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Out of the archives.....

**From the front page
of the SpringDale
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1993**

**WE'RE PROUD OF
OUR ANNA!**

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The Annual General Meeting of Springdale Neighbourhood Centre Inc. is to be held on Monday September 29th, 2003 from 7.30pm to 9.00pm at Springdale in the Childcare room. The Guest Speaker will be Cr. Heather Wellington. A light supper will be served after the meeting.

We are looking for new committee members, so if you have ever thought of giving something back to the centre, or are looking for a new challenge, please give us a call 5253 1960 before the AGM.

News at SpringDale

I was fortunate enough to attend the Drysdale Hawks under 10's and 12's presentation night on Monday 25th

August. So many children and so many family members there to support them. A wonderful evening and a great club, which is a credit to all who give their time.

Congratulations to all the award winners, especially to those who won Best and Fairest awards. Keep up the great work. Of course I was very surprised that my son didn't win a special award for being the under 10 who was carried off the field most often!

Our Website.

Our website is slowly coming together. There isn't much to look at, at the moment, but if you would like to have a sneak preview, please feel free to look. Our last issue of the messenger is there. Please let us know what you think.

www.springdale.org.au

Office Helper.


Carla was recently helping us here in the office as part of her Community Service. See her in our Spotlight section this issue. Carla has been kind enough to let us pick her brains on many issues affecting younger people in our community. Thank you Carla.

Daffodil Day.

Thanks to all who bought daffodil badges and pens from us for Daffodil Day. We raised \$34 to go towards cancer research.

See you at SpringDale!
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Clifton Springs Primary School

All the children in Level 2 at Clifton Springs Primary School are learning about Our Community.

We had an excursion to the local shopping centre in Drysdale.

We visited the Library where Faye showed us around and talked to us about different parts of the library. We looked in lots of the shop windows and noticed all the different signs.

We went inside the Post Office and learnt all about how the letters and parcels get sorted and delivered to all the letterboxes and post boxes all over the world. Jason said Mrs. Nicholls from our school collects the mail every day.

Next Ashleigh's Dad took us through the Supermarket.

We looked at the fridge section where all the food needs to keep cold. We saw all the signs that tell you what things are in each aisle and learnt that all the best specials are stacked on the ends of the aisles. We saw where the butchers cut up the meat. It was smelly and we all held our noses. We saw the animal carcasses hanging on hooks. The men showed us a pig's and sheep bottom. Ashleigh's Dad gave everyone an apple.

The teachers bought fruit so we could make fruit kebabs when we got back to school.

We looked through the back window at Bakers Delight and saw all the machines that mix the dough to make bread. The bakers saw us and gave everyone a dinner roll and fruit bun to eat. They were delicious.

It was a great excursion.

By Level 2 children

When we were at Safeway we went to the butchers. We met Tom. Tom got red fingers from the coldness. There was a cutter to cut pigs and sheep. There was special spray for the pigs only. You could see the pigs and sheep bottoms. I felt sad because they had to be cut up.

Julia 2KD

On Tuesday we all went to the Post Office, the Library and the Supermarket at 1:00pm. We all had lunch. We learnt lots of facts. One fact that I didn't know was that our school has a letterbox. At the Supermarket we all got a free apple.

Mikaela 2KD

On the excursion we went to the Post Office and we saw lots of lockers. They were black with keyholes. There was a big box and a little box. I liked Safeway because we got to see the meat. It was smelly. We went into the bottle shop and we saw lots of bottles in the fridge. We got a free ruler and a balloon from Jason at the Post Office and a free apple from the Supermarket. My partner was Katelyn and I was on the window side of the bus. I liked the ride in the bus.

Kristie 2KD

On Tuesday we went on our excursion. We went to the Library, the Post Office and the Supermarket. We walked around the shops and saw lots of interesting signs. We got dinner rolls from the bakery. I've been to the supermarket before. I didn't like the meat room. We saw signs that told us what was there. I liked going past the pet shop.

Matthew 2SM

We went on an excursion to Safeway. First we went to the Library. Mandy showed us around. Then Amelia read a couple of books to us. I read two pages of 'Unreal' by Paul Jennings, my favourite author. Then we went to the Post Office. I learnt what happens when you are not home and you get a big package. You get a note. Then we had lunch and had a play. We went to Safeway and Darren showed us around. We saw the place where you cut meat and the cutting machine. Then we went to the cage at the front of the supermarket where they put things that they haven't sold or used.

Cas 2SD

On our excursion we went to the Post Office. A man told us where all the mail goes when the person is not home. Then we went to the library and Mandy showed us around the library and a lady called Amelia read us a story. Then we went to have lunch and then to Safeway. Miss. Carlton bought some fruit to bring back. Then Darren took us around the back of Safeway and gave us a free apple.

David 2AC

On the excursion we went to the shops and I went to the post office and I was the very first to spot my street. I read the book 'I Don't Want To' and it was funny because he sent his mum to the moon and he went bad.

Mitchell 2AC

Today we went on an excursion. We went on a bus. I went in the back seat with Rebecca. When we got off we had a little walk around and looked at all the different shops. Then we went to the library. We had a look at all the different books, videos and magazines. Then a lady read us two books. Then we went to the Post Office and we learnt that some people don't have letterboxes. Then we went to Safeway and saw how they make meat stringy. I had lots of fun.

Cassie 2AC

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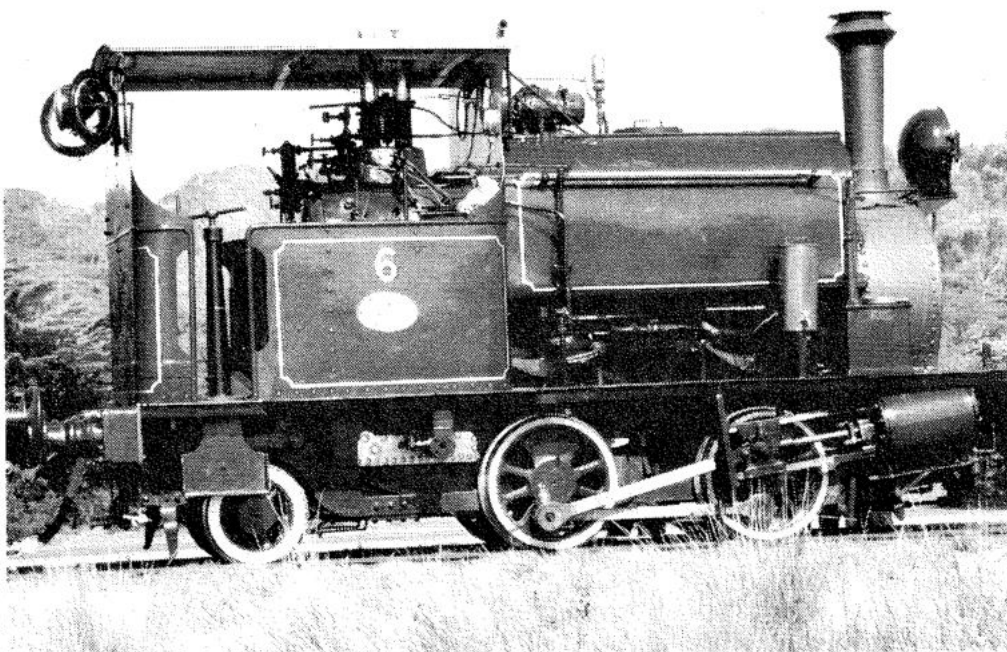
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Bellarine Peninsula Railway - Drysdale

Well, some cool stuff has been happening around the B.P.R of late. On August 17th, Engine 'Vulcan No.4' did a sunset test trip to Drysdale, it's first outing for many years. The engine was one which ran on the Geelong Cement Works Railway & also on the Belmont Common back in the '70's. She made the trip still in workshop undercoat, but successfully made the return trip without incident. She will hopefully return to service on October 25th.

Our small museum is up and running at Drysdale station - call in on any train running day for a look. There are many interesting items from both the South Geelong - Queenscliff line and Victorian Railways in general to browse.



YOU ARE ALL INVITED TO A BIRTHDAY PARTY - WITH A DIFFERENCE !!

Our littlest loco, 'Hudswell Clarke No. 6' turns 100 on October 25th & 26th, and she would love to have your company ! There will be a range of family activities and many extra train services over the weekend along with jumping cas-

tles & entertainment. A highlight will be when No 6 blows out the candles on her own cake (no we are not joking !)

No 6 spent many years working in the dusty, noisy Fyansford quarries and now has a much more pleasant lifestyle on our peaceful peninsula !

