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The SpringDale

Albert Chalmers Borella VC Winner rode 1000ks to join up



Above: Richard Borella, the grandson of Albert Borella in Darwin on the final 3km leg of th<mark>e re-</mark>enactment of h<mark>is gra</mark>ndfathers 1000km journey.

Captain Albert Chalmers-Borella VC. MM MID 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

- Victoria Cross
- Military Medal
- 1914-15 Star British War Medal 1914-1918
- Victory Medal with Olive Leaf MID
- British War Medal 1939-1945
- Australian General Service Medal
- Coronation Medal (King George V1) Coronation Medal (Queen Elizabeth II)
- Gallipoli Star
- 11. Somme Medal with Palm
- 12. Albert Cross with Pal

Travelling to Darwin this March, a Drysdale family caught a glimpse of their great-uncle's determination and heroism a century ago, during the Great War.

When war was declared in 1915, Albert Borella travelled 1000 kilometres to join up, from where he was living in Tennant Creek to Darwin. He walked, rode on horseback, swam flooded rivers, and hitched a ride on a mail cart, following rough tracks and hunting his food.

In Darwin, Chris and Claire Borella/Hogen. Rosie Borella from Drysdale having their books signed by the book author Bradley Chalmers.

Finding he couldn't enlist in Darwin, he went by ship to Townsville. From there, Albert Borella joined the Army, and survived Gallipoli and the Western Front. He won the Military Medal and the Victoria Cross (VC) for most conspicuous bravery in attack.

The Borella family of Drysdale went to Darwin in March to witness a symbolic retracing of their great-uncle Albert Borella's footsteps. The Borella Ride was staged by the Northern Territory Government to commemorate the ANZAC Centenary, and honour one of Australia's 100 VC recipients. Albert Borella was the NT's only VC recipient, and the oldest Australian to be awarded our highest military honour.

Albert Borella's grandson, Richard Borella of Albury, was lead rider with two other men in a recreation of his famous grandfather's journey 100 years ago. The Borella Ride team visited schools and staged educational events in many towns from Tennant Creek and Darwin.

Rosie and Claire Borella from Drysdale said: 'We are amazed at what our great-uncle did, just to join up. There was no highway in those days, just rough tracks. There were no takeaways, no coffee stops, no cars and no airconditioning. And that ordeal was just the beginning of his war experience.'

You can read more about the Borella Ride on www.theborellaride.com.au

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Saturday 4 **Easter Saturday**

Rotary Easter Art Show, Christian College Drysdale, 10am – 5pm

SpringDale Pop-up Café at the Rotary Art Show

Produce Swap & Edible Garden Group 9am – 10.30am

Daylight Saving ends. Turn clock back 1 hour. Sunday 5

Rotary Easter Art Show, Christian College Drysdale, 10am-4pm

Easter Monday. SpringDale closed. **Monday** 6

Tuesday 7

- Friday 10 How Much Can A Koala Bear 10.30am & 1.30pm Daily Potato Shed

Days for Girls Workshop, SpringDale Meeting Room, 9am – 12.30pm Wednesday 8

Everyone welcome.

Friday 10 Forbidden 8pm Potato Shed

& Saturday 11 Forbidden 2pm & 8pm Potato Shed

Monday 13 School Term 2 starts

Wednesday 15 VicRoads Drop In about the Drysdale Ring Road 3pm – 7pm

Sunday 19 Drysdale market 9am – 1pm

Tuesday 21 The Songs To End All Wars 10.30am Potato Shed

Wednesday 22 DSCA Public Meeting 7.30pm at SpringDale

Friday 24 Nominations close Adrian E. Mannix Community Award

ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day Service 10am Drysdale Primary School





Remembering 100 Years



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Coordinator's News Anne Brackley



Enjoying where you live

Dear Everyone

I continue to smile when people remind me about the friendliness of our part of the world. During each week, someone tells me how much they love living in this part of the world. A few years ago, while we were interviewing many business people to get a view of what the future might look like, we were overwhelmingly told that the friendliness of our community set us apart. During this time many people met and we started to create a marketing plan for our part of the world – because even if all of our community drove down the highway to get to work – there was the other side of the highway for people to come to us to work.

We looked at our strengths and capabilities. We looked at what is or could be our point of difference. We tried to come up with something that could be ours. We looked at the central position of Drysdale on the Bellarine and considered a previous marketing campaign about Drysdale being the heart of the Bellarine. We considered the concept of Drysdale being an education town – having 3 preschools and 6 schools.

But maybe it all comes down to Drysdale's point of difference is that we are named after a woman. Very few towns can claim this

point of difference. But a greater point of difference is that the first woman to have the vote in Australia was Anne Drysdale after whom our town is named. Although she did not have the vote for very long – she did have it. I believe this is an important piece of the history of Australia. I believe this sets us apart. But not only did Anne Drysdale have this claim to fame but her friend Caroline Newcomb was the first Secretary of the Portarlington Road Board 160 years ago, the forerunner of the Bellarine Shire.

As part of the Streetscape to Artscape plan for Drysdale Clifton Springs Curlewis, a sculpture has been proposed for Pioneer Women's Park, High Street, Drysdale.

I believe this sculpture should be life sized and in very solid and long lasting and I believe this sculpture could have a set of sheep. I see this quite clearly. I believe that bus loads of people will come to visit Drysdale to visit our statues and eat in our cafes, shop in our community and when we have accommodation, that they will stay in Drysdale for longer visits.

Looking forward to hearing your thoughts and helping our plans become a reality.

Anne Brackley

SpringDale Diners Group

Dinner will be at the Port Pier Café at Portarlington Monday 13 April 6.30 pm

Meet new people in the community and enjoy a lovely meal in our local restaurant precinct. Please email office@springdale.org.au or phone (03) 5253 1960 to book.



2015 COURSE UPDATE

Four Steps to Edible Gardening

This 4 session course will cover the basics of starting an edible no-dig garden, using a raised bed. You will have a practical hands-on demonstration. You will gain knowledge and skills to make your own garden to grow vegetables and herbs at home.

Session 1:

Site assessment and soil preparation for vegetable gardening.

Date/time: Sat 9 May 9.30am - 11am

Tutor: Steve Williams

Session 2:

What to grown in the vegie garden. Choosing crops to suit your site and the season, planting vegie seedlings, watering and weeding.

