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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.

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| April | 30 | Portarlington / Queenscliff Market |
| May | 4 | Jigsaw Club at SpringDale |
| | 4 | Neighbourhood Watch Meeting at SpringDale , 6pm for a sausage sizzle |
| | 8-14 | Volunteers Week and Neighbourhood House Week – contact SpringDale for details on special activities |
| | 8 | Adrian Mannix OAM Community Services Award Dinner at Portarlington Golf Club tickets available from SpringDale |
| | 14 | MothersDay |
| | 15 | Clifton Springs / Drysdale Garden Club, Drysdale Uniting Church Hall at 7.30pm topic – Irises |
| | 16 | Senior Citizens trip to Castlemaine |
| | 21 | Drysdale Market |
| | 22-27 | Library Week |
| | 23 | Business Breakfast at SpringDale 7am |
| | 26 | Drysdale Day View Club – Clifton Springs Golf Club – 10.30am |
| | 26 | Library Week special session at Drysdale – Author Sandra Lynn Evans – “A step in the write direction” |
| | 28 | Portarlington / Queenscliff Market |
| | 30 | “Living well with Diabetes” – Bellarine Community Health Drysdale – 1.30pm – 4pm |
| June | 3 | Fleetwood Mac Tribute Show Clifton Springs Golf Club |
| | 10-12 | National Celtic Festival – Portarlington |
| | 16 | Term 2 finishes |
| | 19 | Clifton Springs / Drysdale Garden Club, Drysdale Unitin Church Hall at 7.30pm Speaker- Graham Franklin – Swan Bay Nursery |
| July | 3 | Back to school for term 3. |
| | 5 - 8 | Peninsula Players production “Rachel” |

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NEWS FROM SPRINGDALE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Welcome everyone to the May edition of the SpringDale Messenger,

It is busy at SpringDale. Most of the time we have classes and groups meeting from 9am to 10pm. The construction that took place at SpringDale last year has made such a difference and it is so much easier now that it has finished. We are now looking ahead to disruptions later in the year, when the inside of the hall is painted and hopefully we update the hall kitchen.

We are about to increase a partnership with Geelong Adult Training and Education (GATE) with the delivery of a 20 week Aged Care Certificate 3 course. This is very exciting. So many of the people, who will be attending the course, are pleased not to have to venture to Geelong to upgrade their skills in this way.

Although it took a long lead time to get this course going and then we needed enough people to sign up – not all suggestions take so long – Life Drawing, which I mentioned last issue is about to begin. An ebaY sellers course and a course about getting started buying on ebaY are both now being offered. The first ebaY sellers course ran yesterday and people left ready to try to sell anything not nailed down !! What will be next ?

We are working closely with the Portarlington / Drysdale Lions Club and the Drysdale Rotary Club again organizing the Adrian Mannix OAM Community Service Awards. All is coming together well. We have 6 nominations and Lisa Neville has agreed to present the award this year. We expect 150 people to attend the award dinner at the Portarlington Golf Club on Monday 8th May. Tickets are available from SpringDale at \$25 a ticket. This will be our 5th award dinner and it should be a great night for all members of our

community as we celebrate the selfless efforts of our local residents.

The first very successful Business Network breakfast was held on Tuesday 28th February – a few great contacts were made - and it was decided to hold these breakfasts every 3 months. Our next will be on Tuesday 23rd May at 7am at SpringDale. All business people are encouraged to attend – last time we had 50 people – this time we're hoping for 100 or more. We'd love a few businesses to showcase themselves on the morning. Please book in at SpringDale for the breakfast if you'd like to showcase your business.

Another new partnership that is just beginning is one between SpringDale and Migun - come and try a Thermal Massage System bed at SpringDale – this is a new innovation from America. A local family is establishing a business and we have been asked to provide a facility for people to be able to trial this product. Please ring SpringDale to book in for a half hour trial – it's supposed to be as good for you as a half hour walk.

Belly Dancing group has had a couple of trial starts and will commence in full flight on Tuesday nights at 7.30 pm - please call SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre and register your interest - we definitely need contact details to be able to contact people. The start up period for a new group is always quite tricky and the group leader is a volunteer and needs your full support to get this concept going. Costs will be \$2.00 to become a member of SpringDale and \$2.00 per evening. This is a group for people who have been to a least one term of Belly Dancing classes and would like to practise with a group of like minded people.

Our newest group that is just about to start is the life drawing group Please

contact SpringDale to let us know your details and we'll keep you informed about the group details. Thanks to Nan Bodsworth for suggesting and organising this.

The SpringDale Website is being updated regularly and is looking terrific thanks to Maureen Foulkes, Barrie Hesketh and Joy Teague. Please keep up to date with events and happenings at SpringDale via our website www.springdale.org.au. Please feel free to comment on the website to allow us to improve it.

I'd also like to bring your attention to the Neighbourhood Watch Meeting that will take place at SpringDale on Thursday 4th May at 6pm - a couple of people have put a great deal of effort into trying to get a Neighbourhood Watch area going in Drysdale - we need 15 key people to take on Committee etc positions and we need people to support the concept. Please ring SpringDale to register your interest. The proposed boundaries for the Drysdale Neighbourhood Watch area include Bayshore Ave to Jetty Road to Andersons Road to Clarendon Street and Whitcombes Road. This is an enormous area with lots of new and established homes. We are looking forward to at least 15 people coming forward to

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NEWS FROM SPRINGDALE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE cont.

take this concept to the next level. The Drysdale Guides will be providing a sausage sizzle to encourage a few more people to come along. I'll be there - I hope you will be too.

