



The SpringDale Messenger



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Drysdale Kinder - a look back in time



These ladies are some of the original committee members from 1964 - 69 in the company of the current office bearers and teachers.

Back: Margaret Wild
Judith Robertson (teacher),
Alison Dumbell (president),
Wendy Filbay, Jocelyn
Mannix, Diane Gardiner
(Assistant)

Front: Melva Bennett,
Jan Darter, Norma Taylor,
Norma Mortimer

A few months ago the staff at Drysdale Preschool found a handwritten document naming the founding members of the Kindergarten Association from 1964 - 1969. This document was amongst other papers located in the storeroom. Instead of putting it back to collect dust for another 40 years they showed it to the committee in the hope of having it framed. The committee agreed and believed it to be a significant piece of history for the centre.

Staff also had an idea, to celebrate and thank those people who dedicated so much time and effort, to establish the kindergarten, for without their hard work our centre would not be the wonderful place it is today.

Our first hurdle was to try and find as many people on the list as we could. This would have been an impossible task without the help of staff and volunteers from SpringDale and their family members. Sadly some of those who were named on the document had passed away, including the very first President and Secretary, of the committee Mrs Deeath and Mrs Belfrage. In their honour some of their family was able to attend.

So an afternoon tea was organised for Wednesday, 27 August at 2.30pm and Brumby's of Garden Street, East Geelong generously donated some delicious scones. We invited the local dignitaries Cr. Tom O'Connor and the Executive Officer of the Geelong Kindergarten Association, Janet Park. (Cont page 22)

Lisa Achieves her Queen's Guide Award



Lisa Shearer, surrounded by many of her guiding friends and family, was recently presented with the Queen's Guide Award. The celebration took the form of the Logie Awards, 'The Lisas', and we all dressed as our favourite movie characters. Congratulations Lisa.

**Thursday 9 October
10am- 3pm**

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Community Calendar

October 2008

- 30 Sept & 1,2,3 Oct** Hansel & Gretel (Potato Shed)
1-31 Victorian Seniors Festival Geelong
4-5 SpringDale Art Show 10am-4pm
5 Daylight Saving Begins.
 Move clock forward 1 hour.
5 Portarlington Miniature Railway 11am-3pm
6 Term 4 begins
9 Seniors Food & Fun, 10am-3pm SpringDale
14 Pink Breakfast SpringDale 8.30am
14 C.W.A. Drysdale meeting, 1pm
 Clifton Springs Golf Club Community Rooms
16-19 Royal Geelong Show
17 Desperate Housewives – Mama Mia (Potato Shed)
19 Songs at the Supper Club (Potato Shed)
19 Drysdale Community market 9am-1pm
19 Portarlington Miniature Railway 11am-3pm
22 Geelong Cup
25 Travel Expo - Harvey World Travel (Potato Shed)
25 Drysdale Fire Brigade Garage Sale
 8.30am -12.30pm
26 Portarlington market 9am-2pm
28 C.W.A. Drysdale Craft Day, 11am
 Clifton Springs Golf Club Community Rooms
31 SPUDClub (Potato Shed)

November 2008

- 1-2** St Leonards Community Festival
4 Melbourne Cup – SpringDale closed
8 Annual Garden Flower Show,
 Uniting Church Hall, Drysdale
11 Remembrance Day 11am
11 C.W.A. Drysdale 11.30am general meeting,
 1pm AGM Clifton Springs Golf Club
 Community Rooms
16 Drysdale Community market 9am-1pm
18 Top of the Pops at the Drop of A Hat
 (Potato Shed)
24 SpringDale Business Breakfast 7am
30 Portarlington market 9am-2pm

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

The calendar is an 'easy to see list' 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.

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The SpringDale Messenger





news

from

The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Anne Brackley
centre coordinator

Hi Friends,

Wow, have I had a great day researching the history of SpringDale. We turn 20 next year – July 10th to be exact. I've been looking at all the things that the initial group of 6 enthusiastic dedicated people did. Amazingly it's the same sort of things we are doing today. One activity in the pages of SpringDale's history is quarterly get togethers for new residents. I tried to hold get togethers on Saturday morning, but I scheduled it to coincide with the start of the renovations 4 years ago. Perhaps I should try again. Maybe Friday nights quarterly so people who work can connect in too. I'd love to hear your thoughts on this idea.

There might be people who would like to make our 20th birthday celebrations really special, possibly even fireworks, or at least a big party. Please let me know if you'd like to help. There's only 9 months to go.

Our AGM went well and we have a new member on our Committee of Management, Mercedes Drummond, who joins John Murphy, Joanna Devrome, Craig Taylor, Patricia Crotty, Denis Plant, Alex Eagleson, Jonathan Harris and Debra Winter. These dedicated people help to provide vision and ensure the accountability of SpringDale.

The next big event is 'Fun Food Finances

and Lots of Information' at SpringDale on Thursday, 9 October for Seniors Week, 10am-3pm. We have a great line up for the day. In the morning a market style display of information, while people from the Mill Markets value antiques that you might have at home (donation of \$2 per item). The day will cost \$5 and includes lunch. There will be speakers in the afternoon on Road Safety, Consumer Affairs areas of expertise, financial budgeting and legal issues. Many SpringDale groups and others will show their skills and invite you to visit them. Hope to see you there. Please book in as we will have to limit numbers.

Phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

A great piece of news for everyone is that Brett Godfrey has started a traineeship at SpringDale. Brett has been with us for a while and has developed almost cult following, people who only wish Brett to do their photocopying etc. Congratulations Brett from everyone at SpringDale.

It's now that we have to plan our courses for next year. If there is a course that you've always wanted to do, please let us know and we'll try to oblige if we possibly can.

**Yours sincerely
Anne Brackley on behalf
of the team at SpringDale**

Many individuals and companies support National Breast Cancer Foundation with monies being donated for the sale of each product to help fund vital research into prevention and cure. Pink Tim Tams, Pink Pens, Pink Water, Pink Sweets or maybe even host a Pink breakfast, every little bit will help.

