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Lisa Stillman (3rd from right) in the company of her family and friends who catered for all those who attended to support this worthwhile appeal.

Lisa received the 'Spirit of Relay' Award

Relay for Life is a 24 hour team event with all funds raised going to Cancer Council Victoria for cancer research, education and support programs. Various events are held throughout Victoria and the first Geelong event was held in March 2000.

The Bennett (long time residents of Drysdale) and Wolfe families first participated in 2001 and have partaken every year since except 2006.

Recently they raised nearly \$5,700 which brings their total fundraising over the years to almost \$70,000, a pretty good effort considering they are a small family team.

This year Lisa Stillman, a member of the Bennett and Wolfe Gang received the 'Spirit of Relay' award given to an

individual for their contribution towards Geelong Relay for Life. Their recent fundraiser hosted 140 ladies to a delightful luncheon, which was cooked by the team members, who were very grateful to many of the local businesses who generously donated goods.

The Bennett and Wolfe Gang look forward to entering in the 2010 event which will be held at Deakin Waurin Ponds Campus on 20-21 March. They are motivated by their team slogan being 'RELAYING FOR a healthier LIFE'.

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Community Events & Entertainment Calendar

December

Friday 4
CCP All Ages Gig / Summer Chill (Potato Shed)

Saturday 5
The Ballet School Annual Presentation (Potato Shed)
ATTITUDES Art Exhibition - Portarlinton Mill

Sunday 6
Moriac Dance Group Dance Concert (Potato Shed)

Monday 7 to Sunday 13
Coastcare week

Monday 7
North Bellarine Business Directory Launch

Friday 11
Spud Club / Open Mic Night (Potato Shed)

Saturday 12 & Sunday 13
B.E.A.T Presents A Grand Variety Revue (Potato Shed)
Community Christmas Event - See PG 6

Friday 18
School Term ends

Sunday 20
Drysdale market 9am-1pm

Friday 24
Santa Visits Drysdale & Clifton Springs - See PG 4

Friday 25
Christmas Day

Saturday 26
Boxing Day

Sunday 27
Portarlinton Market 9am-2pm

Friday 31
New Year's Eve - Clifton Springs Golf Club

January 2010

Saturday 19 **Portarlinton Mussel Festival Commencing 10.30am**

Saturday 19 till Friday 22

Three Little Pigs - Go Green! Encore 4 Kids School Holiday Show (Potato Shed)

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from the centre

with Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]

Sometimes I am surprised when it takes me so long to realise something. I recently realised that I am an Investment Manager, managing people, time, resources, ideas, energy, budgets and activities to try to meet the goals of SpringDale and hopefully the goals of our community.

Everyday we have so many decisions to make about how to invest our time. Will I exercise this morning or will I sleep in? Will I eat or drink something that helps my body or something that won't help my body? I hope that when you walk into SpringDale that you feel that we will do our best to invest our time in trying to make your dreams come true.

We have invested time to make a person's dream come true. We now have a German speaking group to enable people who enjoy speaking German to get together once a month on the first Monday in the month. The next meeting will be Monday 7 December at 10.30am over coffee at SpringDale.

In partnership with Bellarine Land Care we are offering An Introduction to Farm Care Management, and we are also offering Introduction to Business Management and lastly Making Fairyfloss classes.

On Monday 7 December we will launch the 2010 North Bellarine Business and Services Directory and this will be the start of our 20 year celebrations. Our celebrations will culminate at our Christmas party on Friday 18 December.

SpringDale office will be closed from Monday 21 December to Monday 18 January, this will enable staff to take holidays and recharge batteries ready for the new year to come. Vacation Care program will commence on Monday 11 January. Our community has adopted this program wholeheartedly.

We have City of Greater Geelong Youth Development Unit presenting 4 sessions on Mondays on January 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 11am – 3pm. Please register your interest so we can let you know if there are any changes to this plan.

Happy Christmas and safe New Year. Don't forget our SpringDale Vouchers that would make great Christmas presents.

Warm regards

Anne Brackley
for the whole SpringDale Team

UPDATE

@ SpringDale



Wrapping Presents

If you have some special gifts that need to be wrapped for Christmas, then come along to this special night at SpringDale and find out the best way on **Wednesday 2 December** from 6-8pm.

For bookings phone (03) 5253 1960.

Christmas Workshop

Learn how to create a unique chocolate Christmas tree which looks delightful and is delicious to eat on **Friday 4 December** at 10am. **For bookings phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.**

SpringDale Writers' Group

We are a group coming together to inspire and encourage each other in our writing, in a supportive and friendly environment. We meet on **Monday afternoons from 2pm to 3.45pm**. We aim to do various writing activities that will stretch and expand our viewpoint.

Community support for fire victim

On Sunday 1 November, Clifton Springs Golf Club, in conjunction with Drysdale Family Support Group, held a fundraising golf day.

With over 100 people attending, the golf was followed by a 3 course meal and auction. The day raised an amazing \$34,700 which will be given to the fund set up to help Aaron rebuild his life.

Thanks go to Reed Construction Group who were major sponsors, Club patron Leon Wiegard who compared the event, and to the many people and businesses who donated items for the raffle and auction. Special thanks to Club Manager, David Milne whose idea it was to hold the event and to the committee for making it happen.

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4, 11, 18, 25
JANUARY

COMMUNITY CENTRE

11AM

TO

3PM

BE THERE!

Local students dominate National Robot Titles

Bellarine Secondary College students have continued their success at the National RoboCup Junior Titles held in Sydney recently. Nathan Beattie, Stefan Vogrin, Jake Thomas, Emily Pearson and Ben Thomas, all coming from either Clifton Springs or Drysdale, backed up their strong performance at the State RoboCup Junior titles by gaining a National Title and Runner Up in Soccer and Runner Up in Dance. The teams competed against 125 teams from all states and territories around Australia.

Bellarine teams dominated the two days of competition, with all three teams making it through to the quarter finals.

First year competitor, Ben Thomas in *Batteries Not Included* was unlucky not to



The team, trophies and great reasons to smile

have made it through to the semi finals missing out in a *golden goal* play off. The other teams continued to advance with easy semi final wins, beating teams from Sydney and Canberra. This made it an all Bellarine final! The final was won by Stefan Vogrin and Nathan Beattie in *Trigger Happy Bunnies* over Danny Mitchell and Jake Thomas in *Dark By Design* 8 goals to 6. This was a close fought affair and many spectators commented on the quality of the game. This is the second year running that Bellarine has taken out the National Soccer Title.

Emily Pearson performed extremely well in another aspect of the National Titles, Robot Dance. This is where robots are pre programmed to perform a dance routine over two minutes.

Emily's pair of *Blues Brothers* robots impressed the judges as they danced in a tight formation, at times only centimetres apart. Emily gained a very creditable second place in the final *dance off*, only missing out by a couple of points due to a wheel becoming dislodged in the concluding seconds of the routine.

The students are now looking at the possibility of competing in the World RoboCup Junior Titles to be held in Singapore in 2010.

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ALL WELCOME

CFA Christmas Round

Drysdale Fire Brigade escorts Santa around Drysdale/Clifton Springs on Christmas Eve.

Meet Santa at these locations from 6:30pm onwards:

Route 1 – Starting 6:30pm

Cnr Panpandi Dve & Carawatha Ave
 Cnr Beacon Point Rd & Dundundra Dve
 Cnr Thamballina Rd & Derribong Way
 Cnr Dandarriga Dve & Gumarooka Ave
 Cnr Coolangatta Dve & Beacon Point Rd
 Cnr Centaurus Ave & Country Club Dve
 Cnr Country Club Dve & Bayshore Avenue
 Cnr Barongarook Ave & Bahlloo Ave
 Cnr Boonderabbi Dve & Bampi St
 Cnr Boonderabbi Dve & Central Rd
 Cnr Bayshore Ave & Elanora Way
 Cnr Mirrabooka Dve & Maraboora Ave
 Cnr Jetty Rd & Pinnaroo Ave
 Cnr Bayshore Ave & Kewarra Dve
 Cnr Jetty Rd & Hill St

Route 2 – Starting 6:30pm

Cnr Whitcombes Rd & Clifton Springs Rd
 Cnr Portarlinton Rd & Bennett St
 Cnr Eversley St & High St
 Cnr Buccleugh St & Lennox Crt
 Cnr De Burgh Rd & Ryan Crt
 Cnr Station St & Geelong – Portarlinton Rd
 Cnr Palmerston St & Granville St
 Cnr Duke St & Wyndham St
 Cnr Central Rd & Wyndham St
 Cnr Jetty Rd & Ada St
 Cnr Parakoola Dve & Leawarra Way
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The Drysdale community has 50 million reasons to smile as the branch reaches a significant business milestone.

