



The SpringDale Messenger



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Back: Mason Davis, Mike Mortimer, Hamish Goodier, Will Davis.
Front: Tom Randone, Jack Preece, Quinn Taylor.
(Absent: Patrick Tigani)

Following in their fathers' footsteps

Family and friendship enduring

Drysdale has in excess of 250 children playing junior and under aged football, consisting of 12 teams, three of which are under 10's. Not really that unusual for a coastal town. However, the Drysdale Hawks under 10 side has 8 boys whose fathers all played a substantial number of senior games together for Drysdale and are still active members of the club. Some families, including the Taylor and Davis families, are even up to their third and fourth generation playing for the club.

Mike Mortimer, Hamish Goodier, Will Davis, Tom Randone and Jack Preece are all second year under 10 players, and have been joined this year by first timers Mason Davis, Quinn Taylor and Patrick Tigani. The boys enjoy playing together, as their fathers did, and not surprisingly, there is some good talent amongst them considering their breeding heritage. Even when the boys are not playing, you will often spot them down at the club practicing their shots at goals or playing 'markers up' together.

Their fathers combined have played over 1000 senior games for the club including Mario Randone who has played 200 plus games and Peter Preece who has played 300 plus games. Three of them have been bestowed Life Membership to the club, several have been committee members and are still active around the club assisting with catering, functions and sponsorship. Their talents and involvement extend even further for Dean Goodier who coaches the under 10's, Chris Taylor who coaches one of the Under 18 teams and Greg Davis who umpires the under 10 and 12 games.

It is good to see the club ethos of family and friendship enduring the passing of time and allowing generation after generation to continue to be involved with the club, and you never know, one day we might see these boys names and photos up around the club next to their fathers to celebrate their sporting achievements or community involvement.

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Messenger copy deadline September edition

- Friday 5** SpringDale Special General Meeting – Constitution Amendment 5pm
St James Trivia Night 6.30pm
Jenny Thomas /Album Launch Potato Shed
- Saturday 6** Harvest Basket at SpringDale 9am
Rachel Berger Clever Dicks with special guest Steve McEwan Potato Shed
- Sunday 7** Cosmo Cosmolino 2pm Potato Shed
- Tuesday 9** Soul Sister Swing- Morning Showtime Potato Shed
- Friday 12** Spud Club- Theatre 3triple2 Potato Shed
- Saturday 13** Drysdale Primary School Trivia Night – 7pm
- Sunday 14** Maori Afternoon 1pm
- Friday 19** Russian Night 6pm
- Saturday 20** Concert for the Clans 8pm Potato Shed
- Sunday 21** Bellarine Fun Run 8.30am
- Monday 22** SpringDale Business Breakfast 7am
- Thur 25-Sat 27** Bats the Musical- Bellarine Secondary College Potato Shed
- Wednesday 31** SpringDale Annual General Meeting 5pm

IMPORTANT REMINDER*

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1st of each month.
Contact SpringDale for
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(03) 5253 1960



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

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from the centre

Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]



'Our hearts are safe at SpringDale'

Thanks to everyone who has helped SpringDale over the last month. We were especially lucky to be supported in the purchase of a defibrillator by Drysdale Bendigo Bank. We have been working towards having this piece of life saving equipment available for our community for a long time. SpringDale is open from 9am til at least 5pm but usually 9pm most days and the defibrillator will be accessible at all times.

Drysdale Scouts helped us to "down size" a little by accepting 2 trailer loads of furniture for their garage sale. We are grateful for their support and the use of their hall for our Badminton and Volley Ball groups.

Every day is full of many interesting challenges and opportunities. Over the last month, I have discussed Child Care Policy with many levels of Government to try to get the best outcome for our community. We'll have to wait to see what results follow.

Much of our time in August will be devoted to the Economic Development Plan Project for Drysdale and Clifton Springs. We have a project team consisting of very interested community members and business people. We have downloaded more than 120 City of Greater Geelong and State Government documents which will inform our thinking. These reports and strategies will allow us to be aligned with and make best use of current strategies giving us best leverage to achieve best results for our community.

We continue to improve the delivery of our services in line with feedback that we

receive from you. We are increasing the duration of sessions for Vacation Care for the Spring Holidays, Care will commence at 8am and go through to 6pm. Hopefully this will meet the needs of more families in our community. We limit our program to 20 children and all our days have the same fee. Next holiday's program is readily available on the web or from the office. Please book early to ensure a spot.

I am lucky enough to have participated in a couple of discussions with some young people who would like to put on some events for other young people. I am excited to be working with such enthusiastic, energetic and well informed people. I think we will all be impressed with their ideas and activities.

