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# Jamie's '15' visit Murradoc **Farm**

On an invitation from Annemarie Platt of Murradoc Farm - the home of 'Lighthouse Olive Oil', the new inductees of Jamie Oliver's '15 Restaurant' in Collins Street, Melbourne were treated to an inspection and demonstration of olive oil production and processing.

The day was overcast and chilly but that didn't deter the inspection by bus and explanation of the property operation by Dale Stelfox, Manager of Murradoc Farm. The questions came fast and furious from the future chefs about how olive oil is utilised.

The group had assistants accompanying them on the day from Glenn Flood, Training & Development Chef. He took a keen interest in his group and made sure they were having a great time, also that they were aware of the reason that they were visiting certain established businesses on The Bellarine. Others attending the days excursion were Melissa Purves, Reservation Manager, and Virginia Selleck, Sommilier who had



Dale Stelfox, Manager and Annemarie Platt explaining the operations of Murradoc Farm

The '15' Group in the company of Murradoc Farm staff.

all the admiration for these young people. They themselves were an inspiration and a joy to chat to about the '15' Group and intimated the closeness that the group have developed and how the new inductees always help each other.

There are 23 students continuing their journey and being in their company and chatting to members realised that their futures were not going to be handed to them, but they were fully aware of the hard work ahead.

Their keen interest was obvious and was wonderful to see these young people taking all the opportunities to find out and observe on the day what was put in front

They were just as inquisitive about the local press that was represented there

and to what might be written about them. They are very aware of their alignment and expected commitment with celebrity chef Jamie Oliver.

These young people are the second selection of students that have been inducted into the '15 Restaurant' experience. They are at present enrolled in TAFE and completing their 10 week mandatory cooking course.

They have faced rigorous interviews and eliminations. This in itself has been stressful but also a building of characters and making them realise their futures are in their hands. They are exuberant, happy, fun loving young people that have been bought together in an extraordinary situation. I vn Ingles



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# The SpringDale Messenger

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## Views

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# Community Calendar

SpringDale Community Calendar is a SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre iniative to support the whole community.

The calendar is an 'easy to see' of happenings in our area. To help you to plan an event, access our website www.springdale.org.au to view events.

If you wish to place your event in the website, calendar and further issues of the SpringDale Messenger please email, write or call the event details to our office.

# August

- Neighbourhood Watch GLG 58,59, C/Springs meeting 6pm for 6.30pm C/Springs Golf Club Dinner meeting
- 14 Country Women's Association, Drysdale meeting 1pm at Clifton Springs Golf Club Community rooms
- Neighbourhood Watch GLG 58,59, C/Springs 15 meeting 7pm C/Springs Bowling Club
- 20 SpringDale Business Breakfast 7am
- 25 Drysdale Scout Group Trivia night 7pm Drysdale Bowling Club
- 26 Portarlington Market 9am-2pm
- 27 Neighbourhood Watch GLG 68, Drysdale meeting 7pm SpringDale
- 29 SpringDale AGM, 2pm SpringDale Centre

# September

- 1-8 Adult Learners Week
- 7 International Food, Fun & Friendship Evening 5-9pm, SpringDale Centre.
- 2 Father's Day
- 10 Neighbourhood Watch GLG 58,59, C/Springs meeting 7.30pm C/Springs Bowling Club
- Country Women's Association, Drysdale meeting 11 1pm at Clifton Springs Golf Club Community rooms
- 12 Neighbourhood Watch GLG 58,59, C/Springs meeting 7pm C/Springs Bowling Club
- 21 Term 3 ends
- 24 Neighbourhood Watch GLG 68, Drysdale meeting 7pm SpringDale
- 30 Portarlington Market 9am-2pm

# Facilities @ the SpringDale Centre

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  - Tables & Chairs for Hire
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- · Reasonable Rates
- **Concession Rates for Members**





# from S

The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Anne Brackley centre coordinator

## Hi Friends

SpringDale has been a hive of activity this month with a number of families hiring the venue to hold birthday parties and even a wedding reception. It is surprising to see how the hall can be transformed to look completely different for each occasion. Other rooms have been hired for job interviews, seminars and meetings.

I have been lucky enough to spend some time and energy talking to people and groups in Portarlington, St Leonards and Indented Head, about their plans for community centres or hubs. It's so interesting to hear everyone's ideas and it will be exciting to see this all unfold.

We have had another suggestion for an interest group – its knitting and crochet – is there anyone who might like to help a group of people get started or restarted on these artistic skills – I have to admit I've even been doing some crocheting myself in the last couple of weeks. It's lovely at night to sit with your work helping to keep you toasty warm. Please register your interest in being a member of such a group or maybe even leading it.

The SpringDale Business network celebrated the end of financial year with drinks and nibbles on Friday 29th June. We thank everyone who helped make this possible and thank those who came to celebrate and also Laurent for DJ'ing for us and our Artists for suppling an amazing and inspiring display of work.

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Reasonable Rates and cheaper rates for Members

I'd like to take this opportunity to invite you to our Annual General Meeting which will be held on Wednesday 29th August at 2pm. All members are welcome to come and help celebrate our successes of the year and to look towards the coming year with anticipation. Please confirm your place with the office to help us with catering (03) 5253 1960.

Adult Learners' Week is a special time on the SpringDale calendar and is from 1st – 8th September. We usually try to celebrate by holding a special activity. This year our very special activity will be an International Food display and tasting. So far we have volunteers willing to help supply Japanese and Dutch food and we are eager to hear from more people who might help make this a very special event. It will take place on Friday 7th September 5pm – 9pm. Please ring SpringDale to register your support (03) 5253 1960.

Looking forward to seeing you soon, Anne Brackley on behalf of the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre team.

For Information on courses being held in 'Term 3', please phone the

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or call into the
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for your copy of the new
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# SPRINGDALE BUSINESS BREAKFAST

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre invites you and your business to come along to a **BUSINESS BREAKFAST** to meet and greet other business owners in the area on **Monday 20th August** at **7am** in the SpringDale Community Hall. The cost is \$8.

If you are interested please ring SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 to make your reservation.

## **CALLING FOR ARTISTS**

We are looking for artists, calligraphers, sculptors and mapmakers to help us work on a community arts project over the next 6 months. Please donate as much or as little of your time to help us get started. Please contact Anne Brackley at SpringDale to express your interest.

## **SPANISH TEACHER**

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre is looking for a person fluent in Spanish who would be interested in teaching basic conversational Spanish to a small group of interested adults.

If you have the ability and would be interested, please contact SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

## **TAX HELP**

Once again volunteers will be available to give advice with the preparation of tax returns for individuals at SpringDale. The service is free and available to people on low incomes, retirees, pensioners and students. There are set upper income thresholds to qualify for tax help. Please ring SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 for more details or to make an appointment.

