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# Drysdale Primary School Celebrating Winning Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge



Community partnerships helps Drysdale Primary School turn green. Drysdale Primary School is still celebrating after their recent win in the Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge at the ResourceSmart Schools Awards. The school was named as the leading Primary School in Victoria in the award ceremony held at the MCG last November. The kids were excited to meet Chris Humfrey, star of the ABC program Wild Adventures, who hosted the event and also brought along many of his animals to the presentations. "We were giving away Bokashi juice and potatoes that we grew in our vegie garden," said Grade 3 student Josh Rock who was part of the team that prepared the school's entry.

The win is also a win for the Drysdale community as much of this success isa result of the support of locals. Local greengrocers Bella Fruitz have been proud supporters of both Nude Food Day and Fresh Fruit Friday. "The gift vouchers are a good prize for bringing nude food and this helps us to reduce our rubbish," said Louie Filbay, one of the two Grade 6 Nude Food Dudes who run the awards each week.

But the community involvement does not end there. "Many local kindergartens have put a lot of effort into promoting eating healthy and reducing the rubbish in their lunches," said Prep teacher Tara Van Winckel who helps coordinate the Nude Food program. "That means families are arriving at school with good habits and we get to build on the great work that has already been done."

The school has also just received a Community Grant from the Northern Bellarine branches of the Bendigo Bank to put towards their new vegetable garden. "This grant will greatly improve our vegetable garden which is already proving very popular with the students," said Emma Lamb, another coordinator of the many sustainability initiatives within the school.

"While winning the award is fantastic recognition for the school," said Principal Steve Barry, "it is a direct result of the commitment of the school community to reduce the amount of rubbish. Without the support of parents, staff and the wider community, we would not have achieved this terrific award."

Drysdale Primary School students and teachers celebrate their win in the Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge.



PUBLIC MEETING Wednesday 8 February 7pm SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre All welcome





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#### Back to school Wednesday 1 School Term 1 commences



Monday 5,12,19,26 Music in the Gardens

Monday 6 SpringDale Classes commence



Wednesday 8 ' DCSCA Meeting 7pm at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Monday 6 Let The Sunshine 8pm - Potato Shed

Tuesday 7 Let The Sunshine 11am - Potato Shed

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businesses on The Peninsula. All contributors are asked to provide their articles on disc, Microsoft Word document or email it for ease of processing. Contributions are still accepted as written copy but need to be submitted in the week



#### Dear Everyone

Hoping everyone is looking forward to opportunities that 2012 may bring.

The UN General Assembly has moved a resolution that designates 2012 as the International Year of Sustainable Energy for All encouraging everyone to "take advantage of the Year to increase the awareness of the importance of addressing energy issues, including modern energy services for all, access to affordable energy, energy efficiency and the sustainability of energy sources and to promote action at the local national, regional and international levels."

Over the last 2 years SpringDale has been working towards its strategic goal *Going Greener*. We have helped to support the establishment of Drysdale Harvest Basket a monthly food swap, which is incredibly successful on so many levels and has been duplicated a number of times throughout the City of Greater Geelong and beyond. We have supported a number of presentations at SpringDale, on sustainable energy practises and have published a number of articles in the Messenger. We look forward to continuing to work towards achieving this goal this year.

The SpringDale Messenger continues to appreciate the support of so many Businesses and clubs who have committed to advertise for the whole of 2012. Many advertisers have already paid for the year which demonstrates their commitment to our community and I hope that we can all continue to support our advertisers and let them know of our appreciation. Messenger advertising forms are available from the SpringDale office phone (03) 5253 1960 or email

**office@springdale.org.au** or from our website. **www.springdale.org.au**, if you would like to advertise in future copies of the Messenger. Copy and advertising deadlines are the 1st of the month ready for distribution at the end of that month.

We call for final entries in 2012 Business and Services Directory and we also call for those whom may wish to take up the opportunity of display advertising in this well received document, which is home delivered all over the North Bellarine and is included in Welcome Kits for our new residents. Another way we support our Business Community is via the quarterly Business Breakfasts, the first breakfast for 2012 will be held on **Monday 5 March.** Hoping that our local business people may appreciate this chance to share an excellent breakfast, listen to an excellent speaker and to support each other as we all work towards a better connected community.

Our first program of the year was Vacation Care, a welcome service that we provide for many families on the Bellarine. Our program continues to attract good numbers of children and expect that we may have to employ a waiting list for the Easter Program due to demand. We encourage families to sign up for the Easter Program as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Because of our work with Businesses on the Economic Development Plan Project we were able to contribute significantly to the Urban Design Framework workshop held at SpringDale late last year. It was heartwarming to work with experts from all over Australia helping to plan with Business and Community members the next steps in the Drysdale township evolution. It was a very successful workshop and we look forward to sharing the outcomes with our Business Network and our community as the opportunities arise.

Recently we were asked by Justin Rowe, Arts and Culture Project Officer, City of Greater Geelong, to help suggest sites to be included in Cultural Trails in our part of the Bellarine. I look forward to hearing from anyone who would like to contribute an idea to this project. Justin also congratulated us in being successful in receiving an Arts and Culture Plan to develop an external Art installation plan for Drysdale/Clifton Springs and we will be looking forward to working with residents on this plan during the winter months. We'd love to hear from anyone who would like to participate in this project.

I have taken notice of a word recently mindfulness, a term which is pervading our lives. Eating mindfully, actually savouring every morsel. Acting mindfully, thinking about every word and every deed to ensure a fair outcome for all. I would encourage everyone to invest some time and energy to contemplate the things they do mindfully.

Looking forward to seeing you at SpringDale.

Warm wishes

Anne Brackley

Coordinator SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

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For more details please contact us at SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.



# Course update

Please note the changes for classes in Term 1

#### Certificate III Aged Care and Certificate III Home and Community Care

This course is being run at SpringDale in Drysdale commencing in February. Information session Thurs 2 Feb, 10am -11am.