In line with our Cultural Diversity Policy, our cultural activities continue to expand. This month we are holding a Maori Day on Sunday 14 August, a Russian evening on Friday 19 August and next month an Indian day on Tuesday 6 September. Please contact SpringDale if you would like to help with these events.

Lastly, we have started as part of our annual plan, a "Help Needed" page. We will try to liaise with people who need things and hopefully find people who can do these things. Our pilot of this is on this page. Please feel free to give us feedback about this idea and of course anything else that we do.

Regards and best wishes from

Anne Brackley
for the whole SpringDale Team.



COURSE UPDATE @ SpringDale



Diana

Wellness Course

After such a successful Wellness Program being trialled last term, we are now offering this as a course. The team has planned an even more interesting program for this term, that will appeal to many of our senses and systems. We will also cater for those who attend single sessions at \$10 per session.

Dates/Times: Mon 1 Aug to Mon 19 Sep
11am-12.30pm

Fee: \$50

Tutor: Various Wellness Practitioners

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Dates/Times: 1st and 3rd Thurs of month
9.30am-11.30am

Fee: \$2 per session

Tutor: Chris Lambert



Vacation Care @ SpringDale

Spring Program Commencing
Monday 26 Sept - Friday 7 Oct
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New Logo for SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre will be showing their new logo on different applications.

The people represent the community of the Neighbourhood Centre. The leaf shows the green country area and the waves depicted the bay. Logo, designed by Lyn Ingles for the SpringDale Centre.



Wednesday 31 August will see the Annual General Meeting of the SpringDale Committee of Management, take place at 5pm in the community hall of the SpringDale Centre. We would like to invite members of the community to come along and hear how the committee has administered its role in managing the needs of the centre over the last 12 months and how it plans to continue to support the centre and local community in the future. Join us for the meeting followed by refreshment, and have a look around at this wonderful facility. Become

a member of SpringDale, and also consider becoming a member of the Committee of Management, needing no specific qualifications or previous experience, only a desire to work with a passionate team of people. We are encouraging people of all age groups, abilities and interests, to join the committee. Representation of all aspects of the community is invaluable to the planning and future direction of the centre and the local community.

The committee meets once a month, currently in the evening, at the centre. Its roles include; supporting the coordinator, staff and volunteers, to undertake all the daily activities of the centre. Whilst also, upholding and administering the current Strategic Plan, the committee is looking to the future. Developing strategies to move forward include networking with local groups and organisations, communicating our ideas and seeking to pool our resources for better outcomes.

When, first becoming a member of SpringDale, 5 years ago, I was a person living in the community of the North

Bellarine. Now as a member of both the centre and the Committee of Management, I am a member of the community. The difference is not subtle, yet rather dramatic. It is one thing to live somewhere, but when you join a hub like SpringDale, you have the opportunity to know so much more about your community, its resources, and the opportunities that are available for your whole family, while at the same time you can be instrumental in ensuring that the needs of the community are reflected in the activities of SpringDale, now and in the future.

If you would like to know more or want to be a part of this wonderful community organisation, then contact the centre and ask to speak with the coordinator Anne Brackley or a member of the committee about this great opportunity. Seek to be nominated or self nominate, we would love to meet you and hear your ideas.

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Constitution Amendment at SpringDale

"A motion was passed at the July SpringDale Committee of Management meeting, that the Constitution be amended by replacing Clause 14 with clauses 20 - 23 of the Model Rules. The change, if approved, will mean that the Executive of the Committee of Management will be elected by the members of SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre at the Annual General Meeting.

The current Clause 14 states that the Executive is appointed at the Committee of Management meeting next following the AGM."

A Special Meeting has been called for Friday, 5 August at 5pm to deal with this motion. All members are welcome to attend and notification has been sent to all members.

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STILL CELEBRATING

The celebrations are continuing in our *10 Out of 10 Season* with a CD launch for Jenny Thomas, the return of Rachel Berger with the 'Clever Dicks' stand up comedy show and a special performance from those funky people from *Cosmo Cosmolino*, and that's just the first weekend of August! *Morning Showtime* brings back the fabulous *Soul Sister Swing*, who always get the audience dancing in the aisles and the very popular *Concert for the Clans* is also returning. A number of Bellarine Secondary students will be presenting this years school production of 'Bats' the musical. We are also delighted that the *Melbourne Writers Festival* is coming to the **Potato Shed** and a number of local schools will get the opportunity to participate in this fantastic opportunity. September is going to be another busy month so look out for Deborah Conway who is making her way to the Shed early September with *Half Man Half Woman*. So much to see, make sure you get your tickets now. **For further information on any of our upcoming events or to book tickets call the Potato Shed on (03) 5251 1998. Tickets can also be purchased at any City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centre.**