SpringDale will host a Pink Breakfast on Tuesday, 14 October at 8.30am in the SpringDale Community Hall and invite the community to attend.

For further information and booking phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

Rememberpink

Think Pink, show your support and buy a pink product for the home or office throughout October for **Breast Cancer Month**.

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Food Handling Course

- Date change

The Food Handling and Safety Course which was advertised in the SpringDale Term 4 Course Guide was incorrectly advertised as Monday, 25 October. The correct date should read Saturday, 25 October.

There are still some vacancies so if anyone is interested in gaining knowledge of correct and safe food handling and storage should contact SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

Laughing Group



All stand in a circle look at each other, make eye contact and laugh, laugh and laugh. It sounds strange and you'll feel silly at first, but hey, what a big belly laugh you'll have. It's all about trusting of yourself and others, and having fun, while feeling good about yourself, and others too.

If you are interested in joining this new group, contact SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 for further information. Every day is a sunny day when you laugh.

art show

@ Drysdale

2nd SpringDale Art Students & Associates Show 2008

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 October
10am to 4pm

Many works will be for sale to the public

ART FOR MY OFFICE

I was delighted to receive at my Newcomb office some beautiful works of art which local school children have created for my ministerial office in Melbourne. It was wonderful to meet the young artists who participated in a project coordinated by Corinne Bentley from Clifton Springs Primary School. The art depicted the students' visions of the Bellarine. I am very grateful to Corinne, the students and art teachers from other primary schools for their hard work and delightful interpretations of our area. There is no doubt that my office will be the envy of other ministers.



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From **Lisa Neville's** desk



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Projects include:

- \$300,000 for improvements to bus bays on the Geelong-Portarlington Road, Leopold
- \$195,000 for pedestrian signals on Geelong-Portarlington Road at Drysdale
- \$90,000 for road safety improvements on Geelong-Portarlington Road at Moolap Station Road, Moolap
- \$410,000 for the installation of pedestrian operated traffic signals on the Geelong-Portarlington Road at the Bellarine Rail Trail crossing in Curlewis. This will include flashing warning lights placed 200-300 metres prior to the lights.

These projects are the result of consultation with the community and the City of Greater Geelong about local needs to improve their transport networks. I will continue to work to ensure that vital projects in the Bellarine area benefit from the State Government's road funding programs.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Another announcement I was happy to make concerns the very special people who volunteer to deliver Meals on Wheels. They will share in an extra \$600,000 in annual funding from the State Government to cover out-of-pocket expenses. The volunteers who help deliver healthy meals to vulnerable Victorians are the heart and soul of Meals on Wheels and deserve recognition. They are vital to the delivery of 4.2 million meals a year to 34,000

senior Victorians and younger people with a disability. We know that expenses are rising for volunteers and this extra recurrent funding of \$600,000 will help cover the costs of providing this vital service.

It is important to remember that Australia's five million helpers give a fifth of their time to community welfare such as Meals on Wheels. Volunteers contribute 700 million hours to the community and their numbers are growing. Older people tend to spend more time doing voluntary work than their younger counterparts, and a challenge for Meals on Wheels, like all other volunteer organisations, is to attract volunteers so I urge any Victorians who want to make a difference in their communities to become involved in this program which allows many older people to remain in their homes.

VICTORIAN VOLUNTEER SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM

Updated guidelines for the Victorian Volunteer Small Grants have been recently introduced, and funding has been extended to 2011. Since 2004, more than 1000 community groups have received over \$3 million to help them recruit and support volunteers. Grants of up to \$5,000 are available to assist organisations attract new volunteers from diverse backgrounds, create new volunteering opportunities and strengthen existing volunteer programs. More information is available at www.grants.dpcd.vic.gov.au or contact my office on (03) 5248 3462.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact either of our offices if there are any issues with which we can be of assistance.

Until next time,
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SpringDale Art News

For the student artist it is an important moment of truth when you put a frame around your work and put it on display, but it is also exciting and an essential part of the learning in an art program.

Setting goals are also central to learning and motivation for art students. One group goal for the 2008 SpringDale Art Students is to produce art works for a public display. The art students are all working towards the Second SpringDale Art Students' Show in October.

Last year their first exhibition, launched at the mid year gathering of the Business Network received very encouraging feedback from those fortunate enough to see it. For most of the students it was their first time on show.

The 2008 SpringDale art student group has grown in number. New students in 2008 are learning how to see as an artist sees the world and how to develop works of art. Their sketchbooks will be on display and their first stand alone pictures. The advanced students are developing mature skills in a range of painting and drawing media and are more than ready to launch this their second show. Several of the Advanced Art group have been studying at SpringDale since 2006 and some are already seasoned



Please keep these exhibition dates free:
Second SpringDale Art Students & Associates Show 2008
 at the
SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Drysdale
Open to the public
Saturday 4 October
& Sunday 5 October
Between 10am and 4pm

Many works will be for sale with 5% of sales to support the SpringDale Centre.

exhibitors developing their skills in a supportive, but challenging group setting. The SpringDale Life Drawing Group and Sara Keranen's private art students in Drysdale have been invited to display their work with the SpringDale Art Group. We commend all their work to you.

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, 24 November 2008 at 7am** in the SpringDale Community Hall.

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Hello everyone,

Welcome back to another issue of the Youth Page. The contents of this issue will include ways for you to get involved in varied organisations, depending on what interests you. There's the **YAAPA** (Youth Activities Area Programming Activities), and Crash Course Productions, which both look for volunteers to help them organise and advertise local gigs and activities for the youth in Geelong.

If either of these organisations spark your interest, then definitely consider checking them out or even volunteering with them. It will keep you involved with what's going on around Geelong with the centre focus being young people. So

give the following descriptions a read, and consider if you'd want to get into any of these. It could be worth your while.

Youth-Can Opportunity.

