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SPRINGDALE CELEBRATES ADULT LEARNERS WEEK

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**"ITS NEVER TOO
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Adult Learners's Week is a national celebration and promotion of all forms of adult learning. It's a chance for people already learning to tell their friends, their families, their colleagues that learning opens up new opportunities.

This year Springdale wanted to utilise Adult Learners Week to get the message out that "its never too late to learn" and learning opens up new opportunities and can make a difference to people's lives.

To spread the word Springdale undertook a number of activities.

We photographed a number of our programs and activities and displayed them in a community space to showcase the positive aspects of participating. We were able to show that many participants are older people who are trying out different things and having fun at the same time.

The photos were displayed at the local library in Drysdale along with flyers and information about the op-

portunities that exist for adult learners within the local community.

We also held "Come and try" sessions on the classroom computers. This drew hundreds of curious people who were given information and encouragement by our tutor on duty. Many took up the challenge and enrolled in a computer course for next term.

We particularly wanted people to see the fun side of adult learning and had tasty (and fattening) biscuits for morning and afternoon tea and lollies on offer all week to draw people to our promotion. This was very popular with everyone.

Overall our activities attracted a few hundred people who were curious about what activities were available.

Each of our activities provided an opportunity to celebrate and promote all our wonderful classes and activities to the wider community in a friendly and relaxed manner and to profile the benefits that come from lifelong learning.

Our center is open all through the year for the community to come and have a look and see what we have available. You will find something to interest most people. Drop in and have a look and meet our friendly staff and volunteers who can help find an activity that suits you. Check out our Term 4 brochure in this Messenger for some suggestions.



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Annual General Meeting

On September 11 Springdale conducted its 11th Annual General Meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity to reflect on the achievements of the year that's been and look forward to the challenges and opportunities ahead.

Some of the highlights in the last year were:

- * Receiving the final funding required for our redevelopment - \$220 000 from Adult Community and Further Education.

- * Increase in our participation rates in all our programs making us one of the two busiest Neighbourhood Houses in the Barwon South West Region

- * Introduction of new childcare sessions due to the high demand from the community

- * Establishment of the Bellarine Peninsula Human Services Forum tackling some of the big local issues such as public transport and services for young people

- * Working with Rotary and Lions Clubs to acknowledge community volunteer efforts through the inaugural Adrian E. Mannix OAM Award.

- * Funding for upgrade of our computer facilities to broadband internet access

- * Funding of a computer in Portarlington to provide local access to the internet and email

- * Training over 300 people in using the internet and email

Thank you to all the staff and volunteers and members of the Committee of Management for all their work in making it such a successful year.

Our New Committee of Management

The following people were elected as members of the Committee of Management for this year. You will see some familiar faces but also some new people have put their hands up to join the committee:

President: Dianne Farrimond

Vice-President: Elva Berry

Secretary: Neil Chasemore

Treasurer: Anne Brackley

General Members: Lisa Elliot, Ted Chidzey, Paul Jones, John O'Rourke, Arthur Crowley, and Eileen Brennan.

Guest Speaker

This years guest speaker was Barbara Abley, Mayor of City of Greater Geelong. Barb spoke about the recent rate increases and its impact on some residents. She outlined a process for review of rates in the following cases:

a) Where you believe the rates are not in keeping with the real value of your property

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Barb also spoke about her experiences in East Timor earlier this year in assisting with their free elections. A number of people have subsequently contacted Barb to be a speaker at their community group meeting to discuss this experience in more detail.

Springdale Redevelopment

Two objections were received to the redevelopment and a mediation meeting has been held. We are confident that we have reached agreement on all the issues raised by the objectors and hope that a planning permit will be issued shortly, with a possible start date later in Term 4. Hopefully this means that a large part of the construction can occur during the holiday period minimising the disruption to our programs and activities.

Term 4

Enclosed in this edition you will find this terms brochure. Apart from our usual array of classes we have some interesting new classes on offer: Backyard Poultry; Green Garden Tips; Overseas Travel; budgeting

and for the first time Portarlington residents will be able to do a computer training course in Portarlington.

Internet Access at Portarlington

In partnership with the Bellarine Peninsula Community Health Service we are providing a computer at the Portarlington office for local residents to access the internet and email. Contact the Health Service on 52592537 to book a time.

Drysdale Hawks

Commiserations to the Drysdale Hawks who played fantastically all year to only be defeated in their final against Ocean Grove. Disappointing for the team but we can be proud of the way they have played this year.

That's all for this month but I encourage you to drop in or ring us for more information about our programs and activities on 52531960 or at 14 Princess Street, Drysdale.

Lisa Neville
Co-ordinator

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Drysdale Rotary Club News

Shaun Ling from Bellarine Secondary College, Drysdale has been selected to attend the National Youth Science Forum to be held in Canberra during January 2003. Shaun Ling was nominated by the Rotary Club of DRYSDALE from Rotary District 9780.

The 282 students, all of whom had already been identified as among the top science students in their school or locality, were chosen by over 500 Rotary Clubs from 23 Rotary Districts from nearly two thousand applicants drawn from

Australia's 1,800 year 11/12 secondary schools.

To have a student selected is a credit to the student, the High School, the Rotary Club and the community. Students selected must be in year 11 and intend to follow a career in science or science related area. As well as this the student must be at the top of the science classes at high school and, in addition, possess motivation and communication skills to make a good scientist.

At the National Youth Science Forum, which will take two weeks, students will meet scientists in the discipline of science which they wish to pursue, work in laboratories with these people and learn directly what a career in science will be like. In addition, students will meet with those of similar abilities and ambitions, something that is not always possible in one's home town. The

NYSF is made possible by the Rotary Clubs of Australia, by those institutions which provide the scientific aspects of the programme such as the Australia National University, the University of Canberra where the National Youth Science Forum is based, CSIRO Australia, top universities across Australia and many industry and government partners.

The two weeks in Canberra will give all students an appreciation of the contribution they can make in the areas of science and engineering to the future of this country. Further it is hoped that all students will recognize more of the way in which they can plan their future careers and aspire to greater heights than have previously been revealed to them.

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3 Year Old Kinder is a great introduction into the 4 Year Old program as socially the children learn to live among others, while experiencing creative development with the many art/craft activities. Children love to see family members at Kinder and all parents are invited to assist at a session at their convenience. There are so many rewarding aspects of being involved in a kinder session with the 3 year olds! For any enquiries please phone or come in and see for yourself. We are in Central Road, phone no: 52513158. Some places are still available.

The hospital tour for our 4 Year Old groups began with the adventure of what, for some, was their very first bus ride. The children got to see and learn about the many and var-

ied aspects of the Hospital environment. Then came time for free play. The children became instant "medicos", we had record speed baby deliveries, and many a bandaged arm, leg and head! We are also

eagerly awaiting our trip to the Marine Discovery Centre in Queenscliff.

After a busy Term 3 a good rest in the holidays is just what the doctor ordered!



Photo: Doctors: Mikayla, Brooke & Isabella.

Geelong Guide Dog Auxiliary

The Geelong Guide Dog Auxiliary will be holding a stall at Safeway Drysdale on Thursday October 3rd for the sale of Christmas cards and calendars etc. We look forward to seeing you there. E. Harrold.



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Drysdale Ladies Probus Club Inc

Our August meeting was very successful, with the indication of three new members.

The five minute Biographer was Sheila Rollinson, who said she was born in the depression and was one of eleven children, most interesting rendition.

The guest speaker, was Mr Ian Gordon. A retired lawyer from Ballarat, who quoted that he liked to hear his own voice, explaining many of his quotations and stories from his experience in his

days in the courts. He participated in some part time acting at the Ballarat Lyric Theatre in Oliver, The Sound Of music where he played 'Lord Boxing' in the racing scene. He filled the gathering with laughter.

