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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.

2005

- March** 26-27 Rotary Club of Drysdale
29th Annual Art Show - Leopold indoor Neighbourhood Centre
- 27th EASTER SUNDAY (Daylight savings ends)
- 31st Lisa Neville "Mobile Office" at Bellarine Community Health Centre
- April** 4-17 School Holidays
- 4th Senior Citizens 36th Birthday afternoon tea
- 8-9 "Just call me Al" Variety Concert by Queenscliffe Lighthouse Theatre company
- 17th Drysdale Market
- 18th Garden Club meeting
- 19th Senior Citizens Mt. Macedon bus trip
- 19-22 Ladies Probus Club of Bellarine Echuca/Deniliquin trip
- 22nd Drysdale Ladies Day View club meeting
- 24th Portarlington Market
- 25th Anzac Day (see page 11 for service details)
- May** 9-15 Neighbourhood House Week
- 18-21 "Blackrock" by Blunt Productions
- 15th Drysdale Market
- 22nd Portarlington Market
- July** 20-23 "Charley's Aunt" by Peninsula Players
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SPRINGDALE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

A warm hello from SpringDale

During the last few weeks, SpringDale has had the privilege of welcoming many new residents and visitors to the area – we are always trying to meet their needs. Many ways we help is:- with information to answer specific questions or general information or general information about the area / clubs/ facilities etc or with computer or internet facilities. We would love to be able to accept whatever challenge you'd like to handball to us.

Our focus this term has been to improve our student and interest group systems and procedures. We have introduced new enrolment forms and new membership forms – once these forms have been completed once – only changes to details or reason for attendance might need to be completed again, – making this a much simpler system (once you've completed the first one!) We have introduced reminder cards and soon we'll be introducing new evaluation forms, – so we can capture and constantly improve our courses and our services.

The Course and Opportunity Guide for Term 2 is the middle 4 pages of this edition of the SpringDale Messenger – but we've decided we need to give people more time to look at what's on offer and to be able to book in. So Term 3 guide will be in the next issue and it will contain dates I've been able to confirm for Term 4 as well – we have

already taken bookings for a couple of courses in October already. How's that for planning ahead.

Our courses have all run very smoothly this term and we continue to thank you for your support and your suggestions which we continue to try to turn into a course / workshop / interest group as we find someone to run / co-ordinate your idea (sometimes it takes a little while).

Each week we hand out advertising or contributor information about the SpringDale Messenger – so keep your eyes out for new advertisers and contributors each issue as they join the team that make the SpringDale Messenger come to life each issue.

Our renovation is progressing well. We all look forward, with anticipation, to the completed building and the extra space it will give us – to be able to share with you.

Our interest groups have had some changes: – Bellarina Toy Library has moved to the Hall and is enjoying the new position. Our new Jigsaw Club has been very successfully launched – Lisa Neville placed the last piece in an almost complete puzzle and in so doing launched the Club. We thank her for her interest in this venture. We thank the City of Greater Geelong for their support in supplying and erecting the shelving needed to make this a reality. We also thank Joyce and Neville Burrows for creating and fostering such a wonderful idea, that gives

pleasure to so many – from so many walks of life.

A little more interest has been shown in forming an adult instrumental group – so a few more people would make this a reality. A French club has been suggested – an idea from the Rutherglen region where a group gets together once a month to enjoy anything French. French films, French food, French wine, French conversation etc etc – please register your interest in this group at SpringDale. Our Belly Dancing group may make a revival after a Belly Dancing course we are advertising on a Friday morning to get a few more people started down this path.

Jean and Sonia, our wonderfully skilled Occasional Care team, continue to provide many families with a service that meets the needs of children and parents. This service is very well supported but I draw your attention to Wednesday and Friday mornings which still have a couple of vacancies.

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During the last few months we have worked closely with the Lions Club of Portarlington / Drysdale and with the Rotary Club of Drysdale, on the Adrian Mannix Community Service awards. It has been interesting and rewarding. Nominations were of an extremely high standard and we thank everyone for the contributions they have made to our community. I encourage everyone to think about who you could nominate for next year: - who has been an outstanding community worker for our community and deserves to be thanked.... Once you think of a

person - please nominate him / her - forms available from SpringDale.

We are also working closely with the Drysdale / Clifton Springs Community Association. We have application for membership forms available at SpringDale but we would love to offer the same service to the other Community / Progress Associations in the area and to also publish information for Portarlington and St Leonards - please let us help (if you'd like!)

Neighbourhood House week quickly approaches us, from Monday 9th May - Sunday 15th May. We will have a few extra activities

on offer during that week - or please feel free to visit one of our groups that meet during that week. We hope to culminate the week with a "Let's celebrate the area" afternoon on Sunday 15th - more details to follow.

Wishing everyone a happy and healthy few weeks and I encourage you to always find the fun in all you do.

Anne Brackley - on behalf of the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Committee of Management, our staff, our tutors and our volunteers.

DRYSDALE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

We would like to remind you about our 36th birthday. We will be

entertained by the Melodaires with afternoon tea and birthday cake. This is for members only and there is no cost.

Because of the birthday on the 4th April we will have bingo on the 11th April at 1.15pm. Everyone is welcome.

We have the trip organised now and it is on Tuesday 19th April and we are going to Mt Macedon. The bus leaves from the Retirement Village, Collins Street at 8.30am. We will have lunch a guided tour of the gardens and afternoon tea on the

way back the cost is \$27.50. If the weather is kind to us it should be a lovely day. Everyone is welcome just come up to the club and give us your name, or call us on ph 52512983.

Then the 2nd of May we will have bingo which starts at 1.15pm.

I know we have a lot of members who are sick and can't get to the club, we send best wishes and to let you know we are thinking of you.

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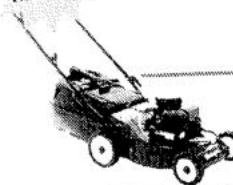
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The solutions are simple, and good preventive dentistry provides the answer to these concerns. Through implementing and following some basic and straight forward steps it becomes possible to reduce the amount of dental decay you suffer, prevent the onset of gum disease and cut down dramatically on your dental bills. What are these measures? Improved tooth brushing and flossing, regular examinations, home use of fluoride in a controlled manner and in some instances consideration of dietary changes.

Home use of fluoride has the potential to provide a major change


in rate of dental decay. The water supply of the Drysdale and all surrounding areas is not fluoridated. Therefore no residents receive the proven long-term benefits of fluoride as it relates to their teeth. However, fluoride is available for home use in many ways. These include tablets, toothpastes, mouth rinses, gels and direct application of fluoride concentrate. The particular method to provide the best personal result should be decided in discussion with your dentist.

Improved tooth brushing, together with dental flossing, provides immediate benefits. Your dentist may be able to demonstrate some simple ways of changing your tooth brushing to improve the overall efficiency of your oral hygiene. It will reduce both tooth decay and gum disease.

Regular visits to your dentist serve to detect problems while they are simple, small, easily and inexpensively rectified. Have your

dentist arrange to send a reminder to you to ensure regular visits and so reduce your dental problems and expensive bills.

Arrange today to take control of your oral health. Look at ways of implementing some simple changes that will provide you with great benefits. If you are not already a valued patient of Reed Dental Centre or do not currently have a dentist then feel free to contact either Dr John Chung or Dr John Chung to arrange an initial consultation and discussion.



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Travel Talk

Bali is back with a vengeance – a Mecca for shopping, amazing food and resorts to take your breath away ...if you have not been before it is definitely the time to visit.