#### **Discover the Artist Within**

A Foundation Art Course in Drawing and Painting for Adults **Dates/times:** Tue 7 Feb – Tue 27 Mar 9am – 11am (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$13

Tutor: Annette Playsted

#### **Discover the Artist Within**

An Intermediate Art Course in Painting and Drawing for Adults **Dates/times:** Tue 7 Feb – Tue 27 Mar, 11am – 1.30pm (8 sessions) or Wed 8 Feb – Wed 28 Mar 10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$130 **Tutor:** Annette Playsted

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Dates/times: Mon 6 Feb – Mon 26 Mar 9.15am – 10.45am (8 sessions) or Thur 9 Feb – Thur 29 Mar 6pm – 7.30pm or Thur 9 Feb – Thur 29 Mar 7.45pm – 9.15pm Venue: Drysdale Senior Citizen's Club, Corner Clifton Springs Road and Wyndham Street, Drysdale. Fee: \$100 Conc: \$90

#### **Expressions of Interest**

#### **Coin Club**

Would like to hear from any people who are interested in being foundation members of a Coin Club at SpringDale. Please Contact Josh Gay on 0408 428 596.

#### New Dance Club for SpringDale

Contra Dancing will be held for the first time at Drysdale in the SpringDale Hall. See Page 8 for further information.

### Adrian Mannix Community Award

This the 11th year for 2012 Adrian E. Mannix OAM Community Service award is now accepting nominations. Nomination forms and criteria guidelines are available from SpringDale or download it from our website www.springdale.org.au.

This is an occasion to identify the voluntary efforts of an individual made in our local community. The Drysdale Rotary Club, Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club and SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre have joined together to provide this award, in memory of the contribution made by Adrian E. Mannix OAM.

The winner will receive a trophy and \$500.00 to donate to the community organisation of their choice.

### **Computer Courses**

Thinking about going back to study later this year or next year. A great way to prepare for this next journey is to improve your computer skills to ensure that you will be able to complete research and projects.

Thinking about a new career you may need computer skills to help you down that path.

We have places funded by "Learn Local" for eligible students, which can make this very affordable.

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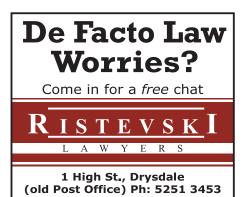
Our classes start on Tuesday, 7 February. Please phone SpringDale to book a place. Phone (03) 5253 1960.



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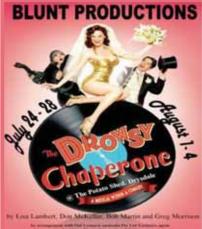
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For all information and register interest email: drowsychaperone@hotmail.com

### 2012 is shaping up to be a fantastic year at The Potato Shed.

The venue's season brochure is now available and packed with exciting shows and community events. The theme of this year's season is Elements, which reflects all the different parts that go to make up the Potato Shed - our diverse Bellarine community, the great national shows which tour at the venue and the Shed's beautiful rural location.

There are so many highlights in this year's program that it's hard to pick just one. In the first half of the year, the main season includes Let The Sunshine starring popular actor Peter Phelps, while later in the year you can catch Collision Dance, Shellie Morris, Diving for Pearls and Caravan Burlesque. Also back by popular demand are the Morning Showtime Season (which for \$14 also includes morning tea) and the Schools Season which has some great workshops and fun for kids of all ages.

Watch this space for more exciting Potato Shed news, visit www.geelongaustralia/potatoshed or call the Shed directly on (03) 5251 1998 for more information.



#### Tuesday 6 March (8pm) Wednesday 7 March (11am)

Filled with good humour, funny one-liners and characters you'd swear you know from somewhere, David Williamson's award-winning play is set in Noosa and focuses on the battle of egos between left wing radicals Ros and Tony and shallow socialites Natasha and Ron.

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nlan and Ryan Hayward, this is Williamson at his



### CLASS CLOWNS

Saturday 25 February (Workshop 1 - 3pm, Performance 4pm) This year's Victorian finals kick off here at the Potato Shed! Budding comedians get expert tips from industry professionals before testing their funny bones in front of a live audience.



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

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The Potato Shed, Bellarine Multi Arts Centre is located at 41 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale. Ph: 5251 1998



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# Defibrillator now at SpringDale

Thanks to the generous donation from the local Drysdale Bendigo Community Bank, SpringDale has now obtained a life saving defibrillator. We are currently erecting a shelf for the display of the defibrillator in the foyer of SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

This must have device is available to the public to use if the need arises. Defibrillation is a common treatment for cardiac arrhythmias. Defibrillation consists of delivering a therapeutic dose of electrical energy to the affected heart with a device called a defibrillator. For the defibrillator to work the patient must have no pulse and be unconscious. Heart defibrillators are considered to be safe and low risk.

Defibrillators in Australia are known as *Packer Wackers*, named after media mogul Kerry Packer. In 1990 Packer suffered a heart attack and was clinically dead for six minutes. Packer was successfully revived by a defibrillator. In appreciation, Packer donated a large sum of money to the NSW Ambulance Service to ensure that every ambulance carried a defibrillator.

A defibrillator can be the difference between life and death for a heart attack victim. - *Tracie Wallis* 

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### Debutante Ball

Debs and partners aged between 16 to 18 years old living on the Bellarine Peninsula can now sign up for the **Twenty Twelve Deb Ball** to be held on Saturday, 28 July 2012 at Parks Hall, Portarlington.

This is a fully catered event and there is no alcohol for debs and guests. The theme will be 007.

Rehearsals begin on Thursday, 10 May from 6.30pm-8.30pm at the Guide Hall, Portarlington. Costs for debs and partners - deposit \$50, dance lessons \$80, boys approx \$90 suit hire, girls buy own dress.

If you are interested please contact Church by the Bay at office@churchbythebay.com or visit www.churchbythebay.com or telephone (03) 5259 3378.

Funding by Church by the Bay and Youth Foundations Victoria, which is supported locally by the Bellarine Peninsula Community Bank Branch and the Victorian Government.



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The Festival includes stalls by glass artisans, craftspeople and companies; demonstrations of glass-working techniques; exhibitions of glass art, sculpture, jewellery & mosaics; displays of historical and contemporary glass collectables; glass-related competitions; and short courses in glass arts and crafts.

The inaugural *Festival of Glass* in 2011 attracted over thirty exhibitors and six thousand visitors; this year's Festival has many more exhibitors in a much larger space with plentiful parking.