For more information visit www.bpr.org.au or call into Drysdale or Queenscliff Railway Stations.

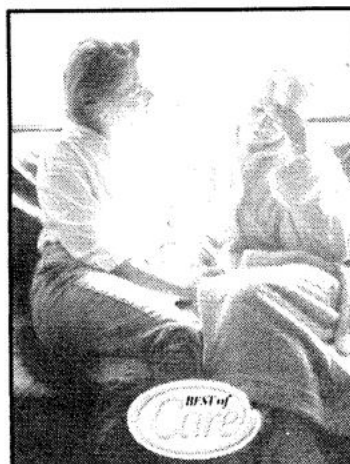
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The new book on the life of the Geelong - Queenscliff Railway is nearing completion. However we know some of you out there must have pictures & memorabilia. Perhaps you lived in the station house, or you have a photo of Grandad loading onions at Curlewis. Or you may even have a relic or two. Now is the time to share it with the world. All items loaned will be photographed/scanned/copied promptly and returned. All contributions will naturally be acknowledged in print when the book goes on sale in May 2004. Our 'cut off' date is fast approaching, so if you wish to contribute, please do so now. Contact us by any of these methods.

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Superannuation guarantee contributions - New requirements for employers-

As of 1st July 2003 employers will need to;

- Calculate an amount equal to 9% of each of their eligible employees' earnings
- Pay this amount to a complying superannuation provider at least every quarter
- Report details of the contributions to employees in writing at least every quarter
- Keep a record of all contributions made
- Keep a record of when, what and how they reported contributions to their employees.

Quarterly payments

For those employers who currently do not pay at least quarterly, the payment dates are 28 October, 28 January, 28 April, 28 July. For those who already pay regularly they have to ensure that the correct amount is paid for each quarter by the due date.

Watch out!

Check your calculations. Serious penalties (all of which are non deductible) apply if the correct amount is not paid by the quarterly due dates - even if it is a genuine mistake. A late payment after the due date cannot be made to fix the problem.

Employers who do not make the contribution by the deadline, or have not paid the correct amount will need to lodge a superannuation guarantee statement with the Australian Taxation Office and pay the superannuation guarantee charge, all of which is non-deductible. The Australian Taxation Office will subsequently direct the superannuation to the relevant employee's superannuation fund.

Reporting of Payments to employees

Employers must report within 30 days of making the final contribu-

tion for the quarter. The written report must include the amount of contributions made and the name of the superannuation provider. There is no specific format for the written report. It could be a notification from the employer's business software package such as payslip.

Watch Out!

An employer who fails to comply with this requirement commits a serious offence punishable by a fine of up to 30 penalty units per employee. This could amount to \$3,300 per employee not notified within the 30 day time limit.

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Scouting News is Old News

We apologize to all the past leaders who were mentioned in the "Familiar Faces in New Places" articles printed in the last edition of the SpringDale Messenger.

This was just an honest mistake, just a mix up of stories.

To set the story straight, John Robb actually handed over the "keys" to Wayne Simpson 5 years ago. Wayne has been Group Leader since then and will remain Group Leader for a while yet - we hope.

If there are any inquires about Scouting please contact Wayne on 52532 024.

We are very sorry for any inconvenience to everyone involved.

Jenny Eichler.

Drysdale Family Support

Drysdale Family Support is a new initiative undertaken in 2003 by Drysdale Christian Fellowship, and aims to reach out to and support families in the local area. Currently Drysdale Family Support is functioning in three areas.

FOOD BANK

Many families are taking advantage of this resource as they have need. Clients are able to receive food parcels on a fortnightly basis for an administration fee of \$5.00. Clients are treated to afternoon tea, are interviewed each fortnight so that we can offer ongoing support, and then they receive a food parcel which aims to give enough food for their family for 2-3 days. Food Bank operates on Monday afternoons at 276 Jetty Road, Drysdale. Appointments can be made by calling 5253 2099.

COUNSELLING CENTRE

Individuals, couples and children in the local community have gained benefits from this professional Christian counselling centre. Being a non-profit organisation, the centre is able to provide confidential counselling at an affordable rate. For more information or to make an appointment, please phone 5253 2099.

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It's been another busy month with a whole range of meetings and visits with constituents and community groups, and then Parliament sitting in the last week.

Many of you will know Anne Brackley. She is a great organiser of events and people - including me! Thanks to Anne for the opportunity to support the Barwon Region Guides in their Winter Sleepout at the Geelong Jail, I was delighted to contribute \$200 for the rent! They raised more than \$1300 which will go to the Melbourne City Mission to assist homeless young people in our region. Congratulations to Anne and all the Guides - it was a great effort and a great event.

You probably saw media coverage of the Agriculture Minister, Bob Cameron's visit to Bellarine to announce funding of \$51,000 for two local schools to be involved in an innovative research project, working with the scientists at the Marine and Freshwater Research Institute, MAFRI, world leaders in this area

of research. One of the schools is Bellarine Secondary College, Drysdale, who'll be involved in monitoring and improving populations of black bream in regional estuaries. The project has the potential to develop sustainable recreational fisheries. Students will learn about the need for good recreational fishing codes of practice and gain an awareness of the delicate marine environment. This is a terrific opportunity for the students and an important project for the Bellarine Peninsula.

The issue of rates has been of great concern to many of you, and I'm sure you'll have been following the debate in the media. The proposed amendment of section 171 of the Local Government Act, announced following a meeting organised by Geelong MPs with the Minister, will give the Council greater power to reduce, or waive, part of any rates increase. They will be able to do this for particular individuals, or groups of people.

Let me assure you that it will make a difference and we are currently arranging for the Minister to meet with Council to discuss this further.

I will of course keep you up to date with developments on this important issue.

To enable those of you who have difficulty getting to Newcomb and the electorate office, a "mobile office" is planned for Drysdale in October. You'll receive a letter with the time, date and the venue, so that if you would like to discuss any matters with me you'll be able to make a time to come and see me, closer to home.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact the office if we can help you with any issues.

Lisa Neville MP
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Drysdale Day View Club

THE DRYSDALE DAY VIEW CLUB will be having a FASHION, FUN & FOOD DAY at the Drysdale Bowling Club on Thursday 11 September at 11 am. A demonstration and tasting of Australian products "Let's Buy Gourmet Australian Food" and a Fashion Parade by Shah Boutique, Drysdale will be followed by a Basket Lunch. All this for \$10 per ticket available from Pat Window on 52511201 or Laurel Greenhalgh on 52551436. The Drysdale Day View Club look forward to seeing as many as possible to this exciting day.

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I never ate worms.....

If you lived as a child in the 40's, 50's, 60's or 70's, looking back, it's hard to believe that we have lived as long as we have. As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of a ute on a warm day was always a special treat.

Our cots were covered in bright coloured lead-based paint. We had no child-proof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cupboards, and when we rode our bikes we had no helmets. We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle. Horrors!

We would spend hours building go-carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find we forgot the brakes. After running into bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. No mobile phones. Unthinkable!

We got cut and broke bones and broke teeth and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. No one was to blame, but us. Remember accidents? We had fights and punched each other and got black and blue and learned to get over it.

We ate patty cakes, bread and butter, and drank cordial, but we were never overweight... we were always outside playing. We shared one drink with four friends, from one bottle and no one died from this.

We did not have Play Stations, Nintendo 64, X-Boxes, video games, 65 channels on pay TV, video tape movies, surround sound, personal mobile phones, personal computers, Internet chat rooms... we had friends. We went outside and found them. We rode bikes or walked to a friend's home and knocked on the door, or rung the bell, or just walked in and talked to them. Imagine such a thing. Without asking a parent! By ourselves! Out there in the cold cruel world! Without a guardian - how did we do it?

We made up games without sticks and tennis balls, and ate worms, and although we were told it would happen, we did not put out very many eyes, nor did the worms live inside us forever.

Footy and netball and tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment...

Some students weren't as smart as others so they failed a grade and were held back to repeat the grade. Tests were not adjusted for any reason.

Our actions were our own. Consequences were expected. No one to hide behind. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law - imagine that!

This generation has produced some of the best risk takers and problem solvers and inventors, ever. The past 50 years has been an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all.

And you're one of them.
Congratulations!

Please pass this on to others who have had the luck to grow up as kids, before lawyers and governments regulated our lives for our own good.

Drysdale Ladies Probus club.