With the opening last week of Bali's third shopping complex Discovery Plaza, Bali has come of age. Prada, Ralph Lauren and Osh Kosh shops to name a few at bargain prices, all in air-conditioned comfort. The value of our dollar ensures great bargains from DVDs, sparkling thongs to unique art treasures without the hard bartering of the past.

Choices of restaurants are abundant with delicious Asian cuisine, pizzerias, Italian restaurants

and of course the obligatory McDonalds and KFC.

Gado Gado, Ku De Ta and La Lucciola are all worth a visit for special occasions with Poppys and Kori restaurants in Kuta great value havens to dine in with pools and waterfalls amidst local and western cuisine.

Tuban is a little quieter with larger beachfront resorts. I stayed at Kartika Plaza and I can highly recommend the ocean view rooms. Kartika Plaza is next door to Discovery Plaza shopping complex and across the road from Waterbomb Park, a balinese Wet and wild oasis.

Kuta has the Hard Rock Hotel with the best pool in Bali, which can be accessed by the public.... Next

door is a great value boutique hotel called the Mercure with a lovely roof top horizon pool with views all over the coast. A bit further towards Legian along the beach road is Alum Kul Kul a very stylish boutique hotel with a great beachfront restaurant.

Legian has the new Bali Niksoma Boutique beach resort as my choice but for a lesser cost the Bali Mandira is a nice option.

In a whirlwind five days I managed to visit a lot of resorts in the Kuta – Legian area so if you are interested in going to Bali please do not hesitate to call me.

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Drysdale Ladies Day View Club

Next meeting will be held on Friday the 22nd of April, at Clifton Springs Golf Club. We welcome new members and look forward to seeing you there. For more information or inquiries please contact: Christine Scott-52 51 1127 or Michelle Lewis-5256 2957



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Lighthouse Theatre sings Al Jolson

Under the direction of local Clifton Springs musical identity Alan Wilson, the popular Queenscliffe Lighthouse Theatre will be putting on two performances of a new variety concert in early April - a tribute to the famous singer Al Jolson - titled "Just Call Me Al". Musical Director is well known Queenscliff identity Lizzie Coyne.

All of Jolson's songs are now regarded, without exception, as evergreens. The man himself loved

his audiences and always insisted "...just call me Al". Songs like "April Showers", "Give My Regards to Broadway", and "Baby Face" are just some of the numbers to be performed by the company.

Other local cast members include Joan Bell from Portarlington who will give a delightful rendition of "I Only Have Eyes for You", and Lorraine Wilson from Clifton Springs with "Are You Lonesome Tonight". The full cast numbers nearly 30.

The two performances of the variety concert will be performed in the Senior Citizens' Hall, Symonds Street, Queenscliff on Friday 8th April at 7.30pm and Saturday 9th April at 1.30pm. Tickets at \$10 may be purchased at the Queenscliffe Visitor Information Centre, 55 Hesse Street, or at the door. For ticketing information, phone the Information Centre on 5258 4843.

Springdale Jigsaw Club

Springdale Jigsaw Club was officially launched by Lisa Neville MLA on the 3rd March, 2005. Springdale Committee President, Dennis King, presided over the meeting welcoming the twenty five people who attended.

Joyce and Neville Burrows started the Jigsaw Club twelve years

ago from their home in Ocean Grove. Due to support from the council and the neighbourhood house, it is now has a permanent home in the Drysdale Community Hall. The Club is open to the public on the first Thursday of the month from 10am to noon. Everyone is welcome to borrow a puzzle at a

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Drainage

Major works at the bottom end of Jetty Road are scheduled to commence and be completed prior to the end of June, 2005. The flood damage to Jetty Road will be shortly assessed and recommendations reported on – further details will be advised

Clifton Springs Boat Harbour

The project is nearing completion with a two-lane access road due for completion by mid June, 2005. Work is also to commence on the cliff-top drainage in time for and prior to the access road program. Formation of an incorporated association Friends of the Foreshore has been discussed with local Clifton Springs residents group.

The Dell

The re-opening to pedestrian traffic has been delayed, due to the recent floods, and further site movement readings are underway ... this time they are live readings that provides a more immediate response.

The pine trees affected by the floods are to be cut up and removed during this time, the toilet checked, and a final report prepared for final approval prior to the re-opening.

Edgewater Drive / Steps - new and old

At a recent meeting with the local residents group, it was decided that a Friends of the Foreshore group would be formed and linked with a similar group presently involved with the Boat Harbour & Dell projects.

Further details can be obtained from either Alan Gorman and John Boland.

Requests for Service / improved service capability

The Request for Service forms, now available from your local Customer Service Centre, are a means to increase

access to Council services and improve response performance.

Just fill out the details and either fax, mail or drop it back to the Customer Service Centre .. the issue will then be logged into the Service system and actioned on a priority basis.

At this stage, it is not planned to formally acknowledge lodgement of the forms although it is planned to have the forms available on line in the near future.

Community Grants Program - round 2 2004/5

The latest round of grants was advertised in Saturday 26 February's Advertiser and applications will be accepted up until April 8, 2005 for the following -

- Community Arts and Festival Program Scheme
- Community Leisure Incentive Scheme
- Community Development Grants scheme
- Adopt-a Park program

Application forms and guidelines are available from the Customer Service Centres, by mail / phone 5227 0736, and on the website www.geelongaustralia.com.au/Services_Geelong/Community_Grants

Bellarine Recreation Needs Study.

The final draft of the Bellarine Recreation Needs Study is still under development with further discussions to be held with the respective community representative bodies.

No final date has been set for the completed report.

Peninsula / Public Transportation

Bellarine Peninsula bus stop - The relocation from Malop St. to Lt Malop St, alongside the rear of the Officeworks car park is supported by 2 bus shelters and

signage ... with more seats and waste bins due in the next two weeks.

Relocation of busses from Morabool to Yarra Street will be implemented late March with services operating in Yarra St from April 4th due to the Moorabool St. works

Passenger flyers for drivers to hand out, A1 posters for prominent locations, a weekly advertising campaign leading up to the relocation, notification to Barwon Disability Resource Centre and the Public Transport Users Association and posters specifically for visually impaired persons provided to Vision Australia Foundation, will all be available by mid March.

Bellarine Peninsula Strategic Plan 2005 -2016

Plan 2005 -2016 is to identify an integrated vision for the Bellarine Peninsula that incorporates the following -

- a) Land-use planning decisions / already in Structure Plans (town boundaries, etc.)
- b) Social service plans to support communities and people living and visiting the Peninsula
- c) Township visions about healthy and sustainable communities

The full details are available under www.geelongaustralia.com.au/Services_in_Geelong/Planning/Strategic_Planning/Bellarine_Peninsula_Strategic_Plan

Stormwater Quality Management - refer previous issue.

The introduction of new Water Sensitive Urban Design Engineering Guidelines incorporating a new Stormwater Quality Management Policy, new specific planning permit conditions and new Local Laws specifically targeting litter and runoff from development and subdivision sites, has been delayed until at least late May.

As previously mentioned, the introduction of these new provisions will have long-term benefits to our local waterways and provide clear direction for future development.

Furthermore, we are actively pursuing the development of a Water Conservation Plan, which will target opportunities to use stormwater runoff, conserve and reuse water and minimise wastage of high quality drinking water. Funding is being sought as part of the 2005/6 CoGG budget process.

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Jigsaw Club Opening at SpringDale

I was honoured to be invited to officially launch the Jigsaw Club at SpringDale this month.

When Joyce and Neville Burrows came to see me in April last year, I was pleased to offer my support in their hunt for an appropriate home for their growing collection of puzzles.

Joyce and Neville started out with 20 puzzles and now have a library of over 2,000 puzzles to lend, with the 20 cents per puzzle borrowed going to the welfare agency Concern.

