

# The SpringDale Messenger

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Beat Boredom - Try Trivia - Zoom Zoom

# Trivia Afternoon

Wednesday 20 October 1pm - 3pm

on Zoom

As part of the Geelong Seniors Festival join us for a Trivia Zoom afternoon Wednesday 20 October 1pm - 3pm

Book in via this link https://home. springdale.org.au/seniors-month/

Thanks to City of Greater Geelong for sponsoring this event.

We also run sessions to help you become familiar with Zoom in the lead up to this event. Please ring 5253 1960 to arrange a time.





During Children's Week - If you sign up for the annual Drysdale / Portarlington Toy Library Membership for 2022 at our reduced price of \$35 you'll get November and December 2021 for free.



# OCTOBER 2021

SpringDale Community Calendar is a SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre initiative to support the whole community. If you wish to place your event in the calendar and further issues of The SpringDale Messenger please email, write or call the event details to our office.

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Opening Hours Monday to Friday 9am-5pm and by appointment.

Sep 28 - Oct 1 Little Red Riding Hood - 10.30am & 1.30pm - Potato Shed

Friday 1 International Day for the Elderly

Saturday 2 Harvest Basket Produce Swap 9-10.30am at SpringDale

> SpringDale Felt & Textile Artists 10-3pm at SpringDale Free replacement anti-theft number plates screws at

> > Forward

+1hr

Reminder

**Bookings &** 

copy required by

1 October for the

November 2021

issue

SpringDale Car Park 9-11am (weather permitting)

3 Daylight Savings begins 2am EST Sunday

> A good time to change your smoke detector battery

Monday 4 Kinship Carers 10-1pm at SpringDale

Seniors week

Tuesday Friendly Cuppa and Chat 10.30-11.30am at SpringDale

Thursday 7 Jigsaw Group 10-12noon at SpringDale

Friday Sing a Song of Sixpence - 7pm - Potato Shed

10 Dahlin It's Jeanne Little - 2pm - Potato Shed Sunday

World Mental Health Day

11 Dining Group meet at 6pm Leopold Sportsman Club Monday

Thursday Days for girls sewing 9am-1pm at SpringDale

Mon-Sun 18-24 Aussie Backyard Bird Count

Wednesday 20 Lunch Bunch 12noon at Leopold Sportsman Club

Seniors Festival Trivia afternoon 1pm on Zoom

National Ride 2 Work Day

Friday Richard Stubbs in Cachinnation - 8pm - Potato Shed

Children's Week Saturday 23

Saturday Annual Plant Sale outside Uniting Church Drysdale 9-12noon 30

Sunday 31 World Savings Day

### pringDale Messenger Website

We now have a website devoted to all the SpringDale Messengers from the last 30 years. Thousands of hours have been invested in helping this website come to life. We are still seeking a couple of copies of old SpringDale Messengers to help us make this website the best it can be - April 1992 and May 2007.

Please let Springdale know if we can borrow these phone 5253 1960.

https://www.messenger.springdale.org.au/

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to Elders past and present, and emerging leaders.



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# Coordinator's News



**Anne Brackley** 

Time is precious. Every day we choose how we spent our 24 very precious hours.

Some things have to be done, some things should be done, some things could be done and some things we could leave until we have time to do them.

Daily decisions need to be made in my life as to what my priorities are for today. Juggling, family, work and community needs and priorities to ensure that my life runs as smoothly as it can.

Luckily I am able to find fun in most (hopefully all) I do. I know that if it is fun I can keep doing whatever it is. Having a smile on my face, or a giggle in my outlook or even a belly laugh when appropriate (sometimes even when its not appropriate – but necessary).

Having a positive outlook allows me to push forward. Yesterday, I caught myself saying "Come on Anne – you can do it!". These words seem to help me refocus and get on with the task ahead.

Having a list to tick off, prioritise, and actually do also helps me to focus on what is necessary. I usually try to tick a few simple things off the list that are quick and easy to do and then I am in a successful mindset. Then I try to do preparatory work for others to be able to do their next piece of the job — I do try to jump ahead.

Then it's time to do the trickier, harder, more challenging things. By then, hopefully my brain has had time to decide how it will tackle this trickier task. Sometimes, I might need to do something mundane to give my brain time to mull over the task. I have had so many great ideas hanging clothes up.

Over the years, I have realised that I find it

difficult to finish things. My strategy to help with this personal challenge is to try to finish a task in one sitting. Sometimes this isn't possible but having great people around me to encourage me and to help is so important.

Inspiring people to do the best job they can, thanking them, supporting them, encouraging them, we can all do this and achieve great things together. The SpringDale Team and almost everyone I know is excited by the concept of the Community Development Timeline that we are building.

Every day we build a new alliance to progress this project, or we find out a fact or are given an artefact, a photo or a story. Although this is mostly about what has happened, it is also about the history we are creating at the moment. How the North Bellarine Aquatic Centre is developing along with unravelling information about the Drysdale and District Progress Association which was active 50 years ago – these are both part of this same project.

The Community Development Timeline will continue to be built for years to come and we would love to have your help. You may have information, a photo or an artefact that we could create an image and upload. Hopefully you can feel how excited I am about this project.

Thanks to everyone who supports SpringDale and helps us to provide a wide range of services for our community. Thank you again to all people who help us pivot so quickly when we need to and do so with such good spirit.

Yours sincerely

Anne Brackley OAM

 ${\it Chief Enthusiasm\ Officer\ for\ Team\ SpringDale}.$ 

# Course News

#### Take a moment to RELAX!

Meditate with Jennifer with the gentle sounds of the Tibetan and crystal healing bowls. Give your mind, body and spirit the opportunity to rejuvenate. Course will be conducted via zoom. Introductory offer bookings essential. SpringDale can help you get started with Zoom prior to the course.

Instructor: Jennifer Kurtze
Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 9 Nov
12.15pm - 12.45pm Fee: \$20

#### Free Astrology Info Session

Instructor: Peter Burns

Dates/times: Wed 6 Oct 9.30am - 10.30am

Fee: Free

#### **Astrology Foundation Course**

Instructor: Peter Burns
Dates/times: Wed 13 Oct - 1 Dec
9.30-10.30am Fee: \$80

#### **Astrology Course - Level 1**

During this 8-week course Peter will introduce the astrological method for answering all types of questions. These can be questions about work, relationships, health, money, buying and selling, competitors, family, or anything else.

Instructor: Peter Burns

Dates/times: Tues 12 Oct - 7 Nov

9.30am - 11am Fee: \$120

#### **Garage Sale**

Our garage sale will continue until Friday 8 Oct unless sold out.



The SpringDale Lunch Bunch are going to Leopold Sportsman Club on Wednesday 20th October at 12pm. Bookings are essential, please phone Margaret 0418 370 857.



SpringDale Dining group are going to Leopold Sportsman Club on Monday 11th October at 6pm. Please call SpringDale on 5253 1960 to reserve your spot.

#### QUOTE OF THE MONTH



Anne Brackley - Quote curator

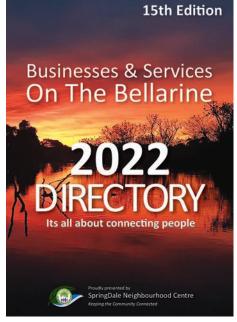
Aille Blackley - Quote curator

#### On the Bellarine Business Directory

We are preparing to publish the 2022 On the Bellarine Business and Services Directory. Looking for Businesses or Community Group who may like to be included. Pricing the same as 2020-2021 edition.

We are also offering a more interactive and useful online version of the Directory.

Visit https://directory. onthebellarine.com.au/directoryadvertising-options/ to see examples of the online listings and relevant fees.





#### Lisa Returns to Work

As most readers would be aware, Lisa has been on extended sick leave since February this year.

It is now pleasing to report that as of late August Lisa has returned to work and is getting on with her duties, both at a Ministerial level and within the Bellarine electorate.

In Lisa's absence Gayle Tierney MP had been acting as the Duty Member for the Bellarine and Lisa thanks her for the work she under took.

Lisa is also very grateful for all the cards and best wishes she received from many locals during her absence.

Below is excerpts from a Statement of Premier Daniel Andrews, released on the day of Lisa's return.

"I am very pleased to confirm that Lisa Neville has returned from leave and resumes her ministerial duties today.

Lisa has shown enormous strength and resilience through her recovery from surgery and treatment for Crohn's disease, and I know how determined she has been to return to work.

Lisa will continue in her roles as the Minister for Water, Minister for Police and Coordinating

Minister of the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

She also retains responsibility for COVID-19 Quarantine Victoria (CQV) as it continues to play a significant role in our pandemic response. Preparations are now underway to establish the new quarantine facility at Mickleham which will be run by CQV, reporting through the Police portfolio."

Over the next few months locals will again see Lisa out and about across the Bellarine Peninsula, an aspect of her job she is thoroughly committed to and enjoys immensely.

#### **Congratulations to our Sporting Clubs**

With the footy, netball and other winter sports ending and the summer season just around the corner, thank you goes to all the Drysdale teams that represented the town in the various leagues over winter.

In doing so, it is recognised that administration, match day and training has been made extremely difficult to organise due to covid restrictions. But with the untiring and committed work of volunteers all local clubs continue to operate.