Date/Time: Sat 23 May 9.30am - 11am

Tutor: Linda Walker

Session 3

Feeding and mulching.

Worms, compost and other natural soil additives plus mulch for soil improvement. **Date/time:** Sat 6 June 9.30m-11am

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Tutor: Dennis Walters

Session 4

Protecting your vegie crops.

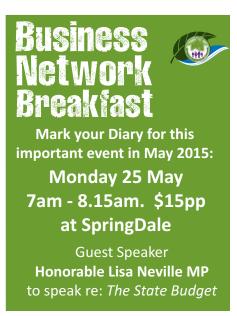
Protecting your crops from wind, birds, pests and diseases and general care to ensure a

healthy harvest of vegies.

Date/time: Sat 20 June 9.30am - 11am

Tutor: Steve Williams

Fee: \$40 for the whole course or \$15 per session



NEWS from Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine

Bellarine Buses

Many people have expressed their concerns about the changes to the bus services proposed under the previous Government by Public Transport Victoria (PTV).

Over recent months I have met with PTV and also the Minister for Transport to discuss these changes.

PTV have now put the changes on hold and in mid March conducted public forums, to listen to the concerns of the community.

Bus commuters can be assured that services will not change until issues have been finalised.

Bellarine Community Health

In late February I announced that the Andrews Government will commence an independent review into the operations of Bellarine Community Health Service and in particular its accountability to the community.

The review will examine whether appropriate governance, financial management and risk management are in place in delivering services and if there are adequate links to the local community.

It will include local consultation and the report will be finalised by the middle of this year.

For far too long the community have not been able to trust BCH and ensure they get the support they need from this vital organisation.

Drysdale Bypass

I am pleased to announce that the State Government had allocated \$2million to ensure work will begin on the Drysdale Bypass as a matter of high priority.

This money has been made available to allow design work and community consultation to begin on the \$106 million project prior to the State Budget in May.

Normally the Government would wait until after the May Budget to make planning, money available, however that would mean there would be no works commencing until after July 1. But this is a critical project and I want the planning to start as soon as is

Besides commencing detailed planning, we



will also be looking at High Street which needs to be addressed quickly to provide some immediate relief from traffic.

Drysdale Primary School

The State Government has committed to upgrade the Drysdale Primary School, For too long the school has awaited this much needed work. I have been working closely with the school on the upgrade and am well aware of the urgency to get works started as soon as is possible. As such I have been advocating within Government to have the funding made available in the May budget.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me by email or call my office if there are any matters that I may be able to assist you with directly.

Hon Lisa Neville MP

Member for Bellarine lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au Twitter @LisanevilleMP (03) 5248 346

Letter to the Editor

Shopping local is a viable decision

I've not had to look beyond our local area for trades people or what I needed during my move and settling into Drysdale. Thanks for linking me in.

Ken, Drysdale.

Send your letters to: messenger@springdale.org.au

LISA NEVILLE MP MEMBER FOR BELLARINE

For assistance on any issue please ring the electorate office on (03) 5248 3462



lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au

Thanks for inspiring the Bus trip to Blue Lotus Farm



Pictured Sartaj Vishal and Anne Brackley looking at photos Sartaj took while enjoying her day at The Blue Lotus Farm.



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10-19 April

National Youth Week

National Youth Week is an annual, weeklong celebration of young people (12 to 25) throughout Australia. National Youth Week encourages youths to share ideas, attend events, discuss youth issues, showcase their talents and even have a bit of fun.



www.youthweek.com

Quality shows for all ages

School holidays are upon us already and that means 3triple2 4 Kids are back. This month see an original play based on Kevin Collister's Fable: How Much can a Koala Bear? An adventurous tale which sees four koalas embark on a journey to save their town.

A fun filled journey with lots of the trademark singing and dancing that is synonymous with Theatre 3triple2 4 kids pantomimes.

Collision Dance Collective returns to the Shed in April with a new contemporary dance theatre work bringing together original abstract poetry, creative set design and original contemporary dance to tell the tale of when two forbidden worlds collide.

Our ANZAC Day Morning Showtime special sees the return of the moving documentary about how the songs of Australia's WWI Singing Soldiers changed as war progressed.

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A fable by Kevin Collister

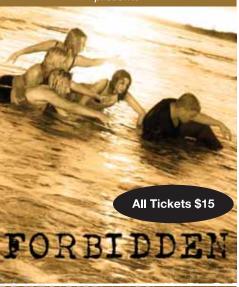


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Friday 10 April - 8pm Saturday 11 April – 2pm & 8pm Forbidden

> Adam and Eve, Romeo and Juliet; it's an age old story.



Tuesday 21 April 10.30am

The Songs To End All Wars

Morning Showtime \$15 Includes Morning Tea

Our ANZAC Day special sees the return of the moving documentary about how the songs of Australia's WWI Singing Soldiers changed as war progressed.

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 The Potato Shed, Bellarine Multi Arts Centre is located at 41 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale Ph: (03) 5251 1998



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Drysdale Clifton Springs Community Association

Your Community Association is continually searching for new projects and ideas to present to a General Meeting of our members, and we have been sent a letter from one of our members outlining "Drysdale, life after the Ring Road".

What a perfect platform to conduct our next General Meeting and many thanks go to Elaine Stow for raising an enormous number of issues and suggestions. She states, "while the Ring Road seems a long way off we all know time does fly and wonders if there have been any thoughts or plans made regarding our ongoing promotion of Drysdale". This statement by Elaine also leads us into the situation of the High Street upgrade, which will be part of the State Government funded Bypass arrangement. The traders in High Street need to be involved in all the discussions and all the

Searching for new projects

decision making processes, because it is not all about the through traffic, and how good it will be for a lot of residents, it's about who amongst the traders will be affected by any change in street design.

The DCSCA have listed Wednesday 22 April as the General Meeting date, to be held at SpringDale Hall at 7.30 pm. We are going to do a letter drop of the local traders so that they are informed as to the content of the meeting, and urging them to attend. The following are but a few items that will be up for discussion.