In addition to weekend and Monday night lending times, the introduction of morning tea get togethers has been a great success and a popular time for people to swap stories about the highs and lows of doing jigsaws. The original library idea has now developed into a terrific club.

The happy home they've found at SpringDale is a great outcome and I encourage you to join in the fun.

Clifton Springs Foreshore

\$28,000 to improve beach access at Clifton Springs and Ocean Grove was announced this month. This is part of a \$1.3 million allocated by the State Government for improving the safety of our beaches and ports.

As many of you would know, the timber beach access steps were suffered storm damage in July 2004 and as a result the beach access at Edgewater Drive was closed.

Repair work will involve filling large, environmentally friendly containers – geotextile containers – with beach sand. These will be

placed underneath and beside the steps to stabilise the beach surrounding them.

It will be great to have the Edgewater Drive entrance open again, making the beach more accessible and safer for everyone.

Network Tariff Rebate

This month Premier Steve Bracks announced that the Network Tariff Rebate which bridges the gap between city and country electricity costs will be funded for a further 3 years. The State Government will commit an additional \$110 million to enable the Rebate to continue.

When the former Kennett Government privatised the electricity network, country and regional Victorians were paying more for their electricity than city consumers.

The extension of the Rebate will mean that Bellarine residents using up to the average level of electricity – 4,000 kilowatt hours per year – will continue to pay no more than consumers in the inner metropolitan area.

Special provision has been made for country businesses by maintaining the rebate threshold at 8,000 kilowatt hours per year for both peak and off-peak.

This is really good news for our community, and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact my office.

And, as always, if there are any issues you think we may be able to assist you with please contact me

*Lisa Neville MP
Member for Bellarine.
5248 3462*



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Ladies Probus Club of Bellarine Inc.

Another PROBUS year over, the AGM for this club took place on March 21ST, at the Springs Function Centre.

The committee did a great job last year and many have remarked how quickly the year has flown. Many of them have nominated for re election for 2005 committee, so they must have done something right.

Like many clubs the trips that are arranged are not always taken up by the members, so trying to merge clubs outings seems to be the best way to go at present to enable the coach to fill seats.

We did go on a trip to The Rialto Tower followed by a visit to The Immigration Museum.

We went with South West District Association Probus, organised by Mr Barry Waller.

On a nice clear day it was good viewing from on high at the tower, and the Museum is the Place to visit in Melbourne at present. For those who watched the Colony TV programme, it reinforced the life they had to live as pioneers to this land.

They had a hard time, and it showed in the photographs at the Museum. A very worthwhile visit.

Our trip to Werribee Plaza on the 28th Feb was also good where we were able to see the completed complex, and the multiple shopping and eating facilities were enjoyed by all.

Echuca/Deniliquin on 19th to 22nd April is the next arranged trip, if it reaches the required number to fill the bus.

We had a very good speaker at the last meeting. Jason McGregor from Vision Australia.

That organization does valiant service in the community, and is known World Wide.

I wish the incoming committee well and trust that they have a happy year with the New President Shirley Craig.

The Retiring President Barbara has done a good job this year despite having health problems, lets hope her health will improve soon and she will be back in the fold.

*Yours in Friendship.
Iris Liz Tolton.*

Bellarine Peninsula Railway - Drysdale

We run every Sunday & Public Holiday year round as well as Tuesday & Thursday during Victorian School Holidays.

The BPR will see some major changes this year- watch this space! Some exciting projects are in preparation & we hope we can provide an even better tourist drawcard for our region.

Our lost property box is getting rather full- if you have lost something at the Station or in the park recently, call in as we may well have it!

"Id like to help but I'm really busy...." This is a common phrase we hear. There are many ways you can be involved in this huge tourist project apart from actually being here. Donations are of course always sought, not just cash mind you. We would love to hear from someone who can loan a scissor lift/cherry picker for example. Or you may be an electrician who could possibly carry out a job or two for us. Perhaps you have a service or display that may interest our passengers & benefit your business to boot. As for 'hands on' stuff, we are urgently in need of childrens party hosts & kiosk/booking staff at Queenscliff. So if you want some experience in working with kids or in retail- give us a call. All training is provided.

Have a safe & happy Easter

Paul & Kate

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Adult Education in
the Community

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ENROLMENT & PAYMENT INFORMATION

Enrolment

- To book into a class, call in person to SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 14 Princess Street, Drysdale or Phone 5253 1960.
- If you hold a current Concession or Health Care card you will receive a 5% discount on full course fees.
- Your enrolment is confirmed when payment is received.
- Classes must be paid for no later than one week prior to the commencement of class.

- Should a class be cancelled due to lack of enrollments or another reason, fees are refunded in full and enrollees notified.
- People wishing to withdraw from a course must do so prior to commencement of the course.
- Where fees have been paid a refund will be issued with an administrative fee of \$8.00 deducted.
- Where a person withdraws after commencement of a course, no refund will be issued.

Payment/Refunds

- We accept cash, cheque or credit card facilities are available for payment in person or via the mail in booking form.

Privacy

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

Health and Wellbeing

Belly Dancing

(back by popular demand!)

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

Date: Friday May 6th - 24th June
(8 sessions)

Time: 9am - 10am

Tutor: Natasha Dean

Fee: \$80

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre - Hall

Meditation

Start your day with this simple form of meditation. Meditation calms you - it will also develop concentration, problems will diminish. In meditation you are guided to solutions, which then allows your day to flow. Wear comfortable clothes, bring a cushion, and relax and enjoy the age old practice

Date: Tuesday 26th April -
Tuesday 14th June

Time: 1pm-2pm

Tutor: Theresa McMaster

Fee: \$80

Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Strength Training for Over 50s

Improve your strength, fitness and wellbeing. Conducted by experienced accredited Exercise Physiologist. Open to people of all fitness levels. (You need to obtain a medical referral form from Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic for your Doctor to complete before commencement)

Date: Tuesday 26th April -
Tuesday 14th June

Time: 6.15pm - 7.30pm

Tutor: Lyndall Drew

Fee: \$85

Venue: Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports
Injury Clinic, 27-29 High Street, Drysdale

Thursday Evening Yoga

For fitness, stress relief and clarity of mind.

Date: Thursday 28th April -
Thursday 16th June

Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm or
7.45pm - 9.15pm

Fee: \$85 (8 sessions)

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

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: 1 Rubber mat

First Aid - CPR Update

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)

Accredited

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

Date: Monday 2nd May

Time: 12.15-3.15 pm (1 session)

or 7.00pm - 10pm

Fee: \$40

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care

Tutor: National First Aid

Date: Saturday 28th May

Time: 9:00 am - 12:00pm

(1 x 3 hour session)

Fee: \$40

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care

Tutor: National First Aid

First Aid Level 1

Accredited

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

Date: Monday 2nd May - 16th May

Time: 12.15-3.15 pm (3 sessions) or

7.00pm - 10.00pm (3 sessions)

Fee: \$75

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care Room

Tutor: National First Aid

Date: Saturday 28th May

(BYO Lunch)

Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (1 session)

Fee: \$75

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care Room

Tutor: National First Aid

First Aid - Level 2

Accredited

Level 2 covers all modules taught in Level 1 *plus* additional emergency treatment and management procedures. It is an Accredited Certificate, valid for 3 years (with CPR updates) and is required in many courses and work places.

Date: Monday 2nd May - 6th June

Time: 12.15-3.15 pm (6 sessions)

or 7.00pm - 10.00pm

Fee: Full fee - \$145

Subsidized- Cost \$70

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care

Tutor: National First Aid

Date: Saturday 28th May and 4th June

(BYO Lunch)

Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm (2 days)

Fee: Full fee - \$145

Subsidized- Cost \$70

Venue: Springdale Occasional Care

Tutor: National First Aid

Subsidized places are available for volunteers,

those seeking employment or further

education and training.

