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Open Mic - what a night



Top: Nick Tavone and Tim Kershaw

Left: Eliza Charters with Trish Redman



A great night was had once again at the latest *Spud Club*, the Potato Shed's monthly *Open Mic Night*. The *Open Mic Night* allows people of all ages and abilities to come along and have a go. Whether your talent is singing, playing an instrument, stand up comedy or dance, you are warmly welcomed and encouraged in this relaxed environment.

This time the audience were treated to a variety of performers including the very talented Nick Tavone accompanied by Tim Kershaw. This is the second time Nick has appeared at *Spud Club* and the audience was once again left wanting more! Our very own Eliza Charters also made an appearance on the night. Eliza gave us a sneak peak of what we may get to see later in the year when *The Don't Be Couch Potato Cabaret* is performed in November.

A great night once again, and contact the Potato Shed for more information on future events.

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Sun 6

Father's Day



Mon 7 - Sun 13

National Blood Donor Week



Tues 8

Cyberskills for parents at SpringDale



Tues 15

Grimstones (Potato Shed)



Fri 18

School Term ends CCP Gig (Potato Shed)



Weds 23

Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association AGM 7pm

Sat 26

AFL Grand Final



Sun 27

Portarlington Market 9am-2pm



Tues 29, & Weds 30 September

The Emperors New Clothes (Potato Shed)



Thurs 1 & Fri 2 October

The Emperors New Clothes (Potato Shed)

Spud Club (Potato Shed)



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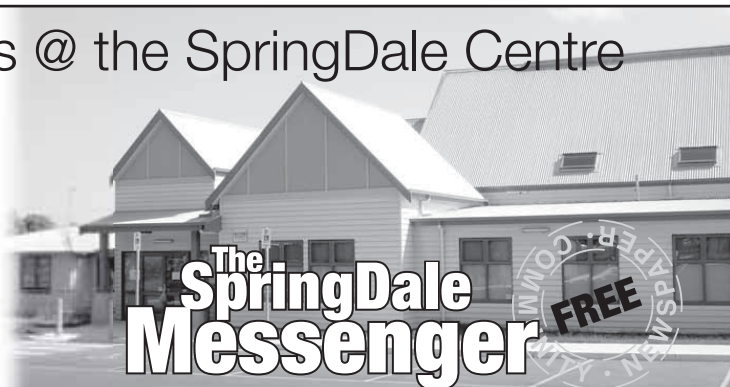
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from the centre

with Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]

Dear Friends

September is always a very busy month at SpringDale. It begins with Adult Learners' Week 1 – 8 September. This year we are holding a special information session aimed at parents and grandparents to inform about face book, twitter and other ways that our young people communicate that has been around for only a few years.

Cyber Skills for Parents and Carers will be held on Tuesday, 8 September at 7pm at SpringDale. We hope that people might take this opportunity to gain a little more information about many different internet tools.

Our groups are always willing to have people visit or come and try but during Adult Learners' Week our groups are even more willing to welcome new people to come along to play cards, scrabble or mahjong, discuss books, computer information or sharing wisdom, borrow jigsaws, pole walking and book in to have lunch with the Men's or Ladies' Kitchen. Recently our 3 kitchen groups joined together to demonstrate their culinary skills by preparing, serving and sharing a two course meal with family and friends. The hall was a buzz with 80 people and everyone is looking forward to the next event.

SpringDale partnered with Drysdale Ladies Probus to present Christine Middleton's 'Memoirs of a Scottish Warbride'. The 79 people present enjoyed the afternoon and look forward to the next episode 'Memoirs of an Aussie Flyboy' to be held at SpringDale on Friday 9 October at 1pm, tickets available from SpringDale.

We are looking forward to the next set of school holidays and the Vacation Care program which is proving to be very successful and popular, thanks to Kristie, Bill and team.

The Business and Services Directory for 2010 is being compiled. Many businesses who weren't included last time have taken the opportunity to ensure they are in for this issue. It will be printed in December so please send in your details if your business or Community Group could benefit from being in this convenient publication.

Lastly, we have said a sad farewell to Julie Aylwin, the Assistant Coordinator at SpringDale, who has decided to retire and "smell the roses for a while". Julie has managed advertising for the Messenger and organisation of courses for the last two and half years. Her smiling face will be missed at our front desk. Have fun Julie from all your friends at SpringDale.

Regards from Anne Brackley
and the SpringDale team.

UPDATE @ SpringDale



SpringDale Art Workshop in September Fascinating Faces

- A Portraiture Workshop

Learn to see and draw the human face with clarity and as a vehicle for expression. Key aspects to drawing a portrait will be taught in a supportive and relaxing way.

Place, Dates, Times:

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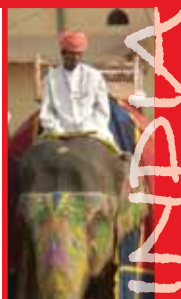
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Sonia Walder is a qualified secondary foods/textiles teacher with a passion for working with textiles, dedicated to patchwork and loves to make bags of all shapes and sizes.

She has participated in many quilting classes, most of which have taught her traditional patchwork/quilting techniques. Last year she completed a workshop in which she produced a contemporary style 'landscape' wall quilt using non-traditional methods. Strips of fabric were torn and sewn to a backing fabric, which provided Sonia with an enjoyable and liberating experience.

She was involved with the design and construction of the picture quilt that hangs in SpringDale Neighborhood Centre and is currently working together with several Mums from Drysdale Primary School to produce a fundraising quilt.

Sonia plans to continue the journey of learning new techniques, but at the same



time would like to be teaching some of the skills she has mastered along the way. Sonia is asking for expressions of interest from people in the community who may be interested in learning a new textile craft and would enjoy teaching a bag class or a quilt class.

**Please contact SpringDale on
(03) 5253 1960 if you are interested.**

Legacy Week Appeal



Legacy is a voluntary organisation established in 1923 by ex-servicemen to care for the dependants of deceased Australian service members. The Legacy Week appeal is held in the first week of September each year. Maybe you can help Legacy with a donation. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

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Drysdale's C.W.A. President, Dorothy Chase, expressed the grateful thanks of the Branch to the local Community, as she handed Tony Featherstone, The Cottage by the Sea General Manager, a cheque for \$1,300.00. The money was

raised through the Drysdale Branch's Autumn Raffle of a Sony DVD Video Cam, a Hand Crochet Rug and a Meal Voucher for the Springs Golf Club. All prizes were donated and as advertised all funds raised were to be donated to the Cottage by the Sea Special Appeal - "Holidays for Primary School Children affected by the February Bushfires."

Tony was delighted to receive the unexpected donation and thanked the members. He explained that the Cottage at Queenscliff, established in 1890, provided over 1,000 needy children annually with holidays, while giving adult

family members and carers' respite. The children are accepted as individuals with different needs, expectations and responses and are provided with the opportunity to grow, love, learn and play – away from the stress of their everyday lives. He added that the CWA Victoria was the largest support group of the Cottage's ongoing work.



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Letter to the editor

BRAVO SPRINGDALE MEN'S KITCHEN

All of us from the SpringDale Ladies' Kitchen would like to congratulate the Men's Kitchen for the successful and fabulous Christmas in July Lunch on 30 July 2009 at SpringDale. Well done Geoff, Rayna, Barbara, Rita and Team.

The food was sumptuous, the atmosphere was merry and joyful, service was extraordinary and the fellowship was warm and pleasant. Everyone had a great time. We thank all of you from the bottom of our heart for the memorable time together.

Keep up the great work!

Anna Leong
Clifton Springs



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High on the Hog by Dennis Saliba

Courtesy of the Geelong Advertiser

Allocated Pension Drawdown Relief

In a press release on 18 February this year, the Government announced that investors in allocated, account based and term allocated pensions would only be required to draw down half their calculated minimum income requirement for 2008/09. The 2009 Federal Budget has extended this relief for a further 12 months to 30 June 2010.

Due to the financial market downturn, the Government has recognised concerns associated with meeting the minimum draw down amount in 2008-09 and have recognised this pattern to continue for the 2009 -10 financial year. For some, this has meant having to sell investment assets and realise losses in a depressed market. Furthermore the temporary relief also addresses the concern that the minimum draw down requirement was set based on asset values as at 1 July 2008 (or on pension commencement if later) when equity values were higher.