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6 Aug - Rachel Berger
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7.30pm, Adult \$25 Conc \$22

7 Aug - Cosmo Cosmolino
BEL AIR TOUR
2pm, Adult \$24 Conc \$19

9 Aug - Soul Sister Swing
Morning Showtime 10.30am
\$14 includes morning tea

12 Aug - Spud Club
Theatre Striple2
6.30pm - Youth 8.30pm - Adult
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20 Aug - Concert for the Clans 2
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9 August
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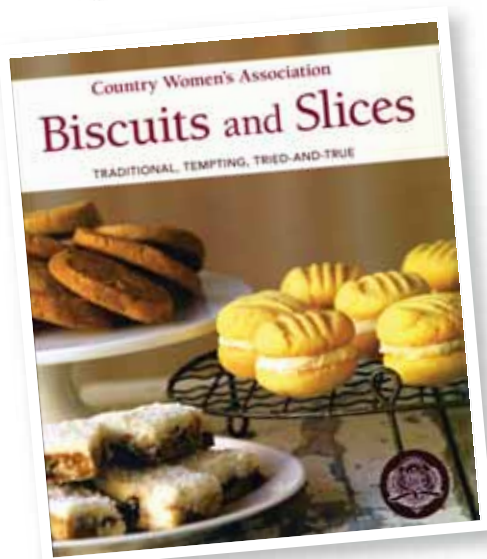
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Ingredients

125g softened butter
125g cream cheese
½ cup sugar
vanilla essence, to taste
1 tspn gelatine
2 tbspn hot water
1½ X 200g packets lattice biscuits

Icing

2 cups icing sugar
lemon juice

Cream Cheese Lattice Slice



Cream Cheese Lattice Slice

Submitted by Joyce Goos, Valentine Plains Branch QLD

Russian Evening at Springdale

Friday 19 August 6pm

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Arrange a layer of lattice biscuits over the base of a slice tin, spread cream cheese mixture on top, then put another layer of biscuits on top. Refrigerate until set.

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Ginger Slice

Submitted by Helen Wall, Caniamba Branch, Victoria

Ginger Slice

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125g butter
pinch of salt
1 dspn ground cinnamon
1 dspn ground ginger
1 tspn mixed spice
1 egg, well beaten
1 cup sour milk (milk with a squeeze of lemon juice added)
2 cups plain flour
1 tspn bicarbonate of soda
1 cup chopped raisins

Preheat oven to 180°.
Grease a slice tin.

Combine sugar, syrup, butter, salt and slices in a large saucepan and heat until melted and combined. Add egg and sour milk. Sift together flour and soda, then stir into spices mixture. Add raisins and mix well.

Put into prepared tin and bake for about 30 minutes.

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A teaspoon or 2 of vinegar can help keep eggs from cracking while boiling.

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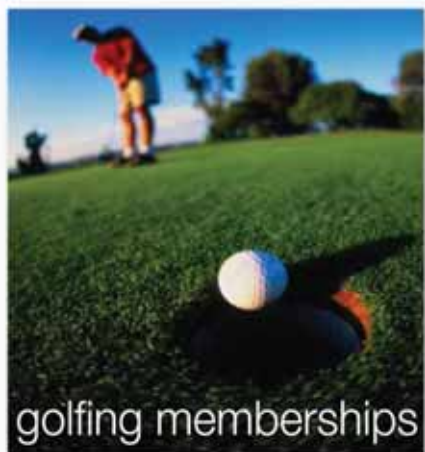
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Displaying the Units Heavy Rescue Vehicle, Dion Henderson controller of the Bellarine Unit led the visit with help from crew members Tracey Connor and Amanda Humphries. The Jaws of Life and Sirens proved most popular among the youngsters.

The visit coincides with their current learning topic of people in our community. "Visiting children and giving them a clear

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Dr Shirin David

Dr. Shirin David is visiting Drysdale in September and you might like to meet her. My husband and I met her about 12 years ago through an International Charity. Philip, my husband went to visit her in her village in Allahabad, India.

He saw first hand the amazing work Dr. Shirin does in the village. She offers hope to girls whose livelihood would normally be a life of drudgery. She is an obstetrician, gynaecologist, health educator and development practitioner. She uses her skills to help and empower women to change the world. Dr. Shirin is coming to Drysdale on Tuesday 6 September. SpringDale Centre is having an Indian day theme and one of the activities will be cooking Indian food. You are most welcome to come in and meet Shirin and have a chat. At 7.30pm she will be at the Uniting Church. They have generously offered their facility for her to speak and show her work.