Drysdale Community Bank® Chairman, Russell Enders said in just over nine months, the locally owned bank branch has become entrenched in the community and recently reached \$50 million in banking business.

"We, as a community, are

proud of our achievements in firstly returning traditional branch banking to Drysdale and secondly, in fully supporting the community owned branch with our banking," Mr Enders said.

"Achieving \$50 million in banking business is a fabulous achievement and just goes to show that this innovative banking model, which our community had the courage to take up, is sustainable."

"Not only have our shareholders established a bank branch, they are also part of a company that will put money back into the community."

"In terms of a business, our bank branch is very young, only opening in January this year."

"But as our branch business grows, so too will rewards to local groups and projects."

"This is just the tip of the iceberg."

Mr Enders said the Board of Directors, were continually being stopped in the street and congratulated for the success of the Community Bank® branch.

"We are looking forward to fulfilling a further campaign promise in the near future, the payment of dividends to our loyal shareholders," he said.

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From this side of the bay

At 6.30am Sunday 18 October seven Drysdale Ladies Day View Club members along with three husbands and one daughter happily arrived at the Princes Park Queenscliff ready to volunteer their services to the Around the Bay in a Day 2009 cycling event. This challenging event raises money for The Smith Family which provides approximately 3000 disadvantaged Aussie kids with access to education and learning support to help break the cycle of disadvantage. Of course there were many other helpers as well putting up tables, tents, bringing in massive amounts of food

for us to pack into bags, Red Cross and others. Soon we set about packing 4,000 healthy and energizing lunches for the riders who came this way. At about 9am the first couple of riders appeared and a short time after that many more streamed through. It was amazing to see bikes and riders stretched out far and wide. Some were very weary and phoned for a partner to come and pick them up. Others said they couldn't feel their legs and some were eager to get on the ferry and continue riding. Most obvious of all however, was the gratitude these men and women showed to be presented with



lunch and a drink and to be able to share a joke before they caught the ferry back to Sorrento to complete the remaining trip back to Alexandra Gardens.

Annette's Art thought of the month

You can look at a subject as if you are looking at a specimen to be exactly copied or recreated as is or you can use a subject to stimulate a work of art which you might boldly call a visual adventure in which you, the artist, are a participant in a unique but vital relationship with your chosen medium.

Community Christmas Event

Once again Drysdale Community Church and Drysdale Family Support will be offering an open invitation to everyone to come along and enjoy a family fun night and **Carols by Candlelight on Sunday, 13 December at 6.30 pm.**

Christmas is a great time to get together and celebrate, and that's what this event is all about.

We understand that budgets are stretched to the limit with Christmas shopping, and that's why we have so much for free! Free food, amusements and rides for the kids, lots of Christmas gift give-aways, and one major prize of a Nintendo Wii. We have lots of entertainment and finish off the night with Carols by Candlelight. Thank you to Bendigo Community Bank and the City of Greater Geelong for their valued support. Bring along a chair and a rug and enjoy the night with family and friends.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH INFORMATION

GLG 58,59 - Mark Cline
C/Springs Bowls Club
Clifton Springs
(03) 5253 2717
2nd Monday • 7pm

GLG 68 - Doug Palmer
Springdale, Drysdale
(03) 5251 2522
4th Monday • 2pm

GLG 69 - Steve Ball
Clifton Springs Primary School
0403 607 544
2nd Monday • 7pm

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**Competition Closes
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POTATO SHED FABULOUS ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE KIDS



November has come and gone far too quickly and Christmas is now on our doorstep. At the Shed November was a chance to review the success of our first year of Children's Week activities and to get into action on the **Don't Be A Couch Potato Cabaret**.

This all abilities program has involved a series of workshops held through the year and culminated in a Cabaret performance. It was great to see the result of a lot of hard work by participants and facilitators – well done to all involved.

As we speak the 2010 season is being finalised and we have another great year ahead so look out for our season program so you can lock the dates into your diary. **We still have some great items on the program for the summer so don't miss out and see our What's on list below.**

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WHAT'S ON AT THE POTATO SHED

4 December
CCP All Ages Gig / Summer Chill
All Ages - Drug, Alcohol & Smoke Free Event
6pm - 10.30pm \$10 Tix at door

5 December
The Ballet School
Annual Presentation 5pm
Adult - \$15 . Pensioner / Student - \$13.50
Child (under 12) - \$10.50

6 December
Moriac Dance Group
Dance Concert 12pm
Tickets call Janette 0433 627 760

11 December
Spud Club / Open Mic Night
- all welcome!
6.30pm - Children / Teenagers
8pm - Adults - open
\$5 entry includes 1 complimentary drink.

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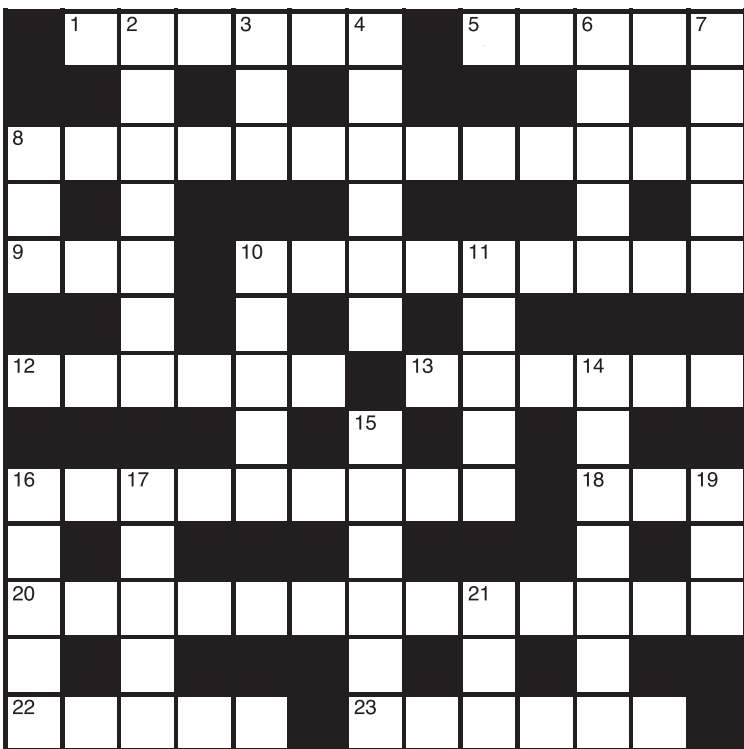
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Group Discounts available for all shows. For further information on any of our upcoming events or to book tickets call the **Potato Shed on (03) 5251 1998**. Tickets can also be purchased at any City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centre.

