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Public Interest in the Ring Road

More than two hundred people attended the **VicRoads Drop In** at Drysdale recently. People were keen to gain knowledge of the project and keen to ask questions of the many VicRoads officers, including those responsible for land acquisition. VicRoads have uploaded all the information onto their website for viewing and actively seek your feedback. We look forward to working with VicRoads as the project progresses to get the best outcome for as many as possible.

<https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/regional-road-projects/drysdale-bypass>



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Community CALENDAR

SpringDale Community Calendar is a SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre initiative to support the whole community. If you wish to place your event in the calendar and further issues of The SpringDale Messenger please email, write or call the event details to our office.

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| Saturday | 2 | Harvest Basket Produce Swap 9am-10.30am
<i>The Man They Call The Banjo</i> 8pm Potato Shed |
| Sunday | 10 | Mother's Day. Mother's Day is the annual celebration of mothers and the hard work they do. |
| Saturday | 16 | St James Trivia Night, Clifton Springs Bowls Club, 6.30pm |
| Sunday | 17 | Drysdale market 9am – 1pm
Buttons and Bows exhibition, Parks Hall, Portarlington |
| Thursday | 21 | |
| Friday | 22 | |
| & Saturday | 23 | <i>Foreigners From Home</i> Potato Shed |
| Monday | 25 | Business Breakfast SpringDale 7am |
| Tuesday | 26 | <i>Peter Paul & Marion Morning Showtime</i> 10.30am Potato Shed |
| Thursday | 28 | Portarlington's Biggest Afternoon Tea |

MAY



**Business
Network
Breakfast**
**Monday
25 May**
 7am start

Guest Speaker: Hon Lisa Neville Minister for Environment, Climate Change & Water to speak about the recently released State Budget

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Coordinator's News

Anne Brackley



Before you speak, THINK

Dear Everyone

SpringDale runs on volunteer time and we are so lucky to have such wonderful volunteers who work in so well with each other and with other members of staff and the community. Over the last couple of days we were lucky enough to gain three new volunteers all with very different interests and all willing to do things so important to SpringDale and our community.

It made me think of yin and yang, the Confucius symbols, and how both are so important – new enthusiastic people and those who have been with us for a while and know how and why we do things. Getting the balance right can be tricky.

Over the time I have been at SpringDale, each individual volunteer has played a very special role sometimes for a short while and some are still with us after 10 years. I try to match up interest and aptitude with tasks big and small. I think because I have had a great deal of experience volunteering it enables me to consider both sides and I continue to learn about volunteering as we work together.

During Neighbourhood House Week and Volunteers Week this month please take the time to thank a volunteer who makes a difference in your life. But also know that you undoubtedly make a difference in his/her life too. I believe that it is the relationships that

we form through our lives that are so important.

Sometimes a very small word can fall out of your mouth and make such a difference to a relationship that has been years in building and can be almost destroyed by a single word or sentence.

I read an interesting sign the other day (photo sent to messenger@springdale.org.au on 21 / 3 / 15

Before you speak **THINK**

T is it true?

H is it helpful?

I is it inspiring?

N is it necessary?

K is it kind?

I think this is a great filter to use before things fall out of our mouths - I'll be using it from now on. I know how it builds my energy levels when I am near someone who lives in reality but looks at it positively.

Warm regards and thanks for everything you do for your neighbours, your friends, your family and for our community. Every tiny act of kindness helps our community to be the friendliest place in the world.

Anne Brackley

for Team SpringDale and Team Bellarine.

2015 COURSE UPDATE

French for Travellers

In this course, you will learn phrases and pronunciation for when you next travel in France. We will cover situations such as airports, taxis, hotels, restaurants, sightseeing, buses, emergencies, cafes, Internet cafes and lots more. We will not focus on grammar rules but on phrases you will need to know, on understanding replies given to you and on pronunciation. We will also cover every day slang words as French people often use slang rather than dictionary words. Everyone welcome!