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Sheet mulch instead of digging

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Drysdale Harvest Basket

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Garden Club donations

At the AGM of the Clifton Springs and Drysdale Garden Club it was decided by members to use some of our surplus funds for charitable purposes. Some of our members had contact with the Charlton Garden Club where many Charlton gardens were destroyed in the recent floods. It was decided to send \$500 to the Charlton Garden Club to help their members buy seeds and plants to enable them to reconstruct their gardens.

A further donation of \$500 was made to the Children's Ward of Geelong Hospital via Barwon Health. This would be used to purchase diabetic education packs to be used in schools. It was emphasised that the Clifton Springs and Drysdale area be prioritised to receive these packs. Fiona Scott from Barwon Health will be attending our August meeting to explain the packs to our members.

Next meeting. Monday 15 August at 7.30pm. at the Uniting Church Hall in High Street, Drysdale. Entrance from car park at rear.

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Hmm, more often than not?

From a customer point of view it's fairly easy to gauge whether you've experienced exceptional, or even reasonable, customer service. From a

business point of view it's not so easy. It might be a good idea to make an honest appraisal of your systems and processes, and ask the questions, "Do they really work?", "Could we do it better?"

We all know that exceptional customer service soon has customers sharing their experiences with others, just as a bad experience does the same. It takes constant attention and vigilance, but by involving your staff in the process and investing some time in training if needed,



you may find it a rewarding experience for you and your staff as well as your customers.

Annette Campbell from Bellarine Gift Haven will be our guest speaker on this important topic at the **SpringDale Business Network Breakfast on Monday August 22 at 7am.**

Ian Ash (Orgment Business Solutions P/L) will also give his Top 6 Tips for delivering *Excellence in Customer Service*.

We will look forward to seeing you there.

Combined Probus Club of Clifton Springs/Drysdale

Probus - Kelly Gang, Iron Curtain and getting a visa for Africa.

We had three Club member speakers at our June meeting, giving interesting and enjoyable accounts of incidents from their life experiences covering early life at Mansfield and the Kelly Gang, working behind the Iron Curtain in East Germany and an interesting travel experience obtaining a visa for Africa. Afterwards we lunched at the Leopold Sportsmans Club, where we enjoyed the food and company, as per the photo.

At our meeting this month on 8 August, we will have a Show-and-Tell of the hobby work of our Crafty Ladies and Clever Gents. This annual event is always a winner.

Our meetings are held in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club from 10am on the second Monday of each month. We are a combined Club for women and men, and visitors and prospective members, singles and couples, are welcomed at all our meetings and activities.

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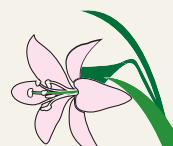
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Chess moves and strategies

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Geoff is a member of Drysdale Portarlington Lions and is looking at ways his club can support the development of chess in schools on the Bellarine. Teacher Matthew Green said that the tournament was a way of giving the children a chance to pit their skills against other children of similar ability. The children have enjoyed to challenge and it's great to see them so focussed and developing their ability to concentrate, he said after the tournament. Earlier tournaments run by Claire Wilson the previous principal were held within the school, so the children were excited about this contest. The children were keen to have a tournament each term.

Drysdale Guides Celebrating at a 'Tea Party'



Drysdale Guides recently camped together in Ocean Grove this their second annual camp, which was an incredible success for our Drysdale Guiding family. We had approximately 30 girls and leaders at the camp during the weekend.

Our theme was *The Mad Hatter's Tea Party* and all our activities were based on this theme, including painting the roses red, playing croquet with hedgehogs and the many times through the weekend that cups were used. Thank you to everyone who made this camp a success our leaders, our girls and our families who support us.

Thanks to Youth Foundation for granting \$1750 and The Rotary Club of Drysdale for donating \$500 to help us with our event Anivention – a cartooning, sci-fi animation event that we are organizing for later in the year. Drysdale Guides look forward to sharing this event with the wider community.

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Guidelines and application forms will be available at www.grants.dpcd.vic.gov.au

SPIRIT OF ANZAC PRIZE 2011-12

Entries are now open for the Spirit of ANZAC prize for Year 9 and 10 students at all Victorian secondary schools. The Premier's Spirit of ANZAC Prize competition commenced in 2004 and has captured the imagination of students across the state. It is intended to inspire young people to explore the ethos the ANZACs displayed at Gallipoli and on the Western Front and to reflect on how those values apply in Victorian communities today. Ten students representing each of the education regions in Victoria will have the opportunity to participate in a two week study tour to sites of military and cultural significance to Australian servicemen and women. Entry forms are available to download from www.veterans.vic.gov.au or by emailing veterans@dpcd.vic.gov.au. Entries close on Friday October 21, 2011.

