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SpringDale Hall Celebrates 100 Years



The SpringDale Hall, a centre piece to the village precinct of Drysdale

By Tony Gostelow

Following on from last month's feature to celebrate the upcoming 100 year anniversary of the SpringDale Hall, where and how it all began is of special interest. Its roots were down in Wyndham Street near the McClouds Waterholes, a small building called the Tuckfield Chapel was erected circa 1849. Reverend Tuckfield held services there hence the name. Some years later around 1855 a new Chapel was erected and the original extended to house the minister.

A plaque was unveiled in 1999 by a descendant of Francis Tuckfield on the site of the original building which stood near the junction of Jetty Road and Wyndham Street. By 1862 it became obvious that the township of Drysdale was going to prosper and grow along the main road that we know today. With that in mind the Chapel was shifted to the site where the SpringDale Hall now stands.

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Saturday 8

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Sunday 9

Tight & Tu-tus The Ballet School Annual Presentation 2012

Monday 10

Piano Concert *Silvia Thomson*

Tuesday 11 Afternoon Tea and Choir 3.30pm

Wednesday 12 12.12.12. Theatre 3triple2

Thursday 13 Choir & Afternoon Tea 2pm

Friday 14

Spud Club Christmas Party Open Mic Night

Sunday 16 Drysdale market 9am-1pm

Monday 17

SpringDale closed till 14 January

Thursday 20 School Term 4 ends

Monday 24

Carols By Candlelight,
Johnstone Park, 7.45pm, Free

Tuesday 25

Christmas Day

Wednesday 26

Boxing Day

Sunday 30

Portarlington market 9am-2pm

Monday 31

Festival Geelong Waterfront, 4am – 12midnight, Free



Tuesday 1

New Year's Day

Saturday 5

St James' Secondhand Book Sale

Drysdale Activity Centre 9am-5pm

Friday 4

Sci-fi Manga, cosplay for young people 10am-4pm

Sunday 6

St James' Secondhand Book Sale

Drysdale Activity Centre 10am-4pm

Tuesday 8 – Thursday 10

Blues Boot Camp

Saturday 12

Portarlington Mussel Festival 9.30am-5pm

Monday 14

SpringDale reopens



Tuesday 15 – Friday 18

Goldilocks and the 3 Bears School Holiday Show

Saturday 19

Bushdance for Families

Piano Concert *Silvia Thomson*

Sunday 20

Drysdale market 9am-1pm

Saturday 26

Australia Day

Saturday 26

Australia Day Celebrations 10am-1pm,
Village Green, Drysdale

Sunday 27

Portarlington market 9am-2pm

Wednesday 30

School Term 1 starts

Happy New Year



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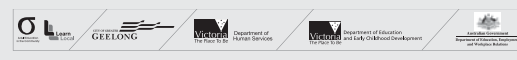


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from the centre

Anne Brackley [centre coordinator]



Dear Everyone

As we take time to look back on the year, what a great year that we have had and we hope yours has been similar.

Recently SpringDale hosted a world famous felt, trainer and author who delivered a course in Paris and many other parts of the world. Some people who attended live in Drysdale and Clifton Springs but the majority came from all over Victoria. A number of the people that attended the course have decided to become members of SpringDale and form a Felting Group that will meet quarterly at SpringDale. Laura from Metung has become a member and thought that she might be our most remote member. I had to disappoint her when I told her that we have a member who lives in Perth. Thanks again to Allison Baensch for instigating this course for us. Allison loves to learn from world leaders and we love having world leaders in our midst.

Please feel free to pass on ideas for any courses that you would like to attend; we love to add to the mix of offerings. We have added to the list of courses for next year by creating iPad for Beginners and Mobile computing for Small Business hoping that these might be of use to some of our community. These courses build upon the very successful sessions that we have held in partnership with Bellarine Secondary College over the last six months, in which 40 students have trained more than 50 community members in basic mobile phone and iPad information.

We have worked towards and recently held a very successful summit in which so many people participated – the results of Drysdale Clifton Springs summit are now on our new website and we would appreciate your comments and encourage you to sign up for updates as they occur. At the summit we launched our 2012 Business and Services Directory and start to look forward to the

next one. Thank you to Colin Barnard, Judy Williams, Sharon Walters and Lyn Ingles for the part they played our newest directory and thank you to Tim Pescott for allowing us to use another of his fabulous photos. If you have missed out on being in this edition please complete the form to ensure that your details are in for the 2013 edition in print and once paid you'll be on our website immediately.

Our next set of events help to celebrate 100 years of our hall and the variety of events that have been held during the century. On Tuesday 11, December we kick off a month of celebrations with afternoon teas, singing, dances and dress ups. Hope you can come to one or all of the events and we thank City of Greater Geelong for their support of these events.

Thanks to everyone who has helped SpringDale to thrive again this year. Thanks to all our volunteers in the office, our group leaders, our Committee of Management and all our other volunteers who share their time and skills with our community. Thanks to our staff, our tutors, Lyn Ingles and our advertisers and sponsors. Thanks to the Potato Shed for all their vouchers that our community has enjoyed winning. Thanks to all our groups, internal and external, for all the articles which help to connect our community. Thanks to George Stawicki for the range of photos that he has given us permission to use and especially for the photo that graced the cover of the November SpringDale Messenger.

My wish for you all is to have a peaceful, restful holiday season and to be able to welcome you into SpringDale in 2013.

Anne Brackley

For the whole SpringDale Team.

What's on @ SpringDale

SpringDale will be closed

SpringDale will be closed from **Monday 17 December, 2012** and will reopen again on **Monday 14 January, 2013.**

The Committee, staff and volunteers wish everyone a safe and Happy Christmas.

Toy Library

Drysdale Toy Library opening time now is every **Tuesday** from **4pm-5pm** during school terms.

Membership is \$10 per term. Looking forward to hearing from interested people from **Tuesday 4 December.**



Volunteer of the Month



Barbara Austin

Barbara started as a volunteer with SpringDale more than 6 years ago. Barb has worked in the office for a number of years on Tuesday mornings, assisted with events and currently helps with the Wednesday morning Men's Cooking Group.

We sincerely thank Barbara for her time and energy that she has given and continues to give to SpringDale and our community.



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In return they receive dividends depending on the profits generated.

A portion of the profits generated from everyday banking and lending are returned to the local community (we have returned in excess of \$1.124 million since 1999) in the form of sponsorships, donations and our successful grants program.