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# From **Lisa Neville's** desk



# Maintenance Funding for Drysdale Primary School

I am delighted to report that Drysdale Primary will receive funding for maintenance work, as part of the Government's Budget commitments. The funding is based on the maintenance audit carried out last year and as a result Drysdale Primary will receive \$17,800 for paved areas – asphalt reconstruction and \$50,000 for Roof – replace seal.

These funds will enable the school to carry out crucial maintenance and repair work.

I am sure the school community will be pleased to be able move ahead on these important projects to further improve the environment for students and staff.

Winter Fire Safety Program

I am pleased to let you know about the Winter Fire Safety program that has just been announced. The Bracks Government will be giving away free smoke alarms to elderly and low income Victorians as part of this special smoke alarm promotion, now in its second year.

To qualify for a free smoke alarm residents need:

- to be renting privately or own their own home
- hold a Commonwealth Health Care Card or Commonwealth

Pensioners Card

- be over sixty years of age
- have a disability or caring permanently for someone with a disability.

For further information about this program, please contact my office, or ring Archicentre on 1300 136 513.

# 2007 Victorian Spirit of ANZAC Prize Schools' Competition

This is a terrific competition that the Premier, Steve Bracks, announced recently. It gives ten Year 9 students the opportunity to participate in a two week Study Tour to sites of significance in Europe. Year 9 students from all Victorian schools are asked to explore ways in which the "Spirit of ANZAC" is relevant to today's young people. The competition is a great way for students to investigate and learn more about our history. I encourage our local students to submit an entry for the chance to be part of the Study Tour in April 2008.

# **Securing our Water Supplies**

The second phase of the Government's Our Water, Our Future was recently announced by the Premier, Steve Bracks. It will secure water supplies for regional centres, farms, and stressed rivers, and will mean we can steadily move back to unrestricted water supplies in our cities and towns across Victoria.

The new major water projects are:

- A 150 billion litre desalination plant to provide water for Melbourne, Geelong, Westernport and Wonthaggi;
- A major irrigation upgrade in the Food Bowl in Northern Victoria to deliver water savings to be shared equally between irrigators, the environment, and Melbourne;
- A major expansion of the Victorian Water Grid with pipelines to connect Melbourne's water system with the desalination plant and Northern irrigation upgrades, and connect Geelong to Melbourne's supplies.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact my office if there are any issues we may be able to assist you with.

If you would like further information, please contact my office, or go to www.ourwater.vic.gov.au.

Until next time, Hon Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine 5248 3462.

## Oh God!

Many of us use this exclamation when we are surprised or startled, but the thought of attending worship doesn't cross our minds.

Even if it does, going to an unfamiliar church for the first time is like walking into a crowded party where you don't know anyone – you feel uncomfortable or even a bit intimidated. You're out of touch with the order of service and afraid you'll get the responses wrong.

Whatever your faith, you might be very pleasantly surprised at how church services these days have changed.

If you are Anglican by 'birth' and have a nagging feeling that you would like to attend some form of worship or that you ought to be giving your children the opportunity to become familiar with church services, the St James Anglican Church in Collins Street, Drysdale has recently introduced a Family Service. It's very informal, very inclusive, very friendly. Everyone is encouraged to 'play' a musical instrument... normally a tambourine, maracas, triangle or bongo drums to shake, rattle or roll along with the music.

Lusty singing is encouraged, each step of the service is explained and children in particular are encouraged to participate in the readings.



Services are at 9 am on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, and last about 40 minutes. Why not give it a go???

You'll be made most welcome.







# Art at SpringDale



Art tutor, Annette Playsted (3rd from left) pictured with some of her students, Molly, Eileen, Chris, Sue and Marie, planning the next phase of their art adventure together.

Annette Playsted has been tutoring at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre for just over a year and is enjoying the friendly and inclusive atmosphere and great facilities. Her classes run on Tuesday mornings, or Wednesday late afternoon for beginners, and Thursday afternoons for more advanced students.

Annette is also an enthusiastic member of the SpringDale Singers, who meet at the Centre Tuesday afternoons.

Comments made by current art students in a recent feedback session included:

- I have learned to look at things differently and observe more carefully.
- · I'm discovering another side of me.
- · Enjoying getting back into my hobby.
- · Getting lots of tips.
- · I'm learning to have a go and enjoy making art.
- · I want to learn as much as I can; my friend did the course and suggested it.
- · I am gaining my confidence back and the hunger to learn again.

Contact the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre for more information about Annette's classes 'Discover the Artist Within'.

# BUSINESS in Profile



With 27 years in the travel industry I took the plunge 9 years ago and opened my own agency in Drysdale, then expanded to Ocean Grove two and half years ago.

I love to travel - my more recent adventures are South America, Africa, Malaysia, France but over the years I have managed to travel to a wide array of destinations.

We run several groups a year departing locally. Currently we have a Europe trip departing in August, Canada and Alaska in September and Croatia and Sicily in September. For next year we are taking bookings for:

- February
   Egypt and Morocco with Jean
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- July
   Kokoda Trek with Brett
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- September
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Fun for all the family aboard the train at the Portarlington Miniature Railway

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Training is given in accordance with OH & S regulations for the Station Master. Station Assistants, Train Guards, Signal Control, Loco and Carriage Maintenance, Track Maintenance and Locomotive Drivers.

We are encouraged by the Bellarine Bayside Foreshore Committee of

Management and Department of Sustainability and Environment to endeavour to run more frequently, and to become a tourist operation in the Portarlington area and as such they have suggested we enlarge our group of volunteers so we have a greater number to call on to assist in the running of the miniature railway.

The passion shows by the enthusiasts for these fierce little locos.

We all have fun, the fellowship is good and it is great to see the smiling faces of the children, parents and grandparents as they ride on the miniature railway.

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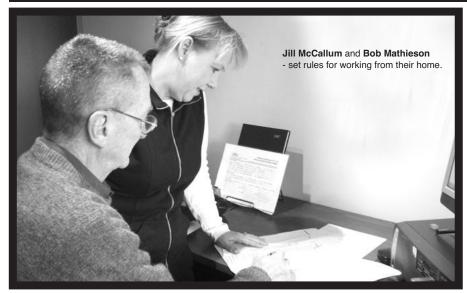
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In our district of Clifton Springs and Drysdale there are a large amount of businesses that are conducted from homes. This is a growing trend and along with working in a familiar environment there are choices that are made daily as to how we discipline ourselves to 'go to work'.

My husband Graham converted our garage into a studio where I work diligently and turn over a considerable amount of artwork daily.

My problem initially was having breaks from my computer and making sure I was not being led back to inside our home and losing myself in chores that I'd seen that needed doing. I decided that there should be a barrier and I introduced myself to my first rule ... when I leave the home to go to work, that is what I do. I prepare a jug of water and something healthy to eat on a tray and take it with me. There I stay until lunchtime, only then I would go inside and have a decent hours break, read or catch up on mail or household chores.