The City of Greater Geelong run a Youth Development Unit, whose primary focus is listening, understanding, and valuing the youth in the town, and the contributions they make to Geelong. The Youth Development Unit encourage the youth to get involved in projects such as Skate Park Committees, organising events for National Youth Week, and the young women's Girls Go Extreme program. Anyone who is interested should contact youthcan@geelongcity.vic.gov.au Right now they're looking for young people to help program activities for the new

Youth Activities Area on the Waterfront in Geelong. If you'd like to be involved in organising youth events, such as skate competitions, band gigs, art exhibitions, sport events etc, then get on the internet and send in an application form.

Just type in the address
<http://www.youthcan.vic.gov.au/>
find the form that allows you to apply for this role.

YOUTH PAGE

WITH MATT WADE



Crash Course Productions



Crash Course Productions (CCP) is a well established youth ran production group from Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula. They run gigs for all ages with predominantly punk and hardcore acts which fulfils the needs of the Geelong youth scene. Yet they are also open to all other genres of music. Their events are smoke, drug and alcohol free and they are fully supervised by hired security. They're a good way to spend a Friday/Saturday night with your friends,

and a lot of fun as well. Crash Course are always looking for volunteers to help them out with gigs, whether it be advertising or something more. All you need to do is look at their myspace page www.myspace.com/crashcourse1 and check out what is available. Also, if you're part of a band and maybe interested in playing at one of their gigs then go to their page as well and follow the prompts for interested bands. It's definitely another way you can get involved with the youth, and a fun way too.

Big Machines @ the Royal Show

It's Royal Geelong Showtime!

From the 16 to 19 October Geelong comes alive for the Royal Geelong Show. Showcasing the best of agricultural competitions, exhibitions and displays, the Royal Geelong Show offers four action packed days of fun and entertainment for the whole family.

Children can enjoy Harry's Bendigo Bank Farmyard, racing and diving pigs, balloon sculpting, children's painting workshop, dancing, music, face painting, roving reptiles, street theatre, duck parades, ferret races, sheep shearing, skateboarding, showbags and rides.

Mum and Dad can enjoy food and wine, home renovations, agricultural and vintage machinery, woolcraft and fleece, cooking demonstrations, horticulture displays and demonstrations, music, arts and crafts.

Adding to your show experience is the all new all exciting entertainment; including the Toyota V6 Hilux Heroes and Girls Girls trick rider extraordinaires, which is sure to be a crowd pleaser.

Super Sunday will showcase the roar of the Tractor Pull, the spectacle of the Ute show, dog high jump and new for this year fox terrier races.



Friday night the sky will come alive with the 93.9 Bay FM Night Lights and Saturday enjoy the wonder of the 95.5 K-Rock's Big Bang which will be largest fireworks display the Royal Geelong Show has ever seen.

Enjoy a taste of the country at the 2008 Royal Geelong Show, from Thursday 16 – Sunday 19 October.

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Clifton Springs Primary School winner of the 'Walk on Wednesday' interschool challenge winning school,

Back: Penny Morris and Bev Mole, Cr. Tom O'Connor and Principal Debra Herbertson

Front: School captains Katie Trewin and Keegan Dean.

Our school community enjoyed the recent Olympic Games through having a Para-Olympian, Kelly Cartwright visit to tell us about her event and how she became selected to compete in the Games. Our Junior School Council raised some funds to assist her for her travel expenses and we learned about how much she had to train for her event. We also held a Mini Olympics where multi-aged groups represented a country and they competed in a range of fun activities similar to some events that were held at the actual Olympics. The winning teams were awarded gold, silver and bronze medals. Within the classrooms our students were investigating the Olympic Games through researching their history, maths and language activities.

Throughout last term our students and their families have been walking on Wednesdays and we have had terrific support each week as parents and children have been walking regularly.

We encouraged classes to aim for the highest number of students walking and competing for the golden sneaker award. We also submitted our results (walking numbers) to compete for the highest percentage of walkers in the whole school under the Travel Smart Program and we were very pleased to be awarded the highest percentage across all schools involved.

To celebrate Literacy and Numeracy Week we organised a Reading Relay where our students conducted a relay throughout the week near our Library to promote a love of reading. We also participated in a community walk to participate in the state wide event to bid for the Guinness Book of Records entry for the highest number of walkers over the longest distance.

We are encouraging enrolments for our 2009 Prep classes and enrolment forms are available at the Office. We welcome visitors to come along and see our school



in operation and to view the facilities that we offer. We will be conducting an Orientation program through Term 4 and also will hold a Parent Information Evening in November. Inquiries are welcome.

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Adult Learners' Week at SpringDale



We held another great 'Food and Friendship evening', another Men's Kitchen group started, we held an espresso course and we escorted many people around the centre for the first time. Please register your interest and contact details to be part of future events.



Sometimes events are scheduled quickly and it would be great to have a list of names and contact details especially email address if you have one so we can inform you of activities that are about to happen.



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It is busy at the Potato Shed



It has been a very interesting month at the Shed with a few changes having to be made to our planned schedule. There will be no more CCP events for the rest of the year. CCP will come back bigger and better in 2009 with a heap of great events including Spudfest 09 in April.

The Lightkeeper has been postponed until December due to the lead and only actor 'our own Rob MacLeod' falling ill with the dreaded flu. The show will now run in December with details to follow.

The Lightkeeper Art Exhibition went ahead as planned comprising 39 works by 23 Artists, all but one from the Geelong region and many from the local area. Curated by Gillian Turner the exhibition was a great success and gave patrons a taste of the linking of visual & performing arts.

Following the consultation period during which over 90 written submissions were received and two public forums were

held, the draft Potato Shed Masterplan concept plans went on display at the Potato Shed, Bellarine Secondary College, St Ignatius College Geelong and the City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centres until 27 August for public comment.

During this time 21 submissions were received in response and were overall extremely supportive.

A report will now go to Council in October at which time a decision will be made as to how the project proceeds.

October sees a number of events taking place at the Shed including the always entertaining school holiday show – this month Encore 4 Kids will perform the Classic Children's Show – Hansel & Gretel. Later in the month The Gems will be hosting another Desperate Housewives night this time in the spirit of the current Mamma Mia craze they will have an Abba theme so don your 70's gear / or not and come along for a wild girls night out.