With combined business of over \$200 million we are playing an active part in

the local community with support to the Festival of Glass, National Celtic Festival and the Mussel Festival to name a few. We have also recently purchased a new vehicle for the Bellarine SES and have purchased defibrillators for organisations which are located at various locations around the Northern Bellarine.

Both sites offer the full range of business and personal banking products/services as well as financial planning and your insurance needs. We also have the services of a mobile lender who can arrange an appointment after hours as well as the expertise of Business Banking Managers.

If you have any banking needs please call into the Drysdale branch at 1/13 Hancock Street or phone us on (03) 5253 3192. The branch is opened from 9-5 Monday to Friday and 9-12 on Saturdays.

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CFA Santa Christmas Round



Drysdale Fire Brigade brings Santa to Drysdale/Clifton Springs. Christmas Eve from 6.30pm

The Drysdale Fire Brigade has made the following changes to this years Santa run, these changes are due to safety concerns raised at some of our previous locations. Santa will only stop at these locations. The Drysdale Fire Brigade apologises for any inconvenience caused. For further inquiries please phone 5253 1444

Route 1

- CNR Panpandi Drv & Carawatha Ave
- CNR Dundundra Drv & Waulu Ave
- CNR Wanawong Crt & Dundundra Drv
- CNR Gumarooka Ave & Dandarriga Drv
- CNR Derribong Way & Thamballina Rd Rd
- Clifton Springs Shops (Centaurus Ave)
- CNR Bayshore Ave & Country Club Ave
- CNR Elanora Way & Bayshore Ave
- Jetty Road Shops (CNR Jetty Rd & Pinnaroo Ave)

Route 2

- Wathaurung Reserve (CNR Bennett & Collins St)
- Drysdale Police Station (Eversley St)
- CNR Lennox Crt & Buccleugh St
- CNR Oakland Drv & De Burgh Rd
- Drysdale Train Station (Station St)
- CNR Granville St & Duke St
- CNR Marsh Crt & Wyndham St
- Clifton Springs Primary School
- Central Road Kindergarten (CNR Central Rd Boonderabbi Drv)
- CNR Condy St & Nash Ave
- CNR Vron Place & Eastwood Cres

The Drysdale Fire Brigade wishes everyone a very safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



Drysdale Seniors Join a friendly group and have fun

Drysdale Senior Citizens Club provides a range of stimulating activities for the older person in a relaxed social environment. Activities include bingo, cards, gentle exercise, indoor bowls, crafts, line dancing and social outings. Come and make some new friends when you visit our club.

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The exhibition includes **woodturning, ornamental turning, model building, box making** and a range of other woodworking skills.

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Thank you to the Community

A fantastic day was held on **Sunday 21 October** at the **Potato Shed** in Drysdale. Over 4,000 people enjoyed the free festivities and sunshine as children of all ages made the most of the various activities on offer.

Headline act **The Mik Meks** got everyone on their feet dancing in the sunshine (*including mums and dads!*), as did support acts **The Funky Mummies**, **Jamie Pye**, **Phoebe Clark**, **Caipra** and **Nik Tabone**.

The inaugural **Family Fun Day Talent Quest** saw some of the region's most talented student performers take to the stage, some for only the first or second time in their lives with **Kiana Archer** taking out the honors for the day.

Not surprisingly, face painting proved as popular as ever, but the kids also enjoyed a host of other free activities including badge making, craft activities, jumping castle and bungee run,

mini golf, skate park, temporary tattoos and train rides. **Momentum Energy** also provided a chance to *get on your bike* with their pedal power positive energy generator.

The live entertainment program included performances of **Henry the Robot**, a **Teddy Bear's Picnic**, **Robocup**, fairy dance workshops, a **Ballet workshop** and **Showcase**, workshops and performances of **African, Latin and Arabian Drumming**. A big thank you to the team of **Potato Shed** staff, volunteers, students and community members from the **Bellarine** whose tremendous commitment and hard work took the event to a whole new level.

A very big **THANK YOU** to
all the Family Fun Day Sponsors

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Tuesday 8 – Wednesday 10 January
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5 December
Attitude Dance

9 December
Tight & Tu-tus
The Ballet School
Annual Presentation 2012.
4pm. Adults: \$18,
Conc: \$15, Child: \$12

10 December
Piano Concert.
Silvia Thomson

12 December
12.12.12. Theatre 3triple2
12 plays, 12 minutes or less
All Tickets - \$12

14 December
Spud Club Christmas Party
Open Mic Night
Juniors 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Adults 8.30pm – late
\$6 Entry at door

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8 – 10 January
Blues Boot Camp
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15 – 18 January
Goldilocks and the 3 Bears
School Holiday Show
10.30pm & 1.30pm daily
Tickets - \$8, Family - \$27 (4)

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.

Tights & Tu-tus Sunday 9 December



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Season 2012 is now drawing to a close but we have a very exciting season planned for 2013.

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POTATO SHED

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Rotary is a Service Club with the goal of doing things to make life better and help

those far less fortunate than us. Combined efforts of our local and international members will make sure these bikes and sewing machines arrive at the destination. The sewing machines enable women to set up businesses to support their families and their villages. The bikes are for business, transport and fun.

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NEWS from Lisa Neville MP

Member for Bellarine



Christmas Greetings

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of myself and my son Sam, to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and New Year. At this time, we share the beautiful Bellarine with many holiday makers and it is always great to see everyone enjoying our beaches, townships and all the peninsula has to offer. Best wishes to you all for the festive season and I look forward to continuing to represent you in the Victorian Parliament in 2013.

Bellarine Buses

As a result of contact from constituents regarding public transport services on the Bellarine, I recently questioned the Minister for Public Transport in Parliament. The government had committed to a bus review for the Bellarine and this would have been an ideal time to allow community input into improving services.

Unfortunately, the Minister has now said there is no review of the Bellarine Peninsula public bus network planned for 2012-13 by either the Department of Transport or Public Transport Victoria. This is not acceptable. While the current bus service providers do an excellent job, the growing population on the Bellarine demands that the public

transport network is targeted to adequately service residents' needs. Without a review of the current bus services, taking into account the growth corridors on the peninsula, it is not possible to provide service that meets demand.

Retirement Villages Information

New guides for retirement village owners, managers, residents and prospective residents have been released by the State Government. The guides titled *Good practice to address key issues* and *Internal dispute resolution guidelines for retirement village owners and managers* are designed to prevent disputes and promote good relations and communications between managers and residents.