- How to get the best outcome of the High Street upgrade funding.
- How to improve the entrance to our townships and create a purposeful information site.
- How to create a multipurpose information sheet promoting our townships.
- Update the Scenic Trails around Drysdale and Clifton Springs maps.

- Promote Crimea House, the Dell, the Basin Reserve, cycle paths, walking trails etc.
- Annual events, Glass Festival, Art show, Potato Shed etc.
- A brief history of Drysdale perhaps near the Railway station.
- Form a relationship with the Bellarine Railway operators.
- Update on the Drysdale Sports Precinct.
- Hear from your newly formed group *Friends of the Foreshore.*

This meeting is all about what we would like for our towns and what we are prepared to do to ensure that we are not forgotten. Our intention is to present the outcome of this meeting to VicRoads, CoGG and other statutory bodies for their action.

D.Carson (Treasurer)

The Fluker Project

This project has recently been introduced at Clifton Springs, by which local people are invited to become involved in a citizen's local environmental project. The project is designed to make a positive contribution to the future management of the local beachfront by enabling observation of environmental changes.

The program is run by Professor Fluker of Victoria University who points out that change at these environments is always occurring, but land managers sometimes miss out on identifying the early signs of adverse change. If we know about the changes, then we are in a better position to do something about it.

A 'Fluker Post' has recently been installed on the lookout above the Dell at Clifton Springs. Community members are invited to place their camera on the post, then take a digital photo of the local beachfront. The photos are then sent by email to form part of a photo album so that changes to the local beach environment -over time- can be recognised through analysis.

Professor Fluker encourages contributors to have a look at the Fluker Post collections and find the album that you are adding to.







Contributors are invited to comment on the positive and negative changes you see happening and any ideas you have on how the environmental health of the area could be improved.

Moderated responses will be posted on the **FlukerPost.com** website with just the initials of the contributor being shown. Your insights will also be shared with the relevant land management agency. There is also a Fluker Post Facebook page - please feel free to like it

Left top:

FLUKER Clifton Springs Fluker Post Dell5 Bottom left:

FLUKER St Leonards Fluker Post BB1 Right top:

FLUKER Photo taken from Fluker Post Dell5 Right bottom:

FLUKER Indented Head Fluker Post BB2





(just go to www.facebook.com/fluker.post then click on the *like* button).

You will then get news and updates on the project as they occur. There are many Fluker Posts now installed on the Victorian coastline, including other recent installations on the Bellarine Peninsula including at St Leonards and Indented Head. I believe this is an excellent concept which deserves wide support from the Victorian community.

Peter Cowden, Clifton Springs

Lions of Portarlington Drysdale Roar



Attending to students during a free Sausage Sizzle at Portarlington Primary School

Young Leaders in Service

Young people do not usually get the accolades they deserve. However our Lions Club has worked with St Ignatius Secondary College to identify our *Young Leaders in Service* said Lions Youth coordinator Bruce Holmes. 28 students from St Ignatius Secondary College and 1 from Portarlington volunteer Brigade had completed over 100 hours of community service within the last year. Schools are asked to validate nominations from local community groups. Recipients will receive a Gold Award certificate and a congratulatory letter from the President of Lions Clubs International.

This Lions Clubs International initiative is:- To provide the young people of the world with opportunities for achievement, learning, contribution and service, individually and collectively, through sponsorship of activities identified as best practices in the field of youth development.

A free sausage sizzle was held at Portarlington Primary School recently and 220 children and teachers were sated at lunch time. Lions organiser Glen Jose said "It is most satisfying to show we care and supply our children ranging from preps to grade 6 with a simple lunch".

Lions boost Quilters' cancer support service

It was smiles all round when Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club President, Ray Meaney, handed over a \$1,000 cheque to Joy McGregor, spokesperson for Portarlington's Wilted Quilters group. The donation will go towards funding the group's charity work, including the making of support cushions for breast cancer patients and holders for patients' drainage bags.

If you are community minded person and would like to join our Lions Club phone John 0427 281 290. Herb Picker

Congratulations Jacob

Jacob Ramsey of Newcomb Secondary College - Congratulations on being the winner of the Lions Club of Portarlington/Drysdale Youth of the Year.

Your next assignment for the NAB Bank Youth of the Year Program is to attend the Zone Final competing against other Bellarine youths. We wish you success in the public speaking and academic achievement criteria.

Snakes alive - be watchful



This brown snake was found in a home in Kewarra Drive, Clifton Springs - lots happening in the area so please beware and be careful.

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Drysdale Bypass

Community invited to have input into Drysdale Bypass plans

Come see the latest plans, speak directly with VicRoads staff and provide real input into the features of the bypass and improvements to High Street in Drysdale.

Date Wednesday 15 April in Drysdale

Time Drop in anytime between 3pm-7pm

Where SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre,
17-21 High Street Drysdale

If you are unable to attend this session, information will be available on the VicRoads website at:

vicroads.vic.gov.au (search for Drysdale Network Planning)
An information session will also be held in Portarlington.

For more information

email drysdaletransport@roads.vic.gov.au or call 5225 2576



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Drysdale RSL Commemorates 100 Years of ANZAC

On the 25 April 2015 Australia will commemorate 100 years since the ANZAC landings on the shores of Gallipoli. To mark this special event the Drysdale RSL Sub Branch will be holding our ANZAC Service on Saturday 25 April 2015.

This is a prime opportunity to remember those who gave so much for our country – especially those who are no longer with us.



The service will be held in the Assembly Hall at the Drysdale Primary School located on Clifton Springs Road commencing at 10am. The second part of the ceremony will be the march and wreath laying which will be held at the Cenotaph in High Street commencing at about 11am.

It will commence with the veterans march which will be supported by members of the local services and sporting bodies. This will be followed by a wreath laying ceremony and a tribute to the thirty three soldiers from Drysdale who fought and gave their lives during WW1. There will also be an unveiling of a very special artefact bought back from Gallipoli in 1918 that has recently been donated to the Drysdale community.

Members of the public are cordially invited to attend this Service.

Next of Kin (NOK) who want to participate in the march should march behind the veterans and be old enough to march the full distance without assistance. Please note baby prams are not permitted.

NOK representation should be restricted to 1 per veteran. Attire should be neat and tidy out of respect to the fallen (torn denim, sporting attire, dirty joggers etc are not appreciated).