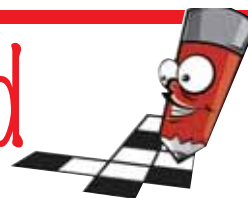
POTATO SHED

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Crossword



Across

- 1 A big picnic basket. (6)
- 5 Wooden shoes worn by people who live in the Netherlands. (5)
- 8 Games where the pieces of a picture have to be put together. (6,7)
- 9 A spider's home. (3)
- 10 Long, thin pasta that is eaten with Bolognese sauce. (9)
- 12 Australian marsupials that feed on gum leaves. (6)
- 13 Sculptures are made out of this type of stone. (6)
- 16 The highest level in karate. (5,4)
- 18 The liquid in a pen that makes it write. (3)
- 20 The name given to April 1st. (5,5,3)
- 22 Sesame Street characters, _____ and Bert. (5)
- 23 The ringed planet. (6)

Down

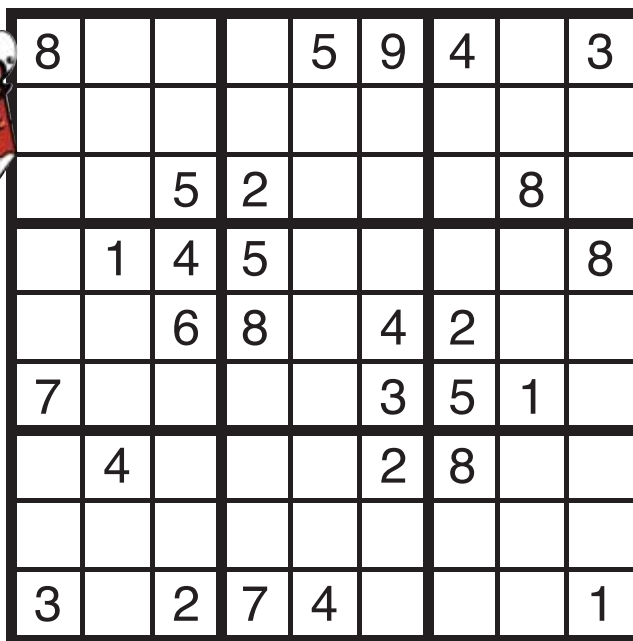
- 2 The branch of mathematics where letters stand for numbers. (7)
- 3 The green vegetable that comes out of a pod. (3)
- 4 What you do if you do something again. (6)
- 6 A young owl. (5)
- 7 Japanese dish. (5)
- 8 The two bones between your nose and your chin that hold all your teeth. (3)
- 10 Food that you eat between meals. (5)
- 11 The organ which pumps blood around your body. (5)
- 14 A person whose job it is to build houses and offices. (7)
- 15 "Oranges and _____, say the bells of St. Clements." (6)
- 16 You put your foot on this to stop your car. (5)
- 17 A piece of protective clothing worn in the kitchen. (5)
- 19 A specially shaped piece of metal that can open and close a lock. (3)
- 21 What a candle is if it is burning. (3)

Wordfinder



BARBECUE BEACH CAMP SITE CAMPING
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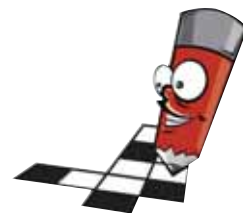


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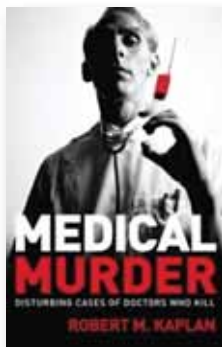
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The Book Club -

Medical Murder: Disturbing Cases of Doctors Who Kill

On Monday November 2, the Book Club met to discuss Robert Kaplan's *Medical Murder: Disturbing Cases of Doctors Who Kill*. Kaplan shows that medical murder (he calls it clinicide) has a long history in the profession, while stressing that it is practised by a very small proportion of doctors. He examines individual doctors who murdered their patients, as well as doctors who participate actively in state-sanctioned genocides, from the Armenian genocide to the ethnic cleansing of the war in Bosnia. Kaplan urges continual vigilance to detect those doctors who exploit the sometimes shadowy medical distinction between life and death to meet their own needs.

This was our first factual book and it was quite a confronting choice - as the title indicates. Some people found it hard to read, but others found it fascinating, even gripping, while not enjoying it.



We had a lively discussion about several related issues, including the rules of legal evidence, the difference between mad and bad, the special status of doctors, their power relationships with patients and approaches to euthanasia. We awarded the book a relatively low 6/10, but it certainly got us going.

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. Our meetings are very informal and we always make new members feel welcome. At our meeting on Monday 7 December, we're doing something new - discussing an author, rather than a book. In preparation, each of us will read any book by Shane Moloney. If you're a Moloney fan, do join our discussion - it should be a good night.

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

Kel's dog Jack



This is Kel's dog Jack. Jack is the 30th dog that Kel has adopted. Kel competed Jack in the Geelong Show High jump this year and he came 2nd. Kel says "The problem is that his respirator wasn't working well so he could jump beyond the reach of his oxygen line - he jumps so high." Jack is one of a long line of canine friends that Kel has shared his life and time with. He has had sheep dogs, trick dogs, companion dogs, jumping dogs.

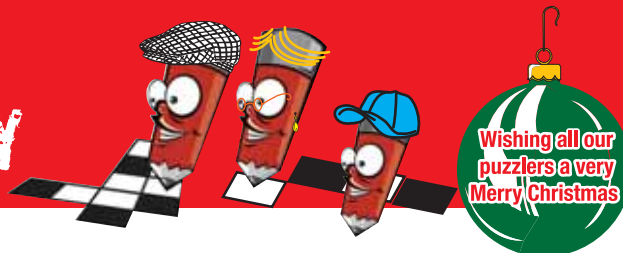
I was surprised to find out that Kel has been our own dog whisperer. I was told by local resident Garry Taylor that Kel took his family's dog and within 15 minutes had trained him. Then I started to learn of various young people that he'd worked the same miracle on.

Fortunately my family adopted Mitsi a beautiful black Labrador that had been one of Kel's dog's puppies and my uncle had been one of his prodigies, who learnt so much about concentering that he started his own concreting business after working for and with Kel.

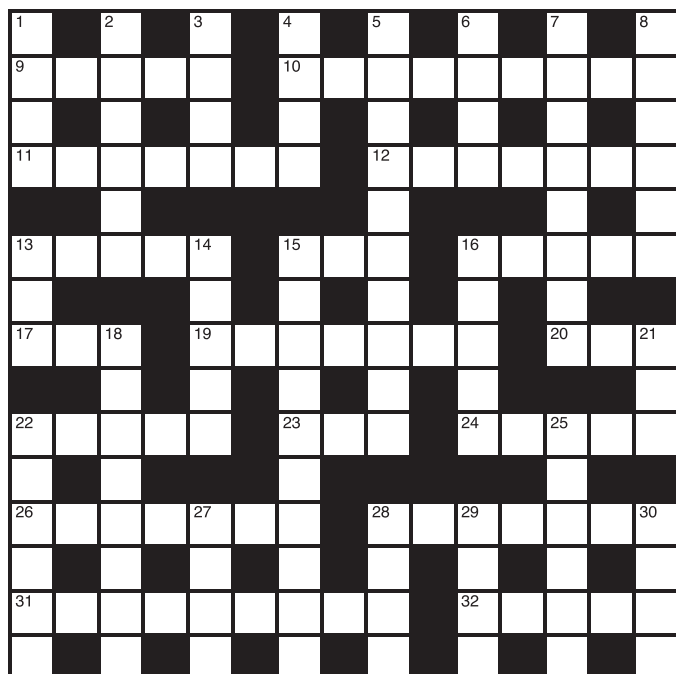
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Across

- 9 Nourish (garden). (5)
- 10 Nautical knot. (4,5)
- 11 Hereditary. (7)
- 12 South African frog genus. (7)
- 13 Paid money. (5)
- 15 Writing implement. (3)
- 16 King or tiger seafood. (5)
- 17 Chinese cooking utensil. (3)
- 19 Debones. (7)
- 20 Timid. (3)
- 22 Tulips or hyacinths. (5)
- 23 Frank McCourt memoir. (3)
- 24 Fencing swords. (5)
- 26 Globular. (7)
- 28 Fiasco. (7)
- 31 Stage name used by actor Archibald Alexander Leach. (4,5)
- 32 Big shopping trip. (5)

Down

- 1 Complacent. (4)
- 2 Quick look. (6)
- 3 Small potato variety. (4)
- 4 Stylish. (4)
- 5 Irving Berlin song, _____ Ragtime Band. (10)
- 6 Facial extremity. (4)
- 7 Substitutes. (8)
- 8 Selected. (6)
- 13 Witnessed. (3)
- 14 Bunches of grass. (5)
- 15 Member of Parliament. (10)
- 16 Out of date. (5)
- 18 African desert. (8)
- 21 TV series, _____ Prime Minister. (3)
- 22 Fundamentals. (6)
- 25 Additional performance. (6)
- 27 Floor coverings. (4)
- 28 Information. (4)
- 29 Choice. (4)
- 30 Smooth. (4)

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Something Different at DPS



The children have many opportunities to try something different at Drysdale Primary. In the sporting arena they can try their skills in a variety of games. During 2009 representatives from Melbourne Storm have been conducting clinics at our school for all children in Years 3 to 6. As a culmination, a Mod 8's Rugby League Tournament was held in Barwon Heads recently. The following is a report written by two of the girls who participated. Two teams came home with winning trophies which means they will be off to the state tournament in Melbourne.

