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Hi from the Coordinator

As a member of the Community Newspaper Association of Victoria, Lyn Ingles, our graphic designer, Julie Aylwin, our marketing officer and myself attended the 5th Annual Community Newspaper Conference. We were excited be announced as a finalist in the Editorial category of the annual awards. The conference focused on the important role that community newsletters play in recording local history and we are proud to be part of this association. It was great to meet like minded people from many parts of Victoria.

Thanks for reading our magazine, thanks for supporting our advertisers, thanks for contributing to the Messenger and thanks for being part of our very special community. Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers and staff that make SpringDale a great place to invest some time and energy.

At SpringDale, there are many occasions to share food and friendship with a wide range of people. Time spent sharing food together allows for relaxing conversations that may lead to a variety of opportunities. I love it when I hear people arranging to help each other and share their talents and time.

Yesterday I spent time with the *Sea Change Men's Shed* group, who so desperately wish to be in their shed but are still taking advantage of meeting weekly to cook and share time together. I loved the couple of hours I shared with them. They have become a true team and work so well together.

Thank you to Portarlington & Drysdale Community Bank Branches for granting us \$5500 towards an upgrade for the SpringDale kitchen. Our grant will go towards purchasing commercial appliances to keep up with the demands placed on our kitchen by our four SpringDale based Kitchen groups and the many groups that use the kitchen for catering purposes.

Thank you to all of our volunteers and supporters of SpringDale. Each little bit that everyone achieves makes SpringDale a better place and allows it to serve our Community better.

As the Christmas Season quickly approaches, many groups schedule extra lunches and dinners to share to celebrate another successful year of living and learning. I hope everyone takes the time to approach these gatherings full of good cheer and share the Christmas spirit. My wish is that you take the time to listen to the people that you are with and that you enjoy each moment as it happens.

Have a great holiday season and please take the time to find the fun in all you do.

Anne Brackley for the team at SpringDale



Lyn Ingles, Anne Brackley and Julie Alywin attending the Awards celebration for the Community Newspapers Association of Victoria.

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Summer Program January 10-28, 2011 Book Now! Limited Spaces

We continue to improve our service as we work towards accreditation. Many hours have been invested in the development of effective policies and procedures to ensure the children have fun, enjoy a wide range of challenging activities and are safe whilst in our care. Our qualified staff are offering 3 weeks of activities to support our families over this holiday season. @ SpringDale



Recruitment help at SpringDale

Ostara/My Recruitment is pleased to be joining the many services being delivered out of SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre providing local support to residents in the Drysdale area.

My Recruitment is a not-for-profit Employment Service established in 1994. In partnership with Ostara and with the support of Commonwealth funding, My Recruitment offers job seekers extensive, specialized support to find and maintain employment, preferably in their local area. Our consultants have extensive knowledge and experience in a range of industries. From manufacturing and warehousing to agriculture and hospitality our consultants can offer advice and support on a variety of employment opportunities. We can help job seekers access relevant training including White Card, Forklift Licenses, First Aid and OH&S training that can make all the difference when looking for work in their local area. Our service is available to anyone who may be concerned about their mental health. We understand that anxiety and depression are some of the most common issues that job seekers face and understand their concerns and have the resources to support them to achieve their goals. Employment Consultant, Sean Hill, will be available at SpringDale from 9am to11.30am every second Wednesday for appointments and any information.

Please call Sean on 0418 179 368.



What's New at St Leonards Community Space

Looking for something to do when the weather turns bad whilst you are on holidays? Why not come down to The Space and use the Internet. The St Leonards Community Space will run an Internet café between Wednesday 3-26 January. The café is staffed and help is there if you need it. The Internet café will be open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between the hours of 11am to 1pm. At \$4.00 for the first hour then \$1.00 for each ½ hour, the Internet café offers good value for your money. Children under the age of 12 however will need to be supervised by an adult.

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Farewell Peninsula Players

The Peninsula Players Group has gone for good after 25 years. Yes it's true, the very successful drama group which has performed from this venue for 25 years, is no more.Why would a financially sound group presenting excellent plays shut down? Simple like many organisations it couldn't attract the 20-40 year old actor members to the group and as the workload fell on the over 70 year old members in the group, it just became too difficult.

The final play A Month of Sundays by Bob Larbey, was very significant dealing with two elderly inmates of a nursing home, one on the threshold of incontinence and the other senility. Bryan Eaton as Cooper put in an outstanding marathon performance, on stage for the entire play. Russell Campbell as Aylott gave a great performance and both were extremely well supported by Amanda Rector as Nurse Wilson, Lee Foyster as Mrs Baker, Meryl Friend as Julia, daughter of Cooper and Keith Lowe as Peter her husband. The warmth that Amanda Rector brought to her part was reflected in her smile which lit up the stage. Meryl Friend, nee Baker, held her first part with Peninsula Players at 18 years of age in the play Lady Killer in 1985. It was a privilege to see her in this our final play. Congratulations to director Tony Wright, our four night season was filled to capacity, a fitting tribute to the Peninsula Players drama group.

We shall miss you all, thank you.

The committee and Rhena King, Founder

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 Ave Cnr Barongarook Ave & Bahloo Ave Cnr Boonderabbi Dve & Bampi St 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 Portarlington Rd & Bennett St Cnr Eversley St & High St Cnr Buccleugh St & Lennox Crt Cnr De Burgh Rd & Ryan Crt Cnr Station St & Geelong – Portarlington 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 Cnr Amarina Rd & Lacoora Ave Cnr Nash Ave & Condy St Cnr Nash Ave & Barrands Lne Cnr Tony St & Barrands Lne



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Inspiring the ANZAC spirit

The RSL Club of Drysdale announces the formation of the Drysdale RSL ANZAC Tradition Youth group. We are experiencing reduced members, in all RSL Clubs, because of the reduction numbers, of WW1 and WW11 Servicemen and women. Korean, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan and PeaceKeepers, are still mainly active.

We have noticed the younger Australian youth, becoming interested in the ANZAC Tradition and services. To continue and build on their interest, the RSL Club has decided, to form a Drysdale RSL ANZAC Tradition Youth Group, to continue their interest and to expand it, where possible.

We intend to increase their respect, responsibility, citizenship and History of and Australian values, of people and property. We intend to gather together, local secondary schools, Guides, Scouts and some older students, from the State Schools.

We are in our infancy, but when established, intend to roll out this model to other RSL Clubs throughout Australia.

For further information, please don't hesitate to contact Bill Derham derhamwj@tpg.com.au or telephone (03) 5253 1666.

Be ready for an exciting 2011

What a fantastic year we have had at the Potato Shed with an exciting touring season and some fabulous performances by local artists and groups. Season 2011 is set to be another exciting one for the Potato Shed, so if you want to see what we have on offer then come along to our Season Launch on the 10 December. Before this however many of our resident groups have been working very hard and will showcase their work in end of season concerts, see our What's on list for dates and details. To kick off 2011 some school holiday workshops will be on offer with Getting Active's dance classes and Wayne Jury offering Blues workshops. And of course what would the school holidays be without a show by the ever popular 3triple2 4 Kids team, this year they will perform Cinderella, an old favorite. So from all of us thank you for supporting the Potato Shed in 2010, have a very Merry Christmas and we can't wait to see you all back here in 2011.

For more details on what is happening at the Potato Shed visit our webpage at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/potato shed/ or call the Potato Shed on (03) 5251 1998. Tickets can be purchased at any City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centres.



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Dec 4 The Ballet School Annual Recital 2010 5pm / Conc \$13.50 / Students \$10.50

Dec 5 **Moriac Dance School Annual Concert** 2pm \$TBA

Dec 8 **Getting Active Dance Concert** 6pm / Gold Coin Entry Enquiries & bookings Kristie 0413 605057

Dec 10 Potato Shed 2011 Season Launch 6pm / No Charge

Dec 10 Spud Club Christmas Party **OPEN MIC NIGHT** Special time 8pm after season launch \$5 entry

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Jan 18 19 20 & 21 Cinderella **3triple2 4 Kids School Holiday Show** 10.30am & 1.30pm daily Tix \$8 or \$27 Family

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Congratulations to the successful applicants for the Portarlington and Drysdale Community Bank grants for 2010. 2010 COMMUNITY BANK GRANTS

Clifton Springs Community Men's Shed Inc.