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### Ovarian Cancer Month



February is Ovarian Cancer Awareness month which highlights the symptoms of ovarian cancer. **Thursday 23 February** has been designated **Teal Ribbon Day** remembering those who have been lost to ovarian cancer, as well as supporting those who are still fighting it. Visit www.ovariancancer.net.au/ for further

information. Please help support a worthy cause.

# HEALTH & WELLBEING

# Pole Walking Group

Exciting news for those of you who would like to try this wonderful form of exercise. Pole Walking is being trialled on **Thursday evenings**, **7pm – 8pm**, as well as the regular and very popular Monday morning walks around our very beautiful Bellarine area.

This is an exercise suitable to all age groups and fitness levels and we simply meet at an arranged point and walk for 30 minutes at our own pace. The pace can be as challenging or leisurely as each person feels on the day. After 30 minutes we return to the starting point. Why don't you come and give it a try. It is a wonderful way to meet new people, explore more of our peninsula and take part in fun



exercise with a friendly and welcoming group. There are qualified people within the group to assist with the correct technique and poles are available for loan to help you get started.

For more information phone Harold Waldron on 0417 549 437, Meryn Lavingdale 0449 107 494 or call in to SpringDale.

# Contra dancing now at SpringDale

We have a great hall in Drysdale. Why don't we use it one night to have fun and keep healthy. It's probably not suitable for most sporting type activities, so we will forget them. It has a wooden floor, no concrete, a rarity these days. Well what about a regular dance. Ballroom, Square Dance maybe, but there are already many on the Bellarine Peninsula. What about something different, Contra Dance.

Contra dance is a form of American traditional social dancing and was fashionable in the United States until the early to mid-19th century. Contra dances are open to all, regardless of experience. They are family friendly and there is no need to bring a partner. Generally, a leader, known as a caller, will teach each individual dance just before the music begins. Contra dances are arranged in long paired lines of couples. The steps are easy and dancers switch partners often. At the end of each dance, the dancers thank their partners.

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# Quinoa - the superfood

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index. Just like grapes, quinoa comes in different varieties. The most common is white, but there are also red and black. Include some quinoa in your diet from now on.

There are great sites you may visit for more information **www.organicroad.com.au** 

### AGED CARE providing great career opportunities.

SpringDale has held **Certificate III in Aged Care** for the past 4 years and many people have taken advantage of studying locally in a safe, supportive environment, with easy parking to gain skills and employment in this field. This year, in conjunction, with Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre, we are offering **Certificate III Aged Care and Certificate III Home** and **Community Care**. **The information session is being held at SpringDale on Thursday, 2 February** 

10am-11am. Please phone SpringDale for more information (03) 5253 1960 and enrol.

The course will be held at SpringDale on Thursdays and Fridays, 9am -3pm, commencing Thursday, 9 February 2012 for 19 weeks.

Does not include school holidays, does include a work placement.





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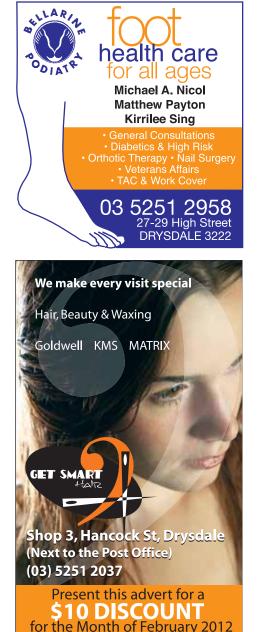
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#### NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Happy New Year to all SpringDale Messenger readers, I trust you and family enjoyed your Christmas and the holiday break. I look forward to working for you as your representative in State Parliament this year.

#### CONGRATULATIONS SPRINGDALE

A belated congratulations to Anne Brackley and the team from SpringDale for winning the Best Editorial section of the 2011 Community Newspapers Association of Victoria. This is well deserved recognition for a great quality community publication that has always been a very successful voice and source of information for the community and I am delighted to see it going from strength to strength. Well done to the whole team who put in countless hours to bring you the SpringDale Messenger every month.

#### DRYSDALE LIBRARY

It was fantastic to see the newly renovated Drysdale library up and running late last year. It is a very impressive new facility and I am sure locals would agree it has been well designed to meet the needs of the community today and into the future. It is also great to see there is the continuing provision for the City of Greater Geelong customer service centre in the library which makes it so accessible for residents of Drysdale, Clifton Springs and surrounds.

#### CALL FOR WARNING LIGHTS

As the Member for Bellarine, I raised in Parliament the need for warning lights to be installed for the Bellarine Ambulance station. As you know, the Bellarine Ambulance station is co-located with the SES services on Grubb Road in Drysdale. So that they can do their job more efficiently and safely, the Ambulance Service have asked for warning lights for Grubb Road, where there is a bend in the road on the approach from Ocean Grove to Drysdale.



This is a busy road especially during school drop off and pick up times and morning and evening peak hours and I have urged the government to provide the funding needed to install the warning lights to protect the service personnel and all those locals and visitors who use this busy stretch of road.

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

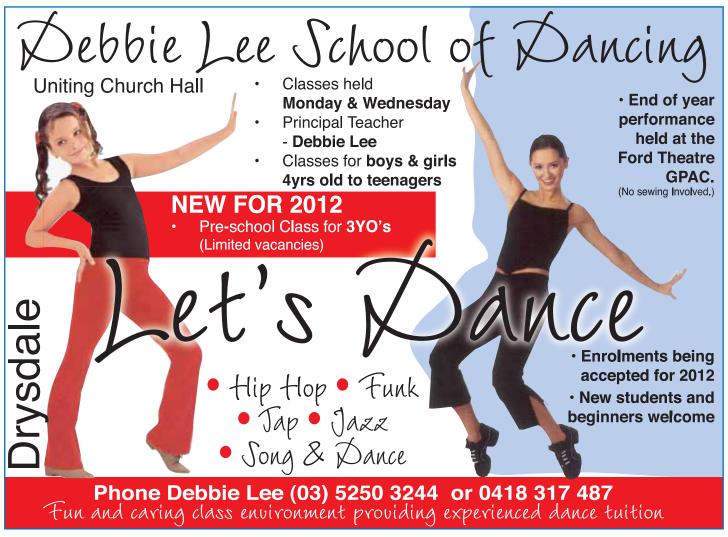
### SOLAR INFORMATION SESSION

to be held at SpringDale

#### Wednesday 29 February at 7pm

Come along and hear the latest about subsidies and opportunities.