Of course, this is essential as clubs are an important part of any community in providing a game of sport to many locals, both at a junior and senior level.

It is always good to see thousands of kids across the Bellarine participate in a game of their chosen sport each weekend.

And for our senior citizens a game of bowls, croquet, golf or tennis is a great way to keep active and connected.

Sporting clubs, especially in rural and regional communities, also provide an important social opportunity for their members. This is particularly important for the many people who otherwise may be socially isolated, especially the more senior members of a community.

Given this, Lisa has always been pleased to work with clubs right across the Bellarine in upgrading their sporting facilities.

This currently includes working with those clubs involved in the Stage 2 planning of the Drysdale Sports Precinct.

#### Lisa's Office Assistance.

If you feel that Lisa can provide you or your organisation with assistance please contact her office on 52 501987, email lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au or visit Shop 66, Gateway Plaza Bellarine Highway, Leopold.

Did you know your household could be eligible for \$250 off your power bill?

#### **Power Saving Bonus**

#### SpringDale is ready to help you apply

Please contact the office to arrange an appointment email office@springdale.org.au or phone 5253 1960











"DELIVERING for the BELLARINE"



September was a month of postponements and cancelations... we can only hope that some of the productions in October will be able to be presented!

With the school holidays upon us we start the month with Little Red Riding Hood - this time around if we need to move to the outdoor stage due to restrictions, we can.... So, keep up to date on our social pages, pack a blanket and some folding chairs and kick back and enjoy some family fun!!! The safety of the open air (subject to weather) The guys at theatre 3222 for kids will once again have everyone entertained and delighted with catchy tunes, colourful costumes and great audience interaction. Two shows Daily from September 28th through to October 1st.

We then welcome a rescheduled show from August – with an icon from the music industry when Debra Byrne who will grace the stage with fellow musicians Joyce Prescher, Simon Phillips, Delsinki, Wayne Jury and accompanied by John Kendall, performing, and talking about the songs and lyrics that make up their repertoire. This one-off special show will be on Friday the 8th of October at 7pm.

On Sunday the 10th of October we welcome Caroline Ferguson who will channel Gold Logie winner Jeanne Little. This high energy show has a fantastic batch of hit songs from many eras, that complement the narrative and help tell the story of an Australian icon who did things her way. A special 2pm show will delight audiences with this unique production about a very unique entertainer.

We see out October with a bang with Richard Stubbs in Cachinnation. Richard will be delivering his unique brand of stand-up which will take you away from everyday life and into the slightly twisted reality that is the world in which he lives. Friday 22nd October at 8pm.

Ensure you check our website and see just what is on, the program is constantly changing so make sure you check what's on and when. Stay safe and remember we have a strong COVID-19 plan in place to ensure you will be able to enjoy what we have on offer in October. With limited seating numbers, book your tickets now at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/potatoshed

Be social with us at Facebook and Instagram/potatosheddrysdale

We look forward to welcoming you to the Shed.

#### POTATO SHED WIN DOUBLE PASS to



#### D'halin The Jeanne Little Show Sunday 10th Oct at 2pm

To enter fill out the coupon, send or deliver to: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre High St Drysdale

Address

Phone No: (03)

**COMPETITION CLOSES 4PM FRIDAY 10 SEPT.** 



# WHAT'S ON POTATO SHED



#### LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD - School Holidays



Another school holidays and Little Red the daughter of Barry and June Hood sets off track all the way to Grandma Hood's house

There is a strange animal lurking in the bushes ... Will he be friendly or scary

#### **TUESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER to FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER** 10.30AM & 1.30PM

All Tickets \$10.50 OR \$35 for a Family Ticket of 4 (under 2's FREE).

We hope to present Little Red Riding Hood on the outdoor stage please bring a blanket or a chair & enjoy the show (weather permitting) if restrictions ease the production will move back inside -

#### PLEASE CONTINUE TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA FOR UPDATES ON ALL **UPCOMING EVENTS - SEE YOU AT THE SHED!**

SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE



Bringing the tradition of a writer's round to audiences artists sharing the bare bones of their songs and the

#### FRIDAY 8 OCTOBER 7PM Limited Cabaret Seating Adult \$28 Conc \$24

Theatre Seating Adult \$24 Conc \$22 Student \$22



**SUNDAY 10 OCTOBER 2PM** Limited Cabaret Seating Adult \$38 Conc \$34 Theatre Seating Adult \$34 Conc \$32 Student \$22

# **RICHARD STUBBS** GAGIIINNATION

FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER 8PM CABARET STYLE Tickets Adult \$38 Conc \$34 Student \$22

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**BOOK ONLINE NOW AT** WWW.GEELONGAUSTRALIA.COM.AU/POTATOSHED OR WITH YOUR CREDIT CARD ON 5251 1998.

## **Councillors' News**

GEELONG

CITY OF GREATER

By Deputy Mayor Trent Sullivan

Whether you're a keen mountain bike rider or not, as a Greater Geelong local you most likely know of 'The Hill' in Newtown and its origins.

This nearly 10 acre public open space is picturesque, environmentally friendly and a great place for family friendly recreation.

But if you've moved to the region recently, you'd possibly be unaware that this award-winning mountain bike park was once a landfill site.

Transforming The Hill is a prime example of clever and creative thinking and design, and the power of the community coming together.

A total of 3500 trees were planted by school students and volunteers as part of National Tree Planting Day in 2018.

The Hill can serve as inspiration as we plan for the future of our region's main landfill site in Drysdale.

Operating since 1983, the landfill is due to reach the end of its life in around eight years.

This coincides with the council's sustainability target of having 100 per cent of rubbish, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins being diverted from landfill by 2030.

#### Option 1 - Community access & use



There's still time for residents to have their say on three design options for the future

use of the Drysdale site, which have been developed with the help of a local community reference group.

Rehabilitation and revegetation of the land are on the cards for all options, but each possibility has a different priority focus: from community access, to maximising biodiversity, to a restoration of the landfill and quarry.

Cost is of course a consideration – and the extent of what's possible will be determined to some degree by what funding is available.

To this end, the council will be opening a discussion with the state government about potential funding avenues.

Ratepayers have contributed millions to the state over the years via EPA levies for this facility, and we believe a project like this is a perfect example of what that levy should contribute towards.

So visit yoursay.geelongaustralia.com.au, where you can look at the options in detail and provide your feedback on how we can create a positive solution for the Drysdale site. Consultation ends in mid October.

#### Option 2 - Environmental restoration





1st Drysdale Scouts will again be providing fresh cut Christmas trees to Geelong and Bellarine areas.

Our trees start from \$60 for up to a 6ft tree which comes with free contact less delivery when purchased online or you can choose to click and collect at the hall.

Prefer to hand pick your tree.

Direct hall sales are planned for the first and second weekends in December and will be subject to any Covid restrictions in place at the time.

We will also be providing our removal service for \$12 on Saturday January 8th.

Check out our website for all this year's tree prices, delivery options, hall sales dates and January pickup.

htts://1stdrysdalescouts.com/Christmastree-sales/

Thank you for considering 1st Drysdale Scouts for your fresh cut Christmas tree

#### Option 3 - Restoring the landfill & quarry





Contact your local friendly conveyancer Shannon for all your conveyancing needs and questions.



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- Counselling Centre
- Foodbank Plus
- 276 290 Jetty Rd Curlewis P: 5253 2099
- Second Chance Clothing
  - 5 Mortimer St. Drysdale



#### Bellarine Support Group for Kinship Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the local community for your support over the past nearly 6 years.

I am a member of many kinship Facebook support groups right around our great country Australia. Our kinship support group supports kinship carers in the Geelong and surrounding areas, but other carers from right around Australia do not have their local community support.

So many carers, not within our region have requested to join our group. The main reason non Geelong carers wish to join our group range from the friendly support for every carer in the group, social catch ups just for carers, the support offered in relation to dealing with Government offices and the donations carers can request for the children in their care.

Nearly every week I receive requests from kinship carers outside our region, I give them ideas to start their own kinship support group. As well as how to approach local businesses and organisations in the plight kinship carers in their area.

I also suggest they start their own Facebook page and basically do their homework.

Now so many kinship support groups are now being established to support kinship

Bellarine Support Group for Kinship Carers have our own private Facebook page which supports every kinship carer in our region.

When I receive donations for the group, I take photos of every donation post on our site that way carers can pick what they would like for the children in their care.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank publicly the following:

The Mortimer family, Barbara from Bellarine Quilters, Helen Bowtell and Jenny Philip for all their donations as well as the many people who leave donations at SpringDale without leaving their name.

If I could please ask if you leave donations at SpringDale for our group, could you please leave your name and phone number. That way I can personally thank you.

Our Christmas appeal is now up and running. I am appealing for non-perishable foods to make up a hamper for each family.

If you are a kinship carer sitting at home, thinking that you are all alone in your kinship journey. Come join our group- we laugh a lot, we sometimes cry a lot and we always talk too much but we have a lot of

Our group meets the first Monday of each month (not during school holidays) at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre from 10am to 12noon.

Thank you and stay safe everyone.