Carrying pictures of relatives is not supported.

NOK are to wear medals on the right breast (left breast is reserved for the original owners).

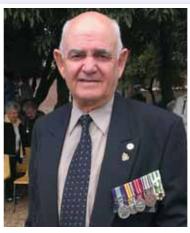
Please note this is an informal standing ceremony with visitors asked to bring their own chair to the cenotaph if required.

Light refreshments which will be served at the RSL Hall 13 Princess Street, Drysdale after the service. The Mannerim CFA will be holding a sausage sizzle in the RSL grounds.

The Bellarine Historical Society, located in the Old Court House Museum in Drysdale on High Street will also be displaying artefacts and local history from WW1 in recognition of the ANZAC Centenary. Lest We Forget



Geoff Zanker newly elected **Drysdale RSL President**



Drysdale RSL President Mr Geoff Zanker

After 15 years of devoted service Geoff Wisbey has handed over the reins as President of the Drysdale RSL to Geoff Zanker.

Geoff Zanker is going to have to hit the floor running as 2015 is already proving to be a very busy year.

Geoff Zanker has served as Vice President for many years so he is more than capable of leading the club forward in its endeavours to service the members and veteran community.

Geoff Wisbey will remain on the committee as a mentor and adviser. The knowledge Geoff Wisbey has gained over the 15 years as being President is invaluable.

The members of the Drysdale would like to express their thanks to Geoff Wisbey for devoted work over the last 15 years.

The 2015 Committee looks forward to working with Geoff Zanker.

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The Bellarine Historical Society presents

Our Boys at War - A tribute to our local soldiers and WW1





The Bellarine Historical Society presents Our Boys at War. a tribute to the local lads and indeed all soldiers that served in the First World War.

A display is being prepared in the Old Court House Museum, 11 High Street, Drysdale, to remember the centenary of the battle for Gallipoli. Working in conjunction with the Drysdale RSL, the Historical Society is creating a walk into the trenches display with memorabilia, photos, written articles and an audio/visual display pertaining to WW1.

Following a very moving RSL ANZAC Day remembrance service at the Cenotaph in Drysdale, a very special memento of Gallipoli will be moved into the Museum next door and the display will then be open to the public. We hope that the whole community will take the opportunity to visit and remember those sacrifices so long ago.

The Museum will be open for this special display from 10am - 4pm both Saturday 25 April and Sunday 26 April, then the following first Sunday of the month in May, June and July between 1.30pm - 4.30pm. We would also welcome contact by any schools or groups that would prefer a private visit during weekdays.

The Bellarine Historical Society and the Drysdale RSL acknowledge the sponsorship and support of the Bendigo Community Bank for this project.

Further information can be obtained by phoning Bob Willey 0425 844 429 or Lynette Willey 0417 133 177.



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Combined Probus Club of Clifton Springs/Drysdale

Mystery tour to Osbourne House, Lara Museum and Yarrabee Garden



Last month a group from our Probus Club joined with folk from Leopold Gateway Club on a Mystery Tour by bus. The tour started at *Osbourne House*, built in 1858 and overlooking Corio Bay, where we heard the story of the history of this lovely old building; at the rear of the house we visited the *Maritime Museum* and the Vietnam Veterans centre, both fascinating spots.

Our next stop was Lara Museum and Historical Centre on the site of the original Lake Bank Hotel built about 1860; again we heard of the history of the area and sight of the old school desk brought back many memories to us all.

After lunch we visited *Yarrabee Garden* in Lara, a privately owned property which opens for interested groups; the owners told us of their work setting up the native plants,

fruit trees and vegetable garden and took us on a guided tour culminating in the tasting of the many jams, chutneys and relishes made from their produce.

It had been a most enjoyable and enlightening Mystery Tour.

As a social club for retirees, ladies and gents, you will be welcomed as a visitor at our regular monthly meetings held in the Members' Room of the Clifton Springs Golf Club from 10am on the second Monday of each month.

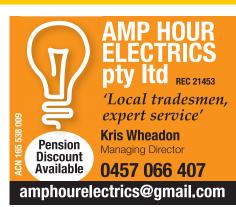
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Permaculture is a design system which can be applied to gardens, but also to other areas of human activity. It has three ethical principles: care for the earth, care for people and fair distribution of resources. It also has 12 design principles; there isn't space to list and describe them all here, but if you search for "permaculture principles" online, you'll find lots of information.

What permaculture is not: a menu of gardening techniques. No-dig beds, edible forest gardens, herb spirals and swales are often mentioned in connection with permaculture, but you can "do permaculture" without them. In fact the idea of approaching garden design with a fixed list of solutions is yery un-permacultural!

Let's take one permaculture design principle here and see how it might work out in your garden.

Principle 1: Observe and interact.

All permaculture design starts with observation. Walk the site, notice where the

sun rises and sets at different times of the year, where water collects after rain, where frost lies in winter. Notice what wild plants ('weeds') are growing and think about why. For example, carpet weed (galenia) loves dry, compacted soil where grass can't grow. Notice where the hot, cool and gusty winds come from and what areas are sheltered from those winds.

Why do this, instead of just getting stuck in? Well, it's difficult to change the fundamental characteristics of your site. If you put something in the wrong place – for example, a citrus orchard in dry, compacted soil – you'll be fighting your site for years, trying to get the trees to thrive. That energy is valuable, and better spent on things that really need doing.

Observation leads to interaction with your site. By trying out your plan, you'll see where it works and where it doesn't.

So if you dig a planting hole for a tree and hit rock a spade's depth below the surface, maybe you need to rethink your design?

Top: No site is really a blank canvas, so observe carefully.

Inset: Before you interact with it.

Observation and interaction are ongoing processes – a garden design is never finished.

Over the coming months I'll look at more permaculture principles from time to time.







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Rotary Club of Drysdale - Easter Art Show

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The Rotary Club of Drysdale's prestigious Annual Easter Art Show is on again at the Christian College Sports Stadium, Collins Street, Drysdale.

We are excited and can't wait to see the standard of the art work as each year the calibre increases. Laurence Balshaw-Blake will have the privilege of judging this Art Show, I don't envy him the task. So come the Easter weekend why not plan to see the Art Show Easter Saturday 10am to 5pm or Sunday 10am to 4pm.

