



# The SpringDale Messenger



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## Captain Brendan now on duty



Top: Brendan MacDonald receiving the Captain's helmet from Jeff Stewart.

Above: Desi Connor presenting the Captain's helmet to Jeff Stewart 6 years ago.

After 6 years as Drysdale Fire Brigade Captain, Jeff Stewart hands over this 24/7 voluntary role and helmet to Brendan McDonald. Brendan has been the first Lieutenant for the last 6 years and is well prepared to take on this role. Jeff believes the town is in great hands and Brendan comes from a family which has had a long line of Fire Brigade members. The Drysdale Fire Brigade is in a strong position with up to date equipment, lots of young people coming through and many people attending training regularly; a good, strong brigade with almost 50 volunteers. Jeff will continue to support Brendan and the brigade. Jeff would like to thank the members of the Fire Brigade and the community who have made his time as Captain memorable.

Brendan brings 23 years of service in the CFA to his new role. He looks forward to working with all CFA members and the community and the challenges that face the Drysdale Fire Brigade in the future. Come and meet Brendan at Drysdale Fire Brigade annual garage sale in late October.

To contact the Drysdale Fire Brigade please phone (03) 5253 1444.

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# diary dates

# AUGUST

## Thursday 2, Friday 3, Saturday 4 Aug

Drowsy Chaperone Blunt Productions

## Saturday 4

Harvest Basket SpringDale  
Produce Swap 9am-11am

## Tuesday 7

Diving for Pearls

## Wednesday 8

Festival of Glass preview SpringDale 7pm  
CoGG Boundary Meeting #1

## Thursday 9

Robocup

## Friday 10

Spud Club

## Sunday 12

Geelong Botanic  
Garden Walk 2pm-3.30pm

## Tuesday 14

Australian Army Band

## Wednesday 15

CoGG Boundary Meeting #2

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## Friday 17

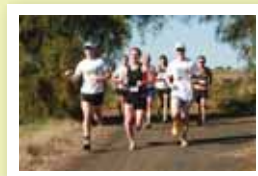
CCP Gig. All Ages Event **POTATO SHED**

## Saturday 18

Vietnam Veterans' Remembrance Day

## Sunday 19

Bellarine Rail Trail Run



## Monday 20

Business Breakfast SpringDale 7am



## Thursday 23 – Saturday 25

West Side Story

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## Friday 24

Daffodil Day



## Sunday 26

Portarlington Market 9am-2pm  
Anne Drysdale celebration SpringDale 2pm



## Monday 30, Tuesday 31 & Saturday 1 Sept

Camp Monster

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## from the centre

Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]



Dear Everyone

It is business month at SpringDale. We will be launching the 2012 Business and Services Directory and we have more than 120 businesses, 30 community groups and 16 display ads in this edition. Many businesses have sought out the directory to ensure that they are included. You'll notice that we have partnered with both City of Greater Geelong and Barwon Disability Resource Centre to develop an accessible format map of Drysdale and we will work towards having all the other maps in the same format for the next edition. Please let the businesses and the clubs know that you find the directory to be useful and that you appreciate their support of the directory which enables it to be delivered free to our residents and visitors.

The services that are available to our businesses include: photocopying, faxing, scanning, printing, binding, typing, monthly advertising opportunities in the SpringDale Messenger, opportunities to place notices on our notice board in the centre of Drysdale, a presence on our website and a link to business website if you have one, quarterly Business Breakfasts – our next will be part of the Victorian and Geelong Business Festivals and we will be focused on Marketing our Town – marketing techniques that we could all employ and you might employ in your business. Our next breakfast is Monday 20 August 7am – 8.30am, we have room for 120 participants and we have received bookings already from regular attendees. Please book to ensure a spot.

SpringDale is a not for profit organisation, but we must operate as a not for loss organisation as well. Any surplus is fed

straight back into the services that we provide. We have been able to grow our business by developing a Strategic Plan that gave us goals to aim for and we did. Approximately 3 years ago we decided to increase the number of SpringDale Messengers printed each month to 7000 and to increase our distribution. This has been very successful and we thank everyone for making this goal come true.

SpringDale with our Annual General Meeting being held on Friday, 31 August, at 1.30pm is a time for us to celebrate the last twelve months and all that we have learnt and been able to achieve. Annual Meetings allow an organisation to collate the results of the year against the goals. It allows the opportunity for reflection and time and space to contemplate the things that worked and the things that could have turned out better. Saying thank you to the many people who make an organisation successful is also an important part of this annual event. It is also a great opportunity to meet other members of SpringDale, as so many of us participate in programs and activities at such a wide range of times that it is hard to know the whole SpringDale family. Membership continues to be \$5 a year and we would love you to renew it or to become a member for the first time. Membership entitles people to participate in our Special Interest Groups, reduced photocopying, faxing and laminating and also allows you to be part of one of the largest most diverse group on the Bellarine.

Thanks for helping to make our community the best place in the world to live.

Anne Brackley  
For the whole SpringDale Team.

### Invitation to Business Owners

We would like to invite business owners to the third Business Network Breakfast for 2012 on **Monday, 20 August 21 at 7am**. Business owners come together in a friendly atmosphere and learn from each other and guest speakers.

**TOPIC: Marketing our Town**

**Phone SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 and reserve your place now.**

Mark this date in your diary



# Business Network Breakfast Monday 20 August



## It's Tax Time again

SpringDale is again helping folks with their taxation returns. We have **Tax Help** volunteer, Brian, ready to assist you with issues you find difficult.

It is a great opportunity to have your current or past returns completed before further taxation changes.

**Just call SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960 for an appointment.**

## SPRINGDALE AGM



### SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre AGM

Everyone is invited to attend the SpringDale Annual General Meeting on the **Friday, 31 August, 1.30pm.**

## How did you receive your Messenger this month?

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We welcome your response





## Volunteer of the Month



**Sharon Walters**

Office Assistant

SpringDale is lucky to be supported by almost 100 volunteers who help on the Committee of Management, as a Group leader or in the office. The volunteer of this month is Sharon Walters. Sharon has been a volunteer at SpringDale for the last 6 years and has looked after the *Town by Town* column for Drysdale and Clifton Springs for many of those years. Approximately 3 years ago Sharon adopted the Course Guide and works on keeping the dates accurate and the information up to date. Sharon is at SpringDale 2 days a week, sharing her time and skills with us and our community.