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The Shrine of Remembrance Melbourne has recently launched the Friends of the Shrine program. For those interested in joining, the program gives the public the opportunity to connect directly with the Shrine, play an active part in the preservation of the Shrine, the Shrine Reserve and the values the Shrine represents. There are exclusive benefits for Friends including behind the scenes tours and discounts at participating retailers. I encourage you to consider becoming a Friend of the Shrine and showing your support for this very worthwhile program. For more information, go to www.shrine.org.au/friends or call (03)9661 8100.

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St James' Church Hall – Fundraising not Trivial at all

Despite **St James' Church Hall** being surrounded by builder's fencing, there's plenty of action. Of course, there's action on the inside as all the Hall fittings have been removed pending re-modelling and the floorboards have been lifted prior to re-stumping (*plus about 50 cubic metres of lovely soil which appeared to be propping up the floor.*) On the outside, fundraising continues with much vigour. The new Shed extension at the rear of the Hall now houses

the book sorting area with the bookshelves re-installed and even a carpet on the floor (*a big thank you to Carpet Court in Murradoch Road*) – so no cold feet on the concrete whilst sorting and pricing up the books during this winter. If you have books to donate for our annual **Book Sale**, please ring any of the numbers below and they will gladly collect.

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Our next fundraising event is a **Trivia Night on Friday 5 August, 6.30pm Clifton Springs Bowls Club** (opposite Clifton Springs Golf Club). Tickets \$10 each, available from Springdale Neighbourhood House. Tea/coffee and slices provided in the interval, plus Fun Raffle. You may bring your own tea/supper, but no BYO drinks as the Bar will be open. Hope you'd like to join in or make up a team (max 8 people) to support



this event. Bring your friends - it will be a fun evening. Don't worry if you're not part of a full team - teams can be assembled on the night. The picture quiz will be out on the tables when the doors open, for you to start on. So the earlier you get settled, the better. **Trivia Night enquiries: (03) 5253 2717.**

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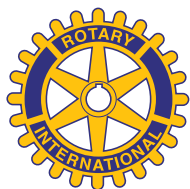
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Rotary Changeover Dinner

New President Ron Medson - looking towards a purposeful year



L-R: Graeme Allison, Noel Schofield and Bernard Filbay



L-R: Ron Medson
and Assistant District Governor Tony Stewart



L-R: Stuart Baker, Sue Stasinowsky and John Brumley.

At the Annual Club Changeover of the Rotary Club of Drysdale Inc. held on 29 June, out-going President Keith Stasinowsky presented a Paul Harris Fellow to Non-Rotarian Sue Stasinowsky, a Paul Harris Sapphire Pin to PP President Stuart Baker and a Multiple Sapphire Paul Harris Fellow to PP John Brumley.

In 1957, the Rotary Foundation launched the Paul Harris Fellowship in memory of the founder as an expression of

appreciation for those who have contributed to the Foundation's humanitarian and educational programs. After more than forty years, recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow remains a respected and prestigious honour for Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike. Certificates of outstanding service to Rotary were presented to PDG Graeme Allison and PP Noel Schofield for 40 years of service and PP Bernie Filbay for thirty years of service.

PP Keith Winter, PP Mercedes Drummond and PP Lindsay Noss all Paul Harris Fellows were presented with Club President Certificates of Appreciation for significant and meritorious service. At the completion of the outgoing President's speech ADG Tony Stewart inducted Rotarian Ron Medson as Club President 2011 – 2012. Club members are looking forward to supporting President Ron Medson in once again ensuring the Rotary Club of Drysdale achieves a purposeful Rotary year.

Bellarine Woodworkers

Have a new workshop



After a protracted development period and the overcoming of many obstacles, the club has now completed the erection of a workshop, including a complete upgrading of the railway area power supply, at the Drysdale railway precinct. This will allow the club to expand its activities and facilities for the development of members' skills and to produce articles for sale and community purposes.

As well as providing fellowship amongst wood enthusiasts, there is provision for the training of interested men and women in the various woodwork categories by experienced craftsmen.

The club at present has special interest groups covering wood turning, intarsia and scroll sawing, box making (*jewel boxes, storage, etc.*), model boat building involving detailed scale models of craft past and present, toy making (*especially for the disabled and disadvantaged*) and carpentry and furniture making. Until now, these groups have met in members' workshops where the necessary machines were available, not always the best method as availability is sometimes a problem. The provision of a fully equipped shop, readily available, will assist output and training.