Artists come from far and wide to participate, get recognised and hopefully sell some of their work all for a good cause. Imagine a piece of the art work hanging on your wall at

home. If you can't decide why not grab a Devonshire tea from the Cafe this year being run by our local SpringDale Community Centre. All funds raised from the Cafe will help the Centre fund a new Kitchen.

This Show cannot run without the sponsors, volunteers and helpers who give of their time and energy without expecting anything in return. Recently we held a Thank You dinner where we recognised their efforts and showed our appreciation.

Rotary is a service organization that puts back into their local community and internationally. The main beneficiary of the raffle funds raised this year is Cystic Fibrosis Geelong. **Caroline Rickard**

SpringDale Pop-up Café



Saturday 4 & Sunday 5 April,

SpringDale will be serving our community in a different way – we will be serving Devonshire Teas and other delights including gluten free options, at our Pop-up Café in the foyer of the Rotary Easter Art Show.

Snorkelling the Bellarine waters

Jacob Negri, 16, from Bellarine Secondary School attended the Conoco Phillips Science Experience course run by the Marine Freshwater Discovery Centre at Queenscliff in January. He found the experience valuable regarding how to gather and analyse scientific data and of future employment in the marine science field. Jacob was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Drysdale. Sue Van Every said that "Jacob gave a very professional, informative presentation to the Rotary Club of his three day experience." Jacob spoke passionately about the ocean and his love of snorkelling and fishing.

During his presentation to the Rotary Club, Jacob showed extensive video footage of marine creatures from the Bellarine waters including sea dragons, seals and numerous varieties of fish. "We were all surprised by the number of marine species that are around the Peninsula and the skilled photography" said Ms Van Every. In the future, Jacob would like to do research into cuttlefish or become a Fishery Officer.

Jacob thanked the Rotary Club of Drysdale for allowing him the opportunity.







Have you seen this *National Trust*Tree in Portarlington near the
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Nashi & Frangipane Tarts

Preserve it:

Nashi are ideal for peeling, coring and preserving, or made into jam or chutney.

Dice it:

Cheese and nashi make excellent partners. Experiment with blue cheese, brie and hard cheddar cheeses.

Substitute it:

Use nashi instead of apples in your next Waldorf salad – they add a crisp texture and don't turn brown.

Nashi is actually the Japanese word for pear. Nashi are also occasionally referred to as Asian pear, apple-pear or Oriental pear because they are native to northern Asia. They have taken many hundreds, if not thousands of years, to evolve from their very distant relatives, the European pears that we are so familiar with, such as the Williams, Packhams, Triumph and Beurre Bosc varieties. Unrelated to apples, the long isolation of the nashi in the East has lead to the development of its own unique crisp, delicately sweet and juicy texture, with the fruit harvested ready to eat.

This contrasts with European pears which are soft and juicy when ripe but are harvested much earlier, meaning most of us have to wait to enjoy their delights!

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4 Poached Nashi Pears

See Ginger, Lemon and Vanilla Poached Pears

2 sheets Sweet Pastry

1 cup Frangipane

Slithered almonds

Icing sugar

2 tblspns honey to glaze

Butter to grease

Frangipane

½ cup ground almond meal

1/4 cup sugar

1 egg

3 tblspns butter, softened

3/4 tspn vanilla extract

1 tblspn flour

To make Frangipane:

Place all ingredients in a food processor and pulse until it is a smooth, creamy paste.

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To make Tart:

Preheat oven to 180°C

Cut pasty to fit your lightly greased loose-bottom tart tins.

Spoon 3 tablespoons Frangipane into each tart case.

Using a sharp paring knife, carefully slice the bottom off each poached pear so they sit flat. Cut vertically from the stalk of each nashi, making each slice the same width.

Carefully fan the slices from the stalk and place one in each tart and bake for 30 minutes or until Frangipane is cooked. Place almonds around the edges of the tarts.

Add a splash of boiling water to the honey and glaze the tarts with a pastry brush while they are still in the tins, cool before removing from tins. Dust the edges of the tarts with a light sprinkle of icing sugar.



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Ginger, Lemon and Vanilla Poached Pears

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6 pears, peeled

3 cups of water

1 cup sugar

1 vanilla pod 3cm piece of ginger, sliced thinly

2 lemons, sliced

Peel pears leaving stalk intact.

Heat water and sugar until sugar is dissolved then add vanilla pod, fresh ginger and lemon.

Add peeled whole pears to simmering water for about 30 minutes.

Remove from water once cooked and place on serving platter.



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Lending Information Evening

You are invited to a Lending Information Evening on Thursday 9 April.

For more information please refer to back page this issue.

Our guest speakers will inform you of the important things you need to know. The speakers include Luke Campbell, Neville Richards Real Estate, will discuss market conditions and trends on the Bellarine; Paul Harbour, Harbour Business Consulting, talking about Negative gearing with investment properties pros and cons; Leanne Newcomb, Bendigo Bank Business Banking, discussing lending to self-employed and small business owners; and Financial Planners informing about Insuring your most important asset - YOU!

Bendigo Bank Senior Manager Mark O'Dowd will speak on the local contribution of our

Community Banks® and Bendigo Bank Manager Craig Taylor will explain 'The home loan process' and Cameron Place, Bendigo Bank Customer Relationship Manager Portarlington will discuss 'Your 1st Home Loan".

It will be held at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre at 6.30pm Thursday 9 April RSVP 5253 3192 – Spaces are limited. Hope to see you there.

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Paul Harbour: Negative gearing with investment properties pros and cons.

Leanne Newcomb: Bendigo bank business banking, discussing lending to self-employed and small business owners.

Financial Planners: Insuring your most

important asset: YOU!

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Craig Taylor: Explaining The home loan

process

Cameron Place: Customer Relationship Manager Portarlington discussing *Your 1st Home Loan*.

Bellarine Woodworkers going from Strength to Strength





Our workshop extensions which started in late 2014 are now complete. They provide a big increase in working space, much more efficient location of machinery and storage of materials. We have 70 members both male and female and more working space was clearly required for the operation of the 7 specialised groups which include, General woodworking, Wood Carving, Toy Making, Box Making, Woodturning, Intarsia and Model Boat building.

