National Championships as both a scorer and Range Officer.

Kevin's major impact on the sport arose from his time spent as Indoor Convenor responsible for state teams in various postal competitions, both National and International. The Association always entered a team from Melbourne in the Commonwealth Cities Match run by the Smallbore Association of Great Britain. This match required 30 shooters from

Melbourne clubs to shoot a ten shot card. For some reason Melbourne was beginning to have trouble getting 30 people to shoot and it became a struggle, and as a consequence Melbourne was not competitive. Kevin suggested at a Council meeting that TRV should write to the association in England suggesting that the team be reduced to 15 members each shooting two 10 shot cards. Council agreed and the suggestion was sent to England and it was adopted for a similar reason being experienced in Britain.

Kevin was appointed as State Team Captain for at least one National Championship. The time they went to Perth

was very memorable. Due to Lynn finding the accommodation, almost all Victorians were staying at a facility built for one of the America's Cup challengers in 1987. It had a kitchen and dining area as well as a lounge area. Instead of dining out each night people took it in turn to cook dinner for everyone. As part of the evening Kevin would go through the individual and team results each day offering congratulations etc.

As Kevin aged he transitioned to benchrest shooting. In this discipline, you are allowed to use a telescopic sight on your rifle, put the rifle on a rest and sit down to shoot it. So Kevin got a new lease of life to his shooting career. He and Lynn started travelling around Victoria and interstate to these types of competitions.

Failing health caused Kevin to retire from shooting. He was not an outstanding shot but a very good clubman. He had his wins. He was willing to help others and he put something back to the sport in the time that he spent on Council and the various roles he took on as a member of Council.

During his retirement years Kevin and Lynn travelled often, until recently due to ill health.

June 2013 revealed, through medical tests, that Kevin had oesophagus and gastric cancer. After a holiday with the



Above and Below: Kevin in the fire brigade



grandchildren Kevin began chemotherapy. Kevin gave it his best shot. He made one last trip with the family which he loved. He was happy and in fine spirits.

However, his health deteriorated and he sadly passed away at 12.30am on May 30. After an eleven month battle he was finally pain free and at peace.

His family wish to extend their thanks to all those who cared for Kevin in Latrobe Regional

Hospital and the Palliative Care people for their wonderful care, understanding, warmth and genuine concern for Kevin and the family.

Kevin leaves behind his caring wife Lynn, children Debbie and husband Bayne, son Peter and his wife Melinda and youngest son Mark and his wife Jodie and their nine grandchildren.

Kevin's life may have been cut short but he put a lot of life into the years he lived. Rest in peace.



Above: Debbie, Mark, Lynn, Kevin, Peter.

Hazelwood naming controversy

From 'Streets and Place Names of Churchill' 2010

by Rob De Souza Daw

The naming of Churchill's streets and places has generally been a simple administrative process with the lack of public consultation. Naming decisions have not created much interest or controversy in the community. This is in contrast to the naming of the town of Churchill.

The decision had been made by the Victorian government to locate the new power generation town in Hazelwood. The Hazelwood Joint Planning Committee presented its considerations in the Hazelwood Joint Planning Scheme 1963.

The Housing Commission of Victoria wrote to the Shire of Morwell requesting the Council to recommend a name for the new town. Council unanimously resolved to recommend the town be named Hazelwood as Hazelwood was the name of the surrounding district. The press and the initial marketing by the Housing Commission of Victoria promoted the planned town as Hazelwood.

On 24 January 1965, Winston Churchill, the British wartime Prime Minister died. Lindsay Thompson, Minister for Housing suggested to local parliamentarians and to Les Hare, President of the Shire of Morwell the town should be named Churchill to honour Churchill's leadership of Great Britain during World War II. On 8 February 1965 cabinet unanimously agreed to Lindsay Thompson's recommendation and later that day, a joint public announcement was issued by Les Hare and Lindsay Thompson stating that the new town would be known as Churchill. Lindsay Thompson stated, It would prove a fitting town to bear the name of a man whose leadership, courage and oratory lifted the free world from the depth's of despair to the heights of victory. On 15 March 1965 the name Churchill was proclaimed by Reg Lord, Secretary of the Shire of Morwell.

Since the pastoral era, the general district had been known as Hazelwood. The name was derived from Lavinia Zenobia Ann Hasell Bennett who was known as Hazel Bennett. She was the first woman of European descent to settle in the district and was the wife of William Bennett and sister of Albert Eugene Brodribb, the initial joint lessees of the Hazlewood Pastoral Run. She lived at Hazelwood from October 1844 to around 1855 when the Bennett family moved to Brighton. Later the Bennetts moved to Yandembah Station near Hillston, New South Wales and around 1877 moved to Kyneton, Victoria.

The Hazelwood Citizens Committee was formed to restore

the name Hazelwood and on the 15 March 1965, a public meeting chaired by local resident Tom Lawless was held at the Hazelwood South Hall. On 17 March 1965 the Committee presented a petition containing over 1,100 signatures to Council of the Shire of Morwell. In seeking to restore the name Hazelwood, the Committee and its supporters were pro-Hazelwood and not against Churchill. Their main argument for the restoration of the name Hazelwood was on historic grounds. Hazelwood had pre-dated the naming of Morwell. The Committee submitted Hazelwood should be restored for the name of the town and the planned town square should be named Churchill Square.

On 1 April 1965, Council considered the petition. The Shire of Morwell narrowly voted to retain the name Churchill. The over-whelming response by the local community was to favour the name Hazelwood for the new town. Many of those who wrote letters to the authorities and to the press criticising the name change were descendants of pioneers of the Hazelwood district. The Morwell RSL Sub-Branch publicly supported the new town being named Churchill.

On 21 April 1965 the Shire of Morwell resolved to name the ornamental lake in Churchill, Lake Hyland after Sir Herbert Hyland, the member for Gippsland

South. He was a strong advocate for the name Hazelwood. On 16 June 1965 at Bert Hyland's suggestion, the Shire of Morwell accepted a proposal that he forgo the name Lake Hyland for Lake Churchill providing the town be named Hazelwood. This proposal was acceptable to the Hazelwood Citizens Committee but not by the Minister for Housing. Lindsay Thompson stated the lake would be small and insignificant and would not be a fitting memorial to Sir Winston Churchill. The Minister submitted the name Hazelwood would be retained for the Hazelwood Power Station, the Parish of Hazelwood and the district would

> continue to be known as Hazelwood.