At the present time, cupboards and benches are being constructed so that groups can attend at their allotted times, and machines already owned and others

that have been donated will be put to good use. Further machines will be required and will be added as finances allow.

The club's general meeting are held at the Drysdale Community Hall on the first and third Mondays of each month at 1.30pm. If you are interested in becoming a member, just pop in to a meeting, or, for information, contact President Charlie Christiaans on (03) 5251 3484 or Secretary Martin Hoorverts on (03) 5250 3929.

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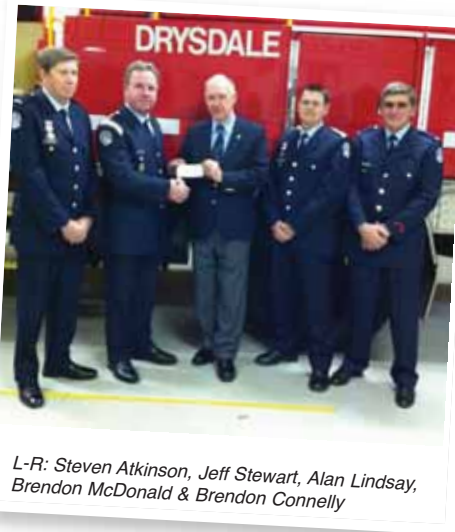
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Each year the Freemasons Public Charitable Foundation issues grants to community organisations to assist them in their activities. Since its inception \$2.1 million has been distributed in the form of grants to various organisations in the areas of child care, aged care, health and community and will continue to do so as part of Freemasons Victoria's aim to assist the community wherever a need is identified. This year a total of \$32,000 has been provided to organisations operating in Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula. Alan Lindsay representing the Charitable Foundation recently had the pleasure of presenting a cheque for \$6000 to Drysdale CFA to enable the brigade to purchase and install audio/video equipment to assist in the training of its members.



L-R: Steven Atkinson, Jeff Stewart, Alan Lindsay, Brendon McDonald & Brendon Connelly

Drysdale Health hosts Annette Playsted's Art exhibition *Water Stories*



L-R: Peter Terry (Drysdale Health Group), Annette Playsted, Nan Bodsworth, Max Simmons

Artist and SpringDale Art Tutor, Annette Playsted currently has her most recent collection of drawings and paintings called *Water Stories*, on exhibition in the reception rooms of the Drysdale Health Group at 27 High Street, Drysdale. The opening of *Water Stories* on June 17 was a happy occasion where art lovers and colleagues of the Drysdale Health Group

mingled with Annette's artist friends from her SpringDale activities and her choral pursuits in Drysdale. As host of the occasion, Peter Terry welcomed about fifty people to the opening, while well-known author and artist, Nan Bodsworth opened the show. Nan paid tribute to the quality of the artworks on display but also to Annette's work for the arts within our community. The collection of pastel drawings, watercolours, and acrylic paintings are currently on show and for sale until mid September. Most are landscapes completed within the past 12 months, all feature water and were inspired by visits to Merimbula, Hastings and Bells Beach. There are also local scenes of the Drysdale Lakes and Corio Bay.

The exhibition is open to the public during business hours Monday to Friday until 30 September, 2011.

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Arm Chair Travel

A number of years ago we started a group called *Arm Chair Travel*, unfortunately it only lasted for a few sessions. Since then we have held many successful international evenings that have revolved around food.

Thanks to Jackie we held a very successful Italian evening and thanks to Nicole we showed shots of Italy that enabled people who had also been to these places to remember and relive the experiences and those who hadn't been there to *visit* for the first time.

I have been encouraged to see if there is any interest in this idea again.

Please register your interest in being part of this group.

Phone (03) 5253 1960 or email office@springdale.org.au

Regards Anne Brackley

What's on at Drysdale Seniors

Monday

Yoga 9.15am-10.45am

Carpet bowls, cards and snooker 1pm

Tuesday

Weight Watchers 9.30am - 11am

Lunch 11.30am

Bingo 1pm

Wednesday

Exercises 11am - 12noon

Carpet bowls, snooker 1pm

WACS (*wine and cheese for men*)

5pm-7pm

Thursday

Line Dancing 9am - 11am

Arts, craft, chat & tea 12.30pm

Choir Practice 1.30pm

Yoga 6pm - 9.15pm

Friday: Carpet bowls, snooker

Saturday: Snooker 1pm

Sunday: Church Service 10.30am

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The Book Club - *Skippy Dies* - Paul Murray

What a strange book!

