

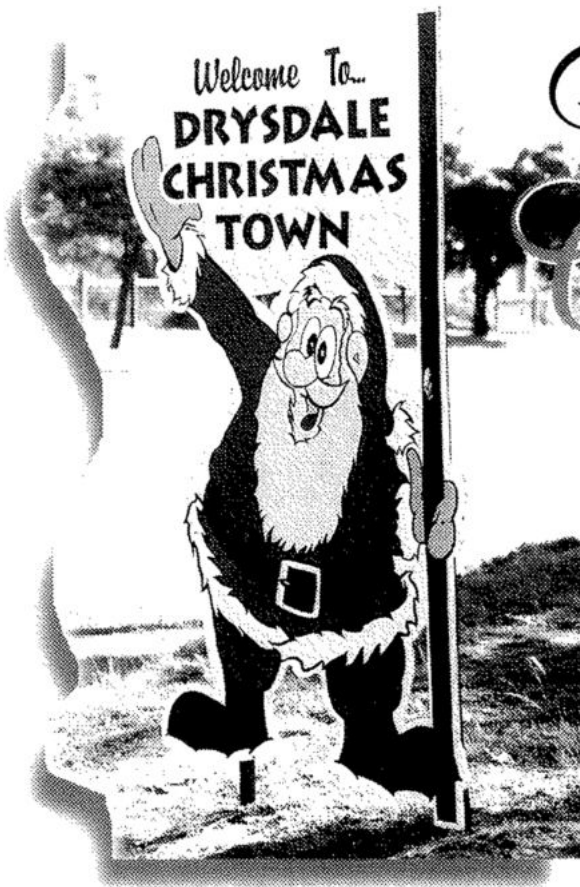
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A CHILD WAS BORN TO MARY !

Just recently I have had cause to reflect on the state of our community and what seems to me, to be a significant shift in people's attitude to one another during my lifetime.

Maybe it's because I am older, but I try not to be too critical of my children's generation. I know that far greater intellects than mine have pontificated on this subject over the years, but the number of divorces with their attendant problems are surely a cause for concern, so too is the seeming wish to blame someone else for our problems and sue them for money if possible, not to mention the almost greedy pursuit of power and financial reward above all else.

We are going through a revolution much like the industrial revolution of earlier times, but this time a technology revolution and one that gathers pace as it goes along. It brings with it great changes, not just to material things but to personal lives as well. Those at the top do very well in a material way but those who fall, fall a long way and understandably feel frustrated and deprived.

Something similar was going on in Palestine at the time of the birth of Jesus. Prophets had foretold of the birth of a great leader. Some waited with great expectations and joy at the prospect, some with great fear of losing their authority. There were murders of likely leaders including children. Herod, the king, even murdered his own wife and two sons.

Into this scene came a little baby born of Mary and called Jesus. Christians believe that He was the Son of God sent into the world to show mankind the way God wanted His crea-

tures on earth to relate to Him, to themselves and the other creatures placed on this earth. He grew up a dutiful son, became a carpenter, and in His late twenties began His ministry that was to last just two or three years. In that short period He changed the world for all time. His Church has reached the furthestmost ends of the earth.

We give gifts to members of our own family on the occasion of their birthday and we, Christians or not, moved by the wonder and magic of it all, give gifts to loved ones on the great occasion of the Lords birthday. There are many things other than material gifts that can bring great joy to many people on Christmas Day; a word of comfort, a gesture of peace, a handshake, a few minutes of your time or even just a smile. It is not the value of the gift that matters, it is the thought that goes with it that earns the "brownie points".

Those of us who have been around somewhat longer and seen many Christmases still marvel at the joy on the faces of little children as the wonder of it all spreads it's magic around them. In your joy of giving and receiving gifts this Christmas perhaps you may spare a thought for those who need a little help.

Enjoy Christmas ! remember what it's about and be thankful.

I offer my Best Wishes to you all.

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DIZZY TOYS

Merry Christmas to everybody and a BIG thank you for your support in 1999. Our Fairy and Wizard Birthday Parties are working very well, so much so we have now developed TWO New Birthday Party themes, WINNIE and GLAMOUR.

WINNIE – Bring your Winnie (can be Tigger, Piglet, Eeyore etc.) for a picnic and much more!

GLAMOUR – Come and be pampered, party is aimed 8 to 12 year olds.

We have a lot of new stock in especially for Christmas (see our ad), and items that give you a wide variety of choice.

POKEMON – Obviously the big hit this year, product in shop now.

TOY STORY 2 – Another hit in the making, stock in a variety of items now available.

BACKPACKS – Cargo, Canvas and Denim in Winnie, NEW Adidas, Piping Hot, Simpsons and Wiggles ranges. FOLIOS – Adidas, Piping Hot (Folio/Backpack) and Winnie. LAYBY NOW FOR BACK TO SCHOOL/UNIVERSITY!!

WIN OUR FREE ADIDAS BACKPACK HAMPER! Every purchase you make between now and Christmas Day entitles you to a free ticket, draw will take place 5pm Christmas Eve.

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- Winnie Kickboard, Tigger Beach/Pool Ride On, Winnie Infant Inflatable Seat, Winnie Swimming, Winnie Beachballs and Winnie Character Armbands.
- New Backpacks - Adidas, Piping Hot, Simpsons, Wiggles and Winnie (new canvas and cargo range).
- Folios - Adidas, Piping Hot and Winnie.
- Toy Story 2 - Beanbags, Keyrings, Buzz Disc Shooter, Dress Ups, Slinky Dog and
- Drinkware.
- Kites - Ages 3-to Adults.
- Toiletry Bags - Taz, Tweety and Winnie.
- Large Balls - Sesame St, Thomas, Toy Story, Winnie and more - ALL \$9.95!
- Ride Ons and Trikes.
- Puzzles - Winnie Glow, Fairy and Thomas.
- Dolphin Product - Beach Towels, Cushion Covers, Lamps, Beanbags, Tablecloths, Napkins, Placemats and Toiletries.
- Legionnaire Caps - Fairy, Tweety and Winnie.
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- Lots of Stocking fillers!
- Character Ties (Mens \$14.95 and Boys \$9.95).
- Balloons for Your 2000 Party - **ORDER NOW!**

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DRYSDALE - CLIFTON SPRINGS CHRISTMAS TOWN FESTIVAL.