> On 15 December 1 9 6 5 Council of Shire of Morwell voted 7 to 4 to restore

the name Hazelwood and requested the State government to reverse its decision. Lindsay Thompson, Minister for Housing was not persuaded. He gave three reasons for naming the town Churchill. First, no other town existed by that name, second the planning of the town indicated it would be fitting to bear the name and third, to perpetuate the name of Winston Churchill whose strong leadership and oratory were major factors in bringing victory to the forces of freedom.

Lindsay Thompson wrote (to the author, 17 August 2005) that "I

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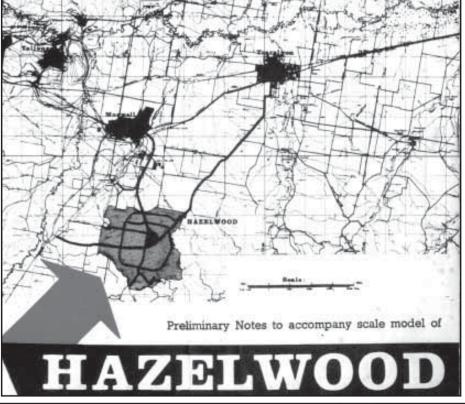
> was not prepared to change my decision on the grounds that Winston Churchill had made such a magnificent and courageous contribution towards retaining our free way of life."

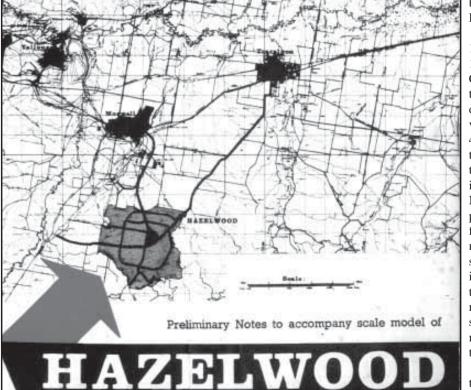
> On 5 May 1966 Council of the Shire of Morwell decided the name Hazelwood should be restored and requested Jim Balfour, Minister for Lands to refer the matter to the Victorian Place Names Committee. On 23 June 1966 a deputation from the Hazelwood Citizens Committee met with the Victorian Place Names Committee. This Committee then requested the Shire of Morwell to seek submissions from other interested organisations. After considering the evidence of the Hazelwood Citizens Committee, Shire of Morwell and from community organisations, the Victorian Place Names Committee concluded its deliberations in favour of Hazelwood. The Committee referred its finding and sought directions from the Minister of Lands. The State government was not prepared to reverse its decision.

In October 1987 the name for the town re-emerged as a community issue. Morwell Shire President Gloria Auchterlonie, considered that public comment should be sought and a public meeting held. As a result of the public meeting at the Churchill Hall, it was resolved to conduct an independent survey of ratepayers and young people in the Parish of Hazelwood (which included Churchill). Letters were again written to the press and flyers placed in letter-boxes. There were 3104 responses to the survey which very marginally favoured the name Churchill. As the result of the survey was not decisive, on 6 June 1988, Council of the Shire of Morwell voted unanimously to retain the name Churchill, thus bringing the controversy

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Volunteers looking out for young people

place you would expect to find a community volunteer. However, when a young person is arrested and interviewed by police, they can count on the support of an Independent

The Youth Referral Independent Person Program (YRIPP) is a unique initiative that supports young people in police interviews in Victoria. The program

is a State Government funded initiative of the Centre for Multicultural Youth and the Youth Affairs Council of Victoria, delivered in partnership with Community Legal Centres, Uniting Care and Victoria Police.

As part of the program YRIPP recruits, trains and supports volunteers to be Independent Persons (IPs). YRIPP volunteers help to divert young people, including Aboriginal and newly arrived migrant and refugee young people, from the criminal justice system by referring them to local support services. YRIPP volunteers help some of Victoria's most vulnerable young people at a critical time, when a parent or guardian is

In addition YRIPP provides resources for police and parents, and facilitates access to a free 24-hour legal advice line run by Victoria Legal Aid, for young people in police custody.

YRIPP services 130 police stations throughout Victoria and currently has 400+ active volunteers that support over 3000



young people in police custody each year.

"YRIPP volunteers are fully trained and receive ongoing support to help young people at a really scary time. We are looking for committed individuals who want to make a difference," YRIPP Manager Sarah Nicholson said.

YRIPP is currently seeking volunteers to train as IPs. IPs are independent of police and the justice system and are trained in police and legal processes and working with young people. As well as sitting in on police interviews with young people under 18 years, volunteers link young people into support services to reduce their chances of reoffending.

We're currently in need of volunteers to serve as IPs in the Churchill and wider Gippsland area. We have a few volunteers in your area who are happy to talk to you about their volunteering experiences with YRIPP.

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Community access gallery to host local exhibition

Joyce and Cheri - Painting with Light

Drawing on ideas of future cinema to illuminate the narrative of the present, Joyce Nowrungsah and Cheri O'Donnell use video, text and photography to explore ideas of shared space, motion and perception.

Latrobe Regional Gallery's acting curator, Shelley McDermott, said that *Painting with Light* is a product of many chance encounters and numerous layers of video and photographic stills taken inside and outside

"The artists have used digital media to construct a sense of nostalgia by layering and saturating each frame with the imagery and story of the community

of Morwell. They have tried to transform a space into a place by interviewing people to share their experiences of the Latrobe Regional Gallery and of the town of Morwell itself.

This fascinating exhibition will resonate with the local community," Ms McDermott said.

Painting with Light can be seen at the Community Access Gallery from July 19 to August 17. An official opening will take place on Friday August 8, from 6pm to 8pm. Please RSVP by Wednesday August 6 to Latrobe Regional Gallery on (03) 5128 5700 or lrg@ latrobe.vic.gov.au.

Plenty more fish in the lake for Morwell and Churchill

new hobby with about 30,000 catchable size rainbow trout stocked into inland waters across the state.

Member for Morwell, Russell Northe said more than 60 'Family Fishing Lakes' had shared in stockings of trout, including 750 rainbow trout to be released in both Kernot Lake, Morwell and Lake Hyland, Churchill.

"The Victorian Government recognises the social and economic contribution recreational fishing makes to our state and we want to encourage more families and children to get involved in this healthy outdoor pastime," Mr Northe said.

"Gippsland has some fantastic fishing spots on offer and school holidays are a great time for people to get outside and enjoy them.

Rainbow trout are a good option for children or those people new to fishing, because they are relatively easy to catch and take a variety of baits and lures.

The rainbow trout stocked by Fisheries Victoria are of catchable size so those heading out for a fish will have a better chance of landing their first catch."

