

The SpringDale Messenger

Your Free
Community
Newspaper

Compiled and published by the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc A002916V

Circulation 7,000

ABN 21 404 220 267 Vol 14 No. 9, December 2004



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Everyone at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre would like to thank the local community for all their support to the Centre and the Messenger over the past 12 months. May your Christmas be a special time, whether celebrated with family and friends, or in your own individual way. We are all looking forward to enjoying a (completed) redeveloped New Year in Drysdale!!!

Please find below a reference guide to local celebrations for Christmas.

SANTA ON THE FIRE TRUCK

Christmas Eve through the Streets of Drysdale & Clifton Springs. See complete list of stops on page 4

CLIFTON SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH and CHURCH BY THE BAY

Carols on the Portarlington Foreshore on December 16th BBQ at 6.30 p.m. Carols at 7.30 p.m.
A combined Service on Christmas Day at Church by the Bay in Portarlington from 9.00 a.m. to 10 a.m.

C.R.C. CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Christmas Day Service December 25th from 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Christmas Eve 8pm to 9.30pm on Village Green Amphitheatre, presented by Bellarine Jongleurs

DRYSDALE UNITING CHURCH

Countdown to Christmas December 8th & 15th for Kinder to Year 6 Children
Christmas Service December 19th at 9.00 a.m. Choral Service at 10.45 a.m.
Christmas Eve Service December 24th at 11.30 p.m.
Christmas Day Service December 25th at 9.00 a.m.

ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH

Carols on December 19th at 8.00 p.m.
Midnight Mass December 24th commencing at 11.30 p.m.
Christmas Day Service December 25th at 9.00 a.m.

ST. THOMAS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Drysdale - Christmas Day at 7.45a.m. and 11.00a.m.
Portarlington - Christmas Eve vigil mass at 7.30p.m., Christmas Day at 9.30a.m.
St.Leonards - Christmas Eve at 6.00p.m.



**DRYSDALE
VILLAGE
HARDWARE**
(03) 5251 3267

*YOUR HANDY
HARDWARE
STORE*

THE ARCADE
HIGH STREET
DRYSDALE, 3222.



Bank of Melbourne 

• OPEN SATURDAY
• HOME LOAN CENTRE
• GOOD TERM DEPOSIT RATES
CONTACT: WAYNE, LISA, BEV, PAM OR COLLEEN
0408 668 578 OR 5251 1624

**SHOP 9, SUPERMARKET
COMPLEX, DRYSDALE**

The SpringDale Messenger

The SpringDale Messenger is compiled by the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc. A0024916V, 14 Princess St. Drysdale. Postal: P.O. Box 80, Drysdale, 3222.

Editorial and Enquiries:

PH: 5253 1960. FAX: 5253 3050

To improve the administrative arrangements for the Messenger we are encouraging all contributors to provide their information on disk (Word) or email it to us - messenger@springdale.org.au For those who have difficulty providing your contributions on disk we are still happy to accept written copy or make our computers available for your use.

Next Publication -

Copy deadline:

10th January, 2005

Distribution:

28th January, 2005.

Views expressed in this newsletter are not necessarily the views of the Publisher, the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc.

Advertising:

To ensure publication in a specific issue, copy must be submitted prior to deadline.

This includes both new adverts and alterations to an existing advert. Layout and Design of this issue by Pagination Design Services, Geelong. For any queries about advertising, please contact Anthony Zavaglia at Pagination Design Services.

Ph: (03) 5223 2494

Fax: (03) 5221 8063

springdale@pagination.com.au

Drysdale Engineering

Ian McCallum

- Steel sales • Trailer sales
- General engineering
- Welding • Machinery repairs
- Trailer repairs • Balustrades

55 Murradoc Road, Drysdale, Vic. 3222

Ph: 5251 1023

Community Calendar

Springdale Community Calendar - a Springdale Neighbourhood Centre initiative to support the whole community.

This calendar will enable you to quickly look up what is happening over the next couple of months (maybe longer) in our area. There will be a calendar for the next 12 months put on our website - accessible to all groups to help when planning events. If you would like to place an event on our calendar on the website and also in the next couple of issues of the Springdale Messenger - then please email, write or ring the details of the event through to the Springdale Office.

2004

- | | | |
|-----|------|--|
| Dec | 13th | Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner |
| | 16th | Carols by Candlelight - Portarlington foreshore |
| | 17th | Term 4 School Holidays commence
SpringDale office closed
View Club Christmas meeting - Clifton Springs Golf Club |
| | 19th | Drysdale Market |
| | 24th | Carols By Candlelight Drysdale Village Square 8pm |
| | 25th | MERRY CHRISTMAS |
| | 31st | Senior Citizens New Years eve afternoon tea |

2005

- | | | |
|-----|-------------|---|
| Jan | 1st | HAPPY NEW YEAR |
| | 8th | St. James Anglican Church book sale 9-5 |
| | 9th | Clifton Springs golf club Pro-am |
| | 13th - 16th | Woodworking Show
United Church, Hesse Street, Quenscliff |
| | 15th | Portarlington Summer Festival |
| | 16th | Drysdale Market |
| | 25th | Term 1 - School term commences |
| | 26th | Australia Day |
| | 27th | SpringDale Office re-opens |
| | 30th | 40 Days of purpose program - Clifton Springs Baptist Church
Portarlington market |
| Feb | 16th | Clifton Springs/Drysdale Garden Club - 1st meeting |
| | 18th | Drive-In movie at Clifton Springs Primary School |
| | 20th | Drysdale Market |
| | 27th | Portarlington Market |
| Mar | | Bellarine Agricultural Show |
| | 19th | The Bunyip jives in 2005 Festival - Drysdale Primary School |
| | 20th | Drysdale Market |
| | 21st | Adrian Mannix Community Service Award Presentation Dinner |
| | 25th | GOOD FRIDAY |
| | 26th | EASTER SUNDAY |

BELLARINE AUTO SERVICES

Quality Mechanical Repairs
Tuning - Servicing
LPG Conversion - EFI
Tyres - Batteries - RWC
Licensed Vehicle Testers

Mortimer St. Drysdale
Proprietor: J. Pamplin

Ph. 5253 1644



Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic

- Spinal ■ sports ■ Manipulative ■
- Arthritis ■ Workcover ■ TAC ■ Vet Affairs ■
- Hydrotherapy ■ Exercise Rehabilitation ■

Peter Terry MAPA, MPAA
and associates

Ph. 5251 2958

27 - 29 High Street, PO Box 179, Drysdale 3222

Hi friends

This edition celebrates the 13th birthday of the SpringDale Messenger. We would like to thank everyone who has nurtured this community newsletter over the years. I understand that many early issues were put together in Sue O'Connor's lounge room, where the idea was conceived and brought to life. Maureen Naughton adopted and continued to care for the Messenger, then Lisa Neville fostered it and now Dianne Farrimond is its guardian. Thankyou for your patience and perseverance for ensuring the success and long life of this asset which may benefit all of our community. (Thankyou to everyone else as well for your contributions.)

We have held a summit about the direction that the Messenger should take for the next years - as with the first issue - we asked the community, who regularly contribute articles and we also asked our advertisers. From this meeting we formulated a refined structure of the newsletter and early in the new year we will have a kit available to our contributors and advertisers - please register your interest in being sent one of these kits so we can all proceed along the same path together. Thankyou for your support as well.

We have created the first version of a North Bellarine Business and Services guide ie whats available in Bellarine, Portarlington, Indented Head, St Leonards Clifton Springs and Drysdale. This occupies the middle pages of this edition of the Messenger. We hope you will find this to be a useful resource when looking up local information - hopefully you'll be able to find it quickly too. We suggest you put this directory in your telephone book - so you can always find it - we'd love to hear your feedback on this and any other businesses who missed out on being in it might like to contact us too.

So much has happened in the past few weeks to show SpringDale is thriving. Drysdale Guides and

some friends of SpringDale adopted our garden to make it look loved again. The City of Greater Geelong have put up a sign showing our renovation is about to commence. Hopefully we'll see more of the actual work side of the renovation soon. The Jigsaw club is about to move to SpringDale. More news of that once the shelves are built and the jigsaws are transported. We thank Neville and Joyce Burrows for sharing this asset with our community.

We've sold our 100th pedometer - I love checking how many steps I've walked each day - mostly its more than 10,000 and some days its closer to 20,000 - its great to leave the car near SpringDale and just walk around to the shops. Pedometers would make a great gift for Christmas for just about anyone \$39.95 and if you're a member it's a bit less.

We have a few people come forward to share their skills as tutors with us and I have tried to plan the courses for the year. There are still opportunities if you want to suggest something. Hopefully I covered all requests that we have received over the last 6 months - We're even going to have "Get to know SpringDale" sessions to invite people in for a tour and to introduce what we have to offer each other - I'm excited !

Now that the renovation is about to start, we recently found out that we need to raise \$25,000 to show that our community really wants the renovation to go ahead. The other day we received an anonymous donation of \$100 to use as we saw fit - so we put it towards the renovation fund and then I realized we only needed 249 more of these !! So if you'd like to help us - if your organization contributes to the Messenger you might like to help us - if you enjoy coming to SpringDale you might like to help us - if you enjoy reading this you

might like to help us - We are planning to have an area in the renovation to thank the people who help with this project - a tile or something tasteful to acknowledge the contributions made.

We have had a wonderful year thankyou for your support - we will be taking a break over Christmas / New Year. We will close on Friday 17th Dec and be on skeleton staff for January and reopen fully when school goes back on 27th January 2005 - please write / email us or leave phone messages during that time and I promise to get back to you.

I sincerely thank everyone who has helped me to learn how much our community has to offer - thankyou once again and I look forward with excitement to 2005 and what we might be able to accomplish together.

Anne Brackley - Co-ordinator SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre on behalf of our Committee of Management and all our volunteers who make SpringDale what it is.

SpringDales Facilities

INTERNET COSTS

\$2.50 per Hour, 10 cents per page printed

PERSONAL USE OF COMPUTER

FREE, 20 cents per page printed

PHOTOCOPIES

15 cents per copy

FAX MACHINE

Local rate - *50 cents for the 1st page
*10 cents per page sent after the 1st

STD rate - *\$1 for the 1st page,
*20 cents per page sent after the 1st

Drysdale Fire Brigade brings Santa to Drysdale and Clifton Springs

Christmas Eve from 6.30pm

Due to new Health and Safety Regulations introduced by the C.F.A. the Drysdale Fire Brigade are unable to throw lollies from the fire trucks and must now stop at designated points in Drysdale and Clifton Springs. Children will be able to meet Santa and receive their lollies as in previous years. The Drysdale Fire Brigade apologises for any inconvenience caused by the change of regulations.



“Meet Santa at these locations”.

Route 1

Cnr Panpandi Dve and Carawatha Ave
 cnr Beacon Point Rd and Dundundra Dve
 Cnr Thamballina Rd and Derribong Way
 Cnr Dandarriga Dve and Gumarooka Ave
 Cnr Coolangatta Dve and Beacon Point Rd
 Cnr Centaurus Ave and Country Club Dve
 Cnr Country Club Dve and Bayshore Ave
 Cnr Barongarook Ave and Bahloo Ave
 Crn Boonderabbi Dve and Bampi St
 Cnr Boonderabbi Dve and Central St
 Cnr Bayshore Ave and Elanora Way
 Cnr Mirrabooka Dve and Maraboora Ave
 Cnr Jetty Rd and Pinnaroo Ave
 Cnr Bayshore Ave and Kewarra Dve
 Cnr Jetty Rd and Hill St

Route 2

Cnr Whitcombes Rd and Clifton Springs Rd
 Cnr Portarlington Rd and Bennett St
 Cnr Eversley St and High St
 Cnr Buccleugh St and Lennox Crt
 Cnr De Burgh Rd and Ryan Crt
 Cnr Station St and Geelong-Portarlington Rd
 Cnr Palmerston St and Granville St
 Cnr Duke St and Wyndham St
 Cnr Central Rd and Wyndham St
 Cnr Jetty Rd and Ada St
 Cnr Parakoola Dve and Leawarra Way
 Crn Amarina Rd and Lacoora Ave
 Cnr Nash Ave and Condy St
 Cnr Tony St and Barrands Lane

The Drysdale Fire Brigade wishes the residents of the Drysdale/Clifton Springs a very safe and happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year

Frank Burge Cars

KEITH PURCELL

Phone: 5222 1606
 Fax: 52218608
 Mobile: 0418 554 011

172 Fyans Street, South Geelong 3220

MORTIMER PETROLEUM

PETROL STATION & CONVENIENCE STORE

97 High Street Drysdale Phone 5251 2603
 Petrol, Autogas Bait & Fishing Supplies

CAR WASH

Open 6.00am-10.00pm

Quality Butcher

PETER HOMMELHOFF

HOMMY'S QUALITY MEATS

For something new and different

16 High Street, Drysdale 3222.
 Phone: 5251 2270

Traveltalk by Brett Robinson

I went to London in October flying Malaysian Airlines, who I would highly recommend, and stayed at the Thistle Kensington Hotel. My room overlooked Kensington Palace which has a spectacular view out the window and is in a great location opposite Hyde Park. The highlights of my London stay were Westminster Abbey, Speaker's Corner, a cruise on the Thames River to Greenwich, Harrods, St Paul's Cathedral, "Jack the Ripper" tour, changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, the hop on hop off bus London Sightseeing Tour, the London Eye,

a day trip to Oxford, Wimbledon and seeing "We will Rock You", the Queen Musical. London was fabulous and is one of those cities that you can spend a lot of time as there is so many highlights.