Date/time: Tues April 28 11.30am – 12.45pm

Fee: \$95 conc \$85 **Tutor:** Serge

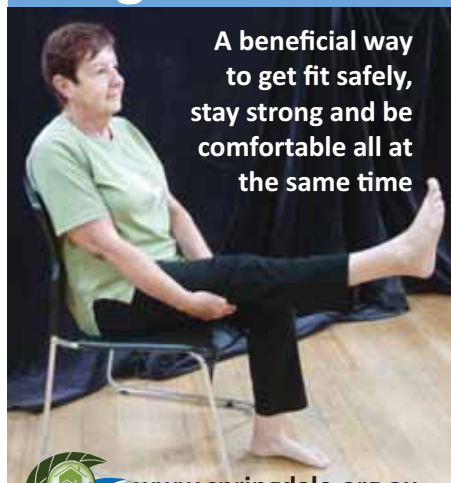
SpringDale Mindfulness Meditation Group

Welcomes past members and experienced meditators to the Term II group.

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Hon Lisa Neville

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Drysdale Rotary Easter Art Show

On Easter Saturday I once again had the pleasure of opening the Drysdale Easter Art Show, now in its 39th year. Having been to the show over many years I can confidently say it seems to get better every year. I always leave marvelling at the talent of our local artists. And it's great that local schools participate so enthusiastically, giving students the wonderful experience of having their art displayed publically. Community participation has always been the hallmark of the event, so I congratulate all those involved in making the Easter Art Show another outstanding success.

Volunteer Emergency Service Equipment Grants

The Victorian Government is strongly committed to supporting our volunteer emergency service organisations across the state, as I am here on the Bellarine. Our

volunteers are vitally important to the successful operation of local services like the CFA, SES, and Coast Guard and of course our Surf Life Saving Clubs. To support these organisations the Victorian Government has established a \$12.5 million funding program to assist with the work they do. Under the "Volunteer Emergency Services Equipment Program" organisations can apply for a grant of up to \$100,000 to fund operational equipment, trucks, watercraft and facility improvements. I have recently written to all our emergency service organisations on the Bellarine urging them to apply for funding if they require it.

Congratulations Indented Head Boat Club

On Saturday 21 March I had the absolute pleasure of awarding certificates of achievement to a number of children with disabilities who had just taken part in a fishing day. The day was organised by the

Indented Head Boat Club working in partnership with Gateways Geelong. The event was the initiative of the club and members raised all funds to cover costs including a sausage sizzle, show bag and certificates for the kids. I whole heartedly congratulate the Indented Head Boat Club and its members for a fantastic idea and day, one the children will never forget.

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
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Letters to the Editor

The statue of historical women disputed

I had to chuckle when reading the recent Messenger. On one page a suggestion for a statue to bring tourists in and on another the on-going fight to get the Ring Road to keep traffic out.

The statue for Bo Peep (sorry, Miss Drysdale) is foolish as our lady pioneers have already been acknowledged by a plaque and park next to the Uniting Church opposite SpringDale.

There are many questions to be answered.
Where would you place the statue?

Also to be considered is parking, toilets and accommodations. I don't think any of the local cafes could cope with bus loads of tourists. Most tour buses like to stay at one place to keep the tourists together. Who is going to pay for the statue? Outside the local area no one knows who Miss Drysdale and Miss Newcomb are. Inside the area very few people know who they are. Why? As a student of Australian History I have only read about Miss Drysdale and Miss Newcomb in local history publications. I feel the role of SpringDale is to support the local community and that the time and effort would be better used to organise activities and clubs for the younger person (10 to 18) as there doesn't seem anything for them to keep them off the streets and out of trouble.
A resident of Drysdale for over 60 years.

Messenger is great!

I love the Messenger.

Pam

Clifton Springs

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10 May

Mothers Day Classic



The **Mother's Day Classic** is an annual fun run and walk raising funds and awareness for breast cancer research. The aim is to deliver a fun, healthy and inspirational community event that brings the community together on Mother's Day to support and remember those touched by breast cancer. **This event will be held on Sunday 10 May from 6.30am – 12noon at Eastern Beach Reserve, Waterfront Geelong.**

www.mothersdayclassic.com.au

Australiana on show at The Shed

A bit of an Australiana theme at The Shed with *The Man They Call The Banjo* and *Foreigners From Home* featuring this month. *The Man They Call The Banjo* tells the secret love story of *Waltzing Matilda* and the affair between Banjo Patterson and Christina Macpherson. *Foreigners from Home* starring televisions Libby Tanner and Damian Richardson is a heartwarming family tale of four siblings set in the depression and seen through the eyes of sister Elizabeth.

And for a bit of musical enjoyment take yourselves back to the famous 1964 *Peter, Paul and Mary* concert album at this month's Morning showtime with Marion Melrose, Steward Firth and Jon Mamonski.