Contact SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (03) 5253 1960 for more information.



### our reader's feedback

#### **Garden Report**

Your garden articles are very interesting. The raised beds in a recent Messenger are a great idea for people like me with arthritis.

Beth, Drysdale.

#### **Terrific magazine**

The Messenger is a terrific little magazine and I always look forward to reading the articles. It hangs around on the kitchen table for weeks. **Liz**, Drysdale.

#### **Christmas Gift**

Last Christmas I received an unexpected gift, a goat. What a good way to help others and will now consider Oxfam for future gifts.

Penny, Clifton Springs.

#### Road and Pavement Improvements

We write representing the residents of the Drysdale Retirement Village to publicise our sincere appreciation of the work of the Clifton Springs/Drysdale Community Association and in particular both its Chairman and its Secretary in their support of our efforts to get the road and pavement surface improved and gutter and kerbing installed at the bus stop for Geelong outside our premises. Prior to their intervention it was virtually impossible for our more elderly and infirm residents to board the buses even though they are equipped with a lowering platform device. Just recently work has been completed that is to our highest expectations. We also have had a seat installed at the stop on the other side of the road for the bus to Portarlington. We also wish to say thank you to bureaucrats and Councillors at both local and State Government level for cooperating in getting this accomplished. We do not really know whom all the individuals and departments are that were involved.

It is so good to have the opportunity of saying "Well done" for a concerted effort, to all who were involved. Elaine Snow & Bill Williams

Collins Street, Drysdale

We welcome your comments in this our Readers Feedback column, please email to messenger@springdale.org.au

Write on Bellarine

'Write on Bellarine' is a small group of committed writers, who meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm. We are interested in writing both poetry and prose, and our only requirement is that members are willing to read their work to other members and take part in shared constructive criticism.

We do not set weekly tasks or topics because each of us as individual interests but we could suggest topics if some members were interested in this approach.

The group has existed as a comfortable blend of 4 members, but one has gone overseas for a year and another has had to leave due to work commitments. As a consequence the remaining two are very interested in encouraging new members. We are serious about our writing but also wish to welcome and encourage anyone interested in writing, even if they have done very little before. In the past members have commented about how much they have learnt from each other, and how helpful they have found the group.





So, if you find the idea interesting, have always wanted to pick up the pen but have never quite got round to it, now is the time.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, 1 February, at 7.30 pm. If you would like more information, or wish to ask any questions, please contact Les Littleford on leslittleford@bigpond.com or (03) 5251 5505. You will be made very welcome.



The Drysdale Rotary Club have donated a new dollshouse to the Drysdale SpringDale Toy Library. It is much appreciated as the old dollshouse has been a much loved item. The Toy Library is open Wednesday mornings from 9am to 10am.. Patrons are reminded that the cost is \$10 per term which entitles them to use the Portarlington Toy Library as well. Ann Ferguson *Toy Library Coordinator* 



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Never put citrus fruits or tomatoes in the fridge. The low temperatures degrade the aroma and flavour.

To clean cast iron cookwear, don't use detergents. Just scrub them with salt and a clean, dry paper towel.

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Orange Self Saucing puddings

1¼ cups (190g) self raising flour 1¼ cups (275g) caster sugar 3 oranges, zest finely grated, juiced 1/2 cup (125ml) milk 34 cup (180ml) water 1 egg 75g butter, just melted 1tbs cornflour

Preheat the oven to 170° (150° fan forced), and lightly grease four 300ml capacity ovenproof ramekins. Stand them on an oven tray.

In a large bowl combine the flour, ½ cup (110g) of the sugar and the orange zest. Whisk the milk, egg and melted butter in a jug. Make a well in the flour and pour in the wet ingredients into the dry ingredients. Stir gently until combined. Spoon the batter into the prepared ramekins.

Combine 34 cup (180ml) water and the orange juice in a small saucepan. Bring to the boil for 1 minute, then remove from the heat. Combine the remaining sugar with the cornflour, and sprinkle over the batter in each ramekin. Carefully pour the juice mixture over the top.

Bake for 20 minutes, or until the puddings are lightly golden on top and a skewer inserted into the middle comes out clean. Serve hot with vanilla ice cream.



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For more information read the course guide and or contact us at SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

### A Big Thankyou to Peter & Doug & the team

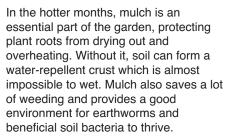


Thanks to Peter Turner, **Turner's Steam Cleaning**, for donating his time and equipment to steam clean the wonderful stove that SpringDale received from Drysdale Football Club. Peter spent many hours in the rain and helping to rejuvenate the oven ready for installation (hopefully) later this year. Gary Taylor, from Drysdale Removals, helped to move it outside and back in. Doug McKeon helped on the day as did Anna Leong from SpringDale Committee of Management.

The SpringDale kitchen renovation has received assistance from Portarlington Drysdale Lions Club, Bendigo Bank Drysdale -Bellarine Peninsular Community Bank, Rotary Club of Drysdale, Drysdale Football Club, Drysdale Village Medical Centre, Drysdale Removals and Storage, Turner's Steam Cleaning, Mortimer Petroleum, Tony Gostelow and many others.

The kitchen is important to SpringDale forour kitchen groups, for our Business Breakfasts, for our International Evenings, to help incubate new small cooking businesses and for events that hire the hall. Thousands of people benefit from the SpringDale kitchen each year and once the renovation happens there will be room for more.

with steve williams



#### Coarse or fine?

Fine mulches are useful around seedlings because they won't swamp them. They will break down guite guickly and need replacement. Coarse mulches last longer. I usually wait until plants are well established before applying them. Alternatively, you can apply the coarse mulch first, then pull it apart to uncover the soil, forming 'nests' to plant seedlings or large seeds into.

#### How much?

This depends on whether you're using a coarse or fine mulch. For fine mulches, about 2cm is enough. For coarse mulches, you could go to 10cm or more. But see the advice about application, below.

#### How do I apply it?

Water the soil before you mulch (even better: mulch after rain), then water again after you've applied it. Otherwise, you'll have a dry soil surface which may become water repellent. If you're using a bale of straw, don't tear off thick pads and stick them on the ground - they will be about as water-permeable as pavers. Instead, pull the straw apart so that it is loose and fluffy.