Knowing that there is a large community I decided to ask them about what is in their daily routine while conducting their business from home.

## **Bob Mathieson & Jill McCallum**

**Bob** and partner **Jill** from Clifton Springs run a very successful 'Industrial Relations and Recruitment' business.



Jill concentrates on the secretarial and recruitment side of the business along with family commitments..

Their office is very well set up and certainly user friendly, ideal office chairs for good posture, lots of light, great view from the window and really does set the tone for a good days work.

**Q:** Jill, what does your daily work routine consist of?

**A:** I always start with my walking because if I don't it won't happen, then, I am home for breakfast which Bob prepares and after I do some housekeeping I go into the office for my days work.

Q: Does Bob start his day early?

A: Depends on whether there are meetings in Melbourne, Bendigo or somewhere else, otherwise he starts his day around 7.30 - 8am. His day is extremely busy with large companies, organising contracts and systems and if he has been away all day then there are the evenings in which he has to catch up on his daily work regime, so, some days he works very long hours.

**Q:** What are your procedures for breaks and preparing meals during your day. Do you stop at regular intervals?.

**A:** *Bob:* Yes! Breaks are important, morning tea, lunch and afternoon teas are always out of our office. We might take sometime to do some shopping or visit my mother.

Because of the nature of our business we sometimes have to just get away to clear our minds, but we make sure that we return to work straight after our breaks. Again because we take an extended break we then have to catch up in the evening.

**Q:** What is your most important rule to working from home?

**A:** *Bob:* The ability to become distracted is enormous, so you need to be disciplined and focused, take good breaks, eat well and complete the tasks at hand.



Sara Keranen - works from a weekly planner

Sara Keranen – Artist Part time picture framer

She is married and the mother of two children, who lives an extremely busy life.

**Q:** Where is your workspace at your home Sara?

A: In our garage.

Q: Your daily routine, is it achievable?

**A:** Yes, I work from a planner that I make up every week. It shows my whole week to view and I have to follow it so I cover all my commitments.

**Q:** What do you do for your breaks during your busy day?

**A:** Everyday I stop at 12.30 for my lunch, for about half an hour and I remain disciplined to go back straight after that break.

**Q:** Because you work away from the living area of the home, do you take snacks and drinks etc to your workplace?

**A:** No, not always but it depends on my commitments for that day.

**Q:** Is there a hint that you would give somebody else that works from home to integrate into their daily routine?

A: To make a physical effort to move away from your workstation, whether it is a planned exercise, visit a friend to have a cup of coffee, just to clear your mind. Making sure you are achieving what you want to achieve makes the discipline possible. It is obvious that we all must take a required break, eat sensibly, and be disciplined to fulfill our daily commitments, have a pleasant and ergonomic friendly workplace, and place an exercise regime into our workdays.



**Pear Springers!!!** 

have another funpacked page for all my friends. Congratulations to Chelsea who won the prize for my very first colouring Competition. There are more prizes so don't forget to enter and remember ... to always have fun. Happy Hopping! Springly To contribute, send your stories, pictures, jokes and recipes to: 'Springy's Club' SpringPale Neighbourhood Centre. PO Box 80, Drysdale 3222 or email messenger@springdale.org.au and place 'Springy' in the subject line.

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Ingredients

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Utensils

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· Blender or Processor Chopping Board

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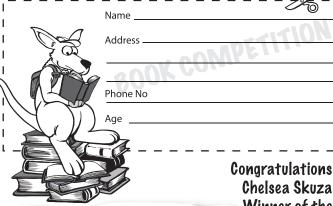
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NAMES DRAWN MONDAY 27 AUGUST





Dear Springdale Messenger,

I'd like to thank Springy and Readings Cinemas for the tickets to the movies. I took my family to see Bridge to Terabithia. It was fantastic except the part where the girl (Lesley) drowned. It was about a new girl making best friends with a boy. They make an enchanted place where anything can happen!

Thanks again Springy I had the best time at the movies.

From Chelsea Mae Skuza

Chelsea Skuza Winner of the Springy Colouring Competition



when you cross a cat with a parrot?

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- 11. Spinosaurus
- 12. Allosaurus
- 13. Ankylosaurus
- 14. Iguanodon

# Clifton Springs Primary School

Term 2 ended with Three Way Conferences and Student Reports and Portfolios being distributed.

The Reports highlighted the achievements of our students and the Portfolios have given wonderful examples of the way our students have investigated the integrated units of study of How Our Body Works and Our Families.

A feature of last term has been our Music/Performing Arts program where each grade has created and performed to the wider school community.

The performances have involved students selecting appropriate music, developing dance moves and performing as a whole class to other students, staff and parents. It has been terrific to see the breadth of talent within our school.



The wonderful displays of Art work around our school have been very much appreciated by our school community and visitors to our school. The art work is linked with our Integrated Units of study but students have also been exploring the techniques used by some of the Masters such as Van Gogh and Monet.

Our Parents' Club has now installed new seating around our school grounds and this has been much appreciated by students and staff. Our bottom oval has been resown and following a recent mow is now looking terrific. Portable goal posts will be used this term to make sure the oval stays in the best condition possible.

Our Outside School Hours Care program

has now settled into their new facilities and the Active After School Sports program will be Baseball and Circus Skills for Term 3.

# **Safe Toys for Toddlers**

For children under three years of age, toys and parts of toys that are small enough to swallow can be dangerous. This is because children in this age group have not developed the reflexes to cough out small items.

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# TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER

1st Drysdale Scout Group is holding its Annual Trivia Night again, on Saturday 25th August 2007 at the Drysdale Bowling Clubrooms, Collins Street, Drysdale, starting at 7.00pm. A donation of \$10.00 will give you a great night of entertainment with heaps of prizes, fun give-aways, door prizes and raffles. BYO nibbles. Drinks will be available at bar prices. COME & SUPPORT OUR LOCAL SCOUT GROUP FUNDRAISER AND HAVE A GREAT NIGHT OF FUN AT THE SAME TIME!

Sue Gibbons 1st Drysdale Scout Group jamsu1@bigpond.com.au

# Volunteering on the Bellarine Peninsula

The Bellarine Police Community Support Register Inc located at the Bellarine Police Station, Ocean Grove, was launched on the 19th October, 2006, and is keen to recruit additional volunteers to assist with the operation of the Register. The Register was established to enhance the feeling of security, confidence and sense of well being of older people and those in need of community support living on the Bellarine Peninsula. Residents are invited to provide such details as their name, address, next of kin, which are then entered on a confidential data base. In the event of an emergency Police will access the data base to secure contact details. Brochures and Registration Forms are available at all pharmacies on the Bellarine Peninsula.