*Thanks so much for your support.*

## Economic Development Plan



This project continues to gather information from our local businesses. The local skills and ventures are being mapped, from these we can amalgamate our strengths and also work out our weaknesses as a community. It is with this knowledge that we can formulate what our community could look like or should look like to be a sustainable robust community. We have spent a great deal of time talking to businesses and community members about the Urban Design Framework which has been developed over the last 6 months and how it helps encourage development in Drysdale and Clifton Springs.

In August we will be finalising the community event to help us all come together to ensure that every person has had an opportunity to participate in designing the future for our town. If you would like to be part of the team that is helping to facilitate this please contact Dianne Bennett on (03) 5253 1960 or email [support@springdale.org.au](mailto:support@springdale.org.au) as soon as possible.

**Anne Brackley**

*Coordinator, SpringDale  
Neighbourhood Centre.*

## The SpringDale 'From Streetscape to Artscape' Project

What does the project title *From Streetscape to Artscape* conjure up? Over the last few years many of us have spoken about the types of art we would love to see in our streets. In many towns and cities there are pieces of art in the street and in parks which are great to visit and investigate, great to view and inspire, great to encourage and entertain. I have shared my vision of having statues of Anne Drysdale, Caroline Newcomb and some sheep in Pioneer Women's park across the road from SpringDale. I see these as being strong robust pieces as the ladies were in real life. I feel that we should celebrate the fact that Anne Drysdale was the first woman in Australia to have the vote as she was a land owner

(but she didn't get to keep her vote for very long). Anne's birthday is 26 August and this year marks 220 years since her birth.

Many people have spoken to me about having a Bunyip statue at Lake Lorne to celebrate the story of how the Bunyip leaves the lake each year to travel to the schools for the Bunyip Festival. What other conversations have you had with other people – what would you like to see in encapsulated in a piece of art?

The project has started. We held a session in which we had the pleasure of meeting David Fitzsimmons, City of Greater Geelong Arts Officer and David showed us a display of art pieces in the City of Greater Geelong environs as well as pieces that he has had involvement with in other parts of Australia. David invited two artists Mark Strachan and Glen Smith, who have created many pieces in the Geelong area and are currently working on some pieces for the new developments off Jetty road.

Some members of the Festival of Glass Committee met with representatives from Wathaurang and artists to investigate a piece of art that the Festival could sponsor.



If you would like to be part of this discussion and help to develop a plan for art pieces in our community, which will involve the stories we would like to celebrate as a piece of art and the positions where pieces could/should be placed. This plan will enable us to seek funding for specific pieces of art and match opportunities with ideas. I am so excited about this.

Please join me at SpringDale on Sunday 26 August for high tea to celebrate Anne Drysdale's birthday at 2pm and please bring along your ideas to help this discussion to start to create our plan.

**Please RSVP to SpringDale on  
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as soon as possible. I can hardly wait.

**Anne Brackley**

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# Years ago

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## Lawn Tennis

### Drysdale

In the district pennant tennis matches the Drysdale club were again victorious, defeating Queenscliff by 47 games to 14.

# Busy at the Shed

It's another busy month at the Shed with community shows and *The Elements Season* keeping us busy this winter. There is still time to get tickets for Blunt Production's *The Drowsy Chaperone*. A parody of American 20s musicals, this high energy fun show is a great incentive to get rugged up and get out of the house and into the community this winter.

Our 2012 Season continues with *Diving for Pearls* by Katherine Thompson. This iconic play dramatically records the moment Australia joined the world of globalised economics in the 1980's. The play sees Kevin Harrington of Sea Change fame, return to the Bellarine for the starring role.

Morning Showtime sees *The Australian Army Band* return to the Potato Shed. Always worth seeing, make sure you get in quick to secure a ticket. Bellarine Jongleurs round out the month with *Camp Monster*. Come and see *Dracula*, *The Wicked Witch*, *Wolfman*, and more as they fight for their survival at Camp Flonster, where monsters can be themselves!

Remember, group discounts are available for all shows. Watch this space for more info and to book, call us today on (03) 5251 1998 or drop in to 41 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale. You can also find us at [www.geelongaustralia.com.au/potatoshed](http://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/potatoshed) or visit our Facebook page. Until next time and we hope to see you at the Potato Shed soon.

# WIN 2 DOUBLE PASSES

## POTATO SHED

To enter fill out the coupon below and send or deliver to:  
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# What's on

**27, 28 July & 2,3,4 Aug**

*Drowsy Chaperone* Blunt Productions  
8pm. 2pm (Sat 28 Only)  
Adult \$30 Conc \$22

**7 Aug**

*Diving for Pearls*  
11am & 8pm. Adult \$32 Conc \$28

**8 Aug**

CoGG Boundary Meeting #1  
7pm. Open to the Public

**9 Aug**

*Robocup*  
Bellarine Secondary College

**10 Aug**

*Spud Club*  
(Incl. Talent Quest Auditions)  
6.30pm Juniors. 8.30pm Adults. \$5 Entry

**14 Aug**

*Morning Showtime.*  
*Australian Army Band*  
10.30am. \$14 incl Morning Tea

**15 Aug**

CoGG Boundary Meeting #2  
7pm. Open to the Public

**17 Aug**

CCP Gig. All Ages Event

**23 - 25 Aug**

*West Side Story*  
Bellarine Secondary College Production  
7.30pm  
Adult - \$15. Conc - \$12  
4 tickets for \$40

**30, 31 August**

**1 Sept**  
*Camp Monster*  
Bellarine Jongleurs

**AUGUST**

**Book your  
seats NOW!**



**7 August Diving for Pearls.  
11am & 8pm**



**14 August Morning Showtime. Australian Army Band 10.30am**



**27, 28 July & 2,3,4 August  
8pm. 2pm (Sat 28 only)**



**Performance times  
Thursday 30 Aug - 7pm  
Friday 31 Aug - 7pm  
Saturday 1 Sept - 7pm**

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.

**POTATO SHED**

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### Bellarine Fire Brigades

Congratulations to the Bellarine Fire Brigades group who celebrated their 50th anniversary recently along with the launch of the book 'All Fired Up' about the history of the group. The Bellarine Fire Brigades group have over 600 years of service across the nine brigades, coordinating emergency responses as well as providing training and support. They play a vital role that is greatly appreciated by the community. I was pleased to attend the celebration dinner and have the opportunity to acknowledge the great work that our local CFA volunteers do each year to keep our community safe.