We then caught the Eurostar from London to Paris which is a five star luxury train which only takes two and a half hours. Well worth it and a very nice way to travel between England and France.

We stayed in Paris at Citadines Apartments which was a great way to stay in Paris as the cheaper hotels are very small and expensive. Paris is one of the most amazing cities I

have been to as it is so beautiful. My highlights in Paris were Moulin Rouge, Sacre Coure, the Latin Quarter, Luxemburg Gardens, Montemarte, the Eiffel Tower, the Palace of Versailles, the Musee Dorsay, Notre Dame Cathedral and the Louvre. Paris is a must see on your next visit to Europe and make sure you spend some time to people watch as the French are very stylish and a lot nicer than what most people believe.

Earlybird packages to Europe are now available starting at \$1459.00 plus tax return. Call us on (03) 52511125 for more information.

QUEENSLIFF and DISTRICT WOODWORKERS Inc.

HI FOLKS,

Well once again its time to report on our current activities - doesn't the month go fast between reports?

Firstly, the toy program has proved to be another success with in excess of 300 toys being handed over on Monday 29th November to Cottage by the Sea, St Vincent De'Paul and the Salvation Army.

A lot of thanks go to our co-coordinator - Frank Harvey and his band of merry Woodies. These projects just don't happen as they

entail a lot of blood, sweat, and tears and the tears usually occur when the kids receive their presents.

On a lighter note, the preparations for the annual wood working expo are well under way and this will be held at the Queenscliff Uniting Church from the 13th - 16th January 2005. The prizes for the raffle, which have been made by members, are a Child's upholstered Blackwood rocking chair, a Victorian Ash occasional table and a She-oak document

box. So if you are offered a ticket don't hesitate as its very good value at \$2 a ticket.

Unfortunately this month, after a long period of illness, we lost a long serving member in John Mason and all members offer their thoughts and condolences to Beverley and the family

*Kevin Cass
Public Relations Officer.*

Delivering PC Solutions We come to you!

NEED COMPUTER HELP AT
YOUR PLACE?



IS YOUR COMPUTER SLUGGISH?
DO YOU NEED INTERNET HELP?
DO YOU NEED TO UPGRADE?
DO YOU NEED A CUSTOM PC BUILT?
DO YOU NEED HELP WITH E-MAILS?
DO YOU NEED HELP WITH A VIRUS?
DOES YOUR PC NEED A CHECK UP?

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE APPLIES TO YOU, STEVE AT **DPCS** CAN HELP. NO NEED TO UNPLUG ALL THE CORDS - WE COME TO YOU!

93 Beacon Pt. Road, Clifton Springs
Ph: 5253 2558 Mob: 0405 523 606

THE GOOD WITCH WIG'S CURIOUS LITTLE COTTAGE IN THE ANAKIE HILLS

393 Clarkes Road Anakie
Open 12 - 3pm
Friday to Monday

*Come and see our
Mysterious range of Gifts
and treatments.
Also available by
Appointment only:
Counselling, Healings
Readings & Therapies*

PH: JILL - 5284 1557

FOOT HEALTH CARE FOR ALL AGES



**Michael A. Nicol
Sue Partridge**

General Consultations
Diabetics and High Risk
Orthotic Therapy
Nail Surgery
Veterans' Affairs
TAC and Work Cover

**DRYSDALE
5251 2958
27-29 High St. Drysdale**

Youth Development

My sincere thanks go to the leaders of Drysdale Guides for their commitment and dedication to the youth of our area. Bronwen Elliott, Tracie Smith, Rhianon Smith, Kelly Le Strange, Vicky Dean and more recently Kelly Shearer are our leaders - all role models for the girls in our care. All enthusiastic, friendly, ladies with a vast range of skills - who find time to share their talents and lives with our children.

During this year we have supported community projects - Clean up Australia Day, a literacy project in Lesotho, Biggest Morning Tea, Bunyip Festival, World Environment Day, Brave the Cold for homeless youth in Geelong, The Kmart Wish-

ing Tree and a market at an Australian Embassy. As well as locally helped with gardening at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

Girls have the opportunity to develop at their own rates and to pursue interests or to try something new - all with a big percentage of fun, friendship and often food thrown in to make each experience a success.

This year we need to say a huge thankyou to 6 of our Ranger Guides, who have been guides for about 12 years - they are about to finish secondary school and move onto the next phase of their lives. They have proved their organizational skills, they have shown their commitment to the community, they have developed strong

friendships and can always find the fun in what they are doing. In the future, I am sure you will find them on many committees within our community or wherever they settle down.

Thankyou Amanda, Courtney, Deanne, Hailey, Kathryn and Rachel for all you have given to our community and what you might give in the future. Thanks for helping make dreams become a reality - Goodluck in everything you all attempt and there will always be room for you in our units.

Anne Brackley

*Very proud and happy District
Leader of Drysdale Guides*

The Bunyip Jives in 2005

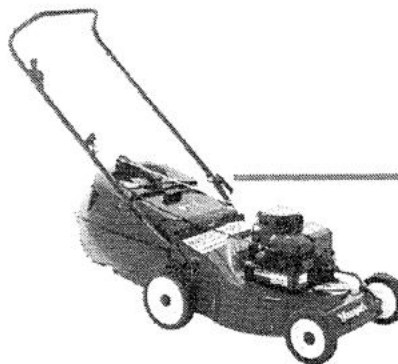
On Saturday 19th March 2005 - residents of Drysdale / Clifton Springs and the world are invited to Drysdale Primary School to be part of the 25th Bunyip Festival 9am - 3pm. There will be food, there will be market stalls, there will be entertainment and there will be excitement. I'm not sure if we'll get the Roulettes this time but there should be something for everyone.

PORT MOWERS are now in DRYSDALE

Mon-Fri
7.30 - 5.00
Sat
7.30 - 4.00



NEW
Ride-ons
from
\$1999.00



NEW
Mowers
from
\$319.00

FREE
pick-up and
Delivery

Locally owned and
operated by
Neal & Liz Whelan

Sales, Service,
Parts and
Repairs

9 Mortimer street, Drysdale 3222 Ph: 5251 5003

What's happened and what's happening at the CLIFTON SPRINGS GOLF CLUB

GOLFING MEMBERSHIP

If you are looking for that ideal Christmas present why not consider a golfing membership at the Clifton Springs Golf Club. At only \$485.00 with membership until 30th September 2005 and with no joining fee, this represents ideal value. Contact the Club for further details.

GREEN FEE AND MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION

Play 3 rounds of golf for only \$20 per round and receive the 4th round free and if you decide to take up a golfing membership we will deduct 50% of the green fees paid (\$30) off the membership fees.

NEWS YEARS EVE

You will need to book early for this years New Years Eve celebrations with the return of local band CHARLI to the club with the cost being \$55.00

per person which includes a 3 course meal followed by cheese and biscuits plus entertainment. Bookings are now being taken at the club.

COURTESY BUS

The Club will be commencing a courtesy bus during December and January on Friday and Saturday evenings commencing the 3rd December. The hours will be from 6.00p.m. until 11.00p.m. and to book this service you will need to contact the club.

CELEBRITY GOLF PRO - AM

After a 4 year break the Club is to re commence it's ever popular Celebrity Golf Pro-Am is to be held on Sunday January 9th 2005. Amateur entry forms are available from the Club or Pro Shop with morning and limited afternoon spots available. The Club is currently working on a list of celebrities and if previous years are any indication they day should be a huge success.

LAST APPEARANCE OF BABBA SHOW AT THE SPRINGS

The Club will be hosting for the last time the BABBA tribute show to be held on Friday February 14th. The show is all class and is one of the best tribute shows that has performed at the club. Bookings are being taken now and at \$40 per person, which includes a 2 course meal.

LUNCH & DINNER

We are open for lunch (12 till 2.00p.m.) and dinner (6.00p.m. till 8.00p.m.) with our fantastic \$4.70 evening meal deals from Sunday to Thursday evenings on presentation of the meal deal coupon. Lunch has not been forgotten with the \$6.50 specials board available.

*David Milne
Manager*

What on earth am I here for ?

Come and join others in finding out at the 40 Days of Purpose program commencing Sunday 30-1-05 at Clifton Springs Baptist Church
For information contact 5251 2121

UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Drysdale Timber & Hardware

Friendly Service

**LASERLITE
2000
\$14.50 p/m**

**Full Range
of top quality
Power Tools
now
available**

36 Murradoc Road, Drysdale, 3222
Ph: 5251 2852 Fax: 5251 5455

NOW OPEN 7 DAYS

Open Sundays 9am-3pm

When you can't walk your dog
Spring Port Pet Services Can!



Daily walking Occasional walking
Vet transport, dog sitting
Holiday Care Packages, other pets too!
35 year of showing dogs
A lifetime of loving them !!
Phone Jenni 0416 049240 or 5253 2069

DRYSDALE

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Your Local Finance Option

- Residential & Commercial Finance
- First Home Buyers
- Purchase, Re-Finance, Construction
- Equity Access for Investment

Tel 5253 3152
Mob 0407 403 310



PORTARLINGTON SUMMER FESTIVAL

The Portarlington Summer Festival is to be held on Saturday 15th January 2005.

The festival will be located on the Portarlington Foreshore and surrounding park lands, including the community hall (Mel Ref. E2).

The festival begins at 9am and culminates with a spectacular Fireworks Show at 9.45pm. (Weather permitting)

The festival program includes:

- Foreshore Market of 200 stalls
- Carnival & Children's Rides
- Live Music on stage and in Hall FREE.....
- Food & Wine
- Veteran & Vintage Displays
- Caravan, Boat and Fishing Display & Sales
- Cultural Dance & Entertainment

- Art, Craft and Photographic Displays
- Fireworks

Over 15,000 people attended last year's free event.

For further information please contact BELLARINE BAYSIDE FORESHORE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT Inc. on (03) 52592764.

Drysdale Uniting Church - Countdown to Christmas!

It's on again! Drysdale Uniting Church are holding their annual Advent Workshop for children of kindergarten age to grade 6. The purpose of the workshop is to provide a Christ-centered experience which reflects the celebration, joy, wonder and mystery of Christmas for children and adults alike. The workshop aims to enhance children's understanding of the biblical account of Christmas by providing relevant experiences for the children through stimulating stories, enjoyable music and challenging craft activities.

Dates: Wednesdays 8 and 15 December, commencing at 5.00pm with registration and finger food, concluding at 6.30pm and

Sunday, 19 December at 9.00am with a special Celebration Service followed by morning tea, to which parents, families and friends are invited

Where: Drysdale Uniting Church and hall, High Street, Drysdale (access from the car park in Palmeston Street)

There is no charge for this program, but donations towards cost of

food and craft materials welcome. Enquiries or enrolments can be made through:

Colleen Diamond, phone 5251 3749 or Val Lestrage, 5251 3125 (AH) Come along and have fun!!

Other Christmas Service Times at Drysdale Uniting Church

Sunday, 19 December 9.00am Advent Service

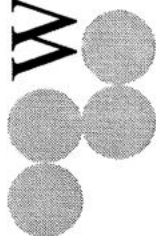
10.45 am Choral Service

Friday, 24 December

11.30 pm Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, 25 December 9.00am Christmas Day Service

W
H
K
D
a
y
N
e
i
l
s
o
n



Bookkeeping & Support Services

Internal & External Audit

Tax Return Preparation

Specialised Consulting

General Accounting

Financial Planning

Finance & Lending

Ph: 5253 2862

www.dayneilson.com.au

GEELONG - OCEAN GROVE - MELBOURNE - DRYSDALE

Bellarine Peninsula Railway - Drysdale

Lots of news this month. A fantastic triple anniversary weekend was enjoyed by all and tired but happy members went home to bed on Sunday night. The weekend events went very smoothly and visitor numbers were good, despite appalling weather on the Saturday. Denis Walter and his choir delighted the crowd. All train services ran to time and the shuttles from Drysdale were patronised well on the Sunday. Over 300 showbags were given out and the displays at both ends of the line were of great interest to our guests. Special thanks to our friends from Fort Queenscliff, Queenscliff Maritime Museum, Bellarine Historical Society, Geelong Heritage Centre, Friends of Bellarine Rail Trail for their display contributions. The Clifton Springs and Drysdale Primary Schools B.P.R colouring competitions were displayed and the amazing model railway layout from Corio Model Railway Club created enormous interest. Roy and Gwen Cook displayed their beautiful 1923 Buick on the Drysdale platform with lots of admirers hammering them with questions.

