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L-R: Sue, Jean and Janet (seated)
with the children of the
SpringDale Occasional Care
happily showing their
Christmas cheer.



Photographs Lyn Ingles

Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year 2012

On behalf of the Committee of Management and staff of the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, we would like to wish our volunteers, advertisers of the SpringDale Messenger, Course Tutors and readers, a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year. See you all in 2012.

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Course Guide
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Thursday 15 December Messenger copy deadline for February 2012 issue		
Sunday	18	Drysdale Community market 9am-1pm Portarlington market 9am-2pm
Monday	19	SpringDale closed during holiday season
Thursday	22	School Term 4 ends
Sunday	25	Christmas Day
Monday	26	Boxing Day



January 2012

Saturday	7	St James' Secondhand Book Sale, Collins Street , Drysdale. 9am-5pm
Sunday	8	St James' Secondhand Book Sale, Collins Street , Drysdale. 10am-4pm.
Saturday	14	Portarlington Mussel Festival
Sunday	15	Drysdale Community market 9am-1pm
Thursday	26	Australia Day
Sunday	29	Portarlington market 9am-2pm



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from the centre

Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]



Dear Everyone

Thank you to the hundreds of people who have stopped me in the street to talk about our SpringDale Messenger over the last few weeks. The last edition seemed to help another wave of positivity to flood the community and prompted 3 new businesses to enquire about advertising.

We currently print 7000 copies of the Messenger and need to find approximately \$7,000 in advertising or sponsorship each month to make this a reality and in the last few months we have been able to achieve this goal. We sincerely thank all the businesses and organisations who publicise their services and goods in the Messenger. This investment not only helps to deliver the messages contained in the Messenger but also helps support an organisation that has Community Development and Sustainability at its heart. It is only with your support of our advertisers that they will continue to support the Messenger.

The advertising packages for 2012 and the Business Network information are about to be posted out and we look forward to working with our regular supporters and new supporters in 2012. Through the Economic Development Project we have been able to meet many new business people and to share our goals and dreams together to help build long term successful relationships.

Thank you to our tutors for another year of sharing their skills, knowledge, time and expertise with our community members. Thank you to our students or trainees for selecting us as a place to gain knowledge. We sincerely appreciate your support and look forward to making your experience better each time you come to SpringDale. The course guide for Term 1, 2012 is included in this edition

and your early bookings will be appreciated or vouchers to be used as Christmas presents, are easy to provide.

Thank you to our Group leaders who share their time and skills willingly with our members. Thank you to the members who come to the group meetings and sessions and for participating fully. Thank you for sharing your knowledge of SpringDale and encouraging others to choose SpringDale as well. SpringDale Membership continues to be \$5.00 per annum and we ask people to renew in February each year.

Thank you to our childcare staff, who have been able to help families through our Occasional Care and Vacation Care services. The feedback from our participants and families has been very positive and we look forward to assisting again into the new year.

Thank you to our office staff and volunteers, who greet and willingly share information with our community. We strive to do our best but there is always room for continuous improvement in all we do. Thank you for your feedback. Looking forward to working with you in the new year.

Thank you to the Committee of Management for sharing their skills and time in governance of SpringDale.

Thank you to the Victorian State Government departments and the Bendigo Bank Foundation who have given us in total more than \$160,000 in grants over the last 6 months. The purpose of these grants are to help us on our road to becoming a Registered Training Organisation, to progress the development of the Sea Change Men's Shed in St Leonards, to assist in the

redevelopment of the kitchen at SpringDale and to enable to purchase of equipment for two of our groups. Almost all of this money has been devoted to projects that have been started and worked on for a number of years and this injection of funds will move the projects to the next stage.

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Drysdale for \$1,000 towards our long awaited kitchen renovation and for allowing me to be a guest speaker twice in the last 6 months. Thank you to the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club for running such an inclusive raffle our proceeds are also going towards the kitchen and thanks to them for previous donations towards the kitchen. Sincere thanks to Gaylia's husband who donated bird boxes to the centre to sell in aid of the kitchen renovation – there are only a few left and they may make great Christmas presents. Thank you to the Drysdale Football Club for the donation and delivery of so many appliances to enable this dream to come true. Hopefully the renovation will be completed early in the new year.

Wishing everyone the best of the coming season. Please take time to sit and talk to and share a meal with family and friends. Please take time to appreciate those things that make your life so special. Looking forward to seeing you soon. Best wishes from

Anne Brackley
Coordinator SpringDale
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and special guest Moira Finucane.

PREVIEW

PETER PHELPS
LET THE SUNSHINE



David Williamson's
LET THE SUNSHINE
March 2012

Award winning Australian playwright David Williamson's play has been described as part Romeo and Juliet, part Meet the Parents. This satirical comedy is set in Noosa. Toby and Ros are retired left wing radicals who flee to the upmarket Sunshine Coast seaside town to escape scandal in Sydney. There they meet Natasha and Ron - a shallow socialite and a brash property developer. When their children find romance together, the patter of tiny feet brings on the clashing of egos.