Drysdale sent along 6 teams of year 6 students. There were 2 girls tackle teams called the Drysdale Cowgirls and the Drysdale Bunnies and a tag team called the Bears. The boys teams were the Drysdale Dragons and the Panthers. The tag team was just 'Drysdale'. Thanks to Mr. Grant and Mr. Page, we went in well prepared. The games were tough as the Bunnies learnt whilst playing their first game against Moolap. They weren't used to being tackled as hard as they were during the game. But towards the end the Bunnies played harder than ever, you could see they had learnt a lot from just one game. The Cowgirls were off to a good start winning their first game against Moolap. They ended up winning all their games and were fortunate

enough to make the grand final. The Panthers boys played exceptionally well, they won 2 games and drew 2. When they played the other Drysdale team it was a tough fight but the Dragons took the game in the last minute of play. The Dragons dominated in all their games only having one try scored against them the whole day. They also made it to the final. Both the Cowgirls and the Dragons played against Moolap, both determined to win the final, they worked as hard as they could. Both Drysdale teams were victorious, ecstatic over the well earned win. Everyone was sore and tired afterwards but the experience was worth it.

**Stacey van Rekum Ayres
and Tayla Matthies.**

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Term 1 COURSE & OPPORTUNITY GUIDE 2010

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Office Hours
Monday to Friday
9am – 5pm

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc

ABN 214 042 202 67 No. A0024916V



Department of Planning
and Community Development



Department of Education
and Early Childhood Development

All courses & groups are conducted in the SpringDale Centre unless otherwise specified.

Seize the Day

The 2010 year will be a year for new experiences. We are working with Adult Community Further Education to bring new subsidised courses to our residents. These new courses will be:

- Introduction to Farm Management
- Introduction to Business Management
- Getting Ready to be Employed
- Introduction to Local History
- Introduction to Family Budgeting
- Introduction to Sustainable Living

For more information or to register your expression of interest about these and the following activities please contact the friendly team at **SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (03) 5253 1960**.

Test & Tag Course

The aim of the course is to provide the knowledge and skills to completely meet the AS/NZS 3760:2003 in Service Safety Inspection of Electrical Equipment.

Dates/times: Sat 13 Feb 9am – 4pm

Tutor: Diversitat **Fee:** \$225

Construction Induction (formerly Red Card)

As set out in Part 5 of the Occupational Health & Safety Regulations, a person must not do construction work at a workplace unless they are registered, or taken to be registered, to perform that work.

Dates/times: Sat 20 Feb 9am – 5pm

Fee: \$155 **Tutor:** Diversitat

Certificate III in Aged Care

With the demands for personal Carers within the Aged Care industry or people requiring carers in their homes this accredited Aged Care Cert III course will enable you to gain employment in this field.

Dates/times: Info session Thurs 4 Feb 10am – 11am
Thurs/Fri weekly commencing Thurs 11 Feb 18 weeks 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$470.00 (funded price including first aid). Additional charges for 1 text book at \$75 to be purchased from centre, \$25 for food safety practices including manual. Payment plans available for this course.

Tutor: Kerry Wilson



Expressions of Interest

Day Trip to Daylesford

Interested in taking a day trip to Daylesford? Then come along and share that experience with others together on the bus to visit the renowned Spa Country. Approx \$20.

Date/Time: TBA

Fairy Floss Workshop

Come along and learn the skills required to delight children of all ages with Fairy Floss.

Dates/times: Sat 6 Mar 10am – 11am

Fee: \$10

German Language Group

Meeting 1st Monday of the month at 10.30am.

Versatile Acrylics & Colour Awareness Workshop

This workshop will suit adult art students and artists who like to explore possibilities with media and want to develop striking images with more expressive qualities. Materials list on enrolment.

Dates/times: Sat 27 Feb – Sun 28 Feb 10am – 4pm **Fee:** \$98

Drawing for Absolute Beginners Workshop

This one day workshop is for adults who have always wanted to learnt how to improve their drawing skills. Annette will teach you how to observe and draw as an artist does. Materials required : Sketchbook, 2B & 4B Pencils, and 2 sticks of Charcoal.

Dates/times: Sun 14 Mar 10am – 4pm
Fee: \$55

Patchwork Tote Bag

Learn how to sew a lined tote bag. Class covers basic patchwork techniques, how to choose, co-ordinate fabrics, machine quilting and embellishing. Basic machine sewing skills required. BYO own sewing machine. Pattern supplied. Materials list issued early February.

Dates/times: Wed 17 Feb. – Wed 24 Feb 1.15pm – 3.15pm (2 weeks).

Fee: \$60

Tutor: Sonia Walder

General Interest & Skills

Espresso Coffee Making Workshop

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.
Wed 10 Feb or Wed 17 Mar 6pm – 8pm

Fee: \$25

Tutor: Jordon Smith

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 13 Mar 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$180 or \$120 conc plus Manual \$15

Tutor: GATE

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 15 Mar 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$180 or \$120 conc plus Manual \$15

Tutor: GATE

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 27 Mar 9.30am – 1.30pm

Fee: \$85 **Tutor:** Diversitat

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 13 Mar 9am – 12noon (1 session)

Tutor: National First Aid

Fee: \$60

Anaphylaxis

Code HLTCPR 201A/ 21659VIC

Provides basic life support skills and develops knowledge and skills to help treat someone suffering a life threatening anaphylactic reaction and the administration of prescribed adrenalin using an injecting device (EPIPEN). This program is designed to provide knowledge and skills to the first-aiders to be able to perform emergency administration of prescribed adrenalin using an injecting device (EPIPEN). Accredited Certificate valid for 12 months. First Aid/Anaphylaxis 3.5 hours

Dates/times: Sat 27 Mar 9am - 12noon (1 session)

Tutor: National First Aid **Fee:** \$60



First Aid – Level 2 (Apply First Aid)

Code ALTFA301B/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 13 & Sat 20 Mar 9am – 5pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$160 **Tutor:** National First Aid



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 a new student of art.

Materials required: sketchbook and 2B & 4B pencils

Dates/times:

Tues 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar 10.30am – 12.30pm

OR Wed 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar 10.30am – 12.30pm (8 sessions).

Tutor: Annette Playsted **Fee:** \$130

Springdale Artists Tutored Group

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 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

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

Tutor: Annette Playsted **Fee:** \$130

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 9 Feb – Tues 16 Mar

(6 sessions) 6pm – 7.30pm

Fee: \$90 **Materials:** List available.

Facilitator: New facilitator to be advised.

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 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

9.15am – 10am (8 sessions)

Tutor: PSD Education **Fee:** \$50

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.

Date/ time: Mon 1 Feb – Mon 22 Mar

4.15pm – 5.15pm (7 sessions)

(No class Mon 8 Mar Labour Day) **Fee:** \$50

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 5 Feb – Fri 26 Mar

9.30am – 10.30am (8 sessions)

Tutor: Jun Yi Weng **Fee:** \$80

Yoga

For fitness, stress relief and clarity of mind.

New students are warmly welcomed.

Dates/times: Mon 1 Feb – Mon 22 Mar

9.15am – 10.45am (7 sessions) **Fee:** \$75

(No class Mon 8 Mar Labour Day)

OR Thurs 4 Feb – Thurs 25 Mar 6pm – 7.30pm

OR Thurs 4 Feb – Thurs 25 Mar 7.45pm – 9.15pm

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

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

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

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 8 Feb – Mon 22 Mar 11am – 12noon

Fee: \$80 (7 sessions) **Tutor:** Allegonda Deppe

Computers

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: Wed 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar,

4pm – 6.30pm (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 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar

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



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 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User Friendly Computers



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 mail out to your customer, 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: Intermediate

Dates/Times: Mon 1 Feb – Mon 22 Mar

12.45pm – 3.15pm (7 sessions)

No class 8th March Labour Day)

Fee: \$145 or \$80 concession

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L



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: Mon 1 Feb – Mon 22 Mar

(8 sessions) 9.30am – 12noon

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc plus Manual \$45

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

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 19 Feb and Fri 26 Feb

7pm – 10pm (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 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

4pm – 6.30pm (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.