On Sunday 12th, the invited Guests and the public were officially welcomed at Drysdale and given an introduction explaining what the day was all about. The anniversary train left Drysdale Station at precisely 12.20pm, carrying a very large load, which included three M.P's, a Mayor, a CoGG Councillor, Company CEO's, our current board of directors, past and present members and friends of G.S.P.S and the general public keen to take part in this historic occasion. It was very pleasing to see quite a few old friends reunited after many years.

At Queenscliff, the train was greeted by the Geelong Highland Pipe Band. Speeches and festivities followed with speakers Cr. Heather Wellington, Mayor of Queenscliffe Val Lawrence, Stuart McArthur MP, Hugo T. Armstrong and Lisa Neville MP. Andrew Bridger did a great MC job and our illustrious President Ben Elliot also spoke and then assisted by Lisa, unveiled the commemorative bronze plaque. The invited guests then retired to the Queenscliff senior citizens hall for a tasty lunch

courtesy of Pasquinis Deli, while the Highland Pipe Band continued to entertain the crowd.

The last train for the weekend left Drysdale in fine style. The Andersons Rd shuttle train (Loco V8 & 2 cars), standby diesel loco X20 and steam loco V1209 and it's 6 cars combined in a spectacular blast up the hill from the platform - a fitting end to a great weekend of activity on the BPR.

Sincere thanks and well done to all who took part. It was an example of what our society can achieve when we all pull together and already very positive feedback is coming in. Here's hoping the 'flow on' from the event benefits the BPR in the future. Special thanks to local sponsors Drysdale Village Hardware, Drysdale Post Office, City of Greater Geelong, Borough of Queenscliff, Bellarine Adventure Golf, A Maze n Games, Guyatt Real Estate & Portarlington artist Jenny Lester Smith who provided a stunning framed oil painting of the Drysdale station for our raffle. Many Queenscliff, Geelong & Melbourne businesses also made great contributions.

A new initiative this summer will be evening 'Steam N Spit' trains. Family fun activities & a tasty spit roast & drinks are included. Call in for a brochure.

FUNDRAISING - Some special items are on sale- Art Prints by Geoff Hook, BPR Showbags & copies of the book 'Trains Troops & Tourists'. Your Christmas present decisions solved !!!

In general news, the Sept school holiday weekday services were well patronised, with the only downer being a small local boy who burst in to tears when he learned that our red engine 'M6' was in 'hospital' having major surgery ! Never mind mate, she WILL return to the tracks next year !

A huge charter train ran on Monday Sept 27 for the Vintage Chrysler Car Club. The train was so long it did not quite fit in Drysdale platform and carried well over 300 people. This train made an awesome sight snaking it's way through the Bellarine Hills. Remember our kids birthday trains run every week and bookings are now being taken for summer charters.

****Stop press**** All remaining Blues Trains for 2004 are BOOKED OUT. 2005 brochure is now available

Take Care

Paul & Kathleen

Drysdale Historic Railway Station
24 Hour Train info line 5251 3725

Visit www.bpr.org.au

E mail kpkenny@iprimus.com.au

P
h
o
r
a
t
a
r
g
o
m
t
i
f
e

**Bellarine
Photographics**


Mitred Touch Picture Framing

*Photo processing
Digital photos
Art supplies
Custom frames
Gifts*

Shop 1/15, Hancock St Drysdale
(opposite the Post Office)
ph: 5251 3300

For all your Photographic and Framing needs.

COMPUTER OWNERS



Take advantage of holiday time:

- Improve your productivity;**
- Get your machine serviced;**
- Prevent software attacks.**

In a private lesson; learn to:

- block malicious programs that avoid your firewall or virus checker;
- maintain and improve your computer's performance; OR;
- acquire ANY new computing skills.

Contact us for assistance with any computing concerns or queries you may have

Phone Joy or Barrie on 5251 2115
CLANCIE Specialised Services
www.CLANCIE.here.ws

Drysdale building into the new year

Drysdale has continued to grow in leaps and bounds with the introduction of a new line of retail shops and professional offices to be opened early next year.

Guyett Real Estate will take up the premium space on the first floor and reception on the corner of Springs Road and Hancock Street - while a new restaurant or bistro and two new retail shops will occupy the remaining positions.

Cr Heather Wellington said the line of shops will generate an exciting new range of retail options for the growing demands of the Drysdale and Clifton Springs community.

"It's built in nice sympathy to the existing character of the village and will add to the commercial and retail elements of the shopping centre," Cr Wellington said.

Meanwhile, the local supermarket, Safeway, is currently undergoing a

significant reconstruction to cater for the area's expanding customer base which will see it continue as one of the town's most popular trademarks.

It will become a fully-lined supermarket including a refurbished liqueur department, a double-sized delicatessen and more variety for the town's everyday needs.

The reconstruction is expected to be completed by mid-2005.

By Brent Diamond

Clifton Springs Baptist Church

This year Christmas Day falls on a Saturday and we are holding a combined service with Church by the Bay on 25th December. This special service starts at 9.00am and will finish at 10am allowing for plenty of family time at home. The service will be held at the Church by the Bay, Pigdon Street, Portarlington. All are

welcome to attend and celebrate the joy of Christmas with us.

There will be carols on the Portarlington foreshore, Thursday December 16th. The BBQ starts at 6.30pm with the singing program beginning at 7.30pm.

How about making Christmas just that much more special this year by attending your local church?

For more information contact

Chris Herbert

Clifton Springs Baptist Church

45 Central Road,

Clifton Springs, 3222. Ph 52531833



scott & co

chartered accountants

- ▼ Tax Returns
- ▼ Small Business Advice
- ▼ BAS Returns
- ▼ Investment Advice

Belmont office - 5244 1622
1st FLOOR, 35-37 THOMSON ST, BELMONT

CNR. OF SPRINGS RD. & HIGH ST, DRYSDALE
www.scottco.com.au

YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

Springdale Neighbourhood Centre building project

It's good to be able to report that the building permit for the rebuilding of Springdale Neighbourhood Centre has at last come through from Council.

This means that the State Government funding that has long been guaranteed, as well Council's contribution, can now be used to get work underway. Many of you have been concerned about the delay and worried that the funding might be lost, but that is definitely not going to happen.

It will be great to see the project started and to watch its progress. The end result will be a Neighbourhood Centre that we can all be proud of and that will benefit the whole community.

\$6.9m Funding Boost for Road Safety in South West Victoria

I was delighted to be able to announce this tremendous injection of funds to improve road safety in our region. The funding has come from the State Government's arrive alive! Safer Roads Program, funded by the TAC and is a reflection of our continuing commitment to improving road safety.

The \$6.9m will be spent on the following roads in South West Victoria:

- a 5km length of Drysdale-St Leonards Road, from St Leonards to

the Portarlington-Queenscliff Road (\$2.13M)

- a 22km length of Geelong-Bacchus Marsh Road, from Corio to Little River - Ripley Road / Buftons Road (\$2.41M)

- a 16km section of Geelong-Ballan Road, North of Anakie (\$1.13M)

- a 13 Km length of the Glenelg Highway (\$1.29M).

Over the past five years in country Victoria, 41 per cent of fatal crashes and 34 per cent of serious injury crashes involved vehicles running off the road and colliding with trees and other objects on the roadside.

This is obviously very concerning and the funding will be used to improve the roads in a carefully targeted way that will make a real difference. Sealed road shoulders, steel and wire rope safety barriers and the removal of trees hazardous close to the roadside are some of the improvements that will help make these roads safer.

Lions Club Dinner

I was delighted to be invited to join members of the Lions Club from across the Bellarine Peninsula for their October dinner and meeting.

The venue was the Victoria Hotel in Queenscliff and, needless to say, the dinner was delicious. As well as being an enjoyable occasion, it was a great opportunity to be able to discuss relevant, current issues with them.

I was also pleased to have the chance to acknowledge and congratulate the members on the impor-

tant contribution the Lions Club makes in so many ways, to both individuals and groups in our community.

Coastal Spaces Project

The Government has announced the Coastal Spaces Project that will undertake a study of coastal areas, including the Bellarine Peninsula.

The study will involve an assessment of current planning initiatives; population trends and projections; environmental issues; transport, energy, health and education services; access to services; economic activity, and funding issues.

The Project is not about reinventing the wheel, but mapping the existing situation and providing advice to Government about how best to improve and clarify strategic planning for sustainable growth in coastal Victoria.

I will keep you up-to-date on the progress and outcome of this important study for our communities in Bellarine.

As always, I encourage you to contact my office if you have any issues we may be able to assist you with.

Lisa Neville MP
Member for Bellarine
Shop 1 Newcomb Central
71 Bellarine Highway
Newcomb 3219
5248 3462



Lynette's
User-Friendly
Computers

Personalised
Tuition & Training
Ph: 5259-3963
Serving the Bellarine Peninsula

Springdale café

Springdale cafe serving quality homemade foods! We produce 95% of our product.

So come in and enjoy a wine, a beer or maybe a spirit with your next meal or snack. I would like to take this opportunity thank all my customers for supporting our business during the construction of Safeway store @ Drysdale village shopping centre and wish all a safe and prosperous Xmas & New Year!

Naturopath

Lisa Taylor N.D. (A.N.T.A.)
Drysdale Community Health Centre
21 Palmerston street

Monday & Thursday
appointments ph: 5251 2291 AH: 5251 2544
Also available at Carmoora Clinic, 343 Moorabool St.
Wednesday & Friday: Ph 5223 2616
Specialising in women's and children's health using
Herbal, Homoeopathic and Soft Tissue Therapies.

A Different Kind Of Christmas For Some.

During the past six years, Drysdale Christian Fellowship and then Drysdale Family Support have conducted a Family Christmas Event at which all the rides, food and entertainment have been free for all who came.

This was our way, as Christians, of giving something special for Christmas to the community we are a part of. This was made possible through the generous donations and support of Businesses in Drysdale who also wanted to give to their local community.

"SHO-BIZ"

"SHO-BIZ" Entertainment Group have been very busy again this year, performing at various venues in the community and bringing music and fun to people who can no longer go out to the Theatre.

We have also entertained at Clubs etc for special celebrations.

This year, Drysdale Family Support will be doing something different.

In 2004 we will be hosting a "Special Christmas Dinner" for those who find Christmas difficult for one reason or another. It will be a special "Traditional Christmas Dinner" and "Children's Program" that we will be inviting people to enjoy with us on Sunday December 19th. People will be invited free of charge and will enjoy a great meal, entertainment and time of being blessed.

Again, this will be made possible by the generous support of local Businesses, the Bellarine Community Forum and Drysdale Family Support.

If you know someone who would benefit from receiving an invitation to this special night, we ask you to call, Drysdale Family Support on 5253 2099, and pass on details so that we can send them an invitation to a night that will show that there are people who care for them and love them.

Our current production is a nostalgic trip "Down Memory Lane" and of course includes many familiar favourites.

Unfortunately we are unable to present our usual public performance this Christmas due to a heavy work load, but please watch out for us in 2005.

Seasons Greetings to all and best wishes for a healthy, happy and safe year ahead. Cheers from "Sho-Biz"

Contact- **Mavis Quarrell**
16 Coronae Drive
Clifton Springs 3222
Phone 52531143
12/11/2004

Bingo at the Drysdale Senior Citizens

DRYSDALE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB will be holding Bingo on Monday 6th of December, also we have a trading table on hand. This will be the last one for this year, Everyone is welcome.

On Monday 13th December there will be a Christmas dinner and entertainment we also have lots of prizes. The cost is \$16.00 and members only, starts 12 noon there will be drinks and nibbles about 11.30 Should be a nice day

On the 31st December New Years Eve we are having a lovely after-

noon tea and a bit of fun with raffles and prizes. We had a great time last year, it is for members only but there is still time to become a member and join in the fun.

Our club will be closed from Friday 24th December to Monday 27th


December. This will be my last message this year for the Springdale Messenger so I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year with plenty of good health and happiness.

LOST

34 year old ENGAGEMENT RING
'Butterfly' design, Square cut diamond
NEAR POST OFFICE DRYSDALE
11/10/04 at approx. 10.45am
If found please phone 5253 2630.