General Interest and Skills

Arm Chair Travel

We went to Ireland last time and enjoyed ourselves - this time we're looking at the way to plan a holiday and then we're off to France! Let's wear a beret and bring an outrageous accent and be ready to sample a few France's delights - please bring suggestions for our next trip in our armchairs.
Date: Thursday 12th May
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Tutor: A member of the staff of Harvey World Travel
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Conversational French

French - conversational - beginners
For those with little or no French. Also suitable for Years 7-8 French for comprehension and pronunciation. Learn basic conversation skills for everyday situations.
Date: Saturday 30th April - 4th June (6 sessions)
Time: 9am-10am
Tutor: Laurent Boulanger a qualified native French tutor
Fee: \$60
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

French - conversational - intermediate

For those with basic French who want to improve their oral and listening skills. Also suitable for Years 9-10 French students. Participate in group conversation.
Date: Saturday 30th April - 4th June (6 sessions)
Time: 10am-11am
Tutor: Laurent Boulanger a qualified native French tutor
Fee: \$60
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

French - conversational - advanced

For those with a solid grounding in everyday French. Also suitable for Years 11-12 (VCE). In-depth discussions on cultural issues.
Date: Saturday 30th April - 4th June (6 sessions)
Time: 11am - 12noon
Tutor: Laurent Boulanger a qualified native French tutor.
Fee: \$60
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

First Home Buyers'

Information Session "First Home Buyer Seminar"

As the property market contracts, more and more properties will reduce in value, making more properties within reach of first home buyers. This seminar is tailored to explain what the banks are looking for from a first home buyer, and also explain how varying situations can impact on the amount you can borrow from the banks. Knowing this information in advance can assist the planning process in purchasing a first home. The First Home Owner Grant will also be explained. By the end of the session, we would like you to know where

you currently stand in being able to purchase a home, and if not in a position immediately, you will have a better idea of targets you should meet in order to qualify."

Date: Tuesday 26th April
Time: 7pm - 9pm
Tutor: Rod Malcolmson
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
Or
Date: Thursday 5th May
Time: 1pm - 3pm
Tutor: Rod Malcolmson
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Food Handling and Safety

(Apply basic food handling - Accredited)

Great for school Leavers, volunteers and those already working in food related areas. This accredited module will give knowledge and skills in correct and safe food handling storage and hygiene. Update your skills and improve your job prospects today.
Date: Tuesday 26th April
Time: 9-4.30pm
Fee: \$70(\$51+\$19) Subsidized
Venue: CFA High St Drysdale
Tutor: GATE (Glenn Sherry)

Food Safety Supervisor

Food businesses must have a Food Safety Supervisor. The Food Safety Supervisor and/or the owner of the business is legally held responsible for all food safety practices carried out by every staff member. The person nominated as Food Safety Supervisor can be: owner, manager, supervisor, head chef, independent consultant to the business.
Pre-requisite: Participants must have successfully completed Food Handling and Safety (course listed above)
Date: Tuesday 3rd May
Time: 9-4.30pm
Fee: \$70(\$51+\$19) Subsidized
Venue: CFA High St Drysdale
Tutor: GATE (Glenn Sherry)

Gardening - let's try pruning

Wayne session about a potted garden was very well received last term - we'll be looking for more useful tips this time - definitely worth the small fee
Date: Thursday 12th May
Time: 10.30-12pm (1 session)
Tutor: Wayne Long
(The Portarlington Nursery)
Fee: \$2
Venue: Springdale

Mobile Phones

How to do more than just turn it on
Bring your mobile phone along for a morning of discovery and understanding. Learn how to text messages and use facilities you didn't even know existed. Please bring your instructions with you and let us know your make and model when you book in.
Date: Thursday 12th May
Time: 10-12noon

Tutor: Telstra
Fee: \$5
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Personalities Explained

Gain insight into yourself and others by exploring personality theory. The behaviour of individuals is seldom random, but orderly and consistent when you understand their psychological type. The MBTI is used extensively in organizations requiring teamwork, and in counseling to improve understanding between individuals. Included in the cost is a professional assessment of each participant's personality type.
Date: Tuesday 14th June,
Tuesday 21st June
Time: 9am - 12noon
Tutor: Dr. Joy Teague
Fee: \$60
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Scriptwriting

Writing for film can be both lucrative and enjoyable. Learn conflict, structure, character, exposition, dialogue and other important elements to turn your idea into a film script or stage play. This course includes hands-on experience and workshop sessions with students' scripts.
Date: Tuesday 3rd May -
Tuesday 21st June (8 sessions)
Time: 10am - 12noon
Tutor: Laurent Boulanger
Fee: \$100
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Survivor - Parenthood!

A workshop, which will equip you with some fantastic skills to help you survive the challenges of parenthood. This is a joint initiative between Drysdale PS Parents' Club and Springdale.
Date: Wednesday 15th June
Time: 1pm-3pm or 7pm-9pm
Tutor: Brian Ellis - Character First
Fee: \$20
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Thinking about buying a Digital Camera

Been thinking about buying a digital camera for a while but just not sure how many pixels are best etc- it all seems to be a foreign language. Well Barrie will try to demystify it all for you, so you can make the best decision for yourself.
Date: Monday 2nd May
Time: 12.15pm 3.15pm
Tutor: Barrie Hesketh CLANCIE
Specialised Services
Fee: \$20
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre
or
Date: Monday 9th May
Time: 7pm - 10pm
Tutor: Barrie Hesketh CLANCIE
Specialised Services
Fee: \$20
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Art and Craft

Make friends with your sewing machine. Bring along your own sewing machine and learn how to manage it, including all those little gadgets. You will learn to do some mending and then go on to make a beautiful bag.

Date: Tuesday May 3rd - May 24th
Time: 1.15pm - 3.15pm
Tutor: Ruth Trethewie
Fee: \$50
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Milky Way Quilt

Make this traditional patchwork quilt using modern machine techniques suitable for beginners. Qualified teacher will be presenting this course.

Date: Tuesday May 31st - June 21st
Time: 1.15pm - 3.15pm
Tutor: Ruth Trethewie
Fee: \$50
Venue: Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

Scrapbooking Workshop

Preserve photos from the past, enrich photos in the present and inspire hope for the future.

This class is for current scrapbookers / and beginners.

Date: Wednesday 27th April,
25th May, 29th June

Time: 7pm-10pm
Tutor: Roz Murphy
Fee: \$12 per session
(book in for one or all)

Venue: Springdale

Or

Date: Wednesday 27th April,
11 May, 25th May, 8th June,
22nd June

Time: 9.30am-12noon
Tutor: Paula Wheelahan
Fee: \$12 per session
Venue: Springdale

or

Date: Friday 29th April, 13th May, 25th
May, 8th June, 22nd June

Time: 9.30am-12noon
Tutor: Paula Wheelahan
Fee: \$12 per session
Venue: Springdale

All computer classes are held at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre

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

Introduction to Computers

Level A

Learn the basic skills of using a mouse and keyboard. Eg: Learn how to type using a typing tutor (using one finger on each hand if necessary) and play solitaire to practice mouse skills. Learn how to navigate your way around the computer and open and close the computer by doing the following: open and close procedure, open programs such as solitaire and word, and use the typing tutor to increase your keyboard skills.

Date: Thursday 5th May -
Thursday 23rd June
Time: 1 - 3.15 pm (8 sessions)

Fee: Full course fee: \$110
Subsidized: \$65 (\$51 + \$14 amenities)
Tutor: Lyn Brook

Introduction to Computers

Level B

Develop your skills that bit further and gain a bit more confidence. Learn how to work with Microsoft Word, create documents, create files and folders, learn formatting, borders, spell checker and delete and backspace keys to correct spelling and grammar.