Reg No A0021357E

Our guest speaker in July was Clare Healy (an ex nun). Clare entered the 'order' in 1948 and talked to us about her life as a nun together with all the highs and lows, and together we all had many laughs. She also talked about the great changes in the Catholic Church, brought about by a 1962 Vatican Council Meeting in Rome led by Pope John 23rd, which affected the church world wide, especially the nuns, and the shedding of the habit, the starched coif etc, and above all, showing their hair. They were then allowed to go home, attend weddings, funerals, football matches etc. all this caused a lot of the nuns to leave their convents. We all thoroughly enjoyed Clare's talk.

In July we also saw a lot of our members attend the 'Stitches and Craft' Exhibition in Melbourne, which, as in previous years was very enjoyable, with so much to see in so little time.

Our 'Merry Munchers' held a 'Christmas in July' luncheon at the Portarlington Golf Club after our July meeting, which was very nice and enjoyed by all who attended.

Tehree Gordon from "Jirralingah Wildlife Sanctuary" will be our guest speaker in August and we are looking forward to hearing Tehree's talk.

In early September a number of our members and their friends are attending "The John Denver Story" at our local Potato Shed.

*Until next month keep well,
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Beacon Point Pre - School Inc.

Centaurus Avenue, Clifton Springs

Beacon Point Pre-School is a safe environment for children which endeavours to be a resource for families and the community.

We are dedicated to the principles of early childhood development by emphasizing the artistic and learning values of play. Alison (teacher) and Jane (assistant) aim to cater for the development of 4 to 5 year olds across many areas, which prepares them not only for school, but for general development.

During the course of a session, the children will be inside and outside, work individually and in groups, will experiment and try to solve things and there will be plenty of fun while all this goes on. These activities are all designed to attend to the myriad of development needs which the children have.

Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in the program with the roster operating for those who can attend sessions. In order to maximize the contact time between teachers and children, parents provide a vital support role in assisting with other tasks. Twelve hours are offered across four days in our 4 year old program.

Beacon Point Pre-School also runs a three year old program on Wednesday mornings with Sue (teacher) and Janelle (assistant). The basic principles of the program are to assist in the development of socialization and to foster independence. Quite often 3 year old Kindergarten is the first experience children have away from family and we help them adjust to this experience in a safe and caring environment. There

are two groups of 2 hour sessions on offer per week.

We have just become members of the Geelong Kindergarten Association (GKA) which reports and responds to the needs of children, staff, families and management committees of independent community kindergartens within Geelong.

You are urged to enroll your child in Kindergarten at the Age of two. If you are interested in Beacon Point Pre-school please feel free to call on the Kindergarten for a look around and talk to staff. Enrolment forms for three and four year old programs can be obtained at the Kindergarten. For more information please call the Kinder on 5253 1550 or visit our Website on www.bpps@pipeline.com.au

TRAVELTALK by Carol McCarthy

What a huge month we've had. Annie and I have just got back from Adelaide where we went to the National Travel Industry Awards night. We made the final 3 for the regional Travel Agency of the year for the whole of Australia. We are absolutely stoked with the result.

We have lots of exciting things coming up in the next few months.

A couple of things to diarise are:

* 16 October - Canada/Alaska information seminar 5pm at the Drysdale Bowls Club

* 8 November - our own International Travel Expo to be held here in Drysdale. We will have 15 international tour operators manning booths ready to answer any questions you may have. There will be

fantastic prizes and special discounts for bookings.

We have 2 special tours coming up where we are offering free limousine transfers from home to the airport and back again.

* 16 December 2003 - 13 Day Christmas in the Rockies

* 13 March 2004 - 18 Day Grand New Zealand Tour

This tour starts in Auckland and travels north to the Bay of Islands

before heading south where you will see all the best things that New Zealand offers. This is a fully inclusive tour with most meals and activities included in the package price of \$3495pp. Pensioner and Senior Cardholder discounts apply.

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Cheers Carol



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AMBROSE CHARITY GOLF DAY

Proceeds assisting :-

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CLIFTON SPRINGS GOLF CLUB

SUNDAY 21st September 2003

Assembly 8:00am

Shotgun start 8:30 am

Mens & Ladies Ambrose Competition

Non Handicap Players Welcome

(Handicaps allocated on the day)

ENTRY \$30.00 PER PLAYER

Includes :-

- * Ticket in Entry Prize valued at approx. \$ 400.00
- * Golf & Lunch
- * Free sausage Sizzle until 11am

Trophies & Prizes

- ☆ Mens Ambrose NETT
- ☆ Ladies Ambrose NETT
- ☆ Ambrose GROSS
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- ☆ Straightest Drive
- ☆ Nearest the Pin
- ☆ Hole in One
- ☆ N.A.G.A. Award
- ☆ Novelty Events

☆ *Raffles to be Drawn at Presentations*

ENTRIES CLOSE 14th September 2003

Forward Entries to:-

**LIONS CHARITY GOLF DAY
P.O.Box 402, DRYSDALE, 3222**

For Enquiries Phone: Paul 52513934, Geoff 52512990, Noel 52591143

Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

COURSE GUIDE TERM 4 - 2003

Human
Services



Address: 14 Princess Street, Drysdale

Phone: 5253 1960

Fax: 5253 3050

Email: courses@springdale.org.au

Opening Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:30 am - 3:30 pm

Friday 9:30 am - 1:00 pm



Adult Education in
the Community

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ENROLMENT & PAYMENT INFORMATION

Enrolment

- To book into a class, call in person to Springdale Neighbourhood Centre, 14 Princess Street, Drysdale or Phone 5253 1960.
- If you hold a current Concession or Health Care card you will receive a 5% discount on full course fees.
- Your enrolment is confirmed when payment is received.
- 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 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 or by phone.

Privacy

The Neighbourhood House respects your right to information privacy. Information collected and held on Springdale participants, is kept in accordance with information privacy laws.

HEALTH & WELLBEING FOOD FOR THE BODY & SOUL'

REIKI WEEK-END WORKSHOP

This workshop will include Reiki 1&2. Reiki 1 is reiki for personal use and hands on treatment of others. It includes the positioning of hands and basic reiki methods. Reiki 2 is a continuation of Reiki 1 plus absent or distant healing. Students will receive a manual containing the history of reiki, hand positions and important basic information necessary to practice reiki.
Date: Saturday and Sunday, 18th and 19th October
Time: Saturday 10-5pm/Sunday 10-4pm
Fee: \$120 per person
Venue: Drysdale Hall, High St, Drysdale
Tutor: Lise Baker
Requirements: Comfortable clothing and bring lunch (or buy on day).

MAINTAINING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

Part one will investigate how lifestyle changes can help prevent diseases such as heart disease, obesity and diabetes. We will look at how staying active, exercise, weight management, blood

pressure and cholesterol maintenance can enhance your health. Also, what do terms used by the medical profession mean to us in everyday life? In the second part, dietician Angela Walker will take us through food choice for a healthy lifestyle. This is a great workshop for all ages and focuses on prevention. Come along and get motivated.

Date: Tuesday 11th November

Time: 1-3pm

Fee: \$5

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Tutor: Marg Ahern (Primary care nurse) and Angela Walker (Dietician) Bellarine Community Health Services Ring Springdale to book in and pay

YOGA CLASSES

Tuesday Evening Yoga

For relaxation and balance of mind and body.

Date: Tuesdays 14th October-9th December (excludes Tuesday 11th November)

Time: 7.30pm-8.30 (8 sessions)

Fee: \$82

Venue: Drysdale Hall, High St, Drysdale

Tutor: Rick Porteous (Inner Cor)

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

Monday Yoga at Portarlington

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

Date: Mondays 6th October-17th Nov

Time: 9.15-10.45 (7 sessions)

Fee: \$70 (7 sessions)

Venue: Portarlington Guides Hall,

Sproat St. Portarlington

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

Thursday Evening Classes

Date: Thursday 9th Oct-11th Dec

Time: 1.6.00 pm - 7.30 pm

(10 sessions)

Fee: \$92

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

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

Date: Thursday, 9th Oct-11th Dec

Time: 2.7.45 pm - 9.15 pm

(10 sessions)

Fee: \$92

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

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

Waiting Lists may apply for Thursday classes

INTRODUCTION TO TAI CHI

A gentle, relaxing form of exercise. Helps to develop concentration, control and strength.

Tai Chi is wonderful for every-one (including those who suffer from arthritis). Bring a friend, some comfortable clothes and shoes and enjoy the benefits of this age old form of exercise.

A journey for the body and the mind. Come and explore!