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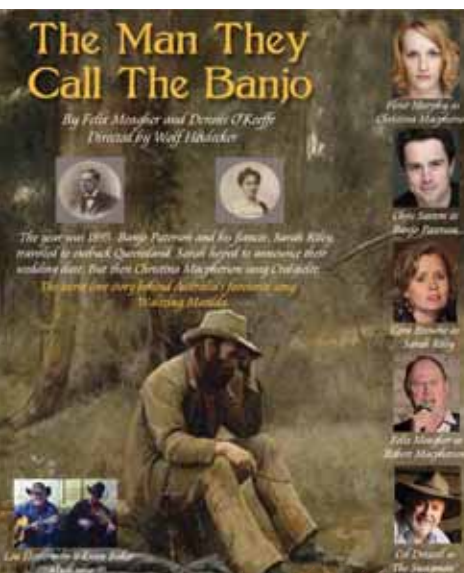
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Group Discounts available for all shows. For further information on any of our upcoming events or to book tickets call the Potato Shed on (03) 5251 1998. Tickets can also be purchased at any City of Greater Geelong Customer Service Centres. The Potato Shed, Bellarine Multi Arts Centre is located at 41 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale Ph: (03) 5251 1998

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PRESS RELEASE re VCAT ruling April 2015 - Jetty Rd Service Station

Issued by Drysdale Clifton Springs
Community Association 8/4/2015

Local non-profit organisation, Drysdale Clifton Springs Community Association, accepts VCAT's ruling, but wishes to express its profound disappointment with the Council procedure which has permitted the service station at 331-334 Jetty Road, Drysdale to go ahead.

After unsuccessfully attempting to stop the permit being granted at Council hearings in 2014, DCSCA submitted an appeal to VCAT to have the permit for the service station, granted by CoGG last August, cancelled or amended. Its grounds for the appeal were that the location was destructive to the rural amenity of the entrance to our townships, and more importantly, that it put motorists, cyclists and the environment at risk.

DCSCA was supported by Environment Minister Lisa Neville, Bellarine Catchment Network chief Matt Crawley, and hundreds of local residents. The association did not receive the chance to put its case to a full hearing, as, owing to the unavoidable lateness of its appeal, and lack of financial resources, it faced insurmountable legal hurdles.

DCSCA wishes to state that its motives were, from the outset, the safety and wellbeing of the community it represents. It responded to significant public opposition to the service station and sought to act honestly and correctly at all times. It now faces the possibility of unspecified legal costs being awarded against it. As a result, DCSCA is not able to take further legal action.

DCSCA wishes to thank all the members of the Drysdale and Clifton Springs community, which have supported it throughout this saga, now in its third year, and also to express its solidarity with residents living near the site, whose amenity, property value and quality of life have been so severely compromised.

VCAT decides on Service Station



Photograph courtesy George Stawicki

For more details and information on this and other matters of interest to the community, please email DCSCA Secretary Neil McGuinness at mcgnj@bigpond.com.

For more information on why DCSCA appealed to VCAT visit <http://drycliftdays.blogspot.com.au/>

Why did DCSCA oppose a Service Station at this location?

During the process DCSCA progressively formed the view that: -

1. The notification process implemented by The City of Greater Geelong (CoGG) did not adequately notify the community such that the vast majority of residents remained unaware of the proposal, hence denying them the opportunity to comment.
2. It was inappropriate in a Rural Living Zone and contrary to the Drysdale Clifton Springs Structure Plan.
3. It would spoil the rural ambience of the entry into the Drysdale Clifton Springs Township.
4. It would increase congestion on a major traffic hub that was vital to the north Bellarine and was already significantly congested.
5. There were ingress/egress traffic safety issues as, at busy times, there would be queues of traffic and reduced visibility in the region of the crest of hill.
6. It would seriously compromise the safety of cyclists. This was of major concern to

DCSCA as it is located on the Principal Bicycle Network (PBN) and is on a commuter route to three nearby schools.

7. The Bellarine would suffer traffic disruption for months on end during the construction phase.
8. It was inappropriate so close to a private dam.