# The Register is in need of additional volunteers to become either:

- Auxiliary Members to support the Committee fund-raising and promotional activities.
- (2) Volunteers to offer their skills and time for a range of tasks, being rostered at the Register office on a regular basis to carry out computer, administration (usually half a day per month) and promoting the Register.
- (3) Committee Members elected by the financial members to manage the Register in conjunction with the Officer in Charge of the Bellarine Police Station.

Have you just retired or recently

taken up residence on the

Bellarine Peninsula?

Are you one of the

41% of people who

wish to contribute

to the local community?

All volunteers are required to undergo regular Police checks and sign confidentiality agreements as well as participate in regular training courses and become financial members of the Association.

The on-going challenge for the Register is to further develop this community and Police initiative to provide a network which will enable residents now, and in the future, to feel more secure and to minimize the concerns of family members for the welfare of their relative/s.

We invite you to register your interest in becoming a volunteer with the Bellarine Police Community Support Register Inc. To provide further information the Committee is planning a Volunteer Information and Recruitment Meeting which will be held in the near future.



Enquiries should be directed to Co-Coordinator of the Register office between the hours of 9.30am until 12 noon - Telephone 5255 3968 Monday to Friday or to the Chairperson - Telephone 5259 2763

Ann Nichol OAM Committee Chairperson

# LONG SERVICE IN UGANDA

Liane Foord, the Grade 4 teacher at Drysdale Primary School, took part of her long service leave working at a village school near Mbale in Uganda (near the Kenyan border) and visiting sponsored children.

As you are probably aware the living conditions in this area are quite poor. Many children have lost their parents to disease (AIDS) leaving the older children to look after the younger ones or live with relatives who are very poor and already looking after other children.

Liane's experience will hopefully make Drysdale Primary students more aware of the poverty and problems in less fortunate countries.

Nelson Mandela once said: 'Education is the most powerful weapon that you can use to change the world'.

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The MFB, CFA and Energy Safe Victoria (ESV) are urging all Victorians to 'Check Your Hotspots' to keep children safe this

This warning is based on research showing that children under five are especially susceptible to injury and death through fires.

"For children under one, burns and scalds are one of the major causes of hospital admissions and the injuries are generally severe and long-lasting," said CFA, Barwon-Corangamite Area Manager Community Safety, John Mealia.

The MFB, CFA and ESV recommend parents and carers check the following hotspots to prevent children from suffering burns this winter:

## The Kitchen

- · Use stove guards and keep pot handles turned inwards so little hands can't grab them
- · Use child-proof gates to keep children out of the kitchen while you are cooking

# The Dining Room and Lounge Room

- · Avoid having hot cups of tea or coffee around young children or use a non-spill mug
- Always use a fire guard around heaters and open fires to prevent young children touching the hot surface and receiving a contact burn

· Use place mats instead of tablecloths. Young children are able to pull on tablecloths, dragging items off the table such as hot drinks

## The Bathroom

- · Ensure the temperature of your hot water is no hotter than 50 degrees Celsius. A plumber can install a hot water regulator valve
- · Use tap covers so children cannot turn on the hot water during a bath

# General

· Keep matches and lighters well out of reach of children or, better still, lock them away.

If a child receives a burn or scald, place the affected area under cool, running water for 20 minutes and organise transport to the closest medical facility. More information on winter fire safety can be found at the 'Check Your Hotspots' website www.checkyourhotspots.com which includes a winter fire safety check list.

For more information please contact:

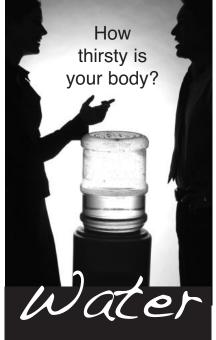
# Niki Habibis

**Brigade Support Officer** 

on 0408 571 914







## Water ... to drink or not to drink?

During a normal day, without perspiring, the average body loses at least 1.5 litres of water through the skin, lungs, stomach and kidneys. If you are out in the sun you can add at least half as much again.

It has to perform this to eliminate toxins which clog our skin with blotches and cause dark areas under our eyes. At the same time as it is expelling water, our body needs to, produce about 350ml of water to burn glucose for energy.

You should drink about 1.8 litres of water daily and taken in small amounts. This does not include coffee, tea or other drinks made with water. These drinks require filtration by the kidneys where as pure water does not.

Fruit and vegetables consist of at least 90 percent water and four pieces of fruit and four servings of vegetables over 1kg in weight can provide 1 litre of water.

It is important to drink water but not too much with meals. This has the effect of rushing food down too quickly, causing indigestion and dilutes the digestive juices, making them less effective.

Without your daily amount of water, you can suffer fatigue, headaches and indigestion.





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# **Drysdale Primary School**

# **Drysdale's New Interactive Whiteboard**

About 8 weeks ago Drysdale Primary got a surprise and a whole new experience when a new interactive whiteboard was installed into Miss Sier's Grade Five classroom. The interactive whiteboard will certainly keep Drysdale Primary School up with the vast growing technology world. Miss Sier is putting a lot of time and effort in to discovering new programs and ways of using the interactive whiteboard as a tool in the classroom. In the future we hope to install more interactive whiteboards across the school to allow all students to enjoy and learn from the experience. The following are some comments of what the children in Miss Sier's grade think about the whiteboard.

"The new whiteboard is just so cool. You can do absolutely everything that our teacher does on her laptop and the best thing is......its touch screen. For all of the projects we do, some of the people are a bit nervous but now they are used to it because we would touch the screen everyday and now the people are more confident." *Jamie Pye* 

"It helps us learn by playing games. It makes boring things fun. It's been a real change to our classroom because now we can do things as a class. It is also really easy to use. We don't have to crowd around a small laptop like we used to. I think we are the luckiest grade in the school. It makes you want to go to school." *Jack Marley* 

"The new whiteboard also helps us because we actually have to go up and touch the screen, which makes you understand things more easily. I used to have great trouble on equivalent fractions, but now we go on the whiteboard it makes things so much easier to understand." *Olivia Smith* 



"The whiteboard has made kids concentrate more because it's like a TV. It also boosts people's confidence in front of a crowd. Everyone doesn't have to huddle around the computer. It teaches us different ways of doing things. The teacher won't get a sore throat. The whiteboard is FUN you can touch, drag, write and draw. It's also easily operated." *Dylan Gething* 

"The whiteboard helps our co-operation skills because we have to work in groups. All the activities feel like games but they help you learn. It is also easy to operate. It helps our confidence because we always have to stand up in front of our class. The whiteboard makes us want to come to school everyday." *Mitchell O'Dowd* 

Danielle Thompson Prep teacher at Drysdale Primary School

# BACK TO SCHOOL WITH SAFETY

## 50 km/h roads

Outside schools on 50 km/h roads, there is now a 40 km/h speed limit zone. Drivers must obey this 40 km/h speed limit at ALL times. In some special cases, such as 50 km/h roads with high traffic volumes, a time-based 40 km/h limit may be in place.