What does this mean? Income payments from allocated pensions, account-based pensions or term allocated pensions for an individual aged under 65 as at 1 July 2009 can exercise their right to reduce their minimum payment from 4% to 2%. For individuals age 65 – 74 years, the minimum payment can be reduced from 5% to 2.5%, age 75 – 79 the reduction will be from 6% to 3%, age 80 – 84 the minimum will drop from 7% to 3.5%, age 85 – 89 the reduction can be from 9% to 4.5%, age 90 – 94 represent a drop from 11% to 5.5% and those age over 95 years can reduce their minimum

from 14% to 7%. And finally, for individuals planning to take their minimum payment as a single payment in June 2010 may now elect that payment to be half of what will be determined as at 1 July 2009.

Confused or wish to find out more? Make an appointment to see a Financial Planner and they should be able to explain this latest change in more detail and give you the most appropriate advice that will relate to your own specific circumstance.

Dennis Saliba is a Senior Financial planner and Representative of Bendigo Financial Planning, a part of the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Group.

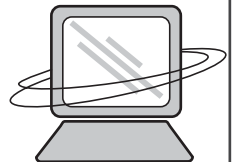
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Learning English

If you have come from another country and would like to improve your ability to speak English, a new member of our Centre, Dr. John Norman who has been teaching English in China has offered to facilitate a class. **Simply phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 to indicate your interest and if there are enough interested we shall arrange such a class.**

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Our 3rd Annual Art Show at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre will bring together a diverse and spectacular display of paintings and drawings by the artists and art students who study at SpringDale. Members of The SpringDale Life Drawing Group, the Discover the Artist Within and Advanced Art groups as well as participants in 2009 SpringDale Weekend Art Workshop Programme.

The aim of our annual art show is to develop our exhibiting skills and to showcase our achievements for the Bellarine community.

Most exhibits will be for sale and information about art courses and art workshops at SpringDale will be available at the exhibition. Participating artists and art tutor, Annette Playsted will be present and happy to answer any questions.

A taste of the quality of the artworks to be hung in the 2009 Exhibition is presently on show in the foyer of the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

We hope many members of our community will support the artists and visit the exhibition in October.

Gold Coin Donation appreciated

They dare to bare!



The 2010 *Bare Necessities* Calendar will be available soon. It's not exactly Calendar Girls, but the aim is the same – fundraising for a worthy cause.

Plans have been drawn up to refurbish the heritage listed St James' Church Hall in Collins Street, Drysdale, but the budget is a hefty \$400,000. Not daunted, parishioners have banded together, and bared more than their souls, to produce this fundraising calendar. All the photographs were taken inside the Hall (*where it was absolutely freezing for the participants despite the efforts of the few heaters there*), and each month shows a topical event, such as Australia Day,

Sausage Sizzle, Choir Practice and Easter.

With 3000 calendars available, at a cost of only \$10 each, you can make a real difference by supporting this initiative, and have a good giggle in the process.

There is also a 'Bloopers' page containing some of the out-takes, so laugh along with the cast in their endeavours, and tell your friends, this is a quality publication and everyone will want one. It could even become a collector's item, so don't miss out.

Watch this space!

Pauline Cline



WALK TO WATER

The average distance a woman in India, Africa or the Middle East must walk each day to draw water for her family is 8 kilometres. During 2009, Open Doors will begin putting in boreholes near 3 villages in Nigeria, which have a population of 2,000 people. By the time these are finished they will support more than 10,000 people from surrounding areas.

On Saturday 12 September, you are invited to join with hundreds of others across Australia in a *Walk to Water* event. Meet at the Drysdale Railway Station at 8.45am to begin to walk the 17 kilometres along the Rail Trail to Queenscliff.

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Miriam Tobin – a happy ex Guide.

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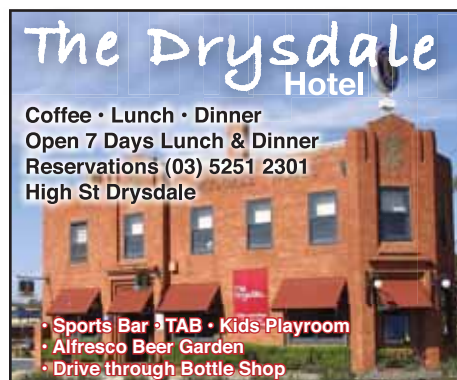
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As Minister for Senior Victorians, I was pleased to announce a \$681,000 state government boost to seniors' fitness. The funding boost will help deliver quality programs to enhance the active lives of Victoria's seniors and build better communities across the state.

Included in the funding are the Seniors Go For Your Life Active Ageing Network which will make it easier for senior Victorians to access local strength training programs. Three popular projects: the Ethnic Community Council's Multicultural Multiactive Seniors project; Bicycle Victoria's Over 50s Riding Program and the Victorian Seniors Festival Go for your life activities program will also be extended.

For more information, visit www.seniors.vic.gov.au or call the Office of Senior Victorians on (03) 9208 3333 or Seniors Information Victoria on 1300 135 090.

EX HMAS CANBERRA SET TO BE SCUTTLED

I recently had the pleasure of touring the former Royal Australian Navy warship HMAS Canberra which is being prepared to be scuttled off the shores of Ocean Grove in the coming months. The vessel will become an artificial dive site providing the region with a new diving experience for local and visiting divers alike. The local economy will benefit from visitors to the dive site who will stay in local accommodation, support dive shops in the region, dine at our restaurants and buy local produce.

Decommissioned in late 2005, the ex-HMAS Canberra is a 4,100 tonne, 138 metre long and 30 metre high Adelaide Class guided missile frigate. The vessel was gifted to Victoria by the Commonwealth Government and the State Government is providing \$1.5 million dollars toward the project.

HEALTH SELF HELP PROGRAM GRANTS

Application for grants from the 2009-2010 Health Self Help Program have now

opened. I encourage local health self-help groups to apply for these one-off grants of up to \$5,000 that are in recognition of the key volunteer role self-help community health groups play in helping others.

Eligible groups include those to support people affected by specific illnesses and conditions, including arthritis, strokes, a range of different cancers, mental illness, diabetes and fibromyalgia, and others which provide support to family and friends of people with a range of illnesses. Funding guidelines, application forms and further information on the Health Self Help Program can be obtained via the Department of Human Services web site: http://www.health.vic.gov.au/communityhealth/self_help.htm or by contacting the Geelong office of the Department of Human Services.

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

Hon Lisa Neville MP
Member for Bellarine
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Stark Symbolism

A plain wooden cross, painted white and set in the red soil of Long Tan, Vietnam, is surrounded by a white picket fence. Nothing startling in appearance, it stands from year to year, through heat, monsoon storms and the chilling darkness of long nights.

August 18th 1966, D Company 3 RAR, about 100 men, engaged in a fierce battle against 2,500 North Vietnamese soldiers. It was known as the Battle of Long Tan and took place late afternoon as monsoon rains swept across a rubber tree plantation about 3 football fields in size.

The cross is a symbol of bravery and courage of those 18 Australians who lost their lives that day. It is silent, yet its silence speaks louder than any words that could be said by the most gifted orator.

Visitors stand before this cross, heads bowed, tears lurking, respectful and subdued. They remember those, who, having not reached the prime of life, gave all they had; their lives. Others who survived the Battle of Long Tan carry invisible scars wrapped around minds and hearts.

The visitors come from a variety of backgrounds, yet are bound together with a common interest - the Vietnam War. Some come out of curiosity, others laden with emotional torments. They pause before the cross with hats in hand and, in that secret place of the mind, is locked into their own thoughts.

Would those Aussies who died bravely on that day of 18th August 1966 want some great monument or expensive marble

headstone? I think not. They were ordinary Aussies, going about their business of the day. Yet their business of that day was to fight in a war and die.

The encounter at Long Tan was fierce, Aussies were outnumbered; yet they held their positions and won the battle. Each enemy bullet or rocket fired that found a live target enabling death to swoop in, there were no wails of lament, they would come later. Each man did what he had to do.

That's the purpose of the cross: standing at its post, doing what it has to do. While we stand, look and remember.

Carla Evans

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Lighthouse olive oil stars on world stage

Our own Lighthouse Olive Mill has taken on the international giants of the industry – Spain, Italy and France – and emerged with flying colors.

In its first overseas foray, the Mill won a silver and a bronze medal in the 2009 Los Angeles International Extra Virgin Olive Oil Competition decided in June.

This 'coals-to-Newcastle' success complemented two gold medals and Champion of Show at the 2008 Sydney Royal Fine Food Show and a gold medal at this year's Royal Melbourne Show.