Jeanette Hanley Heath - 0414 308 257

#### Women Living Well on the Bellarine

By the time this article is in print, we would all be hoping that Lockdown has ended for all Victorians, and we are once again able to visit and catch up with friends and loved ones.

But nothing is certain, and if we waited for that announcement and it didn't come, we'd be left disappointed yet again.

I've had to make a decision to not listen to the negative messages of fear that are everywhere, and to turn off T.V. News, not read newspapers and try to talk about something other than Covid 19!!

It's not always easy, but it is paying off. I'm also giving myself a music break every afternoon where I listen to my favourite uplifting music and forget about everything else - while sitting in the sun if the weather permits.

We WILL come out of this eventually. Human Beings and communities are amazingly resilient in how they manage to bounce back time and time again. Some of you will remember the stories your parents would have talked about – the war years, the Great Depression, the polio epidemic to name a few things. Remarkably, the times improved, freedoms returned and the clouds lifted.

I really hope you are managing ok, and taking care of yourselves and those around you as best you can. If you need any help with anything, please let me know or contact SpringDale, and we'll do our best to help in some way.

Hoping to see you all again soon.

Dianne Bennett.

Phone 0422 146 604.

Email: diannebennett4@hotmail.com





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Call Lee Martin on 0400 957 839



City of Greater Geelong has put stage 1 of the North Bellarine Aquatic Centre out for tender this means that in 2022 we should have a public pool again on the North Bellarine. The 50m pool will be heated year round but we will have to wait for stage 2 for us to have any indoor aquatic facilities.

The North Bellarine Aquatic Centre
Advocacy Group will continue to
advocate for a Warm Water Exercise or
hydrotherapy pool as our next highest
priority and are quite disappointed that
we were unable to secure sufficient funds
for this to be built as part of stage 1.

Our wider plans for the North Bellarine Aquatic Centre, to meet community needs, include a 25m indoor pool, an aqua play space, a gym, a spa a sauna and a café. To achieve the rest of these goals may take a great deal of energy and would love to hear from anyone who would help us achieve these longer term goals. E: nbac@onthebellarine.com.au

#### **Anne Brackley**

Chair North Bellarine Aquatic Centre Advocacy Group

# Raising Awareness

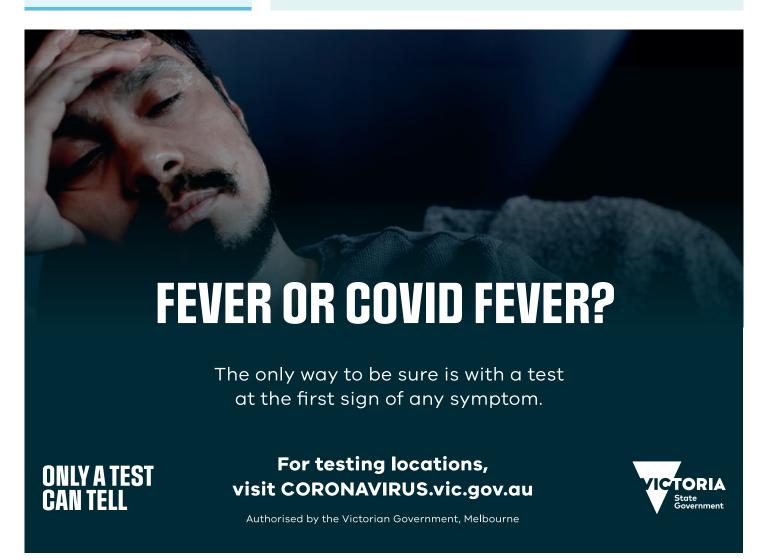


September 30 was Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophy (LGMD) Awareness Day (I missed the opportunity to tell you in advance – silly me). So how do you respond when you hear about yet another day when you are asked to wear a specific colour, buy a ribbon or gadget, or participate in a fundraising activity such as the Ice Bucket Challenge (Motor Neurone Disease) or Biggest Morning Tea (Breast Cancer)? There is a lot of 'noise' in a world of social, screen and news media. We could argue that this can further a cause. Yet, the message could potentially be diluted or, worse, lost among the many other equally important movements seeking attention

It seems the more publicly known an ambassador is, the more attention and funding their cause will generate. But that doesn't mean that any other cause should not bother to raise awareness. One of the enormous positives we have in our modern technologically driven world is that there is almost no excuse not to understand what it means to be human, in all our physical, mental, and emotionally unique glory. So, any type or level of advocacy is genuinely terrific. Advocacy, fundraising, campaigning; all bond not only those within the targeted community but also foster unity with the broader society. Barriers of misunderstanding or ignorance are chipped away, and fundamental societal changes are made.

Someone mentioned to me recently that they've never seen as many people out and about using wheelchairs or electric scooters. I'm pretty sure that it's because a lot of people with disabilities or ageing frailty were either hidden in an institution or community home or sitting quietly in the corner of the family home. In other words, not living the lives they should be living. But with much incredible sacrifice and fortitude that I could only hope to possess, changes are being made. So much progress has been made regarding more accessible equipment, changes to town planning design, building regulations, and housing. However, just as importantly and intrinsically connected, a shift in attitudes.

There is still so much to be overcome to reach true equity in our world. Awareness days such as that of Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophy play a part in helping us all understand that we all deserve a go at a great, full life regardless of our genes. If you wish to learn more about LGMD, I'd be thrilled to have you follow my Instagram or Facebook page.





#### **Portarlington Police Report**

Let me introduce myself to you all. I have been a member of Victoria Police for 19 years, having served in central Melbourne, Broadmeadows, Transit Safety Division and now the Geelong area since 2008. I am "on loan" to Portarlington Police Station until October this year, however I will be hoping to make this a more permanent move from the Geelong Police Station.

Prior to Vic Police I was with the Australian Army for 7 years, before I discharged and moved back to the Bellarine Peninsula to take up a new career. Constant overseas deployments and a young family are a hard act to juggle!

As a station, we have increased our presence out in the community and have been checking in on vacant houses. However, we also need the communities help in having all eyes on the ground, so if you know something, or see something, please contact "000" in an Emergency situation, but you can contact the Police Assistance Line (PAL) either on 131 444 or online at www.police.vic.gov.au/palor, or contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. This can also be used to report any COVID-19 breaches that are happening in your neighbourhoods.

On a crime point of view, we are lucky to have only a very small amount of reported crime in our area, the majority of incidents being criminal damage in the form of Graffiti. I ask that you all please keep an eye out for this and report it appropriately. This will assist us in keeping on top of things.

Please don't hesitate to ring me, or any other of the members here at Portarlington. We are your Police, in your community.

Stay Safe. Nathan - Nathan JONES | Sergeant 34202

Portarlington Police Station | Western Region, Division 1 119 Newcombe Street, Portarlington VIC 3223 (DX 216055) P: (03) 5259 2606 F: (03) 9606 8312 E: nathan.jones@police.vic.gov.au

#### Automated External Defibrillator (AED) at SpringDale

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for public use is located at SpringDale 24 hours a day 7 days a week, this has been donated by the Lions Club Portarlington Drysdale. You can find the defibrillator on the outside wall to the right of the main entrance to reception.

#### Dial 000 and stay on the phone.

State that you want to access an AED at SpringDale Drysdale.

Ambulance Victoria will issue you with a code to open the front of the defibrillator. Follow the advice from Ambulance Victoria accordingly.

Further information and links to videos, apps and education on AED's can be found on the Ambulance Victoria website: https://www.ambulance.vic.gov.au



Now in its twelfth year, the Festival of Glass (FoG) was an initiative of the Drysdale, Clifton Springs and Curlewis Association Inc. (DCSCA). Over the years the Festival of Glass (FoG) has established a reputation on the Bellarine, Victoria, Nationally and Internationally, amongst glass artists.

In June, the General Assembly of the United Nations accepted a proposal to declare 2022 the **International Year of Glass (IYOG22)**. The Festival of Glass has requested to be part of the IYOG22 Programme and our Expression of Interest has been accepted. The IYO2022 will allow us to connect further with the International Glass Community.

COVID-19 has brought us all many challenges and this year we had no alternative but to run a virtual Expo with some FoG activities such as the Treasure Hunt, the Mentorship Programme, the Mosaic Group, the installation Crew and Glass workshops still being held within COVID safe guidelines.

Our biggest challenge has been maintaining these programmes with limited funding as we are a not-for-profit organisation wholly run by volunteers. After much deliberation by the FoG team a recommendation was presented to the DCSCA Committee for the FoG to become an incorporated body. This recommendation was unanimously accepted by the DCSCA Committee. By the FoG becoming an incorporated body it will be able to seek and raise funds which as a sub-committee of the DCSCA (who is deemed a lobby group) would otherwise not have been able to.

Public Art is very much a focus we wish to expand on and hopefully you have visited the Drysdale Mural Arcade. The purpose of the murals was to celebrate the local community's identity by depicting elements of the area's past and present and suggesting some possible futures. Over 50 local residents were involved in the creation of the 15 murals. Currently, we are working on installing some mosaic work in the Drysdale Underpass.