Mr Northe said the stockings of rainbow trout had been funded by proceeds from fishing licence fees and

Beginner anglers and their families can catch a the Victorian Government's \$16 million Recreational Fishing Initiative.

> "The Initiative is improving fishing opportunities across the state, including projects to stock more fish, improve access and facilities, upgrade boating facilities, install fish cleaning tables, improve fish passage, undertake more research and strengthen fisheries enforcement and education," Mr Northe said.

> "By improving fishing opportunities and education across the state, the Government is helping rural and regional communities to thrive. Recreational fishing makes a significant contribution to local communities and their economies by supporting hotels, petrol stations, supermarkets, and bait and tackle stores."

> Anglers are reminded that a daily bag limit of five trout applies in Family Fishing Lakes, of which only two trout can exceed 35 centimetres. At this time of year, trout cannot be taken from rivers.

For more information about catch limits refer to the Victorian Recreational Fishing Guide, available free from most good fishing tackle shops, online or by downloading the free 'Vic Fishing' smartphone app.

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Churchill Primary School

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Maths Day Maths from a story

Once upon a time, on the first Friday in June, Churchill Primary School had the usual turn up of mathematicians..... And while some of them came in their best 'maths nerd' outfit, many decided to up the mathematical fashion with clever calculator costumes, novelty clocks or a shirt that completely 'summed' up the situation!

Children collaborated in multi-age groups to explore a range of mathematical problems discovered in picture story books. The vibe was mathematical thinking. How do we measure the correct proportions to make the best lemonade? What type of owl could we be if our arm-span was 120cm? Do all packets of M&Ms have the same number and fraction of each colour? How can we arrange a number of ants so that they march in rows of the same number? Did you ever wonder how old your teachers were and how you would sort them into order? Now that last one prompted some serious thinking!

With a mix of mathematical thinking and talking, many solutions were found. Some are still to be worked on. The sharing of strategies and the maths talk could be heard from one end of the school to the other.

The power of story-telling for teaching maths was the key to the day. Art Update

Throughout Term 2 in art, 5/6 Mahoney and 5/ 6 Woodman worked cooperatively on the piece, "Old McDonald's Farm," for the 2014 Gippsland Creative Waste Exhibition. (Some one's trash is another person's treasure!) It is amazing how good old coke bottles and boxes look when fashioned into art work. Churchill

Primary School was awarded first prize and

we received a cheque for \$150.00. Well done to all those students who participated in this community event. The event was held at ARC in Yinnar. Thanks to Mrs Jordan for encouraging the students to become involved.

Our students are also busy making some art work for the Churchill 50 year anniversary next year. They have been on walks around Churchill to get ideas for their art work and it will be interesting to see the finished products later this year.

Netball: On June 6, eight Grade 5 and 6 students represented the school at the Bessie Frood Netball Tournament in Morwell. The students in the mixed netball team were Mason Porykali, Mitchell Bruerton, Eliza Bruerton, Courtney Henshaw, Anthony Stone, Chloe Huizer, Emily Griffiths and Reese Adams. The team played eight games of netball and lost only one game. They played in the semi-final and were beaten by a team they had beaten earlier in the day. The students were very happy with their effort and were proud to have got that far in the tournament. The weather was cloudy but dry, fortunately.

Conversely, the next week on a cold and very wet day, the girls' netball team played at Yinnar. They were placed third overall.

The boys played football on the same day and they were placed second on the day.

Pyjama Day.

The Junior School Council arranged a pyjama day on June 17. They raised money for the Children's ward at Latrobe Regional Hospital. It was an exciting day and the students loved wearing their slippers and PJs to school. They raised \$160 on the day and are looking forward to participating in a leadership conference online.

Life Education Van

We had a visit from Harold over three days. The grades all had time with Jan and Harold learning about healthy living and keeping themselves fit. Going into the van is a fun way to learn about serious subjects and is always remembered by the students.

Churchill & District News Writing Competition

Several of our students were winners in the writing competition. Congratulations to

Courtney Stivic - The Angry Bees Stella Voarino - Rachel Rabbit and her

Kayla Schmidt - Cutie Kitten and Holly Lola Hughes - A Tiger in the Forest Lucy Booth - The Princess and the Knight Dakota Wilden - Elevator Trouble

Jessica Campbell - The Monkey and Its

Prep Ellis and Prep Reidy entered class books in the Competition.

These class books were very cute. Mrs Reidy's grade wrote and drew about "What the Lizards do at Night". According to some children, the lizards (school pets) go adventuring around the school, they watch TV, they find pretty things and they stay awake all night. Miss Ellis' Prep Grade wrote and drew about "Where is a good place for the Easter Bunny to Hide Eggs?" The Preps have it all sorted – they are under hay bales, inside balls of wool, in a tent, in a cupboard, under tables and in a swimming pool.

Thank you to the Churchill & District News and the sponsors who give our students the opportunity to write for a purpose. Wombat Stew

The Preps had a lovely day at the show

"Wombat Stew". They travelled to Sale to see the live show. They had lunch at the Botanical Gardens and spent time looking at the boats at the Port of Sale.

Grade 5/6 Movie Night

Technology plays a significant role in our students' lives and will be even more important as they get older. To develop an understanding of the nature and effects of cyber bullying, we had a movie called "Cyberbully" for parents, carers and students on Tuesday, June 17. The movie outlined the nature of online communication including anonymity, legal loopholes that allow cyber bullying, digital relationships and the emotional effects when things go wrong. Despite the mature and serious messages in the movie, there was a very positive vibe about the event.

Some programs run at Churchill Primary School.

Play group

Churchill Primary School Playgroup is held on Friday mornings from 9:00 – 11:00 in the General Purpose Room.

Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club is run every morning. From 8:15a.m, the students can come to the canteen area for cereal, toast, a Milo or juice. It is a good start to the day with some of the students just catching up with each other over a Milo. Breakfast Club is open to all students. We rely on volunteers to help staff the "Breaky Club." Some of our community volunteers have been with us from the start about eight years ago. We thank all the volunteers, without whom "Breaky Club" would be much harder to run. We welcome new volunteers. Our Primary Welfare Officer, Jo Whitelaw, coordinates "Breaky Club".





Grade 1's in their PJs



The Mixed Netball Team



Preps in the gardens at Sale

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Boolarra Primary School

Yinnar and District Schools Football / Netball Competition

The conditions were wet and miserable, and our teams faced some really tough competition, but this didn't dim their enthusiasm. We didn't have any victories, with a draw against Hazelwood North in football our best result. Despite this, everyone said they enjoyed the experience, which shows a wonderful attitude and resilience. We know that winning is sensational but the true test of character is how we cope with the setbacks that inevitably occur throughout life.