This grant is to assist with the fit out of the Men's Shed which will be available for community use. Clifton Springs Community Men's Shed aims to provide men of all ages a place to integrate, socialise and partake in organised activities, with an emphasis upon improving self esteem and men's health and relationships. The Men's Shed has a membership of 34 and is continuing to grow each week. **Awarded \$5000**

Bellarine Community Health Ltd

This grant is to assist with the purchase of equipment to ensure the community receives fair trade which will benefit the community and the traders of the fresh produce market. The community market has proven beneficial especially to the community with produce significantly cheaper. Bellarine Community Health is a stand alone Community Health Service. Formed in 1992 from the amalgamation of Drysdale, Portarlington, Ocean Grove and Queenscliff Community Health Services. **Awarded \$2000**

1st Drysdale Scout Group

This grant is to assist in the upgrade and replacement of aging equipment. This will enable the Scouts to go on camping trips with safe and reliable equipment. 1st Drysdale Scout Group was founded in 1959. The aim of scouting is to encourage the physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual development of the young so that they may take a constructive place in society as responsible citizens. There are currently 12 cub scouts (aged 8–11), 12 scouts (aged 10–15), 4 venturers (aged 15–18) and 6 volunteer leaders. Awarded \$2000

Drysdale Family Support

This grant is to assist Drysdale Family Support with the purchase of food for food parcels and offer counselling to people in need. Drysdale Family Support is a department of Drysdale Community Church Inc. It has been formed for charitable purposes to develop and release strategies that will assist people in necessitous situations by way of teaching, counselling, support and practical help such as clothing and food. **Awarded \$2500**

Portarlington Girl Guides

This grant is to assist with the purchase of a new white board screen. This purchase will update the existing white board which is in need of repair. The Portarlington Girl Guides mission statement is to help girls and young women grow into confident, self respecting responsible community members. They have 4 adult leaders and 18 guides and 7 members of a support/catering group. The Portarlington Girl Guides are celebrating 100 years of guiding in Australia this year. **Awarded \$1500**

Geelong Animal Welfare Society

This grant is to assist in the purchase of an Animal Ambulance for stray and injured animals which are to be cared for by people in the community. The animal ambulance will be utilized all over Geelong and the Bellarine. The Geelong Animal Welfare Society was founded in 1956. Its aim was and is to provide shelter for lost and unwanted animals, return lost animals to their owners and find new homes if this is possible. **Awarded \$5000**

Batman Park Carpet Bowls Club

This grant is to assist with the purchase of 2 sets of carpet bowls and a carpet bowls mat. The Bateman Park Carpet Bowls Club was established in May 2010 by the Indented Head Community Association Inc. **Awarded \$2500**

Bellarine Landcare Group Inc.

This grant is to assist in the purchase of a sprinkler system for the preservation of water and help preserve native fauna by revegetating the landscape. The Bellarine Landcare is a not-for-profit organisation with a part time salaried nursery manager who manages all aspects of the nursery and organises tasks for up to 24 volunteer workers. The nursery grows approximately 60,000 tress, shrubs and grasses from collected seeds and cuttings. **Awarded \$5000**

Portarlington Mussel Festival Inc.

This grant is to assist with the running costs associated with hosting the Portarlington Mussel Festival. The Mussel Festival began in 2007. It grew in 2008 and became even bigger in 2009. The aim of the festival is to promote the Bellarine Peninsula, its wonderful food and wine producers, its tourist attractions and in particular the local Mussel Industry, where Portarlington is acknowledged as *The Mussel Capital of Australia*. Awarded \$5000

Portarlington Neighbourhood House Inc.

This grant is to assist with the purchase of a work shop for extra storage. The Portarlington Neighbourhood House has been operating for less than two years in a building leased from Arlington Masonic Lodge. It currently has 162 members. The aim of the Neighbourhood house is to benefit and strengthen individuals and the community by providing a caring and inviting centre for all people to meet and interact in a positive and encouraging atmosphere. **Awarded \$5000**

Portarlington Pre-school Inc.

This grant is to assist with the purchase of outdoor play equipment. Outdoor play activities, improve children's motor and co-ordination skills which are important in the development of our children. The centre currently has about 70 students enrolled it its three and four year old groups. **Awarded \$5000**

This year both Community Banks awarded a total of \$59,100 in grants, to 20 applicants. 2010 COMMUNITY BANK GRANTS

St Patricks Community Committee

This grant is to assist in the installation of disability access to the St Patricks Hall. They are a committee of 12 people attending to matters of organisation, management and maintenance of both the church and the church hall, through partnership with the CWA (Port Branch). The hall is also used by other community groups. **Awarded \$4000**

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc.

This grant is to assist with the upgrade of the kitchen appliances. SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre have 4 cooking programs per week and over 300 meals are being cooked. Having up-to-date equipment will enable to community program to continue. SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre was founded in 1989 and now has more than 450 members, 2 fulltime staff, 4 part-time staff and more than 60 volunteers. **Awarded \$5500**

Rural Fire Brigade of St Leonards, Indented Head (1331)

This grant is to assist with the upgrade of existing steel breathing apparatus cylinders. Volunteers use the breathing apparatus equipment when fighting fires and for emergency situations. Up-to-date equipment is essential for the emergency services to continue to provide the community with relief in times of need. The Brigade responds to a range of incidents, from house fires, motor vehicle accidents to cats stuck in trees. Their presence in the community is well known and recognised. In addition to response, the Brigade is also involved in the delivery of fire safety messaging to residents. **Awarded \$1300**

Mannerim Fire Brigade

This grant is to assist with the purchase of BBQ equipment which will be used by the Brigade both in times of need and for social activities. The ability to provide food during emergency situations is important in the Brigades ability to ensure the workers are fed and are able to continue. Mannerim Fire Brigade was formed in 1943, to protect the Mannerim area from wildfire. Fire prevention and fire suppression remains its mission. The Brigade has 65 members, including 25 active fire fighters, 15 junior and 25 support members. **Awarded \$700**

Portarlington Primary School

This grant is to assist in the purchase of toys for 0-5 year olds for the *playtime @ Portarlington Primary School Program*. The program enables families to connect and develop supportive relationships with each other. *Playtime@Port PS* meets on a weekly basis in the Portarlington Primary School multi-purpose room. The school also provides staff support to the organisation, and to the planning and running of the group. Interested parents also take a major role and it is hoped this will increase over time. It is currently the only Playgroup operating in Portarlington. **Awarded \$1000**

Portarlington Community Dance Group

This grant is to assist with the running of the Springtime Weekend Dance Festival, Ballroom dancing. The Portarlington Community Dance Group is a group of 8 local people, who wanted to bring social ballroom dancing to the heart of Bellarine. In 2009 they held their first weekend festival which was very successful. **Awarded \$1000**

Drysdale Community Church

This grant is to assist with the purchase of a fence for the playgroup play area. Drysdale Community Church is a church that sees its role as caring for and resourcing the community. The playgroup is an expression of this. Most parents and children attending are not church attendees. The program is provided at a low cost to help parents and children connect with and develop relationships with others. **Awarded \$2100**

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

This grant is to assist with the purchase of a table saw which will be used for demonstrations and safety instructions. The Bellarine Woodworkers Inc. is a group with 20+ years of history providing fellowship for adults interested in woodworking. Currently membership is 59 persons. **Awarded \$2000**

Portarlington Maltese Pensioners Association Inc.

This grant is to assist with the purchase of equipment to enable the group to go on outings. The group hold weekly meetings in the St Patricks Church Hall. These include Bingo and movie nights. **Awarded \$1000**

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Our hall has been full of life almost for the last 100 years. We've had wedding receptions (including my parents), funeral services and wakes, birthday parties for the very young up to the very wise. Concerts were held regularly to raise money for people with sight impairments. During the concerts singers performed, magicians amazed, acrobats shared their skills and there was even a wrestling bout. Kel recalls Bill Merrigan and Lindsay Butcher wrestling and entertainingthe public.

It was my Sunday School and I loved attending all the wonderful events put on by Mr and Mrs Stanley. I loved learning the songs to sing at the Sunday School anniversary led by Heck Peel with his baton. Kel Davis told me a story of Heck conducting for a number of lads – Kel, Max Nash, Maurice Rodgers and Les Nash. Max poked fun at Heck, Heck threw his baton at Max and Max broke the baton and



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threw it back. I'm not sure what happened next, but I think we can imagine.

We had casserole teas and I remember when Mrs Deeath, my Guide Leader, invited Pastor Doug Nichols to Drysdale and we had a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon in the hall.

In the mid 1980's the Sunday School moved across the road to new premises and a Hall Committee was formed to manage the hall. Peninsula Players, Drysdale Guides, Clifton Springs Scouts and more used the hall for various activities.

On 23 February 1999, I was lucky enough to be part of a meeting in which the Hall Management Committee decided to merge with the SpringDale Community Cottage to enable necessary renovations to take place. The Hall became an integral part of the redevelopment, which happened in 2005.

As we approach 100 years of activity in the SpringDale Hall, we ask people within our community to come forth with other stories and photos that we could collate and exhibit closer to the 100th Anniversary.