Geelong Harmony Chorus will perform 'Songs at the Supper Club', and Harvey World Travel will hold their annual expo rounding out another very busy month. **See you at the Shed!**

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SpringDale Life Drawing Group Report 2008

The SpringDale Life Drawing Group has had a happy and successful year. It meets on Monday afternoons from 1.30pm to 4pm and has 14 to 17 keen participants who provide their own equipment and most of their drawing materials. The group co-operates very well and we all enjoy the delicious afternoon teas provided by a couple of our members. The models, all of whom are thoroughly professional, seem to enjoy the afternoon as much as we do. There is no tutor as the group is for practising artists who wish to develop the range of their visual, technical and artistic skills.



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Financially, we have settled on a fee of \$30 for each 5 weeks, which, with our current membership, adequately covers our models' fees, our payments to SpringDale, and the occasional purchase of group art materials, so that the artists can experiment with unfamiliar media: pastels, charcoal, crayons, pencils and inks, without the expense of buying individual sets.

We are grateful to the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre for making space available to our group, and for the friendly support it has given us over the year.

Members of the SpringDale Life Drawing Group will exhibit some of their work with other local groups and the SpringDale Art Tuition groups in the Second SpringDale Art Students and Associates Art Show.



The Art Show is open to the public on the weekend 4 & 5 October, 2008 at the SpringDale Centre between 10am & 4pm.

Nan Bodsworth
Group Leader

Combined Proboscis Club - Clifton Springs/Drysdale



Our recent activities have included a tour of the Geelong Maritime Museum, enjoyed by 13 members and followed by a social lunch. The Crafty Friends get together once a month for arts, crafts and hobbies. With Spring in the air the Caravan and Cabin Group have arranged a trip to Cobram in October followed by Ballarat in November.

The September speaker Barry Lingham gave an interesting presentation on 'Birds of the Bellarine' which could lead to another tour for members.

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, 13 October when the semi-retired, well loved Geelong specialist Ted Heffernan will give 'Recollections of my years in surgery'.

Memberships are still available for both couples and singles. Guests and visitors are most welcome to all our meetings. These are held on the second Monday of each month starting 10am at Clifton Springs Golf Club, Members Room. As the year draws to a close the Committee is planning for the members Christmas lunch to be held in December.

For further information please contact Brian on (03) 5253 1448.

Drysdale Community Market



This market with over 100 stalls of home grown, home produced goods in a real country fair atmosphere is held on Sunday, 19 October at the Recreation Reserve, Drysdale from 9am to 1pm. The Drysdale Community Market is held on the third Sunday of each month from October to May. The market has been operating for over 25 years and has proved very popular with residents and visitors.



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Let's Cook

Filipino Style

The SpringDale Community Centre was the venue for a wonderful and enjoyable Filipino evening. The dancing was entertaining and the food was splendid and extremely tasty. Thank you ladies for sharing your recipes with us.



SPRING ROLLS (Filipino)

500gm minced pork/chicken
Spring onions sliced
1-2 cloves of garlic macerated
4 tablespoon knorr
OR maggi seasoning
1 medium onion sliced
fish sauce sprinkled to taste
2 sticks of celery thin sliced
1 packet spring roll wrapper thawed
2 carrots julienne sliced
canola or veg. oil for frying
¼ cabbage thinly sliced
4 tbsp sesame oil or peanut oil
Ground pepper sprinkle
sweet chilli sauce
Season pork or chicken with 1 tbsp of sesame oil. Heat remaining oil into a wok on high, then stir fry meat until it changes colour, remove and set aside. Put remaining oil into wok and sauté garlic, onion, until light brown, add vegetable ingredients, cover and cook 40 seconds stirring at intervals.

Stir in mince browned meat, add all seasonings add extra according to taste, remove, place into dish and cool.

Separate wrappers gently, and place filling in diagonal angle on a board. Put 2-3 tbsp. in one corner fold ends and roll into sausage shape, moisten the ends with water and stick down firmly. Repeat with each wrapper until all used.

On medium, heat canola oil in a flat fry pan, put in spring roll and cook until just golden brown and then turn over. They should be crunchy, remove and drain on paper towel. Serve hot on a plate with or without sauce. Enjoy!

RICE NOODLES WITH CHICKEN AND VEGETABLES



1 packet rice noodles (soaked to soften)
¼ cup canola/veg oil
3 cloves garlic macerated
2 tbsp fish sauce
1 medium onion
4 tbsp soy sauce
2 chicken breasts or 4 thighs sliced in thin strips
1 tsp ground black pepper
¼ cabbage shredded/chopped
spring onions
2 medium carrots cut into strips
lemon slices
1 chicken stock cube
OR chicken stock
3 sticks celery chopped thinly

In a big wok or saucepan heat oil and sauté garlic and onion until colour changes, stir in meat until brown, then add vegetables, simmer for 2 minutes. Add chicken stock and all seasoning on medium heat, stir vegetables, push to one side, stir in noodles then cover with vegetables and mix stirring at intervals until noodles are cooked and dry. You may need 2 ladles to stir and mix. Serve and garnish with spring onion and lemon slices.

Note: You can substitute chicken with lean pork thin slices or a combination of both if you wish.



Virginia enjoying her task of cooking Filipino homemade Spring Rolls.

Taking the pressure off cooking



We held our first **Pressure Cooker** workshop the other evening. It was a great success. We tried 6 dishes - 2 soups, 2 casseroles and 2 desserts. All were delicious. We are now waiting to hear back from the participants about their successes in their kitchens.

There will be more sessions so please register your interest if you would like to participate and learn about using the pressure cooker you have hidden in the cupboard and are too scared to use. **Phone SpringDale (03) 5253 1960.**

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Obituary - Dorothy May Gillies - Leaving a Lasting Legacy



On Tuesday August 5th, Dorothy May Gillies passed away at the St John Of God Hospital in Geelong. Dorothy, Dot, was 81 years of age and had been a resident of Drysdale since 1958.