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A wheelie successful day

Drysdale Primary School was spinning with wheels of all shapes and sizes as the school community celebrated the arrival of the Jayco Herald-Sun Tour into town. Under the beautiful blue skies, the school played host to Wheelie Day, which kicked off with a barbecue breakfast for all students who rode to school. Then it was time for the bike parade, where students proudly wheeled their decorated bikes around in front of the whole school. The effort the students (and parents) put in was remarkable and it made it very difficult for the judges to select the best decorated bike in each year level. The main feature of the day for the students was a Bike Rodeo with ten stations to complete including a slalom course, bike limbo and a criterion race. Students secured personal sponsors for the rodeo to help raise money for a new Interactive Whiteboard for Grade 1. While this was occurring, preparations were under way for Stage 3 of the Honda Hybrid Women's Tour, which started and finished right outside the school. It was a great opportunity for the students to get up close to these professional cyclists and

Right: The Drysdale Bunyip greets Terry Mulder, the Minister for Roads and Public Transport

Below: Jordan and Ashley Jackson with World Cup and Commonwealth Games gold medallist Rochelle Gilmore



Commonwealth Games gold medallist Rochelle Gilmore. They were also amongst five students who were selected to join Terry Mulder, the Minister for Roads and Public Transport, in the presentations to the Suzuki/Trek team, winners of the women's team time trial. Some of the older students were also able to walk over to Princess St to

they helped contribute to a fantastic atmosphere for the competitors. For Ashley (Grade 4) and Jordan (Grade 5) Jackson, they were both in their element as they are successful road cyclists themselves. They enjoyed mixing with the cyclists and were lucky enough to meet and be photographed with World Cup and

witness the finish of the third stage of the Jayco Herald-Sun Tour. The school would like to thank the Committee for the Bellarine for all the effort they put in to make Wheelie Day such a fantastic success. It was a privilege to host such an event, and we all can't wait for the Tour to come through town again.

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The holiday traffic was exceptionally busy. The round trip from Geelong through Drysdale, Clifton Springs, Portarlington, Queenscliff, Ocean Grove and Barwon Heads attracted hundreds of motorists.

The season has been the best for many years, the stock having abundance of feed are in splendid condition. The potato and onion crops are providing heavy yields. Fishing during the holiday was not as good as usual.

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Our month started with interesting talks at our meeting from one of our members and from Dickie and Nibs Briggs telling us of their 40 years living, raising a family and working in 14 countries of Africa and Asia. This was followed by a great lunch at the Queenscliff Bowling Club. The following week we had a cruise of Corio Bay on a beautiful Spring day, a real highlight. We learnt the history as well as the current use of the Geelong maritime area from our launch captain and enjoyed lunch served on board. All agreed it was the best trip we have had for some time.

Our Caravan and Cabin Friends enjoyed a trip to Maryborough and the many sights of that historic city - the lovely old railway station with its antiques shop and indulgent morning teas and the nearby Flour Mill museum with its magnificent collection of old sewing machines (of great interest to our men as well as the ladies). Our Happy Hours/BBQs/Golf Club dinner were great, but not so the goods trains waking us in the middle of the night as they seemed to come right through the van/cabin.

This month we have our Christmas Luncheon in our meeting room at 12 noon on December 12.

Our regular meetings are held in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club from 10 am on the second Monday of each month. We are a combined Club for ladies and gents, and visitors and prospective members, singles and couples, are welcomed at all our meetings and activities. **Please contact Dorothy on (03) 5251 3702 for further information.**



Drysdale Fire Brigade escorts Santa around Drysdale/Clifton Springs on Christmas Eve. Meet Santa at these locations from 6:30pm onwards:

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Cnr Thamballina Rd & Derribong Way
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Cnr Mirrabooka Dve & Maraboora Ave
Cnr Jetty Rd & Pinnaroo Ave
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Cnr Jetty Rd & Hill St

Route 2 – Starting 6:30pm

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ATTITUDES

– Wacky and Wonderful

Smile this summer – come see our latest paintings at the **9th Annual Art Exhibition** of the 'Attitudes' group of artists to be held at **The Old Portarlington Mill, Turner Court, Portarlington**. This exhibition of our newest works promises to put a smile on your face, as the main theme this year is 'Wacky and Wonderful'.

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Heavenly Christmas Fare

Berry Trifle

Serves 8-10.

Ingredients

2 x 225g redcurrant jelly
170 ml fresh orange juice
600ml cream
250g mascarpone
30g icing sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla essence
¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
250g thin sponge finger biscuits (savoiardi)
75 ml Marsala
400g fresh raspberries
250g large fresh strawberries, hulled and quartered
400g fresh blueberries

Method

Melt the redcurrant jelly in a small saucepan over medium heat. Remove from heat, stir in the orange juice and set aside until the mixture reaches room temperature. Put the cream, mascarpone, icing sugar, vanilla essence and cinnamon in a bowl and beat with electric beaters until soft peaks form.

Cut each biscuit in half crossways and dip each piece in the Marsala. Arrange half over the base of a 3.25 litre serving bowl. Sprinkle a third of the combined berries over the biscuits and drizzle with half the

remaining Marsala and a third of the redcurrant sauce. Spoon half the cream mixture over the sauce. Repeat the layering with the remaining half of the dipped biscuits in Marsala, a third of the berries and sauce and remaining cream. Arrange the remaining berries over the cream in a mound in the centre of the bowl. Reserve the final third of the redcurrant sauce. Cover and refrigerate.

Cover the trifle with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Before serving, pour the reserved redcurrant sauce over the berries to glaze.



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1 litre vanilla ice-cream or ice-cream of your choice
1 litre vanilla custard
Fresh berries or chocolate topping.
Cream or extra vanilla custard.