Free Chinese Language Resources

We have DVDs, CDs, dictionaries and workbooks that are more suited to adults learning Mandarin than our students. If anyone would like any of these resources please contact the school on 5169 6471.

Spelling Competition

During the last weeks of term 2, we staged "Spell Offs" at our whole school assemblies. We devote a lot of time to providing sporting challenges for our students and felt it would be good to challenge and celebrate their success in another area of the curriculum.

Our first competitors were Grade 6s: Rivan, Grace, Jemma and James P, and Grade 5 students Mirabel, Caitlyn G and Sasha. They all did a brilliant job, stepping up and being our 'guinea pigs'. Congratulations to Jemma and Sasha who narrowly won in their respective grade levels. The Grade 4 competitors were Madison J, Declan and Eve. The Grade 3 competitors were Quin A, Paige, Maddison S and Samantha. In their first

round, Eve and Quin took the honours. The competition will continue next term with our Grade 2 competitors Charlotte G, Tahlee, Ethan A and Niamh testing their spelling skills. The Grade 1 participants (if they feel up to it on the day) will be Chloe, Sophie A and Indily. Bella will be the back-up Grade 1 participant. The Preps aren't yet ready for the pressure of tackling such a competition in front of everyone at assembly. However they are doing very well learning to spell their own bank of required words and common usage words. They are also speaking up confidently at Assembly during the regular Birthday chats, which is very impressive!

We hope to host an Inter-school Spelling Competition for our best spellers and those from other schools in our cluster later next term.

 $Fund raising\ for\ Local\ Wild-life\ Warrior$

Our Junior School Council has been selling milo and raisin toast to raise money for Jean Quick, a local Boolarra resident who works tirelessly to save injured or rescued animals. On Monday June 23, Jean visited the school along with some of her helpers and patients. The students enjoyed meeting several wombats, including baby Tammy and a rescued baby wallaby. An out of uniform day, themed "Opposites" also provided an opportunity for our students to make donations to this worthwhile cause.

Mid-Year Reports

Every student at our school has grounds to celebrate as their mid-year reports indicate they are all making some pleasing progress. Fortunately they also have some areas to work as otherwise we'd be wasting their time at school! The mid-year reports highlight something that we are very aware of - we have some exceptionally talented students at our school. However, we also have students who require extra support in some areas to achieve to their capacity. One of the strengths of our school is that we work hard to meet the individual needs of all our students.

Explanatory Information provided by Ms Cheryl Hilton: The piece of non-fiction writing below was produced from the Historical Site research project the Grade 2 s (and some of the Grade 1 s) completed recently. Once their initial information was gathered the students had to rewrite their data in a format that was to be recorded. This then became part of our interactive white-board presentation to be shown to the other grades early next term. The really hard part was taking the bald facts and weaving them into a coherent, oral presentation the prospective audience would understand. Indily did this by herself:

The Boolarra Post Office, By Indily Francis, Grade 1

The old Post Office was on the corner of Duke and Christian Streets in Boolarra. Mail from there was delivered to Gunyah, Boolarra South and Budgeree.

The mail from Melbourne and Morwell was collected and sorted every day at 1:00p.m.

The Post Office was built in 1907. It got burnt down in 1909.

A new one has been built in Tarwin Street but you have to go in and collect your own mail now.



Boolarra Football and Netball Players



Jemma, Tyson and Dublin with baby wombat, Tammy



Grades 4, 5, and 6 on Opposites Day

Kurnai College Junior Campus

Year 7s Castaways

The Year 7 students have culminated their term two learning with an integrated project "The Castaways". Integrated projects are so-called because they integrate many traditional subject areas into the one project. In this way, artificial barriers between subjects are broken down and students can see the interconnectedness of their learning and apply it in a new way. "Castaways" is based on a deserted island in Southeast Asia. Students first create their own island by constructing it using layers of contours. They complete it following a maths skills task locating many of the features using a grid map. The students use mapping skills learned in Humanities to locate and mark its location. They investigate an endangered animal from the region and look at its features, classification and the habitat in which it lives.

School Plays

All year levels have performed their school plays, which included two original plays and an adaptation of "Juno". While it was anticipated that they would be successful given the effort put in by all members, it was wonderful to see the results of the hard work. The two original plays demonstrated a high level of creativity from the students. They touched on contemporary youth issues such as bullying and cliques, and

served to give students a voice on these important problems. Excellent performances were across the board in "Juno"; there is certainly a lot of talent which we will look forward to seeing develop in the future.

Excelling in Science

Beginning in term three, two of our Year 10 students will visit John Monash Science School (JMSS) for a three-week block to attend classes with JMSS students, visit Monash University for science workshops, and experience Melbourne. Rachael MacKenzie and Matthew Devonshire, both with a passion for science, were fortunate to be accepted into the program. This is the first year that any student east of Melbourne has taken part. Both Rachael and Matthew had to demonstrate their talent and interest in science, which had then to be supported by their teacher.

During the stay, both students will have the opportunity to pursue studies in Emerging Sciences. Rachael will have the opportunity to explore studies in Biomedical Science including stem-cell technology, while Matthew will study Nanoscience and Nanotechnology. During their three-week block, both students will stay in home-stay with a "buddy".

Following the three week stay, Rachael and Matthew will continue to work on their projects and then return to JMSS

to present their Emerging Science projects to peers, parents, teachers and academics at the annual Science Fair.

Chinese Culture Day

On Wednesday June 11, about 100 students from Yinnar and Yinnar South primary schools had a fun day at Churchill campus. During the day, students experienced the different aspects of Chinese culture such as writing Chinese calligraphy, using chopsticks, singing Chinese songs, Chinese fan dancing and using paper plates to make pandas. One of the highlights of the day was the Chinese lunch. For lots of prep students, this was the first time they ate Chinese food and everyone enjoyed it. Kurnai Year 8 and 9 students who are studying Chinese took up the leadership role and ran various activities for the primary students.

The level of maturity and their hard work definitely impressed the guests and the day wouldn't have been as successful without them. As part of the Mandarin program, a few of the Kurnai cluster primary schools are offering Chinese to students and there will be more schools coming on board later on. This will have a huge impact when students come to Kurnai.