Merry Christmas from

Kel Davis and Anne Brackley





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Holding a produce licence allowed us to grow and sell potatoes in the Wholesale Market.

Son's David and Chris enlarged on the wholesale Fuel Delivery Business in the 1990's and now sustain a reasonable sized business. *Lex Mortimer*



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NEWS from Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine

Better Health Services for our Region

Geelong and the Bellarine will share in Labor's \$1.5 billion health package to boost health services right across the state. Under the plan, we will recruit thousands of extra nurses, doctors and health professionals and treat 315,000 additional patients through emergency departments. This builds on our \$30 million investment to expand Geelong Hospital. The project is already taking shape, with two new operating theatres now ready to be used for surgery.

The Victorian Government has invested more than \$200 million in capital development at Barwon Health since coming to office. This includes a new state-of-the-art emergency department, additional cancer services at Andrew Love Centre, and significantly improved aged residential care and rehabilitation facilities at the McKellar Centre and Alan David Lodge, Grovedale.

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Better Mental Health Support for Geelong

As the Minister for Mental Health, I recently announced extra help and support for an additional 160 people a year living with a mental illness in and around Geelong which will be delivered thanks to a \$3 million State Government expansion of mental health facilities. I was pleased to open an additional eight beds as part of an overall \$27 million package of improvement work at Barwon Health.

St Leonards Festival



Despite the rain the St Leonards festival went well. The St Leonards Community Space had lots of people interested in the arts and craft displays and the Bellarine Camera Club photographic competition. The winner of the set subject St Leonards and Indented Head





Hon Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine (03) 5248 3462

In the 2010-11 State Budget we allocated \$4.9 million to establish two Youth Early Intervention Teams in two regional areas of Victoria, with one to be based in Geelong. We know that early intervention is vital to ensuring that mental health issues in young people do not develop into life-long problems and this initiative will ensure that young people in Geelong have the best possible support. This builds on the new mental health service based in Drysdale.

We have also increased specialist mental health residential beds for the aged at the McKellar Centre from 30 to 45 beds and have established a Prevention and Recovery Care (PARC) service with 10 places, including six beds at Barwon Health's Community Rehabilitation Facility.

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



was Eileem Jenkins *Dawn Trees*, Peter Munster *Not Diving-Thriving*, *A Boy and his Dog*, Kath Perry *Spider Web* both received a merit. The winner of the open section was Lois Fleming *Double Delight*, Valerie Deardon *The Boat House*, Pam Pryor *Kelp Toffe*e both received a merit.

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Busy times at Drysdale Primary

Students are busily putting the finishing touches to their pieces of art which will be displayed at the annual Drysdale Primary School Art Show. The Art Show presents a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the skills and talents the children have displayed in yet another area of the curriculum. Every child will have at least one piece of art on display. Liz Miles and Noel Broadway, our art teachers, have spent many hours preparing for the show. We are very proud of the high level of presentation achieved by the children.

As part of the ICT program at Drysdale PS all students in Years 5 and 6 have their own notebook. The children use the notebooks at school each day to do some of their work and they take them home each night to charge them up for the next day and to use the software packages available to them. A major aspect of the notebook program is to learn about cyber safety. Instant messaging, social networking, copyright responsibilities and intellectual property are some of the topics covered in the series of Using the Internet Safely lessons the children do, as well we will be holding a Cyber Safety for Parents session.





So, along with the camping program for children in Years 3 to 6, the swimming program for Preps and Year 1 and 2 students and the orientation program for our 2011 Preps, the calendar is very full. We look forward to watching the children make the most of all of the opportunities available to them.

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Clifton Springs Bayside Theft from Motor Vehicles

Thefts from motor vehicles are well up in the Drysdale and Clifton Springs areas. In recent weeks there has been a spate of thefts from motor vehicles in both areas with items stolen now totaling over \$19,000. Most of the victims' vehicles were parked in the driveways or in the front yards of private premises, and were left unlocked with valuable items inside. The offenders are only targeting vehicles which are unlocked. The doors are normally left ajar by the offenders to reduce the amount of noise whilst committing the crime. Most of the offences have occurred at night. Drysdale Police have launched a number of initiatives to target and address the problem, including an advertising campaign to encourage the public to assist in the prevention of these crimes by being vigilant, locking and securing their vehicle and removing any valuable items from the vehicle. Theft from motor vehicles is the State's highest-volume crime, and the easiest to prevent from the victim's perspective. In the past 12 months, 8,716 cars have been stolen in Victoria. However, this is a 34% reduction on this time last year, with 256 fewer cars stolen. The following tips will maximise vehicle safety and security:

Reducing Theft and Damage: Park your vehicle in your driveway or garage if possible and lock it. Do not leave keys in vehicle overnight. Ensure that all electronic items or valuable property are removed from sight within the vehicle, including faces from Radios, CD and mp3 players if possible. Do not place items in your car boot, console or under your front seat. Park in a well lit area. Make sure you lock all doors, and all windows are closed. Lock your vehicle even if it is garaged. Consider fitting a car alarm or other security device. Report any suspicious incidents to Police on 000. Fit security screws to your vehicles' number-plates. If your vehicle is stolen: Report it to Police immediately, including location and time of disappearance. Give police the registration number, make, model and colour of the vehicle. Notify your insurance company immediately. Help your local community.

Visit **www.carsafe.com.au** for more info and monthly bulletins regarding car theft and motor vehicle safety.

Clifton Springs Bayside NHW next meetings: Monday 13 December - Christmas breakup at Clifton Springs Bistro, 6pm for 6.30pm.

January 2011 – no meeting. Monday 14 February 2011, 7pm – speaker to be arranged.

our reader's feedback



Lovely Brides

Just loved your front cover last month as it was so soft and beautiful. The Drysdale Guides looked ever so pretty. Mary, Drysdale. Editor: *It was a beautiful cover. Thanks.*

Men's Night

I think there should be more Men's Nights and give credit to Curves for their great idea raising money for a worthy cause. **Chris,** Drysdale.

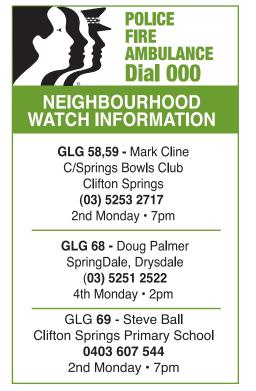
Editor: The Men's Kitchen at SpringDale is very popular too.

Lemons

Whilst visiting SpringDale recently I noticed some lemons in a box. I was told to take a few if I wished. I was most grateful as they are very expensive to buy.

Sue, Clifton Springs.

Editor: It is heart warming what people allow us to give away on their behalf.





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Tuckers Funerals by Women

From our initial care through to the funeral service and bereavement care, our aim is to deliver the highest of standards whilst offering a genuine warmth and a commitment to walk beside you and care for your family.





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

New Courses

Cheese making

Following our successful cheese and yoghurt courses in 2010, Charlene will introduce Mozzarella and Brie making to her repertoire. Be part of one of these workshops. Pretend you're on the continent and make cheese here with Charlene.

| Dates/times: Toam - | 4pm |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat 5 Feb | Camembert |
| Sun 6 Feb | Brie - new class |
| Sat 12 Feb | Introduction to cheese making |
| Sun 13 Feb | Blue Vein |
| Sat 19 Mar | Mozzarella - new class |
| Sun 20 Mar | Brie - new class |
| Fee: \$65 per session | |

Equipment list available from SpringDale reception.

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 Thur 3 Feb 10am – 11am Thur/Fri weekly commencing 10 Feb 19 weeks

9am – 3pm (20 sessions) Fee: \$760 OR Conc \$510.00 (funded price including first aid). Additional charges for 1 text book at \$95 to be purchased from centre, \$25 for food safety practices including manual. Payment plans available for this course. Tutor: Kerry Wilson

Parenting Positively Parenting Workshop

In this session you will learn how to strengthen your family relationships and increase your communication skills and results. Find out the 5 essential steps for parenting success. The facilitator Lisa Taylor is the founder of the Parenting Positively Program. **Date/times:** Thurs 10 and Thurs 17 Feb 9.30am – 12.30pm

Fee: \$25 Facilitator: Lisa Taylor

Raw Food

Introduction to using RAW FOODS in your eating plan. Learn how to create fresh, delicious and healthy juices and raw treats. These methods preserve natures enzymes and the vitality in the food you eat. Health, energy, wellness & weight benefits can be achieved. Help MAKE and TASTE the raw food creations.