Dot leaves behind her husband of 59 years, Jack, two daughters and a son, all married with children and a fourth generation of great grandchildren. Dot also leaves an amazing legacy of faith, love, hope and service. It was said at the Service to celebrate her life; "We bring nothing into the world and we surely can take nothing out, but we can leave a lasting legacy."

When Dot came to Drysdale she became a part of the local Methodist Church. In 1976 she attended church in Belmont and then, nearly 30 years ago she was instrumental in the establishment of what is now the Drysdale Community Church. The first meetings of the church were held in the lounge room of Jack and Dot's home.

Twenty-nine years ago Dot started teaching RE (Religious Education) in local Primary Schools and

retired after twenty years at the age of seventy-two. Dot enjoyed being recognised by past pupils and listening to their stories of what they were doing now and what had happened since the time she taught them.

Dot had a passion for life and a passion to serve. Right up until earlier this year she and Jack continued to be involved in voluntary service that was always aimed at helping others enjoy life.

She was involved in and helped coordinate Ladies meetings, prayer meetings, Missions meetings, Leaders meetings, Christmas. For the community, Easter events for the community. Dot and Jack volunteered at the Second Chance clothing opportunity Shop and also worked at the Drysdale Family Support Foodbank.

Dot was a passionate and fun loving person. She loved her family with a passion. She never was too busy and never gave up on any of her children or grandchildren. She always saw the best in them and always appreciated them. Dot and Jack share an amazing love. They enjoyed each others company, loved picnics together and were often seen walking hand in hand. Dot was passionate about God, passionate about her church and passionate about enjoying life. Dot was passionate about people and loving them.

Dot Gillies leaves an amazing legacy of living life with passion, of people impacted by her willingness to serve, of modelling a life of faith and love. We will never know how many people have been impacted and inspired by her life but that is what happens when you live life for others and not just for self. The community is richer because of her life.

Thank you Dot.

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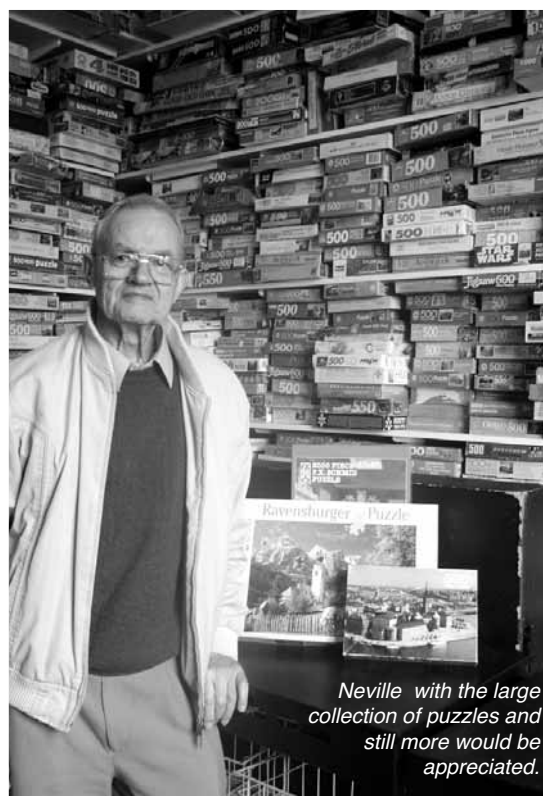
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We are a friendly group and would welcome new members. So why not join us for morning tea and a chat with like-minded people.

If you have any 3 Dimensional puzzles that are hiding in your cupboards and no longer need them, please bring them to our Puzzle Club and they can live again and be enjoyed by many of our patrons that visit the SpringDale Centre.

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Beacon Point Pre-School

Isn't the year flying by, and what an exciting third term we have had. The Olympics have provided the children with lots of inspiration and using the Olympics as a base we have discussed and investigated other cultures amongst the kinder children with any families originating from other countries encouraged to contribute. The children enjoyed listening to the bagpipes and the African drums, cooking Dutch pancakes and sharing photos, postcards and family heirlooms.

Continuing this we had a mini Olympics day, with Kristie Miles from Active Play coming to kinder and sharing her equipment and enthusiasm. Kristie has not been our only visitor this month, with a performance from Magic Mike, thrilling us all with his magic tricks and Thingtodoodle from VicRoads taught us all about road safety with a message of 'Stop, Look, Listen and Think'.

The children are becoming increasingly aware of the written word, and each day the 'letter fairy' leaves us a letter for the day, which we talk and sing about. We have set up a post office area where the children can write letters, lists or whatever takes their fancy. Early literacy is emerging in a fun and non threatening manner. Our three year olds are bouncing along, working on their fine



motor skills, with the introduction of scissors, threading and sewing and hanging pegs on the line. Outdoors, we are developing our skills of kicking and throwing using the rebound net and basketball ring. The children are very excited by the introduction of Billy and Bella the Beacon Point Bears. These take home bears rotate on a weekly basis, with the children sharing with the group their activities upon return.

As you can see we have been very busy this past month, and it doesn't appear to be slowing down yet, which for a group of four year olds this is a fantastic thing. If only we could all face the day with their enthusiasm and zest for life huh!

Lions host International Students

Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club recently hosted 5 international students. The hosting families, Ray & Liz Meaney, John & Kaylene Harman, Ian & Joan Cook and Ian & Lyn Rollinson, took their exchangees on trips around the area visiting the Otways, Twelve Apostles, Ballarat, Geelong, Federation Square and the Rialto. They saw koalas, kangaroos, snakes, lizards and loved the signs that warned of 'kangaroos, wombats or koalas ahead'. The best day was when Geoff Sadler took them on his 10m yacht around Corio Bay – giving each a go at the wheel, pulling ropes & getting wet. They were great kids & we enjoyed our week immensely. Thanks to all those who helped with their stay.