Method

Crumble left over pudding or small fruit cake into a bowl, drizzle over 3 tbsp of liqueur, let stand for 10 mins.

Soften 1 litre of ice-cream in a large bowl, stir in half a cup of vanilla custard then stir in pudding or small fruit cake. Gently fold to combine, then spoon into a large plastic lined bowl, airtight container is preferred, if not seal with plastic onto the surface of the ice-cream. Then freeze. Remove from freezer 5 minutes before serving depending on the weather. Slice and serve. Garnish with fresh berries, thickened cream or vanilla custard or drizzle chocolate topping over the top.

NOTE. You may wish to use Kahlua, Frangelico which is a hazelnut liqueur or a traditional Brandy.

The Book Club - *Before I go to Sleep* - S.J. Watson

In November the Book Club met to discuss S. J. Watson's, *Before I Go To Sleep*.

Christine Lucas has a rare form of amnesia that erases her memory each night while she sleeps. Each morning she wakes in a strange bed, in a strange room with a man that she does not recognise. He reminds her daily that he is her husband. It is only when Dr Nash, a therapist who has taken an interest in her case, suggests that she start to keep a journal that unanswered questions begin to arise. She has written "Don't trust Ben" in the front of her journal but why not? Is her husband lying to her? Where has she been for all these years? Does she have children? What caused her amnesia? What sort of an accident?

This book is well plotted although it could be a little hard to follow the timelines sometimes. It is cleverly written and even our most fastidious readers could not fault the author's skills in representing her mind which was totally blank each morning.

Our members varied in their opinions of



the plausibility of some of the events in this book but agreed that it could be a rather disturbing experience for the empathetic reader.

S. J. Watson is an English writer and this is his debut novel which has been published in 37 countries and is currently being made into a film. He worked in the NHS before turning to writing and the success of his first novel

sees him living every writer's dream.

Our group rated this book 8/10.

The Book Club meets at the SpringDale on the first Monday of each month at 7.30pm for about 90 minutes.

On Monday December 5 we will discuss *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain and will meet over dinner as a pre-Christmas celebration.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held as normal on January 2 and is a "BYO Book" evening.

Bring a book that you have enjoyed, perhaps a Christmas

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We have had another great year of networking, building relationships and forming strong friendships with so many of our business people in Drysdale and Clifton Springs. We are so indebted to the wonderful volunteers of SpringDale who are involved at each of our Breakfasts; cooking our delicious Big Brekkies, clearing up afterwards and assisting with the administration. Without these people our Breakfasts wouldn't happen. Eating and networking is not all that happens, though. We've had a really

interesting mix of speakers this year, starting in February with Bernadette Uzalec, Executive Officer of Geelong Chamber of Commerce. This invitation was in response to our shared concerns about Drysdale becoming a "dormitory town", and the hope that connections with the business sector in Geelong might be beneficial to our members.

In May Steve Atkinson, Deputy Fire Chief spoke about the need for each business to develop an Emergency Management Plan. With new legislation being introduced in January 2012, this is something that all businesses will need to have in place.

In August we had a great presentation by Annette Campbell, Bellarine Gift Haven and Ian Ash, Orgment Business Solutions, on Customer Service. Annette is one of our own business owners, and it was wonderful to benefit from her own experience and training skills.

For our final Breakfast in November, we had an interesting session with Simon Jackson from CoGG who took us through the process involved in developing an Urban Design Master Plan for our town. Anne Brackley also brought us up to date with some of the great things that are coming out of the Economic Development Project survey work which is being coordinated through SpringDale.

We've enjoyed every Breakfast and the opportunity to provide a point of contact for our Business owners and managers. If you would like to learn more about the Network, or how you can join, please contact **SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.**

We'd love to have you join us. All the best for the Christmas Season to all our members.

Dianne Bennett, Coordinator,
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SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc.

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and Workplace Relations

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.

Scheduled Fees: Courses at nominated rates. **Single Sessions:** Incur a \$5 Administration Fee.

New Activities

Traditional & Digital Scrapbooking

Would you love to organise your precious memories by scrapbooking your photos. Come along and learn traditional & digital scrapbooking solutions. Material list for beginners, tools available for you to use & product available to purchase.

Day/Time: Every 2nd Wed 9.30am – 11.30am

Fee: \$2 **Tutor:** Lyn Clough.

Mosaic Art Workshop

This workshop will introduce you to the world of Mosaic Art. You will need to have an image in mind that can be transferred onto a floor tile, or be spontaneous and go with the flow. Your creation can be used as either a garden feature or placed in your home. Use your choice of colours from old crockery and tiles. Some materials will be provided including the floor tiles. A list of what you need to bring can be obtained from the centre. This workshop will be inspiring and lots of fun.

Dates/times: Sat 3 Mar & Sun 4 Mar,
and Sat 24 Mar & Sun 25 Mar 1pm – 5pm (both days)

Fee: \$80 plus materials

Intro to Web Design with WordPress

Create your own website (or blog) quickly and easily, without needing to learn programming, and then learn how to add images, videos, and links to your pages. If you know how to use MS Word you will have no problems with WordPress.

Dates/times: Fri 10 Feb – Fri 30 Mar 10am – 12.30pm

Skill Level: Intermediate

Fee: \$160 Conc \$80

Tutor: Pierce Jaques



Expressions of Interest

Is there anyone who would like to upgrade to the following programs and learn more about the new features and see what they can do for you? Please ring to register your interest.