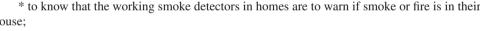
Preschools

Hub Preschool

In June the children had an important and memorable visit to the Fire Station in Churchill. As part of the Winter program, the CFA educates the children about the need to be safe near heaters and what to do if there is a fire emergency. The children were shown the special fire resistant outfits the fire fighters need to wear when fighting a fire. Being allowed to help hold the large fire hose as the jet of water was aimed at the practice site, was just as exciting as seeing the Big Red Fire Engine.

*The children were shown how to STOP, DROP and ROLL if their clothes catch on fire.

* The CFA also encouraged the children to learn their full name, address and phone number, and to remember 000 is the number to call in an emergency;



* to remember once evacuating the house to meet with other family members at their letter box

This exciting visit was thoroughly enjoyed by the children, teachers and carers as the accompanying photos show.

Glendonald Pre School

The children have had a lovely time creating, learning, cooking and playing both in and outside their classroom.

All great activities for the winter months.







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Kurnai College at the Precinct

New Welfare Officer at the Precinct

Caitlin Anderson is the new Welfare Officer for the Precinct campus.

If anyone is feeling a little overwhelmed or just needs

somebody to talk to she is at the campus Wednesday to Friday with an open door and a welcoming smile. Caitlin is located in the Student Services office.

Her role is to be there for not only the students, but the parents as well.

She is looking forward to getting to know all of the student's faces and working with them throughout the year! Caitlin says "Don't be shy come and say hello".

Student Captains and Student Engagement

Hayden Stephens, Sarah Mayo, Maddie Young and Jorja Pendlebury are the four school captains for the precinct campus, with Hayden and Sarah being the Year 12s' representatives and Maddie and Jorja representing the Year 11s.

The Precinct administration staff are keen to know what the students think and listen to their needs. The school captains are the means of achieving this as they act as go - betweens.

Some examples of this are already under way. The library had become a social gathering area and those who wanted to use it for study were being disturbed. A meeting with the principal group has resulted in the library being a quiet place and other rooms being sourced for common rooms for both the Year 11 and 12 students.

As reported in an earlier article the students were wanting a 3D printer. They have one supplied from the Morwell Campus and one is to be purchased.

As the result of a visit from Andy Milbourne from the Traffic Safety group at VicRoads, the captains could see that the purchase of four personal breath test machines would be very practical. As most students are close to, and eighteen years old, it is naïve to think that they would not be drinking alcohol. These machines could be given to students to use over the weekend to test their alcohol levels and to test to see if the alcohol is still in their bodies the next day. Many students do not realise the effects of alcohol can remain in the body for some days.

The captains see this as a gift to the students from the school which will keep the students safe outside school hours and promote responsible drinking.

The Year 11s have settled into life at the Precinct and are content.

They recently held their deb balls. There were two occasions with 23 debs at each event with their partners. A Mexican theme made the night look very grand. The male partners wore bright red sashes and the girls looked magnificent in their beautiful frocks.

Sarah and Hayden were part of the official party and presented flowers to each deb. Maddie and Jorja thanked everyone for their part in an excellent night.

The school has received emails from guests congratulating

the students on their deportment, behaviour and dancing. VCAL students learn about furniture restoration.

This term several students have, for the past six weeks, learnt how to restore one chair and are three-quarters through restoring the second. One of the participants, Wayne, said he loved pulling the chair apart, repairing, restoring it and putting it back together again. There was a sense of achievement at mastering new skills and seeing a finished product of which to be proud.

Teacher Paul Radford, hopes to be working closely with St Vincent's and the Salvation Army, developing a relationship whereby they drop off furniture and the students fix it before it is returned to them for a needy family or to raise funds.

Wayne and Richard the two main participants, have enjoyed

using sand paper to take off multiple layers of paint. Other students are called upon to help when more than two people are required for a task, and they willingly help.

Next term they hope to begin furniture making. They are limited by receipting to called timber products. They may not

Next term they hope to begin furniture making. They are limited by regulations to solid timber products. They may not use chipboard, mdf (medium density fibreboard) and they have no facilities to do upholstery. To do upholstery work is a dream for the future.

If you have old furniture you would like to donate to be restored, please contact Paul at the school 5132 3800.





Jorja Pendlebury-Year 11 School captain



Welfare Officer Caitlin Anderson



School Captains from L-R Maddi Young, Sarah Mayo, and Hayden Stephens with principal Nello Carbone





GEP Debs Restoration - before and after

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Churchill North Primary School

Crazy Hair Day

On our last day of Term 2, we celebrated Crazy Hair Day, raising over \$100 for Cystic Fibrosis. It was a really relaxed day, Mr Clarke was so relaxed that he let students' graffiti his face with paint, drawing a hairy beard! Students and teachers all put in a great effort to go all out with crazy hair and donate their pocket money. We love that we can help support a good cause. *Guinea Pigs in 3/4C*

At CNPS in Grade 3/4C, we have two new guinea pigs. We have a girl named Miss Patchy Pickles and a boy called Mr Pickles. We have been learning how to look after guinea pigs, for example they need water, straw and grain. They like to be held, cuddled and played with. We hope you like them. We got them from two people in our grade, and we hope they reproduce so that they have a family and so we can make more guinea pigs to share around the school. We hope other grades might like to look after our guinea pigs for a day or a week, once we teach them how it's done.

By Lizzy and Cheyenne 3/4C

CNPS Bully Busters

Bully Busters is a program that CNPS is implementing next term. Bully Busters will wear a badge, which was designed by a very creative student at CNPS who has not yet been announced. Bully Busters will wear the badge so they can be identified by students in the playground who are being bullied and need some support. Bully Busters will help bully victims by reminding them to use the 5 Finger Plan, which is first to ignore, second to tell the person to stop, third is demand they go away, fourth to walk away and finally, number five is to tell one of the teachers on yard duty. The 5 Finger plan helps a bully victim feel safe, strong and independent. There are two Bully Busters for each grade, they have a huge responsibility to the school community. We will update you on how this is going later in Term 3.

By Lleyton 2/3M

Student Profile on Courtney

Hi my name's Courtney. I'm in Grade 5, my teacher is Miss Pearce and our aide is Ms Bishoff. Our grade learns so much from Miss Pearce, such as different and easier strategies to work out a sum. In inquiry, we learnt how to present effectively and how to use our words properly in sentences, when giving oral talks. Miss Pearce helps students in need. I've been at CNPS for five years, I really like the welcoming environment. I feel really happy that I'm at this school because there are nice students who help support me when I'm down. I always feel welcome and accepted by everyone. I love the environment here, it's clean, students are safe, teachers are great. We also have The Sound

Way program, which helps us use our phonic communicators better. My goal to reach by the end of this year is to improve in maths, particularly formal multiplication. I think I'm going well but I will try even harder to reach my goal.