Skill Level: Intermediate +

Dates/times: Wed 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

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 & 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: Mon 1 Feb – Mon 22 Mar

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

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L



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: Wed 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

10am – 12.30pm (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 9 Feb – Tues 2 Mar

7pm – 9pm (4 sessions)

Fee: \$100 or \$92 conc

Tutor: George Stawicki

French for Beginners.

Willkommen.....Bienvenue.... Welcome!!

Want to keep your mind young, meet new people and have lots of fun all in the space of an hour? Come and develop new skills, exercise your mind and challenge yourself by learning a new language! We will be studying French and/or German through a variety of mediums. Do come along and join me no matter what your level or ability: All Welcome This course is for beginners, no prior knowledge required.

Dates/Times: Tues 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar

1.15pm – 2.15pm (8 sessions)

Tutor: Sue Smith

Intermediate French

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

Dates/times: Tues 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar

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

Tutor: Sue Smith

Special Interest Groups

To participate in any of the following groups SpringDale Membership \$5pp, Annual Subscription and \$2 per session unless otherwise specified. Most of our groups are not operational during school holidays.

German Language Group

A new group has been formed at SpringDale.

Meeting 1st Monday of the month at 10.30am.

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 – 3.15pm

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. **Fee:** \$4 per session.

SpringDale Chess Club

Today, chess is one of the worlds most popular games played by millions of people worldwide. Currently in recess. We welcome it to commence again.

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.

Beginners German

No prior knowledge required

Dates/times: Wed 3 Feb – Wed 24 Mar

9.15am – 10.15am

Tutor: Sue Smith

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

Pilates

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

Dates/times: Term 1 classes commence on

Tues 2 Feb 9.30am – 10.30am (intermediate)

and 11am – 12noon (beginners to intermediate)

Thur 4 Feb 6.45pm – 7.45pm (inter - advanced)

8pm – 9pm (beginners to intermediate)

Tutor: Monique MacLeod

Fee: \$105 (8 weeks)

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.

Dates/Times: Mon 8 Feb 2pm

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 Wed 3 Feb 10.15am – 12.15pm.

\$8 per session.

Parents and Children

Bellarina Toy Library

Tuesday mornings 9am – 10am. 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

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.

Fee: \$11 per session

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: Weekly Tuesdays commencing

2 Feb 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 others.

Date/times: Meets 2nd Tuesday in the month

4pm – 5pm.

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 and Friday 9am – 12noon.

**Monday, Wednesday
and Thursday 9am – 2pm.**

For further information please phone

Occasional Care on (03) 5251 1627

Sessions run during school terms only.

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.

Fee: Price depends on menu

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: Weekly Fridays 10am – 2pm

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

Bellarine Community Choir

Do you enjoy singing and giving enjoyment to others through music? Peninsula residents are welcome to join this new choir, established to perform at functions on the Bellarine. Men and women are required to sing 4 part harmony.

Dates/times: Thursdays at 1.30pm at SpringDale

Homework Group

For Years 7 & above. Help with numeracy and literacy skills.

Dates/times: Wednesdays from 4 – 5pm

Facilitator: Bob Marmion

Harvest Basket

Meets 1st Saturday of every month and operates on an honesty system outside SpringDale (inside if wet) to swap home grown vegies.

Dates/times: 9am – 10am Swap

10am – 11am Vegies available for purchase

Segullah Music Group

This music group consists of lessons offered to children who may otherwise not be able to afford them.

Dates/times: Tues, Wed & Fri 4pm – 5pm

St Leonards Community Space

Shop 3, 1377 Murradoc Road,

St Leonards Phone: (03) 5257 2032

Opening Hours: 10am until 3pm, Tues, Wed & Thurs

Computer Classes continue to be successful and our groups are going very well. We 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.

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: Wed 3 Feb – Wed 10 Feb 10am – 12noon OR Tues 23 Feb – Tues 22 Mar 7pm – 9pm OR Wed 17 Mar – Wed 24 Mar 10am – 12noon

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

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 4 Feb – Thurs 25 Mar 9am – 12.20pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 conc (\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 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 2 Feb – Tues 23 Mar 10am – 11am.

OR Thurs 4 Feb – Thurs 25 Mar 7pm – 8pm (5 sessions)

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

Photoshop

Tues 2 Feb – Tue 23 Mar 8.45am – 9.45am

or Thurs 4 Feb – Thurs 25 Mar 8.45am – 9.45am (4 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.

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.

Craft

Wednesday afternoons starting at 1pm. Everybody welcome.

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.

PC Help Group

Tuesday mornings weekly 9.30am.

Mobile Phone Help

Wednesday mornings weekly from 10am.

Beginners Painting

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

Privacy: The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

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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.
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- 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.

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- 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.

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



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Matt Wade is a winner

Congratulations to **Matt Wade** who recently won a journalist award. Last year

Matt wrote articles for the SpringDale Messenger on the Youth page. Matt is a student at Bellarine Secondary College, Drysdale and participated in a SHINE training session run by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development promoting involvement in community newspapers.

Another person involved with SpringDale, Brent Diamond, who used to write sporting articles for the SpringDale Messenger now writes for The Sunday Age.



Children Who Like and Enjoy Music

An opportunity to learn to play an instrument is available at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 17-21 High St Drysdale. Please phone (03) 5253 1960 if you are interested.

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Combined Probus Club of Clifton Springs / Drysdale

John reminiscences about leaving England

2009 has been a good year for the club with many guests and visitors applying for membership and being inducted. In the final quarter we were entertained by John Hare's experiences as a child refugee from England during WW2. November provided members with Melbourne Cup Day luncheon at President Graham's and a Trivia Morning to test the brain cells, followed by a BBQ lunch. Other activities included Nagambie Lakes Leisure Park in October, Peterborough Caravans in November, a trip to Ballarat/Wallace in November together with the monthly Cinema Group, Coffee Club & Crafty Friends. In December the meeting is replaced by Christmas lunch at the White Eagle.

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 Clifton Springs Golf Club Members Room starting at 10am. First meeting next year will be on Monday 11 January. Nomination forms will be available for the new committee. For further information contact Brian on (03) 5253 1448.



Guest Speaker John Hare

92 years ago

As reported in The Argus on
Tuesday, 3 October 1917

Personal

The Prime Minister (Mr. Hughes), accompanied by his wife and son Charles (who is now convalescent after his serious motor cycle accident), left Melbourne yesterday afternoon for Clifton Springs, where they will spend a week's holiday. Mr. Hughes will subsequently leave for Sydney, and expects to spend about three weeks in different parts of New South Wales.

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Extra clinics provided to screen for cervical cancer

Bellarine Community Health Well Women's clinics have been revamped with the result that starting in November 2009, two Community Health Nurses will offer Well Women's Clinics across three sites on different days and times including an after hours clinic once a month. Bookings can be made through the Service Access Officer on 5258 0812.

Latest data shows 62.5% of women in the Barwon area are having a regular two yearly Pap test, which means 37.5% of women are still not adequately screening for the disease. *Victorian Pap Test Registry (2006-2007).*

"This joint initiative between PapScreen and Bellarine Community Health has extended opening hours so that women who are overdue for their Pap tests can make an appointment time that suits them. We are expecting an increase in Pap test appointments, so women are encouraged to call as soon as possible," says Tanya Fitzpatrick Bellarine Community Health Nurse.

Manager of PapScreen Victoria Kate Broun encourages women to take time to have a pap test.

"It's essential for all women, aged between 18 and 70, who have ever had

sex to have regular two yearly Pap tests. This is because cervical cancer is almost always caused by infection with the sexually transmitted human papilloma virus (HPV)."

"Pap tests check for cervical cell abnormalities caused by HPV. These cell abnormalities can develop into cervical cancer if left undetected and untreated. Some women may feel embarrassed about having a Pap test, however almost 600,000 Pap tests are taken every year in Victoria, so you're not alone. Don't put off your Pap test, make an appointment today," Ms Broun said.