For more information, please contact my office on (03) 5248 3462 or visit www.consumer.vic.gov.au

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

Hon Lisa Neville MP

Member for Bellarine
(03) 5248 3462

Pier Festival Geelong

The **Pier Festival Geelong** comprises 3 components – the Festival, dusk fireworks and midnight fireworks held on New Year's Eve on Waterfront Geelong. Rides will line Steampacket Quay and flow into Steampacket Gardens; roving entertainment will weave their magic through the crowds.

Live music will play at Youth Activities Area, with skate demos taking place between sets. A twilight market on Steampacket Gardens, then watch the dusk fireworks spectacular followed at midnight by another amazing fireworks display across Corio Bay.

Scrabble Word for December - *Qat*

Scrabble is an immensely popular game and thinking of high scoring or unique words during the middle of the game is a tough task. This month the word is *qat*, pronounced cot, a tropical evergreen plant whose leaves are used as a stimulant.

Scrabble is played at SpringDale every Tuesday afternoon at 1pm.

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Lemons are a natural, effective and inexpensive means to help your body detox on an ongoing basis. Starting the day with a large glass of water with half or a whole lemon squeezed in, is wonderful for the body. After a night's sleep, your body needs to rehydrate, and the added lemon really aids the cleansing process first thing in the morning. Drinking water with lemon is such a great habit to get into as it improves digestion, boosts the immune system and helps respiratory problems.

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UV radiation can seriously damage your eyes, but good sunglasses block 98% of the rays. Sunglasses offer protection against excessive exposure to light, including its visible and invisible components.

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Give in Celebration to help cure Cancer



The festive season is almost here, so now is the time to get into the spirit of giving. Rather than buying family and friends gifts this Christmas, why not make a donation to **Cancer Council** instead.

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Recycle all your Christmas cards and wrapping paper and recycle wherever possible at events and parties. There are lots of simple things you can do to have a fun and green festive season and some of them will even save you time, energy or money.

Recycle Printer Cartridges

You can now drop off your used or empty laser and inkjet cartridges at Australia Post outlets. Any toner or printer will be accepted in the **Planet Ark** drop off bin at **Australia Post, Shop 4-5, 8-10 Hancock Street, Drysdale.**

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1st Drysdale Scouts looking for adventure and a new leader



If there was a title for our town's most adventurous children, it would surely go to the 1st Drysdale Scouts. Coming hot off the heels of their recent caving expedition, 1st Drysdale is looking forward to a very busy pre-Christmas calendar. This month, the group is planning to go camping, fishing, sailing, bike riding and canoeing. Some of the group will also be learning about how planes fly through the Scout Air Activities course at Moorabbin Airport. And, if that wasn't enough, four of our Scouts and one of our leaders will be spending New Year's Day heading up to Maryborough Queensland for AJ2013 – the Scouts Australia Jamboree.

"Jamboree is an incredible time," said 1st Drysdale's Group Leader, Wayne Simpson. "Over ten days, 11,500 Scouts from all over Australia will enjoy just about every indoor and outdoor activity you could imagine. They even have comedy, rave and rock music nights. They'll gain an enormous amount of life experience as well. Our Scouts will come back from AJ2013 with new skills, new friends and a much greater understanding of what it takes to be a leader."



On the subject of leaders, 1st Drysdale Scouts is keen to find a new Scout leader to support our growing troop. If you're a born leader, you enjoy a bit of adventure and you'd like to play a role in developing our communities children, then 1st Drysdale could be just what you're looking for. "As a volunteer Scout Leader, you become a vital part of Australia's largest youth organisation," said Wayne Simpson. "We can provide you with the training to guide a team of young people through a range of challenging and exciting opportunities.

Scout leadership also offers opportunities to gain leadership and management

qualifications, including Cert III and Cert IV accreditation.

But the most pleasing part of Scout Leadership is the satisfaction you'll get from watching your Scouts learn, grow and develop. You'll be playing a vital role in helping our children and the community and you'll make some great friends as well."

If you'd like to know more about becoming a Scout Leader, please contact Wayne Simpson on simpsons2001@hotmail.com or (03) 5253 2024 (AH).

Years ago

As reported in The Argus on Saturday 8 January 1927

CLIFTON SPRINGS

Visitors to Clifton Springs had ideal weather for sea bathing, tennis, motoring and golf, but owing to unsuitable winds sea fishing was disappointing. Campers and picnic parties made the best of glorious weather.

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Drysdale Health Group

Proactive, Preventative & Professional

• Physiotherapy	• Podiatry
• Psychology	• Myotherapy
• Exercise Physiology	• Acupuncture
• Pilates	• Naturopathy
• Remedial Massage	

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Drysdale & Clifton Springs Community Association Inc.

A new summit

DCSCA members attended the four-day Town Summit at SpringDale from Friday 16 to Monday 19 November. The Summit rounded off the Local Economic Development project, which SpringDale and DCSCA worked on for eighteen months.

The Summit presented locally created plans for our towns' economic, physical, social and cultural development. It showed that local people have clear views about their area and that their views don't always coincide with those of the developers and planners who are determining our towns' future.

Summit visitors were encouraged to have their say about the Local Economic Development project to increase the number and diversity of local jobs; about the Streetscape to Artscape project to create community oriented art exhibits in our open spaces (another SpringDale-DCSCA collaboration); and about the new cycling trails featuring on local street maps (a DCSCA initiative). Visitors were invited to comment on the council's Urban Design Framework for Drysdale's development; and to join the campaign for a Drysdale bypass, which will improve the local quality of life and ease of travel.

and a new beginning

The Town Summit showcased the ingenuity and creativity of local projects and plans and the next stage is to gain support for them. The new DCSCA Committee is eager to work with anyone who came to the Summit, liked the look of a particular local project or plan and wants to see it happen.

We'll seek support from our two new local councillors - Rod Macdonald (Cheetham Ward) and Lindsay Ellis (Coryule Ward) - and from Geelong's first directly elected mayor, Keith Fagg, who responded positively to DCSCA's proposals to improve the council's consultation practices. With a state election due in November 2014, we'll ask state MP Lisa Neville to press for state government support.

Festival of Glass

Just a reminder that the focus of the 2013 Festival of Glass is a glass 'Expo' at the Bellarine Secondary College Sports Centre in Peninsula Drive on Sunday 17 February from 10am to 4pm. This will feature stalls, exhibits, demonstrations, displays and competitions. Other Festival events - including classes in glass techniques - will occur at venues around Drysdale in the days before and after the 'Expo'.

More information:

www.festivalofglass.net.au.