Lighthouse Olive Mill Shop manager, Rosie Holder, said the LA silver medal, awarded for their Picual oil, was particularly special, given the strong competition of the Europeans and the fact that the Mill's entry was nearly a year old at the time of judging.

"All olive oils soften and lose some flavor over time, so we may have done even better if the timing had been different," she said.

The LA bronze medal was awarded for Lighthouse's citrus blended oils, which feature in the shop's range of produce



Mill Shop manager, Rosie Holder, proudly displays the medal-winning Lighthouse Picual and citrus blend olive oils.

headed by the exclusive prestige labels Picual, Frantoio and Arbequina.

Established in 1997, the 165-acre Lighthouse olive grove produced 7,000 litres of oil last year from 47 tonnes of crushed fruit. Apart from Mill Shop sales, Lighthouse olive oil is distributed to selected retailers and restaurants and is sold at regional markets.

The Mill Shop is located in the heart of the Bellarine Peninsula at 650 Andersons Road, Drysdale (Melway 471-K4) and is open for tastings and sales from 10.30am to 4.00pm Thursdays to Sundays.

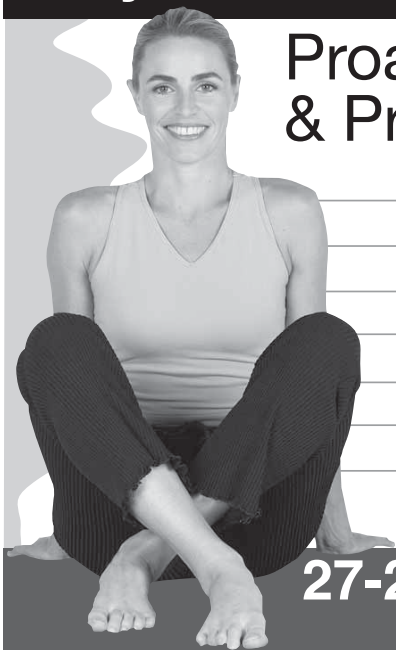
In addition to the full range of oils and table olives, the shop stocks local wines, herbs and spices, jams and chutneys, soap and other body care products made with olive oil, and selected giftware.



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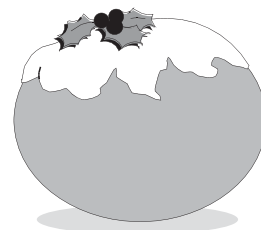
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Christmas Plum Pudding

Be early for this Christmas and make this delicious Plum Pudding that was served at this years Men's Kitchen 'Christmas in July' luncheon.



Christmas Pudding (Serves 8)

Ingredients

- 2 generous cups mixed fruit**
- 1 cup sugar**
- 125 gm butter**
- 2 cups milk**
- 2 cups self raising flour**
- 2 tsp Bi-Carb Soda**
- Brandy optional**

Pour a good 'slurp' of brandy over fruit and leave to soak overnight.

Prepare basin, grease well and have ready some foil and cloth to cover and tie around.

Method

In a good size saucepan place fruit, sugar and butter and milk and bring to boil. As it boils add Bi-Carb Soda mixed with little of pudding mixture. This will rise up as mixed in. Remove from heat and add sifted flour, stirring in well to prevent lumps. Place mix into prepared basin, cover with foil and cloth and tie. Place in boiler and simmer for 2-4 hours, the longer it simmers, the darker the colour.

Double this mixture for Christmas to make sure there is plenty for seconds, and it keeps very well for future feasts that might require a tasty delicious dessert.

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LOOK! – What's New

For information about the following activities please contact the friendly team at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (03) 5253 1960

Bus Trip Warehouse Outlets Melbourne

Xmas is upon us and now is the opportunity to get that shopping all out of the way by visiting the warehouse outlets in Melbourne. We will be visiting warehouses that sell leather accessories, family clothing, books, shoes, cosmetics and much more. Itinerary will be provided with your booking.

Departs: SpringDale Centre 7.45am sharp.

Date: Sat 12 Dec

Fee: \$20/p PLEASE BOOK EARLY

Requirements: Own lunch & refreshments

Christmas Workshop

Once again we are conducting a Christmas Treat Workshop. Come along and create a chocolate Xmas Tree or a White Truffle Xmas Tree decorated with your choice of delicious lollies.

Date/Times: Fri 4 Dec 10am – 1.30pm **Fee:** \$5

Facilitator: Robyn Stonehouse and Rayna Mc Keon

Materials: Activity Sheet can be collected from reception at SpringDale. **Room:** Kitchen

Gift Wrapping

Do you have special gifts you need to wrap or your Christmas parcels? Let us show you how to make them look spectacular and a pleasure to give.

Date/Times: Wed 25 Nov 6pm – 8pm **Fee:** \$10

Facilitator: Anna **Room:** Kitchen

Materials: Own scissors, small boxes or presents to be wrapped. Practice paper supplied.

Adult Ballet Classes

This programme will give participants the opportunity to discover the joy of dance (based on a classical ballet technique) and to be aware of shape and the dynamics of movement and spatial awareness. All participants will work according to their natural ability. No experience necessary. Pre-requisites: To be in general good health. Be prepared to disclose any health issues or previous injury. Ballet shoes not required soft shoes will be okay.

Date/time: Mon 19 Oct – Mon 7 Dec 11am – 12noon

Fee: \$90 (8 sessions) **Room:** Hall

Tutor: Allegonda Deppe. B.A., F.C.B.A., F.C.B.I

Design a Website

For personal or business purposes, come in and learn how to design your website to enhance your profile.

Skill Level: Basic Computer knowledge

Date/time: Fri 16 Oct – Fri 11 Dec 4pm – 6pm

No class on Fri 13 Nov (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 concession

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Andrew Ballard **Room:** Computer Room

Stress Management Techniques

Learn to manage stress at home and in the workplace through understanding its effects on their emotions and its physical indicators together with learning some simple techniques to relieve stress when it becomes too much.

Date/Time: Fri 16 Oct and Fri 23 Oct
11am – 1.30pm (2 sessions) **Fee:** \$80

Room: Training room

Tutor: Therese Bryant

Word & Excel for Small Business

Small Business owners and staff never have enough hours in the day. This course will fix that by improving your efficiency, productivity and profitability. Learn how to; do a personalised mailout to your customers, an eNewsletter, use style sheets in Word, add an automatic Table of Contents, include hyperlinks to jump to highlights and use Excel to manage lists.

SKILL LEVEL: Familiar with Word for 6 months

Dates/Times: Mon 12 Oct – Mon 30 Nov

4pm – 6.30pm **Room:** Computer Room

Fee: \$160 or \$80 concession
(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L

Weekend Art Workshop - Life Drawing

Learn to see and draw the human figure with clarity and with greater confidence.

Participants will be encouraged to experiment with new approaches to drawing the nude.

Date/time: Sat 21 & 22 Nov 10.30am – 4pm

Materials required: TBA on enrolment

Tutor: Annette Playsted - Simmons

and Elizabeth Towers

Fee: \$120 Conc \$110

Room: Hall

Jump, Munch 'n' Grow

Come on kids, come and get fit through games, sports and learning more about nutrition, building self esteem and learning social skills. Primary school aged children.

Date/time: Mon 12 Oct – Mon 30 Nov
4.15pm – 5.15pm

Facilitator: Mandy Brilliant (HYPA YOUTH)

Fee: \$60 (8 sessions)

Room: Hall

Expressions of Interest

Learning English

Maybe you have not always lived in Australia and while you can speak English it would be good if you could progress a little more. Maybe ask about things that are confusing and become more comfortable using English. **Facilitator:** Dr. John Norman

Thai OR Italian Cooking

These classes will be fun and diverse. Learn different techniques of cooking and preparing delicious dishes.

Hospitality

Espresso Coffee Making Workshop Non Accredited Course

Looking for employment in the Hospitality Industry? Improve your knowledge, skills and techniques, understand the workings of the Espresso machine and the coffee culture. Small groups, so enrol early.

Dates/times: Wed 11 Nov OR Wed 25 Nov

OR Wed 9 Dec 6pm – 8pm

Fee: \$25 **Tutor:** Jordan Smith

Room: Kitchen

Accredited Courses

Food Handling and Safety (Apply basic food handling)

Code FDFCORFSY1A

Great for school leavers, volunteers and those already employed in food related areas. This accredited module will give knowledge and skills in correct and safe food handling, storage and hygiene. Update your skills and improve your job prospects today.