We hope to be able, weather permitting, to get together at Queenscliff for fish & chips on the 11th of September.

The Carribean Garden trip is on the schedule for October.

Our new walking interest group is being attended very well, meeting at Portarlinton once per month with a coffee at the bakery afterwards, otherwise they meet at the Drysdale Railway Station.

Spring is on the way, Bulbs are popping up and isn't it great? We hope you are all feeling well, and those who are not we wish you a speedy recovery.

*Hoo Roo till Next time
Jeanette Derham.*

Why Doesn't God DO Something?

Why doesn't God do something? He has, He still is, and He will. It's all in the Bible. A message from your local Baptist Church. 45-51 Central Road, Clifton Springs Sunday Services, 10 a.m. 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays
7 p.m. Kids' Church, 10 a.m. Enquiries welcome 5253 1833

Drysdale and District Senior Citizens Centre Club.

The Casserole Luncheon was a big success and the Peninsula Mens' Choir was much enjoyed, which the audience participated in. 41 mem-

bers and friends had a great day visiting the Casino, eating well and then detouring to a Black Pepper outlet on the way home. Needless to say, empty wallets and purses came home with us at the end of the day. The painting art class is now underway but a few more members artistically minded would find it a very pleasant 2 hours. On the 5th of September the Gentle Exercise class started. The class has been most fortunate in obtaining the services of Annie Luder, who is a Vicfit Qualified Instructor. On the 14th of October we will be enjoying a lunch, followed by Vocal Entertainment of

Country and Western songs etc. On the 19th of October a Garage Sale will be held at the Club. If perchance you have no further use for clothes, books, craft articles, garden flowers, etc., and any other items, it would be appreciated. On November the 4th will have entertainment by Morning Melodies, followed by a sausage sizzle, and Bingo - this does indeed make it a busy day! There are plans ahead for another day trip, this will appear on the club notice board and in the Echo at a later date.

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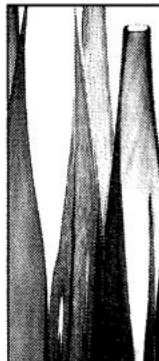


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Plans for the Bellarine Agricultural show to be held at Portarlington March 15 & 16, 2003 are progressing well.

Saturday the vintage machinery section will hold their spectacular. Next year the tractors will be put through their paces, the vintage trucks will be polished, the cars of yesterday all lined up and ready for the discerning eyes to be cast over them. The little engines will be put-putting.

The Harry Ferguson Tractor Club of Australasia Inc. is planning one of the most spectacular events of 2003 - they are planning to drive 7 grey Ferguson tractors with 7 Ferguson Trailers loaded with implements from Point Lonsdale to Echuca - this event to take place the first week of June 2003.

To coincide with the Bellarine Show, they are planning to hold a run from Corio, where all restoration

work is taking place, to Portarlington as a practice for June. This event was called "The Travelling Circus" and to have them present at the show it will jolt a few memories in the older members of the farming community on the Peninsula. Can you remember these tractors touring Victoria in the 1950's? If so, then come along and see them at the show.

Remember if you have an idea that can be incorporated in the show do not hesitate to let us know - the Bellarine Peninsula has a proud heritage in agriculture - let us know about the past, a little idea can become a larger attraction.

If you wish to join the Bellarine Agricultural Society Inc. the membership is \$12 for new members - this entitles entry to the show for 2 adults and 3 children on each day of the show as well as a newsletter every three months bringing you up to date on the progress of the show.

Please send your name, address and phone number addressed to the Secretary, at Box 315 PO Drysdale, Vic. 3222.

Do you have a special talent, or would you like to help with the show? To make the show the great success it was last year, help is required on both days, as well as the day before the show. If you are interested in a special section of the show, you may like to help as a steward.

One of the special sections to be introduced this year is for people in Aged Care. There will be Craft Sections, Art Sections, and if any aged Care Centre would like a special category placed in the schedule please advise the Secretary. If persons in charge of these creative areas in our Aged Care Homes require to meet with the Secretary please ring her on 5251 3379 and a meeting can be arranged. Lynette Wilson (Secretary)



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'Full steam ahead' for the Drysdale Railway Station

A small team of volunteers have been busy at work restoring the historic Drysdale Railway Station on the popular Bellarine Peninsula steam railway.

Hours of hard work over two years has paid off with the station and adjoining parkland area recently entered into this year's 'Tidy Town' awards.

City of Greater Geelong Coryule Ward Councillor, Heather Wellington, said the station was a fitting 'gateway' to the township.

'This area really is a beautiful spot and a fantastic place to spend an afternoon,' Cr Wellington said.

'We are very fortunate that our local community is prepared to give up some of their spare time and help in this project,' Cr Wellington added.

A 'Keep Australia Beautiful' campaign, Tidy Towns is the longest running community based environmental awards programs in Australia. The program aims to increase pride and awareness of a town's community and to highlight the great environmental work undertaken by volunteers within rural

Victoria and recognising community and Council involvement.

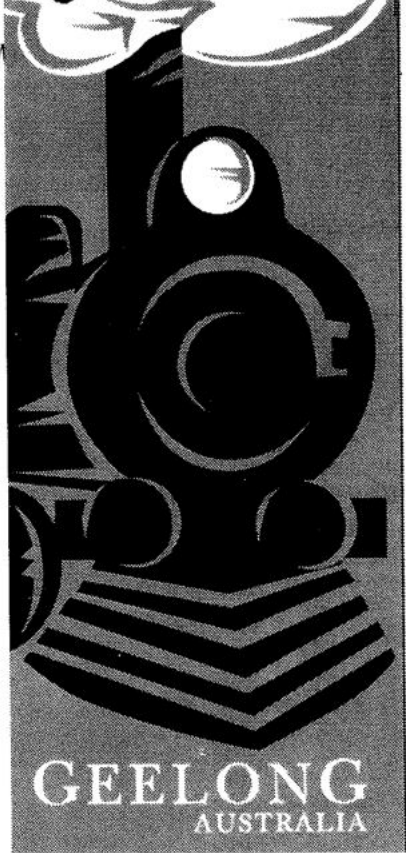
'The City of Greater Geelong has been incredibly supportive during this project. In particular, they have provided a specially designed banner which now proudly flies from one of two recently donated flagpoles,' said Drysdale's Station Master, Paul Kenny.

'The design is a stylised image of one of our oldest locomotives, built in Queensland in 1909. Cr Heather Wellington and City staff deserve the highest praise and thanks for their assistance with our plans to upgrade the railway station and park,' Mr Kenny added.

The station has also recently gained a kiosk providing tourist information which has proven popular with passing cyclists and rail travellers.

The Drysdale Steam trains run every Sunday and Public Holiday as well as Tuesdays and Thursdays during school holidays. It departs from Drysdale for Queenscliff at 12.15pm and 3.30pm. For more information, or to volunteer at the station, phone 5251 3725.