Subsequent to a front-page newspaper item in October 2014, DCSCA formed the further views that: -

1. Most people had been unaware of the proposal and now there was significant opposition within the community.
2. There were legitimate planning concerns. A critical examination of the relevant clauses in the State and Local Planning Policy Frameworks would not support the proposal.
3. There is a classified 200 metre "sensitive zone" around underground petroleum storage systems (UPSSs). The private dam is part of a designated watercourse (Scarborough Creek) and is only about 70m away from where UPSSs will be installed. DCSCA considered that this had serious implication with respect to the State Environment Protection Policy (Groundwaters of Victoria).
4. The local community wanted an independent review by VCAT and considered that DCSCA was the appropriate body to lodge such an application.

The DCSCA Committee, April 2015.

Business Breakfast was well attended at SpringDale

**The next Breakfast is
Monday 25 May at
7am and Lisa Neville
MP will speak
about the 2015-2016
State Budget.**

Our last Business Breakfast was well attended by more than 70 people and the guest speaker was Sam Pirrotta – Manager, Planning VicRoads South Western Victoria. VicRoads is currently scheduling some more consultations and please remember to email drysdaletransport@roads.vic.gov.au for more information or keep an eye on the VicRoads Website: <https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/regional-road-projects/drysdale-bypass>

Business Network Breakfast: Ring Road [2015-02-23]

<http://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLiwrC2J1GHtV4P6WJmkRYWVz5JIPqWf17>

Playlist of 3 videos:

[2015-02-23] Business Network Breakfast: Ring Road (1 of 3)

[2015-02-23] Business Network Breakfast: Ring Road (2 of 3)

[2015-02-23] Business Network Breakfast: Ring Road (3 of 3)

The PowerPoint Slides from the night are now available as a PDF from the SpringDale website: [http://docs.springdale.org.au/events/](http://docs.springdale.org.au/events/Presentation-to-SpringDale-Business-Breakfast_February2015.pdf)

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Local Filmmaker Seeks Collaborators

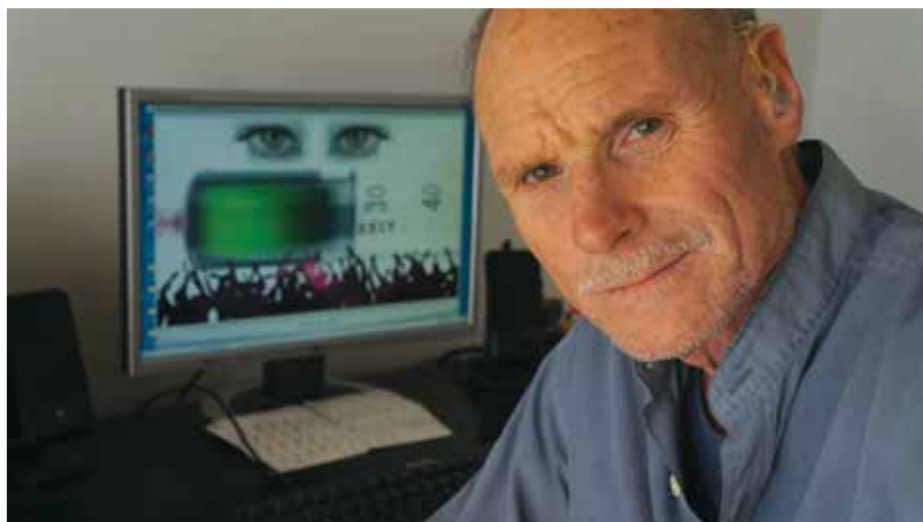
– to help make an experimental sci-fi short feature film

Local independent filmmaker and video artist David King is seeking actors, models, and other artistic collaborators to help make an experimental sci-fi short feature film on the Bellarine Peninsula. Called *Exit*, the film uses deconstructed narrative to follow a man called Y who lives in a paradisiacal future where people are immortal. When he begins receiving messages from his supposedly dead wife, he realises his 'perfect world' isn't quite what it seems.

The St Leonards based King has already shot and edited about six minutes of the proposed 50 minute film and needs collaborators to appear in and assist with the shooting of further scenes.

Collaborators can include actors, models, and anyone with makeup, camera or lighting skills. "You don't have to be a professional actor, model or whatever, just someone with enthusiasm," King said. "There's very little dialogue. Most of the drama created through editing."

Shooting will take place in St Leonards, Portarlington, Drysdale, Geelong and Ocean Grove. "It won't be like a major feature film with a large crew or complicated logistics,"



Video artist - David King

King said. "I do most of the filming myself so it's usually just me and a couple of actors. The average length of a shoot is less than two hours and can be arranged whenever people are available."