As a result of grants from the Bendigo Bank Foundation, City of Greater Geelong and the State Government we have been able to have extensive concreting work done, giving safer, easier access to the workshop and facilities for everyone. We have also been able to complete some electrical work. The purchase of specialized equipment including Woodturning Lathes, Drum Sander and a Thicknesser will all cater for the increased membership.

We have 10 new members both male and female who are enjoying learning new wood skills and the skilled tuition that is freely available in our vibrant club.

Top Left: Turning on the lathe. Right: Norm's Boat

If you are interested in obtaining information about the Bellarine Woodworkers access our website on

www.bellarinewoodworkers.wordpress.com or come along to a meeting at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre on the first or third Monday of each month at 1.30pm.

Ed Ford

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

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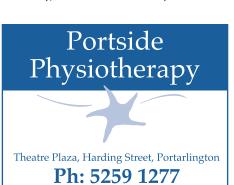


5 Common Causes of Knee Pain - Part 2

Osteoarthritis

Arthritis is one of the most common diseases in Australia and often affects the knee joint, as well as other joints in the body. Osteoarthritis is a chronic inflammatory condition which causes the breakdown of the protective cartilage between joints and can become bone directly on bone. This causes a narrowing of space between the two joints.

Patients with arthritis often report pain, stiffness, swelling and inflammation in their joints, which is usually worse early in the day. This can result in weakness, deformity and instability, which can sometimes prevent



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patients from performing their usual activities, like walking, driving and gardening. While the condition is not curable, it can be managed. Upon an appointment, a physio will assess the condition and identify problem

Programs can include hydrotherapy (water based exercise); massage; strength training; dry needling and joint protection (walking sticks) prescription.

For advice regarding arthritis of the knee, and any other joint, make an appointment at Portside Physiotherapy Clinic.

Brea Turnley, Portside Physiotherapy.

11 April

World Parkinson's Day



World Parkinson's Day is an opportunity to raise awareness of the condition, while also raising funds to continue research into a possible cure. Parkinson's disease is a chronic, progressive neurological condition for which there is currently no cure. Twenty-five Australians are diagnosed every day, with approximately 80,000 Australians currently living with the condition.

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Dr Sharon Pedersen-Jones

Your visit will include a specialised nerve scan and spinal X-rays (if required) for only \$75 (normally valued at \$225). Phone my amazing assistants at Newcomb on (03) 5248 4375 or Clifton Springs on (03) 5253 2800 to schedule an appointment that could change your life.

Are your hormones destroying your life?

This article is a quick recap from our *Happy Hormones* seminar at SpringDale during March.

Our hormones play a huge role in our lives, but they don't have to dictate what we can and can't do. Women especially can relate to the effect that hormones can have on mood and energy. But do we all truly grasp the role hormones play in our health and wellbeing?

Hormones have specific roles to play in the body, and must exist in a state of balance. If this balance shifts then our health suffers. Let's focus on one commonly troublesome hormone – oestrogen.

Oestrogen: important for female health right through every lifestage.

Oestrogen is important for female reproductive health, heart health, bone health and nervous system function. It is important right from early childhood, through pregnancy, childbirth and finally, menopause.

Oestrogen is produced in the ovaries, adrenal glands and fat stores. But it comes in different forms, which we classify broadly as *oestrogen*. And broadly speaking it comes in *good* forms for health, and *bad* forms for health also. When there is more 'bad' than 'good', there can be symptoms like;

Hot flushes & night sweats

Bloating Energy fluctuations Mood swings Sugar cravings Weight gain



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How can we make more *good* than *bad* oestrogen?

This is a big question, which was addressed as part of our *Happy Hormones* seminar at SpringDale recently. But one of the best things you can do is to focus on cruciferous vegetables as part of your regular diet each day. If you aim for 3 handfuls of these veges, (which include broccoli, cauliflower, brussel sprouts, rocket, kale, bok choy), each day you will be feeding your body to correctly balance the oestrogen types. And you will also be injecting lots of essential minerals and vitamins into yourself also, the perfect multivitamin!

Our next seminar is on the recent controversial Paleo Diet, as featured by Pete Evans on Tuesday 21 April at 6.30pm, \$10 per person. If you like to learn more about it, come along!

Bookings can be made at SpringDale Office (03) 5253 1960.

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Drysdale Toy Library

Terrific news. Our 'Tempting Toys and Playful Connections' grant application was successful and we are very pleased to now have 18 NEW high quality toy items for ages 0-5 ready for borrowing. A huge thank you to Drysdale & Portarlington Community Bank for the generous grant as part of the Bellarine Peninsula Community Grants program 2014. These toys have already been well received by families and children in our local community are having loads of fun exploring these fun new toys. We shared the grant with Portarlington Toy Library and continue to work in partnership with them to provide local families access to a full range of high quality, educative toys for preschoolers. Some of the new toys include: Schleich large dinosaur set, Magnetic puzzles, Camping play set, Zingo! game, Lacing Sneaker, Magnetic Fishing Set, and more DUPLO to add to our

Drysdale Toy Library is open Tuesdays (school term) 4-5pm at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. New members most welcome, we'd love to meet new families, carers or



Members choosing toys from the Toy Catalogue and some of the new toys.

grandparents. Come and view the range of 200+ toys. Membership \$10 per term. We now have a Facebook page: Drysdale Toy Library (formerly SpringDale).

We are collecting zip up manchester/doona bags for toy storage.

If you could donate some bags please drop them in to SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre reception.

Portarlington Toy Library is open Wednesdays (school term) 8.45-10am at the Children's Centre, Newcombe Street, Portarlington.

Yummy Muesli Muffins for the family



1x 12 hole muffin pan

Ingredients:

21/4 cups muesli (untoasted) 1½ cups milk 11/4 cups self-raising flour 1 apple, grated with skin still on 34 cup brown sugar 1 tsp ground cinnamon 1 egg

Method:

as requested by Kathleen one of our readers

Preheat oven to 190°C.

Combine muesli and milk, let stand for 10 minutes.

Add remaining ingredients and stir until combined.

Spoon mixture into a greased 12 hole muffin tray and bake for 20-25 minutes.