#### What type?

There are many types of organic mulch and everyone has favourites. I use a lot of lucerne and pea straw. They contain nitrogen, which will feed the soil. Bear in mind that a thick pad of lucerne can get hot underneath - hot enough to cook your plants! If used carefully, however, lucerne





is excellent. The strands tend to lock together, making it harder for those pesky blackbirds to throw around.

Other possibilities include sugar cane waste, mushroom compost, grass clippings and seagrass. Woodchips, because they are slow to break down, may be suitable around fruit trees and shrubs, but not around annual vegies.

Sheets of newspaper under straw make a very good weed suppressant. You can build up a no-dig garden on top. But that's another story.

More gardening info in our Drysdale Harvest Basket blog. Go to www.drysdaleharvestbasket.org and follow the link.

### ReThink your rubbish.

Take advantage of the February tyre disposal special at your nearest Resource Recovery Centre.

The Drysdale Resource Recovery Centre and Transfer Station can accept white goods such as fridges, ovens, dryers and dishwashers free of charge. Now is the time to work together to reduce waste going to landfill. To find out more about waste and recycling visit www.geelongaustralia.com.au and see what the City of Greater Geelong has available for residents.

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# music in the gardens

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Sunday, 5 February Sunday, 12 February Sunday, 19 February Sunday, 26 February Ricketty Bridge Hip Cats Soul Sister Swing African Agogo



Entry is \$15 per person and children are free. Visit **www.friendsgbg.org.au** for further information.

### **Bellarine Rail Trail**

With another year of progress behind us, the volunteer members of the Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail can look back on 2011 with a sense of great accomplishment. We planted a further 6040 indigenous trees, shrubs and grasses along the trail, most of these propagated by our own group at no cost, using Barwon Water Community Nursery facilities at South Geelong. Total plantings by the group since 2003 now exceed 65,000, with follow up watering and mulching giving a retention rate in excess of 85%.

During the year, the group built and installed several new picnic tables and seats, making the trail more convenient for picnickers, walkers and even bike riders who wish to stop for a break. Many tonnes of mulch provided by the City of Greater Geelong have been spread giving valuable protection and support to new plantings. Established plantations at Leopold and Curlewis have transformed these areas, whilst much work by the group in the vicinity of Whitehorse Road between Leopold and Moolap has seen new plantations rapidly developing in that area.

Weeding and watering are constant tasks which make a huge difference to the success of our plantings, whilst mowing



around the plantation areas adds to their attractiveness. Although the breaking of the drought has



eased the burden of watering, the resulting increase in grass growth has led to a need for more mowing. The recent donation of a ride-on mower by Leopold Community Bank has made our mowing tasks less laborious, increased our productivity and provided further motivation for all of our volunteers to maintain their efforts. Thank you Leopold Community Bank for this wonderful support.

We encourage everybody to use and enjoy the trail, to take advantage of this local community asset and maximise the health benefits available to everybody at no cost. The Bellarine Rail Trail is a linear park right on our doorstep, to the envy of many other communities, so make the most of this valuable community facility now. Remember - Healthy Parks, Healthy People.

#### Peter Cowden Friends of the Bellarine Rail Trail www.fbrt.com.au



# Bellarine Show March 2012



Did you know that 2012 is the Year of the Farmer?

In 2012 Australian Year of the Farmer National Roadshow will be appearing at Bellarine Show 2012. You can visit **www.yearofthefarmer.com.au** to find out more information. The National Roadshow will be a celebration of Australian farmers and produce. Visit the trailer/exhibit to see displays, get showbags, meet and greet special Ambassadors. Be entertained by guest celebrities and music artists, and be a part of the mini-Archibull children's painting competition.

Visit the Bellarine Show website at **www.bellarineshow.com.au** to find out all the sections you can enter - crafts, cookery, gardening, vintage, dog jumping, pets, art, photography – with special junior or school sections.

#### Don't forget to dig out those old garden tools to show in our 'Horticulture History – from garden to tractors'

Contact Graham on (03) 5251 3379 if you would like to be part of the display.

Hope to see you at the Show on March 11 at the Portarlington Recreation Reserve.





The major event on DCSCA's horizon in February is the second annual Festival of Glass on 19 February 2012. The Festival will run between 10am and 5pm at the Bellarine Basketball Stadium, Peninsula Drive, Drysdale (Melway 470 F3) and, once again, admission is free. Well over fifty exhibitors will celebrate the beauty, usefulness and adaptability of glass at the 2012 Festival of Glass, which will feature a huge range of glass art, craft and manufacturing, including mosaics, jewellery, glass beads and bead-making, stained glass, sculptures, glazing, slumped glass, ceramics, leadlighting, glass etching and sandblasting. There will be demonstrations of glass working techniques, displays of historical and collectable glass and a range of competitions: and the Festival raffle has prizes worth more than \$1,500 donated by the exhibitors. As visitors move around the Festival, they can sample local food and wine and listen to local musicians; and at The Old Glass Roadshow, glass experts will assess the value of any old glass heirlooms - try your luck!

Last year's inaugural Festival of Glass attracted 29 exhibitors and over 6,000 visitors to Drysdale's Potato Shed. That enormous response prompted organisers to hold the 2012 Festival in a much bigger venue - a good decision in light of the increased number of exhibitors, with more still applying.

Doug Carson, chairperson of the Festival organising committee said, 'We've been (almost) overwhelmed by the response by exhibitors and we really appreciate it. It's clear that the Festival has the potential to

### **Funeral Plans**

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become Australia's primary showcase for glass-related art, craft and industry, driven by the active support of local glass workers.'

#### Investing in success

The City of Greater Geelong has shown its confidence in the 2012 Festival of Glass by investing \$6,000 in it, matching its support for the inaugural Festival last year. Mayor John Mitchell has described the Festival of Glass as 'an innovative festival (that) is already stirring considerable interest among glassmakers and fans around Australia.' Festival organisers are grateful for the continuing support of the council's Arts and Culture Department and of local councillors Rod Macdonald and John Doull.

The Bendigo Bank is another major sponsor of the 2012 Festival of Glass, investing \$2,500 in the Festival's infrastructure, marketing and promotion.