Volunteers week is coming up quickly. It runs from Monday 8th May to Sunday 14th May – this is the time of the year when we should take the time to thank all the people around us for the extra efforts they invest to make our lives better. The people who volunteer to supervise reading at school, our CFA volunteers, the people who help with food banks, our Scout and Guide and other Youth Group Leaders, the President, Secretary and Treasurer and Committee Members of all the not-for-profit groups and clubs that we belong to, the School Councils, the Kindergarten and Playgroup Committees, all the sporting coaches all the parents who help on rosters, the people who deliver Meals on Wheels, the people who visit house bound people the list goes on and on. At SpringDale there are a few special volunteers who give so much to our community and make SpringDale

such a special place - the people who lead self help groups, the people who provide Tax help and Legal help and all our Committee and all our very special volunteers in the office.

Extra special thanks to Leanne Lamond, who shared her skills and most valuable time with us for 3 years. Leanne was a great support to SpringDale and me personally over the last 2 years - sincere thanks - you are sadly missed.

SpringDale is currently restructuring the office to enable us to provide an even better service to our community. Many people are investing a great deal of time in this and I would like to especially thank Joy, Karolee, Corrie, Pam, for the roles they are playing. Almost everyone at SpringDale is a volunteer and we do enjoy servicing the community with all our skills and talents and I thank them for all their efforts.

If you haven't made it into SpringDale yet - please come and have a look - I hope I'll get to meet you and welcome you into our very special community asset. (You might even like to buy a

Pedometer, some East Timor coffee or a broach to hold your glasses – or even get a gift voucher to go towards a course – all of these might be ideas for Mothers Day or a birthday that's crept up too fast.)

Unfortunately we are experiencing some difficulties in getting the SpringDale Messenger to all homes. Joyleen and her team did a great job of trying to make sure everyone received the Messenger. We have been using Swift Advertising to deliver the Messenger for approximately 6 months and they have certain "sparsely populated" areas that they don't yet deliver to. If you are in one of these areas you might like to subscribe to the Messenger and have it posted to you for \$20 a year or you might pick up a few for yourself and your neighbour and take them home or you might ring Swift in Moolap and convince them that your street is worth delivering to (we've tried).

Yours sincerely
Anne Brackley
Coordinator SpringDale
Neighbourhood Centre

Peninsula players inc.

Auditions for the July production are being held and rehearsals begin immediately after Easter. For information phone 5251 2431. The play "Rachel" by Ken Cotterill (Australian) is a mystery and will be performed at the SpringDale Community Hall, from Wednesday 5th to Saturday 8th July, 8.00 pm sharp. Price still only \$12.00. We look forward to greeting our loyal audiences again to another great Peninsula Players production.

Rhena King, Publicity



Library Line


There are a lot of things happening at Geelong Regional Libraries this year. Please watch our notice boards, ask for a copy of Connections, or visit us on www.geelonglibraries.vic.gov.au.

Drysdale Branch is "calling all writers" to help celebrate Library Week, 22-27 May. Author and editor Sandra Lynn Evans will present "A step in the write direction".

This will be an excellent opportunity to take advantage of Sandra Lynn's skills and knowledge and to be inspired by her "999" ideas. This free session will be held on Fri 26 May at 10.00am and will fill fast so please ring the Branch on 52513855 to book your place. You will be most welcome.

For our younger readers the theme for the Holiday session in June will be Stars and Planets. It looks like being a fun session learning about our galaxy and creating some mobiles to hang in the junior reading area.

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Neighbourhood Watch - Drysdale



Hello, let me introduce myself I am Senior Constable Andrew KING. I am the Region 2 Division 2 Police Divisional Co-ordinator for the Neighbourhood Watch program. Our Division has an extremely strong program with many areas now experiencing renewed enthusiasm and increased numbers. Of course Neighbourhood Watch is a community based crime prevention program that is supported by the Victoria Police and not run by us. Having said that it means that you the community must have the desire to have the program running in your area and reaping the benefits of that and be prepared to support it by being actively involved in it and having a say as to your quality of life.

It has long been recognised that traditional forms of policing on their own are insufficient in continuing to reduce crime. Without active involvement from the public, the police force cannot be expected to control the crime problem on its own. Through a willingness to work together, and with their local police, residents can reduce crime in their area and improve their quality of

life. Isn't that something that's important to us all?

It is my belief that through publicity of the program and enthusiasm generated by Neighbourhood Watch representatives, residents can be enlisted to provide maximum support to the philosophy and operation of their Neighbourhood watch area. For Neighbourhood Watch to function successfully, an element of community spirit amongst neighbours must be developed. I firmly believe that the cheapest and best security device we have is friendly, co-operative, concerned neighbours. Through this bonding residents will earn the right to display Neighbourhood Watch signage and will profit from the improved quality of life.

A public meeting will be held on Thursday the 4th May at 6.00 pm at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre to both gauge the community of Drysdale's interest in the program and to launch the program in the area. I will be in attendance along with members of the local Police. Of course members of your local Community Association will also be there as they have been

the driving force in attempting to establish this program in your area and have it as successful as other areas are on the Bellarine Peninsula. Local Councillors and Members of Parliament will also be invited to attend and support this initiative.

This is your opportunity to be able to have your say in issues that directly affect you, your families your homes and property and your standard of life. If you do not make the effort to attend the public meeting then the program will not run in your area it is that simple. Take this opportunity to come along and find out more about the program, ask question and establish Neighbourhood Watch in the Drysdale area. Come and meet your neighbours on the night, talk with police and your local politicians etc and find out how you can play a part in making Drysdale a safer and better place to live.

I look forward to seeing you on the 4th May.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - CREATING SAFER COMMUNITIES

Drysdale Senior Citixens club

Now we are into the lovely Autumn weather we thought we might have a trip. We did put details of the trip in the last edition but we must now apologise for an alteration to the date it will now be on the 16th May and not the 9th May. The bus will leave the Retirement Village in Collins St. at 8.30am. The cost of the trip is \$21.00 for the bus and bring your own lunch or \$33.50 which includes a two course lunch. The trip also includes a guided tour of Castlemaine and a visit to the Chocolate factory, so we might get a few samples. Everyone is welcome to come, bring a friend, we need to get

forty people to fill the bus, so come along we always have a good time.