Date/times: Sat 5 Mar 11.30am Fee: \$20 Conc \$10 Tutor: Diana Alexander

Introduction to Aromatherapy

Introduction to the safe use of essential oils, the first aid for natural healing, fighting infection and for relaxation. Also includes use of oils during the class. This has practical applications to learn in class. **Dates/times:** Tue 15 Feb – 5 April 1.15pm – 3.15pm **Tutor:** Hillary Prideaux **Fee:** \$90 Conc \$60

Sound, Slides & Video

Learn how to combine music and other sound recordings with your photos; to make slideshows and videos for presentation, distribution on CD (or DVD), or viewing on the internet.

Prerequisites: Images, Audio CD (or Cassette), Headphones Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Fri 11 Feb – 1 April 2pm – 4.30pm (8 sessions)

Tutor: Pierce Jaques Fee: \$160 Conc \$80 Holiday Photography

Folicay Photography

Say *Ciao* (bon voyage, good bye) to horrible holiday photos. Holiday photos should bring back the excitement and adventure of your trip. Yet many people find theirs disappointing. This short course is designed to teach you how to take fantastic holiday photographs in a few easy steps. Say *arrivederci* to problems including poor composition, bad lighting over and under-exposure, and plain old boring pictures. Next trip, people might actually be asking to see your happy snaps. **Dates/times:** Tue 29 Mar and Tue 5 April

6.30pm -9.30pm

Fee: \$60 Tutor: George Stawicki

Picture Framing

We have a new workshop for people who would like to frame their prints just like a professional. Dates/times: Sat 5 Feb & Sat 12 Feb 10am – 12noon Fee: \$70 Tutor: Bellarine Woodworkers

Hair and beauty techniques

for the home stylist

Learn how to apply eyeshadow, straighten, curl or colour your hair, or give yourself a manicure. Areas covered in the course will include skin biology, cleansing toning exfoliating, mask application, facial massage and moisturising.

massage and moisturising. Dates/times: Wed 16 Feb – Wed 30 Mar 6.30pm – 9.30pm

Fee: \$150 Conc: \$90 Tutor: Diversitat

New Opportunities

Day trip to CERES.

CERES - Centre for Education and Research in Environmental Strategies is an award winning, notfor-profit, environment and education centre and urban farm located by the Merri Creek in East Brunswick, Melbourne. It was built on a decommissioned municipal tip that was once a landfill and wasteland. It will be on Sunday 27 February (to be confirmed). We will be leaving from SpringDale at 8.30am, and returning at approx 5pm. **Fee:** \$20.

Keeping Backyard chooks

This workshop will provide you with all the information you need to keep chooks in your backyard. Which variety to buy, their needs and

requirements and how and where to build your chook house.

Dates/times: Sat 5 Feb, Sat 5 Mar, Sat 19 March 10.30am – 12noon Fee: \$15 pay on the day, but ring to book

Tutor: Liana Gray

Hearing screenings

Australian Hearing is offering free hearing screenings for Pensioners and Veterans at SpringDale on Friday 4 February from 9.30am. Please ring to make an appointment.

New Groups

Coffee Club

This is an open invitation to all locals to call in for a cup of coffee and a chat on the fourth Monday of the month between 10.30am – 11.30am. Come along and meet some new and friendly faces at SpringDale.

Bellarine Camera Club

For all enthusiastic photographers. Meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm at SpringDale.

SpringDale Artists Group

If you are a person who likes to continue learning and developing your skills, sharing with other likeminded artists and participating in workshops, excursions and preparing artworks for an annual SpringDale Artists' Exhibition, this might be the group for you. Coordinator and Art Tutor – Annette Playsted. **Dates/times:** Wed 9 Feb - Wed 30 Mar 1 pm – 3.30pm or 4pm – 6pm (8 sessions)

Expressions of Interest

Save money, energy and water workshop

Would you like to reduce your power and utilities bills. We successfully ran a session in 2010. Please register your interest for day or evening session.

Self Healing and Wellness

Introducing a new mutual support group, offering motivation and information for self healing and wellness - using a variety of guidelines related to raw foods, movement/gentle exercise, emotions, sound energy, videos, meditations and more. Dates/times: Monday 10.30am to 12noon

Craft

Childs Patchwork Skirt Class

Stitch up this fun, feminine child's skirt using a creative mix of floral fabrics. or your favourite brights. Made from simple rectangles, this is virtually pattern free! The perfect project for using up small quantities from your stash. Learn how to cut fabric quickly using a rotary cutter and mat. Basic sewing machine skills required.

Dates/times: Fri 4 Mar - Fri 18 Mar 10am - 12noon (3 weeks) Tutor: Sonia Walder

Basic Sewing Class

Learn how to sew a Fast and Easy A-Line skirt. Choose some funky fabric and whip up a fashionable skirt to impress your friends. Skills learned include how to follow a commercial pattern, pattern layout and how to cut fabric, how to make pleats, finish seams and insert a zip.

Materials Required: Suggested Pattern-Butterick B4461 in size required. Purchase Notions as listed on back of pattern i.e. Skirt zipper, hooks and eyes. Ribbon is optional. Need to provide own sewing machine, in good working order, and other general sewing supplies, e.g. thread, pins, scissors. Avoid striped fabric.

Dates/times: Fri 11 Feb + Fri 18 Feb 9am - 12noon Fee: \$60 Tutor: Sonia Walder

Spinning wool classes

Do you have or know someone who has a spinning wheel in the house? Why not drag it out and enjoy this relaxing pastime. Suitable for beginners or someone who wishes to brush up on an old skill. Tuition available.

Dates/times: Tuesday weekly from 1.30pm - 3pm Tutor: Joan Golding

Hospitality

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. Dates/times: Sat 5 Feb, Sat 5 Mar or Sat 2 April 10am - 12noon Fee: \$30 Tutor: Jordon Smith

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 iob prospects today.

Dates/times: Sat 12 Feb 9am - 3pm Tutor: Diversitat Fee: \$100

Food Safety Supervisor

Code THHGHSO1B, THHBCC11B, THHS2CC3B 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: Sat 19 Feb 9am - 3pm

Fee: \$100 Tutor: Diversitat

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 26 Feb 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. CPR training offers learners the opportunity to achieve confidence in the performance of cardiopulmonary resuscitation in a safe environment.

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 12 Feb 9am - 12noon (1 session) Tutor: National First Aid Fee: \$60

First Aid – CPR (Perform CPR) and Anaphylaxis

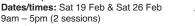
HLTCPR 201A/ 21659VIC

Code HLTCPR 201A/ 21659VIC It is recommended that CPR updates are undertaken annually. Within this combined course, learn to administer adrenalin for Anaphylactic reaction. This program is designed to provide knowledge and skills to the first-aider 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

Dates/times: Sat 12 Feb 9am - 1.30pm (1 session) Fee: \$90 Tutor: National First Aid

First Aid – Level 2 (Apply First Aid) Code ALTFA301B/21569VIC

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



Fee: \$160 Tutor: National First Aid

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 26 Feb 9am - 4pm Tutor: Diversitat Fee: \$225

Construction Induction (formally 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 19 Feb 9am - 5pm Fee: \$155 Tutor: Diversitat

Art & Craft

A Foundation Art Course in **Drawing for Adults**

Drawing is an enjoyable pastime and a fundamental skill that we can learn or improve. Rediscover past ability or learn from absolute scratch. A range of subjects, ideas and drawing media will be explored in a supportive learning environment. Dates/times: Tue 8 Feb - Tue 29 Mar 9am - 11am (8 sessions) Fee: \$130 Tutor: Annette Playsted

An Intermediate Art Course in Painting and Drawing for Adults

This course is for art students who have studied a foundation art course at SpringDale or an equivalent basic art course and wish to further develop skills and knowledge in a supportive learning environment with likeminded people. Advanced drawing and painting skills will be taught and ideas explored with an emphasis on individual needs and preferences Dates/times: Tue 8 Feb - Tue 29 Mar 11am - 1pm or Wed 9 Feb - Wed 30 Mar 10.30am - 12.30pm

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. Our tutors have extensive Tai Chi experience. Dates/times: Fri 11 Feb - Fri 8 April 9.30am - 10.30am (9 sessions) Fee: \$100 Tutor: Fred Vahland Fee: \$80Ω OR Tues 8 Feb - Tues 5 April 6pm - 7pm (8 sessions) Tutor: Paul Floyd Fee: \$90



For fitness, stress relief and clarity of mind. New students are warmly welcomed. Dates/times: Mon 7 Feb - Mon 4 April 9.15am - 10.45am (9 sessions) OR Thurs 10 Feb - Thurs 7 April 6pm - 7.30pm OR Thurs 10 Feb – Thur 7 April 7.45pm – 9.15pm (9 sessions) Fee: \$100 Tutor: Glenda Breedveld Materials: Mat supplied but feel free to bring a rug.