Date: Wednesday 4th May -
Wednesday 22nd June
Time: 1 - 3.15 pm (8 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$110
Subsidized: \$65 (\$51 + \$14 amenities)
Tutor: Lyn Brook

Digital Camera

Combining Your Camera and Computer

Be creative with your camera and process digital images in your computer. Enhance the photos that you download. Create great slide shows. Format your photos for printing according to your requirements. Learn to use photos in promotional material.

Date: Monday 23rd May - 6th June
Time: 10 am - 12 pm (3 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Barrie Hasketh CLANCIE
Specialised Services

Email and Internet

This course will introduce participants to most of the Microsoft Office XP programs comprising the word processor, Word, the spreadsheet and financial program, Excel, the personal organiser program Outlook, and Powerpoint, which is a graphics program. This course will use the programs in practical projects designed to give the participants a better understanding of their functions. Most functions are included in the earlier version of Microsoft Office.

Date: Monday 2nd May - 23rd May
Time: 7pm - 10 pm (3 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Joy Teague CLANCIE
Specialised Services

Graphic Design

Design your own business cards, posters, letterheads, brochures and other stationery. Learn how to manipulate images and text. This class will cover graphic features common to Microsoft Word and Publisher, then devote one week each to specific features needed if using Word or Publisher.

Date: Tuesday 3rd May - 31st May
Time: 1pm - 3 pm (5 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Joy Teague CLANCIE
Specialised Services

MYOB for Beginners

These sessions are designed for those just starting out. Learn how to set it up and get it going. This course will give you a basic foundation of how to use MYOB in your business.

Date: Wednesday 4th May - 25th May
Time: 6pm - 7.30pm (6 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$65
(\$51 + \$14 amenities)

Tutor: Terry Thorp

Microsoft Office XP

This course will introduce participants to most of the Microsoft Office XP programs comprising the word processor, Word, the spreadsheet and financial program, Excel, the personal organiser program Outlook, and Powerpoint, which is a graphics program. This course will use the programs in practical projects designed to give the participants a better understanding of their functions. Most functions are included in the earlier version of Microsoft Office.

Date: Tuesday 3rd May - 7th May
Time: 10 am - 12pm (3 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Joy Teague CLANCIE
Specialised Services

Setting up a Website

Wondering how to set up your own website - Barrie Hesketh will walk you through some simple steps to get you started. *Setting up a Web Page Development will be done using a template (cost of a template is about \$60). No prior web design is necessary.*

Date: Tuesday 3rd May - 24th May
Time: 7pm - 9pm (4 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Barrie Hesketh CLANCIE
Specialised Services

Or

Date: Monday 23rd May - June 20th
(excluding 13th June)

Time: 1pm - 3pm (4 sessions)
Fee: Full course fee: \$60
(\$51 + \$9 amenities)

Tutor: Barrie Hesketh CLANCIE
Specialised Services

Childrens Programs

Music and Movement

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

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

Date: Tuesdays 8th February -
22nd March
Time: 10 am-10:45 am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$50 per term
Venue: Drysdale Hall, High Street,
Drysdale

Tutor: Trish Redman

OCCASIONAL CARE

A three-hour session will give your child an opportunity to socialize and play with other children in a supervised program with qualified staff.
Thursdays are longer sessions (5hours)

Sessions are:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Thursday 9am-2pm
(waiting list may apply)
For further information please phone the Centre on 5253 1960.
Sessions run during school terms only

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

WEEKLY CRAFT GROUPS

Wednesday Group (Sew & Sews)
10:00 am - 2.00pm

Wednesday Afternoon Group (Whichcraft)
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Friday Afternoon Craft Group
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Springers Quilting Group

Meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of the month at Drysdale Hall, High Street, Drysdale Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Ring the centre for more details

SpringDale Singers

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

SpringDale Writers

This group meets the second Thursday of each month 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 14 Princess Street, Drysdale.
New members welcome. Ring SpringDale for more details.

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

Friendly Writers Group
Meet every second Monday evening at the Centre (7:00 - 9:00 pm). Ring SpringDale for further information.

PC User Help Group

The aim is for people to meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month 4.00pm - 5.30pm at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, to discuss computer problems and share particular areas of interest. This is not a class but a forum for like-minded people to get together in a friendly atmosphere.

Belly Dance Group

Has gone into recession until we have a few more interested parties

Bellarina Toy Library

The Toy Library is open Saturday mornings 10:30 am to 11:30 am. We have some fantastic toys to borrow (ages 0 - 6 years) so come along and see what we have to offer!

Portarlington Toy Library

Wednesday mornings 11am - 12noon - operates out of the Portarlington Pre-school - look for the balloons and sign - new members welcome.

SpringDale Chess Club (a potential new group)

The SpringDale Chess Club could meet on Saturday mornings 10:30 am to 11:30 am - or at another time that could suit people - we need a convenor for the group and some people !!!

Express Your Interest

SpringDale is always interested in ideas about what you would like to do at the Centre.

If we can get a few more like-minded souls together, we may be able to get your idea up and running. We are also happy to refer if we know someone else already has what you are looking for. Happy Learning!

Career Information Resource Area
SpringDale has begun to develop a Career Information Resource area at the Centre.

We are building up general information about the types of career and study options available to people today. If you are mature age, it may provide a first step in exploring a new career/ life direction!

OTHER SERVICES

SpringDale also provides facilities to the public which include:

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

Course Booking Slip (you will be sent a receipt & or confirmation of your booking)

Name:

Address:

Phone : Home: Bus: Mobile:

* I would like to enrol in/information about : (course name/s and date/s)

Please tick one:

Attached is my cheque for the course. I will come in and pay for the course at least a week prior to the course commencing.

I have completed the credit card slip below:

Visa/Bankcard/Mastercard : Creditcard No: _____

Name of Cardholder: _____

Expiry date: Amount: Signature:

I am intersted in my child/children attending occasional care during this course if possible YES / NO

Please post to the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, PO Box 80, Drysdale 3222

ANZAC Day- A Time to Remember

The 25th of April, 2005 will mark the 90th anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli by Australian and New Zealand troops during the First World War.

As one of the most poignant dates on the Australian calendar, ANZAC Day commemorates the memory of fallen Australian soldiers.

ANZAC Day originally commemorated those fallen at Gallipoli, however, with the thousands upon thousands of lives lost since 1915, ANZAC Day has come to encompass remembrance of all fallen soldiers in all wars.

ANZAC Day means many things to many people. It is a time for remembering lost loved ones, for others, such as those who fought and returned, and people who were caught in the middle, ANZAC Day is a day full of personal reflection. For the rest of us it is a chance to pay homage to those who forfeited their lives for what we have today.

ANZAC Day brings about terms such as mateship and courage,

words synonymous with character of the Australians who gave so much.

ANZAC Day brings generations together. As Mr Bruce Walters, Secretary of the Portarlington RSL has witnessed, there has been a dramatic increase in attendance numbers at ANZAC Day ceremonies.

'In seven years it (attendance numbers) have gone from 150 to approximately 500, it (the service) is very respected by the people who come', explained Mr Walters.

It appears the number of younger attendees continue to make their presence felt across the region, 'more young people are taking part and paying respect which is good to see', concluded Mr Walters.

Not only are the younger people of Australia paying tribute at ceremonies across Australia, the number of younger adults making the pilgrimage to ANZAC Cove in Turkey to commemorate this most important national event has increased dramatically.