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Strength training for older adults

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Normal ageing is characterised by a loss in muscle strength and mobility. This may lead to increased dependency, and reduced quality of life in older people. Ageing is associated with a loss of bone mineral density, often leading to osteoporosis and an increased risk of falls and fractures. Osteoporotic fractures afflict 60% of women and 30% of men over the age of 60 years in Australia. As people age there is also a tendency to slow down and become more inactive, further contributing to these changes.

Evidence shows that older adults benefit from increased muscular strength and endurance. Regular weight training increases and maintains muscle mass and bone density. This plays an important role in the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis. Strengthening the muscles that are important for balance and physical function will reduce the risk of falls and the likelihood of fractures. Strengthening muscles improves the ability to perform day-to-day general activities, allowing older adults to maintain their independence for longer.

The weight resistance strength training (WRT) program provides a safe and non-threatening environment for older adults

to exercise under the supervision and guidance of a trained instructor. Instructors prepare individual exercise programs which include strength training, weight bearing activities, balance training, and flexibility exercises. The program also encourages regular physical activity through home based programs and progression to other suitable community based programs. The WRT program assists older adults to develop the skills and confidence they need to maintain and improve their physical health.

Participants require GP approval and an individual assessment prior to commencing. Due to the popularity of this program, a waiting period may apply.

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If you are retired or semi retired, and live on the Bellarine Peninsula, you are welcome to join our members and their wives at the Queenscliff Fort on Monday, 6 October at 9.30am. You can also join us at lunch in the Royal Hotel, Queenscliff,

after the meeting. After lunch we will be given a full tour of the Fort and its fascinating museum. Booking is essential. Cost of the day is \$21.00 includes morning tea and two course lunch. Bring your wife, partner, friends, and neighbours to this October Probus meeting.

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Do you know someone who needs their lawn mowed? We are looking for people who may have physical, financial or other



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On the day there will be Bowls Coaching for those new to the game and a ModBowls tournament, so submit your teams ASAP or just come down and we will hook you up with a team to be part of the fun. ModBowls is a fun way to play bowls whether a beginner or experienced player. A good game is a quick game. The aim is to get your bowls closer than your opponents. The number of bowls you have closer than them, that's how many shots you score on that end. For those asking what is a bowl, what is an end, come down and we will explain it all. Gather family, friends, colleagues, team mates etc. for an enjoyable afternoon. For those who may just like to watch from the sidelines there will be Entertainment, a Sausage Sizzle, Afternoon Tea and the Bar will be open for a refreshing beverage.

Get a group together or just come along and mingle with the locals. Have a laugh, learn a new skill and discover there is

more to bowls than just rolling a ball along a green. What's the secret we've been keeping all these years? You've gotta give it a go to find out. See you there. Gold coin donation for coaching. ModBowls \$5 per person.

Dress Code - Clothing is compulsory. Teams are welcome to dress up.

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Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail

The Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail have in recent weeks planted more than one thousand plants along the trail at Christies Road Leopold, whilst further plantings are in progress to enhance the landscaping around the new restroom and car park at that location.

Recently the Bellarine Times Newspaper (26 August 2008) commented on the grants made by both the Council and State Government for improvements, to the Bellarine Rail Trail. Bellarine residents are now seeing positive results for the contribution of \$250,000 from the above sources. Works completed during this period have included:

- Resurfacing of the trail between Kensington and Christies Roads Leopold

- New shelter restrooms and car park at Christies Road
- Two new shelters along the Rail Trail
- New car park at Curlewis Road.

Additional work, which is expected to be completed by late October, is the resurfacing of a 1km section of the Trail; this is between Melaluka and Kensington Roads, Leopold.

Sincere thanks go to Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail for their assistance with landscaping and similar projects. The Rail Trail is being enhanced as a popular recreation area for both locals and tourists by this input of capital and the passion of local residents for this important community asset.

New Traffic lights for Drysdale



Eighteen months ago we were asked by a Grandmother to request a set of traffic lights in High Street Drysdale to assist family groups to be able to cross during the holiday season. We convened a meeting and many local residents voiced their concerns about crossing High Street

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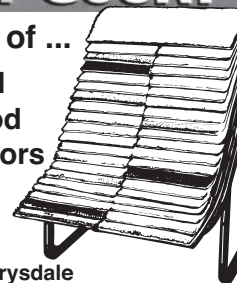


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from the **garden gate**

Can you remember when family homes had backyards, chooks and a water tank? Mum grew flowers in the front garden, whilst Dad grew vegetables out the back. Sound familiar. Suddenly this scenario has become the thing to do. Organic gardening is back. Thank goodness, even though many of us have been doing it for decades. The taste of home grown fruit and vegetables is a sensation that you will never forget. When was the last time you picked an apple or peach from the tree, bit into the flesh with juices running down your chin? I did, last summer. I have heard it said "Fresh is best", but organic fresh is better.

In my own garden I don't have the standard veggie patch, but grow flowers and vegetables together. Some call it a potager garden or a companion garden. Some have been known to call it a horticultural mess. But guess what, it works, and works well. Wigwams of beans and peas, tomatoes with roses, zucchini and daisies, apples with lavender and valerian, and lettuces with calendulas and fuchsias, all growing quite happily together. It will never make the glossy magazines but to me it is Paradise.

With the weather warming, mulch lightly so that the Spring rains can dampen our soil, then lay much thicker when the soil warms. Keep planting out the summer vegetables such as tomatoes, carrots, beetroot, zucchini, kale, sweet corn, cucumbers and potatoes. Give some radish and bean seeds to the children to plant and let them be their special plants. It is never too early to get into gardening. Continue sowing seeds of calendulas, cosmos as this help bring the bees.

Grab a cuppa or glass of wine and your secateurs and walk around the garden deadheading as you go. This is not only relaxing for you but good for the plants as well.

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The next garden club meeting will be on Monday, 20 October, 7.30pm. at the Drysdale Uniting Church Hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and share in the joys of gardening. Any enquiries please phone Lorraine on (03) 5251 1660 or Rae (03) 5251 2600

Show. Drysdale Uniting Church Hall. All entries open to the public. Flyers will be appearing around the town soon, so keep a look out. Entry forms will be available at the Library and from members.