Outside schools on 80, 90 and 100 km/h roads, a time-based 60 km/h speed limit applies from 8.00 am to 9.30 am, and from 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm on school days. The regular 80, 90, or 100 km/h limit applies outside these times.



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## **BE AWARE & ALERT**

Motorists should be aware that children in traffic are not like adults. They can be unpredictable and because they are small, they can be hard to see. So take extra care and slow down when you drive past any school.

Research shows that slowing down helps to both avoid crashes and reduce their severity. According to the Monash University Accident Research Centre, Do you reaslise what these signs mean when you see them or does the familiarity of them not register in your mind what is required of you as a driver?

# BE AWARE BE ALERT

an 11 per cent reduction in speed reduces road deaths by 40 per cent. Even a small reduction in travelling speed dramatically increases the chance of a child surviving a collision.

PLEASE! Slow down and do the limit ... your children may attend that school as might your neighbours children... So! be a responsible driver and do the right thing ... obey the rules of the road and we will all stay safe.



# END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR CELEBRATIONS @ THE SPRINGDALE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE



Tony & Courtney

Ed, Win, Allan & Esther



The SpringDale
Business Network
members celebrated
the end of the
'Financial Year'
at the
Neighbourhood
Centre.



The evening was well supported and were entertained with the music by Laurent Boulanger and food was served by the Drysdale Guides.

Works of Art were on display from the students and participants of the art classes held at the SpringDale Centre.

# -Chaplains Chatter

In my growing up years there was a comic book printed about a man who lived in the jungles of South Africa.

He was originally called the 'Avenger' but later the 'Ghost who walks' or 'Phantom.' The natives respected and loved him, the crooks hated and feared him.

Christopher Walker, in a disguise, was able to cause maximum damage to the 'baddies' and leave an imprint of a Phantom's head on their jaw bone by giving a knuckle sandwich. Why am I referring to the Phantom? Well, God has a 'Ghost who Walks.' He is known as the Holy Spirit. He is the Spirit of the heart of God and the third person of the trinity. His authority was released on earth when

Jesus ascended after the crucifixion and returned to His Heavenly Father.

Photographs

Lyn Ingles

What does the Holy Spirit do? The bible refers to Him as; 'Counselor, Teacher, Comforter, Helper and Guide." He is not God yet represents God by being His Helper. Let me assure you that the Holy Spirit is very real. The bible says He does not draw attention to Himself, but guides and directs us to the ways, the principles and the understanding of who God is, and illuminates from the Bible, the way we ought to live.

He can discern our hearts and motives yet is as gentle as a dove and easily offended. He convicts us of wrong doing, and through our conscience enables us to see the difference between good and evil.

When we blaspheme, we offend Him. When a person recognizes their need to turn away from sin and ask God for forgiveness and help, (this is only possible because Jesus died on the cross for us) it is the Holy Spirit who comes and walks with us from that time on. He cannot change a situation or prevent the problems of life, but what He does promise is to walk with us through life

showing a better way to live.

He is a Spirit and invisible.

We cannot see or touch Him. Yet we can feel His presence when He brings peace. We value the bible more as He illuminates it and we appreciate the joy He brings. He is not God, or Jesus, He is our helper, God's adviser here on earth. SELAH, which in Hebrew means,

SELAH, which in Hebrew means 'pause and think on that.'

God bless

Carla Evans Ass.Pastor

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It is really encouraging to see the **SpringDale Business Network** growing and developing, with more and more people getting on board and becoming a part of it.

We have an amazing community of business people and traders in this local area, and it has been a dream of mine for some years to be able to bring them together from time to time to thank them, encourage them, equip them and give them the chance to get to know one another and build relationships amongst their peers.

As Administrator (and often chief fund raiser) at Drysdale Community Church, I've often had the pleasure of being on the receiving end of the generous giving of many of our small business owners, and having owned businesses in the past, I have never taken this for granted. I know what a struggle it can be to pay wages, leases, overheads, and then take home the little bit that's left over after all your hard work.

That's why I have always appreciated the way our business men and women so often respond to the needs in our community.

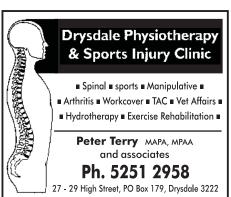
Business people are often expected to give to the community, but through the **SpringDale Business Network** our intention is to give something back to this group of people.

We are really pleased to see so many people taking advantage of the Business Directory and meeting regularly at our quarterly Business Network Breakfasts, but this is just the beginning.

In June our Business Mentoring Group met for the first time, and while it's early days yet, we would love to see this group multiplying, and mentoring relationships developing throughout our members.

We have so many people with such diverse talents, experience and wonderful life stories to share, that it would be a shame not to tap into those.

We would like to expand the Network to begin lunch time meetings for those who are not able to attend the Breakfasts.





The **SpringDale Business Network** invite guest speakers to the forum.

The attendance from local business people is growing and helping to make the morning breakfast business functions even more successful.



We would like to start building a library of Business Books to lend as a free resource for our members.

We would like to continue to source interesting speakers for our meetings to resource, equip and empower our members to grow and develop their personal and business skills and to keep them informed and up to date with all that's happening in our community.

We would like to run groups on leadership skills, staff training and development, and many other topics that would help in the day to day running of our local businesses.

And we would like to hear from you

– the business people of Drysdale,
Clifton Springs and the north Bellarine.

We want to hear your views, your ideas, your needs, and how we can work together to give back to you the kind of support and encouragement that you all need as you continue to support your community.

I'm at the SpringDale office on Fridays, and I would love to talk to you, or you can talk to Anne any day during the week.

I'm sure the **SpringDale Business Network** will be the richer for your involvement, and our hope is that your involvement will enrich your business and your life.

# CONGRATULATIONS!

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# Who holds the key to the Clifton Springs Secret?





Someone in our community holds the key to the Clifton Springs Secret!!

Someone out there MUST HAVE the answers we need!!

The Foreshore Sub Committee is URGENTLY seeking help in locating any documents, historical plans or family photos of the Former Mineral Springs Complex that relate to the use and operations of The Dell and the Former Mineral Springs Complex in its heyday.

The Coastal Management Plan is currently being finalized, and an archaeological investigation of the Springs has been undertaken, but we urgently need more details to complete the puzzle of the Former Mineral Springs Complex.

Even if you do not have any paperwork, but CAN REMEMBER HOW and WHERE buildings were at the Mineral Springs Complex we would love to hear from you. We are happy to copy and return anything you may have of interest (and we promise to take great care with anything you may have).

If you just want to tell us your stories about your memories of the days of the Mineral Springs Complex we would love to hear from you as our local history is fast disappearing and we want to record as much information as we can.