Date: Tuesdays 14th October-25th November (excludes Tuesday 11th November)

Time: 6pm - 7pm (6 sessions)

Fee: \$55

Venue: Drysdale Hall, High St, Drysdale

Tutor: Faye Blainey

DEPRESSION AWARENESS FREE PRESENTATION

The Depression Awareness Project is a community education and research program aimed at increasing awareness and understanding of depression to the wider community.

Did you know that one in five people will suffer from a major depressive episode at some point in their life? Take this opportunity to become more informed about this common but often misunderstood illness that affects young and old alike.

In this session a trained volunteer community educator will present a talk on depression - its signs, symptoms and the treatment options available.

Date: November 6th

Time: 1-2pm

Fee: No Cost but bookings are required

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Tutor: Depression Awareness Project

BELLY DANCING

Level 1

An easy fun class for beginners where you learn basic movements and simple choreography - great for fitness too!

Date: Thursdays 23rd Oct -11th Dec

Time: 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$50

Venue: Clifton Springs Golf Club Community Room (downstairs near pool) 92-94 Clearwater Dve Clifton Springs
Tutor: Natasha Dean

Level 2

Further develop movements and techniques to build on skills previously mastered.

For those with previous experience (Must have at least one term in Level 1)

Date: Thursdays 23rd Oct -11th Dec

Time: 7.45 pm - 8.45 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$50

Venue: Clifton Springs Golf Club Community Room (downstairs near pool) 92-94 Clearwater Dve Clifton Springs
Tutor: Natasha Dean

FIRST AID COURSES

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 13th October-20th October

Time: 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$70

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care Room)

Tutor: 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.

ACFE subsidised places for Level 2 are available to: Jobseekers (centrelink registered), 'Not for profit' community agency volunteers and students enrolled in accredited vocational courses.

Date: Mondays 13th Oct-17th November

Time: 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm (6 sessions)

Fee: Full fee - \$135

Subsidized - \$70

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care room)

Tutor: National First Aid

CPR UPDATE

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)

Do not wait until it's too late. Learn CPR today. It is recommended that CPR updates are undertaken annually.

Date: Monday October 13th

Time: 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm (1 session)

Fee: \$35

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Child Care Room)

Tutor: National First Aid

FIRST AID LEVEL 2

(SATURDAY CLASS)

Need your certificate but don't have a spare 6 weeks? Then this is the class for you!

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.

ACFE subsidised places for Level 2 are available to: Jobseekers (centrelink registered), 'Not for profit' community agency volunteers and students enrolled in accredited vocational courses.

Date: Saturdays 11th and 18th October

Time: 9am-4pm (2 sessions)

Fee: Full fee - \$135

Subsidized - \$70

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Main Room /Child Care room)

Tutor: National First Aid

COURSE IN EMERGENCY ASTHMA MANAGEMENT

ASTHMA AWARENESS

The first aider will be able to perform and administer emergency asthma management First Aid procedures for asthma related medical conditions.

Emphasis is placed on practical decision making along with the application of skills in a simulated asthma emergency. On successful completion of this course, participants receive an Emergency Asthma Management -Asthma Awareness certificate which is valid for three years.

Date: Monday November 24th

Time: 6.30 pm - 9.30 pm (1 session)

Fee: \$35

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (Main Room)

Tutor: National First Aid

General Interest and Skills

MOTORISTS ON THE MOVE!

A safety and awareness session on a vehicles basic operations.

Gain a better understanding of the why, when and where of essentials such as maintaining tyres, oil, water, brake fluid, coolant etc.

Do you know if your car is 'fit to go' before you leave on your journey? Learn more about the tell tale signs prior to breakdown. Learn what to do (safely) if the car does breakdown. A terrific workshop for any-one who wants to know the foundation of understanding and maintaining your vehicle.

Date: Thursday 6th November

Or Thursday 13th November

Time: 6.30-8.30 pm (1 session)

Fee: \$30

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Greg Thompson

Participants must be at least 16 years of age. Each participant will receive a handout to take home.

ASTROLOGY

Increase your self-awareness and your understanding of others through the medium of astrology. Explore what implications your sunsign, moonsign and the other planets have to the relevance of who you are. Be guided through the basics of astrological knowledge by creating and interpreting your own natal chart.

Date: Wednesday 22nd October-10th Dec

Time: 6.30-8 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$90

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Marie Bliss
Requirements: Students need to find out their birthdates to the nearest hour. Time, date and location of birth are required.
Also bring a note book(ruler, calculator and protractor for week 3)

THE SUMMER GARDEN

Wayne will take us on a journey through the beauty and challenges of summer gardening. Preparing your garden for this season will enable it to withstand the extremes and you to enjoy it without too much heartache and hard work.
Date: Thursday November 6th
Time: 10-12 (1 session)
Tutor: Wayne Long (The Portarlington Nursery)
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre.

SMART SHOPPING

Christmas is coming, then the sales. Lots of deals and offers will bombard and entice us but what is a 'good deal'? Lay-by, credit, buy now pay later, interest free terms?
This workshop will look past the shiny brochures, the glitz and bold print and discuss how shoppers can look with a critical eye at the options available to us. Questions and answers. Free tea and coffee.
Date: Tuesday 11th November
Time: 10.30-12pm (1 session)
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre, Drysdale
Tutor: Nick Trevhella (Jindarra Community Programs)

WONDERFUL WOMEN'S AFTERNOON TEA

(With Guestspeaker)
What better way to enjoy the company of friends and neighbours.
An informal session designed to provide information and enjoyment in an inviting setting. Join us for a short talk with Guestspeaker Libby from Breastscreen. This will be followed by a cup of glorious coffee and delicious piece of cake.
Date: Wednesday 5th November
Time: 3.30 pm
Fee: \$12
Venue: Zannonis Café High St Drysdale
Register your interest and pay at Springdale

ARTS & CRAFTS

DECORATIVE PAINTING

An informal, friendly class lead by a very experienced tutor. No previous experience is required (this does not exclude those who have used this technique before and are more experienced). Learn painting techniques and strokes which can be used on all sorts of material (eg clothing, wood, tin) to create a decorative and individual finish.
No materials required to start.
Date: Thursdays 23rd October-11th December
Time: 4-6pm
Fee: \$80 (8 sessions)
Venue: Portarlington Community Room (Next to the Bendigo Bank, 44 Newcombe St)
Tutor: Julie Morison

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 21st October-9th December (excludes 11th November)
Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$72
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Brian Close
(Materials list available at Springdale)

PAINTING WITH PASTELS

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. Explore and enjoy your creative side.
Date: Tuesday 21ST October-9TH December (excludes 11th November)
Time: 1.00 pm - 3.00 pm (7 sessions)
Fee: \$72
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
Tutor: Brian Close
(Materials list available at Springdale).

COMPUTER CLASSES

Computer Basics are Introductory classes designed for beginners starting off on their learning about the uses and functions of the computer.
Topics include: mouse control, saving, open/close applications, cut, copying, pasting, inserting/deleting and much more.
Subsidized places are funded through ACFE Funding (Adult Community & Further Education) and are available for those seeking re-entry into the workplace, the unemployed and those over 55 years of age.

All computer classes are held at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre.

COMPUTER BASICS MONDAY-GENERAL

Date: Mondays, 13th October-1st December
Time: 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm (8 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$95.00
Subsidized: \$50.00
(\$40 + \$10 amenities)
Tutor: Lyn Brooke

COMPUTER BASICS TUESDAY-FOR OVER 55'S

Date: Tuesday morning, 21st October-2nd December
Time: 9.30 am - 12 noon (7 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$95
Subsidized: \$50
(\$40 + \$10 amenities)
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre, Princess St, Drysdale
Tutor: Lyn Brooke

Or

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

COMPUTER BASICS - SATURDAY

NEVER TOUCHED A COMPUTER BEFORE?
If the answer is no, then this class is the one for you.
Date: SATURDAY 25THth October-6th December
Time: 10-12.30 pm (7 sessions)
Tutor: Lyn Brooke
Fee: Full Course Fee: \$95
Subsidized: \$50
(\$40+\$10 amenities)

INTERMEDIATE - Microsoft Word

This class continues building on skills already gained from our introductory courses, or previous experience. 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, November 6th-27th
Time: 9.30-12 (4 sessions)
Fee: \$85
Tutor: Sue (Lara Computers)

XMAS CREATIVITY

Be creative for Christmas. Learn how to make personalized gift tags and labels to be used for this seasons gift giving. This class is also for those aspiring would-be graphic artists, who like to make their own flyers, brochures and invitations etc. Basic computer skills are required.