The Bank's sponsorship of the 2012 Festival builds on its support for the inaugural Festival and shows potential sponsors that this innovative event is gaining a positive reputation from which they can benefit.

Visitors to the 2012 Festival of Glass can enjoy a full day out in Drysdale - the monthly Drysdale Craft Market happens on the same day and the historic Bellarine Peninsula Railway runs all day between Drysdale and Queenscliff.

# 2012 Scarf Festival

The **2012 Scarf Festival** is a wonderful exhibiton of unique hand crafted scarves. Registration Kits are now available to download or you can telephone (03) 5272 4701 to have one mailed to you.

Entries open Monday 27 February and entries close Friday 4 May. The Scarf Exhibition will be open to the public on Saturday 16 June and closes Sunday 2 September at the National Wool Museum, Moorabool St, Geelong.

Visit **www.nwm.vic.gov.au** for further information. Pull out your knitting needles now and express your creativity and individuality with intricate trimmings and make a beautiful work of art.





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#### **Drysdale Rotary Club**

### Rotary, is it for you?

Last year I became a member of the Drysdale Rotary Club. Why did I Join Rotary? I was very impressed by this International organisation that has been going for many years. It has been actively involved in many and varied community based programs with funding coming from the Miniature Railway near Portarlington and the Annual Art Show at Easter each year. Also internationally it has been instrumental in fundraising to eradicate the disease Polio which it has nearly done.

Since becoming a member I have assisted at our Miniature Railway, volunteered to help at the Geelong Show and also sold Egg and Bacon Rolls at the Drysdale Market BBQ Stall. At the same time I have met some really amazing, motivated committed people who have been very welcoming and supportive. The Rotary organisation is in need of new



members to continue on the great work that it does in our local community as well as overseas.

We need the members now so that existing members can pass on their knowledge. In our local Drysdale Rotary group I am pleased to say that we are seeing an increase in women. But we also need younger people that are involved in local business to consider becoming actively involved in our group. Our meetings are held each Monday at the Clifton Springs Golf Club. Feel free to call Brian Gray on (03) 5353 2979 to arrange a visit to see if you can also commit to your local community and make a difference. It is not all work - we have a lot of laughter and fun at our meetings and our activities. Caroline

#### **Drysdale Ladies Probus Club**



Fifteen Probians recently experienced exactly what PROBUS is all about - FUN and FRIENDSHIP.

The Getaway group journeyed to the historic town of Beechworth, staying at the Lake Sambell Caravan Park. Liz Meaney and Kayleen Harmon along with their husbands, did a wonderful job of arranging many interesting activities. We started with a mini bus tour of the township.

We were entertained by a Ned Kelly lookalike at the old Courthouse. Wednesday night, rain and thunder was just the weather for out Ghost tour of the Mayday Hills Lunatic Asylum. The only *life* we saw were possums. I was disappointed that I didn't get a tap on the shoulder from a resident spirit!

Visiting Beechworth Honey, a local Brewery and a Cordial factory and a self drive tour through The Gorge filled a fun packed five days. The usual *Happy hour* and evening meals together culminated with a Parmi night at the Hibernian Hotel.

Heather Joseph.

### Drysdale Senior Community Club

**Senior Citizens** provide a friendly, welcoming place for social activities, meals and numerous opportunities for older citizens. They promote wellbeing a better lifestyle and a positive approach to ageing.

Drysdale Seniors have much fun with a wide range of activities including carpet bowls, snooker, cards, line dancing and yoga. Lunches and bingo will resume on Tuesday, 7 February.

#### For bookings and membership enquiries please contact the centre on (03) 5251 2983.



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#### Combined Probus Club of Clifton Springs/Drysdale



Recently we held our annual Trivia meeting run by our President and First Lady. The questions evoked much interest and some amusement, and one team managed a perfect score on one set of questions - a Club first. The winning team scraped home by just one point in a close contest. The morning concluded with a BBQ under the tree at the Springs - an enjoyable social get-together.

Our Caravan and Cabin Friends have planned a return trip to Port Fairy for February, with a trip to another spot in March/April.

Our regular meetings are held in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club from 10am on the second Monday of each month.



gents, and visitors and prospective members, singles and couples, are welcomed at all our meetings and activities. We are wanting to increase our membership, so come along and check us out!

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### The Book Club -*The Paris Wife -* Paula McLain

Our December meeting took place at the home of one of our members to celebrate the break-up of our monthly book club. Partners were invited and a merry band descended bearing plates of yummy food and bottles of wine and beer.

After all of the initial

introductions, three of the men (non-members) were banished to the kitchen where, as all

good Aussie blokes do, to share beer and talk sport!

The rest of us settled down to discuss *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain, our allotted read for December.

Hedley Richardson a 28 year old American met and married the 21 year old Ernest Hemmingway. The 1920's was an era that saw many Americans escape to Paris where protocol was more relaxed. Hedley and Ernest became members of a group of artisans which included Ezra Pound, Gertrude Stein and the Scott-Fitzgeralds. Hedley was not totally happy or comfortable in the company of these people having been born into a middle class family where good morals, courtesy and faithfulness was expected.



Ernest Hemmingway was a writer who at times did not seem able to achieve the notoriety which he craved. He would leave Hedley for long periods and come back to her when it suited him. She was always there for him, as he expected, and she stood by him and encouraged him to achieve the goal he was looking for.

Paula McLain researched her subject very well, which led to a

very interesting and easy read. The group gave the book 8 out of 10, after which we all enjoyed our break-up party.

The Book Club meets at the SpringDale Centre on the first Monday of each month at 7.30pm for about 90 minutes, ending with a cup of tea. Our meetings are very informal and we always make new members feel welcome. At our meeting on Monday 6 February, we'll discuss not a book, but an author, Gregory Day. He lives on the Surf Coast - the setting for his books, eg. *Patron Saint of Eels, The Grand Hotel* and *Ron McCoy's Sea of Diamonds*.