**BELLARINE**
VETERINARY PRACTICE
DRYSDALE
Merry Christmas
to all our clients.
We will be moving to
108 High St. Drysdale
in December 2004.
Please phone
for appointment on
5253 1393

MAGGIE GOVE N.D.
Bowen Therapist
& Naturopath
Member of A.N.T.A.
Drysdale: Clinic 03-5251 1188
Ah 03-5253 2230
(Rear of Elegant Profile)

**MATILDA'S GIFTS**
FURNITURE • COLLECTIBLES
OPEN 6 DAYS
(Closed Tuesday)
• Dining
• Study
• Bedroom
• Entertainment
Huge collection of furniture and homewares,
cane-ware, nautical & unique giftware.
Floor stock or made to measure.
'Country atmosphere with old fashioned service'
16 Collins Street DRYSDALE (Next to Hotel)
Phone / Fax: (03) 5253 1516

Springdale Neighbourhood Centre Inc

North Bellarine Business and Services Directory
for Businesses operating on and Supporting the Bellarine Peninsula
As at 1st December 2004

Aged Care Accommodation

Ann Nichol House,
80 Willis St. Portarlington
5259 3609

Lions Village,
Gellibrand St. Portarlington
52592684

Palmerston Court,
16-22 Palmerston St. Drysdale
5253 2582

Accountants & Adviser

**Scott & Co Chartered
Accountants,**
Cnr Springs Rd and High St
Drysdale 52441622

WHK Day Neilson,
1st Floor, 6 High St Drysdale
5253 2862

**Agriculture & Environment
Bellarine Welfare Group,**
P.O. Box 431 Drysdale 5251 2392
**Bellarine Agricultural Society
Inc.**
15 Connors Rd. Drysdale
5251 1237

Automotive

Autopro Drysdale
2/31 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52532811
Open 5 1/2 days - for all your
motoring needs

Bellarine Auto Services,
Mortimer St Drysdale 52531644

Drysdale Motors,
44 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52531033

Bakery

Bakers Delight,
Drysdale Village Shopping Centre
Wyndham St Drysdale 52531131

Banks

ANZ Banking Group Ltd,
Shop4, 3 Wyndham St Drysdale
52513433

**Bellarine Peninsula Community
Bank,**
44 Newcombe St Portarlington
5259 3266
Hours Mon - Thurs 9.30 - 4.30 Fri
9.30 - 5.00 Sat 9.00 - 12noon

Westpac Drysdale,
Safeway Supermarket Complex
5251 1624

Blinds and Curtains

Instyle Blinds,
48 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
5251 1195

Book Keeping Services

**Back Office Support Services
(BOSS),**
1st Floor, 6 High St Drysdale
5253 2862

Bowen Therapist

Maggie Gove N.D.,
Shop 7, 3 Wyndham St Drysdale
52511188

Bricklayer (minor brickwork) and Repairs

Chris Pianto,
Mobile Service Phone 0407 511 997

Butchers

Hommy's Quality Meats,
16 High Street Drysdale 52512270

Café / Restaurant

Café Confessions,
23 High St Drysdale 52515333
Open 7 days 9am till late. Break-
fast, Lunch and Dinner (BYO)

Springdale Café,
Drysdale Village Shopping Centre

Canvas

Concept Campers ,
61-63 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52532569

Cards and Gifts

GiftwraPt,
Shop2 Drysdale Village Shopping
Centre Drysdale 52531856

Carpet

Drysdale Carpet Court,
63 Murradoc Rd, Drysdale
52531855 0419 519 030

Cars

**Frank Burge Cars (Used
Cars),**
172 Fyans St South Geelong
52221606

Children's Day Care

City Learning & Care,
Drysdale, 13 Eversley St. Drysdale
5227 0791

Occasional Care,
Springdale N'hood Centre Inc 14
Princess St. Drysdale 5253 1960

Children's Health Centres

**C'Springs Maternal & Child
Health Centre,**
23 Central Rd. Clifton Springs
5251 2538

**Drysdale Maternal & Child
Health Centre,**
21 Palmerston St.. Drysdale
5251 2291

**Portarlington Maternal &
Child Health Centre,**
39 Fenwick St. Portarlington
5259 2537

**St. Leonards Community
Health Centre,**
1377 Murradoc Rd. St. Leonards
5257 1841

Churches

St James Anglican Church,
Collins St. Drysdale 5251 2571

St. Thomas Catholic Church,
37 Wyndham St. Drysdale
5251 2502

Church By The Bay,
22 Pigdon St. Portarlington
5259 3378

**Clifton Springs Baptist
Church,**
45-51 Central Rd. Clifton Springs
5253 1833 or 5251 3440

Drysdale Christian Fellowship,
276-290 Jetty Rd. Drysdale
5253 2241

**Bellarine Parish Uniting
Church,**
125 Barrands Lane Drysdale
5253 2199

**Inter-denominational
Christian Fel'ship for Women,**
2/35 Gumbowie Ave, C'springs
5253 2411
Eckankar 5253 1785

Civil Celebrants

Anne Cowden,
55 Settlement Rd. Drysdale
5251 3319

Celiac Friendly-Gluten Free Foods

Jetty Road Fish Shop,
Crn Jetty Rd & Pinnaroo Ave Clifton
Springs Ph. 5253 1821
Gluton Free Hamburgers-Souvlaki-
Steak Sandwiches-Egg & Bacon
Rolls

Clothing

Jargon @ Drysdale,
6/12 Hancock St Drysdale
52533088
Surfwear, Streetwear and Jeanery

Community Associations

**Portarlington Community
Association Inc.,**
PO Box 235 Portarlington
5259 2511

**The Drysdale/C'Springs
Community Association,**
C/- Wespac, Drysdale. 5251 1624

**St. Leonards Progress
Association,**
1342 Murradoc Rd. St. Leonards
5257 3155

Community News

The Port Report,
PO Box 177, Portarlington 3223

Springdale Messenger,
16 Princess St. Drysdale
5253 1960

Community Services

Drysdale Family Support,
276-290 Jetty Rd Drysdale
52532099
Offering Counselling,
Foodbank, Welfare Support, Open
office hours

Computer Services

**CLANCIE Specialised
Services,**
(Joy and Barrie)
www.CLANCIE.here.ws 52512115
Home tuition, viruses, performance,
small business financials, digital
imaging.

Delivering PC Solutions,
93 Beacon Point Rd Clifton Springs
0405 523606
Home computer support and custom
built PCs

**Lynette's User-Friendly
Computers,**
Serving the Bellarine Peninsula
52593963

Country Womens Association

Drysdale CWA, PO Box 360
Drysdale 5251 3623

Portarlington CWA,
RSL Hall Crn Harding & Fenwick
Sts. Portarlington 5259 2041

Craft

Drysdale Craft Shop,
18-20 High St. Drysdale 5251 1605

Bellarine Craft Group,
197 Murradoc Rd. Drysdale
5259 2898

Sew & Sews,
14-16 Princess St. Drysdale
5253 1960

Which Craft,
14-16 Princess St. Drysdale
5253 1960

Friday Craft Group,
14-16 Princess St. Drysdale
5253 1960

Craft Supplies

Shiloh Easy Spin Wool,
"Shiloh" 40 Scotchmans Rd
Bellarine 52512 497

Carroll's Woodcraft Supplies,
66 Murradoc Rd. Drysdale
52513874

Dance

Portarl'ton SeniorCitizensClub,
LineDancing & OldTime, Newcombe
St. Portarl'ton 52592829

Dentists

Drysdale Family Dental Clinic
41 High St Drysdale 52531555
Reed Dental Centre,
27-29 High St Drysdale 52511108

Doctors

Drysdale Clinic,
15 Collins St Drysdale 52512865

Electrician

GW & JM Simpson,
Electrical Contractors 52532024
0419 532 024

Entertainment

Clifton Springs Golf Club,
92-94 Clearwater Drv. Clifton
Springs 52513391

Family Support

Drysdale Family Support,
16 Pinaroo Ave Clifton Springs
52532099

Fencing Contractors

Bellarine Fencing Co.,
51 Boonderabbi Drive Clifton
Springs 52513090 0417 544 887

Financial Services

AMP Financial Planner,
Steve Keating 20 Porter Ave
Highton 52413804 0421 613 130

Drysdale Financial Services,
Po Box 216 Drysdale, 8 Clifton St
Drysdale 5253 3152

WHK Day Neilson,
1st Floor, 6 High St Drysdale
5253 2862

Florist

Lynette's Florist,
12 High St Drysdale 52512586

Fruit and Vegetables

Drysdale Convenience Store,
12 High Street Drysdale 5251 2401

Funeral Directors

Kings Australia,
25 Myers St. Geelong 5222 3688

Furniture

**Matilda's Furniture
Collectables and Gifts,**
16 Collins Street Drysdale
52531516

Further Education & Tutoring

**Springdale Neighbourhood
Centre Inc.,**
14-16 Princess St. Drysdale
5253 1960

Garden and Paving Equipment

Penn Hire

Garden and Paving Equipment Hire and Steel fabrications - Business for Sale In Drysdale Phone Bryan Condon 52513854 a/h 52551246

Garden Clubs

C'Springs/Drysdale Garden Club,

PO Box 233 Drysdale 5253 1009

St. Leonards Garden Club Inc.,

2 Henty St. St. Leonards 5257 2173

Giftware

At Home with Milly,

Shop 5 "Village Walk" Drysdale 52511979

The Warehouse,

36-38 Geelong Rd Portarlington 52591622

Samples, Seconds, and Surplus Stock - Christmas, Seaside, Home and Garden

And much much more - bargains galore. Open weekends seasonally 9.00am - 4.00pm

Glass

Bellarine Glass and Screens,

38 Murradoc Rd Drysdale 52532301

Golf Clubs

Clifton Springs Golf Club,

92-94 Clearwater Drv. C'springs 52513391

Guides

Drysdale Guides,

C/- Anne Brackley 1485 Portarlington Rd Drysdale 52512250

Portarlington Guides,

c/- Sylvia Le Marquand 71 The Esplanade Portarlington 52592827

Hardware

Drysdale Timber and Hardware,

36 Murradoc Rd Drysdale 52512852

Open 7 days a week, Great Customer Service - Great Prices Fax 52515455

Drysdale Village Hardware ThriftyLink,

Shop 5 The Arcade Drysdale 5251 3262

St Leonards Hardware

1371 Murradoc Rd St Leonards 52571151

Hair & Beauty

AMF Hair Design,

14 Pinaroo Ave Clifton Springs 52532855

Ladies-Mens-Childrens-hairdressing, waxing, makeup, eyelash/brow tinting

Carolyn's Beachcomb,

1/3 Harding St Portarlington 52593356

Josh'a'e Hair & Beauty,

39 Centauras Ave Clifton Springs 5253 3313

Unisex Hair. Make Up, Waxing, Massage, Human Hair Extensions, Acrylic Nails, Senior cards

Holiday Planners

Harvey World Travel,

Shop 2A 6 High St Drysdale 52511125

Homes & Hostels

Drysdale Aged Care Hostel P/L,

P.O. Box 417 Drysdale 5253 2582

Palmerston Court Aged Care Hostel,

P.O. Box 417 Drysdale 5253 2582

Hotels

The Drysdale Hotel,

High Street Drysdale 52512301

Landscape Designers

Alinga Landscape Design,

7 Railway Cres Drysdale 52531299
Computer generated designs, Digital images of garden, on-site consultation

Leadlights - Mosaics

Blue Dragonfly Glass,

28 Newcombe St. Drysdale 5251 1017

Lions Clubs

Portarlington-Drysdale Lions Club,

Sec. Cam McLean 52591481

Massage

Margaret Hole Myotherapy,

27-29 High St Drysdale 52512958

Milk Bars

Drysdale Convenience Store,

12 High Street Drysdale 5251 2401

Mowers

Port Mowers,

9 Mortimer St Drysdale 5251 5003
Mon - Fri 7.30am- 5pm Sat 7.30am - 4pm for all your mower needs

Naturopath

Lisa Taylor,

Drysdale Community Health Centre, 21 Palmerston St Drysdale 52512291

Maggie Gove N.D.,

Shop 7, 3 Wyndham St Drysdale 52511188

Opportunity Shops

Bone Marrow Recycle Shop,

High St. Drysdale

Lifeline Op Shop,

Village Walk Clifton Springs Rd

Drysdale 52532168

Sonshine Creations Op Shop,

Shop 3-4 Theatre Plaza 3 Harding

St Portarlington 52591455

Uniting Care Concern Village

Op-Shop,

4/19 Village Walk Springs Rd Drys

5251 3640

Trading hours Mon - Fri 10am-4pm

Sat 9.30am-12.30pm

Salvation Army Family Store,

Mortimer St. Drysdale 52512475

Second Chance Clothing,

16 Pinaroo Ave. Clifton Springs

52511920

Optometrist

Moran, Pritchard and Roach

Optometrists,

2/7 Palmerston St. Drysdale

5253 1313

Personal Development

Character First,

Suite 7 The Village Walk, 21 Clifton

Springs Road, Drysdale 52533272

Pet Services

Bellarine Veterinary Practice,

108 High Street Drysdale

52531393

Spring Port Pet Services,

129 Beacon Pt Rd C'Springs

0416 049240 52532069

Petrol Stations

Mortimer Petroleum, 97 High St

Drysdale 52512603

Physiotherapy

Drysdale Physiotherapy and Sports Injury Clinic,
27-29 High St Drysdale 52512958
Pilates / Private Gym / Massage /
Podiatry / 8am - 8pm