If you wish to learn more about the Festival of Glass and its range of activities please refer to the Festival of Glass website https://www.sites.google.com/site/afestivalofglass

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#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TIMELINE

## Drysdale Bush Nursing Centre

While researching for the Community Development Timeline this letter was uncovered. Written by Eva Deeath an inspirational member of our community from the 1950s well into the 2000s.

Eva writes about the way the community raised money for the Drysdale and District Bush Nursing Association which became the Drysdale Community Health (and eventually Bellarine Community Health). The Geelong Show needed people to sell tickets and manage the entrance gates for the 3 days of the Geelong Show – second weekend in October each year. We are not sure where Eva's letter was initially published but felt it was worthy of republishing.

The Drysdale Bowling Club raised money for Bellarine Community Health with an Annual Ladies Day and an Annual Men's Day also helped to raise money.

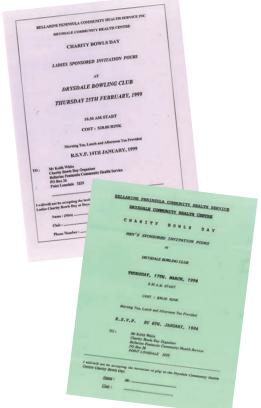
Just as great results can be achieved by a family working together for a common cause, or a team of sportsmen working together to win a Championship – so it was that the people of Drysdale joined together with the local Fire Brigade, to work for our local Bush Nursing Association.

When it was explained to us that we could "man" the gates and parking areas at the Geelong Show, with money to be paid to the Bush Nursing, it seemed a very formidable task, but typical of a country town, all banded together, and with very good leadership and direction from the Fire Brigade Officers, and with lots of fun and laughter, we became experts at our task.

It was the togetherness that made it such a great experience over the years. Sons and daughters grew up and joined the team, and more recently we have grandchildren just waiting to be old enough to be in the ticket box, or join the "blue coat" brigade.

As the town grew, and Clifton Springs developed, many more people joined the team, all with a common aim.

Now, after 23 years, we are still forging ahead, looking forward to the day when the results of our work, added to the money raised by a hardworking Committee, will see the new Drysdale Community Centre open and functioning.

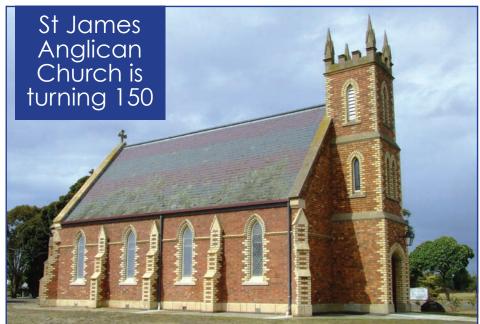




Pat Chirgwin, Robyn Van Lith and Eva Deeath



Eva Deeath



Next year on the weekend of the 23rd - 24th July ST JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH IN COLLINS ST. DRYSDALE will celebrate 150 years since its formal opening.

At the time of St James opening, the then rural town of West Bellarine had a total population of only 418 people and benefited from a coach to Geelong three times a week.

The importance of religion in the community had already seen the building of both Catholic and Methodist churches. It took faith, determination and hard work to commit to and build St James Anglican Church and for that we give thanks to those faithful men and women of the past.

Now 150 years later we are fortunate to have these handsome historical buildings that add to the beauty of our town and together with street names that honour our forebears provide historic context for modern Drysdale.

A committee has been formed at St James to make this celebration a weekend event and to link with and involve the community. We intend to bring alive not only the beginnings of this sacred place but the journey it has made to bring it to the present day.

The Church has extensive archives, but the committee realises that there is probably much more in the way of wedding, baptismal, confirmation photos in the collections of much of the community. Photo boards will be on display on that week-end. Additionally, perhaps you have some stories or anecdotes that have been passed down to you that you would be willing to share.

Please contact Pat on 0409 5490 86 or Sheilah on 0456 871 752 We would love to hear from you. From the St. James 150th anniversary committee.

SpringDale is offering a number of new classes this term. The new classes have Red Headings.

More information and bookings can be made via our website https://home.springdale.org.au/learning-master-guide/ or email office@springdale.org.au or phone 5253 1960.



Term 4

2021

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#### Course and Opportunity Guide.

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre offers classes as part of our mission and the purpose of our organisation. We do this in conjunction with many partners including all our Instructors, a number of businesses and some Registered Training Organisations. I believe all our activities include a brain training component, an interpersonal component, and even a practical component. We would appreciate any feedback you have at any time to help us improve our offerings and the experience we offer to our community.

Anne Brackley - Coordinator SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc

#### Business on Bellarine Expo - 3rd time lucky!

Business on the Bellarine provides Business Networking opportunities for businesses on the Bellarine. This year we are presenting an Expo to enable the community time to ask questions of a wide variety of Businesses in the one place. For more information please phone Jo 0438 055 679 Dates/times: Sat 27 Nov 9am - 4pm

Free Event

#### **New Thursday Walking Group**

Thursday mornings 9.30am register your interest Group Leader: Rob Gardner on 0413 458 562

#### Being Creative

#### \*NEW\* - Preparing crafts for Christmas

Workshops to help you prepare for Christmas. Some materials supplied. Bookings essential

Instructor: Lizzy Free

Dates/times: Wed 13 Oct - 8 Dec 1.30-3.30pm

From Manuscript to Publishing

Instructor: Dr Laurent Boulanger Dates/times: Sat 23 Oct 10am-12 noon

Fee: \$30 or Conc \$25 **Edit Your Fiction** 

Instructor: Dr Laurent Boulanger Dates/times: Fri 22 Oct & 29 Oct 1-3pm (2 sessions) Fee: \$50 or Conc \$45

Write, produce, & distribute your feature film

Instructor: Dr Laurent Boulanger Dates/times: Fri 9 & 16 Oct 10am-12 noon (2 sessions) Fee: \$50 or Conc \$45

**Foundation Art Course** 

Discover the Artist Within - Level 1 Instructor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Tues 12 Oct - 30 Nov 1-3pm Fee: \$145 or Conc \$80 (8 sessions)

**Media Art Course** 

Discover the Artist Within - Level 2

Instructor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Mon 11 Oct - 29 Nov 10am-12.30pm

Fee: \$145 or Conc \$80 (8 sessions) **Advanced Art Workshop** 

Develop the Artist Within - Level 3 Instructor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Tues 12 Oct - 30 Nov 10am-12.30pm

Fee: \$145 or Conc \$80 (8 sessions)

Art Workshops for Term 4 - Experimental Drawing Instructor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Mon 11 Oct - 1 Nov 1-3.30pm

Fee: \$95 or Conc \$50 **Drawing out & About** 

Instructor: Annette Playsted & Gillian Turner Dates/times: Mon 8 Nov - 29 Nov 1-3.30pm

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Fee: \$95 or Conc \$50

All Abilities Art

Instructor: Celia Adams Dates/times: Fri Oct - 10 Dec

Fee: \$300 or Conc \$200 Bookings essential

Cards with Lizzy Instructor: Lizzv Free

Dates/times: Wed 13 Oct - 8 Dec 1.30-3.30pm

Fee: \$5 or \$40 for 9 weeks

Manipulate images using PhotoShop Elements™

Instructor: George Stawicki

Dates/times: Tues 15th Nov - 6th Dec 7-9pm

Fee: \$110 or Conc \$100

Edit videos using Adobe Premiere Elements™

Instructor: George Stawicki

Dates/times: Tues 9 Nov - 30 Nov 4 7-9pm

Fee: \$110 or Conc \$100

**Digital Photography - Sculpting with Light** 

Instructor: George Stawicki

Dates/times: Mon 18 Oct - 8 Nov 7-9pm

Fee: \$110 or Conc \$100

Have you always wanted to play the Harp?

Now you can

Dates/times: Wed 20 Oct - 24 Nov 1-2pm

Fee: \$150 conc \$120 (6 sessions)

**Ukulele Beginners** 

Note: Your own ukulele is required

Instructor: Jenny Gore

Dates/times: Thur 28 Oct - 16 Dec 9-10am

Fee: \$95 or Conc \$85 (8 sessions)

or Single sessions \$15 **Ukulele Intermediate** 

Instructor: Jenny Gore

Dates/times: Thur 28 Oct - 16 Dec 11.30am-12.30pm

Fee: \$95 or Conc \$85 (8 sessions)

or Single sessions \$15 **Ukulele Advanced** 

Instructor: Jenny Gore

Dates/times: Thur 28 Oct - 16 Dec 10.15-

11.15am

Fee: \$95 or Conc \$85 (8 sessions)

or Single sessions \$15

**Banjo Setup and Maintenance** 

Instructor: Steve Williams

Dates/times: To be scheduled later in year -

expressions of interest invited.