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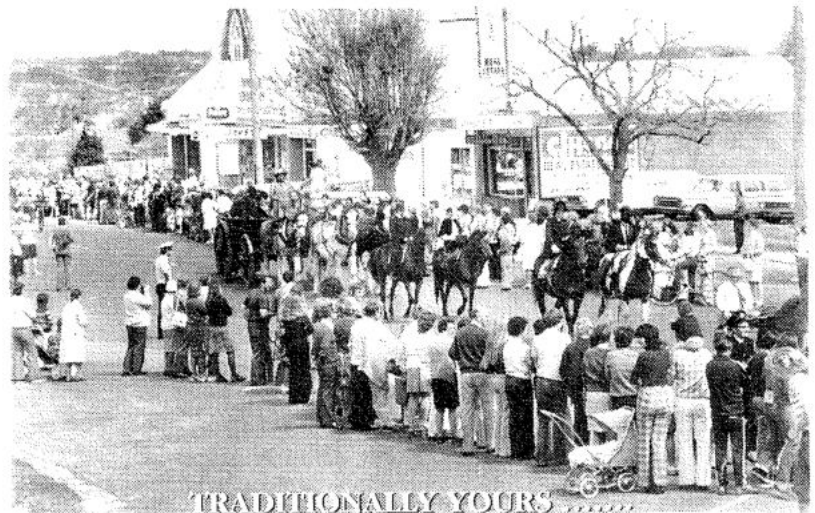
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Clifton Springs Primary School

We celebrated Science Week at school with a Science Fair. The level four students set their own challenges and then devised experiments to discover scientific truths. The challenges included: testing battery resilience, the effectiveness of different dishwashing detergent, the fat content of biscuits, the learning capacity of mice and so on. The students refined their experiments until they were at a stage where they were confident to demonstrate and explain the processes and results to others. This then became the Science Fair.

Parents and other students visited the Science Fair and enjoyed asking questions and finding out about the students' work. The older children were enthusiastic and animated as they led the younger ones along their journey of discovery.

A young scientist from Dow Chemicals, Robert Mackie, spent the morning with the students, interacting and answering their questions about his work.

Numeracy and Literacy Week was huge at school. The prep children spent an evening at school, each bringing a parent, and were very happy to be able to show-off their skills in reading, computer and numeracy. The mums and dads squished into little prep-sized tables and chairs and seemed to enjoy the chance to see their children at work.

The Level 3 students and their parents also spent an evening at school for a Family Maths programme. This is an annual event that encourages families to spend time

doing maths together in a fun way. It is hoped that families will be encouraged to see the opportunities in everyday situations to develop maths talents.

Anyone visiting during Literacy and Numeracy Week may well have seen the entire school playing board games. Younger children were buddied up with the older ones to enjoy Scrabble, Upwords and Monopoly.

An intensive swimming programme was conducted at Portarlinton Pool for all of the level two students.

The level three students visited the West Barwon Reservoir and Wurdee Boluc treatment plant as part of their theme on Water. They were happy to report back to the school that the dam is currently 98% full.

Level four students have been involved in a range of activities (jewellery making, golf, knitting, table tennis, cooking and more) as part of a recreation programme.

Some of the level fours have been involved in a Debating contest with Mt Duneed Primary School. Others have been preparing for the Robocup Challenge, their task being to construct a robot that dances.

Peter Scarrott visited this week from Singapore and confirmed that he will be heading up a new language school teaching English to children in Singapore for the next twelve months. In his absence, Janice Graham will continue as Principal with Rob Riley as Assistant Principal.

Margaret Linley

To all Springdale Messenger readers,

It is with sadness and regret that I will no longer be writing an article each month with regards to the Drysdale and District Senior Citizens Club. I was informed this week by Mr. R. Colbourne that this was a Committee decision and that he would be writing the article for the Drysdale and District Senior Citizens Club from now on.

I have enjoyed immensely contributing to each edition which was my project from the very first edition until now.

I would like to thank one and all sincerely for your loyal support and the many complimentary remarks extended to me over the years with regards to my contribution to the Springdale Messenger Magazine.

*God Bless you all. Yours sincerely,
Iris M Astill.*


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"SPRYlines"

Road Safety: An issue of growing concern to all Australians

Thanks to the efforts of many people in promoting various road safety programs Victoria's road toll has been declining steadily since a peak of 1061 in 1970.

Last year however the road toll actually showed for the first time in many years an increase. This was alarming news to many Victorians and of particular concern to the Victorian Government's all party Road Safety Committee.

This advisory group was originally established in 1967 with the committee's current format in place since 1992 to make recommendations to Government in a variety of areas including the wearing of seatbelts, .05 legislation, drug driving, speeding limits and many others. At any one time the Committee has before it a number of references which are given to it by the Transport Minister himself or either house of State Parliament.

As a member of the Road Safety Committee along with other Liberal, Labor and National party colleagues, I have found that one of the most interesting references we have been

given in recent times concerns older road users. By the year 2020 the number of people over the age of 65 will increase from a current 18% to an expected 31%. The safety of these people on the roads is of the utmost concern to the Government as well as you and me and our families.

That said, strong evidence compels us to understand older people are safer in cars when undertaking journeys than on foot. As we age we become frail and the effect of an impact on our bodies is magnified by a factor of several times as our bones become less dense and our recovery times from trauma are much longer.

Comparisons of road trauma figures in Sweden and Finland, where the latter has a compulsory licence testing age, indicates that many people surrender their licence when they first have to front up for renewed licence testing at the age of 75. As pedestrians they are far more likely to be killed or badly injured than they would have been as passengers or drivers in motor vehicles.

Victorians aged 60 or more represent 17% of the population, but a staggering 42% of pedestrian deaths in 1996-2000 were in this age group.

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To enroll in a class, call in person to SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 14 Princess Street, Drysdale or Phone 5253 1960.

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- Class bookings are confirmed when payment is received.
- Should a class be cancelled due to lack of enrollments 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 a course no refund will be issued.

Payment:

Classes must be paid for no later than one week prior to the commencement of class.

Credit card facilities are available for payment.

Payment can be made in person at SpringDale, over the phone or by mail.

To pay by mail complete the form below and send it to:

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, P O Box 80, Drysdale, 3222.

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Lisa Neville (Co-ordinator)

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HEALTH & WELLBEING

YOGA

Experience balance and harmony of mind, body, emotions and spirit.

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Mats for Yoga can be purchased from shops like The Reject Shop.

Date: Monday, 7th October - 18th November
Time: 11.00 am - 12.30 pm (7 sessions) Fee: \$62

Venue: Portarlington Guides Hall, Sproat Street, Portarlington
Tutor: Glenda Breedveld
Materials: 1 Rubber Mat

Date: Thursday, 17th October - 12th December
Time: 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm (9 sessions)
Fee: \$82

Venue: Bellarine Peninsula Community Health Centre, 21 Palmerston Street, Drysdale
Tutor: Glenda Breedveld
Materials: 1 Rubber mat

Date: Thursday, 17th October - 12th December
Time: 7.45 pm - 9.15 pm (9 sessions)
Fee: \$82

Venue: Bellarine Peninsula Community Health Centre, 21 Palmerston Street, Drysdale

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

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TAI CHI

Intermediate

A gentle, relaxing exercise program.

If you have completed one term of "Sun Style" Tai Chi, then this class will be suitable for you. This form is also highly recommended for those who suffer from arthritis.

Date: Monday, 14th October - 9th December
Time: 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm (9 sessions)
Fee: \$82

Venue: Bellarine Peninsula Community Health Centre, 21 Palmerston Street, Drysdale
Tutor: Sue Simpson

BELLY DANCING

Beginners to Intermediate

An age-old celebration of dance. Inclusive of all age groups, body sizes and fitness levels. Start/or continue to develop your skills and have a lot of fun. There is something here for everyone! New participants always welcome, so grab a friend and come along.

Date: Tuesday, 15th October - 10th December (excludes Tuesday, 5th November)

Time: 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$48

Venue: Drysdale Hall, High Street, Drysdale

Tutor: Delyce England

Performance Troupe

Pre-requisite: Some previous belly dancing experience and a desire to perform.

Date: Tuesday, 15th October - 10th December

Time: 8.15 pm - 9.15 pm (9 sessions)

Fee: \$48

Venue: Drysdale Hall, High Street, Drysdale

Tutor: Delyce England

Belly Dancing

In the Day

An extra class for those that can't come at night or want some extra practice.

All levels welcome.