Once again Drysdale - Clifton Springs is being decorated in the Christmas Celebration Theme.

Businesses are decorating their premises and many homes in the area are an absolute treat to see and admire.

The Professionals Real Estate Group are once again running a contest for the area - See Back Page for Particulars.

Local Schools have designed Banners to decorate the main shopping area. These have been produced through a generous donation from Merv. Jennings Signs and a Community Arts Grant from The City of Greater Geelong has contributed towards the cost of materials used. All the decorations in the main Shopping Precinct have been erected by the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club and willing Community Volunteers.

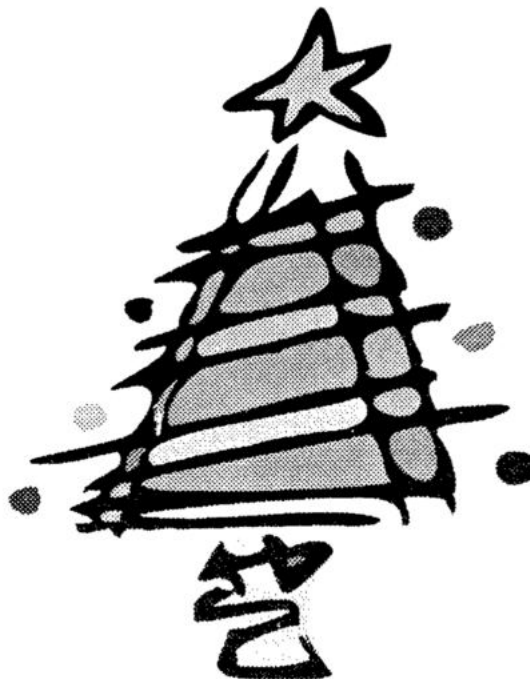
The Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club have a fun morning for all on Sunday 12th of December - See Advert. Santa will visit on the 12th and throughout the Drysdale Shopping Area from 14th to 18th and 20th of December from 10.30 - 12.30 and 3.30 - 5.00. Saturday 18th. Morning only. He will appear again early Christmas Eve and will tour the area with the help of The Drysdale Fire Brigade - See proposed route in following pages.

A FREE Family Film Night has been organized for Friday 17th. December 7.30p.m. In the Drysdale Community Hall in High Street. Pick up your FREE Tickets at The Drysdale Newsagency. Christmas Eve will again feature Carols by Candle Light on the Village Green.

A number of other very Special Christmas Activities are available to the Community and are advertised in the following pages.

So please come and enjoy all these activities and share with your fellow Community Members the Joys and Pleasures of this Christmas Season.

SpringDale Community Cottage Inc. Committee of Management, Staff and Volunteers along with The Drysdale - Clifton Springs Community Association would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every person the Peace and Joy of The Christmas Season and every Happiness and Success in the Year 2000.



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We also have many gift books by Helen Steiner Rice and a beautiful new gift book on 'Footprints'.


Also available is our large range of 'every occasion' cards, books that have a message for YOU today. Children's stickers and ninnies, music and of course our non-alcoholic wines (they make a great gift).

Bellarine Christian Books is situated in Shop 2B, 6 High Street (Next door to Harvey Travel) and is open: 9.00 – 5.30 Monday to Friday .00 – 12.30 Saturday.

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Bill and Helen would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very blessed Christmas and to thank you, our valued customers for allowing us to serve you in Jesus Name.

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Speaking of colour, potted presents can make a lovely gift for someone that is a bit keen on the garden. There are so many new plants coming on the market now there is surely something to please everyone. Plants for inside, outside, fernery or bathroom, it's just a matter of finding that special something

to make somebody happy. If it all becomes too much, then there is always the Gift Voucher to get you out of trouble. They are easy to hide, do not require any looking after and most importantly guarantee the correct selection. We will be open till 5.30pm on Christmas Eve for those last minute must haves, but for the rest of you, let me wish you a safe and happy Christmas season.

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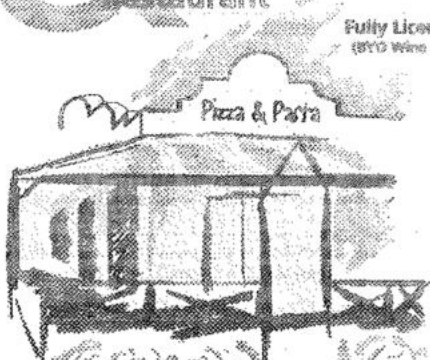
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The Bottle Shop is open daily, including Christmas Day, offering an extensive range of beer, wines, spirits, and also regular specials, changing every three weeks, through the Inn-Keepers Chain.

Next door is the Pub TAB which is also open daily (except Sunday). There is also a terminal in the Public Bar for your convenience. Sky channel offers a direct telecast of all racing in both venues.

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For the man in your life, there is a wide range of toiletries including English Blazer, Adidas, Blue Stratos and Navigator. Circulation socks or Koolits are ideal for those difficult to buy for.

There is also a range of novelties, soft toys, jewellery, radios and handbags to choose from. Eftpos and free gift wrapping is available for your convenience.

David and Staff wish to thank you for your support during 1999 and wish you all compliments of the season and for the year 2000.