By Courtney B. 4/5P

SEDA return for a Basketball Clinic

On Tuesday June 10, the SEDA (Sports Education Development Australia) team visited Churchill North to teach students about basketball. The SEDA team taught us how to dribble, shoot, pass, bounce and the importance of bending our knees and being fit for the game. We practised lots of skills and tactics to improve our game or how to get started. Everyone participated on the day and the SEDA team, once again, provided us with really fun learning experiences.

RACV Street Scene Program

On Monday June 23, the junior students were visited by RACV to present their Street Scene Awareness program. Students learnt about how to act and what to do on a busy street, how to ride to school safely, using public transport and walking safely to school. Students played interactive games and learnt some practical and responsible ways to behave on the streets.











Lumen Christi Primary School

Sports news at Lumen Christi

On Friday May 6, Lumen Christi competed in the Bessie Frood Netball competition held in Morwell. We had a boys and girls team who competed on the day. The boy's had a strong team including Reece, Blake, Hayden W, Riley, Baylen, Hayden N, Mitchel and Vincent and powered their way through to the Grand Final and lost by 5 points. The girl's team had a slow start to the day, however also made their way through to the Grand Final. Meg, Alanah, Jade, Sydney, Courtney, Molly, Bethany and Kiera tried their very best and unfortunately lost by 1 goal in the dying minutes. Lumen Christi is very proud of their efforts and they represented our school proudly and never gave up.

Melbourne Excursion

On Thursday May 22, Grade 3/4 went to Scienceworks. We got

to school at 7.15 and left at 7.30 it took us 2 hours from Churchill to Melbourne. When we got there I was so excited, and I'm sure everyone else was too. When we walked through the doors I was even more excited. When we were in Scienceworks our tour lady gave us a greeting. The first activity was think- ahead. In think- ahead there were future things. You could make your own future car. I put wings on mine. There was a robot of the future and that was really cool. By Bailey Piedrafita.

Prep/One Inverloch excursion - Class Recount

Prep/One went on an excursion to Inverloch. We went on Wednesday. We are learning about how living creatures survive.

When we got to Inverloch we had our snack and we met Rod and Mike. They told us all about the creatures that live in the sea. Mike

also told us about the blue-ringed octopus. Rod gave us containers to collect things in the rock pools.

Next we went down to the rock pools. We caught things, but we had to put them back. We caught sea-stars, elephant slugs and chitons.

After that we went to Rainbow Park and had our lunch.

After that we went to the Shell Museum. We saw a big crab, a coconut crab, lots of shells, saw fish and sea-stars.

Next we went into the Dinosaur Room. We did little activities like pretending to find some dinosaur fossils. We saw some dinosaur bones and made some pictures of sea creatures for a mural.

It was super fun on the excursion and awesome! We learnt lots of information about sea creatures.



Above and below:Prep/1s went to Inverloch to explore the rock pools

Left: The Grade 3/4s went to Scienceworks in Melbourne





Yinnar South Primary

Term two has been another exciting one at Yinnar South Primary. Our seniors have been out and about attending activities such as tennis clinics with the pre-service teachers from Federation University, and experiencing the wonderful and very entertaining, Djuki Mala-Chooky dancers performance at the Arts Centre.

Other whole school activities included an RACV incursion on road safety, a sustainability excursion to the Patch Primary School in the Dandenong Ranges and a visit to Kurnai

Secondary College to participate in a Chinese Cultural experience day.

When I asked the students to tell me their favourite part of the day, they struggled to choose. Ty (Grade 5) summed it up beautifully, "Everything". The students did calligraphy, they used chopsticks to eat popcorn and they were wonderful to watch as they enjoyed fan dancing. Students also made giant pandas and participated in singing and dancing. The day was completed by a wonderful Chinese feast. Kurnai were amazing hosts and the whole day

was a huge success.

We have been very busy in the Stephanie Alexander kitchen garden preparing the space for the arrival of our new greenhouse. We are planning to grow seedlings there to assist with revegetation projects.

We finished off the term with a wonderful Chinese cooking day at school. 'Mmm, vummy!'

We start next term with a fun Expo night where we will share a meal and celebrate some of the students' amazing work.

We have also been celebrating that we now have the same amount of students in our Prep/ one class as we did in the whole school two years ago. With Prep enrolments already flowing in we are certainly growing quickly.

Why not come and see our innovative and exciting educational program, 'Where Learning Comes to Life'. School Tours can be arranged by calling the school on

5169 1540.







Monash wartime records released online



Federal Member for Gippsland and Parliamentary Secretary for Defence, The Honourable Darren Chester, with House of Representatives Speaker and Federal Member for Mackellar, The Honourable Bronwyn Bishop, and Director of the Australian War Memorial, The Honourable Dr Brendan Nelson.

A collection of private papers from Australian wartime leader, General Sir John Monash, have been made available online to the public.

Federal Member for Gippsland, Darren Chester said the new Australian War Memorial web service would allow students and people interested in military history to explore the personal records detailing General Monash's wartime experiences.

The papers, maps and letters give a deeply personal perspective of the First World War from one of Australia's most outstanding military commanders.

Sir John Monash also has a strong connection with Gippsland. Prior to the war, his Reinforced Concrete and Monier Pipe Construction Company played a key role in designing upgrades at the Bairnsdale Pumping Station. After the war, he went on to become the General Manager of the State Electricity Commission in the Latrobe Valley.

Mr Chester, who is also Parliamentary Secretary for Defence, attended the launch of General Monash's papers at the Australian War Memorial in Canberra recently.

"The release of General Monash's papers coincides with The Centenary of ANZAC commemorations, which offer a chance for people to reflect on the men and women whose service and sacrifice helped shape our nation," Mr Chester said.

"Between 1914-1918, thousands of Gippslanders left their towns and farms to serve in the First World War and many didn't return.

But through these outstanding online collections, such as the ANZAC Connections project, we have the chance to continue sharing their stories with future generations."

The Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC, Senator Michael Ronaldson, said that General Sir John Monash was one of Australia's most important figures and greatest leaders of the First World War.

"The release of these papers by the Prime Minister gives all Australians a personal insight into the reality of war – the story of devastating defeats and uplifting victories," Senator Ronaldson said.

"As a contemporary analysis of the war and its impact on soldiers and society, it does not glorify the war but gives the reader a clear picture of what was occurring at the time.