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: Tues 8 Feb - Tues 29 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

Introduction to Computers C/E

(Intermediate Word - follows on from A/B class) Learn how to create tables, use tabs, columns, clipart and place a border, send and receive emails. Understand the Internet and browse different search engines. Learn about virus protections. Skill Level: Beginner +

Dates/times: Tues 8 Feb - Tues 29 Mar 1pm - 3.30pm (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: Intermediate

Dates/times: Thur 10 Feb- Thurs 31 Mar 1pm-3.30pm (8 sessions)



Fee: \$160 or \$80 Concession (\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee) Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User-Friendly Computers

Intro to Computers F

Learn how to install & uninstall programmes, clean up deleted items and documents, use cleaner and defragger to keep your computer running smoothly, download software from the internet free, antivirus programmes and others from the internet. Set up your computer the way you want it.

Skill Level: Beginner++



Dates/Times: Thurs 10 Feb - Thurs 31 Mar 9.30am - 12noon (8 sessions) Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc (\$50 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 format a personalised mailout to your customer, an eNewsletter, use style sheets in Word, add an automatic Table of Contents, include hyperlinks to other websites. Skill Level: Intermediate Dates/Times: Wed 9 Feb - Wed 30 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



MYOB for Beginners

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

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Mon 7 Feb – Mon 28 Mar 9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)



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: Tue 15 Mar + Tue 22 Mar

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6.30pm – 9.30pm (2 sessions) **Fee:** \$110 or \$100 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 and worms. Skill Level: Beginners

4pm - 6.30pm (8 sessions)



Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc (\$50 subsidised tuition fee + \$30 services fee) Tutor: Jonathan Harris, JNH Software P/L

Dates/times: Mon 7 Feb - Mon 28 Mar

Computer Performance & Maintenance

Do you wonder why your computer slows down or runs out of disc space. 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 7 Feb – Mon 28 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

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 9 Feb – Wed 30 Mar 9.30am – 12noon (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, aperature, different file formats, downloading images, red eye reduction and lighting techniques. **Dates/times:** Tues 8 Feb – Tues 1 Mar 7pm – 9pm (4 sessions)

Fee: \$100 or \$92 Conc Tutor: George Stawicki

Introduction to Audio

Learn how to rip and record audio, from CD and cassettes, for use with other computer projects and continued enjoyment into the future. Prerequisites: Audio CD (or Cassette), Headphones

Dates/times: Fri 11 Feb – Fri 4 Mar 10am – 12.30pm (4 sessions)

Skill Level: Intermediate Tutor: Pierce Jaques Fee: \$80 Conc \$60

French for Beginners.

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 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,



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no prior knowledge required. Dates/Times: Tues 8 Feb – Tues 29 Mar 9.30am – 10.30am (8 sessions) Fee: \$90 Tutor: Laetitia Cairncross

Intermediate French

For those with some prior knowledge of the language or VCE Level. Dates/times: Tues 8 Feb – Tues 29 Mar 10.30am – 11.30am (8 sessions). Fee: \$90 Tutor: Laetitia Cairncross

Non SpringDale Classes & Groups

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 8 Feb – Tues 12 April (10 weeks) 9.30am – 10.30am (intermediate) and 11am – 12noon (beginners to intermediate) Thurs 10 Feb – Thurs 14 April (10 weeks) 6.45pm – 7.45pm (intermediate to advanced) 8pm – 9pm (beginners to intermediate) Tutor: Monique MacLeod Fee: \$135 (10 weeks) Venue: Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic, 27-29 High Street, Drysdale.

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

Meet first and third Monday of the month at 1.30pm at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. New members welcome. Just turn up.

Special Interest Groups

To participate in any of the following groups SpringDale Membership \$5 per year, and \$2 per session unless otherwise specified.

Coffee Club

This is an open invitation to all locals to call in for a cup of coffee and a chat on the fourth Monday of the month between 10.30am - 11.30am. Come along and meet new and friendly faces at SpringDale.

Bellarine Camera Club

For all enthusiastic photographers. Meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm at SpringDale.

German Language Group

This group is designed for German speaking people and meets on the 1st Monday of the month at 10.30am.

Life Drawing

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

SpringDale Writers

A group to inspire and encourage each other in writing, in a friendly and supportive environment. We aim to do various writing activities that will stretch and expand our viewpoint. Meets on the 1st Monday of the month.

Book Club

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

Homework Group

For Years 7 & above. Help with numeracy and literacy skills. Dates/times: Wednesdays from 4pm – 5pm Facilitator: Bob Marmion

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 Jigsaw Club

Borrow a jigsaw from a big library at the bargain price of 40¢. 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 1pm– 3pm.

Line Dancing

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

Parents & Children

Drysdale Toy Library

Wednesday 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.

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.



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: Every Tuesday 1.30pm - 3pm

Springers Quilting Group

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

Spinning Wool Group

Do you have or know someone who has a spinning wheel in the house? Why not drag it out and enjoy this relaxing pastime. Suitable for beginners or someone who wishes to brush up on an old skill. Tuition available.

Card making

A new card making group has started on 3rd Thursday of each month at 7pm for \$12.

Card stitching

Learn the art of card stitching on Friday mornings Time: 10am -12noon Fee: \$6 for 3 cards

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.

Health & Wellbeing

Men's Kitchen Tuesday Mornings

We will be running a Men's Kitchen every Tuesday morning 10am - 1pm Facilitator: Maria Menheere Location: St Leonards Recreation reserve Fee: price depends on menu

Men's Kitchen Wednesday Morning

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 fullfilled. Fee: Price depends on menu Dates/times: Wednesdays 10am - 2pm OR Thursdays 10am - 2pm

Men's Kitchen

Wednesday Evening

We will be running a Men's Kitchen every Wednesday evening from 5pm - 8pm. Facilitator: Gaylia Lowe Fee: price depends on menu

Men's Kitchen Thursday Morning

Due to the overwhelming success of our Men's Kitchen we have created a new group. Come along and make delicious, tasty meals from start to finish and enjoy the friendships.

Dates/times: Weekly Thursdays 10am - 2pm Fee: price depends on menu

Ladies Kitchen – Friday Morning

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 Facilitator: Geoff & friends Fee: price depends on menu

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

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.

Fun Volleyball

No experience or bikinis necessary! We play with a soft beach ball, and the aim is exercise with a lot of laughs. Other session times possible - please register your interest. Dates/times: Mondays from 9am - 10am Cost: \$3.00 per session Location: Drysdale Scout Hall Enquiries: Pauline Cline Ph: (03) 5253 2717

Music

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

SpringDale Singers

A long established and informal non-performing choir which sings both simple and challenging music in full harmony, wholly for the enjoyment of singing. Former choir or music group members can sing again and non-singers are also welcome.

Dates/times: Tuesdays 1.30pm - 3.30pm

SpringDale OCCASIONAL CARE

This 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: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am - 2pm. Tuesday, Friday 9am - 12noon.

For further information please phone Occasional Care on (03) 5251 1627. Sessions run during school terms only.

SpringDale VACATION CARE

Enrol your kids early for Spring Holidays in the SpringDale Vacation Care. Children between 5-12 years. Conducted in a safe environment.

Register now.

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

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

The SpringDale Committee of Management (COM) would like to introduce more members of their team.

Bob Marmion has lived in Clifton Springs for the past five years. Bob is a part time secondary teacher (history/maths) and runs his own history consulting business. He has also had a great deal of experience in adult education and vocational training (VET), including the management of Registered Training Organisations. He has a passion for improving the quality of education in our schools thus allowing children to achieve their best. He coordinates the afterschool maths program at SpringDale.

Debra Winter and her husband have five children, left Gippsland in 2001 and settled at Clifton Springs in order to pursue a business opportunity. Debra works at Vision Australia in Belmont as a radio coordinator and recreational support worker. Her ambition is to represent the needs of the community while supporting SpringDale's growth and direction for the future.



IN-COUNCIL Rod Macdonald Councillor for Cheetham Ward

Drysdale Regional Sports Precinct Project

A draft master plan report, for the Anderson Road site, is expected to be submitted to Council in January and subsequently placed on public exhibition in February. This will allow interested clubs, organisations and individuals to make comments in relation to the various proposals. Design of Stage 1 will then follow Council's adoption of the final master plan. I have also approached the State Government for funding to assist in the construction of the facilities. Soccer fields are included in the sporting facilities being planned.

Drysdale Library refurbishment

As previously advised, the Drysdale Library is to undergo a facelift. Since then, Council has been successful in obtaining a Living Libraries grant from the State Government and can now extend the scope of works. The design for the Library refurbishment was undertaken by international library planning expert, Graeme Murphy.