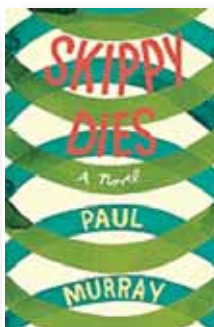
I found it hard to read as most of the time it was difficult to know what was happening.

Was Skippy suffering a form of autism? Was he being abused by one of the priests?

What did his death have to do with anything? Was all the weirdness just a result of all the pills?

After finishing the book, I was still not too sure what it had all been about.

That said however, the writer has a keen insight into the lives of boys in their early teens - obviously from having been one himself.



There is a large cast of players in this story and very little description of their physical appearance so in my mind they all became one amorphous mass of boys - maybe this was the writer's intention. Even the main characters were muddled in my mind.

Did Skippy really die as this doughnut eating race happens in November (*after Halloween*)?

Was the point of the story that he experienced that kiss and died before he could find out what a tart his "angel" was?

I have no idea!

It was quite well written but definitely not a book that I would have selected for myself.

About the Author

Paul Murray

(born 1975)

Is an Irish novelist. He studied English literature at Trinity College, Dublin, and subsequently completed his Masters in creative writing at the University of East

Anglia. Murray has written two novels: his first, *An Evening of Long Goodbyes*, was shortlisted for the Whitbread Prize in 2003 and nominated for the Kerry Irish Fiction Award. His second novel *Skippy Dies* was longlisted for the 2010 Booker Prize and the 2010 Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse Award for comic fiction and shortlisted for the National Book Critics Circle Award for Fiction. It was also #3 on TIME Magazine's top ten works of fiction from 2010.



Over the past few weeks Kel has been telling me of times he spent with Adrian Mannix. Adrian Mannix was a larger than life character in the Drysdale and district community tapestry.

Adrian attended Drysdale Primary School and then went onto Geelong High. Kel remembers Adrian taking off his artificial legs and running on the sand, which must have been incredibly hard to do.

Adrian would travel with Kel on the transport to Finlay or Thorpdale. Adrian became the purchasing officer for Cheetham Salt Works, and he worked in an office in Little Malop Street.

Kel introduced Adrian to the Portarlington / Drysdale Lions Club and helped him to be elected as President and then District Governor.

More of Kel and Adrian Mannix next month. **Anne Brackley**



2012 Festival of Glass

Twenty seven exhibitors at the 2011 Festival of Glass have booked-up for the 2012 Festival already. That's a great vote of confidence. Next year's Festival will be held in the Bellarine Basketball Stadium, which is a much bigger space with a lot of light, so exhibitors can display their goods more effectively and visitors can move around more comfortably. The Potato Shed was a good venue for the inaugural Festival, but attendance (around 6,000) was so much greater than we'd anticipated that visitors were often cramped. If you'd like to be part of the preparations for the 2012 Festival, the Committee always welcomes newcomers. You can do just as much or as little as you wish - every extra pair of hands is welcome!

DCSCA's 2011 Annual General Meeting

By the time you read this, DCSCA will have held its 2011 Annual General Meeting on 20 July and elected a new Committee for 2011-2012. A full report is on DCSCA's blog. The Committee is always grateful for help from DCSCA members and friends, so do get in touch if you can support the work. DCSCA members are also welcome to attend the monthly DCSCA Committee meetings - details are on DCSCA's blog.

Contacting DCSCA: P.O. Box 581, Drysdale, Vic. 3222; or dryclift@bigpond.com

For up-to-date news, please visit
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Patrick Hughes, DCSCA Secretary



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for New Years Eve parties, weddings, film showings and dances. You can use the Hall for family functions, corporate events or for community activities today. The rates are very reasonable because Bellarine Bayside are keen to see the Indented Head Community Hall used by the community.

Give us a call on 1800 222 788 or go to www.bbfcom.com.au/venues. Check it out.

our reader's feedback

Fresh Fish

Drysdale is so lucky to have a new Fresh Fish outlet. My flathead fillets were delicious and will be buying some more next week. Murradoc Road will certainly advance once the proposed Aldi store is established.

Jack, Drysdale.

Editor: I was at the launch of White Fisheries in Drysdale. It was a great night and we enjoyed beautiful fresh seafood. Drysdale is lucky to have this new enterprise and 12 more jobs in our community.

Soup

During the cold winter months I really enjoy a bowl of piping, hot soup. I cooked the recipes in the Messenger last month and my family thought them scrumptious.

Claire, Clifton Springs.

Editor: All our recipes are recommended by our members – I love soup too.

Golf Improvement

Passing the Clifton Springs Golf Course on Bayshore Avenue recently, I was amazed to see the improvement. This is a great asset for our community and the family of ducks who enjoy the new lakes.