Date: 14th October - 9th December

Time: 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm (9 sessions)

Fee: \$54

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care Room)

Tutor: Delyce England

FIRST AID

First Aid - Level 1

Participants who complete the module successfully will be competent in managing life threatening emergencies at home, leisure or in the workplace.

Date: Monday, 14th October – 28th October
Time: 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm (2 x 3 hour sessions)

Fee: \$70
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care Room)
Tutor: Kym Eden, National First Aid

First Aid - Level 2

An Accredited Certificate, valid for 3 years (with CPR updates) required in many courses and work places. Covers all modules taught in Level 1 plus additional emergency treatment and management procedures.

Date: Monday, 14th October – 18th November
Time: 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm (6 x 3 hour sessions)

Fee: \$135
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Kym Eden, National First Aid

CPR Update

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)

Summer is on its way. This means water and children. Don't wait until it's too late...Learn CPR before the holidays. It is recommended that CPR updates are undertaken annually. Give yourself "peace of mind" that you will know what to do in such an emergency.

Date: Monday, 14th October
Time: 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm (1 session)

Fee: \$35
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care Room)
Tutor: Kym Eden, National First Aid

General Interest and Skills

Become A Detective

– Learn How To Find Out About Your Ancestors And Trace Your Family Tree

Interested in family history but don't know how or where to start? This course is for beginners who would like to learn how to trace their family history. It is very easy, using a variety of tools to search for and find your ancestors. You will receive family group sheets, pedigree and family tree charts. It is an exciting feeling when you discover new and intriguing members in your family.

Date: Wednesday, 23rd October & 30th October
Time: 10.00 am – 12.30 pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$40
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Patricia Hughes

Fragrant Delights From The Spring Garden

Lorraine, who is a florist by trade, will give this practical demonstration, which can be used for gift giving and personal pleasure.

Learn how to make these beautiful and fragrant delights. No previous experience required.
First lesson: 'Tussie Mussie'
Second lesson: 'Lavender'

Date: Monday, 14th and 21st October or Monday, 11th and 18th November
Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (2 x 2 hour sessions)

Fee: \$30
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Lorraine Cole

Here Chook Chook

An information session on keeping happy healthy chooks in your own backyard. Topics will include feeding, housing, disease control and breeding.

Date: Tuesday, 12th November
Time: 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm
Fee: \$15
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Suzanne Stocks

Green Garden Tips

for the Backyard Gardener

This session will cover such topics as mulching, composting, feeding, vegetable and flower growing. Bill Nicholson will take us 'back to basics' to create a productive healthy garden for you and your family to enjoy.

Date: Thursday, 7th November
Time: 10.30 am – 12.00 pm

Fee: \$15
Tutor: Bill Nicholson

Apply Basic Food Safety Practices

(Formerly Food Hygiene for Food Handlers – Levels 1 & 2)

Safe food handling skills are essential for your business and are now a requirement by law. This accredited module will give you the necessary knowledge and skills in correct and safe food handling practices.

A certificate will be issued upon the successful completion of the module.

Date: Tuesday, 22nd October – 5th November
Time: 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm (3 x 3 hour sessions)

Fee: \$50 (\$40+\$10 amenities fee)
Venue: CFA, High Street, Drysdale
Tutor: GATE

Preparing for Travel Overseas

This friendly and informative session will be hosted by Carol from Harvey World Travel in Drysdale.

Topics covered will include important areas such as organizing passports, travel insurance, visas, medical insurance, foreign currency, vaccination requirements and security aspects. If you are thinking about travelling overseas, this is a great place to start planning. Participants will receive an information package to take away with them. (Also enjoy a free cuppa and biscuits).

Date: 26th November
Time: 7.00 pm – 8.30 pm
Fee: \$5
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Harvey World Travel

Ring us at SpringDale on 5253 1960 to register your interest.

WRITING

Beginning Writing

(Creative Writing Module VBE 505)
This module is from the course in Creative Writing AAC2003. Topics include the purpose of creative writing, resources and techniques used for writing and other information related to writing and publishing. Upon successful completion, participants will receive a certificate for this module.
(For further information call Sally on Tel: 5253 1960).

Date: Thursday, 10th October – 12th December
Time: 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm (10 sessions)
Fee: \$50 (\$40 + \$10 amenities) funded

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Elaine Hurst

Writing

– A Creative Experience

This course will provide a forum for writers to proceed at their own rate. Each week participants will be set a number of writing exercises (guided by our experienced tutor) to encourage a variety of skills and hone your talents.

Date: Tuesdays 22nd October – 10th December
Time: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$115
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Elaine Hurst

Money Matters

(Tips to help maximize your budget dollar and make the best of your available resources). Most of us are 'on a budget' but what does that really mean?

This session will provide information on how to get your budget on track. With helpful tips and discussion on how to formulate an effective budget for your needs. Includes savings ideas. This is a workshop for all ages and stages.

Date: Wednesday, 20th November
Time: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm (1 x 2 hour sessions)

Fee: Gold coin donation
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Nick Trewhella, Financial Counsellor – Jindarra Community Programs

Ring us at Springdale on 5253 1960 to register your interest.

Thinking of Investing?

More Australians own shares than ever before but do we know enough about the pitfalls of investing? This session is designed to get you thinking about the best form of investment for you and how to avoid the traps. N.B. No specific investment recommendations will be made.

Date: Wednesday, 13th November
Time: 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm (1 x 2 hour sessions)

Fee: Gold coin donation
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Nick Trewhella, Financial Counsellor – Jindarra Community Programs

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Stepping Stones for Women

– Return to Work

A short course designed for women to develop and regain confidence in the skills you have. A range of knowledge and skills related to returning to work (or undertaking study) will be covered (including a mix of personal development aspects and basic computer skills).

A great place to start in a friendly and supportive atmosphere. You can do it! Enrol today.

Date: Wednesday and Thursday evenings
Commencing 9th October – 12th December
Time: 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm (10 weeks)
Fee: \$120 (subsidized)
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, Drysdale
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Orientation to Work

(Module VBK 139)

Re-entry into the workplace. Find the direction that's right for you.

This accredited module will assist you in gaining confidence and researching opportunity in today's job market.

Use skills gained in previous experience to move toward a new direction.

(Helpful to those who may have been re-trenched, retired early and those looking for a new direction).

Date: Mondays, 21st October – 9th December
Time: 12.00 pm – 3.00 pm
Fee: \$50 (\$40 + \$10 amenities; subsidized)
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Marg Toliday

ARTS & CRAFTS

Learn To Crochet

Your tutor Jenny will guide you through the basic crochet stitches needed to produce Afghan Squares. Squares can then be made into beautiful colourful rugs, knee warmers, bedspreads etc. You will also be taught how to read a basic crochet pattern. (Left handers welcome).

Date: Wednesday, 6th November – 11th December
Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (6 x 2 hour sessions)
Fee: \$60
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Jenny Lester Smith
Materials Required: Scraps of 8 ply wool and a crochet hook number 4 or 4.5.

Embroidery

(Bunka Punch)

This is the embroidery anyone can do. The stitches are simple and easy to learn, the results absolutely gorgeous. Embroidery pictures are created using an easy to hold pen-like needle. Wonderful for those with arthritis or those who don't have the patience for traditional embroidery. Quick, easy and fun.

Date: Monday, 28th October – 4th November
Time: 10.00 am – 12.30 pm
Fee: \$48 (2 x 2½ hours)
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Sheila Sapper
(All materials included in cost).

Water Colours

-All Levels Welcome

An opportunity to begin a new interest or to develop your skills further. Our experienced tutor will guide you in further developing your artistic skills and abilities in a friendly and welcoming environment.