Funeral Plans

with Maree East from Tuckers

Maree is available to provide free information and practical advice 1st Friday of every month from 9.30am till 12.30pm at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

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11-19 April

Nature Play Week



Nature Play Week celebrates initiatives of all shapes and sizes that reconnect kids with nature and the outdoors. The week is filled with over 40 Nature Play experiences for kids and their families facilitated by dozens of wonderful local organisations, parents and schools across Victoria, and beyond.

www.natureplayweek.org.au



Was all about safety in a shelter

Thinking about ANZAC Day, it makes me remember when World War 2 finished, especially when the prisoners of war came home on the train from Melbourne. They were like skin and bone. There was a number of locals who came back this way and they had helpers on the trains.

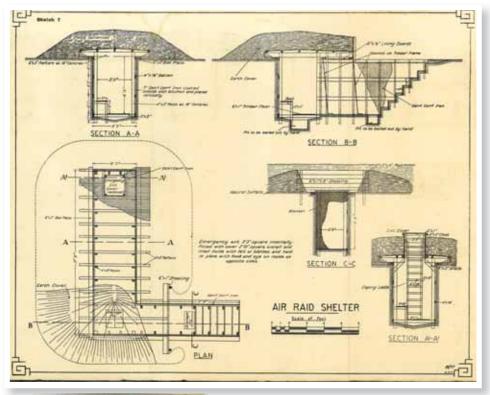
When the World War 2 had started, a Light Horse Division took over the Drysdale footy oval and its surrounds. They erected a mess tent on the oval but the oval at that time sloped up at the town end – it's been levelled since then. I remember Bren Gun Carriers – small army tanks were stationed in Dave Parish's Garage in High Street. Lake Lorne was used for footy matches, it was dry that year.

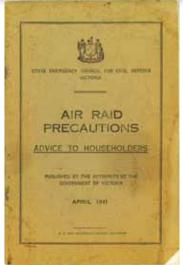
I had an air raid shelter at the old National Bank where we lived. There was a large concrete pipe shelter next to SpringDale which was the Methodist Sunday School at the time. There were sand bags each end. The Lockup at the Police Station also had sand bags all over it, that was when Bob Clark was the police man.

Pictured is a booklet I saved from the tip – Air Raid Precautions – Advice to householders – published by the authority of the Government of Victoria April 1941. It contains various plans for air raid shelters, what to do in air raid conditions, how to seal windows and doors.

Kel Davis







Above: The plans for an AIR RAID SHELTER Left: The cover of a book published in 1941 about Air Raid Precautions





HELP! Foodbank is in need - the cupboards are near empty

The Drysdale Family Support Foodbank has been operating for over 12 years, providing food parcels, support and referral services to clients from all over the Bellarine Peninsula and Geelong. Demand for our services has never been higher. The Foodbank is a part of the Drysdale Family Support project that looks to provide various assistance to families in need. It is open 50 weeks of the year and provides clients with approximately 5 days food on a fortnightly basis.

While we receive funding through Give Where You Live, donations of food or finance from local Bellarine Peninsula churches, weekly donations from Second Bite and regular support from local businesses and groups and operate our Second Chance Op Shop, it has not been enough to keep up with demand this year.

Each year the demand for our service increase but this year we are already nearly 30% ahead of the corresponding period in 2014. We need to increase our expenditure on food reserves and it has become a challenge to our budget.

YOU CAN HELP

Packaged food or cash donations are needed to help us help others. All donations over \$2 are tax deductible and can be brought to the office of Drysdale Community Church 276 - 290 Jetty Road Curlewis phone 5253 2099.

Packaged food, fruit and vegetables can be dropped off at Drysdale Community Church or at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.



Celebrate our Shire



Bellarine Shire was established 150 years ago in September 2015. be fantastic if we were able to have an event.

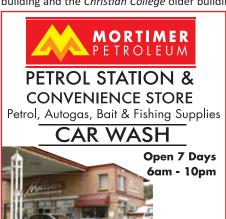
The fore runner of the Shire was the Portarlington Road Board.

The formation of the Port Arlington Road Board, its Secretary, and presiding over its first meeting was Caroline Newcomb.

The places out of which the Shire or its forerunner operated that still exist are Coriyule Homestead, the Bellarine Historical Society Museum (pictured) building and the Christian College older buildings in Drysdale.



If you would like to be part of a group to organise an event to celebrate 150 years since the establishment of Bellarine Shire please contact SpringDale phone (03) 5253 1960.



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Getting your life back into rhythm – Drumming and New Courses

After successfully running an African Drumming taster course with Scott McCutcheon over the last 3 weeks of March we are offering a longer course to start in April, we are looking forward to the drums blending into the ukuleles that just keep popping up everywhere around SpringDale.

Rhythm in your life with African Drumming

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Tues 21 April - Tues 9 June

6.30pm – 7.30pm (8 sessions) **Fee:** \$90 or conc \$85

Tutor: Scott McCutcheon



Enjoying a challenge with African Drumming tutor Scott McCutcheon

Do you know someone who could do with a little bit of help with reading?

With over twenty years' experience teaching, and having given national and state talks on reading, Marcia Hiatt is well aware of the problems that reading difficulties can cause. She also believes in her heart that it is never too late to develop skills and to even get enjoyment from reading a book.

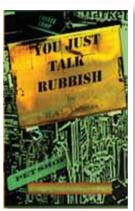
It was during her teaching time at a large Melbourne TAFE, when a teenager, angry and ashamed of his dyslexia, said he hadn't read a novel since Grade 4. Of course Marcia had searched for appropriate reading

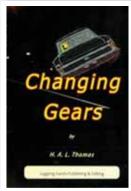
material, but nothing seemed to fit the bill of being aimed at a Grade 3-4 reading level, considerate of visual difficulties, with an Australian focus, and age appropriate. And so began her writing (under a pseudonym) and publishing venture, where short novellas and text books, were used as enticements get people reading.

Marcia is now volunteering to help people develop their reading and/or writing skills, in small groups or on a one-to-one basis if needed, at Springdale. If you would like some extra help in reading and/or writing — whether newspapers, documents, school work, books — please contact Springdale to arrange dates and times.

To see the full range of her books, you can visit Marcia's website at **www.jugglinghands.com.au**







Short courses being offered

If you are unemployed or under employed some of our new courses might help you get going again.