Tom, Drysdale.

Editor: The Drysdale / Clifton Springs area is becoming the centre of development on the Peninsula and everyone is noticing.

Congratulations Anne

On behalf of myself and the German language group, I wish to congratulate Anne Brackley for winning the Adrian Mannix Award for 2011. Anne is a tireless worker throughout the community and she is more than worthy of this award.

Roy Pitchford, St Leonards.

Editor: Thanks Roy, it is great to have an occasion to celebrate service to our community.

Messenger

I am loving the all colour format of the Messenger and think it is going along very nicely and reflects a wide demographic of the community.

Debbie, Drysdale.

Editor: Its hard to believe how quickly the format has changed over the last year. It is a pleasure to pick up and read.



SpringDale is ready for a haka...

Maori Event Titiro Mai, Titiro Mai.Nau Mai Haere mai. Haere mai ki te kai.

The Maori word for food is kai and we would like you to bring a pot, container or a plate of food with you to share.

As a student on placement with SpringDale, Kiri Raines is undertaking this venture. Let us just get together share some food and things Maori, get to know each other and share how we can get the best out of this world we are in. Maybe you can bring a guitar and a song to share. Hopefully a haka will be performed.

The Maori afternoon will be on 14 August 2011 at 1pm with a gold coin donation. Everyone is welcome.

RSVP by 10 August at whakangi@hotmail.com or call Kiri on mobile 0410 583 960.

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Economic Development Plan Project



This is such an exciting project and its catching. We have a team of enthusiastic business and community members who have jumped quickly on board. At our first Project Team meeting we began to formulate the methodology that we use, to do our very best, to contact every business and every community member in Drysdale Clifton Springs. This will ensure that everyone has had a chance to participate in this process.

I would like to volunteer to speak at your meeting where ever it is held and whenever it is held. This is a way to get to many people quickly. Please ring to book a 20 – 30 minute presentation as soon as possible. We would love to receive copies of your group's / businesses Strategic Plan – your goals your hopes for your group / business.

"I would be happy to speak at your meeting" -

Anne Brackley

In some ways we started to do this last year when we ran some grant writing workshops. The time we spent allowed groups to know what other groups were doing and allowed us to be able to support applications for grants, many of which were very successful.

We are very good at supporting each other groups supporting groups, businesses supporting groups, businesses supporting businesses, this process will give us the opportunity to better understand about each other and to be able to support each other more.

There is a page being dedicated to this project on the SpringDale Website – please email coordinator@springdale.org.au in the Subject line please place "Economic Development Plan Project" to go on an email list until for updates until twitter,

facebook and other methods of communication are set up.

Please email details of businesses that would like to be invited to any meetings / events or to be interviewed. Please pass on details of groups that we may not know about – the other day I met a man from the Bellarine Model Aircraft Club – he wanted to use a room at SpringDale – that was the first I knew them. What happens here that we don't know about? I'm so excited to be part of us defining our own destiny. Please join in and be part of it. Phone 52531960 or email coordinator@springdale.org.au.

Anne Brackley

Bellarine Rail Trail Fun Run Sunday, 21 August

Sponsored by Geelong Athletics

The 8th Bellarine Rail Trail Run will be held on Sunday 21 August as an out and back (34km) or one-way (17km) Drysdale to Queenscliff course. Over 250 runners took part in 2010 and this year promises to attract even more runners. This popular event is FREE and a great way to view the scenic countryside. The 34km run commences at 8.30am and the 17km run starts at 9.30am.

For further details visit www.brtrun.com.au or telephone Brett on 0438 434 260.



Drysdale Hawks



Each weekend the Drysdale Hawks fans don their team colours and soak up the atmosphere of the popular game.

Round 16 for the Hawks is home against Ocean Grove on 6 August, Round 17 is home against Modewarre on 13 August and then the finals begin. It is not too late to help support the local team and help the Hawks win another flag.
Go Hawks.



Are you under 18 and looking for something to do on Friday nights? Are you sick of paying top dollar for mediocre events? Do you want to have a good time, while helping those who aren't able to? If you said yes to any of the above, then we have the answer for you! Introducing *Flicks for a Cause*, an organisation dedicated to providing entertainment for youth of the Bellarine Peninsula, while helping those who are less fortunate. We are run by youth, for youth, and want to provide a movie experience that is both cheap and central to young people in the Bellarine Peninsula. We will be based at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, and proceeds will head to charities, so watch this space for more news from *Flicks for a Cause*.

Mahayla Goodwin

Have you got some old footy boots you don't fit into to

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