If you are able to assist the Foreshore Sub Committee with historical information, please URGENTLY email fscsecretary@iprimus.com.au or call Jane McDonald (Secretary) on 5253 2586 now.
Thank you so much.

**DRYSDALE/CLIFTON SPRINGS** 

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

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## FORESHORE SUB COMMITTEE

Contact Persons:

- Jane McDonald 0409 240 063
- Wayne Elliot 0408 728 336

The story of the Peace Rose

Wars and roses have a long relationship. The English Civil Wars

was a series of civil wars from 1455-1487, fought over the throne of England between house of Lancaster (red rose) and house of York (white rose).

But roses have a sweeter connection with war. In 1939 with the war coming to Europe, a French hybridist, Francis Meilland discovered something quite special in his nursery, a beautiful rose, growing from a single seed, unlike anything he had seen before. He had no time for further experimentation so he shipped cuttings all over the world to friendly growers hoping for one cutting to survive. Robert Pyle, Pennsylvania, left in November 1940 on the last plane from France before the Nazis takeover.

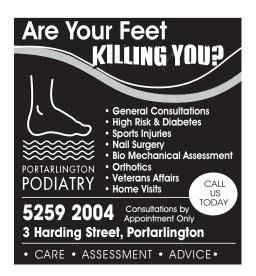
Four years later he wrote to Meilland about a 'glorious rose, its pale gold, cream and ivory petals blended to a ruffled edge of delicate carmine'.

This was splendid news to Meilland, a cutting of his splendid rose had survived.

This rose was named 'Peace' in a ceremony on the day Berlin fell.

Rose lovers from around the world gathered in California to hear the new name and watch as doves were set free in celebration.





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# Rotary Club Of Drysdale Changeover

On Monday July 2, the Rotary Club of Drysdale held its 32nd Annual Changeover Dinner at the Curlewis Golf Club. Rotarians, together with their partners, families, friends and members of the wider community were warmly welcomed by outgoing President Ron Peacock, who in the course of the evening handed over to incoming President Roger Lavingdale.

Tim Page-Walker of the Bellarine Bayside Foreshore Committee of Management, in proposing the toast to Rotary International gave an extremely comprehensive account of Rotary's work in our local community as well as the wider world. Past District Governor, Graeme Allison in his reply congratulated Tim, saying that in his 39 years in Rotary, 'it was the best toast to Rotary International' he had ever heard.

Other highlights of the evening were the awarding of a Paul Harris Fellowship (Paul Harris was Rotary's founder back in 1905) to Rotarians Mercedes Drummond and Keith Winter, certificates of recognition being presented to the outgoing Rotary Board of Directors and the volunteers who have assisted the Rotary Club during the year in their operation of the Portarlington Miniature Railway. The new Board for the ensuing year was also introduced.

The Rotary Club of Drysdale meets every Monday evening for dinner (6:00 for 6:30 pm) at the Curlewis Golf Club. New members are always welcome. Enquiries (03) 5259 1788.



We would like to advise everyone that our venue has changed and we now rehearse at the

Senior Citizens Hall, Newcombe Street, Portarlington.

The Musos meet every Wednesday night from 7-9pm. New musicians are welcome.

For further information phone Astrid on (03) 5259 2009



Changing of the Guard – Incoming Rotary President Roger Lavingdale (left) presents outgoing President Ron Peacock with his banner and certificate.

In his opening address as Club President, Roger Lavingdale officially launched the theme for the year which is Rotary Shares.

During the past 12 months, the Rotary Club of Drysdale has supported the Andrew Love Cancer Centre with an \$8000 donation. These funds were raised from the Easter Art Show and Raffle where 12,000 tickets were sold around the local area.

The Bellarine Police Community Register received a donation of \$1000, a Meditrac device for tracking missing dementia patients was provided to the Geelong health provider Best of Care, the building of a children's playground in the Rotary Children's Park at Point Richards near the Portarlington Miniature Railway and a contribution of funds to the establishing of a youth skate park at Leopold.

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# Bellarine Ladies Probus of Bellarine Inc.

Despite the cold windy and rainy weather, we were pleased to see so many members turn up for the meeting. The speaker at our June meeting told us at length about adoption and her own experience as a child, when she discovered about her adoption, and the reaction it had on her and all the family members. The discovery of her real mother took time and secrets her mother wanted to keep and not be brought to light. The story had a genealogical detail which made it particularly interesting.

Valda Tarleton has a trip planned to Ballarat for a visit to Nieder Weisel, State Level National Trust Private Home, exuding grandeur antiques and art, where we will have a tour of the grounds and the home. Completing the memorable experience we will have High Tea before departing for home.

One of our Honorary Members, Jean Fraser passed away in May. Unfortunately we were not informed of her passing, so sympathy cards were of the belated kind.

Best wishes to members who are at present not well.

Yours in friendship Iris Liz Tolton.

# Drysdale Senior Citizens Club

Monday 18th June was a very cold day so our soup and sandwich lunch went down very well especially the soup. Not a drop was left! We had an hours entertainment of music, singing and very funny stories given by Ray Wall, an afternoon enjoyed by everyone.

Our A.G.M. on Monday July 16th had a good attendance. We are getting a good turn out for the indoor bowls on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Everyone enjoys it and it's in a lovely warm hall. Come up and see what we do.

Also on Monday we have cards. The exercise class, held on Wednesday 11am to 12noon, is going well, so we have a few more fit people in Drysdale.

Our craft group (the Guardian Angels) are making some lovely warm things for the children in Mongolia. If you enjoy knitting come up and join them and have a cup of tea.

A few more snooker and dart players are still required. We have a good snooker table and a new dart board.

We send all our best wishes to our sick members and to let you know we are thinking about you. Get well soon.

Esther President
Mary Secretary
Phone (03) 5251 2983



# Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club

Our new President - Cam McLean will lead Lions with an active community program this year.

First up is the Great Australian Grocery Grab to be held at Drysdale Safeway in September. Tickets on sale in August for \$1 each for a chance to grab all the groceries you can in 3 minutes. Proceeds to be equally divided between the Lions Cord Blood Foundation, which does research with blood from the umbilical cord of new born babies to fight disease, and Local Projects.

Have you got a pet project or idea in mind for our community – if so, please get in touch with Cam McLean – together we can achieve great things.

Lions live locally and aim to develop community activities and facilities, as well as youth leadership, support for the aged, the young, and the disadvantaged. It's a lot of fun and very satisfying working in our community.

# Want to join us?

Call Cam (03) 5259 1481 Ray (03) 5259 1782

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# **Drysdale / Clifton Springs Structure Plan.**

In conjunction with the Community Association, early discussions and information gathering has commenced with an anticipated completion date of February, 2008. The form and process will benefit from work undertaken for the Bellarine Structure Plan and the recently completed Structure Plans for Indented Head and Portarlington although this will be a much larger and lengthier task.