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Via Murradoc Rd., Melway Map Page 15.

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We bake homemade muffins daily – why not try a warm Banana and Choc Chip, Apple and Cinnamon or Apricot Muffin with your next cappuccino, or select a cake or slice from the large variety available? Look for our daily specials on the blackboard.

Lunches at Café A Bica include tasty homemade soups, quiches, lasagne, chicken snitzels and burgers, either to eat in or take-away, as well as sandwiches, rolls, toasted sandwiches and focaccias. For something different, try our roast chicken, pesto, avocado and mozzarella focaccia or select your own combination.

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Rate AUSTRALIA: 40c
Note this rate applies to Post Office Preferred standard size cards only.
Rate OVERSEAS: 80c
Cards up to 20 grams.

We recommend to Post Early and spread the load for your "Postie" over the whole month.

We will be extending our hours leading up to Christmas' from 6th December, to see if we can ease some of the congestion that has occurred in previous years.

Operating hours: 8.30am - 5.30pm

All normal business can be transacted while open.

Some tips, which will help us both and allow mail to flow through the system better:

- * Pack parcels well to avoid damage. My Staff will advise you the best Way to pack, if you require assistance.
- * Note: We have a full range of packing materials available from Padded bags to boxes.
- * Address articles correctly.
- * Put return address on all mail including Christmas cards.

Make sure all your cards have a stamp attached.

If possible bundle your cards together with an elastic band when posting or hand to counter staff.

Overseas mail will need to be posted by early December to ensure delivery before Xmas.

We have provided a special posting box for letters to SANTA. Please take the opportunity for your children to post their letters.

We would welcome you to browse at our range of products, which are suitable for Christmas gifts which range from stocking fillers to camera's. We also have a large range and style of Christmas cards priced from \$1.95.

Stamp Collectors, don't forget the 1999 Annual Collection which is currently discounted to \$52.95. I consider this is one of the best value products from Australia Post. The price will return to normal price immediately after Christmas.

If you are looking for something different this year. We have an extensive range of coins available, especially a Millennium set of Silver Coins. We also have available a range of the Olympic coins which have proved to be very popular. Don't miss out as the Games are less than twelve months away.

Beryl and I thank you for your support since we have become Licensee's of the Drysdale Post Office and we have appreciated your acceptance and comments.

The Staff, Beryl, myself and Family hope you enjoy the exciting time heading up to Christmas and we wish all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Stan Hockey



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We will be closing on December 11th for the School Holidays, and will re-open on February 5th, 2000.

We look forward to seeing our current members as well as lots of new faces in the new millenium, when our existing low fees will be kept the same. (Details in the February issue).

We wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a Safe, Happy New Year.



SpringDale
Community Cottage
Bellarina Toy Library



AMBELSIDE GARDENS

This garden is a celebration of design, colour, plant selection and enthusiasm. Sharronne, a garden designer herself, set out just two years ago to create a garden where her clients can experience a variety of design concepts and plants. Sharronne has not only given her clients real life creative examples for use in their gardens she has also created a thought-provoking garden that is worth a visit.

As you amble around the 3 acres you have to keep reminding yourself that this garden is only 2 years old – and inspiration to all gardeners.

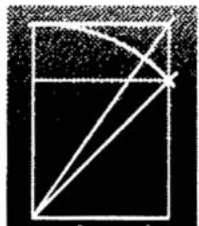
Hedges of Escallonia, Santolina and purple-leaved tea tree form a strong backbone to the plantings within. Skilful combinations of colour and foliage form in a developing series of garden rooms where the perennial plantings are beautifully colour coordinated. Clematis,

old-fashioned roses and rare plants thrive in a walled garden.

You can experience water features, a pot garden, formal hedged gardens, a sunken courtyard and among other examples a vegetable garden incorporating striking design whilst remaining productive.

Available at the gardens are an unusual range of perennials and drought tolerant plants, which you can purchase on your visit.

To get to Ambleside Gardens from Geelong take the Queenscliffe Road, turn right into Grubb Road and then turn right into Rhind's Road and right again into Malpas Dve. Melway Key Map 15.



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Ambleside Gardens

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Melway Key Map 15

From Geelong take Queenscliff Rd, at Wallington turn right into
Grubb Rd, right into Rhinds Rd & right again into Malpas Drive.

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NOTES FROM THE BELLARINE WARD

Cr. Rob Binnie.

Firstly may I take this opportunity to wish every resident and visitor to the Bellarine Peninsula a safe and happy holiday season.

1999 has been a year of many challenges and achievements. I hope you believe as I do that the New Year and the new millennium looks bright for all of us.

That does not mean that we won't come up against hurdles from time to time. I can assure you that I will continue to work hard to represent our community at Council and focus on the ongoing growth and development of the Bellarine.

As we near the end of the year, it is timely to take a look at a couple of the projects now rapidly nearing completion.

Clifton Springs is about to take possession of its new skate park. These facilities borne from and driven by community in partnership with Council and the local police are a terrific asset. Not only does it give the kids in the community a sense of ownership, but also it provides an important safe environment in which to gather and exercise.

Construction commenced some 4 weeks ago where the site has been established. Work is progressing well and is on schedule. The site has been fully fenced off and all skaters and residents are requested to keep well clear of the construction site for safety reasons.

We are expecting completion and an official Skate Park Opening early in the New Year, I hope to see you there in your board shorts to share in the moment.

Part of Stage 1 works at The Dell have been completed with the formalisation and sealing of car parks and pedestrian access paths, installation of underground stormwater pipes and pits, bollards/barrier fencing and landscaping works.

This is really an exciting project that will be a great asset to the local community. Further works require funding in 2000/2001 financial year to install B-B-Q's, picnic tables and seats to complete Stage 1 works. External grant funding from Parks Victoria and Department of Natural Resources and Environment is also being sought for these works.