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

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

Portarlington Mussel Festival



Once again the **Portarlington Mussel Festival on Saturday 12, January 2013** will be a great opportunity to purchase some delicious mussels and taste some fabulous food and wine. The festival showcases talented local musicians, dance and choral groups, artists, photographers and the local school community. Join in and celebrate this occasion in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere of the picturesque seaside town. Portarlington is the Mussel capital of Victoria.

The **Portarlington Mussel Festival 2013** promises to be bigger and better than ever. Mussels are extremely versatile and easy to prepare and make a tasty meal.

www.portmusselfestival.com

Make a difference
& have some fun...

Volunteers Wanted



The Portarlington Mussel Festival is seeking volunteers to support the Event on the Saturday 12 January

Please register your interest.

Email: portmusselfestival@gmail.com.au

or Phone: Melissa on 0400 045 671

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Computers



Limited subsidised places are funded through ACFE Funding (Adult Community & Further Education) and are available for those who have a Health Care Card, Gold Card or for those who are on a Pension.

MYOB for Beginners

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

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Wed 6 Feb – Wed 27 Mar

6.30pm – 9.30pm (8 sessions)

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

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

Tutor: Brian Knights, Round Table Business Consultants

Introduction to Computers A/B

Introduction to keyboarding and mouse skills. Learning to open and close programs and also to turn on and shut down the computer. Introduction to Basic Word, processing skills with learning to create and save a document as well as your own name folder. Basic explanation of what the Internet can do.

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Tues 5 Feb – Tues 26 Mar

1pm – 3.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User Friendly Computers

Introduction to Computers C/E

(Intermediate Word – follows on from A/B class)

Learn how to create tables, use tabs, columns, clipart and place a border, send and receive emails.

Understand the Internet and browse different search engines. Learn about virus protections.

Skill Level: Beginner +

Dates/times: Thurs 7 Feb – Thurs 28 Mar

1pm – 3.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User Friendly Computers

Intro to Computers F

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

Skill Level: Beginner++

Dates/times: Thurs 7 Feb – Thurs 28 Mar

9.30am – 12noon (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Lyn Brook, Lynette's User Friendly Computers

Word & Excel for Small Business

Small Business owners and staff never have enough hours in the day. This course will fix that by improving your efficiency, productivity and profitability. Learn how to format a personalised mailout to your customer, an eNewsletter, use style sheets in Word, add an automatic Table of Contents, include hyperlinks to other websites.

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Wed 6 Feb – Wed 27 Mar

1pm – 3.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L

Email & Internet

This class is designed for both those new to internet and those who know basics and would like to extend their experiences. Begin with simple searches using Internet Explorer and basic mail handling using Outlook Express. Discover how to read your mail away from home. Try alternative methods of internet communication including voice, video and interactive chat and learn how to check for and avoid viruses, Trojans and worms.

Skill Level: Beginners

Dates/times: Mon 4 Feb – Mon 25 Mar

9am - 12noon (7 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L

Computer Performance & Maintenance

Do you wonder why your computer slows down or runs out of disc space. We will discuss the causes of and how to fix these issues. This entails clearing your computer of unnecessary files and how to keep your computer running at its best performance. We also

show you how to fix your computer when it does not boot into Windows and how to respond to error codes on your computer.

Dates/times: Wed 6 Feb – Wed 27 Mar

10am – 12.30pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L

Picture Editing & Movies

Learn how to edit, file, categorise and archive your digital photos using Picasa. Learn how to use a Memory Stick and how to resize pictures and share them with your family.

Materials: Photos optional

Dates/times: Mon 4 Feb – Mon 25 Mar

1pm - 4pm (7 sessions)

Fee: \$160 or \$80 Conc

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

Tutor: Jonathan Harris JNH Software P/L

Intro to Web Design with WordPress

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

Dates/times: Fri 8 Feb – Fri 5 Apr

10am – 12.30pm (8 Sessions)

Skill Level: Intermediate

Fee: \$160 Conc \$80

Tutor: Pierce Jaques

Sound, Slides & Video

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

Prerequisites: Images, Audio CD

(or Cassette), Headphones

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Fri 8 Feb – Fri 5 Apr

2pm – 4.30pm (8 sessions)

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



Accredited courses



First Aid – Level 2 (Apply First Aid)

Code ALTA301B/21569VIC

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

Dates/times: Sat 2 Mar & Sat 16 Mar

9am – 5pm (2 sessions)

Full Fee: \$180 **Funded Fee:** \$140 **Conc:** \$105

Tutor: National First Aid

Food Handling and Safety

(Apply basic food handling)

Code SITXOHS002A

Great for school leavers, volunteers and those already employed in food related areas. This

accredited module will give knowledge and skills in correct and safe food handling, storage and hygiene. Update your skills and improve your job prospects today.

Dates/times: Sat 23 Feb 9am – 3pm

Fee: \$120 **Funded:** \$90 **Conc:** \$80

Tutor: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre

Responsible Service of Alcohol

Covers all areas relating to the service of alcohol in and around licensed premises. Participants receive a recognised certificate in RSA from Liquor Licensing Victoria.

Dates/times: Sat 2 Mar 9am – 1pm

Fee: \$90 **Conc:** \$60

Tutor: Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre

Combined - Certificate III Aged Care (CHC30208) and

Certificate III in Home and Community Care (CHC30308)

With the demands for personal Carers within the Aged Care industry or people requiring carers in Nursing Homes and private homes this accredited course will enable you to gain employment in this field. **Dates/times:** Thur/Fri weekly commencing Thur 7 Feb. 19 weeks, 9am – 3pm.

Fee: \$730 (funded price) or **Conc:** \$602.50

Bookings and payment to be made at the Ocean Grove Neighbourhood Centre. Training conducted at SpringDale.



Courses after hours

Espresso Coffee Making Workshop

Looking for employment in the Hospitality Industry? Improve your knowledge, skills and techniques, understand the workings of the Espresso machine and the coffee culture. Small groups, so enrol early.

Dates/times: Sat 2 Feb, Sat 2 Mar
10am – 12noon **Fee:** \$30

Tutor: Jordon Smith

First Aid – CPR (Perform CPR)

Code HLTCPR 201A

(Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)

Do not wait until it's too late. Learn CPR today. CPR training offers learners the opportunity to achieve confidence in the performance of cardiopulmonary resuscitation in a safe environment. It is recommended that CPR updates are undertaken annually. First Aid/CPR is the first 3 hours of First Aid - Level 2. See that course for details.