Date: Friday, November 7th-28th
Time: 12 -2.30pm (4 sessions)

Fee: \$80

Tutor: Lyn Brooke

THE INTERNET & EMAIL -

Age is no Barrier

Learn how to use the internet and email to find out information, stay in touch with friends and loved ones, or just to have fun. A friendly and supportive environment will make learning fun!

Date: Friday, 24th and 31st October

Time: 12 noon-2.30pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$35-

Tutor: Lyn Brooke

INTERNET DOWNLOADS

This class will show you how to download games from the net and then how to save them successfully.

Date: Thursday 27th November

Time: 6.30-8.30 (1 session)

Fee: \$20-

Tutor: Lise Baker

WANTED: VOLUNTEER HELPER

Springdale is interested in starting up an informal PC user group. The aim would be to meet monthly to discuss any problems or computer issues people may have and to simply share information of general interest with others. However, we firstly require a volunteer who is computer literate, who would spend an hour or two per month to help facilitate the group. If you think you may fit the bill, please ring Sally at Springdale on 52531960 Monday-Wednesday.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Enjoyment of music, dance and song to encourage the development of beat, rhythm, tempo, pitch and harmony - all while having fun.

This is a great way for little ones to develop confidence, self-esteem, concentration, memory, listening, language and self-expression.

Date: Tuesday (9 sessions) Commences 14th October-9th December

Time: 9.15 am - 10.00 am

2 & 3 year olds

10.15 am - 11.00 am

3 - 5 year olds

Fee: \$50 per term

Venue: Drysdale Hall, High St. Drysdale

Tutor: Trish Redman

OCCASSIONAL CARE

Three-hour sessions enable parents to take a break, catch up with friends, attend a class, do shopping etc. It also gives your child an opportunity to socialize and play with other children in a supervised program with qualified staff.

Sessions are:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings:

9.00 am - 12.00 pm

Wednesday and Friday afternoons:

1.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Fee: \$15.00 per session. Special rates apply to families with more than one (1) child attending and those attending a class at the Centre. For further information please phone the Centre. Sessions run throughout school terms.

BELLARINA TOY LIBRARY

The Toy Library is open Saturday mornings 10.30 am to 11:30 am.

We have some fantastic toys to borrow (ages 0 - 6 years) so come along and see what we have to offer!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Weekly Craft Groups

Opportunities to meet people, learn new crafts, or teach others your speciality.

Meet weekly during school terms.

New members welcome.

Wednesday Morning Group

(Sew & Sews)

10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Wednesday Afternoon Group

(Whichcraft)

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Friday Afternoon Craft Group

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Springdale Friendship Patchwork and Quilting 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 at Drysdale Hall, High St Drysdale and the fourth Tuesday at Palmerston Court Drysdale
Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

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.

Queenscliff & District Woodworkers

Meet first and third Monday of the month at 2:00 pm at Drysdale Community Hall, High Street, and Drysdale. New members welcome. Just turn up if you are interested.

Enquiries to the Secretary, Ray Roberts, Tel: 5251 2183.

Friendly Writers Group

Meet every second Monday evening at the Centre (7-9pm). Commencing 6th October. Ring Springdale for further information.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Springdale is interested in ideas about what you would like to do at the Centre. If we can get a few more like-minded souls together, we may be able to get your idea up and running. We are also happy to refer if we know someone else already has what you are looking for. Happy Learning!

OTHER SERVICES

SpringDale also provides facilities to the public which include:

- > Computer access (Ring to check availability)
- > Internet & E-mail access (Ring to check availability)
- > Photocopying
- > Faxing
- > Hall and room rental

AMBROSE COMPETITION RULES

1. Captain for each team to be chosen or selected.
2. A minimum of three (3) drives per player and to be marked on the scorecard
3. All players to drive from tee.
Captain to choose the ball in the best position for next shot.
4. For second shots – all players of the team to play their own ball which shall be placed within 30 cm of chosen ball.
The chosen ball does not necessarily have to be played first. Any order can be chosen by the captain but the chosen ball must not leave its original position.
5. If the chosen ball lie in a hazard or in the rough off the cut fairway the other players must drop their ball within one club length of the selected ball. The procedure to be repeated on all shots until the ball reaches the green.
6. On the green.
Captain to choose the ball in best position for putting.
Other balls to be placed as near as possible to exact spot.
Any order to be chosen, original ball may be marked and putted in any order, then as in best ball, a ball may be tapped in and the rest of the team try for a lower score.
7. Handicap 1/8 of aggregate handicap – fractions to count

ENTRY FORM

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**** Entry fee MUST accompany entry form ****
Entries close 14th September, 2003
Forward entries to:- Lions Charity golf
P.O. Box 402, Drysdale, 3222

Committing to saving and prosperity

By the time we are in our 40s and 50s, many of us are close to paying off our mortgage, our children are becoming financially less dependent - and we have money left over each month!

Even though you may have your super and possibly some shares, it may not be enough to live as comfortably as you would like in the years up to and during retirement.

To generate a substantial sum over the next ten to twenty years, you need a firm commitment to saving - to putting aside an amount each month dedicated to building your future prosperity.

The right strategy for you

The first step should be to seek financial planning advice on the most appropriate financial planning strategies, which may include investment in both superannuation and non-super assets. The right balance

is important to give you the most tax-effective form of investment for your circumstances with sufficient flexibility to maintain your desired lifestyle.

You may need to consider:

Paying off your mortgage - any non-tax-deductible debt should be repaid as a priority, freeing up additional funds for investment.

Maximising your super - for money you don't need before you retire, superannuation funds pay a very low tax on earnings and offer the potential for tax-free or low tax retirement income.

Spouse super - paying contributions into your partner's fund can maximise your joint low-tax superannuation entitlements and perhaps entitle you to a tax rebate.

Shares and other growth investments - investing directly or through a managed fund can provide healthy

earnings and capital growth, with tax benefits in the form of franked dividends.

Gearing (borrowing money to invest from your credit union) can boost your returns, but you need expert advice on whether the value, timing and risks make good sense. Call (03) 5241 2266 to arrange a free, no-obligation meeting with a Bridges Financial Planner, who can help you make a commitment to your financial future.

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Telstra message box service

As part of its commitment to ensuring Australians have reasonable access to telecommunications services, Telstra has been working with community welfare organizations to provide ways for people on low incomes and those facing financial hardship to maintain contact with friends and family and remain contactable for employment, emergency or medical needs.

One of the new initiatives under this "Access for Everyone" program is a messaging service called Telstra Mes-

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Telstra is keen to hear from agencies that are in contact with homeless people and who would like to offer MessageBox to their clients. To become a program agency please contact Telstra Consumer Affairs on Tel: 1800 804 591 or by email: consumer.relations@team.telstra.com Telstra will send you an agency agreement, which once completed and returned will allow you to join the program and offer the MessageBox service. There is no charge to the agency for this program.



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The news at Drysdale Primary School

Term Three at Drysdale Primary School has been very busy to date. Outside of the regular curriculum, Drysdale Primary School provides a range of educationally enriching experiences to assist students learning. This issue, Drysdale Primary School would like to share with the community some reports written by the students about a range of exciting educational experiences.

Concert

Soon it will be concert time. I am going to sing and dance. We will go on the stage and dress up as monkeys. It sounds like fun to me.

Clementine Praud. Prep M.

The concert will be held at the Drysdale Primary School Hall. Year 6 are doing 'Alice in Wonderland' for the play. I am a card. The cards do a dance with Alice, Queen, Duchess, Cook and some other characters. I think it will get a good rating.

Mark D. 6V.

Robotics

Twelve Year 6 students, Stephanie Murdoch, Zoe Smith, Luke Morrissy, Jamie Fairless, Rachel John, Hayley Burns, Rhys Jeffs, Nathan Beattie, Stefan Vogrin, Rebecca Morris, Erin Keating and Hayley Govan designed and built dancing robots that performed at Sacret Heart Secondary College. 6V designed a chicken that danced to the 'Chicken Dance'. 6V came second overall and won a \$25 book voucher. 6C made a crocodile that danced to 'Crocodile Rock' and 6M made a crab that moved to 'Rock Lobster'.

Stephanie Murdoch. 6V.

Shares In Maths

Over the past month all of the Grade 6 students have been learning how to invest in shares. Each Tuesday we have been cutting out the 'shares' page and looking to see if our shares have gone up or down. When we started this topic, we had an imaginary five thousand dollars to spend. We were able to invest in four share companies. I invested in NAB, AMP, News Corp and CSL. So far, I have lost money.

Adam H. 6C.