Date: Tuesday, 29th October – 10th December
Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$72
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Brian Close
(Materials list available on booking)

Drawing for Beginners

Learn basic drawing skills using pencil and charcoal. Explore your creative side in a friendly and supportive environment with our experienced tutor.

Date: Tuesday, 29th October – 10th December
Time: 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$72
Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Brian Close
(Materials list available on booking).

Painting with Pastels

(Acrylics or Oils)

Pastels are one of the fastest growing mediums. This program will look at how to use pastel, types of paper, tonal values, how to use a color chart, shape and color therapy.

No prior knowledge is required.

Come and enjoy the journey with our wonderful tutor and local artist – Jenny.

Explore and enjoy your creative side.

Date: Thursday, 24th October – 5th December
Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$72
Venue: Drysdale Hall, High Street, Drysdale
Tutor: Jenny Lester Smith
(Materials list available at SpringDale).

COMPUTER CLASSES

All classes are held at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

For Beginners

Introductory funded classes are designed for beginners just starting off on their learning about the uses and functions of the computer, Internet and E-mail. You will be guided in Microsoft Word and Windows. Topics will include mouse control, open/close applications, cut, copying, pasting, inserting/deleting and much more. On completion of this course eligible students will be entitled to 5 hours of free Internet access at participating centres.

Subsidized places are funded through ACFE (Adult Community & Further Education) and are available for those seeking re-entry into the workplace, the unemployed and those over 55 years of age.

Introduction to Computers

(includes use of Internet and E-mail)

General

Date: Tuesday, 22nd October – 3rd December
Time: 9.30 pm – 12.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$95.00
Subsidized: \$50.00 (\$40 + \$10 amenities)
Tutor: Lyn Brook

Date: Monday, 21st October – 2nd December
Time: 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$95
Subsidized: \$50 (\$40 + \$10 amenities fee)
Tutor: Lyn Brook

Date: Monday, 21st October – 2nd December
Time: 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm (7 sessions)
Full course fee: \$95.00
Subsidized: \$50.00 (\$40 + \$10 amenities fee)
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Computer First Steps

- A class for the very, very nervous !

If you have not had the opportunity to use a computer at all and would like to take the first steps required to do just that, then this is the class for you. Over eight sessions you will learn how to use the mouse on the computer, what the parts of a computer are called and how to click onto the computer. You will learn how to play a game on the computer and become more confident. Your tutor remembers what it was like at the very beginning. Take that first step, bring a friend and have some fun! A great first introduction to the computer.

Date: Mondays 21st October – 9th December
Time: 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm (1 hour sessions)
Fee: \$40
Tutor: Lynette Brooke
Venue: Portarlington Community Health Centre, Fenwick St, Portarlington

Over 50's Intro to Computers

(includes use of Internet and E-mail) for the Over 55's

Date: Tuesday, 22nd October – 3rd December
Time: 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$50.00 (subsidized for over 55's)
\$95.00 full course fee
Tutor: Lynette Brook

Date: Friday, 25th October – 6th December
Time: 9.30 am – 12.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$50.00 (subsidized for over 55's)
(\$16 + \$34 amenities fee)
\$95.00 full course fee
Tutor: Lynette Brook

Intermediate Computer

- Microsoft Word

This class is the follow-on from our introductory course.

Topics covered include the finer points of working in tables, aligning text, merging cells, putting in images doing a mail merge and any queries from participants.

Basic computer skills required.

Date: Thursday, 24th October – 14th November
Time: 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm (4 sessions)
Fee: \$85
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Publisher

(Introduction)

This popular course continues to build on skills touched on in introductory classes.

Learn more about text and picture tables, overlapping pictures, cropping, aligning and much more. This class is also offered for those aspiring would-be graphic artists, who like to make their own flyers, brochures, Christmas cards, invitations etc.

Basic computer skills required.

Date: Thursday, 21st November – 12th December
Time: 1.00 pm – 3.30 pm (4 sessions)
Fee: \$85
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Introduction to Excel

For all those financial planners and money managers, Excel is an easy to learn yet powerful program for people wanting to put together profit and loss statements, do their own tax calculations, get ready for another BAS, show work as a graph or bar chart/pie chart and even import your Excel data base file (or only some of it) into a word document, bringing the whole thing together as a professionally presented report. If you can drive a car you can use Excel. Basic computer skills required.

Date: Monday, 4th November – 18th November
Time: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm (3 sessions)
Fee: \$60
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Introduction to Access

Build on your computer skills to create tables, forms and generate queries. Merging on access database of names and addresses into Word. Using the design wizard plus creating your own looks. Filtering records/establishing sub tables. Setting the primary key. Overview/fine-tuning/ individual problems and questions.

Date: Friday, 1st November – 22nd November

Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm (4 sessions)
Fee: \$85
Tutor: Marg Toliday

Web Page Design

- A Basic Introduction
Strictly for beginners. This class will guide you through the basics of design. A great way to let people know about your business, community group, school etc.

Date: Wednesday, 4th December - 11th December
Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm (2 sessions)
Fee: \$50
Tutor: Pat Hughes

Digital Imaging

An overall introduction to the latest "Digital Image Technology" and how to apply them. Topics will include digital theory, computer systems, digital input (scanners and cameras), image editing software and digital output (printers, film recorders etc.) Emphasis during this course will be on practical demonstrations and hands on practice. Experience with computers and Windows software is desirable.

Date: Tuesday, 29th October - 26th November
Time: 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm (5 sessions)
Fee: \$78
Tutor: Terry Oakley (The Picture Source)

Buying A Computer

So you're thinking of buying a computer but don't know where to start? This session covers what to look out for when purchasing a new or second-hand computer. Approach the next computer salesman or swap meet with greater confidence.

Date: Thursday, 14th November
Time: 9.30 am - 11.30 am (1 x 2 hour session)
Fee: \$15
Tutor: Sue Ashby (Lara Computers)

Tables, Columns & Bullets

A hands-on session will guide you through the use of these applications providing you with handy hints and tips and greater confidence in using tables, columns and bullets, at work or at home.

Date: Thursday, November 28th
Time: 9.30 am - 11.30 am (1 x 2 hour sessions)
Fee: \$15
Tutor: Lara Computers

You Have Performed an Illegal Operation!

This session looks at solutions to common problems encountered by the average computer user in day-to-day use. Gain confidence when things don't go as planned!

Date: Thursday, 21st November
Time: 9.30 am - 11.00 am (1 x 1.5 hour session)
Fee: \$15
Tutor: Lara Computers

Learn the Internet and E-mail

Would you like to find that recipe from the T.V. show, be involved in the online debate or just stay in touch with family or friends far, far away. It isn't that hard!

Internet and E-mail training can open up a whole new world. Training is provided in a friendly and supportive environment. You can do it - come surf the world wide web!!

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Springdale Friendly Patchwork and Quilting Group (a new group)

The aim is for interested, like-minded people to bring along their current works (or any unfinished projects), then to simply get together and help one another in a friendly atmosphere. Meetings will take place on the second Thursday of the month.

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm
Dates for Term 4: October 10th, November 14th and December 12th

Springdale Singers

A mixed voice choir meeting on Tuesdays from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Drysdale Community Hall. New members welcome. Persons interested may come as visitors on any Tuesday.

Writers Group

This group meets the second Thursday of each month 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre, 14 Princess Street, Drysdale. New members welcome. Ring Springdale for more details.

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A friendly informal dance group. Contact Springdale for more details on how to join in the fun.

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With renovations pending, it was decided to move this group from Drysdale to Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre. Phone Nicki on 5255 4294 for more details.

OTHER SERVICES

Springdale also provides facilities to the public which include:

- Computer access
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- Photocopying
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- Hall rental

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YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

Elaine Carbines MLC

24 Hour Police Station Update

The tender period for the construction of the 24-hour police station in Ocean Grove has now closed and the successful tenderer will be announced shortly.