Dates/times: Sat 2 Mar 9am – 12noon (1 session)

Tutor: National First Aid **Fee:** \$60

Digital Photography Doctor

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

Dates/times: Tue 12 Feb – Tue 5 Mar
7pm – 9pm (4 sessions)

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

Holiday Photography

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

Dates/times: Tue 12 Feb and Tue 19 Mar
6.30pm – 9.30pm (2 sessions)

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

Picture Framing

A workshop for people who would like to frame their prints.

Dates/times: Sat 16 Feb 10am – 2pm
Fee: \$70 **Tutor:** Ron Badenhop

Yoga

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

Dates/times: Thur 7 Feb – Thur 28 Mar
6pm – 7.30pm or Thur 7 Feb – Thur 28 Mar
7.45pm – 9.15pm (8 sessions)

Fee: \$95 **Tutor:** Glenda Breedveld

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

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

What's your idea for a new group or course?

Do you have an idea for a new group or course that you might like to start or suggest? What is your dream that we can help make come true?



Groups after hours

Book Club

All avid book readers come and share your opinions and interpretations of selected titles. Meets first Monday of the month at 7.30pm.

Write on Bellarine

A group of dedicated writers meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm.

Write About

A small group of committed writers meet on the 4th Monday of each month from 7pm (also meet 2nd Monday at 2.30pm).

Men's Kitchen

– Wednesday Evening

We will be running a Men's Kitchen every Wednesday evening from 5pm – 8pm.

Waiting list applies.

Facilitator: Gaylia Lowe

Fee: price depends on menu

Harvest Basket

Meets 1st Saturday of every month and operates on an honesty system outside SpringDale (inside if wet) to swap home grown vegies.

Dates/times: 9am – 10am Swap
10am – 11am Vegies available for purchase.

Cheese Club

Meets every 2 months. next meeting on Sat 9 Feb.

This club is open to people who have attended cheese classes at SpringDale in the past.

Starting at 9.30am.

Cost is \$1 plus cost of ingredients.

Argentine Tango

Come along and learn the Argentine Tango.

If you can walk you can tango. No partner necessary, suitable for everyone, learn to focus your mind and strengthen your core balance. Be taught by a friendly teacher.

Dates/times: Every Tuesday. 7pm – 9pm **Fee:** \$8



cards



coffee



and quilting

To be a member of a SpringDale Group you must be a member of SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (\$5 per year). Group fees range from \$1 to \$11 per session.



Courses during the day

Discover the artist within - Level 1

An Introductory or Refresher Art Course in Drawing and Painting for Adults. No previous knowledge required.

Dates/times: Wed 6 Feb – Wed 27 Mar
9am – 11am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$130 **Conc:** \$80 **Tutor:** Annette Playsted

Discover the artist within - Level 2

An Intermediate Level Art Course in Painting and Drawing for Adults who have completed a foundation art course. This course aims to increase media knowledge in the techniques and processes of painting and drawing, improving skills and confidence.

Dates/times: Tue 5 Feb – Tue 26 Mar
9am – 11am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$130 **Conc:** \$80 **Tutor:** Annette Playsted

Develop the Artist Within – Advanced Workshop program

This program is for hobbyist artists or art students who have studied at the intermediate level and want to further develop their knowledge and broaden skills and perceptions. Workshops will include: Experiential Media broadening to include new approaches to two and three dimensional media, Building self-expression, ideas and approaches, building colour and tonal awareness, and shared adventures into Art theory and Art history.

Dates/times: Tue 5 Feb – Tue 26 Mar
11am – 1.30pm (8 sessions)
or Wed 6 Feb – Wed 27 Mar 11am – 1.30pm
(8 sessions) **Fee:** \$140 **Conc:** \$80

Tutor: Annette Playsted

French for Real Beginners

Want to keep your mind young, meet new people and have lots of fun all in the space of an hour? Come and develop new skills, exercise your mind and challenge yourself by learning a new language.

We will be studying French through a variety of mediums. Do come along and join me no matter what your level or ability. All Welcome. This course is for beginners, no prior knowledge required.

Date/time: Tue 5 Feb – Tue 26 Mar
9am – 10am (8 Sessions)

French for Advanced Beginners.

For those who have attended the Beginners Class in 2012.

Dates/Times: Tue 5 Feb – Tue 26 Mar
9.30am – 10.30am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$90 **Tutor:** Laetitia Cairncross

Intermediate French

For those with some prior knowledge of the language.

Dates/times: Tue 5 Feb – Tue 26 Mar
10.30am – 11.30am (8 sessions)

Fee: \$90 **Tutor:** Laetitia Cairncross

Tai Chi

Tai Chi combines movement, meditation and breath regulation to enhance the flow of vital energy in the body, improve blood circulation and enhance immune functions. Our tutors have extensive Tai Chi experience.

Dates/times: Fri 8 Feb – Fri 22 Mar
Advanced: 9.30am – 10.30am (8 sessions)

Beginners: 10.45 – 11.45am

Fee: \$90 **Tutor:** Fred Vahland

Yoga

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

Dates/times: Mon 4 Feb – Mon 25 Mar
9.15am – 10.45am (7 sessions) **Fee:** \$85

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

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

Venue: Drysdale Senior Citizen's Club,
Cnr Clifton Springs Rd & Wyndham St.

Career Development Program

How to market yourself - an employability skill Do you need to write or update your resume? Don't know how to sell your employability skills in an interview? Perhaps you need to organise a portfolio as part of an application into a course of study or job application. This workshop will teach you how to promote yourself. At the end of this workshop, you will have a better understanding of how to analyse advertisements, set goals and write your own action plan. **Dates/times:** Tuesday afternoons **Fee:** \$10 **Tutor:** Dorothy Pearce

Introduction to the Art of Gentle Bodywork

What is gentle bodywork?

Gentle bodywork (in this case mainly Ortho-Bionomy) involves working with people to enhance health and speed recovery after injury. Also, gentle bodywork can help to prevent injuries by promoting the body's natural balance, ease of movement and flexibility. The techniques are safe, unobtrusive and comfortable. Movements are made slowly and gently, guided by the body's own preferences. Gentle bodywork can be useful for the relief of headaches, muscular and joint pain, sports and other injuries of short or long term duration, as well as reducing stress and easing many health issues.

What will happen in this class?

We will personally experience, learn and exchange simple, gentle and effective positional releases for each major joint of the body. Each participant who completes the class will gain a treasury of tools for either self-help or for assisting family members, friends and others to banish or avoid pain and tension. Practitioners from other modalities, such as massage therapy, often learn this work to develop and lengthen their practice, since this method also relieves the practitioners' discomforts as they work. There are no prerequisites for the class, not even the presence of pain! **Dates/times:** Mon 11 Feb – Mon 4 Mar
10.15am – 3.15pm **Fee:** \$160 **Conc:** \$80 **Tutor:** Allison Baensch



Groups during the day

The friendly Cuppa and Chat Group

Call in for a cup of coffee and a chat on the fourth Monday of the month between 10.30am – 11.30am.