Oh, don't forget to take a dip to ease the heat over summer in the Clifton Springs pool. It will be open for another year 7 days a week from 11am until 6pm (except during inclement weather). Over the Christmas period it is only closed on Christmas Day and the season ends in about the first week of March 2000.

It has been a year of growth but I look forward to new initiatives on the Bellarine Peninsula into the new century. Once again, a happy Christmas and holiday season to you and your family.

Cr. Rob Binnie.
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By Esther Hamilton.

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Norwegian Star is the newest ship to cruise the Australian and South Pacific waters, joining us in November 1998. The Norwegian Star can take up to 800 passengers and has 400 staff members. This cruise ship definitely lives up to its 4 star rating.

There is an abundance of activities on board to satisfy everyone. These include working out in the gymnasium, aerobics classes, golf driving range, art auctions, movie cinema, basketball, table tennis, lecture programs and craft classes.

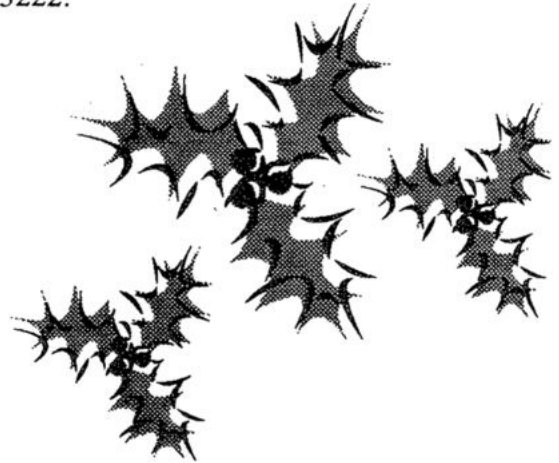
The entertainment on board is exceptional. You can try your luck in the casino, have a dance in the nightclub, listen to the live band or take in a floorshow.

With six bars, and a choice of main dining, on deck barbecues, buffets, Poolside Pizzeria, or room service you certainly won't go hungry. Once on every cruise a Chocoholic Buffet is held for that ultimate indulgence. My favourite restaurant is Le Bistro the Intimate a la Carte dining experience. You must make a reservation, and for only \$10.00 per person you can enjoy the culinary delights Le Bistro has to offer. All meals are included in your cruise

fare. The midnight buffets are a must – with spectacular carved ice sculptures and an array of sumptuous seafood and tempting desserts definitely worth at least a look.

Norwegian Star have a range of tours available for your shore excursions visiting exotic destinations such as, Vanuatu, Fiji, New Caledonia, Tonga, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Indonesia and various Australian ports. Pre-booking your shore excursions is recommended to avoid disappointment. Cruising is a great option for a totally relaxing or fun filled action packed holiday. Whatever option you prefer a Norwegian Star cruise can satisfy your holiday needs.

If you would like any further information on the Norwegian Star, Cruising or other holiday options, please contact Carol McCarthy or Esther Hamilton at Harvey World Travel Drysdale on Phone: 5251 1125 or Fax: 5251 1126, Shop 2a, 6 High Street, Drysdale. Vic. 3222.



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COURSE GUIDE FOR TERM 1 - Year 2000

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS...CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS...CRAFT &
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9.30am - 3.30pm Monday to Thursday; 9am-12.30pm - Friday
Phone: 52 531960 or
call into 14 Princess Street, Drysdale, 3222
Childcare available to daytime classes at \$2.50 per class - bookings essential
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ALL COURSES MUST BE PAID FOR 1 WEEK PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT

Should a class be cancelled due to lack of enrolments or another reason fees are refunded in full and enrollees notified by phone. People wishing to withdraw from a course must do so prior to commencement of the course. Where fees have been paid a refund will be issued with an administrative fee of \$8.00 deducted. Where a person withdraws after commencement of course the full cost of the course will be charged.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COTTAGE WILL BE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK FROM MONDAY THE 20TH OF DECEMBER UNTIL MONDAY 10TH OF JANUARY.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

Yoga Therapy

Experience balance & harmony of mind, body, emotions & spirit. Exercise through breathing, stretching and relaxation.

Tuesday 6 - 7.30pm from 1st February - 4th April or Tuesday 7.45-9.15pm from 1st February - 4th April

Fee: \$86.00 10 * 1 ½ hr sessions

Tutor: Glenda Breedweld Venue: Bellarine Community Health Center - 21 Palmerston St, Drysdale

Yoga for primary children

A dynamic fun class for kids - incorporating activities that improve health & fitness in body & mind to develop attention and stimulate creativity.

Tuesday 4.30-5pm from 1st February - 4th April

Fee: \$65.00 * 10 ½ hr sessions

Venue: Ocean Grove Neighborhood House - 91 The Parade

Tai Chi

Calm and focus your mind. Relax and strengthen your body. Beijing 24 form to be taught by experienced instructor trained in Melbourne and China.

Beginners Class

Monday 6.30 - 7.30pm from 31st January - 3rd April

Continuing Students

Monday 7.45pm - 8.45pm from 31st January - 3rd April

Fee: \$77.00 10* 1hr sessions

Tutor: Sue Simpson Venue: Bellarine Community Health Center - 21 Palmerston Street, Drysdale

Meditation

Chakra mediation - use the energy centres of your body to relax, refresh and become more spiritually aware. Easy to learn and do.