We still have Bingo every first Monday of the month and our trading table. We don't have big prizes but it's fun. Now and again we give a chocolate to anyone waiting for one number. Come up and have a go. We start at 1.15pm. and we have afternoon tea.

Any man who likes snooker come up and see us, we have a lovely snooker table. If you can't play someone will show you how, it's only a friendly game, you can come up and watch and see what goes on.

We are willing to teach you indoor bowls, snooker, cards and craft. We are lucky to have such a great club in Drysdale. Just pop in any time and say hello.

We have a few sick members and we like to let them know we are thinking of them and hope it won't be long before they are back with us. Best wishes to you all.

President: Esther Lornie

Secretary: Mary Hose.

Portarlington Pre-School is now taking enrolments for the **Pre-school (four year old) Group** and **Pre-Kinder Group** for 2007.

For the Pre-school group, the child must have turned 4yo by April 30, 2007 and for the Pre-kinder group, the child must turn 3yo by the beginning of Term 1, 2007.

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As the BPR approaches the end of the financial year, we can reflect on a job well done by our small but dedicated team of volunteers. Our charter numbers have increased dramatically in addition to the numbers being carried on the 'Seaside Explorer' mid week services. Steam loco No 4 (Arthur the Tank Engine) pretty much carried the load alone all year, with 2 additional engines returning to service as this article went to press.

As great as the number of passengers and extra trains running around has been, escalating costs still mean that the BPR needs funds for capital works such as track rebuilding. This is an area where YOU or your LOCAL BUSINESS can 'get on board'. The BPR would be happy to discuss any sponsorship ideas. This can be small projects such as painting an item of rolling stock or sponsoring a loco-

comotive rebuild. The BPR carries around 30,000 passengers a year, and that means good exposure for any potential sponsors. Contact us at kpkenney@iprimus.com.au if you can help.

2005/6 also saw BPR introduce further services such as evening dinner trains & we hosted the Rail Trail Family Day, raised money for the Royal Childrens Hospital Good Friday Appeal & held several 'Trains N Kids Fun Days' where children were taken for rides in loco cabs & were 'shunted' around the yard in goods wagons!

The Blues Train made many extra runs & our childrens party trains continued to delight.

As this year ends, we look forward to further growth and new projects. But we can't do it all without YOU.

We are always looking for help, if you like working with your hands in any way or simply like dealing with the public, particularly children then the BPR has a job for you. Call us here anytime to discuss what you would like to do. Remember, all training is provided so don't be shy!

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Adrian Mannix OAM Community Service Award - Introducing the finalists for 2006

Mr. Lex Mortimer

Lex has lived in Drysdale for the last 56 years. Lex was President of Drysdale Bowling Club for 8 years, President Geelong and District Bowls Association, and Councillor for Bellarine Rural City Council. Lex is a Life Member of the Drysdale Bowling Club and a driving force behind the new Bowling Club building. Lex built a tennis court on his property so that the young people in Drysdale could participate in the Geelong Churches Tennis League.

Lex was involved at the Geelong Show for 26 years to help with fundraising for the Drysdale Community Health Centre and a volunteer driver for the Drysdale Guides.

Mrs. Gwenda Wilkinson

Gwenda's most significant contribution has been with the Portarlington Community Association Inc. when appointed Secretary in 2001 and President in 2005. Her commitment to the Association started in 1999 when she organized a successful "Back to Portarlington" celebration. Since then she has shown leadership with other events including "The William Buckley Association", and "Biggest Afternoon Tea". Currently Gwenda is a member of the Committee establishing the Bellarine Police Seniors Register. She delivers

copies of the Port Report (local free paper) to the town.

Mr. Ron West

Ron has been a volunteer for the Guide Dogs Association since 1985 and Chairman of Portarlington Community Association for 6 years. Ron joined the National Trust in 1989 and was a Committee Member of Portarlington Mill property and Treasurer from 1993-1997, Vice-Chairman and Volunteer Co-ordinator 1996-1998, Property Manager 1998 onwards and Volunteer Co-ordinator 2002-2006. Ron was an inaugural member of Portarlington Neighbourhood Watch, collects and submits 'Town by Town' entries to the Echo weekly, is a member of the Local Advisory Committee for the Bellarine Health Centre and a volunteer driver for the Adult Day Activities Program at Portarlington.

Mrs. Judith Robertson

Judith has been Director/Teacher of the Drysdale Pre-School since 2003 and has lived on the Bellarine Peninsula since the mid seventies. Judith works tirelessly for the children and families in her care and puts in many extra hours outside of her allocated working time. Judith patiently put together a "Tempt me with Treats Cookbook", comprising a collection of recipes from the Pre-School family favourites. Judith is an advocate of taking her

students out into the community to enhance their awareness about their place in the community.

Mrs. Norma Joan Mortimer

Born and lived in Drysdale for more than 70 years and an active member of the community for more than 50 years. Norma's achievements include Treasurer Drysdale Tennis Club, Treasurer Drysdale Bowling Club, Treasurer Inaugural Drysdale Kindergarten Committee, Treasurer Drysdale Netball Club for 21 years, Treasurer Drysdale Bush Nursing Centre, Committee Member Drysdale Community Health and Bellarine Community Health, Board Member Bellarine Community Health. Norma was involved with the Geelong Show for 26 years to help raise money for the new Community Health Building and provided some local families with much needed financial management.

Mr. Fred Cook

Fred has been involved with the Bellarine Rail Trail since the beginning in 2001 and held various positions including Greater Geelong City Council Advisory Committee Friends Representatives since 2004, Friends Of The Bellarine Rail Trail Representative on the Swan Bay Integrated Catchment Management Committee, Friends Of The Bellarine Rail Trail Works Co-ordinator. Fred is involved in identifying trail areas, organizing tree plantings and plant propagations and is developing a community asset called "Friends Park" at Curlewis and has planted an "Avenue of Honor" for the Ocean Grove RSL, in memory of those veterans who did not return.