### Drysdale Rotary

It was great to attend the Drysdale Rotary meeting recently and catch up with the local members and hear about the projects they are currently working on in the area. Drysdale Rotary does a fantastic job and the members should be very proud of their contribution to the community including the very successful Easter Art Show (this year held for the

first time at the new Christian College Bellarine Centre for Sport and Performing Arts), the Miniature Railway at Point Richards and the BBQ they host regularly at the Sunday market. They are to be commended for their hard work and volunteer contribution to the community and I was pleased to be present at their meeting and acknowledge their efforts.

### Tafe Funding

As the Member for Bellarine, I am very concerned about the State Government's decision to make substantial funding cuts to TAFE, particularly in this time of unemployment and job losses. As I understand it, the Gordon Institute of TAFE are facing a cut of about \$14 million next year. The 20% funding cut will see some courses go all together and many others facing large increases in fees that would need to be paid by students. Further details of the impact on the courses and staffing at the Gordon TAFE will be decided soon.

I have raised some of these concerns on three occasions now in Parliament.

I, and the whole Labor Opposition, intend to continue to raise these issues and to fight to have this decision overturned. In fact it will be one of the key issues that we are committed to pushing for over coming months.

I encourage people who have concerns about this to email me at [lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au), but also the Premier the Hon Ted Baillieu MP [ted.baillieu@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:ted.baillieu@parliament.vic.gov.au) and the Minister for Higher Education the Hon Peter Hall MP [peter.hall@parliament.vic.gov.au](mailto:peter.hall@parliament.vic.gov.au)

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.

## Neighbourhood Watch - Be safe...always

### B Text

Have you registered your mobile phone number for B Text? B Text is a new Neighbourhood Watch message service to inform you on what's happening in your community thanks to the expertise of BCC Computers and BCC Betta Home Living, Geelong West. Message "NHW Reg" to 0409 129 988 to register. It's that simple. Register today and be informed.

### Review of Crime Trends

Thefts from cars continue unabated, whether parked in driveways, on street, on nature strips or in front yards. And SO many thefts have occurred from unlocked cars. The message is clear: Remove ALL valuables from cars and LOCK them when unattended. Also, residential burglary indicates a 24% increase on last year's figures.

Residents should ensure they make every effort to prevent burglary of their home.

Road trauma is of concern within the Geelong and Surf Coast Police Service Areas. Driver distraction is seen as the main cause of much of the road trauma being experienced. Every driver on Victoria's roads has the responsibility to themselves, to their own families and to other road users to drive safely by sticking to the speed limit and obeying the road rules. It is not OK to use a mobile phone while driving. It is not OK to speed. And it is not OK to be "a little bit over" the alcohol limit. Your challenge – develop a community message to raise awareness of Road trauma. Forward your message to Neighbourhood Watch **Geelong by email to:** [nhwgreatergeelong@gmail.com](mailto:nhwgreatergeelong@gmail.com)

### Cyberbullying

What is it? Cyberbullying is using technology to deliberately and repeatedly bully someone else. It can happen to anyone, anytime, and can leave you feeling unsafe and alone. Cyberbullying can include abusive texts and emails, posting unkind messages or images, imitating others online, excluding others online and inappropriate image tagging. Remember, treat others as you would like to be treated when communicating online.



### Victoria Police: Eyewatch Pilot Project

Eyewatch is a social media initiative, which creates opportunities for local communities to be actively engaged with police and to participate in crime prevention and safety activities using Facebook®. The objectives of Eyewatch are to:

- Enhance interaction between police and communities in order to promote community safety and build confidence in policing services;
- Create ownership within the community to encourage active involvement in the reduction of crime and perception of crime within local areas; and
- Support the revitalisation of the Neighbourhood Watch program within Victoria through social media.

**William Sheahan**

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# SES needs your help



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The Duty Officer will not be required to head out in the field but will play a vital role at the unit's headquarters. When the SES receives calls for help, the Duty Officer will coordinate their efforts via radio and telephone, ensuring jobs are answered, equipment is assigned and members are kept informed. While emergency management or radio experience would be a benefit, all training for the role will be provided and everyone is welcome to lend a hand.

Deputy controller of the Bellarine Unit, Rachel Vella, said operational members were currently filling the role of Duty Officer, tying up those who could be helping on the ground.

"The position can have some pressure, especially when it is a road rescue, as they can be time critical," Ms Vella said.



SES volunteers (back to front): Pat Culton, Dion Henderson and Paul Finn operating the radio and phones at the Bellarine unit.

"The rewards are amazing, though. Nothing beats the satisfaction you get from helping people in their time of need. We would like to find someone who can be a full-time volunteer Duty Officer, or several people to share the role."

If you would like to sign on as Duty Officer, or if you can help the unit in some other way, contact Rachel Vella on 0405 250 754 or email to [bellarine@ses.vic.gov.au](mailto:bellarine@ses.vic.gov.au)

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Drysdale Clifton Springs Community Association

## Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association Public Meeting

On Wednesday 22 August 2012, at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, High Street Drysdale at 7pm. The focus will be *Marketing our Town*, a session to compliment, the discussion held as part of the SpringDale Business Breakfast held earlier in the same week. There will be an update on the upcoming 2013 Festival of Glass - Come and see what next year's Festival will be like - we have ideas to attract even more visitors than this year's record attendance of 6,500.

## Caring for our Country – Community Environment Day

Friday 24 August 10am at The Dell. Come along and enjoy a day with grade 3 students from both Drysdale and Clifton Springs Primary Schools. (Unfortunately



the day scheduled in June had to be postponed because of wet weather) Redesigning Drysdale town centre DCSCA is looking forward to a City of Greater Geelong (CoGG) report about the future of Drysdale town centre. The report should summarise two consultation sessions that the council ran at Drysdale's Senior Citizens centre on June 18 and 23 to gauge local reaction to its Draft Drysdale Urban Design Framework (DDUDF). Each session attracted around fifty local people (including DCSCA representatives) and there were lots of positive ideas.

**Contacting DCSCA: PO Box 581,  
Drysdale, Vic. 3222;  
or [dryclift@bigpond.com](mailto:dryclift@bigpond.com)**

**For up-to-date news, please visit DCSCA's  
blog - [drycliftdays.blogspot.com/](http://drycliftdays.blogspot.com/)  
Patrick Hughes, DCSCA Secretary**



## Phones & iPad



After the success of our first sessions linking phones and community members with ipads and Bellarine Secondary College students, we would like to offer another set of sessions.

If you would like to be part of this concept please register at SpringDale (03) 5253 1960.