Dates/times: Sat 21 Nov 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$85 **Tutor:** GATE **Room:** Kitchen

Food Safety Supervisor

Code FDFCORFSY1A

Food businesses must have a Food Safety Supervisor. The Food Safety Supervisor and/or the owner of the business is legally held responsible for all food safety practices carried out by every staff member. Pre-requisite: Participants must have successfully completed Basic Food Handling and Safety (course listed above).

Dates/times: Mon 23 Nov 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$85 **Tutor:** GATE **Room:** Kitchen

Responsible Service of Alcohol

Covers all areas relating to the service of alcohol in and around licensed premises. Participants receive a recognised certificate in RSA from Liquor Licensing Victoria.

Dates/times: Sat 28 Nov 9.30am – 1.30pm

Fee: \$65 **Tutor:** Diversitat **Room:** Kitchen

First Aid Courses

First Aid – CPR (Perform CPR)

Code HLTCPR 201A

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)

Do not wait until it's too late. Learn CPR today.

It is recommended that CPR updates are undertaken annually. First Aid/CPR is the first 3 hours of First Aid – Level 2. See that course for details.

Dates/times: Sat 14 Nov 9am – 12noon (1 session)

Tutor: National First Aid

Fee: \$55

Room: Occasional Care

Anaphylaxis

Code HLTCPR 201A/ 21659VIC

Within this combined course learn to administer adrenalin for Anaphylactic reaction. This program is designed to provide knowledge and skills to the first-aid-er to be able to perform emergency administration of prescribed adrenalin using the injecting device EpiPen. This is when a person (particularly children) have suffered a potentially life threatening anaphylactic reaction.

Accredited Certificate valid for 12 months.

First Aid/Anaphylaxis is the first 3.5 hours of First Aid – Level 2. See that course for details.

Dates/times: TO BE ADVISED (1 session)

Tutor: National First Aid **Fee:** \$55

Room: Occasional Care



First Aid – Level 2 (Apply first Aid)

Code ALTF301B/21569VIC

Level 2 is an Accredited Certificate, valid for 3 years (with CPR and Anaphylactic updates) and is a requirement for many courses, organisations and work places.

Dates/times: Sat 14 & Sat 21 Nov 9am – 5pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$155 **Tutor:** National First Aid

Room: Occasional Care



Art and Craft

Discover the Artist Within Part 1

A course about drawing.

This is an art course for adults who have always wanted to learn to draw well, a skill that can be acquired. Annette will teach you how to use your eyes as an artist does in a step by step way. Progress is assured and this course also works well as a refresher course or a course for new student of art.

Materials required: sketchbook and 2B & 4B pencils

Dates/times: Tues 13 Oct – Tues 8 Dec

11am – 1pm (8 sessions). No class Melb Cup day

Tutor: Annette Playsted **Fee:** \$120

Room: Rec Room

Discover the Artist Within Part 2

A course about art methods and media.

This course will explore the wide range of two dimensional art methods and media, from drawing in charcoal, pastels or pen and ink to painting in watercolour or acrylics or mixed media. Annette will teach you how to use different art materials and lots of different approaches. The idea is to explore and find your preferred medium. This course works well as a refresher or a course for new art students.

Materials required: sketchbook or paper for planning, 2 sheets of A3 pastel paper, 2B & 4B pencils (any colour) and 2 sheets A3 watercolour paper. Other materials will be provided or suggested at the course.

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 2 Dec

10am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Tutor: Annette Playsted **Fee:** \$120

Room: Rec Room

Continue the Journey

Making art in a learning environment.

This course is for artists and hobbyist artists wanting to continue to develop skills and approaches to improve their practice. Annette will work one on one with participants to provide feedback and teach advanced skills and approaches. The group environment is supportive and we work towards exhibiting together from time to time.

Participants provide their own materials, but advice is available about acquiring materials.

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 2 Dec

1pm – 3.30pm OR 4pm – 6pm (8 sessions)

Tutor: Annette Playsted **Fee:** \$120

Room: Rec Room

Leadlighting Course

Originally used to grace the windows of cathedrals to tell Biblical stories in colour and shapes. Leadlighting became fashionable as an art space form to beautify private homes and commercial buildings. Are you interested in this style of art?

Dates/times: Tues 20th Oct – Tues 1st Dec

No class Melb Cup Day (6 sessions) 6pm-7.30pm

Fee: \$90

Materials: List available.

Tutor: Adolf Deppe.

Children's Programs

Music and Movement

Enjoyment of music, dance and song to encourage the development of beat, rhythm, tempo, pitch and harmony – all while having fun. This is a great way for little ones to develop confidence, self-esteem, concentration, memory, listening, language and self-expression.

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 9 Dec

9.15am – 10am (9 sessions)

Tutor: PSD Education

Fee: \$60 **Room:** Centre Hall

Health & Wellbeing

Tai Chi

Tai Chi combines movement, meditation and breath regulation to enhance the flow of vital energy in the body, improve blood circulation, and enhance immune functions. Jun Yi has extensive Tai Chi experience including high rankings in several Chinese national championships.

Dates/times: Fri 9 Oct – Fri 4 Dec

9.30am – 10.30am (9 sessions)

Tutor: Jun Yi Weng **Fee:** \$90 **Room:** Centre Hall

Yoga

For fitness, stress relief and clarity of mind.

New students are warmly welcomed.

Dates/times: Mon 12 Oct – Mon 7 Dec

9.15am – 10.45am (9 sessions) **Fee:** \$90

OR Thurs 15 Oct – Thurs 10 Dec 6pm – 7.30pm

or Thurs 15 Oct – Thurs 10 Dec 7.45pm – 9.15pm

(9 sessions) **Fee:** \$90

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: Mat supplied but feel free to bring a rug.

Computers

All computer classes are held at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. Limited subsidised places are funded through ACFE Funding (Adult Community & Further Education) and are available for those who have a Health Care Card, Gold Card or for those who are on a Pension.

Introduction to Computers A/B

Introduction to keyboarding and mouse skills.

Learning to open and close programs and also to turn on and shut down the computer. Introduction to Basic Word, processing skills with learning to create and save a document as well as your own name folder. Basic explanation of what the Internet can do.

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Fri 23 Oct – Fri 11 Dec,

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Concession

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User – Friendly

Computers



Introduction to Computers C/E

(Intermediate Word – follows on from A/B class)

Introduction to Basic Word, processing skills while learning to create and save a document as well as your own name folder. Basic explanation of what the Internet can do, also learn to send and receive and delete emails. Set up address books. Learn about virus protections.

Skill Level: Beginner +

Dates/times: Tues 20 Oct – Tues 15 Dec

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)

No class Melb Cup day.

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User – Friendly

Computers



Introduction to Computers D

(Creative Projects)

Create Greeting Cards using Microsoft Publisher.

This class will make you more creative and assist with personalising your greeting cards, Christmas cards/birthday gift tags. Let your imagination run wild!

Skill Level: Beginner ++

Dates/times: Tues 20 Oct – Tues 15 Dec

12.45pm – 3.15pm (8 sessions)



Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User – Friendly

Computers

MYOB for Beginners

These sessions are designed for those just starting out. This course will give you a basic foundation of how to use MYOB in your business.

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Thurs 15 Oct – Thurs 3 Dec

(8 sessions) 9.30am – 12noon

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

+ \$45 for Course Manual Optional

Tutor: Brian Knight, Round Table Business

Consultants



eBay – Sellers

Learn how to sell on eBay. Do you have some interesting articles that you've considered selling on eBay and weren't sure how to start. Come along and learn from an eBay trained professional.

Skill Level: Intermediate +

Dates/times: Fri 4 Dec and Fri 11 Dec

1.30pm – 4.30pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$90 or \$82 conc

Tutor: Angelo D'Angelo

Email & Internet

This class is designed for both those new to internet and those who know basics and would like to extend their experiences. Begin with simple searches using Internet Explorer and basic mail handling using Outlook Express. Discover how to read your mail away from home. Try alternative methods of internet communication including voice, video and interactive chat and learn how to check for and avoid viruses, Trojans, worms etc.

Skill Level: Beginners

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 2 Dec

10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L



Microsoft Office 2007/Vista

Extend your skills with the Microsoft Office 2007/Vista suite of programs including a brief introduction to learn how to navigate around Vista. Learn to use Microsoft Word for more than a word processor, use Outlook to organise your important meetings and dates, discover how powerful Excel can be and learn to make presentations and slide shows for your family and friends with PowerPoint.