Thursday 7.30 - 8.30pm from 24th February to 23rd March

Fee: \$43.00 5 * 1 hr sessions

Tutor: Maggie Gove Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

Understanding Grief

Many of us experience grief at some time in our lives through the death of someone we love. We also experience grief in other aspects of life – loss of job, a relationship or our health. Grief affects us in many ways and women and men grieve differently. This session presents an opportunity to discuss and understand more about the grieving process. Thursday 2nd March – 7.30pm – 9.30pm or Monday 3rd April – 10am-12pm
Fee: \$10.00 Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

ARTS & CRAFTS

Painting – Watercolors for Beginners through to advanced

Interested in painting? Interested in watercolors? This course is designed for new starters and those with some basic watercolor experience. Run by a qualified art tutor. Tuesday 22nd February– 4th April 10 am - 12 pm
Tuesday 22nd February – 4th April 12.30 – 2.30pm
Fee: \$70.00 7 * 2 hr session + supply of some of own materials
Tutor: Brian Close Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

Beginners Drawing Class

Learn to develop your hand/eye co-ordination and sketch what you see. Learn how to draw, line, shape and shade. Learn how to highlight and detail your drawings. Try Still Life, Portraits or Landscapes. See how simple it can be, try techniques working from your own photos and real life. Try greylead, ink and charcoal. Provided by qualified art tutor. Wednesday 9th February – 5th April 7pm-9pm
Fee: \$90 9*2hr session + supply of some materials
Tutor: Kate Brewster Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

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Childrens Drawing Classes

For primary school children an after school activity that will assist in developing hand/eye co-ordination. Specifically designed for children this will teach basic skills and teach them how to draw, line, shape and shade. It will enable them to learn to draw figures and animals. Not only will it be a learning experience it will be lots of fun. Provided by qualified art tutor.

Thursday 9th March to 6th April 4pm-6pm
Fee: \$50.00 5* 2hr session + supply of some materials
Tutor: Kate Brewster Venue: Springdale Community Cottage.

Machine Quilting for Beginners

Gain sewing machine confidence by making a patchwork quilt entirely by machine. The quilt you will make will be 122cm * 158cm. You will need to bring along your own sewing machine and a material list will be provided on enrolment.

Thursday 2nd March - 23rd March 1pm-3pm
Fee: \$45.00 4*2hr session + supply of some materials
Tutor: Ruth Trethewie Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

Folk Art

With a few simple strokes, circles and triangles you are on your way to creating a bouquet of flowers. Anyone can paint these designs, no previous skills required. Learn how to freehand your designs and also to color mix. Make table mats, folders or more elaborate items. List of materials required available from Springdale.

Monday 14th February – 27th March 10-12pm (not 13/3 – public holiday)
Fee: \$65.00 6 * 2hr session + supply of some materials
Tutor: Delyce England Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

Cross Stitch

This workshop is for beginners. A full kit will be supplied on the day.

Thursday 30th March 1-3pm

Fee: \$13.00 Tutor: Joy Wallis Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

Glass Painting

Make those plain glasses attractive with pretty painted designs.

Thursday 17th & 24th February 7pm-9pm

Fee: \$28.00 + some materials Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

GENERAL INTEREST & SKILLS

Comprehensive Computer Course

We have teamed up with the Gordon Institute of TAFE to offer a comprehensive beginners computer course. This will be a 18 week course covering topics such as computer operations, database & spreadsheet fundamentals; wordprocessing.

Thursday 10th February – 29th June (no classes during term break 13/4-20/4)

9.30am – 12.30pm

Fee: \$137.30 (+textbook \$63.00) or if in receipt of government benefit \$66.65 + textbook + Amenities Fee of \$22.00

Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

BOOKINGS – directly to Gordon TAFE on 52250843

Computers (Windows for beginners)

A number of non-technical courses for absolute beginners & those with basic skills. The courses will be hands on and informative looking at the various applications that run from Windows software and how you can get the most out of it. There will be a number of subsidised places for some people in the community especially those seeking re-entry into the workplace; long term unemployed and some general community places.

Details of time, place and cost will be published in the February edition of the Messenger. If you are interested in these courses it is recommended that you contact us as early as possible to guarantee a spot.

Woodworking for Women

For beginners & advanced. Covers reading plans, proper measuring, safe machine use, gluing and laminating, assembling and fitting, sanding and finishing. Start off making a blanket box, coffee table or maybe a bookcase. This is one of our most popular classes so enrol early.

Wednesday 9th February – 5th April 5pm-8pm

Fee: \$110.00 plus materials 9*3hr sessions

Tutor: Desiree Somavilla Venue: Bellarine Secondary College

Food Handling and Safety Certificate 1 & 2

Certificate 1 Food Hygiene is essential for any retail food business & requirement by law in Year 2000

Certificate 2 is essential for managers and supervisors in food preparation or service areas and provides a comprehensive overview of the relevant legislation

Certificate 1 – 8th & 15th February 6.30pm – 9.30pm - Fee: \$80.00

Certificate 2 – 22nd February 6.30pm – 9.30pm
Fee: \$40.00

If undertake both Certificate 1 & 2 total fee is \$95.00

Venue: Country Fire Authority, Drysdale.



Belly Dancing

Enjoy this age-old celebration of dance. Inclusive of all age groups, body sizes and fitness levels.

A specialist tutor will attend fortnightly to further develop specific dances & movements. This group is for beginners and the more advanced dancer.

Tuesday 15th February – 4th April 7.30pm – 9pm

Fee: \$45.00 * 8* 1 ½ hr sessions

Venue: Drysdale Community Hall – High Street

Italian

Wanting to travel to Italy? Just wanting to learn a new language? This course is designed for beginners working through greetings, general expressions, alphabet, everyday conversation. Run by qualified Italian tutor.

Tuesday 15th February – 4th April 6.30 – 8.30pm

Fee: \$85.00 – 8*2hr sessions

Tutor: Enza Prestipino Venue: Springdale Community Cottage

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Music & Movement

(2yr – 4yr olds)

Children naturally want to move, dance and sing to music. A trained pre-school teacher will share her love of music and movement through singing, rhymes, fingerplays, stories, dancing, creative movement, games and musical instruments. Parent participation is required.