Glenda MacNaughton lives

locally wearing many hats. She is a writer, researcher, bead artist, beginning bead business owner and glass bead-maker. She has a strong interest in social justice issues and brings experience working nationally and internationally in education and community services as a senior manager, policy advisor, academic and researcher.

Shane Coles moved to Clifton Springs in 1999 and took up a position as the divisional traffic advisor with the Geelong Police District.

He has been an active member of the Police Force for the past 37 years. As a member of Drysdale Rotary Club he suggested the Adrian Mannix Community Service Award, he assisted in forming the Bellarine Camera Club which meets at SpringDale. Shane has joined the SpringDale Committee to serve his community in a different role.

Bellarine Rail Trail Improvement Project - Stage 2

Funding from Council has been bolstered by a \$300,000 grant from the State Government to carry out a range of improvements along the trail. These include trail sealing, shelters, interpretive signage as well as additional toilet facilities. The trail is experiencing a significant increase in usage and continues to be an important tourist attraction and Council is committed to its ongoing development.

Councillor Community Grants

The SpringDale Soccer Club and the Clifton Springs Men's Shed have been awarded grants to assist with a couple of important projects. The soccer club will be able to purchase some additional equipment to assist with junior training and development and the Men's Shed can now finish off their renovation project.

Councillor Community Grants are available for eligible community organisations, to assist with a range of projects they may be undertaking. The details for eligibility for a grant and an application form are located on the Council website www.geelongcity.vic.gov.au or call Lynda Hansson on (03) 5272 4736.





L-R: Bob Marmion, Tom O'Connor & Shane Coles

Tom O'Connor and family first settled in Drysdale in 1973 and began an active involvement in community activities from the local Primary School, Football and Netball clubs; Drysdale/Leopld Pony Club; 13th Beach Surf Lifesaving Club; Boroughcouttas Masters Swimming Club, and most recently as local CoGG Councillor. He is qualified in Quantity Surveying, specialising in project management, and currently helps drive the Bike Safe campaign and the Committee for Bellarine Inc.

The Festive season is almost upon us once again. A big thank you and congratulations to all the volunteers who have contributed to their community this past year. I would also like to wish all readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe and enjoy the holiday period with your family and friends.

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The day was filled with ladies dressed to support the theme, prizes were given for all sorts of grand ideas and the meal and service was fabulous. The days activities raised approx \$7,500 which was a wonderful effort. This amount, combined with other monies raised since our



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commencement with Relay for Life in 2001, brings the total to approx \$83,000. If you are not aware the Bennett & Wolfe Gang is a family affair added to it a few close family friends, so we are extremely proud that a small group of people could achieve such a terrific result. Our team slogan is RELAYing FOR a cancer-free LIFE and we continue to be motivated in the hope our future generations will live in a cancer-free world.



For your information, the next Geelong Relay for Life will be held on 19-20 March 2011 at Deakin University Waurn Ponds Campus. Ladies be on the lookout for next years event, they are proving to be the hottest ticket in town for this wonderful fundraiser. For more information Lisa Stillman (03) 5253 1786 or 0407 531 786.



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World Aids Day

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Woodwork Sale

A good time to purchase some beautiful woodwork items is when the Woodies hold their annual weekend exhibition on 1, 2 and 3 January 2011 at the Queenscliff Uniting Church Hall, Corner Hesse and Stokes Street, Queenscliff. The Bellarine Woodworkers meet on the first and third Mondays of each month and always welcome new members. For further enquiries contact Charlie Christiaans on (03) 5251 3484 or Ray Austen on (03) 5251 3197.

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Community effort benefits Cancer research



The Rotary Club of Drysdale was honoured recently by a visit by Associate Professor David Ashley from The Andrew Love Cancer Centre. A cheque for \$7,000 was handed to David by Club President Keith Stasinowsky.

The Andrew Love Centre is a major treatment centre for southwest Victoria with 900 patients annually. It is the third busiest centre of its type in Victoria and the third most active in research. It has nine full time staff in the clinical trial centre and is at the cutting edge of development in cancer research and provides patients access to new drugs.

David outlined his research into genes in cancer by examining DNA codes, looking for abnormalities and whether they can be applied to the treatment of cancer. He explained the logistics of getting sample biopsies for testing from regional environments. The Federal Government has provided a grant to test 1000 patients with 150 coming from southwest Victoria. This trial will test the ability of the logistics system to effectively deliver samples in a limited time frame.



Presentation of the cheque for \$7,000 being handed to David by Club President Keith Stasinowsky.

At the close of Professor David's presentation, Chairman Alistair Mackenzie expressed the appreciation of all members, for giving a most enlightening insight into the activities of the Andrew Love Centre and also the wonderful work they do for cancer research for the region.



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Christmas Bells

125g butter ³/₄ cup castor sugar 1 egg 1³/₄ cups plain flour 1 tspn ground cinnamon 1⁴ cup cocoa sugar for sprinkling To attach bells to the Christmas Tree you will need curling ribbon.





The Drysdale Hotel Reservations 03 5251 2301 Collins St Drysdale www.drysdalehotel.com.au Preheat your oven to 210°.

Brush oven trays with melted butter or oil. Using an electric beater, beat butter and castor sugar in a small mixing bowl until light and creamy. Add egg and beat until combined.

Divide mixture between 2 bowls. Add 1 cup sifted flour and cinnamon to one half, mix to a soft dough. Add remaining sifted flour and cocoa to remaining half, mix also to a soft dough.

Store in the refrigerator for 10 minutes.

Roll each mixture between 2 sheets of geaseproof paper to form rectangles, each approx 20 x 30cm. Remove top sheets of paper from each, invert one onto the other. Use a rolling pin to press the 2 mixtures together, remove paper.

Cut into bell shapes using a cookie cutter. Place onto prepared trays, allowing for room to spread, half with chocolate side up and the other with cinnamon side up.

Use the off cuts and roll out together, this will give these bells a mottled appearance.



Use a skewer or sharp-pointed knife to cut a hole in the top of each bell. Sprinkle bells with sugar.

Bake for 10 minutes or until lightly golden. Cool on trays.

Cut ribbon into required lengths, thread through the holes, tie a bow. They can be hung on the Christmas tree or used as palce cards at the dinner table.

Bells may be made 3 days ahead. Store in an airtight container. Any shape cutters may be used, stars, santas etc.

May be frozen for up to 2 months.



Caramel Nut Tarts

1½ cups plain flour
2 tblspns cornflour
125g butter, chopped
2 tblspns water
1⅓ cups sugar
4 tbspns water, extra
⅔ cup cream
1½ cups roasted, unsalted mixed nuts

Preheat oven to moderately hot 210°C. Brush shallow patty tins with melted butter or oil.

Sift flour and cornflour into large mixing bowl, add chopped butter. Using fingertips, rub butter into the flour for 2 minutes or until mixture is a fine crumbly texture. Add water, mix until combined. Turn onto a lightly floured surface, knead 1 minute or until smooth. Store covered with plastic wrap in refrigerator for 10 minutes.



Roll pastry out thinly and cut into circles using a 7cm round cutter, press circles into the prepared tins. Prick the pastry evenly with a fork. Bake 10 minutes or until light golden brown, cool.

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Combine sugar and extra water in a pan. Stir constantly over low heat until mixture boils and sugar has dissolved. Reduce heat, simmer, uncovered, without stirring, 5-10 minutes or until golden. Remove from heat, add cream and nuts, stir until combined, Spoon into pastry cases, cool.



NOTE: Pastry cases can be made up to 3 days ahead. Filling can be added a day ahead. Store in a airtight container. Unsuitable for freezing.

Swap white rice for brown

A recent study has found that brown rice reduces the risk of developing diabetes by 16 per cent. Brown rice has not had the bran layer removed, giving it higher nutritional values than white rice. Brown rice contains antioxidants, anthocyanins and other nutrients that have been found to help reduce the risk of heart disease and also help prevent gallstones. Brown rice has a nutty

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'In the Village Walk



Parsley, sage

The year has flown by so fast, that at times I think that if I blinked, I would have missed it. The weather has been one for the books. Drought, rain, snow, hailstorms, and tornadoes – we have had it all. Now it's Ho! Ho! Ho! and the season of Christmas festivities is upon us once again. Parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme are key ingredients for turkey seasoning. All of these herbs are very easily grown



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in a sunny spot in your garden. Feed them a fertilizer high in nitrogen to promote good leaf growth. Regular picking will maintain a dense plant. Other herbs to try are oregano, marjoram, dill, chives and mint.

Pull up garlic on the longest day and store in a shady covered area to dry. Try slow roasting garlic with roma tomatoes for bruschetta. Those of us who planted tomatoes earlier this year may now be harvesting. Successive sowings of radish, spring onions, lettuce will stop you having a glut of one vegetable. I recommend using Seasol and Powerfeed together as a fertiliser. Home-grown salads taste so much better than store bought. Also by growing organically, you know what was used to grow your vegetables.