Skill Level: Intermediate +

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 2 Dec

1pm – 3.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L



Computer Performance and Maintenance

Do you wonder why your computer slows down or runs out of disc space. This course is for you. We will discuss the causes of and how to fix these issues. This entails clearing your computer of unnecessary files and how to keep your computer running at its best performance. We also show you how to fix your computer when it does not boot into Windows and how to respond to error codes on your computer.

Dates/times: Wed 14 Oct – Wed 2 Dec

4pm – 6.30pm (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$160 or \$80 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L



Intermediate Computer - Microsoft Office

Students in this course will learn how to use Word, Excel, Internet and Email. More than an introduction to these software packages, it's how to get the best out of them.

Dates/times: Mon 12 Oct – Mon 30 Nov

1pm – 3.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L



Digital Photography Doctor

Confused by all the settings on your new digital camera? Learn how to get great results from a qualified teacher and master photographer. Understanding shutter speeds, ISO, aperture, different file formats, downloading images, red eye reduction and lighting techniques.

Dates/times: Tues 10 Nov – Tues 1 Dec

7pm – 9pm (4 sessions)

Fee: \$100 or \$92 conc

Tutor: George Stawicki

Picture Editing & Movies

Learn how to edit, file, categorise and archive your digital photos using Picasa. Learn how to use a Memory Stick and how to resize pictures and share them with your family.

Materials: Photos optional

Dates/times: Mon 12 Oct – Mon 30 Nov

10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$120 or \$60 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee)

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L

Intermediate French

For those with some prior knowledge of the language or VCE Level.

Dates/times: Tues 13 Oct – Tues 8 Dec

No class Melb Cup day.

10.30pm – 11.30am (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$90

Tutor: Sue Smith (Grammar School Teacher)

Non SpringDale Classes & Groups

Bridge for Beginners

Come along and enjoy the challenge of learning how to play Bridge by our experienced tutor.

Date/time: Wednesdays 9.30am – 11.30am

Tutor: Mark Cline

For bookings (03) 5222 2736, 'University of the Third Age'

Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Room: Training Room

Pilates

Open to all ages. Improve your fitness, core strengths, posture, flexibility and sense of well being.

Dates/times: Term 4 classes commence on

Tues 6 Oct 9.30am – 10.30am (intermediate)

and 11am – 12noon (beginners to intermediate)

Thur 8 Oct 6.45pm – 7.45pm (intermediate)

8pm – 9pm (beginners to intermediate)

Tutor: Monique MacLeod

Fee: \$130 (10 weeks)

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

Phone: (03) 5251 2958 to book.

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

Meet first and third Monday of the month at 1.30pm

at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

New members welcome. Just turn up!

SpringDale OCCASIONAL CARE

A three-hour session will give your child an opportunity to socialise and play with other children in a supervised program with qualified staff and may give you time to yourself.

Sessions are:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings

9am – 12noon, Monday and Thursday 9am – 2pm.

For further information please phone

Occasional Care on (03) 5251 1627

Sessions run during school terms only.

Special Interest Groups

To participate in any of the following groups SpringDale Membership \$2pp,
Annual Subscription and \$1 per session unless otherwise specified.

The Sharing of Wisdom

Enjoy the company of others and discuss many and varied topics of interest.

Date/times: 1st Friday of each month

1.15pm – 3.30pm

Facilitator: Rob McCubbin

Room: Training Room

SpringDale Singers

A mixed voice choir meeting on Tuesdays, from 1.30pm – 3.30pm in the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Hall. New members welcome. Persons interested may come as visitors on any Tuesday.

Life Drawing

For those who enjoy the experience of Life Drawing. Mon 1.30pm – 4pm. Waiting list may apply.

Activities and Games

SpringDale Badminton

Any new interested players please contact SpringDale. Wednesdays 1pm – 3.30pm weekly at The Scout Hall Drysdale.

SpringDale Chess Club

Today, chess is one of the worlds most popular games played by millions of people worldwide. Wednesday afternoons 1pm – 3pm.

SpringDale Jigsaw Club

Borrow a jigsaw from a big library at the bargain price of 40c. Come along to the SpringDale Centre Hall on the first Thursday of the month from 10am – 12noon.

SpringDale Mahjong Club

Mahjong involves skill, strategy and a certain degree of chance. This group meets Wednesday from 10am – 12noon.

SpringDale Scrabble Club

Weekly scrabble group is held on Tuesday afternoon, 1pm – 3pm and caters for players of all abilities and new players are always welcome.

Card Games

Members enjoy playing a variety of card games including Canasta, Euchre and 500. This group meets Monday afternoons from 1 – 3pm.

SpringDale Crosswords

Come along and discover the real benefits of regular puzzling. Keep your brain and mind fit and active. Paper and web based crosswords. Phone your expression of interest.

Facilitator: Catherine Eagleson

Line Dancing

If you can count to four and can tell your left foot from your right, you can line dance! Join our group. Commences Wednesday, 7 Oct 10.15am – 12.15pm. \$8 per session.

Parents and Children

Bellarine Toy Library

Tuesday mornings 9am – 10am. **Not operational during school holidays.** We have some fantastic toys to borrow (ages 0 – 6 years) so come along and see what we have to offer. Membership \$10 per term entitles access to Portarlington Toy Library.

Portarlington Toy Library

Wednesday and Thursday mornings 11am – 12noon and 1st & 3rd Monday evening 6pm – 7pm. Operates out of the Portarlington Pre-school. Look for the balloons and sign. New members welcome.

Craft

Springers Quilting Group

The group makes beautiful quilts for Palmerston Court Aged Care.

Dates/times: Meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at SpringDale from 10am – 12noon.

Scrapbooking

Preserve photos in a creative ways. All welcome, beginners will be shown techniques.

Dates/times: Last Wednesday of the month, 7pm – 10pm.

Facilitator: Bronwen Elliott

Textile Arts & Crafts Group

Are you looking for inspiration with selected craft pieces you've attempted to create or design. Then come along and enjoy this new group of like minded people who are passionate about quilting,

felting/embellishing and mixed media projects, cloth dolls and textile arts.

Dates/times: Tuesdays 1.30pm – 3pm

Facilitator: Jill Birse

Computers

PC User Help Group

We can encourage people to follow their interest in computers and share this interest with Liam Bennett and others.

Date/times: Meets 2nd Tuesday in the month 4pm – 5pm.

Health and Wellbeing

Book Club Group

All avid book readers come and share your opinions and interpretations of selected titles.

Date/time: 1st Monday of each month.

7.30pm – 9pm

Tutor: Lucy Pope

Room: Training Room

Men's Kitchen – Wednesday Group OR Thursday Group / Weekly

Come along and enjoy making delicious tasty meals from start to finish. This is a fun group where humour exists, friendships are formed and appetites are fulfilled.

Dates/times: Wednesdays 10am – 2pm

OR Thursdays 10am – 2pm

Ladies Kitchen – Friday Group / Weekly

Ladies come along and enjoy the company of others that are looking to create delicious meals that are quick, easy and affordable.

Dates/times: Fridays 10am – 2pm

Facilitator: Geoff & friends

Room: Kitchen

Pole Walking Group

Pole Walking is enhanced walking where the arms are used to push. The movements of your arms, feet, pelvic area and the entire body are similar to those employed during a vigorous walk.

Dates/times: Weekly Mondays

(Please contact SpringDale for meeting points)

Facilitator: Harold Waldron

St Leonards Community Space

Shop 3, 1377 Murradoc Road, St Leonards Phone: (03) 5257 2032

Opening Hours: 10am until 3pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays

Computer Classes continue to be successful and our groups are going from strength to strength. We would also like to invite you to contact us if you have any ideas for new classes or skills you would like to share. If our phone is unattended, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible. Please enrol early to avoid disappointment.

WHAT'S NEW – Computers Maintenance Essentials for Home Users

Learn how to maintain a healthy computer system and maximise performance by carrying out some routine maintenance tasks.

You will receive a set of printed reference notes to take away.

Dates/times: Mon 19 Oct – Mon 26 Oct 2pm – 4pm OR Tues 20 Oct – Tues 27 Oct 7pm – 9pm OR Tues 17 Nov – Tues 24 Nov 7pm – 9pm

Fee: \$40 **Tutor:** Clem Hutton Blutech IT

Introduction to Computers A/B OR C/E

Popularity will decide which course will operate.