Cervical cancer statistics

- *Pap tests save about 1200 Australian women from getting cervical cancer each year.*
- *Almost 90% of women in Victoria who develop cervical cancer have either never had a Pap test or didn't have them regularly in the ten years prior to diagnosis.*

To make a Pap test appointment, call the Service Access Officer at Bellarine Community Health tel: (03) 5258 0812. For further information about Pap tests and cervical cancer visit www.papscreen.org.au

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Volunteer Journalist

SpringDale is looking for a volunteer journalist, who would be interested in becoming involved in the publication of *The SpringDale Messenger*. The person would need to be pro-active in the community. If you feel that you may be interested, please contact SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

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Probus went 'Back to School'



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'A meeting
turned into a
fun day'



Portarlington Probus Club held a 'back to school meeting' to welcome our speaker, Mrs Jackie Kaiser, Acting Principal of the Portarlington Primary School. Nola Glass preceded the class reading from her own grade 2 reading primer whilst Bob Gibb tried to get around the teacher with an apple. Apart from all the fun, members were impressed by the talk and the modern approach to primary teaching.

20 of our members and 25 new friends spent 6 days visiting Mildura and Broken Hill. We left in terrible weather and returned in the same weather. Fortunately the weather during our visit was very mild and sunny. After passing Ballarat the scenery was not inspiring but we sang along with music tapes and also had a laugh listening to a comedy by Rodney Vincent. Our first overnight stop was at Wentworth, the junction of the Murray and the Darling. The next morning we travelled to Broken Hill, an amazing town with 5 traffic lights on the surface and 100 in the mines. Our guide, Fred (third generation local) spoke of his town with much passion and was a working encyclopedia. Highlights of the visit were being present during one of the classes of the School of the Air and listening to Ted White of the White Miners Art and Living Mining Museum. The last day included a cruise along the Murray in a paddle steamer.

Len Newcombe

Clifton Springs Primary School's Hall of Heroes

Clifton Springs Primary School has a proud tradition of providing a quality education to our community. Over our 21 year history, we have had many fine students who have gone on to achieve outstanding outcomes in their chosen fields.

Our 21st Birthday celebrations provide us with an excellent opportunity to reconnect with these students and families. We are looking to put together a *Hall of Heroes* which will not only celebrate the successes of our past students, but inspire our current students to reach their full potential.

The first step in this process is to put together a panel of people from across our community who have a depth of knowledge of our school and students. We are looking for past students, parents and staff members from across our history. Once this panel has been put together, we will be calling for nominations for our

Hall of Heroes in the following categories:

- **Community heroes** – students who have made a significant contribution to our community
- **Sporting heroes** – students who have gone on to achieve sporting success
- **Business heroes** – students who have been successful in the world of business, either owning and operating a business or having senior positions in the business world
- **Academic/Arts heroes** – people who have achieved academic results or achieved success in the world of Arts

If anyone would like to volunteer their time to assist us on the panel or if you would like to nominate a past student in one of the above categories, please contact the Clifton Springs Primary School on (03) 5251 3581.

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Make Christmas not so 'heavy on your heart'

With Christmas nearly on the doorstep, here are a few quick recipes that will help to make your special festive meals better for you. For more great recipes like these visit the **Heartfoundation website at: www.heartfoundation.org.au** and gather some very vital information about the connection between food and your heart. **Call 1300 36 27 87 for more information.**

This traditional Christmas treat is too delicious to enjoy once a year. With this easy recipe you can eat these tarts all year round.

Makes 12 tarts

Preparation time: 20 minutes

Cooking time: 25 minutes

Ingredients

- 1½ cups sundried mixed fruit
- ½ cup dried figs
- 1 pear, peeled and finely chopped
- 2 tblsps chopped pecan nuts
- 1 tspn grated orange rind
- 1 tspn grated lemon rind
- 1 tspn ground cinnamon
- 2 tblsps rum

Pastry:

- 2 cups plain flour
- 1 cup almond meal
- 2 tblsps icing sugar (plus a tablespoon extra for dusting)
- 60g polyunsaturated margarine*
- 1 egg, plus a beaten eggwhite (for brushing the pastry)
- 1/3 cup iced water

To make this meal even healthier use Tick approved ingredients.

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C (160°C fan) and lightly spray 12 x ½ cup capacity muffin tins.
2. Mix the dried fruit, pear, pecan nuts, orange and lemon rinds, ground cinnamon and rum in a bowl and allow to macerate overnight if possible, or while you make the pastry.
3. To make the pastry place all of the pastry ingredients except the iced water in the bowl

Fruit Mince Tarts



of a food processor, and pulse until the consistency of fine breadcrumbs. With the motor running add the iced water and process until the mixture comes together to form a ball.

4. Transfer the pastry on to a lightly floured surface and knead for a few minutes. Roll the pastry out until it is 3mm thick. Cut 12 x 8cm rounds from the pastry, and 12 star shapes using a star-shaped biscuit cutter.
5. Line the bases of the muffin tins with the pastry circles and spoon a tablespoon of the fruit mince mixture into each pastry case. Place a pastry star on top and brush each tart with the beaten eggwhite. Bake in the preheated oven for approximately 30 minutes or until golden and cooked.
6. Allow the tarts to cool in the tins for 10 minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely. When cold, dust the tarts with the extra icing sugar and serve.

Turkey, Mango & Macadamia Salad



This colourful salad is extremely filling making it perfect for a meal on its own, plus it is full of protein and fibre.

Serves: 3

Cooking time: Nil

Ingredients

- 125g tub Dairy Farmers traditional lite yoghurt*
- ¼ cup Praise 97% fat free mayonnaise*
- ½ tspn dried chilli flakes
- 1/3 cup coriander leaves, chopped
- 420g can Edgell four bean mix, drained, rinsed*
- 2 red capsicums, sliced
- 1 red onion, halved, finely sliced
- 1 large mango, diced
- 2 cups baby rocket
- 3 cups cooked, sliced skinless turkey*
- ¾ cup macadamia nuts, toasted
- 4 wholegrain bread rolls
- Flora salt-reduced spread, to serve*

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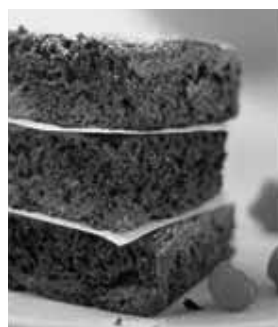
Instructions

1. Combine yoghurt and mayonnaise in a bowl. Beat lightly until smooth. Stir in chilli flakes and 1 tablespoon coriander. Cover and refrigerate.
2. Combine beans, capsicum, onion, mango, rocket and remaining coriander in a bowl. Add turkey. Toss gently. Divide between plates. Sprinkle with nuts. Drizzle with dressing.
3. Serve with bread rolls and spread.

5. Cut into 18 squares then carefully transfer to a wire rack to cool completely.
6. Serve with the extra berries and a dollop of low-fat yoghurt.

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Chocolate Berry Slice

Enjoy a healthier, tasty treat using berries and cocoa to satisfy that sweet tooth.

Makes 18 squares • Preparation time: 15 minutes
Cooking time: 45 minutes



Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 170°C (150°C fan) and lightly spray a 20 x 25cm brownie tin with oil.
2. Using a hand-held beater, beat together the eggs, oil, buttermilk and sugar in a mixing bowl until well combined.
3. In a separate bowl sift together the flour, cocoa powder and bicarb soda. Fold into the egg mixture then carefully add 250g of the raspberries and fold to combine.
4. Pour the mixture into the prepared tin and bake on the centre shelf of the preheated oven for approximately 45 minutes or until a cake skewer comes out clean when inserted into the middle of the slice. Remove from the oven and allow to cool for 10 minutes.

Ingredients

- 3 eggs
- 75ml sunflower oil
- 200ml buttermilk*
- ¾ cup caster sugar
- 220g self-raising flour
- 1/3 cup cocoa powder
- ½ ¼ ¾ ½tspn bicarb soda
- 250g fresh or frozen raspberries, strawberries or blueberries (if using frozen make sure they are unthawed)
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Children's Christmas Program

A special program will be held on Sunday, 20 December 2009. All Primary School age children are invited to attend at 3pm for activities including craft, cooking and acting out the Christmas Story. At 4.30pm families involved in our mainly music program and members of the church community are invited to come along for a special mainly music session and participation in the Christmas Story.