Thursday from 17th February to 6th April 1.30 – 2.00pm

Fee: \$35.00 8 * ½ hr session Venue: Springdale Community Cottage



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Childrens

Drawing Classes

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Thursday 9th March to 6th April 4pm-6pm

Fee: \$50.00 5* 2hr session + supply of some materials

Tutor: Kate Brewster Venue: Springdale Community Cottage.

Kinder Playgroup (3+)

Parents & children involved in a variety of play activities – painting, playdough, rice play, dress up, puzzles + outdoor activities.

Wednesdays 1pm – 3pm from 2nd February to 5th April

Fee: \$5.00 registration & \$50.00 per year

Occasional Care

New three hour sessions to enable parents to take a break or undertake courses, do shopping etc. Also gives your child an opportunity to socialise and play with other children in a supervised program.

Bookings for the year 2000 can be taken from the 10th of January.

The first session will commence on Tuesday the 1st of February.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday mornings – 9.00am to 12pm

Fee: \$14.00 per session

3 year old

kindergarten

Our Thursday morning session is now full. If you are interested in a Monday afternoon session please indicate interest as soon as possible.

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- 11.30 - TAI CHI DEMONSTRATION
- 12.30 - SINGERS PERFORMANCE
- 1PM - BELLY DANCING GROUP PERFORMANCE
- 1.30 - SINGERS PERFORMANCE
- 2PM - BELLY DANCING GROUP PERFORMANCE

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TWO CELEBRATIONS.

By Rev. David Evans
Senior Pastor, Clifton Springs Baptist Church.

Usually at this time of the year, Christians are getting ready for one of the major celebrations of the Christian calendar-- Christmas. Despite all the commercialism of the world's festivities, Christians remind themselves that they celebrate the coming of Jesus Christ our Saviour into the world. They are careful not to allow a complete hijacking by non-Christian festivities of the real reason for the season. Hence we have extra services, both inside and outside the walls of the church and we do our best to present the true cause for celebration. Not all the trees, Christmas shopping, the annual pumped up "good will to all men" slogan, the unusual display of sugary movies on television can mask the fact that Christmas is a time when we are reminded that God decided to "invade" planet earth with His own plan of salvation. So the man we call Jesus, "God with a human body", came to identify with the human race and its suffering and, if we will receive Him, deliver us from the fear of no future and no eternity. Christians are truly grateful for the coming of Christ and so we celebrate it with thanksgiving.

However this year we have cause for two celebrations. If we discount the arguments about when the new millennium begins, (some say the year 2000, some say 2001), our second celebration is to recognise that this year we can celebrate 2000 years since the coming of Jesus. Just as Christmas and Easter belong to the Christian Church, so the year 2000 is also a Christian celebration. We must not allow this time to pass us by and hand the celebrations over to a world where many have

rejected the Christ of the Gospels. Whenever we write the year in full we add the two initials A.D. from the Latin, Anno Domini meaning, "in the year of our Lord". If the year 2000 is nothing else, it is a reminder that it has been two thousand years since Christ was born and that His mission was accomplished for all time.

In John Gospel chapter 1:12, there is a very sad verse and yet a verse which ends with great promise. It speaks of the 1st Century response to Jesus by those He especially came to save. "He came to his own people but they didn't want him. But whoever did want him, who believed he was who he claimed and would do what he said, He made to be their true selves, their child-of-God selves."


If we really want to find our true selves for Christmas and the new millennium, we need to discover and welcome into our lives the One who gives the full meaning to our celebrations, Jesus Christ of Christmas and the millennium. This world is not going to last forever. Nor are we and for each of us eternity lies ahead. Christ came to open the Kingdom of Heaven to those who will receive Him. The Innkeeper had no room for Him in the inn that first Christmas night. Thousands of others since have denied Him lodgings in their lives. But what about you? He still knocks on the door of our lives and asks to come in.

Why not make this Christmas and the millennium the time when you admit Him to the inn of your lives. Then you will have cause for a third celebration -- your own personal encounter with eternal life right now.

May God bless you all for Christmas and the new millennium.

Rev. David Evans

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Christmas Eve		24.12.1999	
7pm	St James	Drysdale	Christmas For Kids
11.30pm	St. Johns	Portarlinton	Midnight Mass
11.30pm	St. James	Drysdale	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day		25.12.1999	
9am	St. James	Drysdale	
9am	St. Johns	Portarlinton	
9am	St. Pauls	St. Leonards	

Catholic Church Mass Times

Christmas Eve		
6.30pm	St. Leonards	
7.00pm	Portarlinton	
8.00pm	Leopold	
Christmas Day		
7.45am	11.00am	Drysdale
9.30am		Leopold
9.30am		Portarlinton



Church By The Bay

Christmas Eve
10.00pm Church By The Bay
Christmas Day
9.00am Church By The Bay
Combined Service with Clifton Springs Baptist Church

Uniting Church

Christmas Eve
11.30pm Bellarine Uniting Church
Christmas Day
8.00am Drysdale Uniting Church
9.00am Portarlington Uniting Church

Drysdale Christian Fellowship
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Sunday Services: 10.00am and 6.30pm

K.I.D.S. Church each Sunday at 10.30am for Primary School aged children. Also Toddlers group and Teen Church.

Sunday December 19th 10.30am and at 6.30pm there will be a "Family Christmas Gala Event and Carols by Candlelight".

Christmas Day, 10.00am a one hour Family Service.

Please note: There will no Evening Services on December 26th or January 2nd. Also K.I.D.S. Church will be in recess from December 19th through to and including January 23rd.

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BELLARINE PENINSULA TOURISM INC.