Good talkers required

Geelong Legacy President Brian Wrigley said today Geelong senior school students were encouraged to enter the 2006 annual Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award competition.

Geelong Sacred Heart College student, Sophie Katos, was the winner of the national competition award in 2004 and Brian Wrigley said he would be delighted to again see a Geelong student top the National finals, to be held in Hobart, Tasmania, where students from Australian schools compete for the prestigious award.

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1. Netball facility – tenders closed and successful builder will shortly be announced. Commencement of work and completion dates are yet to be finalized. Details are available at the Drysdale Reserve clubrooms and shortly at the Drysdale Customer Service Centre.

Allowance is being made for two additional courts at the western end of the present courts with construction subject to availability of finance in the forthcoming 2006 / 7 Budget.

2. Football – design for upgrade to the existing kitchen & bar facilities are completed – plans and specifications are planned to be issued within the next two months. The Drysdale Primary school oval will be ready for limited use just after Easter - fully operational subject to installation of power and lighting.

Change facilities still in discussion with Football club and the School Committee.

3. Cricket – shade covers are underway.

4. Market space – final landscape details has the area fully grassed and fenced for soccer / little athletics / football and general outdoor activities when not required for the Sunday markets. The damage caused by irresponsibly driven vehicles to this area continues to be of major concern and the current proposal precludes vehicle access both to / from Wyndham Street with timber bollards surrounding the area for additional protection.

5. Future sporting facilities – the various needs have been flagged and will be part of the next development stage on completion of the above projects.

McLeod's Waterholes - environmental restoration works

Willow removal works along parts of the southern and eastern shoreline of the upper lake within this reserve have commenced for one or two days with the removal of approximately 6-8 trees.

Over the last four years, there has been selective removal of exotic trees

around the edge of the two waterbodies with particular focus on willows that are a serious environmental weed along waterways. Only small sections are removed at any time leaving habitat for birds and other fauna but opening up enough space to enable the appropriate revegetation works to be undertaken. It is not planned to remove all the willows in one go, in fact the program will take many years to complete and is dependent upon low water levels as at present.

As part of these works, the active revegetation with a range of local indigenous species including River Red gums, Swamp gums, Manna gums, Blackwoods and other Acacia species is well established and, as the upper lake is a popular area for the rare Blue-billed duck, this year's program will incorporate plant species that are the preferred species of this bird.

Finally, this years revegetation works will commence in late autumn and include 60 trees of varying species, 55 shrubs and over 200 riparian (lake edge) plants. The work will be undertaken with the Geelong Field Naturalists Club to monitor waterfowl numbers each year and track changes during the transition from dominance by exotic vegetation to local indigenous species.

Should you have any queries regarding this program please contact Bruce Humphries, Senior Environmental Planner on 52270 837

Clifton Springs Boat Harbour & Foreshore Development programs

The Clifton Springs Foreshore Landscape Master Plan, adopted in 1997, must now be reviewed as a part of the statutory requirement. The Dell comes within the scope of this project with future access options to be considered and implemented subject to Budget approval.

This review is shortly to commence with invitations to past members of the Advisory committee, the Drysdale / Clifton Springs Community Association, resident groups and other community members to participate. In the meantime, and as a follow-on from the recent meetings, regular pre-review discussions are planned to be held at the Clifton Springs Golf Club commencing just after the Easter break – further details to be advised via the Customer Service Center and local newspapers.

School crossings and road safety issues

Crimea Street school crossing – centre of the road refuge design submitted to VicRoads for approval / slight amendment required but on schedule for completion this April.

Anderson Road / Peninsula Drive school crossing - discussions now with the schools and anticipate the crossing will be in place towards June.

Princess Street – footpath extension along western side to be listed for future work and larger give way signage to be installed on the northern approach to the rail crossing.

Drysdale Village – traffic counts as part of a traffic impact study to be undertaken this month.

Hancock Street – pedestrian crossing on hold pending further discussions with traders.

Jetty Road

Shoulder widening works now completed from Ada Street, adjacent to the Primary School, through to Portarlington Road.

Other projects scheduled for this year are as follows –

a) Construction of the drop structure destroyed in the floods this time last year.

b) Drainage work at the Wyndham Street intersection along with the road widening.

c) Indented parking option at shops north of Pinaroo Ave. – under review for May 2006.

Peninsula / Public Transportation

Discussions continue between Department of Infrastructure, CoGG Engineering, G 21 / Transportation Study team, and bus operators to provide an improved standard of service, involving bus shelters, timetabling to and from Geelong and also across the Peninsula, and drop-off and collection points within Geelong.

The review of the Bellarine bus shelters involving size, locations and design is starting to take shape in conjunction with the local secondary Colleges and Ms Louise Mathews, Co-ordinator / It's Your Move program.

YOUR LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

Environment & Waste Management

The first on-site education / information project relating to roadside reserves for local residents was held in Princess Street earlier last month and followed-up with a further meeting last Friday. The project covered interpretation of signage, evaluation of remnant vegetation, approval for work practices, role of Catchment and Land Protection Act, responsibility for vermin and weeds, and general advice and contacts.

The State Government has just released Round 8 of Envirofund and have stipulated that one of the areas of trust

investment is “providing landholders, community groups and other natural resource managers with understanding and skills to contribute to biodiversity conservation and sustainable natural resource management”

If you feel that there could be the opportunity to establish a “Friends of Princess St” Group or similar groups, applications for funding to assist with Roadside Management and also cover pest animal and plant control, revegetation, stock proof fencing of biodiversity sites etc., can be made - for further information and assistance please call Environment Officer Claire Davison on 52270 897

Events and Grants

Bellarine Safe Harbour – Information sessions

Parks Victoria recently hosted two public sessions on the outcome of the recently completed feasibility study into the development of a safe harbour on the Bellarine at St Andrews Uniting Church, Portarlington.