I encourage all Australians to see and read for themselves the thoughts, personal reflections, leadership, and tactical genius of General Monash."

Dawn to Dusk: Landscapes from the Cbus collection of Australian art

Now showing at the Latrobe Regional Gallery is *Dawn to Dusk*, a stunning collection of works from the Cbus collection.

Latrobe Regional Gallery's acting curator, Shelley McDermott, said that the exhibition focuses on the quality of light and colour in the Australian landscape.

"Representations of Australian landscape by nonindigenous artists could be described as a gradual shift from a European sense of light in colonial times, to recognition of the particularities and clarity of Australian light by artists working in the twentieth century.

The pieces on show take the viewer from the early hours of the day to the evening with a flow of colours and shades that highlight the landscape in this big wide land of ours. Lovers of traditional art will very much enjoy this exhibition," Ms McDermott said.

The exhibition is open now until November 16.

Churchill's Gaskin development on the rise

On June 19, Latrobe City Council issued a planning permit for a multi-lot, staged subdivision at 515 Hazelwood Estate Road in Churchill West. Known as Gaskin Rise, the development comprises a total area of 86.91 hectares and is bounded by Switchback Road to the north, Gaskin Park to the east, Arnolds Road and Hazelwood Estate Road to the west.

Latrobe City Council's mayor, Councillor Sharon Gibson, said that the approved subdivision was part of Council's endorsed Churchill West Development Plan.

"This development will be a great asset for the Churchill township with various sized blocks available to accommodate a diverse range of housing types and sizes. In total, there will be 668 residential lots available for development.

This particular development affords great views towards the Strzelecki Ranges to the south and with over eight hectares of open space within the development including reserves, parks and plantings, it will be attractive and in keeping with its environment," Councillor Gibson said.

Latrobe City ward Councillor,

Darrell White, said that the development sends a positive signal for the future growth of Churchill.

"There will be excellent links to the existing Churchill township by the extension of the already established pedestrian and cycle network, as well as the use and extension of the town's main connector roads - Switchback Road and McDonald Way. There is also provision for public transport routes through the development to connect residents to the network.

With developments like these it takes time to work with landholders and developers as well as the local community including the Churchill and District Community Association, to make sure the end result is a residential estate that complements the existing houses in the town along with reflecting the community's aspirations. This development also provides choices for potential home builders that will be viewed as an asset to the neighbourhood. Gaskin Rise ticks all those boxes and we look forward to seeing its progress in years to come," Councillor White concluded.

The Sound of Shadows: Figurative works from the Latrobe Regional Gallery Collection

This exhibition presents works depicting the darker side of the Latrobe Regional Gallery collection, and takes the viewer on a journey through dark rooms, furtive places and encounters with mysterious people.

Latrobe Regional Gallery's acting curator, Shelley McDermott, said that *The Sound of Shadows* featured new acquisitions by local artists Michael Gallop and Neale Stratford.

"It also includes works by other prominent artists such as Susan Purdy and Rodney Forbes and many more. There is a range of mediums in the exhibition, including sculpture, photography, printmaking and drawing.

Michael Gallop's *Nostalgia* features a silicone rubber sculpture of a baby chimpanzee. The chimp is cautiously lifting the lid of a box labelled 'mystery magic box.'

Inspiration for the mystery box, which has captured the chimp's interest, came from an online talk by American film director J.J Abrams. Abrams talks about a magic box that he bought

when he was a child, but he has never opened it. Gallop's attention to detail is breathtaking, and each piece can take between 50 to 100 hours to create," Ms McDermott said.

"Neale Stratford uses dolls to act out his scenes, which he then photographs. In *Being Comforted by Death* Stratford uses an action figure version of himself as the central point of the photograph. 'Death' is shown as a skeleton leering behind him, but holding him as though to console him.

Stratford reminds us of our own questions and fears about death, and invites us into his intimate world, a world that is sometimes dark and unsettling, yet often strangely familiar," Ms McDermott concluded.

The Sound of Shadows will run until October 12.

For more details contact Latrobe Regional Gallery on (03) 5128 5700 or lrg@latrobe.vic.gov.au.

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Need for clubrooms at Federation University synthetic hockey field



Very wet conditions made it difficult for all players with heavy rain and a waterlogged ground throughout the afternoon.

Wet conditions recently highlighted the argent need for clubrooms at the synthetic field used by Latrobe Valley Hockey Association at Federation University at Churchill.

Very poor conditions made it uncomfortable for players and spectators alike, and the lack of convenient change room facilities forced players to don wet uniforms before changing back into wet clothes at the end of their games.

There were a number of very young players and more senior adults who were unable to find adequate shelter.

With no available canteen facilities it

was impossible to get a warm drink or warm food during the afternoon. Many players complained about the conditions and lack of available shelter and respite from the persistent heavy rain and strong southerly winds that whipped the ground throughout the day.

The result was that many people involved with the sport were stricken with colds and have subsequently been unable to work in the following days.

At a recent meeting with the Latrobe City Council, four prominent members of the Association committee addressed Council about the urgent need for basic facilities.

It is hoped that with support from Federation University (which has already been committed), the Latrobe City Council will also commit to the construction of the facilities sooner rather than later.

At the moment, the lack of facilities (which would include change rooms, toilets and a first aid room) highlights risks with player safety and well-being. The lack of dignity associated with getting changed at the ground and the lack of available shelter for spectators and organisers is a serious issue.

There is a further issue involving players of differing ethnic backgrounds. They often require proper change rooms to allow them to prepare appropriately for sport in accordance with their own cultures.

The President of the Latrobe Valley Hockey Association, Shaun Wells, said yesterday: "Members of the Latrobe Valley Hockey Association have been without any form of club rooms since the field opened in June 2011. Hockey is a winter sport. It is about time that Council considered the welfare of hockey players in the area."

atrobe Valley Hockey Association

Latrobe Valley Hockey Association round 8 played June 28/29, 2014.

Fine but windy conditions gave way to terrible conditions on Sunday. Because of the difficult conditions, play was generally pretty scrappy for Sunday's matches.

There are six rounds remaining until the Association moves into finals so teams are beginning to fine tune their skills for the business end of the season.

In Women's B grade, Traralgon Blue defeated LDT 5 - 3 in a high scoring game on Saturday. Goals for Traralgon Blue were scored by Alana Tratford (3), Holly Stockdale and Lynne Broad. LDT's goals were scored by

Hannah Fortune, Debbie Wells and Jasmine Langstaff. Best players for Traralgon Blue were Susan Poole, Lynne Broad and Alana Tratford. Best for LDT were Tamara Kemp, Hannah Lawrence and Jasmine Langstaff.