Life Drawing

For those who enjoy the experience of Life Drawing. Mon 1.30pm – 4pm. Please call SpringDale to book.

SpringDale Badminton

Wednesdays 1pm – 3.30pm weekly at The Scout Hall Drysdale. **Fee:** \$4 per session.

SpringDale Jigsaw Club

Borrow a jigsaw from a big library 40¢ each. The first Thursday of the month from 10am – 12noon.

SpringDale Mahjong Club

This group meets Wednesday from 10am – 12noon.

SpringDale Scrabble Club

Held on Tuesday afternoon, 1pm – 3pm and caters for players of all abilities and new players welcome.

Card Games

Play Canasta, Euchre and 500. This group meets Monday afternoons from 12.30pm – 3pm.

Line Dancing

Join our group. Every Wednesday except school holidays. 10am – 12noon. \$8 per session.

Mac User Group

Do you own an Apple appliance? Would you like to discuss any problems and learn how to utilise your Apple computer, iPad, iPhone with other Apple users? Share your knowledge.

Dates/Times: 1st Tuesday of the month. 3.30pm

SpringDale Artists

An Art Group for Artists and Hobbyist Artists Continue learning and developing your skills, sharing

with others, participate in workshops, excursions and preparing artworks for an annual SpringDale Artists' Exhibition. Wednesday 1pm – 4pm weekly

Textile Arts & Crafts, Spinning Group

Come along and enjoy quilting, felting/embellishing and mixed media projects, cloth dolls and textile arts. **Dates/times:** Every Tuesday 1.30pm – 3pm

Springers Quilting Group

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month at SpringDale from 10am – 12noon.

PC User Help Group

Interested in computers, share this interest with others. Meets 2nd Tuesday in the month from 4pm – 5pm.

Men's Kitchen – Tuesday Mornings

Tuesday morning 10am – 1pm
Location: St Leonards Recreation reserve
Fee: Price depends on menu

Men's Kitchen – Wed/Thurs Morning

Waiting list applies. Fee: Price depends on menu
Dates/times: Wednesdays 10am – 2pm

Ladies Kitchen – Friday Morning

Enjoy the company of others that are looking to create delicious meals that are quick, easy and affordable. **Dates/times:** Weekly Fridays
10am – 2pm **Fee:** price depends on menu.

Pole Walking Group

Enhanced walking where the arms are used to push. The movements of your arms, feet, pelvic area and the entire body are similar to those employed during a vigorous walk. **Dates/times:** Weekly Mondays
9am-10am (Contact SpringDale for meeting points)
Facilitator: Harold Waldron

Fun Volleyball

We play with a soft beach ball, and the aim is exercise. Other session times possible register your interest. **Dates/times:** Mondays from 9am – 10am
Cost: \$4.00 per session **Venue:** Drysdale Scout Hall

Bicycle Riding

Would you like to get involved in cycling again? Riding adventures starting with bicycle safety. **Date/times/fee:** Mon, Tues & Wed 8am. Rides vary in difficulty. **Leader:** Marilyn Townsend

SpringDale Singers

A long established, informal non-performing choir which sings both simple and challenging music. Former choir or music group members and non-singers are also welcome.

Dates/times: Tuesday 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Bellarine Community Choir

Peninsula residents are welcome to join this new choir, performing at functions on the Bellarine. Men and women are required to sing 4 part harmony. **Dates/Times:** Thursdays at 1.30pm at SpringDale

Traditional & Digital Scrapbooking

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

Day/Time: Wed 9.30am – 12.30am **Fee:** \$2
Tutor: Lyn Clough.

Write About

A small group of committed writers meet on the 4th Monday of each month from 7pm (also meet 2nd Monday at 2.30pm).



Expression of Interest

Coin Club

Would like to hear from anyone interested in being foundation members of a **Coin Club** at SpringDale. Please contact Josh Gay on 0408 428 596.

Data Backup

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

Gluten Free Cooking Session

Would you like to learn more about cooking delicious Gluten free foods? Including how to look at ingredient lists to work out what is or is not gluten free. Join a session that we will cook a meal to try or take home
Date/time: TBA **Fee:** \$30 Conc \$25
Facilitator: Sarah Baker

Two new courses for iPad users.

iPad for Beginners

Have you been given or have just bought an iPad and not sure where to start? This could be the course for you.

iPad For Small Business

Are you wanting to *get mobile* in your business? This course will show you how to use the iPad to improve your productivity.

Please register your interest and when you would like this course to be run so we can try to meet your needs.

SpringDale Occasional Care

This will give your child an opportunity to socialise and play with other children in a supervised program with qualified staff and may give you time to yourself.

Sessions:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9am – 2pm.
Tuesday, Friday 9am – 12noon.

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

SpringDale Vacation Care

Enrol your kids early for **Holiday Program** in the SpringDale Vacation Care. Children between 5-12 years. Conducted in a safe environment. Register now. For further information please phone **SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.**

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

Drysdale Toy Library

Tuesday 4pm – 5pm. We have some fantastic toys to borrow (ages 0 – 6 years) so come along and see what we have to offer. Membership \$10 per term. Check out our website for more information.

Portarlington Toy Library

Operates out of the Portarlington Pre-school. New members welcome.
Dates/times: TBA

Dance classes for kids

Toddlers dance activity – let's have fun to music together.
Date/time: Tuesday weekly, during school term from 9.30am – 10am
Fee: \$3 per week/per class



Non SpringDale Classes & Groups

Pilates

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

Dates/times: Tue 29 Jan – Tue 26 Mar (9 weeks)
• 9.30am – 10.30am (ball class)
• 11am – 12noon
(beginners to intermediate floor class) **Fee:** \$125
Thur 31 Jan – Thur 28 Mar (9 weeks)
• 6.45pm – 7.45pm

(beginners to intermediate/advanced floor class)
• 8pm – 9pm
(beginners to intermediate floor class) **Fee:** \$125
Tutor: Monique MacLeod
Phone to book: (03) 5251 2958
Venue: Drysdale Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic, 27-29 High Street, Drysdale.

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

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

For more information or to register your expression of interest about these and the following activities please contact the friendly team at
SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre (03) 5253 1960

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



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Enrolment & Payment Conditions

ENROLMENT

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

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

PAYMENT/ REFUNDS

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

Privacy: The SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

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

Christmas

Delicious recipes to add to your already festive meal

A very Merry Christmas from the Springdale Cooking Groups and their facilitators.