Bellarine Peninsula Tourism Marketing and Business Plan.

A workshop was convened on the 11th November and facilitated by Roger Grant to review and modify the groups Marketing and Business Plan, which we have operated under for the past 14 months.

The workshop explored the plan in depth and made appropriate modifications and ticked off the projects that the groups have completed over that time.

This was a very useful exercise and has refocused Bellarine Tourism for the next 12 months to achieve and assist Geelong Otway to maintain the edge that this region has over others in the competitive tourism field.

The Villages of Bellarine Project

The official launch of the Villages project will occur on the 29th November 99 at Portarlington. This occasion will be used to outline the workings of the Committee and the major projects that will be undertaken over the next 12 months.

As part of the development of the project and given that the coming summer presents as a great opportunity for business to capitalise on the influx of visitors to the region. This special training night has been developed to assist operators on the Peninsula to maximise income but minimise the loss that occurs due to shop lifting and theft by organised gangs that have operated on the Peninsula in past years.

The workshop will be held in Drysdale on the 8th December at the CFA building commencing at 6.30pm and be presented by Sen Const. Sandy Atkinson from the Geelong Police, a nominal fee of \$5.00 will be charged to cover the cost for the evening.

Bellarine Peninsula Tourism Visitors Guide Spring Summer Edition.

This publication will be launched as part of the Villages of Bellarine launch on the 29th November. Again it has been appropriately themed with the Villages concept and will be useful for operators and visitors when they visit over the coming months.

The launch of the brochure has been supplemented with lead information in regard to where to obtain the brochure in the Queenscliff Music Festival supplement.

The Springdale Messenger

Membership

All committee members have been very active in speaking to other operators right across the Peninsula to encourage new members to join. BPT has been pleased with the level of new members joining the Association in the past few months and has set a target of 200 by 2000 as its membership target in the short term.

With many new initiatives being undertaken and the resources of an on ground paid officer the committee is confident that this target will be achieved.

Queenscliff Music Festival 99.

It is pleasing to report that the Music Festival will again sell out in 99. The other aspect that this has led to is the increase in packaging within the local tourism industry with the current situation seeing waiting lists with accommodation providers for that weekend in November.

The increased exposure that the Festival brings to Queenscliff is gratifying but more pleasing is the extent to which the rest of the Bellarine Peninsula is now benefiting with accommodation bookings flowing onto other towns on the Peninsula.

Darryl Warren
Secretary

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INDENTED HEAD YACHT CLUB INC.

The Indented Head Yacht Club is a friendly family based Club with members from the Bellarine Peninsula, Geelong and Melbourne. From its clubhouse located on the foreshore at Indented Head racing is conducted on Sunday afternoons during the season, which extends from October till the end of April each year.

Boats currently sailing with the Club include a mixed fleet of yachts Minnow (Juniors), Tasar, 125, Laser, Laser Radial, Mirror, Sabre and Trailer Sailers but other classes are welcome.

A Junior training program is conducted on Sunday mornings commencing about 10.30 am and the Club has a limited number of boats for use by trainees.

Visitors are welcome to the Club to either learn to sail or join in the competitive racing program commencing at 1400 hours.

We are conducting several State Championships including 14 foot skiffs, National E's, Explorers and Lasers over the January to March 2000 period which will attract lots of boats into the area.

In addition we will be hosting a Victorian Yachting Council sponsored Sailing promotion on 22nd January with "Young Round the world sailor" Jesse Martin and a Regional Youth Sailing Training weekend 12/13th February.

Further information can be obtained from the Secretary Frank Whyte 5243 4835, Commodore Manfred Herzer at Wise Guys 5253 2206 or a/h on 5253 2775, Gerhart Herzer a/h 5251 2749, Charlie or Carolyn Kiss a/h 5255 4918, Steve Gregory a/h 5255 1960.

SATURDAY MARKET AT ST. LEONARDS

Markets will be held each 1st Saturday of the month, summer duration at the Catholic Church of Sts. Phillip and James, Murradoc Road, next to the school, at St. Leonards. 8 am - 1 pm. Sites \$5.00. Enquiries: 5257 2246.

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Initially we are considering one service a month with rehearsal time for the band each Sunday between four and five p.m. We are in the very early stages of planning.

The "Come Alive at 5" On a Sunday afternoon will be a less structured form of worship and will be geared for those who like a more lively form of worship and where young folk and family groups can feel welcomed and comfortable.

We are aiming to have our first "Come Alive at 5" on the 23rd January, 2000.

If you are interested and would like to take part, why not phone and have a talk with Elizabeth on 5251 3474.

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The club has its own constitution, which was written by the original members some years ago. Meetings are held every two months at a member's home and members regularly receive a newsletter. Coffee morn-

ings have also been held to help to get to know each other.

A yearly fee of \$4 covers costs and any surplus is donated each Christmas to charity.

For security reasons, the constitution requires that new members seek nomination from two current members. We currently have a few vacancies, but membership is limited to 30.

Inquiries about membership may be made (AH) to 5251 3083.

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All are invited to come and view what club members have produced over the past twelve months which covers such items as woodturning, carving, pyrography, model ships, intarsia, furniture, boxes and ornamental turning.

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This report will be out in time for Christmas and all the seasonal activities that are dealt with at this time of the year. For some it is a round of "break-up" parties, baking, shopping and of course wrapping the gifts for all the family. Others may be alone and find Christmas a very quiet time. To all our members, their family, and friends, the committee wish you all Joy, Health and Happiness throughout the Holy Season, and may it continue into Year 2000.

Pageant Of Roses, at the Exhibition Building on November 3rd. Attended by 14 people. They saw the Queen of Flowers in all it's Splendour, a very relaxing day enjoyed by all.