- Microsoft Office 2010
- Windows 7

Data Backup

Have you ever wanted to backup your data and didn't know how? Well come along and learn the successful way of doing it? Please ring to register your interest.

Asthma Management Course

The First Aider will be able to perform and administer emergency Asthma Management First Aid procedures for Asthma related medical conditions. Emphasis is placed on practical decision making along with the application of skills in a simulated Asthma emergency. Participants will receive an Emergency Asthma Management – Asthma Awareness certificate.

Date/time: TBA

Italian Language Classes

We have been asked to hold Italian Language Classes. Is there anyone else interested in attending? Please contact the SpringDale office.

Date/time: TBA

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: Advanced: Fri 10 Feb – Fri 30 Mar

9.30am – 10.30am (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$80

Tue 7 Feb – Tue 27 Feb 10.45 – 11.45am (beginners)

Fee: \$80 **Tutor:** Fred Vahland

Yoga

For fitness, stress relief and clarity of mind. New students are warmly welcomed.

Dates/times: Mon 6 Feb – Mon 26 Mar

9.15am – 10.45am (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$75

or Mon 6 Feb – Mon 26 Mar 6pm – 7.30pm

or Thur 9 Feb – Thur 29 Mar 7.45pm – 9.15pm

Fee: \$75 **Tutor:** Glenda Breedveld

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

NEW Venue: Drysdale Senior Citizen's club,
Cnr Clifton Springs Rd & Wyndham St

Dance classes for kids

Toddlers dance activity – let's have fun to music together.

Date/time: Tue weekly from 9.15am – 10am

Fee: \$5 per week/per class

Bicycle Riding

Are you a push biker?

Would you like to get involved in cycling again?

Join Marilyn and friends on riding adventures starting with bicycle safety.

Date/times/fee: Tues 8.30am - Easy ride,

Wed 8am Hard ride

Leader: Marilyn Townsend

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.

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: Wed 8 Feb – Wed 28 Mar

6.30pm – 9.30pm (8 sessions)

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

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

Tutor: Brian Knights, Round Table Business Consultants



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: Thurs 9 Feb – Thurs 29 Mar

12.45pm – 3.15pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User Friendly Computers



Introduction to Computers 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: Thurs 9 Feb – Thurs 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 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: Tues 7 Feb – Tues 27 Mar

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)



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

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: Tues 7 Feb – Tues 27 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



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 8 Feb – Wed 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



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

Dates/times: Wed 8 Feb – Wed 28 Mar
 10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L



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 6 Feb – Mon 26 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: Mon 6 Feb – Mon 26 Mar
 10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L



Digital Photography Doctor

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

Dates/times: Tues 14 Feb – Tues 6 Mar
 7pm – 9pm (4 sessions)

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



Holiday 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 13 Mar and Tue 20 Mar
 6.30pm – 9.30pm (2 sessions)

Fee: \$60 **Tutor:** George Stawicki



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 10 Feb – Fri 30 Mar
 2pm – 4.30pm (8 sessions)

Tutor: Pierce Jaques **Fee:** \$160 **Conc** \$80



Craft

Picture Framing

This workshop is for people who would like to frame their prints just like a professional.

Dates/times: Sat 18 Feb 10am – 2.30pm

Fee: \$70 **Tutor:** Ron Badenhop

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 4 Feb or Sat 3 Mar
 10am – 12noon **Fee:** \$30

Tutor: Jordon Smith



Food Handling and Safety

(Apply basic food handling)

Code SITXOHS002A

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

Dates/times: Sat 25 Feb 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$100

Tutor: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre



Food Safety Supervisor

Code SITXFSA001A

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 3 Mar 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$100

Tutor: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre



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 18 Feb 9am – 1pm

Fee: \$70

Tutor: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre



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 18 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 18 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 Anaphylactic updates) and is a requirement for many courses, organisations and work places.

Dates/times: Sat 25 Feb & Sat 3 Mar
 9am – 5pm (2 sessions)

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



Accredited Course

Combined - Certificate III Aged Care (CHC30208)

and Certificate III in Home and Community Care (CHC30308)

With the demands for personal Carers within the Aged Care industry or people requiring carers in Nursing Homes and private homes this accredited course will enable you to gain employment in this field.

Dates/times: Info session Thur 2 Feb 10am – 11am
 Thur/Fri weekly commencing 9 Feb. 19 weeks, 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$990 Full Fee or \$607.50 (*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

Venue: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre



Art & Craft

Discover the artist within

A foundation art course in drawing and painting for adults.

Drawing and Painting are enjoyable pastimes and there are fundamental skills that we can learn or improve. Rediscover past ability or learn from absolute scratch. A range of subjects, ideas and drawing and painting media will be explored in a supportive learning environment.

Materials List: A3 sketchbook and 2B and 4B pencils. Bring any other art materials that you already have.

Dates/times: Tue 7 Feb – Tue 27 Mar
 9am – 11am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$130 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Annette Playsted



Discover the artist within

An intermediate art course in drawing and painting for adults, 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 like minded people. Advanced drawing and painting skills and ideas will be explored with an emphasis on individual needs and preferences.

Materials List: A3 sketchbook and 2B and 4B pencils. Bring any other art materials that you already have.

Dates/times: Tue 7 Feb – Tue 27 Mar 11am – 1pm or Wed 8 Feb – Wed 28 Mar 10.30am – 12.30pm

Fee: \$130 or \$80 Conc

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



General Courses

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, no prior knowledge required.