Community Arts Grants and Community Festival Grants

Application forms available from Customer Service Centre and submissions cut-off on April 10 2006.

Cr. Tom O’Connor -

CoGG / Coryule Ward

Commonwealth Games 2006

The excitement of the Games is over but I’m sure many of you will have happy memories of the sporting and cultural events that were part of it all.

After all the build up, the Queens Baton Relay certainly lived up to expectations. It was great to cheer on the community runners and to share the fun with so many of you.

Clifton Springs Primary School really got into the spirit of the Games, linking in with the Welsh Team. The Welsh Team Manager visited the school prior to the Games and was treated to a real Aussie lunch, with lamingtons and pavlova to top it off. Special congratulations to Grade 4 student Karlee Boons who created terrific artwork that appeared on the back of the Australian flags carried by the Welsh athletes during the opening ceremony.

The Games have been a tremendous success and I have enjoyed attending various events with my family, including the athletics and gymnastics – having secured tickets through the ballot. Sam and I went to the basketball and the atmosphere in the Arena was very exciting with the Australian Opals winning comprehensively, cheered on by the enthusiastic crowd in this magnificent local venue.

The feedback that I’ve received about the Games has been generally very positive, with particular praise for the volunteers. Congratulations and thanks to our local volunteers who

made such a wonderful contribution to the success of the Games:

Commonwealth Games Volunteers from Drysdale:

Geoff Zanker, Jan Williams and Lee Foyster.

Commonwealth Games Volunteers from Clifton Springs:

Di Wheeler, Cassandra Watkins, Ernie Elliott, Jane McDonald, Kerry Elliott, Peter Metcalf, Graham Sewart, Suzanne Giles, Donna Hopgood, Tarlee-Ann Thurman, Jack Lindgren, Wal Penberthy, Fran Penberthy and Jennie Brown.

I hope those of you who attended, and those who were involved as volunteers all had a wonderful time.

Clifton Springs Boat Harbour

Parliament has been sitting again and I raised in the House the issue of the Harbour with the Minister for State & Regional Development, John Brumby.

As many of you are aware, there are still some unfinished components of the harbour development, for example, the need for BBQ facilities, seating and the sealing of the access road.

I had organised a meeting with the City of Greater Geelong and senior staff from the Department of Regional Development to talk about resources and funding for the next stage. Council have now put in an application and I called on the Minister to support the application to enable Stage 2 of the

redevelopment to go ahead.

Women's Community Leadership Grants

I’m pleased to be able to report that this terrific grants program has been announced, as part of the Bracks Government’s celebration of International Women’s Day.

The grants are available to all Victorian women with amounts of up to \$5,000 awarded to organisations or groups and up to \$2,000 to individual women. Categories include Rural & Regional Women, Women’s Health & Wellbeing, and Education, Work & Economic Independence, as well as a general category.

This is a great opportunity for women to develop their leadership skills and help other women in the community. I encourage women to apply if they have a good idea for building their skills.

For further information call Information Victoria on 1300 366 356 (local call cost only), visit www.grants.dvc.vic.gov.au, or contact my office on 5248 3462.

As always, please don’t hesitate to contact me if there are any issues I may be able to assist you with.

Until next time

Lisa Neville MP

Member for Bellarine.

5248 3462

Goodbye Bunyip!



Another Bunyip Festival has been and gone and the friendly Bunyip has reluctantly returned to its slimy lake for another year! On Saturday 1st of April Drysdale Primary and Clifton Springs celebrated the Bunyip Festival. Although dark clouds were threatening throughout the day, the festival was still a huge success and continues to be an important fund raising event for each school.

It was great to see the whole community enjoying a family day out at the

festival. All staff members should be congratulated on the success of the day, however it would not be possible without so much involvement and support from lots of parents. The entire staff at Drysdale Primary School would like to thank Anne Brackley for her outstanding organisational skills in putting the festival together.

Also a special thank you to Gary Vaughan who was our school co-ordinator for the festival this year. Gary also organised the "Battle of the Bands" which proved to be a popular addition to the Bunyip Festival. There were 6 bands that battled it out for the title, unfortunately there could only be one winner and they were 'Lost Order'. It was also a great way to close the Bunyip Festival and finish it on a high.

Another great feature to the Bunyip Festival this year was the reptile centre. The children thoroughly enjoyed being given the opportunity to hold and inter-

act with these fascinating creatures.

This term the children have also enjoyed the return of their oval. The oval has now got thick green grass for the children to play happily on.

Danielle Thompson

(Drysdale Primary School)



Tax help in Drysdale

Tax help was offered at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre for the first time last year, and, with close to fifty people making use of it, obviously provided a valuable service to the community at large. We now need more local volunteers so that we can further expand the service we provide.

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Fulfilling tax obligations is seen as a difficult task by many people. Recognising this, the Australian Tax Office has developed an Australia wide program titled Tax Help. It is operated by volunteers from all walks of life who undertake training provided by the Tax Office and who must pass an accreditation test in order to participate in the program. In my experience, if you completed your own tax return for individuals last year, then with the training provided by the Tax Office, you would be quite capable of being a Tax Help volunteer this year.

The essential minimum requirements the Tax Office looks for are:-

Over 18 years of age

Ability to complete the accreditation test and achieve the required pass mark.

Superior interpersonal and communication skills and the capacity to work with people from diverse backgrounds and cultures.

A high level of maturity, honesty, discretion and professionalism, and

A willingness to work within the guidelines of the program and adapt to change.

Don't be put off by all that! It is simply governmentspeak for "are you a reasonably mature and sensible person who likes meeting and helping other people?" If you are and would like to know a bit more about participating as a volunteer in Tax Help this year, please give Anne Brackley your details and we will give you more information. Training of new volunteers takes three days and will commence early in June at the Tax Office in Geelong, so don't delay!