An evening meal will be provided at approximately 5.30pm for all. All Primary School age children are asked to register by phoning Val Lestrangle, on (03) 5251 3125.

Christmas Service times at Drysdale Uniting Church - Christmas Eve 11.30pm, Christmas Day 8am.

ATTITUDES AT PORTARLINGTON

The ATTITUDES artists once again present our 7th Annual Exhibition of latest works at the historic Portarlington Mill during December and January. This year's show is named 'Interpretations', recognising the differences in ideas, styles and mediums of the artists. There are oils, watercolours, acrylics, pastels and mixed media by Dresley Robins, Julie Morison, Jenny Lester-Smith and Susanne Johns, and last year's guest artists Gillian and Roy Johnson. All over, there is a wide range from the quirky to traditional. The shop section will have gifts for sale.

The raffle which will be drawn late January is an oil painting by Susanne Johns. The proceeds will go to the Andrew Love Cancer Centre in Geelong and The Mill. Due to it being a National Trust Building there is a small entrance fee and we regret there is no wheelchair access to the first floor of The Mill.

Opening times:

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Drysdale Senior Citizens Club

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The Executive and Committee Team would like to wish everyone in the Community that has supported us, along with the members, good health, a Merry Xmas & Happy New Year. New members, 55 years and over are always welcome to join the club.

For enquiries, phone Pat or Gloria on (03) 5251 2983.

Support Guides through Christmas

If you would like to support the **Girl Guides** this Christmas, you can purchase your Christmas Cards from the Girl Guides by visiting their website, www.girlguides.org.au and your help will be appreciated.

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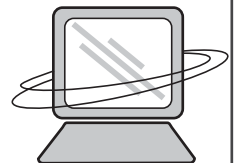
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around the garden

Flower Show a 'blooming success'



Magnificent blooms and produce were on display and all grown on harvested water supply

Below: Prize winning Orchid

Photos: Graham Mourney

The Clifton Springs Garden Club's annual flower show, held late in October, was an outstanding blooming success. This year, despite the drought, our local gardeners still managed to produce magnificent blooms and high quality vegetables. The plants that stole the show were the **roses, irises, silverbeet, rhubarb, bottlebrush, proteas, succulents and orchids**. The cookery and art and craft sections proved that we have some very talented people living in our area. All of the gardeners used harvested water to achieve these results.

With Christmas fast approaching, now is the time to help your garden survive the hot weather. Luckily, we have had some good heavy spring rains and our water table has risen. They say that the best

time to water your garden is in the rain. Personally, I think I would look silly, but I can understand the logic behind it, the extra water penetrates deeper into the soil. By adding good organic matter into the soil and mulching with pea straw or lucerne this will help retain moisture. To prevent sunburn or scorching, something that all of us experienced last summer, throw over shade cloth or old curtains to give some shade. They can also be used to protect your fruit trees from hungry birds. I am convinced that the local cockatoos can



remember where the best and biggest fruit or nut trees grow. They must have inbuilt fruit detecting radars.

In the flower garden, deadhead the roses, prune daisies, trim lavender and anything else that looks a bit scraggly. Don't forget to feed all of the flowering bulbs, this will ensure flowers for next year. In the vegetable garden keep planting lettuce, radish, spring onions, cucumber, and capsicum, for your summer salads. Fertilise the plants with Seasol and a dash of Powerfeed. I also alternate feedings with worm juice. This is like nectar of the Gods for plants. It needs to be diluted 1-10 parts of water.

If you haven't brought any Christmas presents yet, then think of giving a living present. Such as a pot of mixed herbs, a bowl of red petunias or even a salad pot containing a cherry tomato, lettuce, chives, Italian parsley and a capsicum. Christmas is about gathering friends and family and enjoying the valuable time together that life gives to us. Enjoy it.

The next garden club meeting will be in February 2010. Till then stay safe, and be happy in the garden.

Happy gardening,
Lorraine.

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Remembrance Day - a day of Respect

On Remembrance Day respects were paid to those who fell in battle so we may live in peace. Two hundred people including children from Drysdale, Clifton Springs, Moolap, Leopold, Wallington, St Thomas' and Christian College attended.

Springdale supports the work and efforts of the Drysdale RSL and I apologise sincerely for not publishing their article in our last edition inviting residents to their commemoration. We try very hard to please all our community groups and community members and will continue to improve our service.



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The Adventures of Barmah Billy – BOOK LAUNCH

Saturday, 5 December from 9am at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre 17-21 High Drysdale. Come along and meet the Author Tammy Muir and Illustrator Linda Gallus.
The Adventures of Barmah Billy a bedtime story book for billy lids!

Local artist Linda Gallus and writer Tammy Muir, from northern Victoria on the Murray River, have collaborated their talents into a wonderful new children's story book. Tammy has spent many nights around the campfire on the Murray River with his family and friends where he first told his own young children about Barmah Billy, the very small boy (just 10 cm high) who lives with his family and friends in the ancient red gum trees of the Barmah Forest. Billy has many exciting adventures, many of which include his animal friends, such as Chalky White the sulphur crested cockatoo and Skids the goanna, and enemies such as the evil EC Gang (European Carp), and Slider the snake. This is the first book in the Barmah Billy Series. Linda and Tammy have many more exciting adventures of Barmah Billy to tell and illustrate. Come along to the book launch and get your own autographed copy.

AUTHOR'S PROFILE: Tammy Muir - Bush Poet and Yarn Spinner

Tammy Muir is a third generation farmer of Northern Victoria, living close to the Barmah Forest and Murray River. He has worked as a



rouseabout, barman, picked fruit, carted hay and taken numerous other jobs to arrest the inevitable tightening of the belt.

His bush poetry and yarn spinning have won him many awards, including the Jack Riley Heritage Award, Barmah Muster yarn spinner championships and the 1996 World Yarn Spinning championship held in Darwin. His stories are underlined with a keen sense of humour and a vivid imagination that derive from the many 'characters' he's met amidst the knockabout way of life in the bush.

He has written three books of bush poetry and this is his first endeavour into writing for children. These yarns are derived from his imagination and were told to his own 'billy lids' as bedtime stories.

ILLUSTRATOR'S PROFILE: Linda Gallus - Artist and Secondary School Art Teacher

Linda Gallus was born in Melbourne. She has nurtured her love of drawing and painting from a very early age, through a variety of exhibitions, book illustrations and community projects. Linda finds her inspiration through a keen observation of nature, documentary photography and stories told to her by friends both young and old. She has also drawn illustrations for Tammy's series of bush poetry books.

Her exhibitions have had various themes including the story of William Buckley, the white man who once lived with Aboriginal people along the coast of the Bellarine Peninsula, where she now resides. Another passion for Linda is archaeology and in particular the history of the local foreshore area at Clifton Springs. This is often linked to the stories told by the early settlers and the local Aboriginal people, the Wathaurong Tribe.

Linda's colourful paintings bring to life Tammy's imaginative life of the little folk of the Barmah Forest. This collaborative effort, in their first book together, is just the beginning of what is hoped to be a wonderful series of children's stories.

Football (Soccer) and Futsal for Clifton Springs & Drysdale

SpringDale Football Club was delighted to be part of the Family Fun Day at the Potato Shed on Sunday 25 October, children didn't need any encouragement to knock the ball around and have fun, but everyone who took part won a prize to take home with them. Youngsters enjoyed scoring goals and having a kick with members of the club, including State Futsal under 15 girls' goalkeeper Bonnie Spain, local sporting legend Everett Nelson and grandkids, Vice President Tom Plummer and Mike Parker with his young family. Many thanks to Lisa Warwick, Rob MacLeod and co for organising such a great event.

This is a very busy time for the club as we put our plans into motion for both Futsal and outdoor football (soccer). The committee is putting together a very strong application to Football Federation Victoria (FFV) to register outdoor teams in local league competition for the 2010 season. We expect to have several teams representing Clifton Springs and Drysdale under the SpringDale FC

banner when the season kicks off in March/April next year and if the enthusiasm of the children we work with at Clifton Springs primary school is anything to go by, its going to be a tremendous year for everyone involved.

The Bellarine Futsal League for senior men has kicked off on Wednesday nights at the Drysdale primary school hall, with seven teams battling to be premiers of the first FFV affiliated Futsal competition to be run on the peninsula.