Dates/Times: Tues 7 Feb – Tues 27 Mar 10am – 11am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$90

Intermediate French

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

Dates/times: Tues 7 Feb – Tues 27 Mar

11am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Fee: \$90

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 **Holiday Program** 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.

Fees: \$45 per day. Childcare rebate applies.

Non SpringDale Classes & Groups

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

All keen woodworkers have the opportunity to meet on the first and third Monday of the month at 1.30pm at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. New members welcome. Just turn up.

Pilates

Open to all ages. Improve your fitness, core strengths, posture, flexibility and sense of well being. Classes cater for clients of varying fitness levels, from beginners through to advanced. Small class sizes allow for individualised attention and direction.

Dates/times:

Tues 7 Feb – Tues 27 Mar (8 weeks)

9.30am – 10.30am (ball class) and

• 11am – 12noon
(beginners to intermediate floor class)

Thurs 2 Feb – Thurs 29 Mar (8 weeks)

• 6.45pm – 7.45pm
(beginners to intermediate/advanced floor class)

• 8pm – 9pm
(beginners to intermediate floor class)

Tutor: Monique MacLeod

Fee: \$115 (8 weeks) **Phone:** (03) 5251 2958

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



Groups & Classes.
Join in, have fun, get fit,
learn new tasks and
meet new friends.

Enrolment & Payment Conditions

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To book into a class, **phone (03) 5253 1960**, or call in person, at **SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, 17-21 High Street, Drysdale, OR**
Email: office@springdale.org.au

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

PAYMENT/ REFUNDS

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

Privacy: The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre respects your right to information privacy. Information collected and held on participants, is kept in accordance with information privacy laws.

Special Interest Groups

To participate in any of the following groups SpringDale Membership \$5 per year, and \$2 per session unless otherwise specified. Please call SpringDale to confirm details. *These details are correct at time of publishing.*

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 1st & 3rd Monday 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 1.30pm – 4pm. Please call SpringDale to book.

Book Club

All avid book readers come and share your opinions and interpretations of selected titles. Meets 1st Monday of each month from 7.30pm – 9pm.

Homework Group

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

Meets 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. Watch our website for new arrangements.

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.

Art/Craft

SpringDale Artists

An Art Group for Artists and Hobbyist Artists

If you are a person who likes to continue learning and developing your skills, sharing with other like minded 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. Wed 1pm – 4pm weekly

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

Meets on the 2nd & 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.

Meets every Tuesday 1.30pm – 3pm

Card making

A card making group runs on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm for \$12. Beginners welcome new techniques introduced regularly. Bring your imagination and friends along.

Computers

PC User Help Group

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

Meets 2nd Tuesday in the month from 4pm – 5pm.

Health & Wellbeing

Raw Foods Group

The group meets on the first Saturday of each month from 12noon – 2.30pm.

Cost is \$4 donation. Meet up with others interested in learning about raw food, recipes, and resources. Relax!! All welcome to attend. Please bring a raw plate to share, from vegies, fruits, nuts, seeds, ie: uncooked, vegetarian.

Cheese Club

First Saturday of every second month commencing 4 Feb. This club is open to people who have attended cheese classes at SpringDale in the past. Starting at 10am. Cost is \$1 plus cost of ingredients.

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 fulfilled.

Fee: Price depends on menu

Dates/times: Wednesdays 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

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

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The **City of Greater Geelong Council** has adopted an urgent notice of motion to provide a free parking day in Central Geelong on Friday 23 December.

City of Greater Geelong Mayor Cr John Mitchell said the Council would provide a free parking day as a goodwill gesture following the mistaken collection of fees on public holidays from electronic parking machines in operation within Central Geelong.

"We made a mistake and as a gesture of goodwill we will provide a day of free parking on Friday 23 December in areas of Central Geelong where parking fees would normally apply," said Cr Mitchell.

"I encourage people to visit Central Geelong on this day and take advantage of the Christmas retail opportunities available in Geelong's primary shopping and business precinct."

"Motorists should be aware that all other parking conditions will still apply on this day including parking time limits," he said.

The City of Greater Geelong has introduced new electronic parking

machines which provide more flexible options for people to pay for parking.

The machines were programmed earlier this year to physically prevent coins from being inserted so that money cannot be accepted on days when fees are not required.

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Home Pool Safety

Safety barriers – a legal requirement

It is law that swimming pools or spas on private residential properties in Victoria provide safety barriers to restrict access to the pool or spa. Every private swimming pool or spa capable of containing a depth of water exceeding 300mm must have a childproof safety barrier.

A building permit is also required prior to installing the barrier. Safety barriers, even when provided, are no substitute for adult supervision of toddlers and children who are playing in or near swimming pools or spas.

To ensure that your safety barrier remains effective:

fit and maintain correct safety measures to gates, doors and

windows (e.g. self-closing, self-latching devices, flyscreens)

make sure you remove any items such as chairs, boxes, poolpumps that could be used to climb the barrier to access the pool.

For further information, contact your local council or the Building Commission on (03) 9285 6400.