Personally, I have found my 4 years as a Tax Help volunteer very fulfilling by helping other folk.

Michel Le Maistre

Tax Help Volunteer

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From the garden gate

Successful Games athletes got one and so the Queen wanted to have one too - the colourful bunches of flowers presented during the Commonwealth Games recently. Yellow billy buttons around outside emu grass, gerberas, spear grass and the flamingo flower all surrounding the centre of heliconia, the bouquets looked like the Eternal Flame. Whilst most material used were not Natives of Australia, all the flowers were grown in this country. One specification was that the bouquets were not to be sharp or prickly. They were very eye-catching and popular.

It seems that carnations are out of favour now. One bride in my family did not want them, or roses. I made her bouquet, cake decoration and decollete on the dress using red flowering gum blossom, lilies, alstromeria and blue pin-cushions. They looked lovely. Local Bellarine Peninsula flower arranging expert, Catherine Freemantle, sometimes uses echevera mixed in with more traditional flowers in her wedding decorations. They would keep

quite well and look good, I imagine. She has also used tiny squash, pears, berries and pomegranates in her table - decorations, all to great effect.

What to do in the Garden in May

Winter's approaching but don't let that stop you. There is much to do in the garden now. Divide hellebores and plant out lilliums for Summer. Order bare-rooted roses. Choose camellias if you think you will be able to nurture them. We gardeners mustn't lose heart, but be warned - the dry seasons will continue. Local nurseries are selling more native plants that don't require so much water.

Flowers - Still time to plant bulbs - anemones, blue bells, daffodils, freisias, grape hyacinths, jonquils, ixias, ranunculus. Tulips and hyacinths can go in now or next month. Plant seedlings of aster, Canterbury bells, cineraria, primulas, hollyhocks, snapdragons, stocks, winter-flowering pansies, wall flowers.

Vegetables - If you decide to spend the money on water, time now to plant broad beans, broccoli, cauliflower, garlic, lettuce, onions, parsley and spinach.

Have you put down plenty of straw or other mulch? Are you guarding against snails and soldier beetles?

MEETINGS.

CliftonSprings/Drysdale Garden Club. May Meeting Monday May 15th. 7.30 pm Uniting Church Hall Drysdale. **Speaker.:** Wenda Peel: Looking after Irises.

June Meeting, Monday June 19th. Speaker: Graham Franklin from Swan Bay Nursery. All Welcome - new members especially.

President - Wendy Hebbard
03 52505545

Secretary - Robyn Flett
52531009

Living well with Diabetes

BELLARINE COMMUNITY HEALTH EXTENDS AN INVITATION TO ALL OF THE COMMUNITY TO ATTEND A SESSION ON DIABETES.

WHEN: Tuesday 30th May 2006.

WHERE: Drysdale Community Health Centre/ Palmerston St, Drysdale.

TIME: 1.30PM -4PM.

Speakers will be : Diabetes Educator/ Dietitian/ Podiatrist and Pharmacist.

Afternoon tea provided and 'Lucky Door' prizes. Come and learn all the up to date information on living with diabetes. Bookings essential as numbers are limited .

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manage both at the same time! They can also be therapeutic. Been sick lately and not too keen about reading but you need something to help you in your recovery stage, then a puzzle can be the right path to go down.

For pre-schoolers they help develop rec-

ognition of shape, matching of colours, eye hand co-ordination and patience too. For students they can help in their powers of concentration and perseverance and seeing tasks through to finality with the challenge to tackle bigger and more difficult puzzles. However, for many it is sheer enjoyment in seeing something wonderful to look at on completion. Sometimes we need to just unwind from the daily grind and a jigsaw will pass the time so quickly making the former worries soon disappear.

Well, how do I make contact with SpringDale Jigsaw Library? The library may be found as you enter the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre hall, first door on the right. Currently we open only on the first Thursday each month from 10am to 12 noon. Our next opening is Thursday 4th May. Cost to borrow puzzles is 20 cents each, and you also need to be a member of Springdale for \$2.00. Morning tea and a friendly chat come free. If you wish to know a little more why not give SpringDale a call so they can put you in touch or just roll up. You will be made welcome and that's a promise!

SpringDale Scrapbooking Group

Scrapbooking Classes have been held for some years now at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. At the beginning of 2006 the Scrapbooking group began, so that in a world of rising prices our classes were reduced in price! The classes are now \$11 per session with a joining fee of \$2 (which provides you with a Membership to SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre). Our group consists of a few ladies ranging in age from 20-75 (and might I say you are never too old or too young to begin classes, we can also accommodate children, starting from Primary

age). We meet once a month, and we always look forward to welcoming newcomers to share in our passion. When you begin I run an Introductory Class to introduce you to the basics of scrapbooking. You will have the opportunity to learn tips and hints on how and where to store your photos, and then complete a page using your photos and all the techniques. You bring your photos (usually 6-8), I'll supply the rest - you will be amazed at how easy and fun a class is to do. These classes are available every month.

After the completion of an Introductory Class you can attend a class in any given month where we have new ideas to help complete your Scrapbooking projects. In the month of April we made Mothers Day cards and looked at ideas to complete Easter Celebration pages.

I hope to see you there!

Melissa Blyton

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Clifton Springs Primary School



*The Bunyip with
a crocodile from
'Roaming Reptiles'*

I had some fairy floss. I went into the gym at school.

Alex PID

The Bunyip Festival was at Clifton Springs Primary School on Saturday. I went on the big slide and I got a fairy floss too. Later it was time to go home. It was exciting.

Lucy PID

Saturday was the Bunyip Festival held at Clifton Springs. It's held once a year every year and all the proceeds get divided between Clifton Springs and Drysdale schools. There was a tent full of inflatable things like Pink Panther hammers. I bought one. We headed over to the show bags that were being sold in Miss Carlton's room. There was a Casper one, a Garfield one, a Freddo one and a Wicked Fizz one. I bought the Wicked Fizz one. We had a look around and I saw a chocolate fountain. It smelt delicious and looked yummy. I loved the Bunyip Festival.