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

# Building on Books

St James' held another excellent Secondhand Book Sale over the weekend of 7-8 January. The piles of books and magazines diminished surprisingly quickly and everyone seemed to find something to take away with them. The special children's section with low tables and chairs was extremely popular, providing a safe and absorbing environment for youngsters whilst parents looked for their own bargains. Many thanks to all those who helped set up, worked throughout to replenish books and packed up afterwards. The location, Drysdale Community Activity Centre, is a wonderful venue - our thanks to Drysdale Primary School for use of this excellent facility. The money raised will support the restoration of St James' Hall which, being



heritage listed, has been expensive. If you have driven past recently, you will see how wonderful it is looking. The plan is to have the refurbished Hall open for hire from 16 April 2012, the start of the term after Easter. **Booking Enquiries phone 0468 381 529.** 

Of course there would be no Book Sale without the community's donations of books – your support is essential to the success of this fundraiser, so a big 'Thank You' to all. The donations have been quite overwhelming this time, perhaps because progress on the Hall is looking good, so St James' will be holding a Mid Year Book Sale over the Queen's Birthday weekend, 9 -10 June, selling only newly donated books, and this will take place in St James' Hall itself. Come and view the refurbishment whilst you browse the books on offer.

A new feature at the Book Sale this year was the refreshment tent, run by fellow parishioners at St Paul's Anglican Church in St Leonards, to fund their urgent maintenance there, and that initiative was very popular.

Thank you to the Bendigo Bank who lent their Gazebo for this.

Collection of books is ongoing, so phone any of the following if you have spare books on offer:

### SpringDale Business Network

We hope you have all had a chance to relax and refresh over the Christmas break and are ready to take on the New Year. The SpringDale Business Network is already making plans to keep you connected, well fed at our regular Breakfasts, and up to date with what's happening in our town and in our region.

We had another successful year in 2011, with a variety of guest speakers, covering a variety of topics, and this year we are aiming to keep you informed and involved in the progress and development of our growing community.

### The dates for our Business Network Breakfast meetings for 2012 are:

#### Monday 5 March, Monday 21 May, Monday 20 August, Monday 19 November.

Breakfast starts at 7am and is finished by 8.15 to allow you to get to work on time. The cost is just \$10 per person, or you can become a Network Member for just \$30 which covers the cost of all 4 breakfasts. We'll look forward to seeing you on Monday 5 March.

Feel free to bring along a friend or a colleague.

#### Dianne Bennett,

Coordinator, SpringDale Business Network.



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*St James' wishes you all a very Happy and Safe 2012 and thanks you most sincerely for your generous support.* 



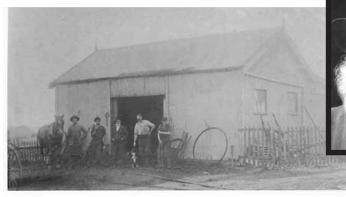


One of the subjects that Kel has wanted to write about for a while is the Blacksmiths of the Bellarine, Blacksmiths were the mechanics of the early days of Australia's history - there was no waiting for a week for parts to arrive - they made everything. Blacksmiths were so important to the area, everything was worked with horses in the early days. Horses had to have shoes, from Clydesdales to ponies, all the shoes were made by hand. As the horses wore them down they had to be remade again. The Cobb & Co horses had to have new shoes every 3 weeks according to Vic Phipps (see photograph).

All wheels were hand made out of hickory, from America, and surrounded with a metal outer. When wheels needed to be repaired they were cut and rejoined to make them fit tighter around the hickory. Both metal ends were heated to red hot and secured together with a sledge hammer to weld them together. The circle of metal was then heated in a circular fire outside and quickly placed over the hickory wheel and tapped into shape. Then the outer was cooled with water to allow it to contract perfectly around the hickory.

All the heavy duty wagons, drays, spring cart etc had wheels with steel outers.

This is Kels' 32nd story for the Messenger and it is our 3rd Anniversary of sharing Kel's stories.



L-R: Dave Ferguson (Butcher), Jim McLaren (Blacksmith), Bill Walker (Farmer), Tom Holines (Blacksmith), Frank Mannix (Blacksmith) - Early 1900's.

Lots of the farm machinery was made by hand on an anvil, such as sets of harrows, skimmers (an example of this is situated outside the Drysdale Museum) and many more.

Drysdale was one of the few places that had 2 blacksmith shops. Bill Butcher had his shop in Murradoc Road (where Drysdale Smash Repairs is today). It was only a small shop with a big stack(about 5 ft high and 3 ft across) of old horseshoes out the front. Harry Matchen's shop was where Drysdale Bowling green is today, it fronted onto Collins Street. The Blacksmith at Bellarine was situated on top of the Bellarine hill (where the Bellarine PS and Post Office was) and his name was Frank Mannix and he made the onion skimmer that Kel rescued and gave to the Bellarine Historical Society instead it going to Japan as scrap. Down the road to Portarlington was Mr Fraser's Blacksmith shop opposite Woolnough's Depot in Fenwick Street. On to

Queenscliff is where Vic Phipps had his shop. In Leopold the Blacksith's shop was on the corner of Ash Road and his name was Mr Bryant. Lastly in Moolap there was Claude Twitt's Blacksmith shop located near where the railway crossed the Bellarine Highway although in those days it was a small road.

Above: Vic Phipps,

**Oueenscliff** 

**Blacksmithy** 

While standing around the Blacksmith's shop sometimes the Blacksmith would have a bit of fun. If you were watching closely maybe too closely, once a piece of metal was heated red hot, he'd use the tongs to put the metal into the water tank beside the anvil. The blacksmith would then pick up the metal piece which was black by now and accidentally drop it. He'd look up at you and ask you to pass it back. If you picked it up that's when it hit you. It was hot!

PS. Norma says old hickory spokes were used to lift the washing from the coppers and Kel recycled hickory spokes into hammer handles and more.

### Pamels Delmo - A Life Triumphant, Book Launch

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A recent book launch at SpringDale proved a great success for author Pamela Delmo.

A Life Triumphant took two years to complete and covers the author's childhood, depression, career and life story. Pamela Delmo grew up in the Otway Ranges and is now living at Portarlington. A Life Triumphant costs \$20 plus \$4 postage and can be ordered through Pamela Delmo at her email address **pameladelmo@gmail.com** or copies are available at SpringDale.