Debating

This year we are part of the debating team at Drysdale Primary School. We have won all debates except for one against Geelong Grammar where Team A was defeated. However, Team B won by one point. Debates take place on Wednesday afternoons at various schools. We also practice some Tuesdays after school. We have had a great time debating and learning about speaking.

William . 6C and Ivan B. 6M.

Geelong Schools' Music Festival at G.P.A.C.

There was loud applause as the curtains fell. We were a SUCCESS!! And I felt terrific! Later, we had snack at Eastern Beach and I was rolling down the hill. At the beach all of us walked around the pier and played I spy. After a long tiring day at G.P.A.C. and the beach we went to the Botanical Gardens. It was beautiful. When we were there, I learnt that the cap of a wine bottle is made from the bark of the cork tree and that the bananas on the banana plant were all full of seeds.

Stephen Van Rekum-Ayres. 3B.

I was really excited because I had never been there. I was a tiny bit nervous. I think ours was the best because we had lots of actions. The lights were really bright in my eyes. I am going there again for my Calisthenics competition. I loved performing at G.P.A.C. and I think it was fun on stage. At the Botanical Gardens I learnt which plants are poisonous and I found out some of the names of trees. It was a great day.

Lahana Te Amo. 3B.

Chinatown 2003

On the 7th August the Grade 4's visited Chinatown. We split up into groups and looked at separate things. Our guide's name was Chris. She showed us the newest dragon for 2003. It was 60 metres long. Chris also told us about the Terracotta warriors. She also showed us their weapons. My favourite thing was the Terracotta warrior.

Cassie Orcsik. 4D.

On the 7th August all of the Grade Four's left to go to Chinatown. When we got to Chinatown we had snack. After snack, we split into groups and did different activities. My favourite activity was the kite making. We had lunch in the gardens. After lunch we headed home. We had an excellent day.

Emily Smith. 4D.

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As the year goes by the children are learning many social habits such as organizing "between themselves" to have a play after kinder at someone's house. They are also learning to find their name tags to stick on any artwork. Routines are quite easy for them to follow now and the rules are easier to remember. A makeshift office has been set up with old keyboards, faxes, phones etc. The children love playing in this corner. There is also a makeshift puppet show for them to play in. A lot of fun is being had while they are learning, even new songs and dances. They have started borrowing books from the Pre-school library and love choosing a book to read

each week. They have the opportunity to participate in group activities and also to have some time to themselves if that is what they wish. Special little friendships are developing all the time.

Next term the Pre-school is having a Garage/Carboot sale at the Clifton Springs Primary School. If there is anyone wishing to have a cleanout and has some things they would like to donate to this fundraiser it would be greatly appreciated or you may wish to hold your own stall for \$10. For further information regarding this please phone Katrina McDonald on 0407461264 or Kim Willis on 52532613.

Enrolment time is here again and we still have some vacancies for both our 3 year olds and 4/5 year old groups. If you are interested in enrolling your child at our Pre-School in 2004 please do not hesitate to contact either Eril, Katie or Julie on 52513158. You are most welcome to come and have a look around and see for yourself the wonderful environment the children are learning and playing. The social network gained from your child attending the Clifton Springs Pre-School will amaze you. Being a newcomer I can speak from experience.

Sharon Reid.

Book Review - Chance's Children

Chance's Children is a love story. Dedicated to the parents of children with disability, it tells of the love of Marion and John Perry for each other and their children.

Based on factual events and people, it covers the years from 1944 until the present day; an exciting era when scientific discoveries and educational ideals were changing lives at a greatly accelerated rate.

It brings to the reader a very special world of heart-breaking sadness, striking warmth and astonishing courage.

About the Author

Dulcie Stone has won acclaim as an author, educator and campaigner for people with intellectual disabilities. Her first novel 'I laugh I cry I feel' was an International Year of the Disabled selection at the Bologna Book Fair, 1981.

In her eightieth year and still in-class teaching, her educational ideas are gaining wide recognition. Of her non-fiction book 'Switching on the light', Hilary McPhee, current Vice Chancellor's Fellow at Melbourne University, says: 'Your remarkable book is a work of major importance'

Prominent among the many honours and awards for her work are the M.B.E (Member of the British Empire), International woman of the year (1996-97), Outstanding people of the Twentieth Century Selection and a Papal Blessing which she shares with her husband, David.

Springdale Bellarine toy Library

SpringDale Bellarina Toy Library is a fantastic opportunity for you child/children to have fun!

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Toys and puzzles for new borns to 6 year olds can be borrowed for up to 2 weeks at a time. The variety is great, some are educational, some encourage role playing and motor skill development, but the one thing they all have in common is they are just plain fun! Children love to come along to Toy Library and choose new toys every fortnight.

We have some great new toys coming into circulation for borrowing. A bubble blowing lawn mower, vacuum cleaner with attachments, remote control whiplash a fantastic pirate ship and castle complete with figurines. These are just the newest of our great range of small/large, indoor/outdoor games and puzzles.

Come along and see us behind SpringDale Neighborhood Centre, Princess St, Drysdale. We operate Saturday mornings between 10.30am - 11.30am during school terms. Our last Saturday for borrowing this term is Sept 13th. We start again in term 4 on Sat 11th October.

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Carla Okai - 15years old.

What do you love most about living on the Bellarine Peninsula?

I love the fact that we're close to everything. The beach, the city, the bush. We're in the heart of everything.

What is your favorite food?

I love chocolate! I also like pasta and salad, but chocolate is the best!

What do you love to do in your spare time?

I love to sing and dance. I've been doing that for a long time now. I also like to read, but most of all I love to go shopping!

What do you have that you just can't live without?

I don't think I can live without my cd player and cd's. I love my music!

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would it be?

I would like to visit Africa again, and I'd love to go to Jamaica or Hawaii, anywhere tropical!

Remember safety in the home

Rural Ambulance Victoria is reminding people to be aware of common injuries that can occur in and around the house.

Rural Ambulance Victoria Bellarine Branch Station Officer Chris James said: "All too often we get called to an accident that could have been easily avoided had people been vigilant about home safety. People need to take the time to check basic problem areas in and around the house, such as leaving electricity cords lying across the floor. Always make sure that cords are tucked out of the way and check them regularly to ensure that they are not fraying or wearing away, as that can cause a serious electrical accident or fire."

"Paramedics receive many calls to attend patients that have fractured hips or legs, simply from tripping over loose rugs or blankets. These accidents could have easily been avoided, given a little forethought. Inappropriate footwear or eye wear or lack of regular maintenance on farm machinery and equipment, are all areas which can invite trouble if they are not appropriately managed." Mr. James said.

"Work places have strict regulations to ensure simple accidents are avoided as much as possible, however people tend to neglect these issues at home. There are First Aid Kits especially designed for use in the home but always remember to call 000 in an emergency and ask for an ambulance." Chris James concluded.

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Thank goodness Spring and warmer weather is not far away, I have not felt this cold since I have been in Australia and I only came here to experience warm feet!!!

The last outing the club had to Federation Square to see Melbourne's latest attraction then on to the Craft and Quilt Fair at Jeff's Shed was quite well attended, and I should not have listened to David the weather man who predicted rain, hail, thunder and a temperature of 13 degrees the day before the event and again on the morning of the trip.

I decided I couldn't stand the rain, cold and wet clothes for a few hours. I turned over in bed and thought on what I would do instead.


The trips organiser told me the day was fine, they had a lovely time, and all went well. I am sorry I missed it.

Speaker Grania Lohning from Werribee Zoo, spoke of her start as a Zoo helper, and how much she has become involved with Melbourne Zoo also. Her enthusiasm for her work inspired us and quite honestly we didn't want it to end, along with her knowledge and backed up with photographs of the animals it was most informative. We hope to get her back again to finish where she left off.

The membership remains the same, with new ones in and the odd one out to a nursing home or to live near the family.

Group activities are an added attraction and create a friendship group of their own.

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What's happened and what's happening at the Clifton Springs Golf Club

Stage one car park works are progressing with a completion date of September 12th being the target, given that we have good weather during the final stages of the works. We thank patrons for their co operation during these works and remind all that whilst the front entrance is closed, entry to the building is available through our Members lounge on the Eastern side of the building.

Our capital works don't stop there because as soon as the car park is finished, the Club will commence on stage two and final stage of the fairway replacement program which will encompass the regrassing of the back 9 holes to legend couch. Closure of the back 9 holes will be from late September until late December given that we receive good weather conditions.

With all these works being completed over the coming months and October being the commencement of our new golfing membership season now is the time to join Clifton Springs Golf Club with 12 months membership fees only \$450.00 which entitles you to 7 day membership. Application forms are available from the Club or Pro Shop.