In the flower garden you may like to plant vinca, alyssum, petunias, and marigolds. Divide and fertilise overcrowded

cymbidium orchids that have finished flowering. Continue deadheading the roses, which look magnificent after the good rains. Keep an eye out for aphids. Squish with your fingers or wait for the ladybirds to devour them. This is their Christmas lunch. Watch out for the white cabbage moth. Set up yellow sticky

traps (Vaseline on yellow sticky traps (Vaseline on yellow painted board) works well. Let chooks forage under the orchard trees to clean up the bugs. Provide water for the birds in your garden over the long hot days of summer. Continue to mulch all your garden

beds to protect them from the long hot days ahead and remember to use water wisely. Best of all enjoy the summer days doing what you like best. Merry Christmas to you all and have a safe and happy New Year. Clifton Springs Garden Club will resume in February 2011.

Happy gardening, Lorraine.

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Marcus Ward

Greens Candidate, Upper House Western Victoria

The Bellarine offers an enviable lifestyle to residents and visitors. There are real questions as to how communities throughout the peninsula will manage the potential threats and benefits that flow from continued growth.

The Greens believe a planning system that really works, that fairly listens and responds to local ideas and concerns, is the essential building block to maintaining and improving our way of life. As a rural architect and community campaigner for over 25 years,

I have witnessed how our planning system has been derailed and

at times down right corrupted.

I look forward to the opportunity of working with communities throughout Western Victoria to redress the balance of the past decade and give residents a real voice in how their future is shaped.

Christmas present idea – Aerial Photographs of Drysdale in 1936 Various sizes to suit all pockets Sold in aid of St James' Church Restoration Fund Enquiries: 5253 2717

News from the Clifton Springs Tennis Club





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Peter Kavanagh

Peter Kavanagh has been Democratic Labor Party (DLP) Member for Western Victoria since 2006. A former Barrister and Teacher, he lives in the Drysdale/Clifton Springs area. The DLP was founded in the 1950's by Labor Party members who were expelled because of their opposition to extremism in the ALP and in the defence of Australian democracy. The DLP has always been for families, for workers and for life. At this election, the DLP is emphasising the policies: 1. Phase Out Pokies – The Government's

- 1. Phase Out Pokies The Government's present policy on pokies exploits the poor and the lonely.
- Effective Action on Drugs Early intervention is vital. We should introduce compulsory treatment for addicts to illegal drugs.
- Make Public Transport Free The cost would be much lower than expected after taking out the cost of printing, selling and inspecting tickets.
- 4. Reform VCAT Local people should decide local issues.
- 5. Improve Transport Infrastructure Around Greater Geelong, especially to Torquay, Colac and Camperdown.

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As reported in The Argus, Monday 10 October 1904 THROWN FROM A HORSE Geelong. Sunday. Mr. Arthur West, a resident of Drysdale, was thrown from his horse on Saturday. His foot caught in the stirrup and he was dragged some distance head downwards.

He was admitted to the hospital today, badly bruised and battered.





Judy Baldacchio

Greens Candidate for Bellarine

I am a psychologist and educator by profession and a Green candidate by choice. I am committed to the Greens policies because they are forward thinking, important and achievable. The Greens share my concern about the deterioration of our natural environment which supports all life on this planet. I see this as our bottom line and our policies are directed at alleviating the impact of climate change on all of us living creatures. I have two grandchildren and I am standing as a candidate to ensure they grow up in a healthy, fair and compassionate society.



Toy of the Month

This month features a slide suitable for younger children. Made of sturdy plastic it enables the child to learn to slide with safety. Such activities help the child to develop gross motor skills helpful for balance.

The Drysdale Toy Library is open on Wednesday morning from 9am to 10am.





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Remembrance Day in Drysdale

Nearly 100 people gathered at the Drysdale Cenotaph on Thursday, 11th November in memory of the brave men and women who, in all theatres of war since WW1, fought and died representing Australia. The President of the Drysdale RSL, Mr Geoff Wisbey explained that in 1918, an Australian journalist, from his hospital bed, heard the noise of those celebrating the ending of the war and decided to draw attention to the public the need to honour those who had paid the ultimate sacrifice. The King of England made a proclamation that two minutes silence would be held annually at 11am, on the 11th day of the 11th month this was formerly known as Armistice Day but is now known as Remembrance Day. School children gathered in groups or pairs, together with representatives from different areas of our community, to present a wreath at the base of the obelisk. The wind buffeted the Australian flag

flying at half mast as we all stood in two minutes silence to remember those who are now part of our military history and who, by their death, has enabled Australia to be the country she is today.

LEST WE FORGET.

Carla Evans





DCSCA

Drysdale Clifton Springs Community Association

It's nice to have open spaces near where we live, not just because they look nice but also because they are places where we can walk around, stretch out a bit and smell the roses - or, rather, the redflowering gums. However, when Drysdale and Clifton Springs were designated as growth zones, open spaces became sites for potential 'urban consolidation' somewhere to build on. Proper planning controls can ensure that new developments (eg. Stage 1 of the Jetty Road development) include open spaces. However, a manufactured park within a housing estate or next to a shopping centre is rarely in a prime location with good views and beautiful surroundings because, of course, such locations are very attractive to developers. As each one is developed, the community loses another open space.

Striking a balance around development

Clearly, there is a balance to be struck



between total development and no development and DCSCA is trying to decide just how that balance should be struck. DCSCA is working on a proposal for a Public Open Spaces Network, connected where possible by walking and/or cycling tracks. Each site in the network would be kept as simple as possible, highlighting its natural characteristics and featuring appropriate local indigenous plants. To support the network, we'd like to promote 'Friends' of each site, starting with the Foreshore and the Basin.

The Public Open Spaces Network is the equivalent of From Streetscape to Artscape - the network of art exhibits in public spaces that has been proposed by DCSCA and SpringDale. We have applied to CoGG for funding for this project. (See www.drycliftdays.blogspot.com/)

The Festival of Glass

The big day, Sunday 20 February 2011, 10.00-5.00 at the Potato Shed is approaching quickly even faster than Christmas. You can learn more about the Festival from its blog site, which now features interviews with the glass artists

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Drysdale, Vic. 3222; or dryclift@bigpond.com

For up-to-date news please visit DCSCA's blog www.drycliftdays.blogspot.com/ Patrick Hughes, Secretary

FORMING 'FRIENDS' GROUPS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Wednesday 1 December 2010 7pm SpringDale Neighbourhood House, High Street, Drysdale

Concerned about our foreshore? Keen to improve The Basin? Then you could become a 'Friend of the Foreshore' or a 'Friend of the Basin'. People are working to improve each area - a 'Friends of ...' group could make a real difference.

Hear speakers from the Bellarine Catchment Network, Bellarine Landcare, City of Greater Geelong and Parks Victoria and have your say.

A DCSCA Public Meeting. For more information: dryclift@bigpond.com



Bellarine Railway Queenscliff - Drysdale

After such a wet winter, the Bellarine Railway (BR) is looking green. Much work by our volunteers has occurred during the quiet season. Work continues on tank engine Pozieres, Vulcan 4 and the carriage fleet. Some major works around Queenscliff Station look a treat too. The track gang kicked off spring with a major re-sleepering effort around Suma Park and near Drysdale. The huge rolling stock shed at Lakers Siding has several volunteers working hard on various projects. The run up to the silly season has begun. The Blues Train

started its new season in October and Thomas and Friends will be visiting us several times over summer. Remember, BR also offers a Bike Hire service, so get out there and sample the wonderful Bellarine Rail Trail and put yourself and the bike on the train for the trip (uphill) home.

History Spot for this month – Did you know that Suma Park, now not only a station but also the beautiful adjacent homestead and vineyard was originally called Frankfurt on Sea?

STAFF VACANCIES. We are seeking staff in all areas but in particular, station and kiosk staff for Drysdale to assist with the running of The Blues Train. Station Staff for Queenscliff are also required and of course all training is provided. We are also recruiting train crews (Guards, Loco Firemen and Drivers). You can involve the whole family, we have roles for all. You choose how much time you would like to offer us. Interested? Please call Paul on (03) 5251 3725 (A/H), visit www.bpr.org.au or call into any station.

TRAIN TIMES – Most Sunday's, Public Holidays and Tuesdays and Thursdays during school holidays with extra services over summer.

Depart Queenscliff at 1115, 1340* and 1445. Depart Drysdale at 1215 & 1545. *= Lakers Siding Service only. All info at the stations or our web site.