Ensalada de Navidad - Christmas Salad

Ensalada de Navidad Recipe. This is a classic holiday recipe from Mexico City. It is a sweet and nutty treat that goes great with any savoury dish.



Ingredients

2 small cooked beets, peeled and diced
1 large cooked carrot diced
1 orange, peeled and chopped
1 apple, peeled and diced
¼ fresh pineapple, peeled, cored and diced
1 large banana, diced
½ cup unsalted nuts, almonds or peanuts
Seeds of ½ small pomegranate
1 tbsp lime or lemon juice
3 tbsp salad oil
½ teaspoon sugar
dash of salt

Mix all the fruits. Put lime or lemon juice, salad oil, sugar and salt into a screw top jar. Shake until blended and sugar has dissolved. Pour the dressing over the fruit salad and toss well. Pile the salad into a salad bowl and garnish with the nuts and pomegranate seeds. Let it stand in the refrigerator until chilled. 10 servings

Snowflake Cookies

Ingredients

1 cup butter, softened
1 cup sugar
2 large eggs
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 teaspoon almond extract
¾ cups all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
½ teaspoon salt
Edible paint icing

Garnish

Silver dragees, sugar pearls, sparkling sugar

Method

In a large bowl, beat butter and sugar at medium speed with an electric mixer until fluffy. Beat in eggs, vanilla and almond extract until combined. In a medium bowl, combine flour, baking powder and salt.

Gradually add to sugar mixture, beating until smooth. Wrap dough in heavy-duty plastic wrap, and refrigerate 1 hour. Preheat oven to 180°C. Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.

On a lightly floured surface, roll out dough to 5mm thickness. Cut with assorted snowflake cookie cutters and place 5cm apart on prepared baking sheets. Chill dough 15 minutes. Bake for 10 minutes, or until edges are very lightly browned. Let cool for 2 minutes on baking sheet. Remove from pans and cool completely on wire racks.

Paint cookies with Edible Paint Icing. Garnish with silver dragees, sugar pearls and sparkling sugar, if desired.

Edible Paint Icing

¼ cup cold water
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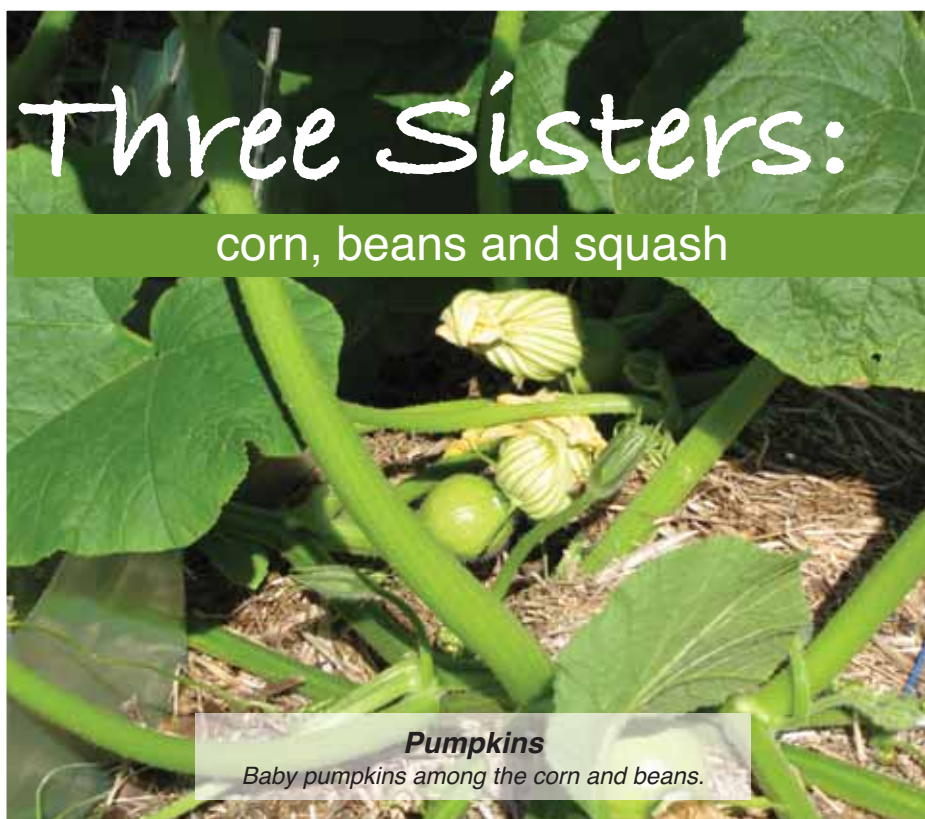
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Timing

Timing is important with the *Three Sisters*. You should sow your climbing beans 4 weeks after the sweetcorn. Any earlier and the beans will smother the corn; much later and the beans will be too shaded to get established. Poke the beans into the soil between the corn seedlings, which should be sturdy little

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At this stage you can also plant your squash seedlings around the outside of the corn. Last year I used Anna Swartz pumpkin as the third sister. That worked OK, but it's such a big bruiser of a plant that it needs lots of space. You might want to try a smaller pumpkin, a summer squash or a cucumber.

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On the 12 December 1812 the first function in the new community hall took place, to raise funds for some new pews for the Sunday School and 30 of the scholars volunteered to collect eggs to sell. As the years went by another fundraising event the locals looked forward to was the casserole night, where for a small fee, one could indulge in tasty homemade cooking.

The Sunday School picnics were well attended, for 1/6d (old money remember that) two meals were to be enjoyed.

Many years later musical shows were staged. Claude Stanley and wife Beryl were instrumental in bringing HMS Drysdale, Oklahoma and My Fair Lady amongst others to the stage. Beryl starred in and also wrote some of the scripts, that the local aspiring actors and actresses took great delight in performing.

I would like to say a big thank you to all the people who have taken the trouble to write to me with information concerning the SpringDale Hall after last month's feature.



Photographs depicting the many events that have been held in the SpringDale Hall.



Centenary of our Hall Celebrations

Tuesday 11, December 3.30pm
Bellarine Community Choir
to sing a couple of songs afternoon
tea cake to be cut at 4.30pm
(due to day light savings)
for those who have used the
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**Wednesday 12 –
Tuesday 18, December**
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Thursday 13, December at 2pm
Bellarine Community Choir to
present an afternoon of songs,
afternoon tea, then Christmas party
for the current users of the hall.