Pool Safety Tips

- Supervision means constant visual contact, not the occasional glance.
- Even in a supervised public pool never take your eyes off children swimming and if they are under 5 you must be within arms reach.
- If you leave the pool or water area, even for a moment, take the children with you. A swimming pool fence is not a substitute for supervision.
- Display a resuscitation chart on your pool fence.
- Familiarise children with water by taking them to learn to swim lessons, run by accredited AUSTSWIM teachers, at the local pool.
- Empty paddling pools when they are not in use.
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BEATING THE HEAT

Whether this summer is a scorcher like 2009 or milder like the last two years, chances are there will be a few days over 40°C in the next couple of months – more than enough heat to frazzle your leafy vegies. Fortunately, most heat damage can be prevented with some planning now.

Temporary relief

For temporary shade in a heatwave, you can use ordinary shadecloth (shade factor 40%+). If that's too expensive, old sheets will work. Whatever you use, don't leave it in place for more than a few days, or your vegies will be starved of sunlight.

For plants on a frame, such as tomatoes, you can simply drape the shadecloth over the top and peg it down or weigh the edges down with bricks. For free-standing plants, create a temporary frame to hold the shadecloth off the plants. Three wooden stakes (two posts and a cross bar) will do. I use lengths of elasticated cloth tree tie (eg. from Van Loons) as guy ropes, making a good strong shade tent. Get the materials and plan your system now – maybe do a trial run. You can leave the frame in place, then chuck the shadecloth over it when the heat arrives.

Set and forget

If you don't want the bother of protecting your vegies every time a heatwave is forecast, consider permanent shade over vulnerable plants. For this, you need horticultural shadecloth or fine netting. You want a shade factor of about 20–30%. Green Harvest (www.greenharvest.com.au) does a great product called Vege-Net with a 17% shade factor. As a cheaper alternative, search the op shops for old net curtains.

Location, location

Leafy salad greens will grow fine in dappled shade in the summer, eg. under the shade of a gum tree. If you grow them in large pots, you can get them started in full sun, then move them into shade in the hot weather. At the least, treat your vegies to a good thick mulch of coarse, light material, eg. pea straw. That will protect the root zone from drying out and overheating, and reduce watering needs.



TOP: Pumpkin Flower
Heatwaves are tough on vegies. Light shade prevents losses from heat stress.

BELOW: Salad Veg
Dappled shade is good for summer salads.

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Clifton Springs Community Mens Shed



Men's Sheds are a place where men can gather and partake in activities or just interact with others. The movement continues to grow not only Australia wide but also internationally. At our recent national conference delegates from New Zealand, Ireland, Canada, UK and some Pacific nations attended. There are now over 600 Sheds registered in Australia with an estimated 75,000 members. Integral to all Sheds is a commitment to encouraging men to be aware of their personal health and issues surrounding men's health generally, not only for them individually but also for the family and friends around each of us.

In the Barwon region there are 10 established Sheds with another 3 in the formative stages. Information for the nearest Shed can be gained from www.mensshed.org

Clifton Springs Community Men's Shed is an independent, voluntary managed group which offers a variety of activities primarily based around wood and metal working but

including art, recreation (eg pool, darts), gardening, community help, computer kiosk, guest speakers (varied topics from health to machinery). Of course, social interaction (ie coffee and natter) along with various social activities/outings are an integral component of our activities.

Recently, our team delivered a garden trolley (pictured) to our "Outpost" Shed located at the Drysdale Grove Nursing Home. Each week a small team visits the home to interact with male residents and provide some activities which they can continue over ensuing days. Our next major project is to make wooden toys for donation to the Royal Children's and Geelong Hospitals for their fundraising or use by youngsters in their care.

Clifton Springs Community Men's Shed is open to visitors each Monday from 1.30 pm to 3pm and is at the rear of the land at 45-51 Central Road, Clifton Springs (behind the Central Baptist Church) or phone 0459 213 153.

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William Sheahan Funerals of Drysdale has commenced construction of a new Funeral Chapel next to their existing Funeral Home, with completion expected early in the New Year.

As they are the only Funeral Home on the Peninsula with a Chapel, the time has come to expand the facility. The proposed Chapel will seat 120 plus people and cater for a further 50 plus people in the old Chapel which will be connected via CCTV.

With the rapid growth of the area over the past 5 years and future development planned, it is essential that the funeral facilities be expanded to cater for present and future needs.

The aim of the Company is to provide the highest standard funeral service at reasonable and realistic costs to meet the needs of families and cater for all religious requirements.

While construction is taking place, business will continue as usual apart from the use of their Chapel, however they are able to use other venues in the area. The office will operate from their existing premises with entry via the front door only.

Bill, Sue and their staff have been providing care to families on the Peninsula since 1998 when Bill commenced trading as Drysdale & Peninsula Funeral Service; the company now incorporates William Sheahan Funerals.

They have Funeral Consultants available 24 hours a day 7 days a week to discuss all funeral needs or you can pre-arrange or prepay a funeral at your leisure. This can be done in the comfort of your own home or at their office.

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Bill & Sue thank you for your patience and continued support during construction of the new Chapel.

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The Bellarine Woodworkers will be holding their annual exhibition of members' work from Saturday 31 December till Monday 2 January at the Uniting Church Hall, Hesse Street, Queenscliff. The show will be open from 10am until 5pm on the first two days and will close at 4pm on the last day.

There will be displays of wood turnings, intarsia, decorative boxes, wooden toys, joinery, models of boats, trains and other vehicles and guitars as well as demonstrations of turning, ornamental turning and scroll sawing.