Portarlington RSL


Those wishing to attend services in the region can join the nation in doing so. The Portarlington RSL will be having a 'Fathers and Sons' night which will take place on ANZAC eve from 7:00pm -10:30. On ANZAC Day the dawn service will be held at 6:00am with tea and coffee afterwards. A 10:30am march will take place from the Sub Branch to Parks Hall (weather permitting), accompanied by the Newtown Pipe Band and then back to the Sub Branch for lunch.

Drysdale RSL

Drysdale RSL will be holding an ANZAC Day service at 10:30 at the Drysdale Senior Citizens Hall, which will run for approximately 25 minutes followed by a short march by the members to the Cenotaph for a wreath laying ceremony.

Trivia Questions - Answers page 16

- 1 In which battle was General George Custer killed?
- 2 What was the name of George Jetsons' daughter?
- 3 Who are Fred Flintstones' neighbours?
- 4 Who played Jeff Spencer in '77 Sunset Strip'?
- 5 Who did Gordon Piper play in 'A Country Practice'?
- 6 Who was the publican in 'Bellbird'?
- 7 Which song has the lines, "treat me right, treat me good, treat me like you know you really should?"
- 8 On which date did man walk on the moon?
- 9 What was the title of Elvis's first movie?
- 10 Who works for Gocksley Gogs & Sprockets? (Cartoon)
- 11 Which role was played by Jim Backus in 'Gilligan's Island'?
- 12 Who played Marshall Matt Dillon in 'Gunsmoke'?
- 13 Who were the two stars of televisions 'C.H.I.P.S'?
- 14 Who was the last Australian to be Formula One World Champion?
- 15 What is the meaning of ASAP?
- 16 Which colour moves first in Chess?
- 17 In Snooker what value in the blue ball?
- 18 Who is the Federal Foreign Affairs Minister?
- 19 What is the Capital of Portugal?
- 20 Where would you find the Arc De Triumph?



Call for Applications for Membership to the Regional Implementation Committee and Operation Portfolio Groups

The Corangamite Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is seeking applicants for membership to the Regional Implementation Committee (RIC) and operation portfolio groups.

The role of the committee will be to work in partnership with the Corangamite CMA Board and staff, community members and other organisations to implement the Regional Catchment Strategy (RCS) and various supporting strategies.

The role and responsibilities of the RIC include:


- providing advice to the Board on resource management priorities, objectives and budgets
- coordinating the development of works programs with partners
- facilitating effective partnerships in regional natural resource management
- monitoring and evaluation of implementation activities
- annual business planning.

The Regional Implementation Committee encompasses the entire region. Appointments will be made on the basis of the applicant's skills, knowledge and experience with appointment running until 30 June 2007.

To obtain a copy of the application form and for an information package, contact Peter Codd t: 5232 9100, f: 5232 2759 or email info@ccma.vic.gov.au

Applications will be received until 5pm Monday 21 March, 2005.

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Clifton Springs Preschool Centre

Term 1 at the Clifton Springs Preschool Centre got off to a great start for both the 3 year old and 4 year old groups. It was wonderful to see children settling in so well during the staggered intake period at the start of term, and it proved to be an exciting term for everyone, making new friends and learning new things.

A belated but warm and very special welcome to our new Kinder teacher, Jay Pearce, along with Assistant, Julie Brew. We wish Jay and Julie all the best for an enjoyable year ahead teaching our children.

For those interested, there are still a few positions remaining in the 3 year old group which is held on Wednesdays between 8.45am & 11.15am.

Enrolments are now being taken for 3 year old & 4 year old kinder for 2006. Please contact either Jay Pearce or Julie Brew at the kinder on ph: 5251 3158 or via email clifton.springs.kin@kindergarten.vic.gov.au regarding enrolments for next year.

Many thanks to all parents/guardians who have volunteered for the committee. We wish everyone a safe and happy Easter and look forward to starting up again in Term 2.

From the Garden Gate.

It was sad to read that a newly -renovated garden in the Geelong Botanical Gardens was vandalised within a very short time. A total transformation of an old area surrounding the fountain, created a new garden and an open space, highlighting the three icons - the famous antique Japanese crane statues. Thieves quickly stole one of them. Most of us are familiar with these statues, which originally had pride of place at St. Albans Park horse stud.

What to do in the garden now.

It's time to take stock of how the garden performed over the Summer - what did well and which ones were dud? How many times have you been to a garden and seen a sick daphne or a lifeless grevillea?

Most great gardeners are ruthless with such creatures. How about considering only having plants which are indigenous to our area?

Damage was done in the February storm and some plants did not survive. Have you rooted them out?

Dig up and divide bearded irises, larkspur, lobelia, pansy, primula, snapdragon, sweet peas. Spring flowering bulbs, if not already lifted, could be dug up and divided now, too.

March and April are bulb planting months. Before planting, work some organic matter into moist beds to a depth of 10cm. Top with a dressing of blood and bone, (500g, per sq.metre) and allow the bed to rest for a week before planting. Keep the soil moist. Dig a hole twice the depth of the bulb and remember, it's the pointy side up in most cases. Rununculas are just one exception - plant their claws facing downwards.

Vegetable garden -Plant: carrots, cauliflower, herbs, lettuce, radish, beetroot, cabbage, celery, leeks, garlic, onions, parsnip, silver beet, spinach.

Clifton Springs/Drysdale Garden Club meeting:

Monday, April 18th.

International Flower Show visit in April. Contact - Linda - 52593032

Garden Club enquiries:
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Occasional Care Newsletter

Term 1

Welcome to the beginning of another year at SpringDale. We welcome the children returning in 2005, also younger siblings of the children starting kinder this year. Families who have re-enrolled after a few years break and also we welcome the new families and hope you enjoy your time at Springdale.

Occasional Care provides the opportunity for families to meet other parents in the local community, as well as your children developing friendships that may continue through the kinder and school years. Springdale also offers many interesting courses, as well as a 'Residence Kit' which is available from the office.

You may have noticed that the renovations have begun. The Hall will become the new Springdale Neighbourhood Centre and Stage 2 will be the Occasional Care Centre to be moved into the existing house, facing Princess Street. Stage 1 shouldn't affect the running of

sessions, however, our outdoor area will be decreased by half, enabling the builders to begin working at the rear of the hall. We will compensate this by using the covered deck area, where the sign board is, as part of our outdoor environment. We will keep you up to date with any other changes.

Please don't forget to name all your child's belongings, as we have a few bags and drink bottles the same.

We try to make snack time a pleasant and relaxing experience for everyone, so please provide a snack that your child can manage independently. No yoghurts please, as they usually end up down the front of clothes or on the floor. It's probably better to pack something you know your child will enjoy rather than 4-5 different items (which they want to open and end up in the scrap bowl).

It is important that children's footwear is safe, secure and comfortable. With the tanbark covering most of the yard, open toe sandals and thongs can be

frustrating, with valuable time spent picking bark out of feet. Closed in shoes can eliminate this and also provide appropriate support for climbing/balancing/running.

Don't forget that we provide a Medicare Rebate to families who are eligible; we have copies of the form for those who are interested.

Our toy fundraiser last December enabled us to purchase 2 construction sets (on order), suitable for different ages. We will be having a fundraiser in term 2-any ideas welcome.

Please don't forget to sign your child in, as well as out

Hats are compulsory, & please apply sunscreen before arriving.

The time your child spends with us during Occasional Care sessions is very important and we want them to get the most out of the 3 or 5 hours they attend. Please approach us to discuss any worries or questions you may have.

*Thank you
Jean and Sonia*

Walking Club

The Geelong Regional Walking Club are trialing a bus service for active seniors who do not have transport, but wish to take part in monthly walks.