Friday 14, December at 6pm
Drysdale Guides Christmas Event
Drysdale Guides have been part
of the Hall for the last 30 years.

Friday 4, January 10am – 4pm
Sci-fi, Manga, cosplay day
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Saturday 19, January at 7.30pm
Bush Dance for families
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**Monday 14, January
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RED Recycling program



Drysdale Primary School

The students Molly Nevin and Archie Rogers (front) and Ben Searle and Jessie Williams (back).

A group of ten Grade 5 children have been working hard to make a difference. These students, called the *Millennium Kids*, attended an environmental leadership program called *Doing More With Less*. During this two-day workshop in Geelong, they selected an issue that they wanted to address back at school. With the school's recent focus on reducing waste, the students decided they wanted to move even further towards becoming a zero waste school. The school already had in place three systems of recycling our waste; Comingled recycling, Bokashi bins and paper and cardboard recycling. As part of the *Rubbish Free Lunch Challenge* in 2011, we had audited the waste that was being put in our rubbish bins and despite our push towards *Nude Food*, we found the vast majority of this was plastic. The students then decided to enroll in the RED Recycling program which redirects

plastics from entering landfill and reprocesses it into benches, tables, seats and signs that school can use in their grounds. After selecting the program, the Grade 5s then participated in an incursion where they learnt about the devastating effects plastic waste is having on our environment.

"It takes 660 years for a plastic bag to break down," said Patrick Skuza, one of the *Millennium Kids*. "We worked out that if we throw away a plastic bag now, it may be found by our great, great, great, great, great grandchildren."

The school is now collecting soft plastics and for the remainder of the year, for every kilogram of plastic we can collect, we will receive \$5 credit towards the purchase of recycled products such as outdoor seating, tables, signs and playground equipment that we can use here at school. Students from all year levels are not only collecting plastics here at school, but have also started to bring plastics in from home as well. If any members of our local community wish to recycle their soft plastics and help contribute to our plastic drive, you can drop off your plastic bags at the front office.

Hamish Terry summed up the reason why the school is so enthusiastic about reducing its waste, "if we keep living the way we are, there won't be much of the world left for our children."



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kel's
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Kel wants everyone to know about **Vision Australia** and the program that it offers to vision impaired people on the Bellarine. Kel has enjoyed being part of the group for some time.

The group meets on a Friday morning with each person being picked up from their home at approx 9.30am and they are returned home at approx 2.30pm. A program is developed from the wishes of the participants in a democratic way. Kel loves all the laughs and the many trips that they go on. Kel enjoys the fact that he is one of the only males in attendance. The staff and volunteers who help the program are fantastic. "The other day I went into Vision Australia in Belmont to buy a new watch and was lucky enough to get a beautiful watch with a clear easy to read face. I took in my own band so that the face could be threaded on as I used to when I was carting livestock and if one side of the band got caught the other side would stay together and save the watch – I'm not just a pretty face!" Kel said. "You can get phones with large numbers on them, I've bought a thing that goes on the side of my cup that beeps when you get close to filling the cup and a portable light that you can place over your dinner to allow you to see what you are eating especially in restaurants, many things that make my life so much easier. The staff are good at Vision Australia, nothing is too much trouble for them and I always tell them how much I appreciate what they are doing for me. I think it's good to say something nice – I do that all the time where ever I go."

Kel would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year – although he did phrase it a little differently to me but I'm sure this is what he meant.

I look forward to Kel's stories next year – he has decided that he might have a few more stories in him.

Anne Brackley



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[content.asp?Document_ID=9566](#) which covers tips for parents, party goers and party hosts. December is **Road Safety and Holiday Awareness**. Remember to be considerate of other road users, drive safely and responsibly, be vigilant and **arrive alive** to enjoy your Christmas break.

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Thank You

I would like to thank SpringDale for running the competition enabling me to win 2 double passes to attend the Potato Shed for the show *Now and Then*, which we all enjoyed.

Barb, St Leonards

Good Messenger

The Messenger continues to get better and better. Keep up the good work.

Doug, St Leonards.

Dangerous Roads

Lisa Neville got it right last month when she talked about *potholes, dangerous road surfaces and crumbling edges on roads in the Bellarine*. Some of our roads are a disgrace.

Tim, Clifton Springs.

Unsafe Roads

Something has to be done about our roads. There needs to be some rectification in Murradoc Road.

Suzanne, Drysdale.

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

The Book Club

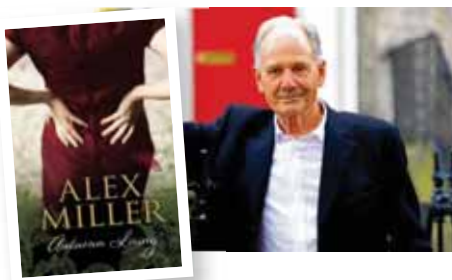
Autumn Laing by Alex Miller

On Monday November 5, the Book Group met to discuss *Autumn Laing* by **Alex Miller**. Miller is quite a prolific writer producing a book about every two years and *Autumn Laing* is his 10th novel.

The story begins in 1991 when 85 year old *Autumn Laing* is still living at Old Farm on the banks of the Yarra River which had been home to a group of artists, writers, poets and their supporters from the 1930s onwards. With old age, she has become surly and reclusive. Always a strong-minded character, she was, in her youth, full of grandiose ideas and scornful of traditional teaching and *boring* painting. When she met Patrick Donlan, it was her opportunity to influence him and discover an exciting new talent which would change the entire Australian art scene.

At 85, after believing that she has glimpsed Edith, Patrick's former wife, Autumn decides to write a memoir. Is her motive to claim her place in history as Patrick's muse? Is it to apologise to Edith? Is she seeking absolution for sins of which does not truly repent?

Readers familiar with the Melbourne art scene of around the middle of last century will immediately recognise the story of Sydney Nolan and Sunday Reed and her husband John.



The professional and personal lives of members of their clique were extremely entangled and this book reflects that. *Autumn Laing* is a work of fiction, not a biography, and it may be difficult for those familiar with the life of Sydney Nolan to make the distinction.

This is not just a book for art lovers although it provoked an interesting discussion of the changes occurring in the Australian art scene at the time. Readers in our group had mixed reactions, generally agreeing that Alex Miller is a good writer and his personal knowledge of the characters and times shines through. We gave this book average score of 8/10.

This month we will bring a biography of our own choice to discuss at our meeting and January will be a chance to *show and tell* a book that we have enjoyed – perhaps over the holidays.

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