Portside Physiotherapy,
3 Harding St Portarlington
5259 1277

Portside Physiotherapy,
15 Collins St Drysdale
5251 2865

Photo Processing

Bellarine Photographics,
1/15 Hancock St Drysdale
5251 3300

Picture Framing

Bellarine Photographics,
1/15 Hancock St Drysdale
5251 3300

Podiatrists

Bellarine Podiatry,
27 - 29 High St Drysdale 52512958

Plumbing Supplies

Drysdale Plumbtec,
23 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52531268

Real Estate

Allpoints @ Guyett Real Estate,
11 Clifton Springs Road Drysdale
52512847
Open 7 days / other offices at Ocean
Grove, Leopold and Barwon Heads
C.J. Keane & Co,
1389 Murradoc Rd. St. Leonards
5257 1744

Removalist

Drysdale Removals and Storage,
41 Mirrabooka Drive C'Springs
52513674

Restaurants

Chui Yuan Chinese Restaurant,
Shop 5 26-28 High St Drysdale
52531788

Clifton Springs Golf Club,
92-94 Clearwater Drv. C'springs
52513391

Julian's Restaurant at Bellarine Estate,
2270 Portarlington Rd 52593310

Rotary Club

Drysdale Rotary Club,
Pres. Mr.Keith Winter
Ph. A/H 5250 5211

Rubbish Removal

Dial-A-Garbo,
16 Ningana Crt Clifton Springs
52513073
Rubbish removal and bale service

Schools

Bellarine Secondary College Senior Campus,

Peninsula Drive Drysdale 52512866
Bellarine Secondary College Junior Campus,
70 Shell Road Ocean Grove
52551322

Catholic Regional College,
Peninsula Drive Drysdale 52511136

Christian College Bellarine,
40 Collins Street Drysdale
52532998

Clifton Springs Primary School,
Jetty Road Clifton Springs
52513405

Drysdale Primary School,
Springs Rd Drysdale 52512272
Portarlington Primary School,
Newcombe St Portarlington
52592572

St Leonards Primary School,
1341 Murradoc Rd St Leonards
52571460

St Thomas Primary School,
Peninsula Drive Drysdale 52511050

Scouts

Drysdale Scouts,
c/- Wayne Simpson 52532024
Portarlington Scouts,
c/- Malcolm Paul 52593743

Second Hand Furniture and Goods

R&K Gunn,
34 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
5251 2854

Solicitors / Lawyers

Ristevski Lawyers,
Cnr Clifton Springs Rd & Collins St.
Drysdale 5251 3453

Steel Fabrications

Hire and Steel fabrications,
Business for Sale in Drysdale
Phone Bryan Condon 52513854
a/h 52551246

Storage

Drysdale Removals and Storage,
41 Mirrabooka Drive C'Springs
52513674

Supermarket

Williamson's Licensed Supermarket,
1 Geelong Rd Portarlington
52592611

Take Away foods

Jetty Road Fish Shop,
Crn Jetty Rd & Pinnaroo Ave Clifton
Springs Ph. 5253 1821
Gluton Free Hamburgers-Souvlaki-
Steak Sandwiches-Egg & Bacon
Rolls

Tax Agents

WHK Day Neilson,
1st Floor, 6 High St Drysdale
5253 2862

Timber

Drysdale Timber and Hardware,
36 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52512852
Open 7 days a week, Great Customer
Service - Great Prices Fax
52515455

Travel Agents

Harvey World Travel,
Shop 2A 6 High St Drysdale
52511125

Warehouse Sales

The Warehouse,
36-38 Geelong Rd Portarlington
52591622
Samples, Seconds, and Surplus
Stock - Christmas, Seaside, Home
and Garden
And much much more - bargains
galore. Open weekends seasonally
9.00am - 4.00pm

Welding

Drysdale Engineering,
55 Murradoc Rd Drysdale
52511023
U.S.D. Unique Steel Design, 40
Murradoc Rd Drysdale 52532174
STEEL : Sales - Fabrication -
Welding - Repairs

Wine

Bellarine Estate,
2270 Portarlington Rd Bellarine
52593310
Wine Tasting and Sales 7 days
10.30am - 4.30pm
www.bellarineestate.com.au

**SpringDale Neighbourhood
Centre Inc.**
Serving the North
Bellarine Peninsula
PO Box 80, Drysdale 3222
Tel: (03) 5253 1960
Fax: (03) 5253 3050
Email: office@springdale.org.au

Drysdale versus Ocean Grove for swimming pool: Cr Wellington

The proposed swimming pool on the Bellarine Peninsula could turn into a heated battle between the Drysdale and Ocean Grove communities.

The multi-million dollar pool is expected to be built on the Peninsula within the next five years, but only one is expected to be on the agenda due to limited funding from the Council.

Departing Bellarine Councillor Heather Wellington said there is huge debate in the town on where they pool should be placed and believes there is potential for a Drysdale and Ocean Grove showdown.

"It has the potential to turn out into a real contest between Drysdale and Ocean Grove and I think that would be a real shame. Somehow we've got to find a way to get a win for each of these towns out of this because what we need is a swimming pool on the Peninsula and if we end up in a battle between two towns we might not get anything," Cr Wellington said.

"Ideally you would like a swimming pool in each of Drysdale and Ocean Grove, but realistically at the moment we're probably only going to get one. There needs to be some further analysis undertaken for sites that might be available and there will be a further discussion and consultation period with the community...so there's no established site at present."

The closure of the Clifton Springs Dell swimming pool, two years ago, has left the Drysdale and Clifton Springs public without a public swimming pool while Ocean Grove have been pushing for a swimming pool near the Surfside Centre for the past five years.

"I feel real concerned for the Drysdale community that they've lost the swimming pool at the Dell and although the pool was really getting to the end of its useful life and pretty basic for trying to serve needs that were really well beyond it...I'm disappointed that it's gone and realistically I don't think it will ever open up again because they're very expensive...it's going to cost several million dollars to build a pool."

"I think the next stage now is to look at it and say 'where would the available sites be' and what would be the implications for those who wish to use the swimming pool on a number of different sites...so there's more of a process of planning to go through," Cr Wellington said.

"I'm just really trying to encourage everybody to say 'let's look at the big picture of the whole Bellarine Peninsula', not just one town or the other and let's see if we can find a site that is going to suit as many people as possible and still be accessible to everybody."

Cr Wellington also said the possibility of finding a home for the

swimming pool in between the two towns is a "no-go" due to the lack of council-owned land.

"There's a couple of possibilities, one would be where the basketball court and secondary school college in Drysdale is and obviously down in Ocean Grove near the Surfside Centre has always had aspirations for a swimming pool there. I think we would have to look at transport between the two towns and look at how people from Portarlington and Queenscliff can access the pool because they're important too

The fully-functioned pool is not expected to be completed until 2009, but Cr Wellington is hopeful the new council in place could speed up the process.

"The next budget round doesn't come around until June 2005 so even if it got funded in that period, there's still a fair bit of work to do to agree on the location and to establish the feasibility on any particular location and to me at the best it will take around 18 months, but it's going to take quite a long time to build something like this...we would be lucky if it happened within the next two years...it might be a two to five year project," she said.

"I think we've made quite a lot of progress and I would be hoping in the next term of council that there will be a really good public pool on the Peninsula."

By Brent Diamond

**DRYSDALE
CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP**
"A Community Church"
276-290 Jetty Road, Drysdale.
Phone: 5253 2241



HOLIDAY SERVICE TIMES
From 19th Dec - 30th Jan
10.00 a.m. only

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE
10.00 a.m.
Everyone Welcome

Join us for a
great time of worship:
Contemporary Music from our band,
and a message we can all relate to.
Tea & Coffee served after each service.

Kids Church will be in recess from
Christmas until School resumes.



**Drysdale
Motors**

FOR ALL AUTOMOTIVE
TUNING AND SERVICING

Specialising in
LPG DYNO TUNING

Have your LPG vehicle Tuned on a "rolling road". If your car runs on LPG And hasn't been dyno tuned Then it hasn't been tuned.

- Roadworthy Testing
- Fuel Injector Cleaning
- Air Conditioner Servicing
- LPG Conversions
- New Car Servicing

44 Murradoc Rd, Drysdale, 3222.
PHONE: (03) 5253 1033.

**Your kinda
loan for your
kinda home.**

At Bendigo Bank we understand that buying a home is a big step. That's why we offer a wide variety of home loans that provide a great rate whether fixed or variable plus extra benefits. We make sure you end up with the right loan for your home.

For more information please call into your nearest branch at 44 Newcombe Street, Portarlington, or phone 5259 3266.

Bellarine Peninsula
Community Bank Branch **Bendigo Bank**

Subject to terms and conditions. Fees and charges apply. All loans are subject to the bank's normal lending criteria. www.bendigobank.com.au Bendigo Bank Limited, Fountain Court, Bendigo, Vic.3550. ABN 11068049178 AFSL 237879 (S4754a) (15/09/03)

The Bairnsdale Ulcer

It's a disease that is puzzling health authorities around the country as they issue a warning about an outbreak of a rare tropical disease in Point Lonsdale on the Bellarine Peninsula. Brent Diamond investigates just what to look out for this summer.

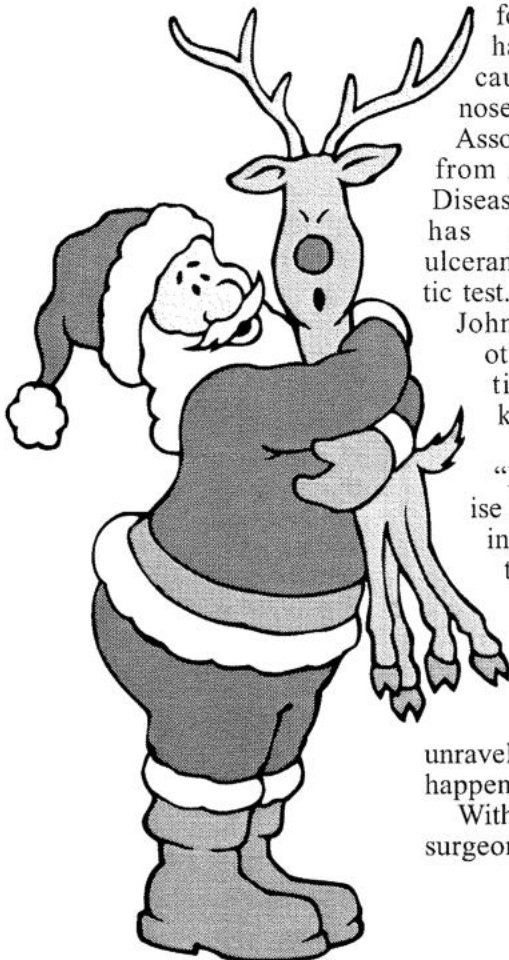
More common in the tropics and a number of African countries, 15 people have been diagnosed with an infection known here as Bairnsdale ulcer in residents or visitors to Point Lonsdale.

One victim has been former VFL/AFL player and coach David Parkin who resides in a holiday house in the coastal town.

The disease can start as a painless or itchy lump that turns into a chronic, progressive skin ulcer and, if left untreated, requires surgical removal and skin grafts.

But tracking the source of the outbreak could prove difficult since doctors don't know how it's transmitted.

It has the making of a daunting Hollywood blockbuster. A quiet seaside holiday resort is exposed to a flesh-eating bacteria which, if left untreated on victims, causes horrific ulcers, requiring surgical removal and skin grafts.



But this is no script writers dream story.

It's happening here at Point Lonsdale, just down the road from Drysdale and Clifton Springs.

One of those struck by the bacteria is well-known resident Nancy, who has lived in Point Lonsdale for more than 20 years.

"I had one on the Achilles' tendon...it appeared in June of last year and I didn't take very much notice of it. I thought I had been swimming which I had been every morning and perhaps one of those tentacles had a stinger on it and it stung my foot and I didn't take very much notice at all. And it got so itchy I had to take my shoe off to look at it and it appeared on my foot as a blotch of red and it very quickly spread over the top of my foot," she said.

After months of uncertainty, Nancy decided it was time to go to the doctors to remove an ulcer on the back of her foot.

"It was about a month before I got a doctor to look at it because you don't usually see a doctor for what you think is a bite or a sting."

"In October though, I had both of them excised and skin grafted and I got the all clear just before Christmas last year. So I had it quite a long time because it wasn't actually diagnosed until later."

Associate Professor Paul Johnson from Austin Health's Infectious Disease Department in Melbourne has studied mycobacterium ulcerans and developed a diagnostic test.

Johnson studied the disease in other parts of the world, particularly Africa where it's known as the Buruli ulcer.