Commencing at Drysdale, the pick up areas will be Leopold and the Eastern Suburbs. For more information and to book a seat phone Una on 52 485 383 or Carol on 52 211 969.

The Friday walks are at your own pace, last approximately 1 hour and take place in interesting locations. A mystery trip and a fundraising event for the Andrew Love Centre are part of the 12 month program.

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Neighbourhood Watch GLG58 and GLG59

Guest speaker for the NHW GLG58 and GLG59 February meeting was David Hall, Unit Controller of the Bellarine Unit of the SES. NHW provided a contribution towards the data projector used for his PowerPoint presentation.

David spoke of the SES's work during the two recent severe storms. They had 90 callouts in a 24 hour period. With only 15 members and three vehicles they worked non-stop for the 24 hours. He referred also to a call to a fatal accident in Swan Bay Rd after Christmas.

The SES is a voluntary organization. The Bellarine Unit receives \$9000 from the State Government and local councils. Their running costs are \$12,000, plus capital expenses. The Unit's responsibilities cover the Bellarine Peninsula to Moolap Station Rd and north of the Barwon River. Members wear orange clothing when attending a call out (the CFA wear yellow). AAMI sponsor the vehicles. The SES primary responsibilities are road accidents, storms and floods and earthquakes (Geelong is on a fault line). Leopold and Clifton Springs in particular have flat areas that are subject to flooding. In addition, they provide: safety information to the public and organizations; support to the police, including Search and Rescue and crime scene assistance; public relations; attend road crashes; and give rescue demonstrations.

The Bellarine Unit began in 1975 as part of Civil Defence. Their equipment was basic — an operational trailer towed by a private car. Equipment was operated by

hand. Today's equipment is hydraulic and motorized. The unit's headquarters are co-located with the Rural Ambulance in Grubb Rd. For road crash rescue they have a well equipped rescue vehicle.

In 2003-2004 Bellarine SES were deployed as follows:

Callouts:

Storm	51.0%
Flood	19.6%
Road crash rescue	14.7%
Search	1.4%
Public relations	7.0%
Fundraising	2.1%
Other	4.2%

Locations (major locns.):

Clifton Springs/Drysdale	28.0%
Indented Heads/St Leonards	8.4%
Leopold	7.5%
Marcus Hill/Mannerim	5.6%
Ocean Grove	20.6%
Port Lonsdale/Queenscliff	
Swan Bay	15.0%
Portarlington	14.0%

Road crash (major locns.):

Leopold	23.8%
Portarlington	19.0%
Ocean Grove	14.3%
Clifton Springs/Drysdale	9.5%
Port Lonsdale/Queenscliff	
Swan Bay	9.5%
Wallington	9.5%

People hours:

General operations	719.30
Road crash rescue	199.95
Search	120.00
Public relations and fund raising	423.25
Total hours	1462.50

In addition to the duties listed above, volunteers train together

every Thursday night and occasional weekends. Some training is conducted with the CFA. The work requires team effort and coordination. Training encourages members to work together as a team. Members must be committed and well prepared. Equipment is maintained regularly and training time includes working with ropes and knots. The group endeavours to make each training sessions fun. Road crash rescue is an important part of the training. The Victorian SES is the largest single provider of road crash rescue in the world.

One recent call had the Bellarine SES attending a plane crash. Carbon fibre required the use of masks and gloves, on a very hot day. Another call required the shoring up of a house after a car crashed into the side of it. On one occasion they were called upon to rescue a horse from a pit. The horse had wandered into the barn, and fallen through the boards covering a mechanic's pit. If they attend a traumatic event a counselor comes in to debrief.

Future training is to include:

- flood boat training (a new allocation);
- use of the 4WD required to pull the boat

The flood boat might be deployed anywhere around Victoria. The 4WD also might be deployed attending fires anywhere in Victoria.

Longer term, there are plans for training in:

- urban rescue
- response to terrorist incidents

The SES is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. They are always looking for new volunteers.

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Hi Folks,

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Over the past years we have made toys as Christmas presents for the needy kids throughout the Geelong area and now we have taken on a bigger task.

It was realized that there were also other kids that needed help and they are those that saw their homes and schools washed away together with their prized possessions during the recent tsunami disaster.

So with permission and the cooperation of the Victorian Woodworking Association we have been made the lead group to head the

project together with other woodworking clubs throughout Victoria, which are approximately 60 in number, in addition other clubs based interstate are coming on board.

Currently our members are busily making toys to approved patterns as World Vision, who are also involved, have indicated the types of toys that would be acceptable for the areas that they will be distributed.

Timber and supplies are being donated by a number of companies in Geelong (more on this in a later issue) and Rotary Geelong is handling storage and transportation into Geelong and then onto Melbourne where they will be

handed over to World Vision for suitable distribution.

This task is labour intensive, so if there are any woodies out there that would like to become involved (you don't have to become a member) then please contact Geoff Anderson on 52 781 906 for further details, he would be pleased to hear from you.

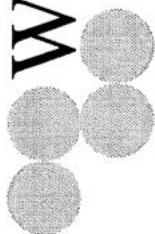
One story that has come to hand is the little boy that salvaged an old Coca Cola can, punched a hole in the bottom, tied on a piece of string and was dragging it along the road as his toy, makes the project worthwhile, don't you think.

Kevin Cass
Public Relations Officer

Trivia Answers

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| 1 | The Battle of Little Big Horn | 8 | 16-24 July 1969 | 15 | As soon as possible |
| 2 | Judy | 9 | Love Me Tender | 16 | White |
| 3 | Barney and Betty Rubble | 10 | George Jetson | 17 | Five points |
| 4 | Roger Smith | 11 | Thurston Howell III | 18 | Alexander Downer |
| 5 | Bob Hatfield | 12 | James Arness | 19 | Lisbon |
| 6 | John Quinney | 13 | Larry Wilcox and Eric Estrada | 20 | Paris, France |
| 7 | Wooden Heart | 14 | Allen Jones | | |

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Clifton Springs Primary School

The Life Education Van visited our school in February. All the students attended sessions where they were provided with drug awareness education and learned about their body. The students found the sessions informative and enjoyable.

On the 16th of February 56W went to the Life Ed. Van. We learnt about making choices and saying no to drugs and smoking. The best thing was when we went into groups and we had a choice of which activity we went to. There was a movie, a rock concert and a political meeting. It was fun for the Grade 5 and 6.
Paige and Natasha 56W

On Friday in February 3-4A went to the Life Education Van to learn about feelings, what's good

and what's not good for your body and about drugs and bullies. We saw pictures of Harold the giraffe and we also saw him. We learnt how good things and bad things go through our body. We learnt about different food groups. We helped Harold figure out his problems. It was good fun.

Karlee, Tash & Cassie 3-4A

In the last couple of weeks children from C.S.P.S. have been going to the Life Education Van. Classes 3 & 4 learnt about drugs and feelings. A fact is that if you take pain killers it cuts your pain messages from your brain. Too much alcohol makes your messages go extremely fast. Cigarettes have a bit of tar and a drug (nicotine) in it that makes you addicted to them. Things like soft drinks and coffee have a drug in it (caffeine) that



makes you alert and active. We also learnt about healthy foods. Everyone enjoyed it.

Gemma & Jade 3-4A

I learnt what the heart and the brain can do. The heart helps you breathe and the brain helps you think. They are the important things in your body.

Chelsea PID

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Members of the 'Jongleurs' and 'B.J.'s' will present 'Alice' in August 2005.

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Director: Stacey Carmicheal
Musical Director: Lorraine Hall
Choreographers: Erinn Carter and Stacey Carmicheal

Show Dates: 12th, 13th and 14th August @ 7:30pm
The Potato Shed, Drysdale

BLACKROCK

Written by Nick Enright

Members of the newly named company 'Blunt Productions' will present 'Blackrock' in May 2005.