There will be a vast variety of woodwork items for sale, mostly at discounted prices and a raffle with limited ticket numbers and good prizes. Members will be available to answer visitors' queries and in some cases will take orders for commissioned items.

The Bellarine Woodworkers meet on the first and third Mondays of every month and new members are welcome. Please phone Charlie Christiaans on (03) 5251 348 for further information.

SpringDale Jigsaw Club

The **Jigsaw Club at SpringDale** has served people on the Bellarine Peninsula for close on twenty years. It was initiated by Neville and Joyce Burrows. Neville continues to coordinate the monthly get-togethers. The club has had many members over the years and would really like to welcome new members each month.

Why would anyone spend time piecing together jigsaw puzzles? It is a mental exercise that develops patience and perseverance. It is a healthy past-time, much more relaxing and satisfying than watching too much television or pursuing games of our 'high tech' age. Creating the puzzles is good for those recovering from sickness or accidents. It is wonderful for elderly people as they become less physically active,

helping them to keep mentally active and alert. SpringDale Jigsaw Club has over 5000 jigsaws in its library ranging from 500 to 3000 pieces. They come in a huge variety of scenes, subjects and difficulty, ranging from the traditional to mystery with some highly challenging puzzles. The club is open on the first Thursday of each month from 10am to noon. Come and join us to choose some puzzles to take away with you. The members always have time to chat and laugh over a lovely morning tea. Become a member of the SpringDale Community Centre (for an annual cost of \$5) and you can attend as often or as rarely as you like. For \$1 for each attendance you can borrow as many puzzles as you like for only 40 cents each. How good is that!

All Booked up

Christmas is coming but there's a lot of other things to look forward to over the Summer holiday. One very notable event is the St James' Annual Secondhand Book Sale early in the New Year, fundraising of course for the restoration of St James' Hall which is going to be a very attractive local venue. Anglican Parishes have always offered their Halls to the community for hire, so watch this space for details of the Open Day and come and have a look round.

St James' is thrilled to have received yet another Councillor Community Grant from COGG Councillors Rod Macdonald and John Doull, this time for a warming oven in the new kitchen (the first one was for an exhaust canopy over the oven). And that's in addition to a Heritage Victoria Grant for the Hall of \$50,000 and a substantial Community Infrastructure Grant from the Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development of \$235,000. But restoring a 1906 heritage listed Hall does not come cheap and extending it to provide a Community facility adds a few dollars more. So please support St James' continuing fundraising initiatives.

Book Sale details:

7 and 8 January, Saturday 9am to 5pm, Sunday 10am to 4pm.
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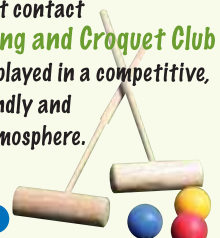
If you still need a Christmas present idea, what about an aerial photograph of Drysdale in 1936 – the face of our town is changing so rapidly, these photographs are a great reminder of how it used to be. Enquiries: (03) 5253 2717.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

November the 11th was Remembrance Day and at this time we paused to remember the sacrifice made by those who have served our country and in particular those who gave their lives in service to our nation. Services were held across the Bellarine Peninsula and it is always heart-warming to see so many people attend every year to pay their respects to all those men and women, especially those from the Bellarine, whose contribution has helped to make this nation what it is today.

VCAL FUNDING CUTS

The current State Government's decision to cut coordination funding of nearly \$50 million for the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning, VCAL, will impact on students in the Bellarine. This could force local schools, like Bellarine Secondary College, Newcomb Secondary College

and Geelong High to cut back on other educational programs or on the VCAL offering.

As many of you know, VCAL is a great alternative to VCE for year 11 and 12 students, and for mature-aged students. It is crucial that students who don't want to go to university have a choice and VCAL is an opportunity to do career-focussed studies that provide real benefits for many young people. A recent report showed that last year 86.9% of VCAL students went on to further education, training or work. VCAL coordinators are vital to the program. They develop curriculum and assessment materials, connect with local employment networks and coordinate student administration.

I will continue to argue strongly on behalf of our students to have this important program maintained and the funding decision reversed.

COMMUNITIES FOR NATURE GRANTS

Applications are open for the new Communities for Nature Grants program, through the Department of Sustainability and Environment. I encourage Bellarine community groups and organisations to apply for funding for local projects. Small grants up to \$10,000 and large grants between \$10,000 and \$150,000 are available in the first round. Eligible projects include: revegetation; cleaning up waterways; control of weeds and pest animals and threatened species recovery. For more information on the full range of eligible projects and application information, contact my office on (03) 5248 3462 or visit www.dse.vic.gov.au. Applications close December 19, 2011.

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

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



kel's corner

Norma, Kel's wife of almost 65 years, has suggested this story as one for the holiday season.

Kel and Norma didn't have a car and it was decided that if Kel drove Norma, Dulcie and Denise Merrigen and the kids, all could visit the Melbourne Show and see the cake decorating and needlework. Once they are arrived at the Showgrounds, Kel suggested that Norma and Dulcie go off to see the cakes and he would look after the children who were aged 12, 11 and 9 years old. Kel had been responsible for very valuable loads before and very able to deal with flocks of sheep etc. so this would be easy.