The ELVIS show was a hit and enjoyed by all whom attended with the next big night being on Saturday October 11th which is THE DEAN MARTIN TRIBUTE SHOW which also in-

cludes impersonations of Stevie Wonder, Tom Jones, Joe Cocker, Willie Nelson, Elvis Presley and many others. Tickets are only \$35.00 per person which includes a 2 course meal and you are advised to book early.

Our regular free 'live entertainment continues every Friday night where we will continue to promote our local talent which also includes our quarterly Morning Melodies with June Fraser appearing at the Club on Monday September 29th and at only \$12 per person you need to book early to be guaranteed a seat.

The Mens golf is down the final of the Club's major honour board event with the McInerney Fisher to be played between Joel Keay and Col Allen and the winner of the other semi final being Aub Platt and Michael Trewin against hot favourites Fraser Brown and Glen Hughan.

Congratulations to Fraser Brown, Pat Robinson, Rhys Keay, Mark Westworth, Peter Smith and Peter Anderson whom were the winners of the recently held Holden Scramble Ambrose event whom now go onto the State final to be played at the Dunes Golf Club. The Club was fortunate to have Carlie Butler make a guest appearance on behalf of the sponsors Winter and Taylor. Carlie was one of Australia's top Amateur players whom has recently turned professional.

The Club has the following Friday night promotions running over the coming months:

1) Pots for glass prices on Friday nights between 5.30p.m. and 7.00p.m.

2) Make a booking and dine on Friday night, buy a pot of beer and get one free.

3) Place your used raffle ticket in the barrel to win a \$50 meal voucher. *conditions apply

There is also a Venue promotion now running where any patron who spends \$20 in the venue has the opportunity to win a TV and surrounds system installed into their house just in time for the Footy grand final. Daily draws (5) will be held with the winners invited back for the big final night on Wednesday 24th September.

Keno should be up and running shortly and will be available in all sections of the Club.

With Xmas fast approaching now is the time to make your Xmas booking for that family function or work break up. With prices starting from \$21.50 per person we offer a Xmas function with all the trimmings and Peter & Kate will only be too pleased to take your booking.

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Improved health services for Bellarine residents

Bellarine Community Health (BCH) has today announced significant changes in the provision of its aged care services, aimed at improving health care delivery to the Bellarine Peninsula's rapidly growing population.

After months of consultation, the service's eight-member Board has decided to sell one of its three aged care hostels - the 22-bed Sims Lodge at Point Lonsdale - to help fund much-needed health programs and facilities in the region.

Residents of the dementia-specific unit will be relocated to a new, purpose-built wing at Ann Nichol House, in Portarlington when it is completed.

In a recent submission to the Federal Government BCH was successful in securing approval for an additional 30 beds at Ann Nichol, doubling its capacity to 60 beds and increasing BCH total residential care beds to 100, plus 16 independent living units. The \$4 million extension to ANH is expected to be completed towards the end of 2004.

Fundraising, investments and a loan will pay for the building capital costs.

According to BCH Executive Officer Moyneen Curtis, the move represents the best possible outcome for our aged care users and the wider Peninsula community.

"Sims Lodge had been operating at a loss for several years and because of its size, which is well below industry standards of viability, was unlikely to attract the thousands of dollars in funding needed to improve efficiency."

"And with most of the Lodge's existing residents originating from and most demand for this type of care coming from the northern side of the Peninsula, it was the most commonsense decision," Mrs Curtis said.

Recent Australian Bureau of Statistics figures highlighted St Leonards, Portarlington and Indented Heads as having amongst the highest aged population in the state, at three times the national average. BCH's own figures show the Peninsula's population growth is double that of Geelong and Victoria.

"BCH has been a leader in the provision of community and aged health care. The Queenscliff Community Health Centre was the first of its kind in Australia when it opened in 1972, it is one of only two community health services in the state offering residential aged care and was the first in Victoria to operate not-for-profit aged care hostels.

"Proceeds from the sale of Sims Lodge will help us to build on our proud reputation for innovation and planning, and meet the needs of our growing community by improving existing primary health and aged care services and facilities," Mrs Curtis added.

BCH is negotiating with a Melbourne-based Aged Care service provider to purchase Sims Lodge, with a view to providing holiday respite care for older people. The health service's third hostel, Coorabin Lodge, at Point Lonsdale, will be unaffected by the changes.

For further information, contact Moyneen Curtis, Chief Executive Officer on 52580835

Take care with poisons

Rural Ambulance Victoria Acting Area Manager Mick Cameron is warning parents to be vigilant and always ensure that poisons are out of reach of children.

"Start today by looking at your home from a toddlers point of view," Mr. Cameron said. "Get down on your hands and knees and check out cupboards and drawers. Toddlers can get into anything and all poisons, including prescription drugs and over the counter medications should be well out of the way and behind locked doors."

"Even poisons being up high isn't enough, they need to be kept behind locked or childproof doors. If a child accidentally swallows poison, the injuries can be horrific," Mr. Cameron said.

"A child may survive the poisoning, but suffer permanent damage to their mouth, throat and stomach as a result of burns from chemicals. Ensure all poisons, medications and chemicals are out of reach of youngsters."

Mr. Cameron said if you suspect that a person has ingested a substance, follow these tips:

- * Identify what was taken and keep a sample of the substance including any packaging
- * Establish how much of the substance was taken and when.
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Water damage and floods - staying safe

There are many ways a household can suffer water damage. Common causes include broken water pipes and burst hot water systems. Householders can reduce the amount of damage if you can quickly access the main water meter or the tap on the hot water system and turn off the flow. It is surprising the number of people, who, having contacted the SES did not know where the water meter on their property was located.

Other causes of water damage in homes is from overflowing gutters when a downpour hits. If the gutters are blocked with debris sometimes the only route for the water to take is over the top of the gutter, into the roofspace and down the walls. Do a regular cleanout of gutters especially if you have overhanging trees.

A severe dumping of rain can mean the water just can't drain away fast enough and flooding is inevita-

ble. The best course of action is to call the SES on 9696 6111 (24hrs Emergency line) as soon as possible. SES volunteers have the equipment and training for assisting householders with emergency flood and storm damage.

Unfortunately for many Victorian householders flood can be a way of life. If you live in an area that is prone to flooding, there are some simple steps you should take now to avoid risks to your family and property.

Know the local history; find out when the most recent flood occurred, and how severe it was. Long time residents in your area are a good source of information, as is your local council. Use that knowledge to plan what steps to take should flooding occur - think about how you'll get the family (and pets) together if you are advised to evacuate.

Keep an emergency kit handy: it should contain a portable radio and

torch - both with fresh batteries candles and waterproof matches a first aid kit waterproof bag for valuables and clothing emergency phone numbers have a supply of drinking water

Take notice of all emergency warnings the local radio can provide updates check your neighbours know of the warning Steps you can take to reduce damage stack furniture and possessions above likely flood level, on beds and in the roof disconnect electrical items and place them as high as possible move garbage, chemicals and poisons to a high place secure objects that could float and cause damage

For further advice visit our website at www.ses.vic.gov.au If you're interested in becoming a volunteer with Bellarine SES contact Lorraine on 52512893

First aid tip - Controlling bleeding

Rural Ambulance Victoria says being able to control bleeding on an injured person is an important skill that could ultimately save a person life.

Acting Area Manager Mick Cameron said: "If bleeding is not controlled quickly and appropriately the patient could eventually bleed to death, so it is important that people are equipped with the basic skills to prevent this occurring."

Mr. Cameron said: "Bleeding can occur both internally and externally, however first aid treatment for internal bleeding is limited to treating shock and immediately calling 000 and requesting an ambulance."

"External bleeding is more obvious to the observer and it can be treated with basic first aid, although it is just as important to call an ambulance so that further professional treatment can be administered by Paramedics," Mr. Cameron said.

"When treating a bleeding patient always make sure the area is safe and wear protective gloves or use some sort of barrier device if possible."

"Apply direct pressure to the wound and bandage firmly, but not so tight that it restricts circulation, if a dressing is not available use any soft, clean material. Lay or sit the injured person down and if the wound is on a limb, elevate it above the height of the heart and support it." Mr. Cameron said.

"If there is a foreign body protruding from the wound do not attempt to remove it or move it, simply bandage around the object being careful not to make the injury worse." Mr. Cameron said.

"After bandaging, always check that circulation has not been affected in any way and do not remove the dressing even if bleeding has been controlled."

"Blood loss is very serious so it is imperative that it is treated effectively and efficiently." Mr. Cameron concluded.