When finished, King said *Exit* would go to selected European film festivals, be released on Amazon as a DVD and streamed via the online distribution platform Reel House.

King's previous feature film, the critically acclaimed sci-fi drama *Purge* was released by New York's Troma Entertainment and is currently available on Amazon. His short films, *The Job* and *The Student*, are distributed by Kanopy Streaming and three of his experimental works have screened at international festivals, galleries and

museums. Having started making films in the 1970s, he's now one of the 'elder statesmen' of the Melbourne Independent Filmmakers group. "I could make the film in Melbourne, but I'd rather do it locally," he said.

Anyone interested in joining David King please contact him on (03) 5257 2019 or at davidkingmedia@yahoo.com.au

6 May

World Asthma Day



National Asthma Council Australia

World Asthma Day (WAD) takes place each year on the first Tuesday in May. Initiated by the Global Initiative for Asthma in 1998, the National Asthma Council Australia (NAC) embraces WAD and marks the occasion to highlight the need for ongoing care and vigilance in managing asthma.

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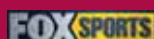


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Bellarine Agricultural Show

Lions were busy assisting our local exhibitors in varying capacities. Paul Belizia had a bit of luck in the handy crafts with a 2nd and 3rd in the wooden toys section. He said "I'm trying not to let the prize money go to my head. 50 cents for second place!"

Bruce Holmes and Terry Parsons were helping at the Guides BBQ; Greg Painter and Glen Jose manning the entry gate from 6am. Gary Bennett supplied the semi-trailer for the stage. Robert Wilson-Brown had an entry in the art exhibition which gained a 2nd prize. (He was robbed, it was the best work there!)

Lions Garage Sale huge success

Thanks to the generosity of local residents and visitors, this year's Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club Garage

Sale was highly successful, raising more than \$5,000. Club President, Ray Meaney, thanked the large number of people who attended the sale and paid tribute to Lions Club members who had worked tirelessly over several months to put the sale together. "All proceeds from the Garage Sale go back to the communities of Portarlington, Drysdale, Indented Head and St Leonards, so it's a 'win-win' situation all round" he said. Sale items ranged from household and outdoor items through to furniture, bric-a-brac, plants etc – all donated by North Bellarine residents.

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

WE SERVE OUR COMMUNITY.

Herb Picker



Taking a well earned rest

The Bellarine Camera Club

Annual Photographic Exhibition



On **Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 June, 2015** between the hours of **10am to 4pm** the **Bellarine Camera Club** will hold its Annual Photographic Exhibition at the SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, Main Hall situated in High Street, Drysdale just opposite the Shopping Centre. An interclub competition will also form part of this display. The theme for this year's competition is *BELLARINE HERITAGE*. Images from local photographers will be on display for your viewing pleasure. Meet the photographers and possibly purchase one of their works. (Cash Sales Only.) This club has been together for the past 5 years and is always seeking new members. This exhibition is to show the local and outside public the beauty of photography and how it never ceases to amaze people with images that portray life as it is today and in the past.

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For more information please contact Shane on 0413 607 370.

Many of us need a little help sometime

There are times in life when many of us can feel like we are stuck in a pattern that we struggle to get out of. There are also times when we can face situations that are new to us and we don't know how to process or deal with the emotions and feelings that we now face.

How we respond to life, the situations that we encounter daily, the conflicts that might arise, our interactions with other people and even how we see ourselves, can be the result of a number of different and overlapping things. The models we have who guide and mentor us, events that we experience that are unique to us, economic and social influences and what we find that works to make us feel comfortable and secure, all these influence how we respond.

Over time we may find that the way we respond is not necessarily the best way to do so, but we have been doing it for so long it is the only way we know and we struggle to change or don't know how to do it differently.

Encountering grief can also be a challenge and impact our life. The loss of a loved one, or significant change such as having to move house or losing a job can have a major emotional effect that may take some time to work through.

In these situations and many more in life we can benefit from the assistance of a person trained to hear, listen and understand what we are saying. Then those things that are not helping us can be identified and alternatives discovered and discussed. What we chose to do then is still our choice, but we have the chance to see and decide on other options.

Drysdale Family Support provides a Fee for Service Counselling Centre that could provide the assistance that is needed to assist you in various areas of life. You may be looking for counseling in regard to relationship, anxiety and stress, depression, grief and loss, anger management, self esteem, separation and other issues. Fees are very affordable and allowances are made for Concession Card holders.