It was not very long before Denise and Sue came racing up to the ladies panic stricken. Trying to catch her breath, Denise said "Come quick Mrs Davis a big man is killing Mr Davis". Norma was so surprised that the girls could find them in



Chief Little Wolf
and his daughter Makeeta

amongst this huge Melbourne Show crowd. Not long after came Kel with John in tow. Norma and Dulcie fired questions at Kel about his imminent death and how the girls got away. Kel said, "I was drawn to the competition area, as I had been in Drysdale when the circus came to town. They'd been calling for someone to wrestle the chief and no one would volunteer and so I stepped forward to wrestle Chief Little Wolf. I told the children to stand and watch. While the Chief had me in the Indian Death Lock, I decided to give him a good bite on the leg to stop the fight. There were arms and legs everywhere and I decided to give it my all. I was so surprised when I realised the leg I was biting was my own.

While in pain, in the wrestling hold I looked down to see the girls missing and tears running down John's face. So I untangled myself quickly and grabbed John and ran to find the girls."

Norma recalls not much else about the day except Kel says he hasn't been right ever since.

Thanks Norma for the story.

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Bellarine Camera Club



The Bellarine Camera Club wishes to advise that the club now meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at SpringDale at 7.30pm.

The Bellarine Camera Club provides a positive environment for members to learn about photography and develop photographic skills through competitions, presentations by local professional photographers, photographic image specialists and also social activities. The club was established in July 2009 and prides itself on being an informal, enthusiastic and friendly club which extends a warm welcome to anyone with an interest in photography.

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our reader's feedback

Civic Pride

Bill Williams wrote a good article in last month's Messenger about civic pride. I agree with him and think we should do more to keep our towns tidy.

Jack, Drysdale.

Road Safety

Recently in Drysdale I saw a bicyclist with no helmet and a motorcyclist without indicators within a half kilometre of each other. I worry for their safety.

Kevin, Drysdale.

Kids Lunch

Thanks for the kids lunch ideas last month. My son said they were yummy.

Jenny, Clifton Springs.

A great little magazine

It is great that the local Messenger won an award. Congratulations to all the team, we all know it takes a group of enthusiasts to keep a project like this happening, it is a great little mag, looks great and I read it all every month. I pass it onto my mum in Geelong to read, so don't bin it, pass it on. How about something though for the kids. That would be great, perhaps some water safety information as we are all getting ready for the summer, and I liked the bit last month about walking along the road, it is happening everyday and not just with school kids. We have to look after our kids. Thanks again from a passionate mum.

Christine, Drysdale

Congratulations Best Editorial

On behalf of the Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association (DCSCA), may we congratulate you on receiving the Community Newspapers Association of Victoria award for Best Editorial for the SpringDale Messenger. The Messenger plays a very significant role in building our community and it also reflects the best aspects of SpringDale itself – it is open to all voices, inclusive of all the groups, accessible to people from all walks of life and is run with professionalism and style. DCSCA is grateful for the opportunity to contribute a regular column, because we know how widely read the Messenger is and we know that local people take notice of its

contents. The award is for "Best Editorial" and so much of the credit and applause – goes to you personally Anne. However, I know that you would be the first to emphasise that the production and distribution of the Messenger is a team effort and that without the work of the whole team, no one part of the magazine would be possible. So please, extend our congratulations to the whole Messenger team, but, of course, warmest congratulations to you.

Doug Carson, President
Drysdale Clifton Springs Community Association.

On behalf of the German Language Group

For and on behalf of the German language group, may I congratulate you on the award for Editorial Category, Community Newspaper Association Victoria 2011 and thank you for supplying the community each month with such an interesting and informative magazine. I look forward to receiving my copy and can't wait to read it.

Roy Pitchford.



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Many Try Croquet at Drysdale

The Drysdale Croquet Club recently conducted a most successful 'Come and Try' day as one of the many Seniors Festival activities supported by the Geelong City Council. With the assistance of a Council grant the Club organised the event which provided participants with an introduction to 'The Wonderful World of Croquet'.

The Drysdale Croquet Club is one of the friendliest places on the Bellarine where croquet is really taking off and the Drysdale Club is very proactive in presenting a great sporting opportunity to the local community. 22 'Come and Triers' took to the lawns and had a most satisfying and enjoyable morning being introduced to a new and enthralling pastime. Croquet is often described as being a cross between snooker and chess, played on grass.



As well as exercising the body, the mind also gets a good workout. The club is most appreciative of the publicity given to the sport in the columns of the Messenger and anticipates that a number of the 'Come and Triers' will take the next step and join the club.



Win for Mandy

Mandy Shillito, a horse trainer and young mother of two children from St Leonards, had a big win on Oaks Day at Flemington. Rocking Force, a seven-year-old sprinter, won the Swisse Vitamins Stakes over 1000metres in a spectacular day of racing. Mandy has only held her trainers licence since 2009 and has a passion for horses.

Fun Run



On Saturday 31 December a 5km fun run will be held starting from the Carousel on Geelong's Waterfront at 7am. It will cost \$5 for under 18's and \$10 for over 18's with proceeds going to funding programs in the Geelong region which support the disadvantaged.

Visit www.givewhereyoulive.com.au for further information.



Christmas is a great time to celebrate with friends and the Drysdale Seniors will be able to enjoy a special Christmas lunch with all the trimmings on Thursday 15 December.

Singer and pianist, Ron Sudden, will provide the entertainment, so it should be a very good function. Please put your name on the noticeboard in the Club to ensure your booking. The Drysdale Senior Citizens have an interesting variety of activities including yoga, bingo, snooker and carpet bowls.

New members are always welcome.

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