February. 23/24/25 two night and 3 days trip to Marysville. Tour includes Yarra Valley Winery, Lights by Stephenson Falls in the evening, Bruno Sculpture Garden, to mention but a little of what this trip entails. The coach will return via the Dandenong Ranges. Sounds like a very well organised trip.

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Dr. John Birrell, Retired Police Surgeon was our invited Guest Speaker for this month. A very entertaining speaker, who highlighted the problems of driving whilst under the influence of alcohol, albeit a serious subject he added a little of his own wit to the stories, to make it a Take Home Message.

Cottage by the Sea This Club Donated \$150.00 to enable the Queenscliff Branch to purchase craft items for the children to make things that they will be able to take home for Christmas.

Ballarat Conference Day was attended by our Delegate, **Norma Bushby**, who reported a most enjoyable day was spent by one and all. The town crier announced the delegates, who carried their clubs banner, all the individual banners were arrayed for all to see. The conference was a huge success.

Next month will be our Christmas Luncheon to be held at the Springs. It will have a musical element in it, in the form of a Country Theme. We are invited to arrive at the Springs at 11.30am for Sherry, Juice and Nibbles, followed by lunch at 12 noon. Wear country outfit, or whatever you like.

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BLAST OFF Into the New Millennium

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After the Christmas lights fade and the candles burn low, you may be wondering what to do for the children. This year's Statewide Summer Reading Club is a great way to keep the children busy. Children can collect reading kits from the library for the chance to go into the statewide draw to win great prizes.

BLAST OFF ..Into the New Millennium is the theme throughout libraries this summer, and there will be many thematic activities and competitions throughout the Geelong region these holidays. At Drysdale Library we have a Meet the Aliens Storytime Session on Tuesday 11th January, and an Internet Exploration Session on Tuesday 18th January. Both events are aimed at Primary School age children, with bookings essential on 5251 3855. Times are 10.30am.

Great new books are available weekly at the library, this months new titles including:

Fiction:

"A star called Henry" by Roddy Doyle
"O is for outlaw" by Sue Grafton
"All or nothing" by Elizabeth Adler

Non-Fiction:

"Knockdown: the harrowing true account of a yacht race turned deadly" by Martin Dryard

"No future without forgiveness" by Desmond Tutu

"Beyond the sky and earth: a journey into Bhutan" by Jamie Zeppa

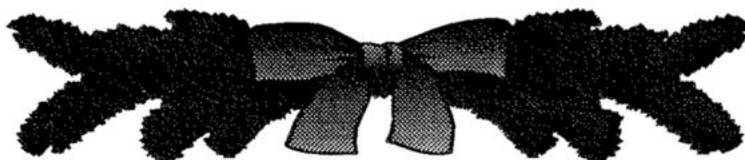
Library patrons should note that special Christmas/New Year Opening Hours Apply to all branches of the Geelong Regional Library, as follows:

Saturday 25th December – Tuesday 28th December (inclusive) **CLOSED**

Saturday 1st January – Monday 3rd January (inclusive) **CLOSED**

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Stacey, Hilary, Liz and Angela.



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DRYSDALE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

The John Couzens show on the 18th October was a huge success. John, a very talented entertainer had the whole audience enthralled with his singing and good humour and his impersonations of various well-known stars. All in all a great afternoons enjoyment.

The five-day trip on November 1st to Albury and surrounding areas started off from Drysdale with members and friends eagerly looking forward to a few days relaxation enjoying sights and scenery. Places visited were Benalla Rose Gardens and a look at the statue of Weary Dunlop, then after lunch, on to Glenrowan before arriving at the motel at Lavington which was to be home for the next few days. A B.B.Q. and salad meal followed by scrumptious sweets were served for evening meal.

Day two saw a visit to Hume Weir and a stroll around before going on to Dartmouth, where, after having lunch, the group visited the Dam. Corowa was the next port of call and the evening meal and a flutter on the pokies rounded off the day.

Day three was an early start, first to Beechworth where most sampled the goodies from the Beechworth Bakery, then on to Myrtleford where a guide boarded the coach and gave an interesting and detailed description of the area, its produce, tobacco, grapes etc. Next stop Bright where lunch was taken, a stroll around the souvenir shops and on to Mt. Beauty, via the Tawonga Pass, beautiful scenery and perfect weather enhanced it all.

The evening meal was enjoyed at Howlong, before returning to the motel.

Day four a trip to Jindera, then on to the Ettamogah Pub for a sausage sizzle and wine tasting lunch after which, it was back to Albury for shopping and a visit to the Botanical Gardens. A trip was then made to the Jewelry Factory in Wodonga.

Day five a fond farewell to the motel hosts and a stop (on the way home to Drysdale) at Shepparton, visiting S.P.C. and Ardmona Factory outlets to purchase goods, finally arriving home, weary travelers but most content.

As the year is drawing to a close, we are looking forward to the festive season and celebrations, both at the club and at home with family and friends.

The Christmas luncheon this year will be held at the Drysdale Hotel on December 13th at 11.30am. Followed by a concert at the ClubRooms. This day is a member's only day.

On behalf of the committee, may we wish you all a happy and safe festive season and we look forward to a year of good health, happiness, companionship and friendship in 2000.

Last but not least a big thank you to Maureen and Co. at Springdale Community Cottage for allowing us the space to print our news etc. God bless you one and all, in the year 2000.

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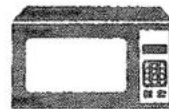
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We are trying to bring the community together at Christmas time, building friendships and enjoying the festive season.

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derful show of community and Christmas spirit.

This year there will also be a coloring competition for the kids and entry to both competitions is free. Judging and presentations take place the week before Christmas.

Full details and entry forms are available through the Geelong Independent and our offices in Drysdale, Leopold and Ocean Grove.

We wish to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.



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