We hoping to run the sessions on Wednesdays late morning. This is still to be confirmed.



## Marketing our town

Consider whether or not the community is making the most of business opportunities generated by visitors.

The Bellarine continues to experience record growth in visitor arrivals and overnight stays, as more people become aware of all that we have to offer. As business owners we need to understand why they are coming and what attracts them to our area. On 20 August 2012 a session will be held at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre from 7am – 8.30am for \$10 per person.

**Places are limited and bookings must be made by contacting  
SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.**



## Funeral Plans

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Community Relations Officer, Alyson Burchell will provide local information and practical advice about funeral planning, funeral service options and local cemeteries.

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## Worried About Someone?

The Bellarine Youth Development Network is pleased to release the Worried About Someone? brochures. The brochures are designed to give parents and carers information about ways they can help someone that might be going through a rough time. The members of the Bellarine Youth Development Network want to provide useful information to the parents and carers in our local community.

Mel Taylor, the School Focused Youth Service Coordinator with BATForce said "Young people tell us that their family is the most important source of support and advice. Young people will turn to their friends and family members to talk about what they're going through."

"Sometimes we just get stuck, we don't know what to say or do. This brochure is a guide to get the conversation started and to offer some suggestions about where to seek professional help." Mel said.

In the 2011 National Survey of Young Australian's young people identified a number of issues that they are concerned about. Most commonly young people identified that they are concerned about coping with stress, worried about body image, and are experiencing problems with school or study. A greater number of young people are also experiencing bullying.

These brochures will be distributed to families on the Bellarine Peninsula through local Secondary Schools. The brochures will also be available at Bellarine Community Health and headspace centres.

**If you would like a copy of the brochure, please call Mel Taylor on 0438 558 130.**





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See page 15 for delicious Fennel recipes.

# fennel



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## HEALTH & WELLBEING

# Who Cares? Bellarine Youth Art Exhibition

Who Cares? That's the question being asked of Geelong's young budding artists. Young artists between the ages of 12 and 25 will get an opportunity to showcase their artistic talents at the Bellarine Youth Art Exhibition. Organised by the Bellarine Youth Action Crew, the exhibition runs from **Sunday 26 August to Friday 7 September, 2012** at the Potato Shed.

A closing night celebration will be held on **Friday 7 September between 6pm and 8:30pm.**

The exhibition will involve a wide selection of artwork in a range of forms including

painting, drawing, photography, mosaic and sculpture. The theme for this exhibition is 'Who Cares?' The aim of the exhibition is for young people to create art, to express what it is they care about and to be acknowledged and celebrated for their talent and artistic abilities.

The Bellarine Youth Art Exhibition is open to any young person between the ages of 12 and 25. Prizes will be available to artists who show great creative talent and flair. Artwork on display will also be available for sale.

**For more details phone or text Mel Taylor on 0438 558 130. Go to [www.youthcan.vic.gov.au](http://www.youthcan.vic.gov.au) to download the application form.**

The Bellarine Youth Art Exhibition is a fundraising event for the Geelong Hospital Appeal. The exhibition is organised by the Bellarine Youth Action Crew and supported by the City of Greater Geelong, Bellarine Community Health and BATForce. The event was made possible with financial support from Youth Foundations - North Bellarine.

## Pole Walking



Thank you very much indeed for demonstrating the use of poles for walking and for lending me those wonderful poles. They are great! I have to confess that when I first saw people walking around the local area using poles I thought that poles were a complete affectation, particularly in suburbia. However, my experience has shown me to have been too quick to judge and that using poles is a truly fantastic addition to walking exercise. With walking poles, the whole body gets a workout. As you can read, I am a complete convert.

In August and September I shall be walking The Camino, the centuries-old pilgrim walk across the top of Spain. After my darling husband died in March, I was invited by my sister-in-law to join her and my brother in their walk of the last third of *The Camino* (320Km). I shall take some of my husband's ashes to scatter on the walk - as does Martin Sheen in the recent film *The Way*, which was written and directed by his real-life son, Emilio Estevez, who also stars in the movie. I have thus been in training to wear in my new boots and to get as fit as possible.

Recently, Anne Brackley offered me a pair of walking poles to try. They are fantastic. As walking poles are now de rigueur on *The Camino*, you will probably see me around Drysdale and environs striding out with my new pink poles and increasing weight in a pack. I had my comeuppance last weekend in Queenscliff. A somewhat scruffy gentleman stopped me and said, 'Excuse me Ma'am?' 'Yes', I replied thinking he was going to ask me for some money. 'Where are your skis?' 'I left them on the slopes', I laughed. He laughed too but, I am sure he thought that poles were an affectation and that I was a complete poseur! Serves me right! Many thanks, Anne and I hope lots of people join the Pole Walking group. **Della Broderick-Brown**

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## our reader's feedback

### Digital Future

With a digital future ahead and newspapers disappearing, I hope we still receive the SpringDale Messenger. I find it a great magazine.

**Jenny, Drysdale**

### Adrian Mannix Winner

Congratulations to Richard Underwood for winning the Adrian Mannix Award this year. He seems a very worthy recipient.

**Bill, Drysdale**

### Purple Potatoes

I had never seen or heard of purple potatoes until I read last month's SpringDale Messenger. Now all I have to do is find out where I can buy some, as Safeway does not sell them.

**Jackie, Clifton Springs**

### New Houses

Recently I drove down Jetty Road and was amazed at all the new houses. I think car parking will be a big issue soon, especially around the small Drysdale shopping area.

**Kylie, Clifton Springs**

### Drysdale Racetracks

I am having a few sleepless nights as cars use our streets as racetracks. They do it with ease as no police are in the area. Be alert around Anderson Road and Princess Street in the evenings.

**Robert, Drysdale**

### Ginger is Great

Referring to your article in the Messenger July issue, I am 90 years of age and I can say that Ginger has always been part of my diet. I find it is very beneficial to my wellbeing. It aids my digestion, and I really enjoy the taste. Try some, it is good for young and old. I eat some everyday. I also enjoy reading the Messenger very much.

**Marie, Woodend**

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



## Port Musos

Port Musos is a small group of musicians who play a variety of instruments and who enjoy making music together every Wednesday from 7pm -8pm. New members of any age or experience are welcome; please contact Sylvia for further information on (03) 5251 2262.

## Scrabble Word for August

For Scrabble fanatics an unfamiliar word is sometimes very crucial to the game.