Till next time. Paul Kenny, Station Master, Drysdale www.bpr.org.au

BOOK CLUB - SNOBS by Julian Fellowes

At the November meeting the SpringDale Book Discussion Group reviewed the book *Snobs* by Julian Fellowes. Julian Fellowes is an English writer, film director and actor, notably portraying the character Lord Kilwillie in *Monarch of the Glen*. He has won many awards in his various undertakings.

Snobs portrays the English aristocracy at its best (worst?). The story is narrated by a man, who we thought seemed very

much like the author, and centres around a beautiful young middle class woman who, with the force of her parents, aims to get into the *set*. The woman, Edith Lavery, pursues the son on the Marquess of Uckfield, Charles Broughton, much to the displeasure of

Charles' mother, the indomitable Lady Uckfield. They marry but from early days Edith becomes bored with her husband and country aristocratic life. Not well accepted by his peers, she embarks on an affair with a handsome actor, eventually leaving Charles for a year. But the doors that had opened to her no longer did and circumstance led her back to Charles. Lady Uckfield did her best to persuade Charles to forget Edith but he professed to love her and they all lived happily ever after.

The group discussed the fact that snobs are not just restricted to the upper classes. In fact, there are snobs within all groupings. Particular experience of snobbery was felt from members who had moved to small country towns and were made to feel excluded and different. The author, Julian Fellowes, is part of the *set* and uses language and jargon in the book that

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perhaps people not in the *set* would fully comprehend. Reviews for the book state that it is wildly funny. The group members all agreed that the book was mildly amusing.

We gave the book a score of seven out of ten.

The December meeting will be held on 6 December. The book for discussion is a verse novel *The Monkeys Mask* by Dorothy Porter. January's book is a BYO book of own choice and February is *Petite Anglaise* by Katherine Sanderson.

SpringDale Book Discussion Group meets on the first Monday on each month, between 7.30pm and 9pm.

Combined Probus Club Clifton Springs/Drysdale



Last month our intrepid Caravan and Cabins group braved the cold and rain for the first outing of the season to Laanecoorie. They had an enjoyable trip on the steam train from Maldon to Castlemaine for a sesson of window shopping and a good lunch at the pub. It was pleasing to see some of our new members joining in the fun.

Our speaker last month, Jaqueth Riley, gave us a most interesting tale of her life as a young girl growing up in India. Her stories of mission and school life were particularly poignant and we were left with a great impression of this developing country.

This month we have our Christmas luncheon. Then on January 10 we are back in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club at 10am for our regular monthly meeting; our speaker will be Peter Cowden of the Bellarine Rail Trail - visitors, both ladies and gents, will be welcomed.

Please contact Dorothy on (03) 5251 3702 for further information.







Clifton Springs Primary School Acting up at School

Lights, camera, action. The annual concert again provided a fabulous night of entertainment for our school community. The theme of 'Australia' was spectacularly presented by all grades, through some old favourite songs and stories as the culmination of weeks of preparation, practice and prop design by the students and teachers.

Grades Prep -2 enjoyed a visit to the Melbourne Zoo, which is linked to their developmental and inquiry play this term. Grade 3 students are getting ready to have a sleepover at school early in December and our Grade 6 students are preparing for their Graduation night.

The Transition Program for our 2011 preps has begun and it has been delightful to see the children's enthusiasm and excitement as they spend time in the classroom and learn to make their way around the school. The last transition day is on Tuesday December 7 from 9.30am – 1pm and we look forward to seeing the children become more familiar with the school and enjoy some time in specialist classes.

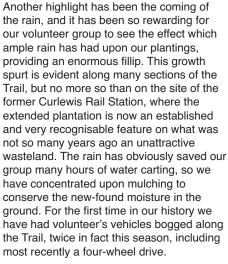


Our new Developmental Inquiry Garden is progressing well and will be a fantastic area for our junior students to explore, inquire and play in. The sand pit is filled, the decked stage area is about to be completed, the rocket ship shed is ready to go, the creek bed is pebbled and the shop/house creative space has been started. Thank you to The Men's Shed, Steve Nicholls, Tiffany Branson, Paton Tanks, members of the Drysdale Harvest Basket and Tony Diss for your contributions to our garden.

Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail

As 2010 moves towards its close, the Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail can look back with satisfaction on another year of achievement.

The completion of the rock garden at Christies Road was one of the highlights, but the greatest highlight was the award of an Order of Australia Medal to our Works Co-Ordinator, Fred Cook. Little did we think that the Bellarine Rail Trail would be brought to the attention of the Governor of Victoria, but such was the case when Fred, accompanied by family members, attended Government House in September to be presented with his award. We say again "Well done, Fred", a just recognition for the many, many hours you have put into this project.



We look forward to the proposed Council development of walking trails and other improvements at Drysdale's Lake Lorne, which together with the nearby Macleods Waterholes area, will provide users of the Rail Trail with greater opportunity to explore and enjoy the natural environment and discover the fascinating history of our Bellarine Peninsula. Our website **www.fbrt.com.au** provides information regarding the Trail and its features, and we welcome suggestions from readers regarding further useful information which could be added to the site. The Trail is becoming more popular than ever, with new users constantly in evidence and why not, how many populated areas in Victoria have such an attractive, health-giving and free-touse feature almost at their doorstep. Perhaps the Governor may come walking in our direction.

Peter Cowden

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Raquet News - Clifton Springs Tennis Club

Pleased to say that our junior competition is in full swing and half way through the season we have progressed well in all grades. We have 12 teams participating and thanks to Dianne Green for her tremendous effort in coordinating our juniors. This season we have been fortunate to secure the use of the new St Ignatius artificial courts to host some of our home games on each Saturday. This has proved to be an asset for our club as it eliminates lengthy travel and playing on poor surfaces. Thanks to St Ignatius for their assistance.

We are currently seeking expressions of interest from any ladies wishing to participate in a Ladies competition under lights on Thursday evenings.

Please contact either Julie on 0417 015 742 or Graeme on 0400 225 853.

We are hosting our break-up on Sunday 12 December at the Jetty Road clubrooms with a visit from Santa, BBQ lunch and lots of activities for the family. Hoping to see all members there.

The Clifton Springs Tennis Club has coaching available each night of the week at our Jetty Road facility. If you are interested in more information please call our accredited coach Mark Hagebols on 0416 288 956.

We have been fortunate to secure Gold Sponsorship packages for the Bendigo Community Bank and also with the Clifton Springs Golf Club. We place a high value on our sponsorships and thank them very much for their participation.

Graeme Reid, President

Lisa Neville kicks off SpringDale Football Club

Lisa Neville officially kicked off SpringDale Football Club's summer soccer programs on the 10 November at Clifton Springs Primary School. The club is a triumph of community networking and partnerships, with the club indebted to Lisa Neville, Rod Macdonald & City of Greater Geelong, Clifton Springs Primary School, Headspace Barwon, SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, Drysdale Primary School, Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association and Momentum Energy for their support in establishing the club and enabling its growth. The summer soccer programs are directed at players of all ages, abilities and genders with an emphasis on games for skills

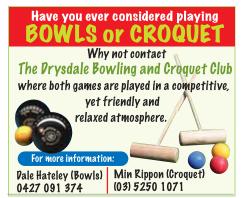




development, inclusiveness, fun and social connection. Currently the clubs players range between the ages of 4 years old and 71 years old. Activities are each Wednesday in school term time, starting at 6pm for juniors at Clifton Springs Primary School oval, 7pm at Drysdale Primary School hall for female youth and women and 8pm at Drysdale Primary School hall for male youth and men. For further information, visit the clubs website at:

www.springdalefc.com.au or contact Geoff Briggs on 0428 501 150

Thank you for your support. Geoff Briggs





Lilly Smith who was a standout player receiving her trophies at the Junior Presentations.



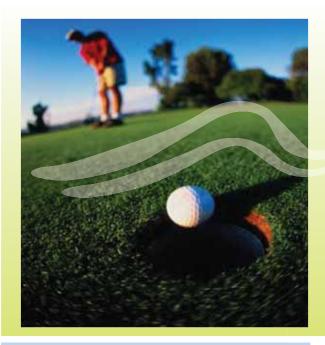
Lions Australia Day Breakfast in Drysdale - 26 Jan 2011

A free sausage sizzle breakfast from 7.30am will be held on the lawn between Safeway and Portarlington Road, Drysdale. John Birt, Australia Day Ambassador and champion Essendon footballer, The Rusties playing their favourite tunes and the Bellarine Choir singing well loved Aussie songs will all be there. Norm Stanley will play his didgeridoo and the Air Force, SES and CFA will have displays. Kids who enter the Woolworths Colouring Competition will win a prize. Come with the whole family. Aussie, Aussie, Aussie, Oi, Oi, Oi.



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