In the second match played on Saturday, Moe and Rovers Lightning played a 2 all draw. Moe's goals were scored by Jenny Massey and Laura James. Isabella Tatchell and Alysha Mitchell scored for Rovers Lightning. Best for Moe were Jared Cake, Laura James and Jenny Massey. Hannah Lawrence, Isabella Tatchell and Blake Clark were Rovers Lightning's best

The two Women's A grade games were

played in completely different circumstances. The game was played in almost ideal conditions on Saturday and produced a 3 - 1 win for Rovers Thunder. Goals for Thunder were scored by Dionne Olsen (2) and Corinne Metcalf. Best players for Thunder were Rebecca Cheater, Ruby Callaghan and Jasmine Langstaff. Best for Churchill were Rachel Wangman, Leanda Lynn and Jessica Wangman.

> game was played difficult in the conditions

Saturday. The ground was waterlogged and heavy rain fell almost throughout the match. In this game, Traralgon Yellow were 2-0 winners over Yallourn. Goal scorers for Traralgon were Callum Lipman and Jo Wade. Best players for Traralgon were Marika Bazley, Leonie Barrett and Jo Wade. Best for Yallourn were Tenille Tilgner, Shosana Snell and Jessica Picker.

Nicole Creaser from Yallourn takes a sideline pass during the game against Traralgon Yellow.

The men's games were scheduled to go ahead Sunday. Unfortunately, Moe were unable to field a team for the first game and were forced to forfeit to Traralgon.

In the second game, Churchill defeated Yallourn 3 - 0 in very wet conditions that suited the blues much better than it did the Chillies. Goals for Churchill were scored by Mark Phoenix, Marcus Heyne and Samuel Phoenix. Best players for Churchill were Steve Mburu, Dean White and Shaun Wells. Best for Yallourn were Luke Wilson, Peter Stewart and Chris Thompson.

Churchill Monash Golf

Churchill Ladies Golf News

The new Ladies Committee for the Churchill and Monash Golf Club was elected recently. They are President Barb Beebe, Vice President Jan Blizzard, Captain Dawn Judkins, Vice Captain Susan Jeffery, Handicapper Merryn Dear, Secretary Jill Beck along with Heather Croft, Margaret McQuillen, and Maureen McConville.

Yearly adult membership of \$190 is now due, but if not a member, individuals may pay green fees of \$10 a game. This is very reasonable for several hours of fun and exercise. Special membership rates are available from the Club for Juniors.

Further information available from Jill Beck on

Golf Results

Churchill Monash Golf Club results;

June 3 - 2014. Stroke Monthly Medal. Winner Scratch - E.D'Alterio (20) 109. Medal Winner Emily Leggo (37) 85. DTL - E. D'Alterio (20) 89. Count Putts - E.D'Alterio 30. NTP - 5th V.Verheyen (2nd shot). 14th J.Beck (2nd shot).

June 7 - 2 Person Ambrose. Winners - D. Byers and J. Thornby 64.5 C/B. Runner-up - M. Allan and P. Ludlow 64.5. D.T.L - J. Sanders and M. Sanders 66 - A. Sharrock and R. Walsh 66.25 - G. Sanders and S. Hall 66.5 - N.T.P. 3rd J. Thornby, 5th C. Doyle, 12th T. Sterrick, 14th B. Baldock.

June 10 - Ladies Stableford - Winner E. Leggo (37) 28pts. C/B. D.T.L.- M. Dear (15) 28 pts. - N.T.P. 5th M. Dear (2nd shot) 12th M. Dear 14th E. Leggo (2nd

June 14 – Stroke - Winner; B. Rowley (35) 65net -D.T.L - T. Webb (11) 72, A. Auld (14) 72, B. Baldock (18) 74. N.T.P - 3rd G. Sprowat, 12th M. Dear.

June 21 – Stableford - A. Grade - (1-18) J. Thornby (12) 36pts. B. Grade - (19-36) P. Jordan (26) 41pts. D.T.L - R. Scurlock 35, A. Sharrock 35, D. Byers 33, R. Dent 32. N.T.P - 3rd R.Dent, 12th G. Sprowart.

June 28 - Monthly Medal /Stroke - A Grade(0-18) - M. Sanders (17) 72. B Grade - (19-36)- P. Jordan (25) 73. D.T.L – D.Byers 73, D.Taylor 73, D Baldock 75 N.T.P - 3rd - B. Baldock. 12th- P.Jordan, 14th-D.Byers, Count Putts- T. Sterrick-27.

31.5.14 Monthly Medal (Stroke) - A. Grade (0-17) P. Smart (2) 71 M.M. Winner, B. Grade (18-23) D. Caldwell (19) 75. C. Grade (24-36) R. Anceleri (27) 75. D.T.L - T. Garrett 73, R. Maddigan 74, R. Dent 74, S. Sanders 75, T. Sterrick 76 C/B, A. Sharrock 76. N.T.P - 3rd. J. Jeffery, 5th. P. Smart, 12th. P. Coad, 14th R. Dent. Scratch P. Smart 79, Putts J. Jeffery 23.



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Community Meeting The Churchill Tennis Club has excellent facilities - 7 hardcourts

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and a large clubhouse - and is experiencing declining participation numbers and financial difficulty.

We are therefore inviting input from the community to increase patronage of the courts.

The Committee is seeking new members and ideas on programs that would attract players to the club.

A community meeting is being held at the Clubhouse in Manning Drive on Wednesday July 23, at 7.30pm to discuss opportunities for the club.

You are welcome to attend with any suggestions or ideas. If you are unable to attend but have some suggestions, please contact Treasurer, Carol Scott 5183 6168.

Elaine Andrijczak, Secretary



COMMUNITY INFORMATION NIGHT

Education, Information & Understanding 'ICE' and its impact on our community

MONDAY 21st of July, 2014

6.30pm for a 7.00pm start finishing 9.00pm

LOWANNA COLLEGE AUDITORIUM

72-96 Newark Ave, Newborough

Guest Speakers

Senior Gippsland Magistrate Mr Clive Alsop

Doctor John O'Donoghue

Clandestine Drug Lab Squad members

Personal stories from 'ICE affected individuals.

followed by a light supper.



Family Drug Help Line provide a

24 hour helpline 1300 660 068

24 a Support Group for Family Memb

and a Support Group for Family Members running twice a month at Cranbourne called SHARC 9573 1777 or 95731784

or Stepping Up 1900828466