This month the word is addax – a large, pale coloured antelope that lives in the Sahara desert. Scrabble is played at SpringDale every Tuesday afternoon at 1pm.



## Chatterbooks at Drysdale

Why not join us after school for an exciting afternoon full of bookish fun? We will explore your favourite books, authors and so much more. There is no need to book, just come along on the third **Monday of the month to Drysdale Library from 4pm – 5pm.**

Chatterbooks is designed for those aged between 8 and 12 years, to discover and share their special books.



## Champions Read

**Book Week** is the longest running children's festival in Australia and this year will be held from **Saturday 18 to Friday 24 August**. The theme in 2012 is *Champions Read*. Each year, many schools and public libraries from all over Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators. Classroom teachers, teacher librarians and public librarians develop activities, offer competitions and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading. Reading is a relaxing and effective way to have fun.



## First Birthday

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# Ford Centre, Potato Shed and Coffee Club



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Last month our member Frank Keogh told us of interesting events from his life story; this month, at our meeting on August 13, we will have a Baby Photos quiz, which should be a fun time. Our Trips and Tours Friends had a very interesting trip to the Ford Discovery Centre recently and it is a great shame that it will be closing shortly. We have also been to some great shows at the Potato Shed and enjoyed friendly fellowship at our Coffee Club.

Our regular meetings are held in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club from 10am on the second Monday of each month. We are a social club for ladies and gents - visitors and prospective members, singles and couples, are welcomed at all our meetings and activities. We would like to increase our membership, so come along and check us out.

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

## Lions Club of Portarlington/Drysdale



# New President for Port Lions



*Incoming Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club President, John Emerson (right) is congratulated by installing officer, Lions Past District Governor, John Greenwood.*

Portarlington resident, John Emerson, has been installed as President of the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club for 2012-13. John was installed by Lions Past District Governor, John Greenwood, and takes over from 2011-12 President, Robert Wilson-Browne.

More than 70 Lions, Lady Lions and guests attended the 2012 changeover dinner held at the Portarlington Girl

Guides Hall. Over the past year, the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club has distributed more than \$30,000 to around 40 community organisations and individuals. Major donations included \$3,788 to Bellarine SES Unit for a new mini 'Jaws of Life' accident emergency cutter and \$2,000 to facilitate visits by a children's author to four Primary Schools in Portarlington, Drysdale and St Leonards.

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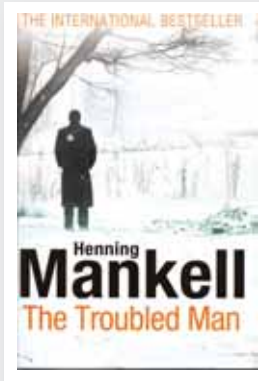
## The Book Club - *The Troubled Man*

On Monday 2 July, the Book Club met to discuss *The Troubled Man* by Henning Mankell.

When Linda, daughter of Swedish policeman, Kurt Wallender has a baby with her partner Hans, Kurt is drawn into a mystery surrounding the disappearance of both of Hans' parents. The wealthy couple, Hakan and Louise, disappear separately and some time later the body of Louise is discovered, apparently the result of a suicide. Kurt is drawn into the investigation. It becomes apparent that the disappearance is complicated and is related to Hakan's past as a naval submarine commander.

For fans of the television series, the book allows insights into Kurt's mind and character that are not possible on screen. An always morose and brooding man, as he ages he becomes obsessed with the poor state of his health, impending old age and probable loneliness.

As with Mankell's other books in this series, fact and fiction mingle and our group noted that books with a Swedish setting often contain political details from that country's fairly recent past.



Author



Henning Mankell

The Swedish place names can make it a little difficult for readers, particularly as Wallender spends a lot of time travelling from place to place in search of answers. It seems that Mankell is drawing the Wallender series to a close and some of our group were disappointed with the ending, considering that there were too many loose ends. Others found it satisfying to have some things left to imagination and to draw their own conclusions. Some found the story a little disjointed as if two stories were being told and not entirely related. We thought it might be an idea to read more of Henning Mankell's writing apart from the Wallender series. This book averaged a rating of six out of ten with mystery fans being more appreciative.

In August the group will discuss the novels of award-winning Australian author Kate Morton whose work includes *The Shifting Fog*; *The House at Riverton* and *The Forgotten Garden*. The book for September is *The Gathering*

by Anne Enright.

**Our meetings at SpringDale on the first Monday of each month at 7.30pm are informal and new members are always very welcome. For more details, contact SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.**

# ART Exhibition

The SpringDale Artists Annual Exhibition will be held on **Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 September** at the SpringDale Hall. Please keep the date free and enjoy a cultural exhibition at SpringDale.

## Drysdale Seniors Activities

Community members, 55 years young, are welcome to come and join the fun at the club. We have trips arranged during the year.

**For enquires please contact us on (03) 5251 2983.**

### Monday

- Yoga 9.15 am – 10.45am
- Carpet bowls, cards and snooker – 1pm

### Tuesday

- Weight Watchers – 9.30am – 11am
- Lunch 1pm Bingo – 11.30am

### Wednesday

- Exercises – 11am – 12noon
- Carpet bowls, snooker – 1pm
- WACAS – 5pm – 7pm

### Thursday

- Line Dancing – 9am – 12noon
- Arts, craft, chat & tea – 12.30pm
- Coryule Choir – 1.30pm
- Yoga – 6pm – 9.15pm

### Friday

- Carpet bowls, snooker – 1pm

### Saturday

- Snooker – 1pm

### Sunday

- Church Service – 10.30am

## International Lighthouses Weekend



Cape Otway Lighthouse

On **18 and 19 August** the Queenscliff Maritime Museum will celebrate this occasion at the Point Lonsdale lightstation with a Flag raising ceremony 11am Saturday, Lighthouse tours both days (bookings required), Fog Horn soundings both days to open and close proceedings, Fog Horn shed open to the public (a rare occurrence), and Broadcasts to lighthouses around the world by the Geelong Amateur Radio Club. The weekend intends to raise the profile of lighthouses, lightvessels and other navigational aids, promoting our maritime heritage. The International Lighthouses Weekend was first held in 1994 and over the past 17 years it has grown to over 400 lighthouses in some 50 countries around the world participating in the event.

**Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to experience something special.**

## Welcome to... Bellarine Peninsula Christian Church

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Other meetings during the week.  
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# FENNEL

## Fabulous Fennel

The word fennel developed from the Middle English fennel or fenyl, and is pronounced finnochio in Italian. The Latin word for the plant means "hay". Historical notes indicate the word fennel is the origin of the place name Marathon (meaning "place of fennel"), site of the Battle of Marathon in 490 BC; however, there is not recorded history that fennel was seen or grown there now.

Fennel is a perennial herb. It is erect, green, and grows to heights of up to 1 metre, with hollow stems. Its leaves are similar to those of dill, but thinner and the flowers are tiny and yellow.



### Fennel Gratin



#### Ingredients

1 kilo fennel bulbs - about 3-4 bulbs  
Salt  
3-4 tbsps olive oil  
½ cup grated parmesan cheese  
½ cup bread crumbs (herbed or plain)  
2 tsps fresh thyme  
½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese  
Chopped fennel fronds, for garnish

#### Method

Cut off the fronds and stems of the fennel and save them for another dish; they are a great addition to stocks and broths.

Cut the bulbs in quarters, then 2-4cm pieces and discard the woody cores.

Grease a casserole pan or gratin pan with 1 tablespoon olive oil and preheat the oven to 180°C.

Boil the fennel in a medium pot of salty water for 5-6 minutes, or until the fennel is just about tender.

Drain well and toss with a tablespoon of olive oil.

Mix the parmesan, thyme and bread crumbs, then mix half of that mixture with the fennel. Add the fennel to the casserole in an even layer. Top with the mozzarella cheese, then the rest of the parmesan-bread crumb mixture. Drizzle 1-2 tablespoons of olive oil over the top.

Cover the casserole and bake for 20 minutes. Take the cover off and bake until the cheese is well browned, about 15 more minutes. Let the gratin rest for 5 minutes before serving. Garnish with chopped fresh fennel fronds.

Serve 6-8 as a side dish.

### Roasted Fennel



#### Ingredients

2 fennel bulbs  
(thick base of stalk),  
stalks cut off, bulbs halved  
lengthwise, then cut  
lengthwise in 20mm thick  
pieces  
Olive oil  
Balsamic vinegar

#### Method

Preheat oven to 200°C.

Rub just enough olive oil over the fennel to coat. Sprinkle on some balsamic vinegar, also to coat. Line baking dish with aluminum foil. Lay out the pieces of fennel and roast for 30-40 minutes, or until the fennel is cooked through and beginning to caramelize.

Serves 4.



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# Eleventh Birthday Celebrations

"VIEW" stands for VOICE, INTERESTS and EDUCATION of WOMEN, a national network of women's clubs, and we are a valued part of The Smith Family. Our local VIEW Club notched up eleven successful years, on Friday 22 June, so for our monthly lunch meeting, we decided to mark this Birthday milestone with a Legs 11 party theme, - with entertainment based of course, on the bingo term, and it was definitely a case of being All About The Legs! It truly was a fun and friendship day, for over 80 members and guests, with much hilarity caused by the quite astonishing range of technicolour leg wear that our members and guests appeared in.

We, along with the massed colourful Birthday Legs 11 decorations created by our Craft Group, certainly brightened up one of the wettest, most miserable winter days of this year, with many of the

members and guests from other VIEW Clubs having to drive through flooded roads to get to the warm welcome awaiting them in the Function Room of the Portarlington Golf Club. The fundraising aspect was easily taken care of, and most enjoyably, by our Trading Table - 'Make It, Bake It, or Grow It' and by a multiple prizes raffle.

VIEW women connect with each other, and reach out into their own and wider communities, by supporting The Smith Family's Learning For Life programs. These programs assist disadvantaged school students to participate fully in their school activities, by providing the funds to enable them to do so, and thus encourage them to stay on at school, to gain a better education, and thus increase their future job opportunities. There are about 700 students in the Geelong region on this program, which has already

proved its worth nation-wide, and many thousands around Australia.

VIEW women are committed to actively contributing to their communities, while building a network of personal friendships and having fun at the same time. VIEW members can access events including regional galas, conferences and annual national conventions, where we hear inspiring guest speakers, learn more about the changing world and network with members from other Clubs. VIEW Clubs provide leadership opportunities and members also can, if they wish, volunteer in the community, as part of The Smith Family's activities. We are proud to be VIEW women.

**Laurel Greenhalgh**

*Publicity Officer, Drysdale Ladies Day VIEW Club*



## More destinations planned 'on the buses'



We have held a number of very successful trips, all based on community suggestions, with trips to Ballarat, Point Cook, Daylesford and the Werribee Zoo. Our latest suggestion is a trip to the stage play War Horse later in the year. We have a few people interested and wondering whether we would have enough for a bus.

We are continuing our familiarisation sessions with the local McHarry's buses and over the last couple of months we have held two to three each month. We have been to Point Lonsdale, Ocean Grove and St Leonards and around Drysdale and Clifton Springs a number of

times. I continue to rave about the fact that Monday to Friday the Drysdale Clifton Springs bus runs 26 times a day. We do have copies of the timetable available free at SpringDale and I'm more than happy to be convinced to ride on the bus around Drysdale Clifton Springs. It is a pleasant 30 minute trip and I like going at lunchtime.

**This month we'll go to Portarlington on Thursday, 30 Aug departing at 11.44am.** Let's have lunch, catch the bus back to SpringDale, and then we'll tour Clifton Springs on the following bus. Feel free to join us on either trip that day. We are so lucky to have such a great service.

Being able to provide this type of transport familiarisation service allows us to help keep our community connected and reduce isolation and increase the capacity of our community. Many of our activities have this as their main purpose and of course they are fun.

Transport familiarisation volunteer might be a great role for someone who loves our bus service as much as I do - I'd be more than happy to share this role.

**Anne Brackley**



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Springdale Neighbourhood Centre is nearing the end of its current Strategic Plan which spanned 2009 – 2012, and we are now in the process of extending and updating that plan to cover 2013 – 2015.

Some of you have already responded to the questionnaire in July's Messenger, and we would still love to hear from you if you haven't yet thought to do so.

As we are here to serve and support the community, it is really important to us to gain feedback from you – the ones who use our facilities.