"I think it's important to realise that this a major disease now in parts of rural Africa where there are tens of thousands of children in particular who have this problem. And it's possible that what we could learn here at Point Lonsdale - could potentially unravel some of the unknowns that happened in Africa."

Without access to antibiotics and surgeons, the disease can cripple.

But in Australia, cases are extremely rare and usually caught early.

"It's a very slow-developing infection that can mind its own business and it's living in its own ecosystem which makes it difficult to trace. We don't know exactly what the cause is. It could be insects, it could be aerosol, we just don't know," he said.

"It's quite clear that it's happening on the coastal towns and that it could be related to the water...but that is still not a definite."

Historically it started in the Gippsland Lakes, then about 1980 it jumped into the western port area and then in the 1990s it was on the Mornington Peninsula and Philip Island and now, since about 1999, it's been around in the Bellarine Peninsula.

Paul Johnson is now chasing more funding to investigate how mycobacterium ulcerans is contracted before the dreaded disease has a greater toll on the community.

Possible break-out box -

Symptoms - The progression of symptoms can include:

- a.. A spot that looks like a mosquito bite forms on the skin.
 - b.. The spot grows bigger over days or weeks.
 - c.. The spot may form a crusty, non-healing scab.
 - d.. The scab then disintegrates into an ulcer.
 - e.. The ulcer continues to enlarge.
 - f.. Unlike other ulcers, this ulcer is usually painless and there is generally no fever or other signs of infection.
 - g.. The limbs are more commonly affected.
 - h.. The infection may sometimes present as localised pain and swelling, with fever but no ulceration.
- Suggestions to reduce the risk of infection while working outdoors or gardening include:
- a.. Protect cuts or abrasions with sticking plasters.
 - b.. Promptly wash and cover any scratches or cuts you receive while working outdoors.
 - c.. Wear gardening gloves, long-sleeved shirts and trousers.
 - d.. See your doctor if you have a slow-healing skin lesion.

By Brent Diamond

Clifton Springs Golf Club

Play By The Bay

Great Food -- Great Views -- Great Prices

TRY OUR FABULOUS \$6.50 LUNCHES
(Monday to Friday only)

SUPER FRIDAY NIGHTS

Pots for glasses prices
Raffles, Raffles, Raffles
Mega Members Draw
Free Live Entertainment
Open Log fire - Fantastic Views
Dinner 6.00p.m. - 8.30p.m.

Social Membership
Only \$5.50

December
Live Entertainment
(7.00pm-10.00pm)

Friday 3rd - Jason Bull
Friday 10th - Guy Hennequin
Friday 17th - Hot Ice
Friday 31st - Charli (NYE)



Sunday to Thursday Evening
\$4.70 Meal Deal
Buy one main meal off our regular menu and
receive another
of equal or less value for only \$4.70
on presentation of this coupon.
(not valid Public Holidays and Long Weekends)
VALID until December 16th 2004

Golfing Memberships
now available
JOIN NOW FOR ONLY \$485.00

AND NO JOINING FEE

Green Fees only
\$20 for 18 Holes

NEW YEARS EVE
AT THE SPRINGS
FEATURING
LOCAL BAND CHARLI

DANCE AND DINE THE NIGHT AWAY
FRIDAY DECEMBER 31ST
\$55.00 pp includes meal and show
Don't Miss out BOOK NOW

Phone Bookings-52513391

CLIFTON SPRINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL

A highlight of November for our school has been the Annual School Concert. The theme 'The Jetson's Step Back in Time' followed the Jetson family's exploration of the Wax Works Museum of Living History. From ABBA to Elvis, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory to The Flintstones and HAIR to Popstars, the children danced their way through time providing a very entertaining night.

Congratulations to Zoe Smith, Melissa Prosser, Bradley Alard and Brandon Gardiner who represented C.S.P.S. in the Zone Athletics Championships. Well done to Zoe and Melissa for competing at State level.

The Level 3 classes have been studying 'Water'. A group of students went on an excursion to.

The Level 2 students have been investigating different modes of transport.

Planes have to go up the runway to pick up their speed.

Shanese

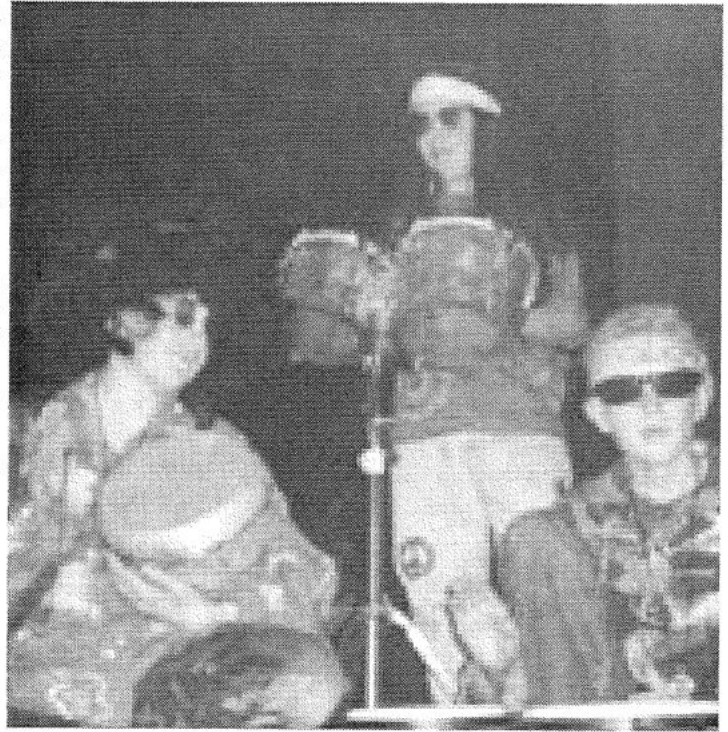
Tankers bring oil to places and can hold a lot of oil.

Oliver

Trains are different because they don't go on the road.

Tahlee

Tug boats have a very powerful engine. *Shaun*



Ladies Probus Club of Bellarine Inc. Registered No. A14696T

President Barbara is back from attending her mother's sick bed, and the members send their condolences on her mother's recent passing.

October speaker Phil Quick gave us a very entertaining talk on Antarctica and how they survived the extreme temperatures. He obviously enjoyed it, despite the frost bite, and change in diet. Food arrived infrequently so canned veg and frozen foods were not the best on the digestive tract after a long spell of being without fresh food, vegetables and fruit.

His talk was highlighted with a video presentation. We all thoroughly enjoyed it.

The shared trip with Winchelsea Probus to The Fly in the Otways on Monday November 8th, went very well and all enjoyed the day.

Peninsula Players perform 3 one act plays in November and our own Faye Connock was included in the cast.

This next particular exciting piece of news comes in the form of Congratulations to one of our Honorary Members who recently posed for the Palmerston Court "Calendar 2005" as "April," This is Lilian Turner who was thrilled to take part. The calendar made the headlines in the local press and we hear that all residents, whether they participated or not have a 2005 Calendar hanging in their room already.

November Speaker was Mel Higgins who talked about the things we should know relating to the RACV.

Christmas is approaching all too quickly, and arrangements for our

Probus Club luncheon and entertainment at the Springs are underway, and those members with some talent to sing or perform have been approached by the President to present our own in house entertainment. Last year was a good example, so it is to be repeated

The December meeting day is always the luncheon and concert day, so there is no official meeting as such. Just a few comments by the President and then all to enjoy the day.

All the Activities groups continue as before.

I would like to wish you all, members and readers a Happy Christmas, good health and happiness in 2005

*Yours in friendship,
Iris Liz Tolton*

BELLARINE FENCING Co

We do
Picket & Paling,
Fences & Gates.

Phone: Andrew & Gayle Baylis
on 5251 3090 or 0417 544 887

Salvation Army Family Stores

Mortimer St. Drysdale
Ph. 5251 2475
Plenty of Bargains
The Place to Shop

Come and see us We are here to Help You

DRYSDALE CARPET COURT

CARPET - VINYL
CERAMIC TILES
FLOATING WOOD
LAMINATE FLOORS

Proprietor: Neil Petrie
Phone: 5253 1855 Mobile: 0419 519 030
63 Murradoc Road, Drysdale.

What On Earth Am I Here For?

There are questions that most of us will ask ourselves at one time in our life. The question of, "Why am I here? Or "What is the point of my life? Will be asked by most of us sooner or later.

The question itself is extremely important to all of us. Life means so much more when we know that there is a purpose and a meaning to it. Lack of purpose and lack of meaning can be the most discouraging time of our life.

I think we would all like to think that our life matters and, to some degree, has made a difference for someone. It would be good for us all to be able to establish the purpose of our life and then know the empowered feeling of living a purpose driven life. Success will then relate to fulfilling our purpose and not to the accumulation of possessions or position.

Drysdale Christian Fellowship invites you to join us next year, beginning January 30th, to set aside 40 days of your time in order to address the question, "What On Earth Am I Here For?"

We will be starting a series called "40 Days of Purpose".

During these 40 days we will be tasking time to look at why we were created and what the purpose of our life actually is. We are asking you to invest 40 days to answer one of the most critical questions of your life.

When you consider the possible benefits, 40 days is not a large investment and could be the most sat-

isfying investment you will ever make, for you and your family.

If you would like to know more about this series I invite you to call our Office on 5253 2241.

Drysdale Christian Fellowship and Drysdale Family Support see this series as a service to the community we are a part of. We believe that it will be of great value to you and look forward to your inquiry.

Jake Hogendoorn (Pastor)



INSIGHT VACATIONS

PREMIUM ESCORTED HOLIDAYS

EUROPE & BRITAIN

DISCOVER THE INSIGHT DIFFERENCE

Inspired by the golden age of travel, see the world the way it was meant to be seen. In comfort & style!

MORE LEGROOM, MORE COMFORT
Stretch out and enjoy your travelling days aboard luxury touring coaches offering up to 100% more leg room than a standard touring coach.

SMALLER GROUPS
A maximum of 40 guests means more attention from your Tour Director, less waiting and greater personal space.

QUALITY HOTELS - DESIRABLE LOCATIONS
Only the best hotels are good enough – our hotels can't be beaten for convenience, style & comfort.

MORE INCLUDED
Europe will come alive with an unrivalled collection of sightseeing highlights & 'must do' experiences - all included in the tour cost.

GUARANTEED DEPARTURES
Book with confidence from our extensive range of tours guaranteed to operate.

CLIFTON SPRINGS PLAYGROUP INC.

Playgroup is open on
WEDNESDAYS
10.00 to 11.30am

TUESDAYS
AND FRIDAYS
9.30 to 11.00am
(except school holidays)

At the CLIFTON SPRINGS
COMMUNITY ROOMS
(by the open air swimming
pool at the Golf Club)

Playgroup is for children aged
from Birth to Kinder.

A warm welcome is extended
to you. Come on any day and
meet new friends

FOR MORE
INFORMATION
PHONE

JULIE: 5251 2627
OR SHELLEY: 5253 1897

Bellarine Personnel & Secretarial Service

Letters of Application | Resume Preparation
Customer Service Training | Mystery Shopping
Appointment Setting | Data Base Update
Telemarketing

Contact Rosemary - 5255 5773

NEEDLE SYRINGE PROGRAM

Are you using drugs?
If so, then protect yourself from HIV and
Hepatitis C.

Obtain clean fits from the Drysdale
Community Health Service
21 Palmerston Street, Drysdale.

A CONFIDENTIAL service.
No questions asked.

A.G.M. OF DRYSDALE BRANCH OF THE C.W.A.

ANOTHER HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

Tuesday 9th. November saw the ladies of the Drysdale Branch of the C.W.A. celebrate the end of another highly successful year at their Annual General Meeting, held in the Community Meeting Rooms at The Springs.

Retiring President Betty Colyer congratulated all members on their efforts throughout the year. Nearly \$ 2,240.00 was raised and distributed to local community groups and charities. Those benefiting included Drysdale Guides and Scouts, Bellarine Community Health - Drysdale and Portarlington Branches, Rural Ambulance Victoria - Drysdale Branch, Bellarine Agricultural Show, Cottage By The Sea, Drysdale S.E.S., Drysdale, Mannerim and Portarlington Fire Brigades, Vision Australia and Christian Education in Schools Support.

The crowning achievement was the donation, to the Barwon Health

Little Cribs appeal, of the total purchase price -\$27,000- for a humidicrib for the Special Care Nursery at the Geelong Hospital. The Members were delighted to hand over the money, raised over the years mainly through catering activities, to such a deserving and life saving cause.

Warm thanks were extended to the retiring members of committee. The newly elected Office bearers are: -

President: Dorothy Chase.
Vice Presidents: Joy Wallis,
Maureen Naughton.
Secretary: Betty Carlson.
Treasurer: Jan Hoyle

The next meeting will be held at the Springs Community Meeting Rooms on 14th December. New members are always most welcome contact number PH.5251 3702.