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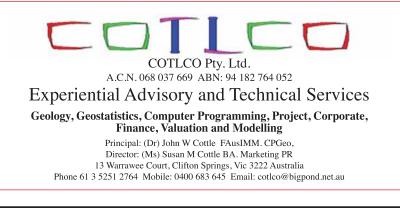
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Classes on Tuesday and Wednesdays starting Tuesday 6 February. Phone SpringDale for more information (03) 5253 1960. Right: A display of paintings at the recent SpringDale Art class Exhibition in 2011.



# On the right course

Never really thought I could but I have discovered that there is an artist within. Having recently retired and moving to the area I was looking for a way to get to meet people in the local community....so I thought doing a course at the local neighbourhood house might be a good way to do just that. Drawing was something I had never done before so thought I would give it a go – Discover the Artist Within beginners' class.



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Annette, the course tutor has a philosophy that anyone can learn to draw, they just need encouragement and to be taught correct techniques. Annette is a patient and positive trainer, who takes an interest in everybody as an individual – I can vouch for her philosophy and techniques as they certainly work, not only in my case but for everyone else in the class.

Some work is displayed in the foyer of SpringDale and each year we have an exhibition in the hall in September. You would also be welcome to come to a class and see for yourself.

That was two years ago and now I am commencing a course Certificate IV in Visual Arts, the first year of a Diploma course at the Gordon. SpringDale Art has given me the confidence to proceed along the learning path.

#### Have you ever considered playing BOWLS or CROQUET

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# SPORT

## Bellarine Sharks Soccer Club begins Pre-season Training



Following our success with winning the div 3 Mens league title the Bellarine Sharks senior teams (Mens Div 2 and 3 and Women Div 1) are beginning training on Wednesday evenings in Geelong. Anyone wishing to join the teams should contact Murray or Donna on (03) 5257 2106. Congratulations to the under 11 team who played at half time during the Melbourne Victory game kicking 5 goals in their 15 minute game! Names for junior teams are being taken now. Register your interest with Murray or Donna on (03) 5257 2106.



All sporting associations, have your news and results published in this Drysdale /Clifton Springs Community SpringDale Messenger Magazine. Contact the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre on (03) 5253 1960 for more information.



Above: Our mixed gender under 11 team who played at Kardinia Park at 1/2 time in the recent Melbourne Victory game.

The club is hoping to field 2xU7 an U9 an U11 an U13 an U15 and U17 teams. Our first family fun day for all junior sides will be on Sunday, 12 February at 10am for a game of beach soccer (Collendina Beach at the hotel end).

We require all players to have registered their interest in playing by this date. Go Sharks 2012.

Congratulations Ron Badenhop, Winner, Bellarine Woodworkers *Woody of the Year* 



Ron Badenhop with the coverted trophy shield awarded to him for 2011.



The **Clifton Srings Golf Club** is delighted to announce the return of its **Celebrity Pro-Am om Sunday, 11 March.** To be known as the Parkers Steakhouse Celebrity Pro-Am organising is well under way to ensure the best array of available Professional golfers and Celebrities will be available for this popular event.

The event will comprise of 2 shotgun starts, the first at 7.30am and the second at 12.30pm. Amateur entries are now being taken with the entry fee being \$50.00 for an am start and \$70.00 for a pm start with entry forms available from the pro shop.

Co-inciding with the Pro-Am is a Sportsman's night to be held on Friday, 9 March with the head panelist being ex Richmond Great and media personality Matthew Richardson. Rob Gaylard, media celebrity will be MC for the night. Tickets are on sale now at \$80.00 per person which includes a 2 course meal. Auction items and raffles will also be available on the night.

For further details go to our website www.cliftonspringsgolfclub.com.au or contact the club on (03) 5251 3391.

**FEAKHOUSE** 





## Clifton Springs Tennis Club



Last year was busy for the Clifton Springs Tennis Club.

**New hade area** – Our grand design for extension of our clubrooms in the form of permanent shade area has begun. The roofing, ground levelling and extensions are well under way after much

consultation and red tape to encounter. **New uniforms** – We have samples of our new club uniforms in the form of polo shirts (men's and ladies) and hoodies. Please see Craig Duncan if you wish to place an order.

**Trivia Night** – Coming up in March, book your table early as they will run out soon. **Best Club person** – Di Smith was awarded with the best Club person award for last year. Her tireless efforts at all levels of our club are extensive and

#### COMPETITIONS & SOCIAL TENNIS FOR 2012

NIGHT TENNIS Monday – Mixed, Tuesday – Mens, Wednesday – Mixed, Thursday – Ladies.

SATURDAY COMPETITIONS Contact – Paul Roberts 0428 201 182

JUNIOR COMPETETIONS Contact – Di Green 0488 109 191

MIDWEEK LADIES Contact – Glenda Callow 5251 2796

COACHING

Contact - Mark Hagebols 0416 288 956 Graeme Reid - President

we congratulate her on all the fantastic work she does.

**Bunnings BBQ** – Worthy fundraiser with a lot of members contributing.

Well done to all.

We would like to acknowledge the following organisations for supporting our grant applications. City of Greater Geelong Community Grant for funding our new heater/air-conditioner in the clubrooms, Volunteers Australia for our new stove and Tennis Australia for contribution of \$32,000 towards our new courts.

### Drysdale Sport Fishing Club



# A wonderful family past time.

**Drysdale Sport Fishing Club** commenced on 20 July 1987, initially had 10 members and two months later became incorporated.

There are currently 60 members, including juniors. They meet at the **Clifton Springs Golf Club on the first Monday of every month, at 7.30pm** and run monthly club competitions. The club is run on a reasonably informal basis and encourages a family atmosphere.

A break-up is held at the end of each year and a trophy presentation occurs at the same time for the Club Champion.

For further information, contact Wayne Trewin on 0417 126 655.

### Donate Life Walk - 19 February

**Donate Life Walk** is a 4km walk to be held on 19 February from Steampacket gardens on the Geelong waterfront along the bay towards Rippleside Park and back again. The walk will be followed by a BBQ and the event is free of charge. The aim is to promote organ and tissue donation during Donate Life week. Please contact **kathrync@barwonhealth.org.au** for more information. Australia is a world leader for successful transplant outcomes, yet has one of the lowest donation rates in the developed world. One organ and tissue donor can save up to 10 lives and improve the lives of many more. Around 1700 people are on Australian transplant waiting lists at any one time.







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