Fee: \$55 or Conc \$50

Banjo L1 (Complete Beginners)

Instructor: Steve Williams

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 3.30-4.20pm Fee: \$200 or Conc \$160

Banjo L2 (Post Beginners) Instructor: Steve Williams

Dates/times: Tues Oct - 7 Dec 4.30-5.20pm

Fee: \$200 or Conc \$160

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Instructor: Steve Williams

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 5.30-6.20pm

Fee: \$200 or Conc \$160 **Espresso Coffee Making** Instructor: Sam Chait

Dates/times: Tues 9 Nov 10am-12noon

Fee: \$50 or Conc \$20 **Teenage Sewing Classes** Instructor: Denise Kent

Dates/times: Sat 9 & 23 Oct, 13 & 27 Nov &

11 Dec 10am-12pm Fee: \$20 per session The Language of Sewing Patterns

Instructor: Denise Kent

Dates/times: Thur 21 Oct 10-11.30am

Fee: \$10 per session

Things I wish my Grandmother taught me Instructor: Denise Kent

Dates/times: Thur 11 Nov 9.30-11am Fee: \$10 per session Bookings essential

Sustainable Wardrobe Workshop

Instructor: Denise Kent Dates/times: Thur 25 Nov 9.30-11am

Fee: \$20 per session Bookings essential

#### Languages

#### **French for Beginners**

Instructor: Dr Laurent Boulanger

Dates/times: Thur 21 Oct - 9 Dec 12noon - 1pm

Fee: \$100 or Conc \$90 Latin

Instructor: Neil Bell

Dates/times: on request Fee: \$20 per term

Intermediate French Instructor: Serge Botans

Dates/times: Tues 5 Oct - 7 Dec (10 weeks)

11.30am - 12.45pm

Fee: \$140 or Conc \$125 or Single sessions \$20

#### Wellbeing

#### **Women Living Well**

Instructor: Dianne Bennett

Dates/times: Fri 29 Oct, 26 Nov, 2pm

Fee: Free

Massage - With Frank

Massage - Connective Tissue Massage

Dates/times: Sat 23 Oct & 20 Nov (2 sessions)

9-10am Fee: \$10 Instructor: Frank Prskalo

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Instructor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: Bring your own mat & blanket if required.

Venue: SpringDale

Dates/times: Mon 11 Oct - 7 Dec 9.15-10.45am OR Thurs 14 Oct - 9 Dec 6-7.30pm (9 sessions)

Fee: \$150 or Conc \$135

\$20 per session if paying for single sessions

Tai Chi (Beijing 24 Form) Instructor: Kathy Lanthois

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 7.15-8.15pm

OR Fri 22 Oct - 10 Dec 9-10am Fee: \$90 Conc \$80 for 8 Sessions

\$15 per session if paying for single sessions

Chi Gong

Instructor: Kathy Lanthois

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 6-7pm OR Fri 22 Oct - 10 Dec 10.30-11.30am Fee: \$90 Conc \$80 for 8 Sessions

\$15 per session if paying for single sessions

#### Autism Plus

Talking about Autism Instructor: Jane Schmidt

Dates/times: 9 Oct and / or 13 Nov

10.30-11.30am Bookings essential Fee: \$2

All Abilities Art Instructor: Celia Adams

Dates/times: Fri 8 Oct - 10 Dec 10am-12noon Fee: \$300 or Conc \$200 Bookings essential

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#### Digital Technology

#### Setting up your new Smart Phone

Ring SpringDale to book an appointment.

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Social Media made Simple

Instructor: Agata Commisso

Dates/times: Mon 18 Oct - 6 Dec 9.30am-12noon

Fee: \$170 or Conc \$80 Using Zoom for the first time Instructor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: By Appointment Fee: \$5

**Introduction to Computers** 

Instructor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 1-3.30pm

(8 weeks)

Fee: \$160 or Conc \$80

Computers - Beyond the Basics

Instructor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 7 Dec 1-3.30pm

(8 weeks)

Fee: \$160 or Conc \$80

Smart phones, iPhones, tablets, iPads

Instructor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Thur 21 Oct -9 Dec1-3.30pm

(8 weeks)

Fee: \$160 or Conc \$80 Buying and Selling on eBay

Instructor: Ken Brackley.

Dates/times: Tues 12 & 19 Oct 4.30-6.30pm

Fee: \$50 or Conc \$20

#### Gaining Skills

#### Setting up a Bokashi bucket and a Bokashi garden bed

Instructor: Anne Brackley Dates/times: TBA Fee: \$5

**Confidence Through Cookery** Instructor: Agata Commisso

Dates/times: Tues 19 Oct - 30 Nov 10am-2pm

Fee: \$100 or Conc \$50 Sourdough Bread Making Instructor: Charlene Bancroft Dates/times: Sat 20 Nov 10am-1pm

Fee: \$160 Conc \$100 **Cheese Making** 

Instructor: Charlene Bancroft Dates/times: Sat 16 Oct 10am-1pm

Fee: \$160 Conc \$100 Focusing on the Future Instructor: Agata Commiso

Dates/times: Mon 11 Oct 9-10am plus 7 other

sessions Fee: \$50 or Conc Free

Joy of Volunteering

Dates/times: Wed 20 Oct 10am-12noo

**Introduction to Event Management** 

Instructor: Anne Brackley Dates/times: TBA

Fee: \$20 or Conc Free **Returning to Learning** Instructor: Anne Bracklev

Dates/times: Mon 11, Tues 12, Wed 13 Oct

(8 weeks each) 10am-12noon Fee: \$16 or Conc Free

**Returning to Earning** Instructor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: By appointment

Help SpringDale help yourself Instructor: Anne Brackley Dates/times: By appointment

Fee: Free

Ken & the Art of Bicycle Maintenance

Instructor: Ken Brackley

Dates/times: Sat 11 Sep 9.30-11am

Fee: \$5

Free Astrology Info Session Instructor: Peter Burns

Dates/times: Wed 6 Oct 9 30am - 10 30am

**Astrology Foundation Course** 

Instructor: Peter Burns

Dates/times: Wed 13 Oct - 1 Dec 9.30-10.30am

Fee: \$90 or Conc \$80 **Astrology Course - Level 1** Instructor: Peter Burns

Dates/times: Tues 12 Oct - 7 Nov 9.30-11am

Fee: \$120

#### Accredited Courses

#### Provide CPR Code HLTAID001

Pre-course work is required please contact Mirelle

to reserve your place on 0412 247 849 Instructor: Stavin' Alive First Aid Dates/times: Fri 22 Oct 9.30am-12noon

Fee: \$65

Provide First Aid Code HLTAID003

Pre-course work is required and you will be contacted before the course with the details.

Instructor: Stayin' Alive First Aid Dates/times: Fri 22 Oct 9.30am-3pm

Fee: \$130

#### Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting

Code HLTAID004

The unit of competency applies to educators and support staff working within an education and care setting and will contribute towards approved first aid, asthma and anaphylaxis training under the Education and Care Services National Law, and the Education and Care Services National Regulation (2011).

Instructor: Stayin' Alive First Aid Dates/times: Fri 22 Oct 9.30am-4pm

Please contact Mirelle to book a First Aid place on 0412 247 849

Stavin' Alive First Aid delivers nationally recognised training in partnership with, and under the auspices of, Allens Training Pty Ltd RTO 90909.

#### SpringDale Groups

To attend SpringDale Groups you must be a member of SpringDale - Annual Membership \$12 - each group charges a small fee ranging from \$2 to \$12 per session.

**5D Diamond Painting group Bellarine Community Singers Bellarine Family History Group Bowling on the Spectrum Business on Bellarine** 

**Card Games** 

**Cryptic Crosswords Group** 

**Dining Club** 

**Felt & Textile Artists** 

Friendly Cuppa and Chat Group Fun Volleyball

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Girls' Shed / Craft Group

**Harmony Group** 

Harvest Basket Produce Swap & Edible

**Gardening Group** Jigsaw Club **Kinship Carers Line Dancing** 

**Lunch Bunch Mahjong Club** 

Men's Kitchen - Tuesday Mornings Men's Kitchen - Wed/Thurs/Fri Morning Men's Kitchen - Wednesday Evening

**Pole Walking Group** Sci Fi Group **Scrabble Club** 

**Scrapbooking & Card Making Group** 

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Toy Library - Drysdale Toy Library - Portarlington

**Wheelie Riders Warhammer Group** 

#### Non SpringDale Activities

#### **Ballroom Dancing Lessons**

Ballroom Dancing Lessons for anyone wanting to dance to amazing music Rumba, Cha Cha, Samba & Jive Waltz, Slow Foxtrot, Quickstep, Tango & Viennesse Waltz New Vogue dancing incorporating all of the above. It's fun, it's easy, it's friendly, it's great for your mind, body and soul.

Instructor: Margot Louttit

Fee: \$10 per session

Dates/times: Tues 5 Oct - 14 Dec 10-11am

**Bellarine Camera Club** For further details call in to a meeting, or go to our

#### website www.bellarinecameraclub.org.au

Bellgrine Woodworkers Inc. All keen woodworkers have the opportunity to meet on the first Monday of the month at 1.30-3pm.

#### New members welcome. Just turn up to SpringDale.

**Days for Girls Sewing** Meet at SpringDale on the second Thursday each

#### month 9am - 1pm **Drysdale Guides**

Jr Guides girls aged 5-11 years meet from 4-5.30pm and Senior Guides girls 11-18 years meet from 6.30-8pm. Contact Anne Brackley for details 0407 529 205.

Open to all ages. Improve your fitness, core strength, posture, flexibility and sense of well being.