For those with no computer skills and/or no typing know how. Learn the basic skills of using a keyboard and mouse by playing solitaire and using a typing tutor (using one finger on each hand if necessary). Learn how to navigate your way around the computer and start it up and shut it down by doing the following: open and close procedure, open programs such as solitaire and Word and use the typing tutor program.

Skill Level: Beginner

Fee: \$160 or \$63 Conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$13 services fee)

Introduction to Computers C/E

Learn how to create tables, use tabs, columns, clip art and put a border also learn to send, receive and reply to emails. Understand how the internet works and how to browse using different search engines. Discuss broadband versus dial-up.

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Thurs 22 Oct – Thurs 10 Dec

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$63 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$13 services fee)

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User-Friendly Computers



Introduction to Computers D (Creative Projects)

In this class you will have the opportunity to use a range of commercially available software such as Hallmark Card Studio, Print Master 17, National Geographic Greeting Cards and Microsoft Publisher to create greeting cards (Xmas, birthday & special occasions etc.). Learn also to create attractive note pads; envelopes; calendars, and small business or gift cards (using sticky labels).

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Thurs 22 Oct – Thurs 10 Dec 12.45pm – 2.15pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$63 conc

(\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$13 services fee)

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User-Friendly Computers



Digital Camera

Learn the workings of your digital camera to get the best results. BYO Camera.

Week 1 – Introduction; **Week 2** – Flow camera works;

Week 3 – Lenses; **Week 4** – Downloading and processing on computer.

Dates/times: Tues 20 Oct – Tues 24 Nov 10am – 11am. No Class Melb Cup day

OR Thurs 22 Oct – Thurs 19 Nov 7pm – 8pm (5 sessions)

Fee: \$50 **Tutor:** Bruce Jones

St Leonards Special Interest Groups

To participate in Groups at the St Leonards Community Space the requirement is to become a member at cost of \$2 membership fee per year. Each group is \$1 per session per person unless otherwise specified.

Patchwork Group

Monday 9am - 1pm. All welcome.

St Leonards Social Chat Group

Every Tuesday afternoon at 1.30pm. Come in for a cuppa and chat and make new friends.

Beading Group

Tuesdays at 1pm. For beginners to advanced.

Bellarine Camera Club

Every alternate Tuesday evening 7.30pm. All welcome.

Card Group

Card making every alternate Tuesday at 3.30-5.30pm. \$5 includes kit.

PC Help Group

Tuesday mornings 9.30am - 11am.

Mobile Phone Help

Wednesday mornings from 10am.

Craft

Wednesday afternoons starting at 1pm. Everybody welcome.

Beginners Painting

Wednesday evenings at 7pm - 9pm and is primarily for beginners.

Local History Workshop

This group will meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 11am and exchange information, research methods, all welcome.

Combined Games Afternoon

Mahjong - Mahjong players both experienced and advanced players.

Card Group - At the moment "500" is the game of choice.

Scrabble Group - Enhance your word power.

Thursdays at 1pm.

Casual Art Group

Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 9.30am - 12noon.

Drawing or painting.

Art Appreciation Group

Every 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am. A fee of \$5 per session when a guest speaker is engaged.

Book Club

Phone Centre for more information.

Privacy: The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

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

Enrolment & Payment Conditions

ENROLMENT

To book into a class, **phone (03) 5253 1960**, or call in person, at **SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 17-21 High Street, Drysdale**,

Email: office@springdale.org.au or send in the course booking slip. (see below)

- If you hold a current Pension Concession or Health Care card you will receive a 10% discount on full course fees.
- Your enrolment is confirmed when payment is received.
- Classes must be paid for no later than ONE week prior to the commencement of class. You will not be permitted to participate in classes until full payment is made.

PAYMENT/ REFUNDS

- We accept cash, cheque or credit card. Facilities are available for payment in person or via mail, please see below course booking slip.
- If there are not enough enrolments to successfully run a course it will be cancelled.
- If a course is cancelled due to lack of enrolments or other reason, you will be notified and your fees will be refunded in full.
- Should you wish to withdraw from a course you must do so prior to commencement of the course. Where fees have been paid, in those circumstances they will be refunded to you less an \$8 administrative fee.
- If you withdraw from a course after it has commenced no refund will be issued. An opportunity to transfer to another course may however be available in certain instances.

Changes at Drysdale Primary School



People who visit or drive past Drysdale Primary will notice big changes in the look of our school. It all started during the last term break. Eight of the portable classrooms were moved to make room for a new building. The new building, which is a part of the Federal Government's stimulus package, will have many modern facilities as well as six classrooms. There will be two large shared areas which will be ICT (Information & Communication Technology) enriched, zones for creative

work, quiet reading areas, places for small group work, desktop computer pods and much more. The three million dollar building project will embrace learning in and for the twenty-first century. State of the art computer and audio/video resources will combine with our current facilities to provide fantastic learning opportunities for the children.

The students and teachers have adapted well to the temporary conditions. Construction people worked feverishly during the break to make sure that the classrooms which had to be moved were safe and all ready for the first day of this term. Since then there have been trucks, bob cats, diggers, rollers and more working to prepare the site for construction. With the date for completion set at 28 April 2010, changes will happen quickly during the next few months and at the end of Term 1 next year we will be ready to move into the new building.

Change is interesting. Sometimes it creeps up on you and sometimes it happens overnight. At Drysdale Primary we are very aware of our changing world. We talk often about our responsibility as teachers to help our children understand the world we live in and be active positive community members.

We are having substantial changes to our buildings but we will not change those things at DPS that we value and hold dear. We will still have a happy school where we proactively promote positive behaviours and a community where people respect and care for each other.

Clare Wilson
Principal

Entries are now being taken for the Royal Geelong Show

Entries are being sought for the 2009 Royal Geelong Show. Renowned as the largest regional Royal in Australia, for over 154 years the Royal Geelong Show has showcased the best of agricultural competitions, exhibitions and displays to Geelong and the surrounding region.

The Homecraft section offers an extensive line up for creative and culinary enthusiasts to showcase their talents including photography, art and craft, painting, cooking, floral arrangements, and horticulture. There are sections for students, senior citizens, special needs and CWA groups. The feature breeds are available in each of the major livestock sections this year.

The Beef cattle feature is Hereford (including polled), the Sheep feature is Heritage Breeds Australia which encompasses 9 different sheep breeds, and the Dairy cattle feature is Guernseys. Great prizes are on offer in each section thanks to the support of industry groups. "Horses this year are Clydesdale and Harness feature Show on Sunday 18 October. This is an addition to the Royal Geelong Show being a qualifier for the 2010 Grand National Show Horse Championships.

The 2009 Royal Geelong Show will be held from Thursday 15 to Sunday 18 October. Entry forms and schedules can be obtained by contacting the Royal Geelong Show on (03) 5221 1707, or they can be downloaded on www.royalgeelongshow.org.au. Schedules are available.

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Thursday 10 September
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A fun day of Workshops,
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A little bit of trivia

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and appeared in the movie *Annie Hall*.

Would I be:

*Allan Alda, Allen Hopper
Joff Allen, Woody Allen.*

I was born in the UK with the name Julia
Elizabeth Wells on 1/10/1935. I am an
actress and singer and appeared in the
movie *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.

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The Grimstones - Hatched



Tuesday 15th September
11.30am & 1.30pm
Tickets: \$7.50 each

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Tickets can also be purchased at any City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centre.



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15 September Grimstones

11.30am - SOLD OUT
& 1.30pm
Tickets \$7.50

18 September CCP Gig

All Ages - Drug, Alcohol
& Smoke Free Event
8pm - 10.30pm
Tickets \$10 (at the door)

29, 30 September & 1, 2 October The Emperors New Clothes

Encore 4 Kids School Holiday Show
10.30am & 1.30pm daily
Tickets \$7.50 or \$25 Family (4)

Friday 2 October Spud Club

Open Mic Night - all welcome!
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8pm - Adults - open
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health & wellbeing

Youth Community Health Nurse at Bellarine Community Health

Bellarine Community Health has recently engaged the services of a Community Health Nurse specialising in youth health.

Adolescence is a time of growing and discovering ourselves and where we fit in. It can be a confusing time for many. Bellarine Community Health recognises this and has set up youth clinic times on Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays. The service is free and completely confidential and available to all young people between the ages of 12–25 years.