Rural Ambulance Victoria strongly advises people to undertake some form of first aid training. For information on first aid courses call 1800 248 859.

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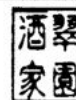
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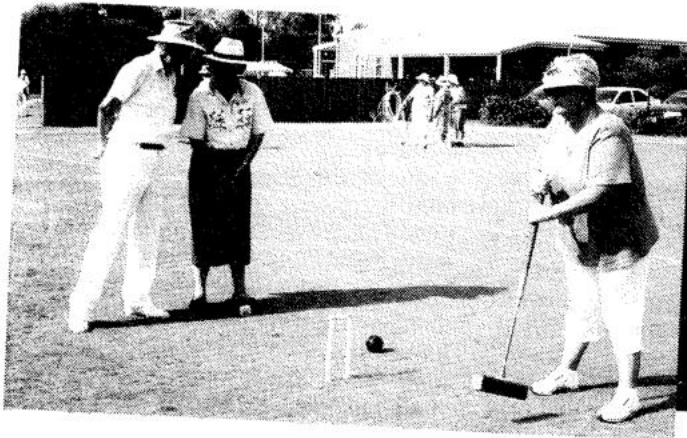


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2003 Springdale Messenger BFL Player of the Year

Top 10 Drysdale Senior Leaderboard

- 36 Paul Frew
- 31 Adam Richardson
- 30 Simon Keating
- 23 Justin Higgins
- 21 Aaron Eddy
- Reece Holwell
- 18 Brent Taylor
- 14 Peter Preece
- Troy Harding
- 13 Adrian Hildebrand

Round 14 v Geelong Amateur

5.A.Eddy, 4.S.Keating, 3.R.Holwell, 2.T.Harding, .D.Wilson

Round 15 v Newcomb

5.S.Nelis, 4.J.Higgins, 3.D.Wilson, 2.G.Smethurst, 1.A.Richardson

Round 16 v Barwon Heads

5.A.Richardson, 4.J.Higgins, 3.B.Wombwell, 2.A.Eddy, 1.S.Keating

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Round 18 v Queenscliff

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By Brent Diamond

The DCC in 2003 - Count me in!

Despite the continuing Shane Warne text message saga, the Drysdale Cricket Club has managed to forge ahead regardless, ready to shape up for what should be an absolute hotbed of excitement in season 2003/04. This year, the club will field 6 senior and 8 junior teams for the season and welcomes any person who wants to play at any level of competition or fun to join its ever-growing ranks.

Contrary to rumours abounding throughout Drysdale, we can not confirm nor deny that Shane Warne will be appearing for the Hawks 1st Eleven until all legal and contractual negotiations have been finalised. One signed and sealed star recruit we can proudly lay claim to, however, is new captain / coach Darren Barmby.

A hard hitting batsman/wicket-keeper who has had a fantastically successful career in the GCA, Darren brings a wealth of cricket experience to the club and has his sights firmly set on taking the club back to the top of the BPCA Ladders across all grades in 2003 / 2004.

Training for the upcoming season commences on September 1st, and soon after will move into regular

Tuesday and Thursday night sessions at the Drysdale Reserve. For any further information on training dates/times, please call Greg Scott on 5251 2678 or Darren on 0412 919 681 or. Alternatively you can text message Darren by simply using this phrase; "Count me in!".

Once again, Juniors will be a huge focus for the club with Junior sign up nights for under 13s, 15s & 17s on September 10th at the clubrooms from 4.30pm-6.00pm. A sign-up/information night for u/11s will be held at a later date and notices will be sent to all schools with this information.

For the even younger folk, the club will also be conducting a 'Milo Have a Go' Cricket Program for 6-9yr olds this season and again info will be forwarded to all schools in the area.

With a fresh, new look to its clubrooms, a level of cricket and fun to suit everyone, and a re-furbished main ground, there's been no better year to scratch that cricket itch than in 2003. And remember, keep up to date with all the club news at www.drysdalecricketclub.com. See you at the club!



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Hawk season begins in September

"Finals is a different kettle of fish and once it steps up football changes and a mind game comes into the lot and it's just hard to plan." (Drysdale senior coach Adam Richardson).

Drysdale will attempt to make it's third successive grand final appearance, and coach Adam Richardson says there are no excuses this time around.

"We've had a good run up into the finals and we're getting nearly all of our players back - so it's starting to happen at the right time," Richardson said.

The Hawks have dropped the past two grand finals to the league's super power of the 1990's, Ocean Grove, and Richardson is still wary of the Grubbers despite the fact that they are in third position.

"Once again Ocean Grove is the sleeping giant that you've also gotta watch," he said.

"It's a bit hard to try and talk about grand finals when you've really gotta worry about Ocean Grove first and that's where the total focus will be on."

The Geelong Amateurs sit firmly on top of the BFL ladder at the end of the season with a flawless display, and remain hot favourites to take out BFL's biggest prize.

"We didn't finish on top and we're starting from behind, the same as Ocean Grove," Richardson said.

"Geelong Amateurs have been the in-form side for the year, they're a terrifically fit side and run the ball well and are well skilled. Obviously they're the bench setters at the moment and they're the ones that we're going after."

Richardson says that the team had finished the season off well with comfortable victories over Newcomb and Queenscliff in the last two rounds of the season.

"We've been pretty happy with the way that we played," he said.

"It's all very well playing against bottom sides and winning but when that sort of thing happens it gives you the opportunity to try and stamp your authority on the game and play the way that you want to play."

Drysdale finished the home and away season in second place with a 16-2 win-loss ratio, and are looking forward to the challenge of taking on the league leading Ammo's.

"Finals is a different kettle of fish and once it steps up football changes and a mind game comes into the lot and it's just hard to plan," Richardson said.

"We will be striving to get in the Grand Final; we believe we've got a good opportunity to try and push it up to the Amateurs," he said.

"The boys have just got to try and play their best and obviously we know we have to be at our best to be able to compete with Geelong Amateurs."

Former Geelong player, Glenn Kilpatrick could be the key to Drysdale's desperate plea for a Premiership.

Kilpatrick has played the sufficient amount of BFL senior games to be eligible for the finals, and could play a pivotal role with his experience in the midfield.

Richardson is looking forward to playing finals with his assistant, however Kilpatrick's role on-field will depend on the opposition.

"It'll (Kilpatrick's role), probably change from game to game depending on who we play, obviously it will be left until the day to see how it unfolds," he said.

New recruits Paul Frew and Simon Keating will also have a big influence on Drysdale's finals campaign.

Frew, winner of the 2003 Springdale Messenger BFL Player of the Year, has been outstanding for the Hawks this season, along with team-mates Simon Keating and Justin Higgins.

Both Frew and Keating moved to Drysdale at the start of the season and the Hawks were pretty quick to pounce on the talented duo.

Frew says the Wombwell family inspired his career move to Drysdale and is thrilled with the talent in the team.

"There's heaps of players that are great down there. I think we have all the potential to go all the way," Frew said.

"Obviously it took a lot of work from the Drysdale Football Club committee," Richardson said.

"They actually moved to the town (Drysdale) and they know one or two people in the town - so those sorts of things are a bonus when you get people like that moving into the area, who are pretty keen to play for their local football club."

The importance of Frew and Keating in the midfield and Richardson up forward, has given the Hawks a potent list, similar to last season.

"Obviously losing blokes from last year, you need to be able to top them up with blokes that are just as good - obviously we lost Bien, Drought and Kennedy and those sorts of fellas," Richardson said.

"To replace them with the two of them has been handy, it was really just to maintain the side that they had last year."

"They've come and in and fit in really well with the boys," he said.

Vice-captain Justin Higgins has also been a valuable contributor to Drysdale in 2003, with his courageous and diligent displays.

"Higgo's obviously our vice-captain - he's in that role because of the way he plays on the football field - he leads by example and the second half of his season, he has been fantastic and hopefully he can continue that on," Richardson said.

Drysdale's younger brigade have had a huge impact on the season so far and look set for an exciting finals series.

Reece Holwell, Brent Taylor and Adrian Hildebrand have proved that they are up to the challenge with their dynamic speed and class in the midfield.

"Taylor, Reece and 'Boomer' (Hildebrand) and those sorts of boys have been terrific," Richardson said.

"They give you that little spark and the way they've motivated themselves for the whole year and dedicated themselves at training has been second to none."

"We need them to keep playing consistent football which is what we've got to strive to do and that's what we're working on," he said.

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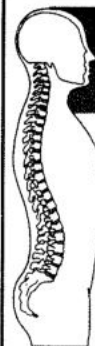
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