Kate 56W

and in particular Anne Brackley and her sub-committee for their tireless organisation and co-ordination for the festival.

Saturday April 1st saw the Bunyip visit Clifton Springs Primary School for the Annual Bunyip Festival, the major fundraising event for both Clifton Springs and Drysdale Primary Schools. Despite threatening weather, we had a great turn out by people ready to enjoy the stalls, rides, bands, exhibitions, auctions and general entertainment provided by the large contingent of organisers. This event raises \$1000's of dollars for each school and we thank the school community for supporting us

From the students

On Saturday Clifton Springs Primary School & Drysdale Primary School held the Bunyip Festival for 2006 at C.S.P.S. The festival included live bands, rides like (jumping castles & slides), stalls that included cakes, show bags & bunyip calendars. There were lots of animals such as ponies, ferrets & even snakes, lizards and crocodiles. It was a nice day and we raised lots of money for both schools.

Brogan & Chantelle 56R

Do you need to update your CPR and or First Aid?

Courses are about to begin at SpringDale they are accredited – Monday evenings or Saturdays ring SpringDale to book in.

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For more information please contact Christine on 5251 1127 or Gloria on 5253 3256.

Ladies Probus club of Bellarine Inc. REG.NO. A 14696T



The March AGM went according to plan and the old Committee were replaced by the New Committee for the year 2006/2007. Some members of the previous committee have remained to finish their term on committee.

The retiring committee were each given a Rose by the President with

words of thanks for support throughout the year. I took over as President and accepted the Collar with a promise to uphold the Principals of Friendship and Fellowship and to work hard to keep members happy with the club and all its activities. Committee for 2006/07 pictured above.

We have several guest speakers planned for the year as well as some in house activity so as to try to get the members involved.

Trips this year will be shared with other clubs to get the numbers up. Last year attendances for trips were disappointing so we are hoping it will work out better this year. After 19 years the club has probably been to most events so we are looking for something new.

April Speaker will be Joan Golding a club member who will talk on the Shetland Islands.

The activity Groups continue at the homes of members. And also at the Dungeon. Venue Springs.

Members are invited to participate in these activities by giving a call to the contact person as seen in the Clubs Newsletter Sylvia continues to produce the most beautiful cards for the clubs needs of birthdays and Anniversaries, also Get Well and Bereavement.

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New priest on the Peninsula



The Rev Jonathan Sturman has recently been appointed Priest in Charge of the Anglican Parish of the Bellarine, which comprises St James' in Drysdale, St John's in Portarlington and St Paul's in St Leonards. Jonathan was born and grew up in Wollongong, NSW, where his parents and two brothers continue to live and he is married to Mary Holmes, who grew up in the Newcastle

& Hunter region of NSW. They have two daughters – Tilda 4 years and Ella 18 months- who have settled well into pre-school and kindergarten.

The family previously lived in Gresford, in the Hunter Valley, for the last four years where Jonathan was the Rector of the Parish of Gresford & Paterson, and Mary was a Tutor and Supervisor of Social Work students at

Newcastle University. Mary has also worked as a Social Worker, Sexual Assault Counsellor, and Child & Family Counsellor in various schools.

Part of Jonathan's ministry in this Parish will be to teach Religious Education at Clifton Springs Primary School, and to be regularly involved in the various Nursing Homes and Hostels in the area. He has tried to meet as many people as possible since moving here two months ago, and Mary and Jonathan's morning tea parties at the Vicarage in Collins Street have proved extremely popular ! One of their initial hopes is that more people can experience the church as being accessible and helpful in their everyday lives - at whatever stage of their spiritual journey.

The Sturman family are very excited to be living in this area, having enjoyed visiting the Bellarine for several years before taking up this position. Jonathan is already taking some surfing lessons – something he has always wanted to do! Together they greatly enjoy camping and bushwalking – and so they are confident there will be many new places to explore in the region. They are also great film and music lovers, and are keen to get to some of the many festivals and concerts which take place locally. They have made an enthusiastic start here and we wish them well.



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Clifton Springs Neighbourhood watch

The April meeting of the Clifton Springs Neighbourhood Watch groups began with an unexpected announcement. Mr Ted Chidzey, representing Geelong Central Fidelity, presented a cheque for \$200 to Coordinator Doug McKinnis. The \$200 was donated for the purchase of wool for our band of Trauma Teddy knitters. Several of the knitters were present at the meeting, and expressed their gratitude. Two large bags of Teddies and two colourful knitted rugs attested to the prolific output (and need for a constant supply of wool) of our knitters.

Larger than usual numbers were swelled further with representatives from the newly forming Drysdale Neighbourhood Watch group. Previous attempts to start additional groups in the area have failed due to lack of volunteers to take on positions of responsibility. The Drysdale group is on the way, but still looking for additional people to fill positions. The time required is only an hour or two a month and we hope to see the new Drysdale group underway very soon.

A suggestion that a winter meeting be held at the adjacent Clifton Springs Country Club was warmly received. It was agreed that the

July meeting should be held at that venue, with a very brief meeting to be followed by dinner. Details will be provided in the NHW newsletter closer to the time.

Petition for more Police in the area

Have you wanted to speak with someone at the local police station and had difficulty making contact? Many residents have expressed this concern. The Drysdale Police Station currently has one sergeant and three senior constables to cover the 16 hours that the Station is staffed each day. With annual leave and leave in lieu of public holidays, for two thirds of the year staffing levels are down to three. Add in sick leave and a requirement to fill gaps at the Ocean Grove and Geelong (both also understaffed) stations, and numbers are regularly down to two, one on each shift. Our local police do work in with the station at Portarlington. While there are obvious benefits to be gained from this, on the down side there are times when a single officer has responsibility for the whole of this end of the northern Bellarine Peninsula. Given that the officer on duty has to attend to all calls, and do the occasional patrol, it is hardly

surprising that no one answers the phone when you call.