You will receive unbiased and non-judgmental advice on a range of current youth health issues such as;

- Sexual health including Puberty, STI's, contraception advice, and safer sex
- Pregnancy testing, counselling and

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Youth Community Health Nurse
Tanya Fitzpatrick.

advice as well as referrals

- Drug and Alcohol issues
- Feelings of being overwhelmed by school, uni or work
- Having problems with friends/partners or family
- Linking with a youth friendly Doctor
- Information on:
 - Mental Health/Mental Illness
 - Safe partying
 - Same sex attractiveness

The Community Health Nurse is also available to deliver health talks to youth groups or sporting groups.

If you would like to make an appointment or wish to speak to the nurse, phone Tanya Fitzpatrick on (03) 5251 2291 Youth Community Health Nurse.

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Clifton Springs Primary School

It has been a very smooth start to term 3 at Clifton Spring P.S. Staff and students arrived to find the first stage of our refurbishment had been commenced.

During the holidays, the first part of our upgrade occurred with internal painting of passageways, offices, sick bay and withdrawal rooms. The first stage of our electrical upgrade also commenced with new power points and cabling installed in classrooms. It was all looking fresh and new!

In the next vacation, more works will be done, that include painting of classrooms, upgrade of asphalt areas and further electrical upgrading.

We are also waiting to hear about our building grant as part of the Building the Education Revolution.

Our classes are all busy with this terms organiser *How Things Work*. Grade 5/6R made a representation at assembly of things that they have made, with their buddies. This organiser will culminate in a school wide Science Fair on Monday, 7 September. The school will be open all day and at night, from 7pm to 8pm for students to showcase what they made for the term. We welcome all community members to visit the school on this day.

Our school's 20th birthday will be celebrated in November and a small group has started to meet regularly to plan the activities.

These include a visiting bush band giving dance lessons to grades throughout the day, open day with memorabilia on display and commemorative items for sale.

At night there will be a community bush dance with picnic basket supper, food and drink vans, displays and sales will be available at night.

If you are an ex-student or staff member please register your contact details at the office.

If you have any ideas to help us celebrate this day, please come along.

The event will be happening on Friday 20 November.

Janice Nation
Acting Principal

Portarlington Primary School

Once Upon A Time

The bi annual school production was held at Parkes Hall on Thursday July 30 with a fabulous matinee at 1.00 and the main production at 7.00 at night. The children had a wonderful time and looked fantastic. The music, singing and dancing was extremely professional and is a credit to the students and teachers. Thanks to Debbie Fraser producer and choreographer who worked for a term with our students and to Naomi Pryke and Heather Love who did an amazing job coordinating the making of the costuming.

Port Produce our very own Fresh Produce Market

We will be having our Port Produce stalls for the next few weeks, 4, 11, and 18 of September. Port Produce does not run during school holidays or the Friday before our big Market. Port Produce begins at 8.30 and goes to 11.30 with great fresh produce every week. We subscribe to the idea of buying and shopping locally so we reduce the food miles on all of our food. Our usual stall holders will be there, plus we are adding LA MADRE bread. Curtis Stone's mother, Lorraine, (thanks Lorraine) was in the Geelong Advertiser recently saying how



wonderful it was to have a Fresh produce Market on Fridays at Portarlington. This is great publicity and supports the Geelong Advertisers Buy Local campaign.

Early Learning Centre Planned

New School Buildings Funded by Federal Government Grant.

The Federal grant of \$850,000 will be spent on a purpose built technology rich Early Learning Centre for our prep to two students. The new wing has flexible walls for opportunities to team teach, each room will have its own interactive whiteboard as well as undercover outdoor learning spaces.

Schools Pride Funding

We have also been granted \$75,000 for the upgrading of some of our existing facilities. This will go to a combination of improved technology, interactive whiteboards in every room, playground equipment and shade sails.

Enrolments for Kinder and School are Due Now

Now is the time to enrol your children in their Kinder or school for 2010 so please contact your local school or Kinder for more information and a tour with the Principal. In some cases numbers are limited in both Kinders and Schools and we all need to know our future enrolments for forward planning.

Denise Simons *Principal Portarlington PS*

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Drysdale Rotary tackles local health issues



headspace
Barwon



The Rotary Club of Drysdale, together with the Australian Rotary Health and headspace Barwon will host a public forum on mental health problems affecting young people aged 12 to 25.

- The forum will be held on Mon 7 Sept 2009, at The Potato Shed, Drysdale.
- Doors will be open from 7.00 pm for a 7.30 start.
- Expected to finish around 9.30 pm.
- Entry is free and tea and coffee will be available.
- Support Groups will have displays staffed before and after the Forum.

Stuart Baker, President of the Drysdale Rotary Club said "the aims of the community forum project are to reduce the negative impact of mental illness on younger people and their families and, by delivering information to local individuals and their families, improve the capacity of individuals to look after themselves."

The problems young people face are many and may include physical and computer bullying, alcohol and drugs, pressure to have sex, pressure with schoolwork and expectation, anxiety, depression, body image and low self esteem. A feeling of not fitting in.

The forum will clarify the issues and where to turn for confidential help. Support groups will be in attendance with free information and advice. The format of the forum will be short addresses by keynote speakers, a psychiatrist, a local GP, a young consumer and a carer, followed by questions and an open forum discussion. During refreshments there will be opportunity to mix with host Rotarians, the presenters and representatives from local support and carer groups.

The forum is being supported by headspace Barwon who are planning to open a facility to assist and support young people. This facility will be conveniently located adjacent to the Potato Shed in Drysdale and will serve the youth of the Bellarine Peninsula.

Australian Rotary Health have sponsored the forum and it is one of many community forums being organised by Rotary Clubs around Australia. Australian Rotary Health has committed to spending over \$8 million on health issues over the next years. Lisa Neville, local State MP, has welcomed the initiative as an excellent local Rotary project.

Any enquiries related to the forum should be made to Keith Winter on 0431 830 315.

Drysdale Senior Citizens Club

July 20 was our AGM and we can now announce and welcome our new Executive Committee for 2009 – President Pat Window, Vice President Sheila Murray, Secretary Gradie Hayman, Asst Secretary Gloria Robinson, Treasurer Jean Miles, Asst Treasurer Jack Williamson, and supported by Committee Members – Joan Clasper, Bev Haley, Val Taylor, Peter Tyrrell and Joyce Waixel who is also Public Officer. We are looking forward to a good year together.

Calling all 55 year olds and over. Why not enjoy fun and friendship in warm and comfortable surroundings with the Drysdale Seniors at our clubrooms. We'll make you very welcome. You could share bowls, cards, exercises, snooker and crafts, or just share afternoon tea whilst meeting our members. We also have a free library, outings and Bingo on the 1st Monday of the month, along with lunch on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

September starts off with our usual Bingo on Monday 7 eyes down at 1.15pm.

Come along early and visit the Trading Table which has some new interesting items that have been donated for sale. Pick up a bargain, someone's trash is someone else's treasure.

Lunch is booked for Tuesday, 15 September at the Leopold Sportsmans Club, so come along for a good meal and some good company. Wednesday, 30 September an excursion is planned to the Mornington Markets, to go in the bus across on the ferry. This should be a good day, so if you are interested please let us know.

To our members who are absent due to illness etc. we send our best wishes for a speedy recovery and return.

Pat and Gloria

Advance Notice

Car Boot Sale
St James' Church
Saturday 17 October
8.30am – 12noon
Car Booters \$10
Browsers free
Fundraising for
St James' Church Hall

Probus Club of Portarlington Inc.

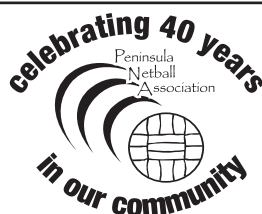
The winter meeting was well attended bearing in mind the usual exodus to the sun during this time of the year. Those attending were delighted to welcome Una McAlinden, the director of the National Celtic Festival held in Portarlington each Queen's birthday weekend in June. Una gave a very entertaining and informative talk on the humble beginnings of the festival which over the last seven years has become a National Festival attracting top line artists from Australia and overseas.

Upcoming events in the club are:-

September 30 - Bus and Ferry trip to Mornington Market

October 22 - Mystery trip, cost includes bus fare, lunch with wine

President Ethel Gibbs and Trips and Tours director Pat Window will attend the meeting of the Leopold-Gateway Probus at the Leopold Sportsmans Club to discuss inter-club activities.



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Community planting at Marcus Hill

As part of National Tree Day on Sunday 2 August, Bellarine Landcare Group and Mannerim CFA Juniors planted 800 indigenous rushes, grasses, shrubs and trees on a Bellarine Catchment Network project site at Marcus Hill, overlooking Swan Bay.