Springdale Writers

"Harmony 10" 2004, - A book of stories and poems by local residents and school children

Springdale Writers latest publication "Harmony 10" was recently launched on the 23rd October, in the Springdale Hall. The event was attended by about fifty people from young children to the mature age. It was officially opened by Dennis Naphthine, MLA and included our State Representative Lisa Neville

MLA. Poems were read out by Elaine Hurley and David Kerr. Kevin Foran entertained us with his amusing tale of cycling "All Around Geelong" as a young lad. The meeting concluded with a chat over refreshments.

Anyone interested in a great read, can obtain a copy of "Harmony" from the Springdale Neighbourhood House. It will only set you back six dollars.

CONCEPT CAMPERS

Manufacturers and repairers of Annexes,
Awnings, Tonneaus, Tarps, Horse Rugs,
Boat Covers Custom Built Camper Trailers
Caravan and Boat Storage
Discount for senior citizens

Phone (03) 5253 2569
61-63 Murradoc Rd. Drysdale.



18-20 HIGH ST. DRYSDALE.
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
11am - 4pm

All Public Holidays except: Good Friday, Anzac day,
Christmas day, Boxing day and New Years day.
New Members always Welcome
Ph: 5251 1605

Drysdale Day View Club

Our last function for the Year, Clifton Springs Golf Club 11am . 17th December

We will be having a special end of year surprise that I don't think you can afford to miss, so come along and have a great laugh with us.

All the View club member would like to take this opportunity to wish

each and everyone a Very Happy and Healthy Christmas, especially all those who have taken part in our events over the year.

And most of all the Staff of the Springdale Messenger, Editors, Printers, and the numerous others that we never get to meet. Many

thanks , our clubs could never survive with out your help, May Santa bring you something extra special !!

*Kindest Regards Yvonne.
Publicity Officer*

See You all next Year

FROM THE GARDEN GATE AND FOR THOSE WITH GREEN THUMBS.

Is your garden a typical one - a lemon tree in the backyard and a few vegetables?

Many of us like also to grow apricots and plums; we attempt tomatoes and broad beans, zucchinis and maybe strawberries.

Last summer produced a very poor crop of tomatoes, but this year, I'm trying again in a different spot.

Our Mediterranean residents are often more successful than ourselves. A recent competition in Melbourne attracted 100 entries to see

who grew the most productive gardens. Greeks and Italians featured among the winners. One, Mark Dymiotis, said that gardening -

- Helps keep people fit.
- Encourages greater consumption of fruit and vegetables.
- Strengthens local networks.

Here's to all those winners, and good luck to us in maintaining our gardens over the hot summer months!

For December and January - plant asters, chrysanthemums,

salvias, snapdragon, sunflowers, zinnias, cucumbers, lettuces, melon, pumpkins, spring onions, tomatoes and zucchinis.

SEE YOU AGAIN NEXT YEAR !

First meeting for CliftonSprings/ Drysdale Garden Club is Monday February 16th . 7.30 p.m. in Uniting Church Hall Drysdale. Enquiries ph: 52505545

Chorale Christmas Program Announced

The Geelong Chorale will once again bring the sound of Christmas to Geelong with selections from the wealth of the season's great music through the ages, with the audience invited to join in the singing of some traditional and familiar carols. The Geelong Handbell Ringers, whose participation has become a regular and enthusiastically received feature of the chorale's Christmas concert, will return to round out the program.

Rick Prakhoff, the chorale's music director, will conduct. In September, Mr Prakhoff conducted Melbourne Opera's production of

Mozart's *Così fan Tutti* and is working with their current production of *Turandot*. Other conducting credits include Opera Live's Australian premiere of Michael Nyman's opera, *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat*, and he has worked with Opera Australia in Perth, the State Orchestra of Victoria, the Queensland Symphony Orchestra, Adelaide Symphony Orchestra and the Australian Opera and Ballet Orchestra in conducting workshops.

The chorale, which in October served as the core choir for Benjamin Britten's *St Nicolas* in Costa Hall,

will present its Christmas program in two performances on consecutive days-Sunday, 5 December, 2.30pm, at the Potato Shed-the Bellarine Peninsula's Performing Arts Centre-Peninsula Drive, Drysdale; and Monday, 6 December, 7.30pm, at Kirrewur Court, 77 Prospect Road, Newtown.

Tickets for both concerts (\$10, \$5 students) will be available at the door, or may be reserved by phoning 5277 9768.

Uniting Care
**CONCERN
VILLAGE OP-SHOP**

Shop 4 Village Walk
19 Springs Road
Drysdale

Phone: 5251 3640.

We value your custom.
Donations of clean goods always welcome.

ALINGA

LANDSCAPE DESIGN

Plan your garden to make it part of your home!

- * On site garden consultations
- * Expert advice in plant selection
- * Computer generated plans and images of your new garden!

Neil Muhlan
Ph: 03 5253 1299 email: alingadesign@bigpond.com

The SpringDale Messenger

Large format
Messenger now available
at the SpringDale
Neighbourhood Centre.
Just ask at reception

Kings of the Stage.

Peninsula Players is one of the most successful community theatre groups around the Geelong area, largely due to the dedicated commitment of its founders.

It was a romance worthy of the stage and that is where it began.

The Geelong Repertory Theatre was presenting its 1957 production of *Waters of the Moon*.

Rhena Cocking was operating the sound effects. Enthralled by the theatre after playing a part in a previous production, Rhena took any role she could.

Young Dennis King, already with a reputation as a lead actor of musical comedy, was on stage playing a consumptive youth on New Year's Eve.

He spoke these fateful lines. 'Listen! I hear the bells (for midnight).' No bells.

Experienced in the art of adlib, Dennis looked at his watch and declared to the audience that his watch must be fast but the bells would now strike. No bells.

Rhena was in the wings desperately fiddling dials on the sound equipment to get the recorded bells to chime.

Dennis now stated that, if the audience concentrated, they could hear the faint sound of bells in distance village.

Rhena found the right switch at last and a great cacophony of tolling bells blasted through the audience.

A minute later the town hall clock chimed ten and any illusion was completely shattered.

Rhena was in tears after the show.

The stage manager was not in a forgiving frame of mind but Dennis put his arm around Rhena's shoulder and told her not to worry.

He walked her home after that performance and six months later they were married.

Many a marriage began on the stage in the days before nightclubs, and some still do.

Dennis and Rhena moved to the Bellarine Peninsula where they brought up their two children. Theatre life was put on the back burner but not forgotten.

Rhena began performing short plays for the church ladies guild and the idea of developing a theatre group for the Bellarine was discussed.

Posters were put up in all the towns and, on 5 March 1985, 40 people attended the inaugural meeting.

The first production of three one-act comedies took place four months later at the Drysdale Community Hall. This was followed by a three-

night sell-out season of the thriller *Lady Killer* in November.

Peninsula Players was up and running with a loyal group of organizers and committee members. Dennis now directs many plays and has a permanent role as President (although he is threatening to retire next year). Rhena is the Publicity Officer and takes special care in washing the dishes after rehearsal. This stops the whole cast being infected with a cold or flu. The Kings are invariably involved in rehearsals as stand-ins, creating sets and organising tickets. Margaret Wilde has been part of the group from the beginning and often takes the role of stage manager. Michael Pidgeon is the newsletter editor while Kenneth Hemmens is a regular guest director.

The Peninsula Players mark their twentieth anniversary next year and have become an institution of community theatre.

There have been over 60 productions involving 250 people. Actors travel from all over the Bellarine Peninsula, Surf Coast and Geelong to perform.

Dennis and Rhena are very clear about the reasons for the success of the Peninsula Players. Dennis stresses the importance of the community hall as a base.

'A theatre group needs to have a home for rehearsal, storing props and costumes, and for performances,' he said.

Rhena says that the basis of success for any theatre group is harmony. 'Performing theatre creates harmony,' she said. 'It is a team effort and in community theatre we have lead roles but not stars.'

Plays are chosen for their appeal to the 50 to 60 age demographic of the audience. Comedies are commonly represented in the choice of plays, as Dennis believes an audience wants to go home feeling happy.

Preparation for a production starts about four months before the performance, where auditions often have over forty people trying for parts in a new play. Rehearsals are twice per week for twelve weeks. Scenery is erected the weekend prior to performances and dress rehearsals are used to help actors become familiar with scenery and props. Performances open on Wednesday evening with a charity performance in aid of Anne Nicole House. The Peninsula Players have donated \$17,000 to the senior's facility.



There are performances on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Finally, there is the cast party (often held at the King's residence) and on Sunday the scenery is dismantled and packed away.

Dennis and Rhena maintain that quality of performances fills seats and brings audience members from all parts of Victoria. Stagecraft is a strong focus and actors are expected to know lines without prompting.

Peninsula Players was lucky to acquire a set of scenery flats shortly after they began. These came from Warrnambool and have been maintained and added too over the year. Proper theatre lighting is now operated by Chris Schulz - a far cry from the household spotlights of the first productions. Authenticity of costumes and props is carefully matched to the era of the play.

The Peninsula Players have concentrated on Australian plays this year. Tony Wright directed *Away* in April with Dennis and Rhena playing opposite each other. Kenneth Hemmens directed David Williamson's *The Club* in August, and Dennis is directing three one-act plays starting 10 November.

Next year's program is being planned with a Shakespearean play likely.

Dennis and Rhena are proud of the community nature of the theatre group. Everything is bought locally, even the printing of the programs. The theatre group is the driving force for renovations to the community hall, and a big refurbishment is about to start.

Admission prices are kept to a minimum, which is currently twelve dollars. In true theatre tradition, patrons are welcomed to their seats with a tot of sherry, while at interval cakes are on sale from the Anglican Women's Guild.

Peninsula Players is still a place for stimulating entertainment, for warm community, and - yes, still a place for romance.

EXCLUSIVE: Crawford takes time out on the Coast

"I've been down to the Bellarine Peninsula a few times, I haven't been there for a while now but from what I remember, it's a fantastic place especially during Summer...it's probably one of the best places to be at in Victoria during Summer."
Shane Crawford

Hawthorn's high-profile star Shane Crawford has endured a year that he would much rather forget.

The 30-year-old is planning to escape the heat of Glenferrie with an extended pre-season break including a trip to the Bellarine Peninsula after a tumultuous season for the former captain - which all began when he fractured his arm in Round 10 in the middle of the club's fall to second last on the ladder.

"It's been a difficult year for everyone at the club, you, me, the players, the coaching panel, but you can't lose sight of the fact that 2005 is a new season and we'll be taking a new approach under Alastair Clarkson," Crawford said.

"I've been given a few extra weeks off to recover and go overseas and around the coasts to relax. I've been down to the Bellarine Pe-

ninsula a few times, I haven't been there for a while now but from what I remember, it's a fantastic place especially during Summer...it's probably one of the best places to be at in Victoria during Summer," he said.

"I like to surf, I've been down to Lorne with a few of the guys recently and I like those sort of places," he said.

Crawford, who is currently on a club pre-season training regime on the Kokoda Trail in Papua New Guinea, said he plans to have a summer of sun, surf and catching up with friends.

Speculation has surrounded Crawford over the off-season about his dedication to the Hawks and whether he will continue his career at the brown and gold after stepping down as captain at the end of the season.

But Crawford said he plans to finish his football career at Hawthorn despite several enticing offers from rival clubs during the trade period.

"It's funny what a bit of talk does, but that's all it is. Apparently I was going to leave Hawthorn and go to Hollywood as well, wouldn't that be nice," he said.

Crawford is one of the hottest properties in AFL football; he's a Brownlow Medallist, a courageous leader; and a character in his own right.

However, a premierships medal is what the champion midfielder is striving for and admits he couldn't be anymore determined to get his team back on track to win football's ultimate prize next season.