One concerned resident, H D McKinnis, has prepared a petition requesting more police for the area. The petition is addressed to The Honorable Timmothy Holding, Police and Emergency Services Corrections Minister. It states:

We the undersigned Residents/Voters of the Drysdale/Clifton Springs Victoria community wish to express our concerns at the lack of Policing on the Bellarine Peninsula and more importantly in the immediate area of Drysdale/Clifton Springs.

Your petitioners therefore request an URGENT review and upgrade of Police numbers assigned to the Drysdale Police Station.

We point out that our Police are so undermanned that Officers are forced to work "one up" constantly and cannot rely on support from the Ocean Grove or Geelong Stations who are also seriously undermanned.

These petitions are being distributed at local stores, and at Springdale Neighbourhood Centre. Please add your signature to those of other residents who are concerned about the current policing situation in our area.



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SPORTS REPORT

The Bayside Sharks Seniors Play Their First Game



It has been 2 years since The Bayside Sharks Soccer Club was founded and this year the Sharks have formed their first senior Mens' and Womens' teams.

Players come from across the Bellarine Peninsula to play in the W.V.S.A. competition. In their first game ever, The Sharks Mens team played the Surfside Waves, in Ocean Grove. It was a game with two very different halves where The Sharks scored two goals in the first half and dominated play. Steven Wade scored first and The Sharks Coach Geoff Briggs converted a cross for the second goal.

In reply The Waves consolidated after half time dominating the offensive moves and scored twice in the second

term. The Waves could have converted for a third time except for some brilliant goal keeping from The Sharks, Alex Panagiotidis, who saved a penalty kick from the opposition. Both teams represented their clubs well and the final score of 2-2 was indicative of the days contest.

This year The Bayside Sharks Soccer Club will also enter Under 11 and Under 13 junior mixed gender teams and a team for the intellectually challenged.

All The Sharks teams are looking forward to the commencement of the home and away season in mid April. It would be great to have some local support for our club during this season. Home games will be played on the Trewin Reserve in St.Leonards and all spectators are welcome. Senior games start at 3pm and juniors play on Sunday morning.

Queenscliff and District woodworkers

Well the first quarter of the year is complete, and we have elected the new committee to lead the club for the next year.

In January we had our 14th Annual Woodworking Exhibition at the United Church Hall at Queenscliff, and for those that attended I feel sure you would have been very happy with the quality and diversification of the work from our members. Unfortunately attendance figures were down on last year due to the very hot spell of weather. Each of the 4 days was

in excess of 30 degrees, the last day being 40 degrees, so crowds stayed by their air conditioning. However because we made some administrative savings, the financial bottom line was not too bad.

In December we made 90 special toys for Noah's Ark Toy Library disabled children's Xmas party. These toys were specially made for each child to suit their disability. It was a very rewarding experience to hand these toys over, and later receive some lovely letters from their parents. This month our club will be looking at our 2006 toy program, so we can commence making toys during the winter months.

Our club would welcome any new members who have the interest in woodcraft. This invitation is also for the ladies, as we currently have a lady President, as well as other ladies enjoying what the club has to offer. We meet at the Springdale Hall on the first and third Mondays of each month commencing at 1.30 pm. If you are interested in joining us please contact one of the following:

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SPORTS REPORT

Co-coaches named for season 2006

After a long & extensive search the Drysdale Football Club has appointed Chris Taylor & Joe Mclean as co-coaches for season 2006. The club is thrilled to secure the services of such quality people & look forward to taking advantage of their vast football knowledge & experience at the highest level. Chris is well known to most Drysdale supporters after a stellar playing career earned him club & league best & fairest honours, as well as a place alongside his father & uncle in the Team of the Century. He also spent time at Essendon in the VFL under the legendary Kevin Sheedy before coaching juniors at Drysdale with great success. Joe has been assistant coach at Drysdale for the past two seasons, a role he has maintained while also playing as one of the clubs leading on-ballers. Joe's career began with premiership success at Wycheproof & Nth Ballarat before moving to Leopold in the GFL. In his short time at Drysdale he has impressed everyone with his work ethic, skill & leadership, qualities that will serve him well as senior coach. The new coaches effect has already been felt at pre-season training with an extremely positive attitude & the best numbers taking part in years. Simon Nelis will captain the club again in 2006 after a very impressive performance last season. He looks fitter & stronger than ever before & is in for another great year. Reece Holwell will be vice-captain, a well earned promotion, after yet another standout season in 2005. He is fearless, tough, uncompromising, & in peak

condition & big things are expected from this young gun. These two leaders can look forward to great support from Ryan Gatgens, John Kendall, Josh Inglis, & Tom Barber who have all been training the house down. There are exciting times ahead for the Hawks & if they can build on the momentum & experience gained last year anything is possible. Pre-season training wound up with players taking part in Survivor Drysdale, a gruelling physical & mental test. All the participants put in a fantastic effort with the team

of Ryan Gatgens & John Keneally holding on to clinch the major prize by the narrowest of margins. A great day was had by all & the club would like to extend it's thanks to Drysdale Removals, Wallington Rural, & Amazing Games for helping make the day possible

The Drysdale Football Club relies heavily on its sponsors & members for its continued success, for without them there would be no club. In season 2006 the club will field fourteen junior teams & two senior teams, a fantastic effort & a marvellous reflection on our community, but we need your help. If you can assist in any way, be it as a volunteer, a sponsor, a member, a play-

er, or just a supporter we would love to hear from you. For more sponsorship details phone Cliff Stride on 5253 1829, or for general enquiries contact Alan Bliss on 0419 535 784, or visit our website, www.drysdalefc.com.au

2006 is going to be a great year & we'd love you to be a part of it!

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