Plants were grown and supplied by the Bellarine Landcare Group nursery at Drysdale, collected from local seed and suited to local conditions. The plants will help to restore vegetation to the area and provide food and shelter to local native wildlife.

If you would like further information on suitable indigenous plants for the Bellarine Peninsula or help with controlling Pest Animals and Plants, please contact Michaela Holroyd, Landcare Officer, Bellarine Landcare Group on 0408 527 619.



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The Geelong Donor Centre is located at 237 Ryrie Street, Geelong.

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Bokashi at Springdale with Anne Brackley



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Community planting at Marcus Hill

As part of National Tree Day on Sunday 2 August, Bellarine Landcare Group and Mannerim CFA Juniors planted 800 indigenous rushes, grasses, shrubs and trees on a Bellarine Catchment Network project site at Marcus Hill, overlooking Swan Bay.

Plants were grown and supplied by the Bellarine Landcare Group nursery at Drysdale, collected from local seed and suited to local conditions. The plants will help to restore vegetation to the area and provide food and shelter to local native wildlife.

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The Book Club - *The Book Thief*

On Monday August 3, the Book Club met to discuss Marcus Zusak's *The Book Thief*.

The story, set in Germany in WWII, is centred on a very young girl, Liesel Meminger. It opens with Liesel's mother taking her children to a foster home where it should be safe for her to spend the troubled times. The theft of the first book occurs in the cemetery where they must break their rail journey to bury Liesel's small brother.

An unusually written book in that the narrator is Death who is of course, present at every passing and witnesses much human frailty from his supposedly impartial angle.

Throughout the war years Death's 'work' keeps him extremely busy but he takes an interest in the lives of Liesel, her foster family, new friends and the Jewish refugee hidden in the basement.

The story is summed up on page 6 "It's just a small story really, about, amongst other things: a girl; some words; an accordionist; some fanatical Germans; a Jewish fist-fighter; and quite a lot of thievery."

It was felt that older readers with memories of wartime Europe may find

this book painful. It was a surprise to Book Club members to learn that *The Book Thief* was written with young readers in mind and had won an Encouragement Award for Children's Literature. This helped to explain the unusual writing style and odd illustrations although most readers felt

that the opening chapters were strange and confronting. The author is now only 34 years old and has been writing for children and young adults since he was sixteen.

Discussion was vigorous and opinions and reactions varied but all were glad that they had read this book (which would not have been a personal choice for most of us) to the point where we rated it nine out of ten.



The Book Club meets at the SpringDale Centre on the first Monday of each month at 7:30pm for about 90 minutes - ending with a cup of tea. On Monday September 7 we will discuss *Families: Modern Australian Short Stories* edited by Barry Oakley and in October *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. Our meetings are informal and new members are always very welcome.

For more details, please contact the SpringDale Centre on (03) 5253 1960.



Kel's corner

Banking in Drysdale during the 1940's

These days we take banking for granted with some of our banks being open from 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday and some on Saturday mornings as well. In the 1940's, the residents of Drysdale relied upon banking services from Portarlington that came to Drysdale 3 afternoons a week.

Lin Knight, the owner of the Mixed Business in Drysdale, and owner of one of the only cars in Drysdale, would drive to Portarlington and collect the Bank Manager. They would then be back in Drysdale for the afternoon session 2pm-3pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Kel reminded me that customers would wait outside the National Bank until the previous customer had finished, this was for privacy. I remember standing with Mum while we waited to enter the bank. As Kel said, "Come rain, hail or shine".

At the end of the session, Lin would escort the Manager and the takings back to Portarlington.

Security was provided in the form of a Smith and Wesson revolver carried by the Bank Manager. It was always fully loaded with 6 shots and had the safety switch on. Unfortunately the Bank Manager occasionally forgot to take the gun home.

I was interested to hear that each bank had a residence and the Bank Manager would live at the bank. As the bank didn't operate fulltime the residence was rented out. As we said in the first Kel's Corner, Kel's family lived in the National Bank building. "Many times I found the revolver left in the bank. My mother would hide the gun," said Kel.

"When I found the revolver we'd play cowboys and Indians with Ken Knight, Sylvia Lunn, my brother Keith and Keith Nicholson. If somebody had moved the safety catch it could have been permanent not just count to 50 and then move after you'd been shot."

Sometimes the gun was left in Lin Knight's car. But it was always returned to the Bank Manager.

Anne Brackley

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Drysdale Football Club kicking goals for the community



Daniel Gage receives the Worksafe Medal for best on ground from sporting legend Ron Barassi.

Sporting great Ron Barassi was guest of honour in what was probably the highlight of the year. The month was rounded out when the Football & Netball Clubs hosted a ladies day which saw over \$2000 raised for the Breast Cancer Foundation. Then in August the players wore yellow armbands as part of the 'Call To Arms' campaign to raise funds for the fight against cancer in men.

Drysdale Football Club has experienced another successful season in 2009 with all three senior teams taking part in finals action. But it's off the field that the Hawks have really been kicking goals with an ongoing commitment to the community.

In April this year the Club teamed up with the Drysdale Fire Brigade to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday appeal. The day was a huge success with over \$6500 being raised. Later in the month the club was involved in Anzac Day celebrations when it took on old rival Portarlington and in May the players donned orange bootlaces to play their part in the 'Just Think' campaign against alcohol related violence. July was a busy month as first the club teamed up with Glenn Archer to raise \$1000 for World Vision and then later joined forces with the VCFL to raise awareness of workplace safety by hosting the 'Worksafe Game of the Month'.

While President Greg Scott admits it has been hectic at times he also takes great satisfaction in what has been achieved. "The club recognises its role in the community and takes it very seriously. We want our players to be proud of the community they represent, but more importantly we want the community to be proud of the players who represent it."

The year will conclude with the Presentation Night and Vote Count on September 19 at the Geelong Racing Club, the first time the club has combined its two most prestigious occasions. "It's a first class venue and we're putting on a first class night" said Greg "There will be sumptuous food, presentation of all awards, the counting of votes, plus a live band. It will be a memorable evening celebrating a memorable season." **For further information please phone 0417 010 364.**

Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association Inc.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on the 23 September 2009 at 7pm, at the Drysdale Fire Brigade. The meeting will elect the new committee for the forthcoming year and we are intending to have Guest Speaker on hand to talk to the meeting. The committee consists of 4 Office Bearers and 10 ordinary members, so we are always looking around at this time of the year for those in the community who are interested in working for the community. If you are, all you have to do is get in touch with the Secretary and you will be forwarded a nomination form. This must be in the hands of the Secretary 7 days prior to the meeting. We would really like some help, and look forward to hearing from anyone who can.

There have been a number of meetings with the City of Greater Geelong, in relation to what the Council feels is required for the Drysdale town square. The draft drawings look very nice on paper, but the simple fact is, do we want to sacrifice the little bit of 'green space' we have. Council's plan is to have a new library (which is sorely needed); however it will require the demolition of the existing Senior Citizens building. There will be room available in the new building for the Senior's, but we are a little

concerned about the whole process. Did anyone ask for these changes? We are not against development, but we would like the local communities to have a voice in what is going on.

CoGG is also doing a Walkability study for Drysdale and Clifton Springs. This is a study about where to put footpaths, walking and cycle tracks. In a lot of places the footpaths in both towns are conspicuously absent, and in many streets they are desperately required, so we are working towards new paths to make it a safer and more user friendly area to walk. Local residents information is critical, so keep your eyes open for forthcoming meetings

Many people who live locally in Drysdale itself would walk to the shops if there were footpaths available, which saves the car, saves on parking etc. The only point now is to find out what streets deserve to have footpaths constructed on them, and which side, and importantly who pays for them?

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Combined Probus Club Clifton Springs /Drysdale

Celebrated Club's 9th Birthday

July was the club's 9th birthday anniversary and 40 members attended a lunch in Portarlington to celebrate the occasion. The Cinema group enjoyed *The Proposal* with good reports (no bad language). Coffee Club & Crafty Friends continue to meet monthly and in August our guest speakers were Pauline & David Bice with their dog Lexi on how dogs help the hearing impaired.

The next club meeting is on 14 September when David Hooker from Alzheimer's Australia will give examples of how to keep the brain active. *(Please don't forget this one).*

Memberships are still available for both couples & singles. Guests & visitors are most welcome to all our meetings held on the second Monday of each month at the Clifton Springs Golf Club, members room starting at 10am.

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