It's Toby Ackland's birthday down near the surf club - and that should mean heaps of grog, drugs and good

clean fun. But by morning a young girl is dead - she's been raped by three boys and bashed with a rock.

Who is responsible? The boys? The girls? Or the whole town?

An intimate and strongly shaped drama which examines the social forces behind the impulse to violence in individual lives.

Director: Stacey Baldwin

Producer: Jacquie Hall

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SPORTS REPORT

Race for Captaincy Hots Up.

The search for a new senior captain for the Drysdale Football Club is on in earnest as the 2005 season rapidly approaches.

Grant Foot stepped aside at the end of last season after seven years in the top job, a truly outstanding achievement. He will continue playing with the club and his experience and support will be invaluable to whoever takes over the reins this year.

The likely replacement looks to be one of three, Simon Nelis, Justin Higgins, or Glenn Smethurst. All are highly talented players and dedicated clubmen and the time is right for them to now step up and provide the leadership the young Hawk list desperately needs. No matter who gets the nod, these three players will be pivotal to Drysdales' fortunes this year.

There are however a couple of roughies with outside chances to claim the coveted skippers position. Reece Holwell is an outstanding young player whose dedication and fitness on the training track this season has impressed everyone. He is fearless and inspirational on the ground but, at 21, may still not be quite ready for the top job just yet.

At the other end of the scale is veteran Peter Preece. He has the utmost respect of all players and supporters, and the captaincy would be a fitting reward for years of uncompromising service. However injuries have taken their toll in recent years which could count against him, but he is overdue for a change of luck.

With the club going through a transitional phase and so many young promising players on the list, the decision on the captaincy is a

vital one. I'm sure Brian and the match committee will make the right choice, and everyone wishes the successful candidate the best of luck.

In other news, the club is going ahead in leaps and bounds with the new lights finally going up around the ground further enhancing Drysdales' facilities as the best in the region, bar none. The search is also on for a second venue for training and junior matches. The club currently has 350 players in all grades, plus 200 Auskick kids, sharing one ground with the cricket club and local schools. With that workload it is a matter of when, not if, the ground surface will seriously deteriorate. So lets hope the council realise the gravity of the situation and act accordingly.

Good luck to everyone and let's make 2005 a fantastic year for Drysdale. Go Hawks!

Diamond polishes for the big move

Drysdale's own sports journalist Brent Diamond is moving up the ranks and will make his mark with the Australian Football League this month. This month we say 'Goodbye' and 'Good luck' to one of our most aspiring jewels on the Bellarine Peninsula.

Persistence means everything to Drysdale's sports writing guru Brent Diamond. This month he is set to begin working at the AFL after months of pursuing a career in the phenomenally competitive journalism industry.

Diamond will take on a similar role that he took with the Hawthorn Football Club and will report for the Official AFL website - afl.com.au and its official magazines. The difference being he will be working in a more professional role and

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a bigger pay packet to go with it. He will be working alongside Samantha Lane from Channel Ten's witty football show 'Before the Game' and senior football journalist Paul Gough in a talented line-up of football journalists from around the country. Diamond will also be a roving football reporter on Melbourne's own sports radio station SEN1116.

Only six football reporters are employed full-time by the AFL throughout Victoria with a few part-time reporters interstate.

It has been a long journey for Diamond who has had to deal with continuous knock-backs from several prospective journalism employers throughout his budding journalism career.

13 in fact, but he believes he is a far better person after going through a period of uncertainty about whether a change of careers could be easier.

"It really does destroy you when you get your heart set on something and it doesn't come true. You get told all the time that you're a huge chance and so on but until you've signed the dotted lines, you're by no means over the line. Journalism is so competitive out there, it's hard enough to get any job let alone a job in the journalism world. You just learn to deal with each and every knock-back as if it's just a normal thing...I'm just grateful the AFL has given me an opportunity and I'm willing to grab it with both hands because in the end it's probably the job of my dreams," Diamond said.

Although he is nestled into the AFL for at least this season, Diamond plans to travel in the future and expand his journalism repertoire. The Daily Telegraph, The Guardian and The New York Times are just some of the daily newspapers he wishes to pursue.

That might sound unrealistic, but Diamond aims high and puts great demand and pressure on himself to get to the highest level. That's why he can't be underestimated.

"I've always wanted to become a journalist and a good one as well. Sometimes it's not just about how smart you are or how keen you are. It's about making the most of your opportunities, making the most of your contacts and persisting to the very end," he said.

Very few 21-year-olds manage to break into a top-lined job directly after completing a Bachelor of Arts majoring in journalism. But the self-confessed sports fanatic has worked tirelessly to reel his name out through newspapers, magazines, radio and even television around the country. The Geelong Advertiser, The BFL Record, Geelong RPH radio, HawkTalk and the HawkTalk Yearbook, The AFL Record, Fox Footy Channel, Channel 31, Sport 927 and of course the SpringDale Messenger - have all had snippets of Diamond's work throughout the past three years.

He will leave the Hawthorn Football Club after three seasons of tireless work in the communication department and in the

coming weeks will depart from his casual work at Safeway Drysdale after more than four years. That maybe in some ways disappointing for the passionate Hawks life member, but he will be highly-exposed to his biggest passion of all which is to cover the biggest football stories in arguably the greatest game of all.

** Look out for Brent Diamond's exclusive weekly column in the Bellarine Football League Record in 2005 and don't forget to log on to afl.com.au and also buy a copy of the AFL Record. And don't miss the brand new computer game 'AFL Live 2006' exclusive to Sony Playstation 2. AFL Live 2006 will take advantage of a new PlayStation 2 technology called DigiMask, allowing gamers to take a picture of their face with an EyeToy camera and then have it inserted in to the game as a 3D model. For those who have dreamed of lining up for a grand final amongst the greats, this is their chance. On sale in Winter this year.*

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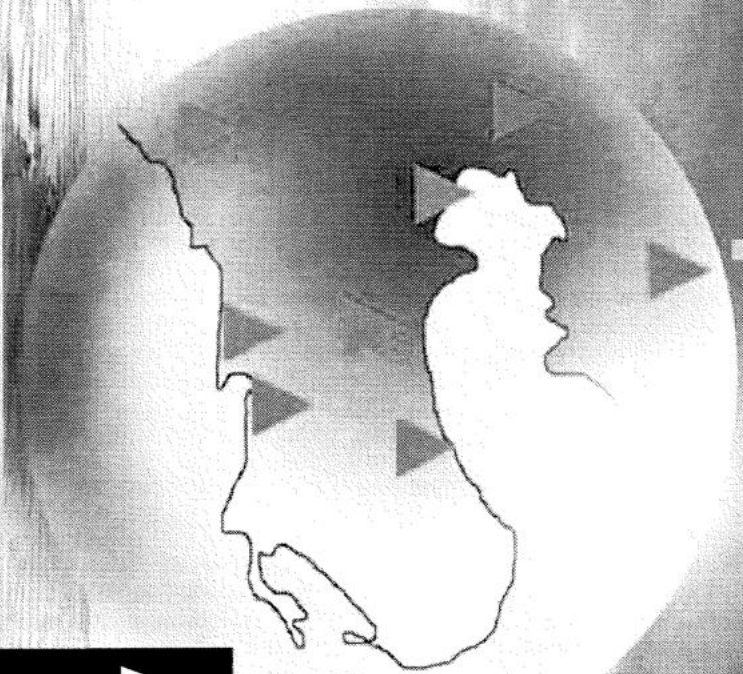
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