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- Making Dollars Stretch
- Train the Trainer Taster
- Understanding Autism

If you are interested in any of these titles – please contact SpringDale ph (03) 5253 1960 we are excited about these new opportunities for our community and would appreciate people to help us trial these courses to ensure they are as good as they can be. Most of the courses listed above are very short courses but could be extended depending upon feedback.







Annual Adrian Mannix OAM Community Service Award

This will be the fourteenth presentation of the Adrian Mannix OAM Community Service Award. Adrian worked tirelessly for our community and this award was created in his honour, in the year after his passing.

Over his lifetime Adrian had Adrian passed away on 24 February 2001 and during his life carried out an extraordinary amount of community work including:

- · 5 years Councillor Bellarine Rural City Council
- · 1 term Mayor of Bellarine Rural City Council
- · 25 years member of Lions Club of Portarlington/Drysdale & District Governor 2012
- · 15 years Treasurer & Life Member of Drysdale Football Club
- · 8 years Group Leader Drysdale Scout Group
- · 4 years Treasurer Drysdale Primary School
- · 2 years Secretary Drysdale Bush Nurse Centre
- · 6 years Committee Drysdale Cricket Club
- · 6 years Committee Lions Village
- · 4 years Committee of Management SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre
- · Member of Inquaural Working Group Drysdale/Clifton Springs Association
- · Committee Member Clifton Springs Foreshore Improvement Committee
- · 6 months Manager Portarlington Foreshore Committee

People who have won the award have given service to Fire brigade, SES, Football, Guides, Mussel Festival, Guide Dogs, Red Cross,

Bowling Clubs, Netball Clubs, Foster children, Bellarine Historical Society, Choirs, SpringDale, Pole Walking, Rotary, Lions, Schools, and the list goes on. Thousands of hours of community service have been documented through this process and all nominees have been sincerely thanked for their contribution to our community.

The winner of the award is able to nominate a charity or organisation of their choice to receive \$500.

So far 6 women and 8 men have received the award – one year it was given to a couple for their combined service to our community.

There is still time to nominate someone special from your club for the 2015 award. Call in to SpringDale to pick up a form or ask SpringDale Office to email it to you office@springdale.org.au or (03) 5253 1960. It is a very short form to complete and you will know someone in your club who is worth nominating. Nominees who don't win in a particular year are eligible to winner in another year, in this way people don't need to be renominated unless they have achieved an even more memorable volunteering goal.

The Award Dinner will be held in May where the winner will be announced. It is always a great night.





Drysdale Ladies Probus Club

The Ladies Celebrating 25 Years

Ninety-six ladies from the Drysdale Ladies Probus Club celebrated their 25th birthday at their March Meeting.

President, Lilian Cass, extended a special welcome to Dawn Baudinette, the rotary District Probus Chair.

Dawn gave a talk on her life in Probus and presented 25 year pins to the foundation members and a certificate to the Club to mark the occasion. Marguerite Edgar, the first President of the Club, told of the formation of the Club and how it has grown over the years.

Lilian asked the past Presidents of the Club to stand and be acknowledged. Ladies who have served on the committee over the years were also acknowledged.

Marguerite Edgar cut the birthday cake, a beautiful chocolate mud cake made by member, Kath Gunn.



Inaugural President Marguerite Edgar cuts the cake.

At the conclusion of a most enjoyable meeting many of the members stayed to share a delicious luncheon consisting of a birthday lunch box, birthday cake, tea, coffee and slices.







Portarlington Demons Football Netball Club Inc.

Join up NOW – Be a part of your Bellarine Community Sporting Club

Portarlington Demons Football

Netball Club has undertaken a review of 2014 operations and results. The season was one of improvement with major refurbishment of the Club's facilities, retention and promotion of local and junior players and aggressive recruiting for 2015. We are intent on widening our catchment area and to include new growth areas such as Clifton Springs and St Leonards.

A significant outcome of the review was the membership figures. Your local community Football Netball Club had less than 5% of the community as General Members. Local sporting clubs represent their community and rely heavily on that community support to survive and succeed. We have much to offer both junior and senior community members.

Key appointments for Season 2015:

Portarlington Senior Football Coach: Matthew Sproule (appointed until 2016) Portarlington Senior Netball Coach: Lisa Dyer (exciting new appointment)

President, Steve Maul comments: "We wish to expand our player base, in particular juniors. We want to offer more than a game with focus on development our youth using player welfare models, mentoring and providing expert life coaching. So if you want to be part of a club with new initiatives and ideals please contact Steve Maul 0407 861 955."

2015 Memberships are NOW Available Contact: Steve Cogger 0419 357 358

Football Pre-Season Training

6pm Tuesday and Thursday, Portarlington Recreational Reserve

Netball Pre-Season Training

Thursdays— for further information contact: Kellie Aquilina 0400 507 313 & portnetball@hotmail.com

Membership features for 2015 season include:

- Easter Saturday Home Game
- ANZAC Day stand-alone game versus Drysdale at Home
- Scheduled Ladies Day function

 charity social day conducted
 by Netball department
- Thursday Night Demons Bistro, with excellent meals, reasonable bar prices, raffles and the weekly members draw
 - MEMBERSHIP is essential in accordance with Licensing Act.
- Exciting recruiting including the retention of our juniors
- VIP Room Match Day (early Bookings essential)
- Goods & Services Auction
- Sportsman's day



We have a refurbished
Club Function Room & Bar which is
available for Hire – Weddings
Parties, Anythings, 21sts and
catering can be provided.

DISCOUNT FOR MEMBERS.

Marketing Director Herb Picker: 0418 585 798

We want you to be a part of our community Football Netball Club.







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Guest Speaker: Luke Campbell - Neville Richards Real Estate, Paul Harbour -Harbour Business Consulting CPA and Bendigo Bank Business - Wealth and Home Loan Specialists.

When	Thursday 9 April 2015	
Time	6.30pm-8.00pm	
	Springdale Neighbourhood Centre	
Where	17-21 High Street, Drysdale	
	Light refreshments will be provided on the evening	
To RSVP	To RSVP or for further information drop into 1/13 Hancock	
or for further	Street, Drysdale or phone 5253 3192.	
information	Places are limited so reserve yours today.	

We look forward to seeing you there.



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