Issues to be addressed are to cover township boundaries and relationship to the Rural Strategy/traffic – in and adjacent to the township including pedestrian, passenger and heavy traffic/potential commercial and industrial re-zoning/open space and recreation requirements/Jetty Road Urban Growth Plan/public transport and community service facilties.

The timescale and full details for the plan will shortly be available and will be displayed at the various notice boards in the Customer Service Centre / SpringDale / High Street and the supermarket as well as the local papers.

## Jetty Road Urban Growth Plan and Clifton Springs Coastal Management Plan

Both draft documents are now out for comment - copies available either at the Customer Service Centre or the City website.

Should you need further information, please contact staff at either the Drysdale Customer Centre or call the City's Information line on (03) 5227 0270.

## **Drysdale Recreation Reserve**

The timber fencing separating and protecting the market area and passive recreation to the west of the oval appears to be doing the job – only one case of deliberate vehicle damage to the entrance gates so far.

The oval surface is certainly not in the best of condition but come springtime reseeding, together with a complete surface upgrade program, is planned to ensure it is in tip top condition for next year's season.

The cricket program will need to be carefully looked at in conjunction with the available local school ovals to ensure there is minimal if any disruption to their forthcoming season. The availability of water, after the winter rains, continues to be addressed through the CoGG

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Water Task Force group, in conjunction with Barwon Water and the CCMA and Southern Rural Water bodies. More specific details will be advised as the spring and summer seasons come closer.

## Netball



Asphalt carparking has been installed adjacent to the existing courts and building and may even serve as a warm-up area whilst additional courts and alterations to the runoffs on the north side are being finalized in conjunction with Netball Victoria. These discussions are planned for this month and will help with direction and size of works required.

### Football

The tender for upgrade to the existing kitchen & bar facilities is at last finalized and works are scheduled to commence on completion of the season completed. The disabled parking adjacent to the building is the only uncertain item right now but will not delay the internal refurbishment works. The installation of power and lighting to the Drysdale Primary school oval is still to be completed to ensure the oval is fully operational - fortunately the combination of dry conditions and lack of lighting has saved the oval from extra traffic and consequent damage that would have required a complete and costly surface upgrade - especially as that work was only completed late last year.

Funding from the 2007/8 Budget for change facilities will shortly be handed onto the School Committee.

# Public Transport & Road safety issues

Two new full visibility bus shelters are now installed on both sides of **High Street** with pads installed for the school shelters opposite the tennis courts in **Collins Street** – installation of these shelters are planned for mid August. The review of the Bellarine bus shelters involving size, locations and design is underway with the local secondary Colleges and Ms Louise Mathews, Co-ordinator 'It's Your Move' program.

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Installation of an indented parking option to the **Jetty Road** bus stop at the shops, north of **Pinaroo Avenue**, and opposite the **Clifton Springs Primary school**, to improve bus and vehicle passenger safety.

Murradoc Road – discussions continue with VicRoads on the need for urgent improvements to the section between Drysdale and the Port/Point Lonsdale Road and especially adjacent to the Waste Receival facility in Becks Road.

**High Street** – pedestrian crossing - installation of and the **Anderson Road /Peninsula Drive** and **Crimea Street** school crossing – discussions continue with VicRoads regarding further improvements.

**Princess Street** – larger give way signage installed on the northern approach to the rail crossing.

**Hancock Street** – pedestrian crossing finally completed.

## **Jetty Road**



Major construction work is presently underway on the reconstruction of the drop structure destroyed in the floods and the drainage from McLeods Waterholes at the Wyndham Street intersection.

## **Events and Grants**

Bellarine Safe Harbour – Information sessions. Parks Victoria ran two public sessions last month at Parks Hall, Portarlington to outline the program for the development of the Bellarine Safe Harbour – details are available from either the Drysdale Customer Service Centre and/or the Parks Victoria website.

# **Community Arts Grants and Community Festival Grants.**

Application forms available from Customer Service Centre for the 2007/8 financial year.

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# from the garden gate

This year at the world famous Chelsea Garden Show in England, Victorian garden designer, Wes Fleming won a Silver-Gilt medal. The entry he described as "a tranquil, romantic sanctuary, centred on a copse of weeping purple beeches and a three-metre tall fish tank rising from a water feature." Entering the Show involves sending several large shipping containers across the world and costs Wes mega bucks! Wes believes Australian gardens should be about making the most of usable space. Wonder what his ideas about "watersaving gardens" are! When he was 12, he earned his pocket money by growing trees, then selling them to his father's nursery business. Another 32 years later, Wes is still working for Fleming's Nurseries. Based near Monbulk, they sell about a million trees per year, and cultivate five million at any one time.

# WHAT TO DO IN THE GARDEN NOW ...

Finish off your fruit tree pruning. Cut back invading ivy to its base and spray new leaves with glysophate-based herbicide. Prune Daphne bushes by cutting sprigs of flowers. Put them in a vase to scent the house. Prune lemon verbena back by half. Fertilise new roses you have planted. Treat peach and nectarine trees as blossom buds swell and turn pink, with Bordeaux spray for leaf curl and brown rot. Start feeding citrus trees with blood and bone and well-rotted poultry manure. Hope you get a better crop of lemons than some of us did last season! Start enjoying any Spring bulbs that have flowered. In early September, drive up to Kyneton for their spectacular Daffodil Festival.

Meetings: August 20th Clifton Springs / Drysdale Garden Club. Uniting Church Hall rear High Street, Drysdale, 7.30pm Topic - Sharpening secateurs or other tools.

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With the good weather a number of feral swarms have come to town and some have been boxed and others just kept travelling. With the season well under way the Geelong Show was out next concern and after much planning we opened at the show with a number of displays. The new cage I have been working on last winter is now well and truly tried and proven as a great way for the general public to be able to see the inside workings of a live hive and the search for the queen. After the Thursday I realised that I had under estimated the public interest in seeing a queen bee. Friday morning I arrived at the show with another hive and for the next 3 days we had 2 hives in the cage at once. Both these hives were swarms that were collected from the Leopold area. But with the colder weather on the Friday the queens in both hives started to get harder to find as they were feeling the cold and becoming extremely shy. With a visit from some of our local politicians it was very frustrating not to be able to find either of the queens so a new plan of action had to be formed.

I asked my daughter if she had some nail polish and of course was told that she always has nail polish - fathers don't know everything. I borrowed the nail polish, a very nice pink, and proceeded to

find the gueens and paint a small dot of pink nail polish on the back of each gueen. This process is well used in the industry to help keep track of queens in the hives. The gueen once marked in this way allows the beekeeper to then record the hive number and the queens colour there by making it easy to keep track of the age of a gueen and when she should be replaced with a younger model. At the show the idea was to then be able to spot the queen quickly and efficiently as the amount of people wanting to meet the queen was growing each hour. The fact that I was explaining to the children gathered around the cage that you could tell the gueen due to the pink crown she wears did not stop a lot of adults going home believing that all queen bees have a pink crown.