Once operational, the \$5million Ocean Grove 24 hour station will complement the existing stations at Portarlington, Queenscliff and Drysdale, all of which will remain open.

The Bracks Government has employed over 800 additional police

since coming to office just under 3 years ago and the opening of the 24 hour station at Ocean Grove will guarantee additional police on the Peninsula.

Bellarine Secondary College - Ocean Grove Campus

Recently, I attended an information evening held by Bellarine Secondary College to inform the community of the redevelopment plans for the Ocean Grove Campus.

The Bracks Government has provided \$3million for the replacement of the current portable buildings with a permanent facility.


The building plans as displayed on the evening are very exciting in-

deed and the new facility will be welcome addition indeed to the excellent Bellarine Secondary College.

Queenscliff Music Festival Launch

As always, a great time was had by all at the wonderful launch of the 2002 Queenscliff Music Festival by the Minister for Tourism, John Pandazopoulos, held at the Queenscliff Hotel.

I continue to be impressed by the excellent team behind the QMF and their ability to attract such high profile artists and bands for the festival - we look forward with great excitement to the last weekend in November.



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Harvey World Travel (Drysdale) Celebrates Travel Agency Group of the Year Award

Harvey World Travel (Drysdale) is celebrating being part of an award winning company.

The National Travel Industry Awards 2002, held in Melbourne on Friday 30 August, acclaimed Harvey World Travel, Travel Agency Group of the Year. The award was presented by Suzy Wilks, presenter of Changing Rooms at a dinner at the Grand Hyatt Melbourne.

It is the second year in a row and the third time that Harvey World Travel has won the Travel Agency Group of the Year award.

Carol McCarthy, owner/manager of Harvey World Travel in Drysdale said, "We are delighted to be part of a travel agency that is so highly regarded in the industry. Its great to see Harvey World Travel recognised for its dedication to providing customers with the best in product knowledge, personal and professional service and value for money."


Mark Cario, Marketing Manager at Harvey World Travel said "These awards are the result of many years hard work and training by everyone at Harvey World Travel across Australia."

While congratulating the staff at Harvey World Travel (Drysdale) on their performance Mark Cario added: "We are proud to have the Harvey World Travel name represented by such a dedicated and committed team who are continuing to serve their local community well."

The Travel Agency Group of the Year Award was assessed by an independent panel of senior executives and consultants from both within and outside of the travel industry.

Travelling in 2003.....Next year Harvey World Travel are putting together escorted group departures to Turkey for Anzac Day, Canada and Alaska, New Zealand and South Africa. If you are interested in any of these trips let us know and we will contact you when we have more information. Our Europe information evenings are coming soon.....Insight Tours 28 November Trafalgar Tours 5 December Call us on 52511125 and we will book you a place.

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The Bellarine Peninsula is growing rapidly and Day Neilson is expanding its services to its clients there. In 1999, we acquired a chartered accountancy practice in Ocean Grove. Now we've opened an office in Drysdale.

WORKING TOGETHER

The two offices work together to provide the optimum service to local clients. Both have technology links to Geelong and Melbourne and support from specialists in subjects such as financial planning, insurance, auditing, estate planning, information technology (IT) and systems analysis.

OUR PEOPLE

The local team of 7 full time staff have 25 years' experience in accounting and business advice! Since the opening of the Drysdale office on 1 July, 6 staff from Geelong have helped with computer systems, financial planning and taxation returns.

DIVERSITY OF CLIENTS

Our clients on the Bellarine Peninsula include a:

- ❖ Baroness
- ❖ Senior ANZFA consultant in Canberra
- ❖ Australian motorcross champion
- ❖ Japanese furniture manufacturer
- ❖ International air pilot based in Hong Kong (another in Singapore)
- ❖ Specialist in parachute displays & snowfield air tours
- ❖ US baseballer
- ❖ Mortgage originator
- ❖ Author and philanthropist
- ❖ Italian cheesemaker

NEW STAFF

Our newest team members are Luke Andrews and Susan Hussey.

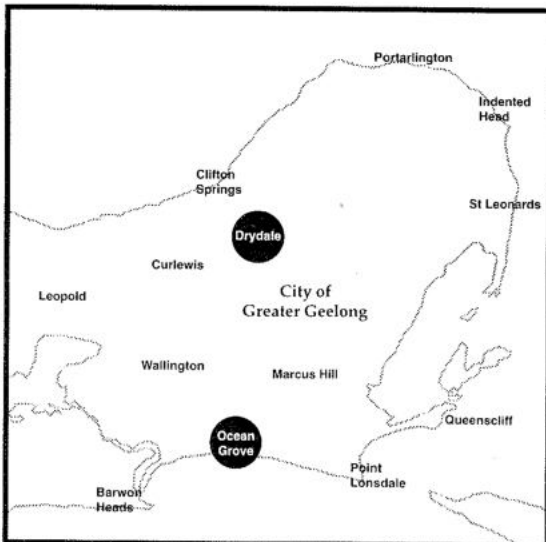
Luke joined Day Neilson this year to work in taxation at our Ocean Grove office. He is aiming to complete his BCom degree at Deakin University this year and begin his CA (chartered accountant) studies in 2003.

Sue was born in Geelong but has lived at Clifton Springs for nearly 15 years. She is married and has two children. Sue and her husband Darren run a successful electrical contracting business. In 2001, Sue completed certificate III in accounting and is working towards a diploma in Business Accounting. Sue worked for the Australian Taxation Office for 10 years and, after a long break raising a family, is excited about returning to the workforce.

GROWING TOGETHER

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September brings the Spring and all the lovely early flowers, and beautiful fragrance of Daphne and Jonquils. The wind seems to take the blossom from the fruit trees as soon as it appears but we hope this year it may hold on since the trees are more mature. No doubt all you garden lovers are having a great time just now, and after today's speaker, John Arnott the Curator of Geelong Botanical Gardens the club members will be buying up BIG at the local nursery.

At the August Meeting we had a speaker who was bursting with en-

thusiasm for the small country towns who were being deprived bit by bit of their character and heritage. Robyn Vella formed a discovery group of tours of Lodden Wedderburn and Pyramid, and all things that made the particular place a place of interest is now included on her tours. They too have experienced bank closures and that trials that closure brings. It was a good talk.

We will be having a five minute speaker again this month, M. Keuris was volunteered for it. It will not be difficult for her since she has spoken before a while back.

The Trips organiser has arranged a trip to Heronswood and to visit the factory outlets, on the return journey. This is on November 22nd. 2002.

A Mystery trip is also arranged for January 24th. A trip to Dartmouth for 3 days is being planned for early March. Aussie Croquet. A new interest group for the 7 Probus Clubs in Drysdale. Game to be played at Drysdale. Members interested to contact the number given to them by the secretary. There is a good feeling of friendship and caring at the club, and all new members feel they have made the right decision. The number quoted as being the membership total, has been reduced from 140, to 130, it is felt by majority that 140 is too many to be able to get to know each other.

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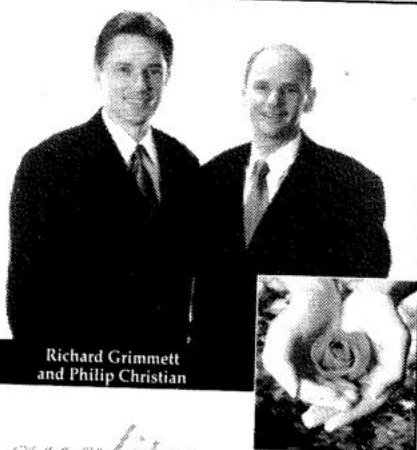
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Did you know that weed invasion is one of the most serious and expensive land degradation problems in Australia? It is estimated that weeds cost the Australian economy more than \$3.3 Billion every year. The cost of the damage to our native ecosystems could be just as big.