Classes cater for clients of varying fitness levels, from beginners through to advanced. Small class sizes allow for individualised attention & direction.

Instructor: Monique MacLeod Phone to book: (03) 5251 2958

Venue: Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports Injury

Clinic, 27-29 High Street, Drysdale

Commencement Dates/times: Ball class Tue 5 Oct 8.45am Beginner/Intermediate floor classes Tue 5 Oct 10.30am or 11.40am & Thus 7 Oct 5.45pm Fee: \$150 (10 weekly classes)

#### **Enrolment**

Scheduled Fees: Courses at nominated rates. Single Sessions: Incur a \$5 Admin Fee.

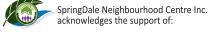
#### **ENROLMENT**

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In person, at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 17-21 High Street, Drysdale Online: courses.springdale.org.au Email: office@springdale.org.au

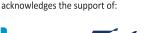
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# Adventures of the iPhone Class

Term 3 saw the Iphone Class move to the Hall to give us all more space and air. With unusually high interest, a class of 9 with a variety of iphones, ipads, tablets and Samsung smartphones, gathered with mix of nerves and determination.

Starting a couple of weeks into the term, due to lockdown, we embarked upon getting to know the devices (and each other)

Apart from the now familiar use of QR codes, we tackled all the usual topics - connecting to wi-fi, taking and sharing photos (and selfies), messaging, tricks for using speaker phone, and even learned to love the Settings app.

It was great to see confidence beginning to grow. Friendships were made, numbers exchanged, and the group really started to help each other out through the shared learning experience.

Another lockdown threatened to disrupt the class, but with regional Victoria bouncing out if it quickly, no Thursdays were impacted. The plan for the next class rapidly changed, to include enabling everyone to be able to use Zoom, just in case......

Forethought paid off, because when plunged back into lockdown, we decided to go online.

Overcoming a new set of nerves, the group bravely took to Zoom. Running a class of 9 people remotely with no visibility of 14 devices of 12 different types was an adventure to say the least. But with a mix of camaraderie, patience and sense of humour, it was well worth the effort.

By the end of it, we had downloaded apps, explored the internet, and edited photos.

This was an amazing group who learnt and shared so much. It was great to see confidence and independence grow, the excitement at having worked something out, and the ability to teach one another.

Whether it was checking petrol prices, identifying plants, tracking parcels, reporting graffiti or how to do lockdown haircuts, this Term 3 class covered it.

#### Some thoughts from the group.....

So pleased I decided to join the Thursday iPhone Class. Firstly, it has been great fun, meeting new people, and learning new skills with my new phone. I am 76 and things don't come quite so easy as they use to, and sometimes don't stay where they are supposed to stay either. But Brenda is patient and makes sure we are all on the same page, so to speak, before moving on to the next interesting fact about what my phone can do, and how to do it....... Jo

This course has been great. Brenda has clearly explained the workings of our phones and tablets in a way we could all follow. The most important thing I have learned is to have confidence in playing around with the settings and with Apps, to try things and be able to return to what I originally had on my screen..... Judy

I have enjoyed how you have taught the class and the experience of Zoom has been good for a technophobe like me..... Dean



Photo of the Term 3 Smartphone Class on Zoom



"In much the same state as Rawson.

We'll have to get them both back to earth immediately."

- "There's a freighter due out tomorrow. Set it up would you Doctor?"
- "Very good Captain. Paul..."
- " Well?"
- " If you wreck S.A.T.lab. ..."
- "Sian I know. But there's no way back now. If they break me for this party you'll take over. It won't be easy for you..."

She gestures dismissively.

- " Of course I can handle it. But not like this!"
- "It's pretty often like this Sian. Just another rung..."

Overhead the radio crackles...

- " Alien approaching the unit Captain."
- "I must go. Good luck Doc..."
- "Good luck...Skipper..."

In the radar control room they anxiously watch the moving blip.

"Kill the beacon Lieutenant. I think it's committed now."

As Kristen cuts the switches the alien enters the unit.

"Hatch close!"

The lock slams home.

" Lift off!"

The fusion core howls a rising crescendo and with a roar of rocket engines the unit screams upwards.

- " Flight time?"
- " Fifty minutes."
- " Get me Professor Rodgers on the video link."

Ten minutes later after feverishly collecting stored data disks the shocked and bewildered S.A.T.lab. Crew enter the escape pod. On instructions from Rosten, Olave` Rodgers has set S.A.T.labs' self-destruct system to immediately activate if any internal movement is detected.

"Well, looks like its goodbye to our island home..."

The pod drops away.

In the control room down at the base the decent is closely monitored.

- " Parachute has deployed Captain. "
- "Right. Aspinall, fly a Jet-pack out and locate the drop zone. Shannon, take out a half-track and bring them in."

" Sir."

- " Unit now docking at S.A.Tlab. Captain."
- " Bring up "satlab-view" on the main."

The image jumps into view. They wait...

Next month ... Payoff!

#### Talking Autism Group

September's meeting was very small, comprising of just me & 1 other. Ron & I chatted for over an hour and what a wonderful opportunity it was for me to hear about life on the spectrum from someone who has lived it for over 80 years. His insights into the world as he has & continues to experience it were not only interesting, but provided the chance to gain a little more understanding of how people with ASD may interpret the world around them. By the end of our chat, I felt that I had gained some insight that potentially could help me with my own interactions with family members who are on the spectrum.

I believe that anything that can help us interact positively with our friends & loved ones, whether we are on the spectrum ourselves, or whether we are living with / caring for someone who has ASD is a good thing. Consequently, Ron will be the guest speaker at our November 13th meeting.

Our next meeting is *Saturday, October 9th* and it will be a chance to catch-up, share, laugh, cry or both as we support each other on the interesting journey that living with ASD can be. Until then, stay safe & keep smiling.

Jane Schmidt

## LESS LAND FILL, HEALTHIER ENVIRONMENT

What do you write about when there has been little happening due to the pandemic?

As I sit in my study working from home, I look out to see gentle rain soaking the gardens and am reminded how nature goes on around us. We can stop and watch as the new life grows on our plants, as the pig face opens wide for the sun, as we move into Spring and can replace the jigsaw puzzles with more outdoor time.

As we look around and see what changes we are collectively making to improve life on our planet.

We are starting to address the issues of waste; we have companies that are recycling soft plastic into items that will last forty years and then can be recycled again. We have Solar Power farms being built it areas that cannot successfully sustain animals or crops. We have wind farms and now we are establishing Big Battery farms to store electricity.

The Bellarine North Rotary Club are also doing their bit, albeit on a much smaller scale, every

little bit helps. We are collecting coffee pods, without the coffee which can be used on your garden. Plastic clips off bread packets which are used to produce prosthetics, champagne corks, stamps, plastic lids, metal wine bottle tops, metal medicine blister packs, knitting needles and yarn which we distribute to people who want to knit various items for various groups i.e. beanies for Lifeline, tiny clothes for preemie babies etc.

Can I also remind you to drop your batteries into disposal bins at the Drysdale Library, SpringDale Neighbour Centre, Woolworths Drysdale & Portarlington and IGA St Leonards. When full we collect them and deliver to the recycle plant.

We can all do something to leave the world a better place for the future generations and get some enjoyment out of the collaboration of the minds that come up with these fantastic ideas. Call the number below for details of where you can leave your contribution to the war on waste.

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**Caroline Rickard -** Publicity Officer Bellarine North Rotary Club - 0408 989 221

#### Beware of Scammers



I'm semi-retired now, I still help people out with their PC issues from my workshop in Clifton Springs, but I am very concerned about the number of people I am seeing lately who have been the victims of scammers.

The local banks refer people to me to get their PC's and mobile phones cleaned of infections.

I had an elderly gentleman recently who had been ripped off for \$5,000 and then later on another couple who had lost \$28,000 to the scam phone calls. I seem to get people regularly and the frequency is increasing.

None of the big companies make outgoing support calls. Telstra, Microsoft, ATO etc will never call you. When I call support I'm invariably on hold for 30+ minutes.

Any unsolicited call is almost certainly from a scam operation. Most of them are Indian call centre operations, you can hear the call centre noise in the background.

The cost of these calls is negligible as most are computer controlled and only put you through to a conman when you answer a question or push a button on your phone.

If after answering a call and you get silence this is the system working out if you are a real potential mark before putting you through. You can safely hang up. Better to occasionally hang up on someone in error than be scammed. Most friends will call back anyway.

The other common scam I am seeing is a browser infection whereby the PC will start blaring out a warning that your PC is infected or some such. It is continuous and designed to scare people into phoning the (often Australian looking) spoofed number on the screen.

This is 100% always a scam. Simply turning off the PC will remove this infection. On laptops hold down the power key for around 10 seconds to force a shutdown. The next time you start your computer the browser will reset and clear the infection.

Most people feel stupid after being scammed online but the truth is these crooks are very good at their job, they do it for a living and are very well practised in scaring people. It's definitely not the victims fault.

If you need any more information or want to talk please feel free to get in touch with me, just give me a call.