I would also like to say thank you to John Wilson from Pulse 94.7 radio station for inviting me to talk about gardening during his program.

**Happy Gardening,
Lorraine Wikman
President.**

Bokashi Update -

Anne Brackley

There will be a Bokashi demonstration at SpringDale at 11am on Thursday, 9 October. Please feel free to come along. I've been getting the garden back in order, unfortunately it didn't get much attention over winter.



I've also been using the Bokashi juice to help my fruit trees that have just made the move from Portarlington Road to Wyndham Street. Some of the trees are 10 years old but haven't been well tended – the Bokashi juice applied regularly should help them become established at their new home.

I also need to start to tell you about the swimming pool we've been treating with the same micro organisms that are in the Bokashi product- the results have been spectacular.

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Peninsula Probus visits Flanagan Room

On Monday, 4 August, Peninsula Probus convened its regular monthly meeting in the Flanagan Room of Geelong Football Club. President Barry Waller invited members' friends and family to participate in the occasion, which culminated in a catered luncheon for the group of 90.

Highlights were the two speeches, one from club member, Tom Bruns, and the other guest speaker, Rob Gartland. Both led us back to earlier times, when the rural life was central to many lives. Tom spoke of life on the farm in Kaniva, and of the years between 1978 and 1992, when they made regular round trips to Melbourne and Geelong to see Neville play. He also spoke of the sadness of the loss of one son, and serious injury to another.

Bob Gartland, prominent in Geelong Real Estate, and on the Board of Geelong Football Club, took us back to his childhood with a whimsical and witty



Bob Gartland

account of his life in Fyansford, where he caught and sold rabbits and traded in pickled eels. He also reflected on the changes in Geelong that have occurred in the last forty years: the disappearance of main street businesses, of wool stores, of cement works, and the development of shopping malls.

A wonderful luncheon and long distance supervision of the footballers at training rounded off an enjoyable day. Ablett was clearly ready to return to the team.

**Barry Waller President
Peninsula Probus Club**



CORYULE WARD/UPDATE Cr. Tom O' Connor CoGG / Coryule Ward

The Bellarine Safe Harbour Project

It's been a long time in the making and now it's official. The Bellarine Safe Harbour Project was launched by Lisa Neville MP on Tuesday, 2 September. This exciting development will have a very positive impact on the township of Portarlington and the surrounding Bellarine communities. It is great news that we can move forward with the various activities under this project umbrella.

In Clifton Springs, there is a CoGG team working at Bayshore Avenue to enlarge

the existing stormwater drain and stop the water flowing down to Jetty Road. Also in Bayshore Avenue, the footpath has now been completed at the intersection with Clifton Springs Road.

Meanwhile, the foreshore management works continue at Clifton Springs, with the all-abilities access works underway in Edgewater Drive. Two groynes at roughly 100 metres out to sea in the same area will help reduce potential storm surge damage. The work to increase the beach width is due to start shortly and the parking area above the beach is also underway.

The Dell

Over at The Dell, the new steps and the all-abilities walk path are taking shape. At the same time, the groundwater extraction system is being removed and a host of new plantings have been put in along the old road.

Drysdale update

Improvements in Drysdale include installation of new pedestrian lights in High Street and the renovations at the Football Club, which are scheduled for completion by the end of this month. We are working in conjunction with Netball Victoria regarding the upgrade to the Netball courts/CFA facility, which is currently under review.

Palmerston and East Streets works for the wheelchair access is ready to go, design work and Planning approvals completed, and the whole project scheduled for completion by October. The scope of the work is quite large so be

Drysdale Senior Citizens Club

We had a bus trip in September to Waurin Ponds and went to see Mama Mia which we all enjoyed. Then we had a nice lunch and did a bit of shopping. It was a lovely day which everyone enjoyed.

Monday, 6 October we have Bingo with eyes down at 1.15pm and our trading table, followed by afternoon tea.

Everyone is welcome. Come along and bring a friend. Tuesday, 7 October we have a trip going to the Tulip Farm in the Dandenongs. The cost for the bus will depend on how many people we get, so we will let you know later in Town by Town in the Echo. You will pay for your lunch and entry is \$10.00. Everyone is welcome to come. Just let us know and we will put your name on the list. It should be a good day.

Monday, 20 October we have our event for seniors month, so we are having some entertainment and afternoon tea at the club starting at 1.30pm and the cost will be \$2.00 at the door. Everyone is welcome.

We have a very good snooker table at the club but we have very few players to use it, so we would like some more members to play. If you are interested come up on Monday, Wednesday or Friday and have a look for yourself. We have everything you need or bring your own cue and have a game, you will be made welcome.

Best wishes to all our sick members, and we hope to see you all well again soon.

Esther and Mary

prepared for inconvenience to both pedestrian and vehicle traffic during the construction period.

Drysdale/Clifton Springs Structure Plan

The four week public consultation period for the Drysdale/Clifton Springs Structure Plan is scheduled for late October, so watch this space for your opportunity to submit comment.

Until then, enjoy the spring sunshine and all the colour it brings.

**Cr. Tom O'Connor
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The sun shone. Parents and friends came in droves. The children and teachers all dressed up to represent the country their class had chosen.

All was set for the opening ceremony of the Olympics Day at Drysdale Primary School. As each class paraded around the quadrangle to music from their chosen country the special guest, Wei Sing from the Chinese Embassy in Canberra, waved to the children and greeted them as they filed past. It was a day full of surprises.

Following the excitement, colour and pageantry of the opening Ceremony, everyone snacked on some luscious fresh fruit which had been carefully cut and prepared by a number of helpful mums.

Then the games began. It was 'faster, higher and stronger' on the school oval. Twenty-four different activities which the House Captains had prepared, entertained and challenged all competitors.

Throwing, running, jumping, hurdling, tossing, skipping – there was physical activity of all kinds.