Did you know that Australia has 220 declared noxious weeds and there are over 700 species of garden plants, which have become environmental weeds by invading our National Parks, native bushland and farms.

Did you know that landowners are legally responsible for controlling declared noxious weeds on their land and in most cases the adjoining roadside?

On the local scene, the inland and coastal areas of the Bellarine Peninsula suffer from weeds, just like in the rest of the world. Noxious weeds such as Gorse, Flax-leaf Broom, Wild Watsonia and Patersons Curse are impacting on farm productivity or threatening to do so. These weeds and others such as Smilax (Bridal creeper), Myrtle-leaf Milkwort, Boneseed, Sweet Pittosporum and Italian Buckthorn are degrading much of the remain-

ing native vegetation on roadsides, private property and nature reserves. Their impact may see the local extinction of some of our native species within in 30 years.

Our community needs more people to act - even if it's only on your own land. By failing to control our local weed species we are effectively, making the problem worse. Every year with flowering, the quantity of weed seed that can potentially grow increases. The best time to act is when you first find or notice a weed on your property or roadside. Most small weed infestations may only take a couple of minutes to remove. Especially, if they are seedlings. So next time you are on your land and see a weed, why not remove it there and then. You know, this simple act, which will take only a few minutes of your time, will help to save our local environment.

Certain methods of removing weeds from native vegetation can be almost as damaging to the native vegetation as the long-term presence of the weeds themselves. For this reason before you control weeds in native roadside vegetation you must give the Environmental Officers from the City of Greater Geelong a call to discuss appropriate control methods and get a permit.

To promote weed awareness and help with identification the Swan Bay Integrated Catchment Management Committee (SBICMC) have developed a great display featuring photographs of up to 40 local weeds

species. The display has photos of most serious noxious weeds in the Geelong area including Serrated Tussock, a weed which has the potential to render most of the grazing land on the Bellarine Peninsula virtually useless for grazing if not stopped

The display will be at the Drysdale Shopping Centre, from Monday 30th September to Monday 14th October. This is a great opportunity for anyone who would like to know more about the identity of local noxious and environmental weeds. The display has multiple photographs of the weeds showing the different stages of growth allowing easy identification.

The SBICMC are also planing to run a Whole Farm/Property Planning course. An introductory night on Whole Farm/Property planning will be on Wednesday 18th September at the Marcus Hill Hall, corner of Banks road and the Bellarine Highway, Marcus Hill. Whole farm planning is a useful tool for the owners of large and small properties. It assists you in examining your land and planning how to implement appropriate sustainable management techniques in a manner that suits your time and financial situation. All welcome.

For more information call Steve Smithyman, Swan Bay Catchment Officer for the SBICMC on 0417 231 853 or 52298432 during business hours.



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On the way back to her campsite to complete the packup - some girls and leaders spoke to her but were surprised at her vague response and silly smile / laugh almost a cry. We didn't recognize the signs - we did nothing. The girl bypassed her campsite and headed towards a cliff

- still most people weren't aware of what was happening.

Then her friends, that she was camping with, saw her - recognized the signs and leapt into action - one ran to save her from the immediate danger of the cliff, which she was quickly approaching and the other ran to the first aid supplies to acquire jelly beans etc to ward off a diabetic coma and plied these into her mouth within milli - seconds.

Without the immediate selfless actions of these girls there may have been dire results.

These girls were praised for their efforts at the Barwon Region Guide Annual Meeting. They were presented with the Star of Merit and a Certificate of Merit by the Victorian Guide State Commissioner.



Jacinta Cox, Jane Scarlett and Tracey Myers

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SPORTS REPORT

Shopping Trip Fundraiser for Wallington Cricket Club

Conducted by - Westcoast Shopping Tours
SATURDAY 26th October, 2002

ALL WELCOME

Cost yet to be announced - Depending on numbers attending BYO Lunch & Drinks - Tea, Coffee & a light snack provided

This is a fantastic way to help fundraise for the Wallington Cricket Club. It's a fun day out shopping, and you're guaranteed to come home with a bargain!! The aim for this shopping trip is to have 40 or more people attend. We need people who have

previously come on the trip and more new people. All each person needs to do is to try and get extra people such as friends, family members, etc to come and the number will be reached. Get a group together and give me a call!!

The WCC can get huge benefits by having more than 40 people attend:

- * Higher sales, which means more money goes to the WCC
- * Free gifts for raffle prizes at WCC functions
- * A cinema, dine out, in Geelong for 4 people or
- * A night for 2 in a leading Melbourne Hotel
- * Lots of great prizes for people who attend

These would make great raffle prizes for the WCC functions, at no cost to the club!!

\$10 deposit is required from each person prior to the day, with the remainder to be paid on the day. This is to secure your seat, as they are filling up fast already!!

To book your seat or for more information on warehouses call Karen Cooper 0419 884 132

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Pick up and Drop off points - 7.00 am Wallington Cricket Club, 7.20 am South Geelong Train Station, 7.40 am Lara Lake Primary School.

A New Season, a New Look for the DCC

As the sound of boot on leather fades, the willow and whites are again brought out from hibernation on Saturday October 5th for what promises to be another great season for the Drysdale Cricket Club. The Drysdale Cricket Club would like to congratulate the Drysdale Football Club on its Premiership win (pending the result of this weekend) and for an outstanding Season 2002.

Following on from Drysdale's triumphant 2001/2002 season where it secured A Grade, B Grade, and Under 17 Flags,

the club has come out of winter once again ready to represent our town in a winning fashion. With many new players and faces around the club, there's never been a better time to come along on Tuesdays and Thursdays for Seniors and Mondays & Wednesdays for Juniors at the Drysdale Primary School from 5pm for a bat, bowl, & catch.

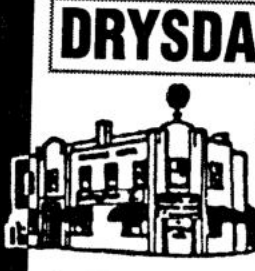
The City of Greater Geelong's renovation of Drysdale Reserve will see the many of the season's early A and B Grade fixtures played at St. Thomas' Catholic Regional College. The Club is grateful to the community of St. Thomas' for shared use of their facilities and looks forward to a positive relationship into the future.

In addition to a ground up-grade, the DCC's rooms have also received a well deserved facelift with internal panelling and paint and the replacement of windows and frames with long sections of safety glass. Sponsors and supporters can now enjoy virtually uninterrupted views from within the rooms of Gav making a ton or Robbie bowling a mystery round-arm.

The DCC's sponsor's dinner on October 28th will again be a great occa-

sion with the chairman of the Australian Cricket Board, Bob Merriman, as our special guest speaker. Bob is a fantastic story-teller is one of the most important figures in international cricket. The DCC is proud to be able to offer this night to individuals and businesses as just one of the many rewards that sponsors gain from being officially associated with the club. Sponsorships for season 02/03 are at a flat rate of \$250 and can be organised through calling the Club on 52 53 2975 or e-mailing dcc@draftedit.com.au.

Regardless of whether you want to play seriously or simply for fun and fitness, the DCC can accommodate. Many people understandably find that they have trouble committing to cricket every Saturday because of work or other demands - but this shouldn't prevent you from getting involved! Whether young, old, male, or female, the club's playing and training schedule can make it easy for you to fit playing, training, and membership in our great club around the more demanding areas of your life. Simply call the club on 52 513599, e-mail dcc@draftedit.com.au, or check out our web-site www.draftedit.com.au/dcc.htm.



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SPORTS REPORT *by Brent Diamond*

Drysdale Netball Wrap-up

Drysdale played some quality netball in the Bellarine and District Netball Finals this season.