Regards Martin

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## Creamy Carrot & Spinach

50g butter, melted
75g plain flour
500ml full cream milk
800g cooked, mashed carrot
6 eggs, lightly beaten
100g baby spinach leaves, blanched
1 tsp ground coriander
1 cup chives, chopped
Salt & pepper to taste

- Melt the butter in a saucepan & add the flour
- Cook and stir for 2-3 minutes.
- Add milk a little each time.
- This will make a thick sauce.
- Allow to cool.
- Blend the mashed carrots, eggs, coriander, chives and the white sauce together.
- Add the spinach leaves and stir gently just to mix in.
- Season to taste.
- Pour the mixture in 8-10 buttered ramekins.
- Bake at 180C for about 40 minutes until set.
- Remove from the ramekins and garnish with spinach leaves.

Serve as a vegetable with fish or meat for dinner.

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Getting the garden beds ready for planting was an end of winter start of spring activity. My garden beds are ready for pumpkin planting on Melbourne Cup weekend (I have been told – that's the time). At the time of writing this I am still to pick our broad beans – but we did enjoy a number of serves of broccoli and peas over winter. I loved being able to just go and pick a vegetable to compliment and brighten our plates.

**Anne Brackley** 



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#### 1. Your subconscious is powerful.

It remembers everything! (Even the lyrics to songs you used to love but don't listen to anymore). Your subconscious has been watching, listening, and noticing all that is relevant.

The more you try to enjoy the experience, the more attention your subconscious pays. Make it fun! Use silly songs, change the names of terms, or use funny acronyms.

When you relax you can remember more detail; your teacher's handwriting on the board, the layout of the columns in the textbook and maybe even some important rules or symbols. And that is without a question to prompt you. Well done!

#### 2. You are a proven learner.

VISUAL

Take notes

AUDITORY

speak out loud

KINESTHETIC

use memories

use feelings

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explain it to others

rewrite lectures

You have learnt how to walk, read, ride a bike, and maybe even drive a car. With repetition and application, information is absorbed, and becomes automatic. You have learnt many things, and the things that are important to you tend to find a deeper place in your mind.

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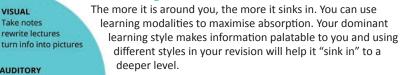
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STRESSED MIND

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#### 3. Knowledge is absorbed



#### 4. Calm lets knowledge flow, Stress will block it

You know when you are asked a question that you know the answer to... but it disappears? The harder you try, the harder it is to remember! But when you stop trying; do something

else; it sometimes comes to you. When you release the pressure the answers flow freely.

You can calm your mind with your body. Breathe gently, soften your muscles, and allow your body to believe you have nothing to worry about, your mind will naturally follow.

#### 5. Your belief in yourself matters

You are very convincing. If you believe in yourself, you are more likely to experience success. Telling yourself you cannot, will most likely mean you won't. Make positive affirmations to repeat in your day.

#### 6. You can turn up your attention

Turn up your attention. Like a volume dial; turn it up to maximum. Focus and take in as much as you can about the information around you. Let your mind be super observant, almost like it is watching you learn, open your attention and practice letting what you notice settle in.

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CALM: Visualize yourself going into the exam. See what you look like walking in calm and confident. Notice the ease in your feet under the table and the relaxed feeling of the pencil in your hand. Breathe slowly, smoothly, and easily. Step into that feeling and practice now.

SUCCESS: Visualise yourself walking out of the exam feeling successful. Feel relief. How will you feel 2 minutes after the successful completion of your exam? Step into that feeling now. You are on your way, and it feels so good!

Good luck to you "Class of 2021"

# 51st Edition

#### by Drysdale Girl Guides

**SpringDale Trivia** 

- 1. Which fruit or vegetable is commonly used to carve jack-o-lanterns on Halloween?
- What is the capital city of Croatia?
- Where did Australia finish on the 2020 Tokyo Olympics Medal Tally?
- What is the current largest known living animal on Earth?
- In which Australian state or territory would you find Lake Burley Griffin?
- What is the name of the quirky teacher in the Magic School Bus books?

Turn to page 20 to find the answers.

- 7. Which is the rarest blood type in humans?
- Who was the monarch of the United Kingdom on the day that World War One started?
- 9. In folklore, Salamanders are typically associated with which element?
- What is the name of the ice planet featured in the film Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back?

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# Clifton Springs Garden Club

Like everything else the Clifton Springs Garden Club has had an up and down year with the State going in and out of restrictions and lockdowns. After all the ups and downs of the past few months Club Members were very excited to be able to have a face to face meeting before lockdown. We welcomed 26 smiling faces to this meeting, it was such a lovely sight to see. Because the lockdown was lifted at short notice it caught us a bit by surprise so the meeting was re-scheduled very quickly. I would like to thank Anne Brackley OAM, CEO of SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, our speaker for the night for being so flexible and also our members who answered the call at such short notice.

Anne gave the meeting a very interesting talk on how Bokashi bins work and how she uses the bi-products on her garden. Anne was very positive about the benefits she was getting to her vegetable garden from the Bokashi bin. When visiting SpringDale, and seeing the bins there, I had often wondered how they worked, how much work they would be, and if I would use one. Now I know how easy they are, it is just a matter of throwing all the scraps into the bin (the best part of this is it takes all scarps), sprinkling a few micro-organisms on top (these come with the bin) and off it goes to work. Once I find a suitable spot to put the bin, I will be able to sit back and enjoy watching my garden grow.

The Club is still planning to hold our Annual Plant sale on the last Saturday in October, outside the Uniting Church hall in Drysdale. A donation to a local charity or organisation is made by the Club following this event. Clifton Springs Garden Club has been making these donations since 1984, only two years after the Club was formed.

Because of the fluid nature of COVID, our plans are often changed at the last minute. If you would like to keep up to date with what the Clifton Springs Garden Club is up to, please do not hesitate to contact Helen, our Secretary on 5257 2220 or email her on hma3152@gmail.com.





Anne Brackley - Bokashi Azalea colour in the garden





# St Leonards Garden Club

Hello once again.

Keeping everything crossed, hopefully October meeting can go ahead.

Spring is here, fruit trees are out in blossom with the promise of beautiful fruit in summer. Don't forget to feed your trees, feed your bulbs, even if they are dying back. It is stored in the bulbs for the next flowering season.

It's time to plant summer seedlings, I've tried growing some tomatoes and cucumbers from seeds that I had. I've planted them into cell trays with a cover. They should start to show sometime in the next week or so. Why not try growing from seeds if you have any.

If you're growing potatoes in a bag or even the ground, don't forget to mound up the dirt and straw around them to keep them growing on. They are ready to harvest when the leaves die back in the warmer weather.

With some sunshine and warmer weather comes the aphids on the roses and other ornamentals. White butterfly (green caterpillars) on the broccoli and cauliflowers. Snails and slugs are happily chewing of new

shoots and seedlings. I even found some happily entrenched in my celery.

Soon we will have some beautiful spring and summer flowers in our gardens and warm sunshine on our backs to cheer us all up.

With the sunshine and spring rain comes the weeds. They grow so fast and will take over if you let them.

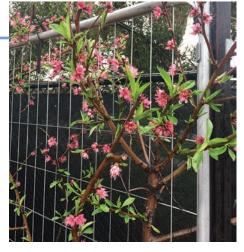
Our guest speaker was to have been Craig Castree. He has offered to do a Zoom meeting if anyone is interested in joining in. It's free you just get in touch and be invited to ioin. Craig does lots of classes on line that cost around \$15 or he does short videos on Facebook for free

When our meetings are able to resume, we still have great presenters organised and have some outings planned I will attempt to notify through face book and or Springdale messenger.

Stay well, stay save and more importantly stay happy.

Cheers for now.

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## BELLARINE CAMERA CLUB

Our 'Open' competition produced some fantastic photos in which John Conway honored us with his presence to Judge. We also had our Annual Interclub Competition with Corio Bay and Colac Camera Clubs, unfortunately that had to be held via Zoom due to COVID restrictions, even so, we enjoyed seeing a great range of photographs in different styles.

#### 'Open' Competition Results

PRINTS 'A' GRADE - 1st A Question of Balance by Jim Den Ouden. 2nd Ben Nevis by Alex Vaulkenburg. 3rd Who's Studing Who by Jim Den Ouden. Merit, Emporium 2 by Stan Coath.

Merit, Out Of The Blue by Dee Kelly.

PRINTS 'B' GRADE - 1st A Puff of Wind by Jennifer Warren. 2nd Marina Reflections by Geoff Evans. 3rd Follow the Leader by Geoff Evans.

EDI's 'A' GRADE - The Protector by Lynne Pearce. 2nd Sail Away by Lynne Bryant. 3rd Marengo Rocks by Robyn Curtis. Merit, Rivers Edge by Kevin Robley. Merit, Lights Across the Bay by Lynne Pearce.

EDI's 'B' GRADE - 1st Canyon Floor by Jennifer Warren. 2nd Who me? By Jennifer Warren. 3rd Roadside Sunrise by Geoff Evans. Merit, Ancient Ways by Jennifer Warren.