As everyone was building a big appetite with all that exercise, a very efficient group of parents were skilfully cooking a thousand sausages to feed everyone. They were delicious. Children enjoyed their sausage as they listened to the local lunch time rock band.

However the day had not finished. After a rest, parents went out onto the streets to man the corners and driveways and the children and teachers completed a 'marawalk'. A pleasant walk on the streets around the school capped off the day's events.

Parents, friends and the general Drysdale community who supported the children by sponsoring them in the DPS Olympics will be pleased to note that the children raised in excess of \$8,500. This money will go towards the construction of a new bike shed.

A fantastic effort from everyone ensured that we all had a memorable 2008 Olympics Day. Thank you from all at Drysdale Primary.

Victorian Seniors FESTIVAL

Victorian Seniors Festival (VSF), Geelong is the largest regional festival for seniors in Victoria. Complementing the one week VSF, 5-12 October 2008, VSF Geelong runs for all of October. There are many community hosted events, workshops, competitions, concerts and different activities for everyone.

On Thursday, 9 October, SpringDale is hosting their version of 'Antiques Roadshow' with Ian from the Mill Markets who will evaluate your treasures for the cost of \$2 per item. Also the day will include information on budgeting, a fabulous lunch with a guest speaker and various fun activities. The cost for the day will be \$5 which includes lunch.

Bookings are essential. To reserve your place phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 as soon as possible.

SpringDale Meditation Group 2007/2008 Report

This group, convened by facilitator Max Simmons, commenced in late October 2007 and meets on Tuesday evenings between 7:30 and 8:30. Structured and unstructured mindfulness meditation or Vipassana, is the primary meditation practice.

Attendance of the group has varied over the past ten months and is currently running at about six participants per session. There is a range of practice within the membership, from beginners to experienced meditators.

Dr Max Simmons PhD.



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Great Battery Round Up

Once again this year the RACV is collecting unwanted automotive batteries and recycling them in a safe friendly manner. On Saturday, 4 October you can take your old batteries to GEL Motors, 66-70 Separation Street, North Geelong. The RACV will donate \$5 for every battery collected to Melbourne's Royal Children's Hospital.

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Drysdale Guides meet Thursday afternoons at SpringDale at 4pm for girls aged 6-11 years and 6.30-8pm for girls aged 11-18.

If anyone is interested in this activity please contact Anne Brackley on (03) 5253 1960 for further information

SpringDale Singers

The enthusiasm of members of this choir continues to impress. It is evidence of their enjoyment in singing together, improving the natural ability everyone has to make music despite the commonly held belief that 'I can't sing'. There are experienced choristers as well as folk who were dropped out of the primary school choir many years ago, who find they can share in song together; no soloists, so no ones individual efforts are exposed for all to hear. No auditions because we can fit anyone in.

Leadership comes totally from within the happy group, but we specially appreciate Jenny Brown joining us as our accompanist this year.

Each week there are a few visitors who sit at the side to listen; they are most welcome to do so whether on a regular basis or simply to drop in one afternoon.

SpringDale Singers meet in the SpringDale Community Hall every Tuesday from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.

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Fond memories of Kinder days

It was a wonderful afternoon as we thanked those that had come, showed them what the centre looks like now and what we hoped to change in the future. There were some lovely stories told as Valda Wilson encouraged everyone to share an experience or fond memory.

Jan Darter (who was a financial member and also the centre's original kindergarten assistant) brought along an album that had photos of the children at the courthouse building, before the council built the new centre in Eversly St. In one photo the children carried their own chairs, down the street to the new kindergarten.

Jocelyn Mannix also shared with everyone that she believed the document was hand written by her late husband; this was a very sentimental moment and makes the document a reminder of his work also.

Now the parents who visit Drysdale Preschool can see this document hanging proudly near the door, and hopefully understand that by volunteering their time and expertise to the kindergarten, or other community groups, will not only benefit



their children, but those in the future yet to come.

**Alison Dumbell
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Bellarine Sharks AFC 2008 Season Review

2008 has been another successful season for the Sharks, with players from all over the Bellarine Peninsula representing the club in senior men's, under 13's mixed and under 11's mixed competition in the Geelong Regional Football Association leagues.

The under 11's mixed team, coached by Frank Galan and sponsored by the Bendigo Bank Bellarine Community Branch, showed great improvement over the season with some notable victories over Barwon White and Breakwater, with several players trialling with regional representative teams for both the outdoor game and Futsal.

The under 13's mixed team, under the tutelage of Steve Wade and sponsored by the Portarlington Newsagency, put some early heavy defeats behind them as they gelled as a team to become a truly competitive outfit, culminating in a stunning 4-1 victory over regional powerhouse Corio.

The senior men's team (pictured), managed by Geoff Briggs and sponsored by Bayside Security Doors and Shower Screens had an incredible season, winning the GRFA 3rd division league



title, the league being more coveted in the soccer code than winning the finals series. Watch this space for how the team goes in the final series.

As well as picking up its first silverware, the club maintained its welcoming and fun environment with a strong emphasis on

fair play and inclusion. Thank you to all the players, parents, coaches, sponsors, volunteers and spectators for a great season in a great atmosphere.

Geoff Briggs
President, Bellarine Sharks AFC

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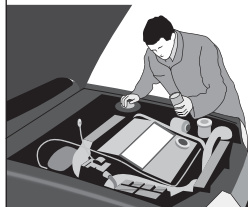
Three more for Scouts



Scout Leader Shane Curran along with Jarrod Williams, Angus Loveday and Angus Downey. Jarrod and Angus Downey were presented 'Grey Wolf Awards'. This is the highest award a Cub can receive. These three Cubs were invested into the Drysdale Scout Group.

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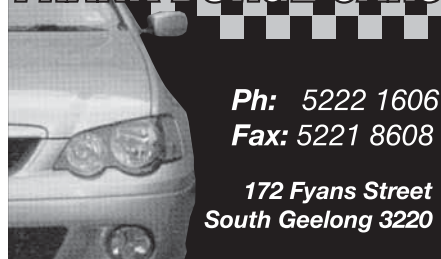
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