Portarlington defeated Drysdale (40 to 38) in a terrific contest in the A grade Qualifying Final. It was tight all day in an exciting game which had everybody nervous. Jess Gallagher and Sarah Friend were in top form, but Portarlington got over the line in a superb victory. Drysdale's A Grade then went on to win the Semi Final (54 to 45) and gave the team every chance of being Premiers this year.

Best: I. Burnett, P. Austin, S. Friend

The team went on to face Portarlington in the Preliminary Final. It was a great game, but the stronger team won on the day. Portarlington 47 defeated Drysdale 39.

Best: J. Richard, J. Gallagher, S. Stratton

The B Graders faced a crunch game in an Elimination Final and lost 34 to 38 against the Geelong Amateurs.

Best: K. Trehwella, K. Deearth, H. Pattinson

While the C graders just got over the line against the Geelong Amateurs. Drysdale 31 def Geelong Amateurs 30.

Best: R. Friend, V. Marie, J. Hay

The semi-final was another close contest, but the C graders lost to Queenscliff (22 to 18). The team went on to lose against the Geelong Amateurs - Drysdale 20 v Geelong Amateurs 30 in a good contest.

Best: K. Rawson, J. Stewart, R. Friend.

Craven wins Goalkicking Award

Drysdale spearhead Stuart Craven has been awarded the Top Goalkicker of Season 2002, equalling Barwon Heads' Darren Aitken on 62 goals from countback. Simon Nelis finished the Home and Away season with 41 goals, while Marcus Drought kicked 37.

Drake close to Ash Medal.

Drysdale's Jason Drake was runner-up in the 2002 Ash Medal for the BFL Seniors. He has had a sensational season for the undefeated Drysdale team. Drake polled 22 votes to finish just four votes behind winner Mark Hildebrandt. Grant Foot also came close, polling 18 votes for the Medal.

While Mark Butler, Troy Harding and Adrian Hildebrandt polled well for the Reserves - Don Cole Medal.

Chris Bien has had a terrific season with the Under 18's, and was one of the top vote-getters in the 'Under 18's Medal'. He has been inspirational and would be the teams' most valuable player this season. Todd Kingsbury, Toby Welk, Michael Tilley and Brent Taylor have also had great seasons for the club.

Senior Footy Finals Wrap-up

Drysdale Hawks cruise to another Grand Final The Drysdale Hawks Seniors are des-

tinued for another Flag after demolishing Ocean Grove in the Semi-Final.

The Hawks started strongly with a 27 point lead at quarter time and didn't give the Grubbers a sniff. The onslaught continued in the second quarter as the Hawks midfield was at it's best. Barry Young is proving to be a real asset to the team, kicking three goals and gave the crowd some glimpses of his VFL/AFL career.

Marcus Drought was playing in top form and with the run of David Bien and Simon Nelis - the Hawks sent an ominous signal to the rest of the competition. Beating the reigning Premiers by 62 points has given Drysdale a huge momentum boost going into the Grand Final. Simon Nelis kicked four goals in a best on ground performance, while Simon McCormack kicked three in Drysdale's 19th straight win for season and to reach the 2002 BFL Grand Final. Although the only worry for the Hawks seems to be injuries, Nelis believes the team cannot afford to forget the Grand Final hurdle last season.

"They're a quality side, Ocean Grove, we can't be complacent. We will always remember what happened 12 months ago". > The Reserves team also continued it's successful season with a 58 point win over Ocean Grove in the Semi Final. Troy Harding kicked three goals as the Hawks battled hard all day to thrash the Grubbers. They have reached the Grand Final and look a formidable outfit to become Premiers. Players such as Aaron Eddy, Adam Wells, Cameron Lindsay, Kane Harding and Toby Munday have sent ominous signs to the rest of the competition during the season. It is great to see that there is some awesome talent in the Drysdale area.

Grand Finals: Seniors - Drysdale V Ocean Grove

Reserves - Drysdale V Geelong Amateurs
* Full Wrap-up of both matches will be in the next edition of the Springdale Messenger.

Under 18's Footy Finals

Wrap-up

The Drysdale Under 18's gave Queenscliff's Premiership hopes a shake in the Elimination Final. Lee Dimitrijeviski, Julian Hildebrandt and John Donnelly were among the best players in a 32 point victory. Michael Tilley kicked four important goals to seal a well-deserved win for the team. The team continued it's chase for the flag defeating Geelong Amateur by 39 points. Brent Taylor and Reece Holwell combined well to kick eight goals between them. It was a sluggish game at Torquay which saw the Hawks midfield dominate the game. John Donnelly and Michael Tilley put in some great individual efforts to get the Hawks through to the next challenger.

It was a disappointing day out against Ocean Grove in the Preliminary Final. Drysdale could only manage five individual goalkickers, while Ocean Grove managed to win by 32 points. The Hawks bowed out after a promising season, finishing in fourth position on the ladder. There looks to be many players blossoming in the team including Brent Taylor, Steven Rigg, John Clay, Tim Scott, Mathew Aylwin, Todd Kingsbury and many others. A great future for the Drysdale Football Club.

Table Tennis is back!

The latest fad around the Bellarine area seems to be Table Tennis. Wipe off those dusty tables from the garage and start practicing because 'Ping Pong' is back. A game which was very popular in the 60's and 70's has made a charge in the heart of the younger generation.

The Bellarine Table Tennis Club began last year and has now got up to 45 members. Therese Pape manages the club and says there has been particular interest from the younger generation.

"There has been a few teenagers turning up, around the 14 - 16 year olds who have shown interest", Pape said.

Many people showed strong interest for the club to be introduced last year, and are hoping for some more interest from around the Peninsula.


"We had some interest last year and received some funding to start the club up", Pape said.

The competition is on Tuesday nights at 123 The Avenue Ocean Grove at 7pm. Ages range from teenagers to elderly adults and is a fun night. It's a chance to show your table tennis skills to the Bellarine Peninsula.

If your a little rusty, there is coaching on Monday nights. The club is organising some funding to get some qualified coaches to the club and to promote around the local schools.

"We have recently received some funding so that we can promote the club around the schools with flyers and so forth", Pape said.

So if you are interested in playing Table Tennis - have a hit at the club on Tuesday nights. For more information - contact Therese Pape 52551641.



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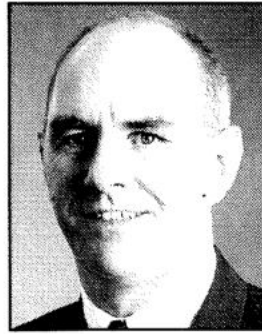
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Staying Close to Home

Recent research suggests that many of us, either consciously or sub-consciously, wish to live our lives within cooeee of our childhood family home.

The examination of recent Census data, combined with anecdotal evidence of real estate agents, suggests that people purchasing a new home are likely to buy within 5 kilometres of their childhood home.

Furthermore, the majority of people living in urban areas are more likely than not to retire to a property that is less than 10 kilometres from their childhood home.

So, do we all feel the need to stay close to "home"? Not so, it seems. Most people living in

rural areas are far more adventurous in their property movements, often re-locating many kilometres away and frequently re-settling in a new township or area. Unlike their city cousins, they may need to travel further afield to find employment, education or other resources. Many country residents retire to a town other than the one of their birthplace.

As most people only purchase a few residential properties in their lifetime, it is inter-

esting to note that not only do most urban residents buy their first home within 5 kilometres of their childhood home, but they also usually purchase their second home within 5 kilometres of their first (adult) home.

Why is this? Perhaps it is because people feel secure in familiar surroundings and feel well acquainted with all the available resources of an area. No doubt the pull of family and friends living in the area is extremely strong.

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