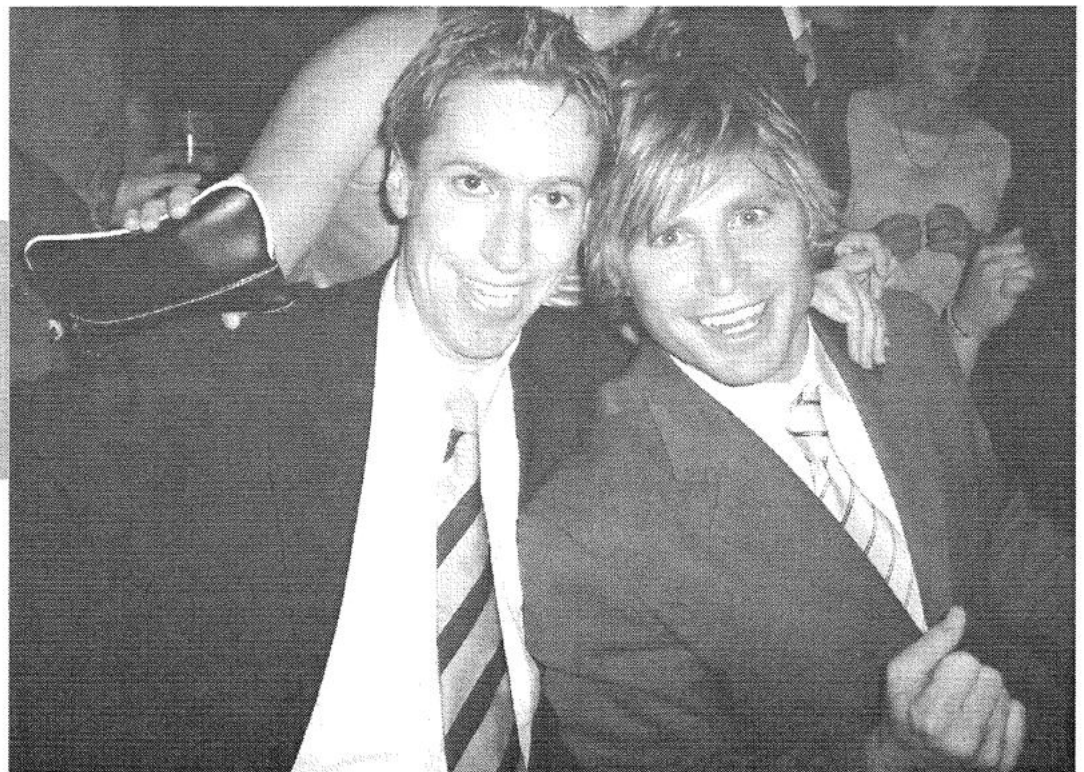
"I'm feeling great, a bit of a rest makes a lot of difference to the body. When you get to 30, you realise you haven't got all the time in the world in footy and it just kicks you into gear and you just have to try and get the most out of your time," he said.

'Shane Crawford Exposed' DVD is available at all good retail stores at \$34.95 and can be purchased exclusively through the Hawthorn Football Club with a bonus 30 minutes footage for \$39.95.

Call the 'Hawks Nest' merchandise shop on (03) 9816 2211 to order your copy.

By **Brent Diamond**

Brent Diamond shares a few drinks with Shane Crawford at an AFL event this year.



SPORTS REPORT

Demons snag hot property

Local footy's regular cellar-dwellers Portarlinton has lured former Geelong and Lara player Paul Lynch as playing coach in what is set to become one of the biggest recruiting coups in BFL history.

The Demons have shrugged off ten other Geelong-based clubs who were vying for the former Lara premiership coach's services and are also set to claim some more big names before the start of the 2005 BFL season.

Former Lara best and fairest and GFL interleague player Aaron Langsworth is one of several GFL players expected to follow Lynch to Demon land. Cam Wright is also on the Demons' wish-list.

Former Portarlinton coach and now Chairman of Selectors Greg Foott believes the huge coup will resurrect the club and detract any sort of talk the Demons will be swept out of the BFL.

"I guess the finance was an issue but there were other clubs that were prepared to pay him more. He has indicated that he likes a challenge and that was the ultimate reason he

came down here and that's exciting for us," Foott said.

"If we had gone through a season like this year again, all the juniors coming through would be gone next year no doubt about it and something had to be done. In my recruiting in looking at higher level players, it was always my intention if we can secure a coach for a couple of years who was on the ground and can teach our kids, that was a more effective way to go about it than for me to continue as coach," he said.

Foott said the club's main focus over the pre-season will be to keep its core playing group together after showing glimpses of promise over the 2004 season.

"To me the thing now is that we hope that we don't lose any of the core playing group, when I started in February 2003 we handed out 23 clearances, last year it was two and this year I don't want any," he said.

"We're still looking for a ruckman and if we can pull it together we would possibly welcome a forward and that will allow us to

push our core 12 or 15 out to the flanks and get some competition happening within the club and it's really up to Lynchy after that."

In other BFL news, Geelong Amateur big gun Tim McLean has knocked back several lucrative offers country-wide to remain at the Ammos for at least another season.

Former Geelong and Brisbane Lions player Tristian Lynch has been appointed coach of Anglesea, while former Bacchus Marsh assistant Adam Skrobalak is the new Torquay coach.

Meanwhile at Drysdale, apart from 2003 best and fairest Paul Frew and club leading goalkicker Adam Richardson, there have been no official retirements. It is expected at least another two players will depart the Hawks' Nest at the end of the pre-season. Similar to Ocean Grove's chosen path, coach Brian Cordy said the club will look to its promising under-18 list to further the development of the senior team next year.

By Brent Diamond

Aerial Photograph of Drysdale in 1936 sold in aid of St James' Restoration Fund

These photographs make great Christmas presents! They come in Sepia or Black & White and the A3 size (11" x 16") is \$30. Other sizes available on request. Please contact Pauline Cline on 5253 2717 for orders or enquiries.

Annual Book Sale

St. James' Anglican Church, Drysdale, is holding its 6th Annual Book Sale on Saturday 8th of January 2005 in the Church Hall in Collins Street Drysdale.

Hours of the sale will be Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m. Books categorized.

Donation of books other than school text, books and Readers Digest Condensed Books will be gratefully accepted.

Donors of books can have them collected by ringing any of the following numbers 52512594, 525113702, 52532322, or 52512256.

BONE MARROW RECYCLE SHOP

High St. Drysdale

Donations of
good clothing
and brick-a-brac needed.

All proceeds from our shop go to help those with Leukaemia

Chui Yuan

Chinese Restaurant
(B.Y.O.)



TAKE AWAY & HOME DELIVERY
FUNCTIONS & GROUP BOOKINGS A SPECIALTY
QUALITY & CLEANLINESS ARE PARAMOUNT
REASONABLE PRICES

* \$6.50 (TAKE AWAY LUNCH SPECIAL)

Ph. 5253 1788

Shop 5, 26-28 High St. Drysdale, 3222.

DRYSDALE REMOVALS & STORAGE

Local, Country,

N.S.W. & S.A.

PH. (03) 5251 3674

SPORTS REPORT

Hawks off to a flyer

The Hawks have made a barnstorming start to the cricket season and have several stars rising to the occasion.

Flawless and looking the early-season favourites, Drysdale is beginning to re-discover its exciting blend of talent that includes James Smith on debut nailing four wickets in an extraordinary match-winning performance. Jason Malcolm, Liam Chisholm, Ben Carmichael, Anthony Chambers, Greg Smith, Terry Heafield and Mitchell Scott have moulded their print on what is the future of Drysdale.

"You wouldn't have thought that we would to have this opportunity to get these guys in at the end of last year. And the good thing is there that there is still another couple to come," coach Darren Barmby said.

It's an opportunity that has arisen with Troy Harding (football recovery), Brendan Sharp(shoulder) and Simon Farrell (unavailable) on the sidelines.

But there are times when experience is called upon and with Barmby, Rob Malcolm, Gavin Humphrey and Chris Taylor in pole position, the Hawks are nurturing the youngsters before the big guns return after Christmas.

"We probably won't get our best team out on the park until after Christmas I don't think. I think that's a good thing though, the real action happens in January-February and I reckon we will have some great players to choose from come January," he said.

With two B-grades awaiting in the wings, Barmby believes the current

crop of juniors have what it takes to continue Drysdale's audacious bid for the flag.

"A few of them have shown that they are in for the long haul. The likes of Tim Marshall, Jason Malcolm, they have shown already that they are going to be fantastic players. The first game he (Jason) played (against Newcomb), he played 19 overs in a row and he got 3/30...you don't do that if you don't know what's going on," he said.

"I'm just a true believer of giving people an opportunity...but it comes down to the end of the year on who's performing and if there's a few kids turning it on towards the end, then they will certainly get a show."

By Brent Diamond

Drysdale Cricket Club

Earns level 2 Award for hitting Alcohol Head On.

Efforts by the Drysdale Cricket Club to tackle the difficult issue of alcohol management in community sport have resulted in the club being awarded Level 2 accreditation in the Australian Drug Foundation's Sports program.

The program has been designed to assist clubs with the responsible management of alcohol through the development of a code of conduct. It is the first nationwide alcohol management accreditation program of its kind.

The program challenges the misconception that heavy alcohol sales equals higher club profits and guides clubs to a healthier future by becoming

more attractive to a wider range of people in the community.

Drysdale Cricket Club Spokesperson, Mr. John E. Boyle said today that the club was very keen to address the criteria required for the Level 2 certificate.

"We have responsible alcohol management policies in place and our facilities are smoke - free. We have implemented a safe transport strategy and provide food when serving alcohol. Most importantly our fundraising, functions and prizes do not have an emphasis on alcohol," Mr. Boyle said.

We are confident that the Drysdale Cricket Club is a safe and welcoming place for all members of our community to play sport and socialize.

The club will be regularly monitored to ensure compliance with the accreditation criteria.

The Good Sports Program was developed following research conducted by the Australian Drug Foundation which showed that by introducing responsible alcohol management policies, clubs were able to improve their image and increase their revenue.

Clubs interested in more information about the Good Sports program should contact Angie Aird from Good Sports on 03 96679214.

*Club contact Mr. John Boyle
Phone (03) 52533241
Mob 0407519002*



The Drysdale...
DRYSDALE HOTEL High Street, Drysdale.

LUNCH DEAL Monday to Saturday
CUT OUT COUPON

1/2 PRICE meal deal

Buy 1 main meal from the bistro menu and receive another of equal or lesser value at 1/2 price. Not valid public holidays, chefs signature dishes. Bistro only. Bookings essential. Valid till 27/3/04.

Lunch meals only Monday to Saturday
Phone **5251 2301**

- Kids playground
- Alfresco beer garden • Sports bar + TAB

The Life  line Shop

Good quality clothing & bric-a-brac.
Donations of clothing & bric-a-brac
always welcome.

"Village Walk"
Shops 9 & 10, 21
Clifton Springs Rd. Drysdale.
Ph: 5253 2168

**DRYSDALE
FAMILY
SUPPORT**



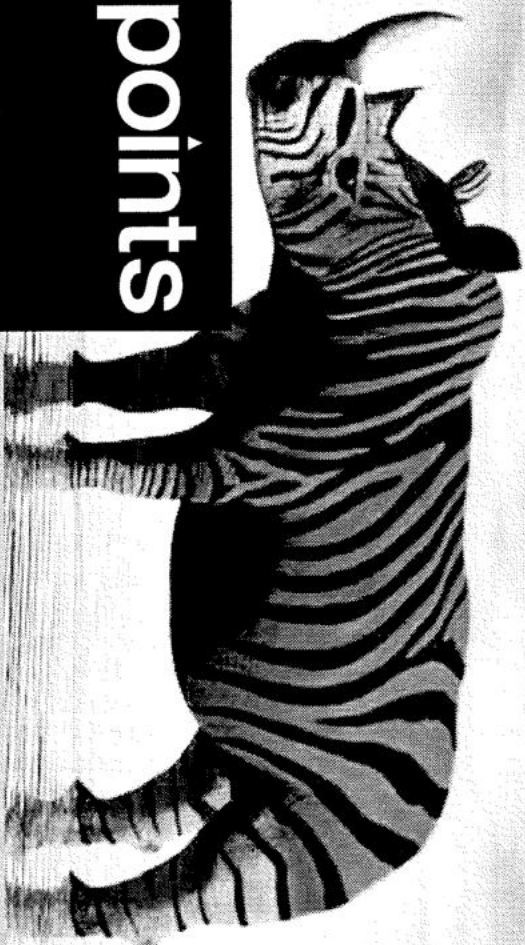
Phone: 5253 2099

- *Counselling Centre
- *Life Skills Seminars
- *Foodbank
- *Second Chance Clothing

Now open at 16 Pinnaroo Ave.

Allpoinrts

A new name in Geelong
Real Estate with over
260 years local experience
across 8 offices.



An exciting new concept in Real Estate.
Bringing together the knowledge and history of
4 leading local Real Estate companies under one name.
Allpoinrts.

With the strength of 8 offices spread throughout
Geelong, Bellarine Peninsula and the Surf Coast -

Allpoinrts

Allpoinrts brings you over 260 years local experience in
residential, rural and commercial Real Estate.
Whether your looking to buy or sell - look to Allpoinrts.
We'll change the way you look at your Real Estate needs.
Simply call your nearest office below or visit our web site.
www.allpoinrtsre.com.au

Ocean Grove: **Allpoinrts@Guyett** 5255 1000
Leopold: **Allpoinrts@Guyett** 5250 1533
Geelong: **Allpoinrts@Carr** 5222 1488
Lara: **Allpoinrts@McManus** 5282 1294

Barwon Heads: **Allpoinrts@Guyett** 5254 3100
Drysdale: **Allpoinrts@Guyett** 5251 2847
Geelong North: **Allpoinrts@Geelong North** 5277 1999
Anglesea: **Allpoinrts@Lewtas** 5263 2214