Bellarine Camera Club usually meets at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, Drysdale, at 7:30pm on the first and third Monday of the month (except January), but due to the current circumstances our physical meetings are subject to Victorian Government guidelines, but we hope to meet at SpringDale for future meetings. For information on our club please visit our website:

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Image of the Night 'A Question of Balance'

A Puff of Wind - Jennifer Warren

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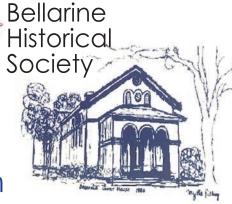
Out of the Blue by Dee Kelly







Old Court House Museum



#### Home of the Bellarine Historical Society.

Many locals are unaware of the Museum's unique collection of historical material that acknowledges the history of the Bellarine. It is located next to Springdale in High Street.

#### The Museum holds:

Church registers such as baptisms & marriages, former Shire of Bellarine rate & valuation books, family files, photographs, cemetery records, and school records. Over the years volunteers have indexed and catalogued many items for easy access.

Major renovations that took place at the start of Covid-19 halted the reinstating of many objects. A group of hard working volunteers have been working when allowed on creating new displays and sorting through materials. Many items needed to be identified. We found farm scales dated 1865, a French typewriter, clothing and lots of images we cannot identify.

The Council provided the shed with a new roof and walls. This is a current project will display old farming tools and implements. We also hope to establish a "Grandmas Kitchen"

We are open on the first Sunday of the month. You are also welcome to visit us on Thursday mornings. www.bellarinehistory.org

Lorranine Stokes - OAM

## **COVID-19 Finding Sites Visited Through Service Victoria App**

I love technology but still find some things challenging and being the curious type I like to find out and so can you, so when a recent site was listed as Tier 1 exposure site for COVID-19 in my local area my heart skipped a beat. I am diligent in scanning the QR codes in shops, venues and centres that I visit and thank goodness that I do, no one expects that a positive case will have visited somewhere near where you have been.

Did I visit on that day at that time 2 weeks ago? I started to look at my receipts from various shops to get to the bottom of this, thinking there must be a better way and there is`.

That's the advantage of using the Service Victoria App, the screen on the left is what you see once you have scanned the QR code at a venue. Go to the small box to the left of the check in screen that has a "timer" in it, click on it and it will display all the venues and times you have visited over the last 28 days. Problem solved and no I visited the day before, whew!

# The Personnel Control of Control

#### **View COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate**

Download the Express Medicare App on your Smartphone - Login with your 4 digit PIN

Go to the Immunisation history tab and press on the right hand arrow and your certificate will display.

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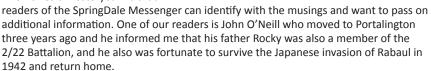
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# Memories o THE BUTCHER FAMILY

I purchased my first camera in the 1970's, a 35mm Ricoh, which required a film that produced negatives which had to be processed to produce the lovely pictures I still have today 50 years later. Similar to today's covid pandemic lockdowns we appear to need negatives before we can see the big picture, but more about that later.

An interesting part of writing 'Memories of Yesteryear' is that H.M.PEEL SHELL PHONE 12

Mrs Lunn's shop in High St Drysdale.



Another life long and well known Drysdale resident, Margaret Filbay (nee Bryant), was a close relative of Dudley Peel who featured in our previous issue.

Her cousin Alice Filbay married Les Peel whose brother Rupert was Dudley's father.

Another brother was Hector Peel, father of former Shell garage proprietor and operator, Harold Peel.

Margaret also informed me that when my parents were her neighbours in Huntingdon Street, she asked them to be Matron of Honour and Groomsman at her marriage to Syd Filbay, something that I never knew previously.

In the four generations from grandparents to grandchildren so many memories are either erased or forgotten in the hustle and bustle of everyday life.

The current pandemic is an example of today's distraction that focuses on the negatives and until society gets back to normal, we are all suffering financially and mentally. Let's look forward to a positive tomorrow!!!!

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make a conclusion - compliment or insult?.

Have birds been underrated?

In Japan many years ago researchers were looking into the possibility of creating a very fast train. One that could go at such tremendous speeds that the name 'bullet train' might be appropriate. Unfortunately the test models were creating tremendous bangs when they entered a tunnel, or even as they entered deep cuttings. Luckily the main researcher was a bird watcher so he decided to look at kingfishers. These birds enter water at a tremendous speed without any sound repercussions so he suggested that the train be designed with a very pointy nose. A shape that would move into the tunnel with hardly any air friction. It worked. No loud bangs at all.

When you decide to go our for a ride on your bike do you thank a wood pecker? Scientists could not understand why humans were easily concussed when they hit their head with often harming results. A wood pecker could peck away daily, hourly, putting tremendous pressure on the brain yet come out unscathed. Studies showed that the wood pecker had what looked like two sculls, one outer one that protected the inner softer one - thus safety helmets were born.

If Edmond Hilary had the energy to look sky high from the top of Everest he might have noticed the Double Geese flying way above him taking -40 degree temperatures and winds up to 100mph (163km). They also would not be seen to be gasping into oxygen cylinders as they have learned to shut down unnecessary body organs so their lungs could meet the lack of oxygen needs from so high above. We are still studying these birds with awe as well as



the wonderful migration habits of birds such as the Ruddy Turnstones who find their way to the Bellarine from the Arctic each year without a map or compass.

Have you bought a nice new metallic coloured car recently? Studies of birds feathers have helped us create these fantastic colours. Oh by the way Mums and Dads, new studies are trying to find out how we can create a paint that never, ever fades or gets dirty like bird feathers. Imagine never having to clean as dirt automatically drops off. Yes more bird studies please.

Boeing researchers at this time are most interested in budgerigars. Thousands of these little birds can take off at once and never, ever crash into one another even though they are so close, flying at tremendous speeds in synchronisation. Wouldn't it be great if planes never ever crashed?

Talking of flying, so far birds have helped us time and time again with flight designs. For example - helicopters (humming birds), plane wing designs (raptors), reduce CO2 and the saving of fuel (with 45,000 gallons or 170343 litres of fuel per jet being saved annually thank you to studies into the effortless flight of eagles and vultures).

Chickadees in the northern hemisphere hide up to 80,000 seeds in a stash all over their territory during summer and spring. Their retrieval rate in winter is nearly perfect. What astounding memories they have! I have trouble with my car keys.



Unfortunately I have to finish at this point despite more and more statistics. We do not have enough room in the Messenger to print all the amazing information. Before I close however I do hope that the researchers who are looking at owls come up with some results. Do you know that owls have the same magnificent eye sight when they are born to when they die. Their eye sight never deteriorates or fades. Owl life expectancy is from 10 to 28 years depending upon the species. Image never having to hunt for where you put your glasses!

Carole O'Neill





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#### **Drysdale Senior Women's Football Team**

It has been over two months since our very own Tess Craven was officially drafted to the North Melbourne AFLW team. The Drysdale Football Club are so incredibly proud of Tess for achieving such an amazing goal, all before the age of eighteen! Tess recently took the time to talk all things football, including her pre-game routine and what advice she would give to other women wanting to play football.

- Q What was your first thoughts when you found out you'd officially been drafted to AFLW?
- A The first thought was probably something along the lines of 'no way', although it's unclear because the moment was so surreal that it's hard to pinpoint one exact thing that was on my mind!
- Q Who is your role model and why?
- A Footy-wise, my role model is Erin Phillips or Cyril Rioli, because they both play brands of footy that I really respect and try my best to replicate. But just in general, it has to be my dad, Stu Craven. He's an amazing person who has done so much for me and the Drysdale footy club, and he's probably the reason I fell in love with football.
- **Q** Do you have a pre-game routine?
- A Maybe 1-2 hours before the game I'll listen to music, and I always like to have a footy in my hands, but I mainly just focus on keeping calm and settled and not getting too ahead of myself.
- Q What's your favourite song to get you pumped up for a game?
- A One of my go-to's is Feel So Close by Calvin Harris
- **Q** What does the end of the year look like for you whilst you wait out the start of the AFLW footy season?
- A End of year involves basically a lot of training and preparation because pre-season starts in October and continues until the official season starts in January. I'll also have to complete my Year 12 exams through October and November.
- Q If you could have dinner with any football player, male or female, who would it be?
- A I would definitely have dinner with Cyril Rioli. I've admired him for as long as I can remember so I would love to get the opportunity to talk to him about all things footy.
- **Q** Favourite thing about women's football?
- A Women's footy is different simply because everyone participating is incredibly grateful to be there, there are rarely any big ego's and it's such a welcoming and inclusive environment.
- Q What is the worst injury you have had during footy season?
- A The worst injury I've ever had was two years ago when I had a stress reaction in my navicular of my left foot. I was in a moon boot for 12 weeks and on crutches for 8 of those weeks.
- Q What's your pregame meal to get you fuelled for the game?
- A I absolutely love steak, so I usually cook myself steak with a pumpkin salad before a game
- **Q** What's one bit of advice you'd given to women wanting to give football a go?
- A Probably that you should have a go, and put your all into it. In footy, you get out as much as you put in. Footy teams are such welcoming environments that provide you with an amazing community that you never knew you needed, so don't hesitate!

Thanks Tess, and good luck in the 2022 AFLW Season, we know you're going to do amazing things!

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- 6. Ms. Frizzle
- Zagreb
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- 7. AB-8. King George V
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- 9. Fire
- 5. Australian Capital Territory
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