Following the launch of the mens' comp, we are now turning our focus to the women and female youth of the peninsula, we intend to have social Futsal for older girls and women running during the weekends in Drysdale, so please get in touch and boost our numbers, whether you are new to the game or have played before, you will be made very welcome.

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Victorians have the chance to honour their local senior sports heroes by nominating them for the 2009 Council on the Ageing (COTA) Active at All Ages Awards. The awards offer the opportunity to not only acknowledge the efforts of individuals, but also teams, volunteers, clubs groups or organisations that help deliver or provide opportunities to participate. For more information about award categories or to make a nomination

visit www.seniors.vic.gov.au.
Nominations close 15 December 2009.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

On November 11 Remembrance Day services were held across the Bellarine. These are always moving events, attended by people of all ages to mark this important occasion. We remember those who died and also those who returned having given so much for their country. It is particularly important for us to remember those in our own local community who served, those who gave their lives as well as the families of our servicemen and women. Lest we forget.

PORTARLINGTON SAFE HARBOUR MASTER PLAN RELEASED

The Portarlington Safe Harbour Plan Master Plan has been released and will see significant improvements to harbour facilities and improvements to the foreshore. Included in the plan is the state-of-the-art safe working harbour and on land there will be improvements to the foreshore environment that will provide a first-class recreational and tourism experience for residents and visitors. During the consultation with the Portarlington community a total of 1230 submissions were received in response to the draft plan. The strong support received for many of the initiatives demonstrate in this Plan truly reflects the community's values and aspirations for Portarlington.

Two key changes made to the plan in direct response to community concerns are that the proposed hotel development on the Bowls Club site is a longer term option requiring further investigation while

the layout of the harbour was changed to improve functionality. **The final Plan is available on the Parks Victoria website at www.parkweb.vic.gov.au**

SEASON'S GREETINGS

I would like to take this opportunity to wish SpringDale Messenger readers a very happy Christmas and New Year. The Bellarine Peninsula is not only a great place to live but a very popular holiday destination and for those residents staying home during the holiday period, I am sure you will make the most of the local attractions. For those travelling away from home, I wish you a safe journey. Best wishes for 2010 and I look forward to continuing to work with you, and on your behalf, in the coming year.

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
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Drysdale Rotary Club and Train Committee

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Drysdale and the Miniature Railway at Pt. Richards, we would like to thank all the parents and children who attended our fun day, on 1 November.

It was a wonderful day which we hope and believe everyone enjoyed.

Our next fun evening will be held on New Years Eve at Pt Richards from 4pm to 9pm and we look forward to seeing you there.



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Lions Establish Emergency System

At their last Business Meeting, The Lions Club of Portarlington/Drysdale put into place an Emergency System to provide immediate relief for local disaster victims. An amount was put aside for allocation to a victim suffering an appropriate tragedy, such as a house fire, so that the person or family can be given relief straight away to alleviate their situation. This saves waiting for a meeting to discuss the matter.

Past President of the Club, and retired police sergeant Lion Ray Meaney, was appointed as the member to assess the situation and have the authority to offer the relief on the spot up to an agreed amount. Should further funds be needed, the Executive can quickly meet and make a decision beyond the



funding which has already been set aside. In making this decision it was felt that people involved in suffering such a tragedy need immediate assistance on the same or very next day. Appeals are fine but some money is usually urgently needed straight away for essential items lost. In the case of the recent fire tragedy at Clifton Springs where a family was lost in a fire all belongings were also lost and clothing and toiletries and other essential items were desperately needed immediately. As pointed out by Club President Geoff Webster, 'The poor surviving father didn't even have a toothbrush'.

Lion Ray Meaney was also appointed as Club Emergency Contact for any Lions District Emergency which may arise.

Home Sustainability Assessments available on The Bellarine Peninsula & Greater Geelong

Residents of the Bellarine Peninsula & Greater Geelong can now access free home sustainability assessments to find out how to save energy and water around the house and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

The free assessments are funded by the Australian Government's Green Loans Program, which also funds interest-free Green Loans of up to \$10,000 to make recommended improvements.

Each year the average Australian household contributes 13 tonnes of greenhouse gas to the atmosphere—enough to fill more than 700 balloons a day. Every household also draws an average of 73,000 buckets of water a year. That's enough for around 12 baths a day.

Craig Cantwell, who has completed the course to become an approved Green Loans assessor, said "the residents of the Bellarine Peninsula & Greater Geelong are increasingly looking for ways to stop wasting resources, save money on household bills, make their homes more comfortable, and help protect our environment. The Australian Government's Green Loans Program is helping householders make the right choices for their home and budget by funding the home sustainability assessments and interest-free Green Loans."

The Green Loans Program involves three easy steps:

Step 1: Book your free home sustainability assessment.

Step 2: Receive your tailored home sustainability report.

Step 3: Choose which of the recommended actions you will take to improve your home.

Your home sustainability assessment could identify actions as simple as switching to energy efficient lights and replacing shower heads. It may also recommend how you can do more, such as installing water or energy saving products like rainwater tanks or solar panels.

To take the next step and make the larger scale change, householders can apply to an approved financial institution for an interest-free Green Loan of up to \$10,000 for up to four years.

Craig Cantwell, said, "to receive a free home sustainability assessment, call 1800 895 076 and quote my name and assessor number HO50474 or to find out more information visit www.environment.gov.au/greenloans".

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More information about the Green Loans Program is at:
www.environment.gov.au/greenloans

Lions to Conduct Giant Charity Auction

In April, the Lions Club will be conducting a Giant Charity Auction at the Portarlington Football Club's spare oval.

Items can be provide to Lions for sale on a commission basis or donated for sale. No mattresses or junk will be accepted, but electrical goods in working condition can be provided as long as they are tagged 'not tested'. Other items may be cars, boats, trailers, furniture or anything else in saleable condition. Lion Robert Wilson-Browne can be contacted on (03) 5259 3113 for enquiries.

Lions are very grateful to the Portarlington Football/Netball Club for allowing them the use of their spare oval to conduct the auction. Local auctioneers will preside over the auction with the majority of proceeds going to local charities and causes.

For more information contact
Lion Cam McLean Publicity Officer
on (03) 5259 1481.



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The Drysdale Bowling Club invites you and two partners to enter a team in our Twilight Competition for inexperienced bowlers to commence at 6pm sharp on Wednesday evenings on:

2009	2010
2 Dec	27 Jan, 3 Feb
9 Dec	10 Feb, 17 Feb
	24 Feb

Your team of three inexperienced bowlers will have an experienced bowler on the green with you showing you what to do. You may nominate him/her or we will nominate one for you. He/she will be your Host and Manager. Teams may change players (in case of other commitments or illness etc) but we ask that each team plays on every one of the listed evenings. Flat soled shoes are required and bowls will be provided. \$6 per head per week includes a sausage sizzle before the game and supper afterwards. **Hope to see you there!**

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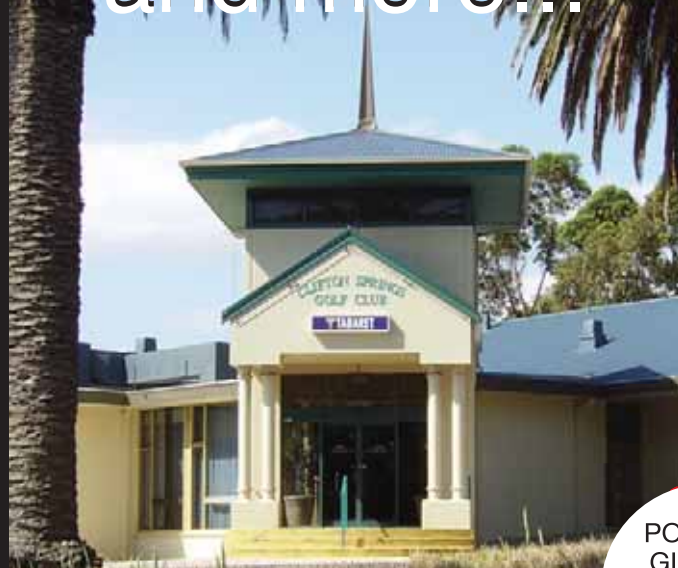
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