We will continue to work towards the goals that were identified in our previous Strategic Plan:

- Spreading great community messages – improving communication across the north Bellarine.
- Our diverse community – understanding and supporting key community groups.
- Training for a positive future – meeting employment preparation and adjustment needs.
- Maintaining social connections – keeping people connected with each other.
- Room for our Centre to grow – enabling the Centre to meet future needs.
- Going even greener – building on our sustainable foundations.
- Getting governance and management right –



continuously improving our capacity to operate a great centre for our community. Our focus is you – the community, so we want to give you the chance to comment on the services and programs we provide, and to suggest new programs, groups or any other improvements that you feel would be valuable. The next step in our plan is to do some survey work at the Safeway complex, so look out for us there. We'll be keen to hear your ideas and feedback. As the population of the north Bellarine grows,

our aim is to keep up with that growth, and to continue to be a point of contact and place of belonging for both new and established residents in our area.

If you would like to visit the centre and talk with us about an idea or suggestion you have, you can contact our office to make a time with Dianne, Leonie or Anne, or just drop in for a chat. And it's not too late to fill out the questionnaire and drop that in to the Springdale office.

**Dianne and Leonie.**



## kel's corner

### Kel - out and about

Kel has just had 3 very quiet weeks, away from his usual duties, due to ill health.

Kel was severely missed by residents and staff of Drysdale Grove during this period. His first outing was to don his fluoro vest and with Jack's lead in hand and his cane in the other hand he headed off.

Kel visits many ladies, who look forward to seeing him, look forward to a cuddle and maybe even a little "spin".

Many of the men enjoy Kel's stories and jokes and all look forward to seeing Jack and giving him a pat. "Jack doesn't round

up sheep any more just women" says Kel as everyone rushes to see Jack.

Although Kel gets jealous of the amount of attention that Jack gets, he still takes Jack with him. Kel generously shared his remedy for a sore throat with one of the ladies "to stop a cough eat a pickled onion". Kel even makes his own pickled onions.

Kel continues to tell me that his is finishing sharing his stories at the end of this year – I hope this is just one of Kel's taller stories. I know so many people really look forward to Kel's stories.

**Anne Brackley** scribe for Kel Davis

*Postscript: Kel and Norma Davis wish the new Captain of the Drysdale Fire Brigade, Brendan MacDonald all the best. They both know Brendan well and look forward to him being at the helm of the brigade.*



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The more I find out about honey bees, the more amazing I find them. There can be 60,000 bees in a hive, most of them female workers. The males (drones) just hang out at the hive, then fly off around lunchtime looking for sex. The one drawback to being a bee bloke is that sex is fatal. Each worker may carry out 15 or more different tasks in her short lifetime. Older workers leave the hive to look for nectar or pollen.

They may fly three kilometres or more for food and clock up 60 kilometres a day. A worker navigates by the sun, by the Earth's magnetic field, by landmarks and by scent. When she returns home, she can communicate the distance, direction and quality of a food source to her sisters.

The honey bee is an imported species. We have many native bees such as the blue banded bee, but none in Victoria live in large colonies.



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Of course, we gardeners are mostly interested in bees for their pollination services: 30% of our fruit and veg are pollinated by honey bees. The wise gardener wants to see a garden full of happy, busy bees. So how can we give the bees a helping hand?

### Bee Tucker

Bees get all of their nutrition from flower nectar and pollen. They need huge quantities of nectar, which they mostly get from flowering shrubs and trees and store as honey. When it comes to pollen, it's more a question of variety than quantity. Bees will collect different kinds of pollen and feed it to their young, so a flower-filled suburban garden is bee heaven. Simple, old-fashioned flowers are generally more useful to bees than fancy, double-flowered hybrids. To keep the bees coming back to your veggie garden, plant long-flowering ornamentals such as salvias and lavender around your vegies, and allow some vegies to go to seed. Bees love brassica flowers, for example.



### Bee-Friendly Practices

Avoid spraying when bees are about, as many common pesticides such as pyrethrum are deadly to bees. Systemic insecticides such as Confidor™ are of particular concern, as they spread through the entire plant and into its pollen. They have no place in an organic garden.

Perhaps the worst danger arises when feral colonies in buildings are poisoned: if the poisoned honeycomb is not removed, bees from other hives may plunder it, taking the poison back home to destroy their colonies also.

Finally, if you see a swarm of bees, don't panic! Swarming bees may look scary, but bees are at their least aggressive when they swarm. All they want is to be left alone to find a new home.

**For more gardening information, on the Drysdale Harvest Basket website, go to [www.drysdaleharvestbasket.org](http://www.drysdaleharvestbasket.org)**

## Clifton Springs Garden Club

Clifton Springs Garden Club meets every 3rd Monday evening at 7.30pm in the Drysdale Uniting Church Hall, Palmerston Street, Drysdale. If you are interested in all aspects of gardening then come along and enjoy the company of fellow gardeners. We have informative speakers, gardening trips and hints and tips from fellow gardeners. Come and join our happy and relaxed gardening club. Enquiries ring Lorraine on (03) 5251 1660.

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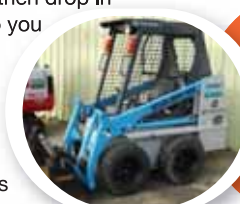


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# Carla Evans - Author

Helping Vietnam veterans and their families

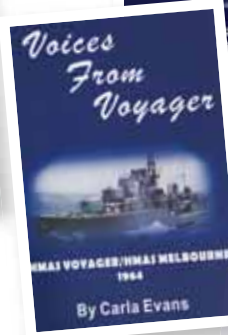
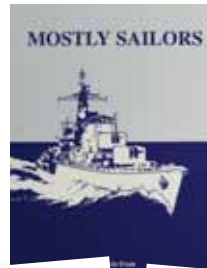
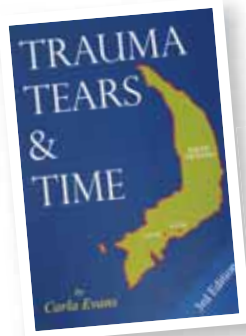
Over the last few years we have been lucky enough to have printed a few articles written by Carla but I have only just recently learned of the books that she has written over the last 20 years.

Her first book, *Trauma, Tears and Time* was written by a stay at home mum that had never written anything before. This book was based on interviews from a veterans radio program. Carla interviewed 6 veterans for a radio program called "Andy we salute you". This program won a BASF National Community Radio station award with excellence. This program helped so many Vietnam veterans and their families. Subsequent to the broadcast Carla was requested by so many people to preserve the information in print and thus *Trauma, Tears and Time* was born. This book like many of her books have been reprinted twice.

The next request for a book was from veterans from the Navy who wanted their stories told. "We were there too" they said. Carla spent 3 days in naval exercises on HMAS Perth (now scuttled) interviewing and experiencing naval life in a small way. During this period *Mostly Sailors* was penned.