After 4 days at the show our bees and equipment were returned home and the bees were given a well earned rest. Having spent 4 days talking about bees and honey the general public are now better informed and the interest in bees is still strong.

Full sets of notes are available at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Mark Cornell, Leopold Honey Apiarist C593





# Help sponsor Jeff to represent Australia at the Triathlon World Championships!





**Jeff Beavis**, a triathlete from **Clifton Springs**, will be representing Australia in the 40-44 age group at the Olympic Distance Triathlon World Championships in Hamburg Germany, on September 2nd 2007.

Triathlons and the challenges they pose have been a life long goal. Jeff first competed in a triathlon at St Kilda about 3 years ago and hasn't looked back since.

The season that has recently finished was his best yet, and his selection for the Australian Team is a just reward for all the hard work and determination that Jeff has put in. In March 2007, Jeff competed at the Australian Olympic Distance Triathlon Championships held in Geelong, completing the race in 2 hours and 25 minutes.

Jeff manages to hold down a demanding full time job, working at least 50 hours per week, finds time to spend with his family and also train for 15 – 20 hours per week.

Each week sees Jeff cover a total distance of 9 to 10km while swimming, out riding his bike for over 200km and running around 50km – all around Drysdale/Clifton Springs and the Bellarine Peninsula.

Most of the time this training is done alone, and on weekdays he will either swim, ride or run before going to work. This results in Jeff being extremely motivated and self disciplined and at 41 he is the fittest he has ever been.

The Australian Team consists of 179 triathletes aged between 18 - 84 from all over Australia, and of the 43 Victorian members, Jeff is the only representative from this side of the state.

Being an age group athlete, however, means that this trip is wholly self-funded.

Anyone wishing to sponsor Jeff can contact him on 0409 514 472 for further details.

# Drysdale Ladies Probus Club Inc.

The guest speaker for our July meeting was Donna Varsimas, an officer from The City of Greater Geelong (CoGG) By-laws Department. Donna explained that her area of expertise is associated with animals that stray and that the CoGG has one of the largest populations of dogs and cats in any Australian municipality, with more than 45,000 pets registered.

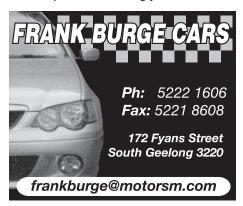
Some facts which Donna mentioned were:

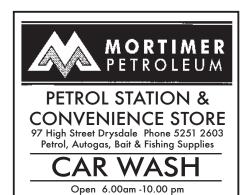
- Eighty percent of dog attacks are not heard about by the general public.
- Everyone has the right to walk safely without being afraid; that is, walking with a 2m space surrounding you.

- Once your pet reaches 3 months, you need to make sure it is registered with the CoGG.
- From the 1st May 2007, all dogs and cats that are being registered for the first time must be implanted with a microchip. The CoGG fee is then levied at the reduced rate; this is as a result of State Government Legislation.
- CoGG does not deal with cat collections, but will provide cat traps for stray cats causing problems. The cat owner can then be contacted and the cat returned. The next time the cat is taken to the Animal Welfare.
- A dog play area in Fyansford has been designated "dog off leash area" and the CoGG is looking at providing more areas like this.
- There will be a microchipping day at Barwon Activity Centre in October.
   For more information read the Tag Time News, a new publication put out by the CoGG

This was a very informative talk and the ladies asked lots of questions which Donna answered very capably.

Yours in friendship Lesley Jones







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# DRYSDALE FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

We have finally found the way home! Yes, the Drysdale football oval has officially been opened, so happily, we can report that DFNC will be playing all but one game at home until the finals series begin. Let's hope we can continue our strong showing so far and take advantage of our home ground to consolidate top four finishes in as many sections as possible.

The finals are now just one month away. BDNA has voted to restructure our finals series to include only the top 4 teams on the ladder in the finals. This means the 2007 finals series will run for three weeks beginning with the Semi-Finals on Sunday 2nd September, the Preliminary Finals on Sunday 9th September and the Grand Finals on Sunday 16th September. At the

time of writing, it is feasible for DFNC to make the finals in at least eight of the ten sections. This is a fantastic effort by our girls, congratulations and best of luck on the road leading up to and throughout the finals.

The Finals series, as always, will be held at the Peninsula Netball Courts at the Drysdale Recreation Reserve. We would like to encourage all members of our community to don the 'Brown and Gold' and come along to support the girls in their efforts to take out premiership glory. It is an exciting time for DFNC, with our A Grade and B Grade sides a real show to take out the BIG ONE'S. With only the one defeat so far, the A Grade girls have proven to be hard to beat when playing to their full potential and our B Grade girls are yet to register a loss. DFNC has been relegated to 'Bridesmaids' status for many years.

A premiership in these two sections is long awaited. So don't miss out on all the action and excitement if the girls can take out their respective 2007 Grand Finals.

## **Our Sponsors**

As with any non-profit organisation, our club is heavily reliant upon volunteers and sponsors to operate. We acknowledge and sincerely thank the following sponsors for the 2007 Season:

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# The St.Leonards Sharks Soccer & Basketball Club - Mid Season Report

Well its mid season already and our local teams have come of age. Our Jennings Transport Senior Women and Portarlington Butchers Senior Men's teams are in their second season and are starting to play like well disciplined coordinated units.

Both teams are mid ladder and the men are on a roll with winning their last 4 matches. Some of our Bendigo Bank Under 14 girls and St.Leonards Foodworks Under 13 boys have now played 50 games for the club and have a bag of goals to their credit.

Congratulations to the Under 14 girls team who won their first game and to their striker, Ms Jackie Maloney who has 5 goals in two games.



The real highlight of the season has been the Under 13 team who have won their last 5 games in a row and are third place on the ladder. Our St.Leonards Foodworks Under 11 team is largely made up of first year players for the club and while they are scoring freely they have not won a game as yet. We appreciate all our sponsors but especially the oranges donated by the Ocean Grove Fruit Shop. I'm sure they are keeping the colds away from members of our team.

The St.Leonards Sharks have this year included Basketball as another facet to the club. Grant Burling has coached the Under 11, Under 16 and Under 18 boys teams. The teams have been sponsored by the St. Leonards Fish and Chips and look great in their new uniforms. Lisa Neville bought the players their basketball ring and they train in the community hall attached to the Sharks Clubrooms. All teams have developed their skills under Grant's guidance and had some success already this season.

Women and juniors play home games on Saturday at the Len Trewin oval and the men play Sunday afternoons. Basketball games are played at Bellarine Secondary College on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

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