Carla was then approached by the RAAF who said "We were there too" and so Carla researched and wrote *Wings of Support*. (About to be reprinted). All Carla's books are based on her passion for the truth and preserving history and she feels so honoured to have been trusted with these stories. These books have been used in a variety of ways to assist in recovery at repat hospitals and for family rehabilitation. *Serving those who served* is a book that captures and records Carla's endeavours to preserve the stories that have been shared with her over the last 20 years.

The Naval Military museum and other departments have Carla's book *Voices from Voyager* as a noted reference and many of her books are available for sale



at Australian War Memorials.

*Voices from*

*Voyager* is a collation of stories from sailors who survived the collision between HMAS Voyager and HMAS Melbourne in 1964.

Whilst visiting Tasmania, Carla accepted the challenge to document the history of Australian World Championship axemen in her book *The Good Axe*. This book features 12 axemen their lives and achievements

For something completely different, a light Christian romance called *Abishag*.

Carla writes for an international veterans quarterly magazine and there are links to these articles from her website

<http://www.vcministriesoffaith.com/>

Carla's book are for sale at the Drysdale Post Office and now also at SpringDale.

## Vietnam Veterans' Remembrance Day Saturday 18 August



The Long Tan Memorial cross is a simple tribute to an incredible and heroic battle.

**Vietnam Veterans' Day** is commemorated on **18 August** every year and recognises the efforts of Vietnam Veterans across the community and pays tribute to the men and women who paid the ultimate sacrifice in protecting their country. The day was originally known as Long Tan Day, chosen to commemorate the men of D Company, who fought in the battle of Long Tan in 1966.

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# My Life with Community Space

Since SpringDale opened the Community Space in St. Leonards the lives of many local residents have gained a new dimension. Whether your interest is art, craft, photography, family history, computers, Book Club or a variety of courses offered each Term, there is sure to be something for you at the Community Space.

My own life has been enriched by membership of F.O.T.A (*Friends of the Arts in St. Leonards*), the St. Leonards Community Camera Club and the Family History Group. As far as art is concerned I have no talent whatsoever, but I am an interested fellow traveller. F.O.T.A sponsors a weekly gathering of painters who sketch and paint and learn new skills – a current project is to paint a mural on the wall of one of our seaside

cottages – and it also arranges excursions to art galleries, Bellarine studios and local exhibitions. I go along as an enthusiastic novice. We recently had trips to Healesville to see the Archibald Prize portraits at Tarra Warra and to Heide to enjoy all sorts of weird and wonderful modern art. Next month we are planning to get acquainted with Napoleon at the National Gallery of Victoria while on the Archibald trip we explored some of the amazing antique shops where Pam found a lino press which weighed about a ton and needed a friend's truck to bring it home.

I found a rather tattered copy of W.T. Pyke's story of William Buckley, 'Thirty Years Among the Blacks of Australia', a rare find indeed.

The Camera Club is open to everyone who likes to get behind a camera and is made up of dummies like me and real experts like John, Don, Syl and Hugh. Every month we exhibit our best photos and to my surprise I got a highly- commended grade for an aerial photo of my house taken from a tiny Fox-Bat aeroplane. In coming months we are photographing 'Historic Buildings on the Bellarine' and 'Spectacular Cloud Scenes in Springtime'.



Top Right:  
Peter through the  
looking-glass

Above:  
Kath and friends on cypress  
seat outside the Community  
Space.  
Kath is a member  
of the Craft group.

Above left:  
'Dinghy' at St. Leonards  
painted by F.O.T.A  
member Pam

Below left:  
F.O.T.A members  
visit to Heidi



Family history is one area where I do have a modicum of knowledge, and as anyone acquainted with a family history buff will know, we are a bunch of fanatics who spend days of our spare time and sometimes a load of money searching for long lost ancestors. Rob is currently in Ireland researching family links, Joy is seeking convict ancestors in Tasmania, Ann is also tracking down Van Diemen's Land relatives (not convicts, she assures us), Geoff has written a great history of his teacher educator father and I am trying to find the

descendants of my great- grandfather's brother, a true 'black sheep' of our family. He got a servant girl pregnant and was packed off to Australia in disgrace. He found his way to the Bendigo goldfields, became a store keeper and drank himself to death on the whisky he was supposed to be selling to his clients. But his family survived and somewhere I must have distant cousins who claim him as their forebear. Such are the joys of searching one's family history, and it can all be done at the **St. Leonards Community Space**.

If you are interested in any of the above, or would like to start a group of your own, please come and join us. **Peter Munster St Leonards**



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Over the last couple of months many Drysdale residents have become quite worried about the ever shrinking size of Drysdale. A public meeting, attended by more than 120 people, was called by

will reduce the size of Drysdale by approximately 7%. Changes are proposed along Grubb Road, Jetty Road, Portarlinton Road and from Jetty Road



Top: Discussing the plans for proposed boundary changes  
Left: Holding a banner with a clear message about Drysdale

local residents and was attended by Councillor Rod Macdonald and a council officer.

There are 4 proposed boundary changes which

up to Barrands Lane. City of Greater Geelong have scheduled 2 meetings for community consultation to be held on this subject to be held at the Potato Shed on Wednesday 8th and Wednesday 15th August at 7pm. If people need transport to the meeting please let us know at SpringDale. I live in Wyndham Street only a couple of blocks from the centre of Drysdale and am surprised that my address my migrate to Clifton Springs. Concerned resident Anne Brackley.



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## Mary Competes in her fourth Olympics

**Mary Hannah** from Drysdale is competing in her fourth Olympics in London. Mary is part of the Australian dressage team and has been in Europe for a while training for the event. Mary started riding at an early age and now works as a full time equestrian coach and dressage horse trainer. Mary was originally a showjumping and eventing rider, converting to dressage in her 20's. When she is not competing around the world, Mary coaches some of the state's best up and coming riders out of her Drysdale property.

## Pony Club - catering for riders of all levels



Brie Snellaars, Drysdale

The Drysdale Leopold Pony Club holds a rally on the first Sunday of every month, except for the month of January. Rally instruction covers dressage, showjumping, cross country, games and active riding. Ten riding groups cater for riders from 4 to 24 years of age and all levels of riding. The Club runs three competitions per year - horse trials (one day events), dressage and show jumping. Rallies are held at Lake Lorne Reserve in Drysdale.

**If you are interested in becoming part of this club, contact , Rosie Snellaars on 0488 591 249.**



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