For further information and appointments please call our office on (03) 5253 2099.

Jake Hogendoorn

Food Bank



Thankyou for goods received so far, all donations accepted and can be delivered to the SpringDale Centre. Winter is on the way and food parcels are in demand by needy families.

We appreciate your ongoing support to aid this worthy cause.



**DRYSDALE
COMMUNITY CHURCH**

We invite you to join us
Sunday 10.00 am

(Includes Children's Program at 10.40am)

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**Second Chance Shop
40 Geelong Road. Portarlington**

It's looking a lot like Winter... for hot yummy soups

Roasted Butternut Pumpkin and Shallot Soup



Spicy fresh ginger compliments the sweet roasted winter pumpkin and shallots in this easy soup recipe. Serve with a grilled cheese sandwich for a simple supper.

4 cups cubed peeled butternut pumpkin
1 tblspn olive oil
¼ tspn salt
4 large shallots, peeled and halved
1 piece peeled fresh ginger, thinly sliced
2½ cups fat-free chicken broth
2 tblspns slices fresh chives
Cracked black pepper (optional)

Preheat oven to 190°

Combine first 5 ingredients in a roasting pan; toss well. Bake at 190° for 50 minutes or until tender, stirring occasionally. Cool 10 minutes.

Place half of pumpkin mixture and half of broth in a blender. Remove centre piece of blender lid (to allow steam to escape); secure blender lid on blender. Place a clean towel over opening in blender lid (to avoid splatters). Blend until smooth. Pour into a large saucepan. Repeat procedure with remaining pumpkin mixture and broth.

Cook over medium heat 5 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Top with chives and pepper, if desired.

Hints for making soup.

Although it's fairly difficult to ruin soup, here are some tips and hints to help you produce the most flavourful, satisfying result. Always begin with cold water, never warm or hot. When tasting to adjust flavors, use a stainless steel spoon, not a wooden or sterling silver spoon. Wood and silver disguise flavour on the tongue.

Classic Chicken Soup



1 chicken
6 carrots, peeled
4 celery stalks
1 large onion, quartered
2½ tspns salt
1 teaspoon whole black peppercorns

Place the chicken in a large pot.

Cut 3 of the carrots and 2 of the celery stalks into pieces. Quarter the onion. Add the cut vegetables to the pot with the salt, peppercorns, and enough cold water to cover (about 8 cups). Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, skimming any foam that rises to the top, until the chicken is cooked through, about 30 minutes.

Transfer the chicken to a bowl and let cool. Strain the broth, discarding the vegetables. Return the broth to the pot. Thinly slice the remaining carrots and celery. Add them to the broth and simmer until tender, about 10 minutes.

When the chicken is cool enough to handle, shred the meat and add it to the soup. Ladle into individual bowls.

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What to grow in *May*

Early onions

Onions have a shallow root system and are easily damaged by digging birds until they get established, so I grow them under nets until spring. I sow the fine, black seeds in a pot, then plant out the seedlings in bunches of three or four, trimming the roots to 3 cm and the tops to 5 cm. It works a treat because the roots go straight down, the thin stems of the young onions use each other for mutual support and the bulbs push away from each other as they swell in mid-spring.

Sow early varieties now, such as Barletta (a flat, white salad onion). Leave late varieties such as Creamgold or Australian Brown for sowing after the shortest day, to avoid early flowering, which makes the bulbs tough and tasteless.

Garlic

Get garlic started before the shortest day for plenty of fat, pungent bulbs in November and December. Garlic likes a good feed with aged manure, so I dig a trench a spade deep, spread a few centimetres of manure in the bottom and then fill in and water thoroughly. I then push the garlic cloves gently into the loose fill (pointy end up) so that their tips are just below the surface.

Broad Beans

If you sow broad beans now, they will have time to germinate and get growing before the colder and (hopefully) wetter months, for a good harvest in late spring. Prepare the soil by digging in some compost for added organic matter and spread a handful of sulphate of potash per square metre after sowing.

Brassicas

I grow Red Drumhead cabbages which form a tight, firm ball and are less affected by aphids than looser varieties. My favourite broccolis are the broccolini type – small heads but tasty green stems, you can keep on picking



Radishes – four weeks after sowing

them even when they flower. All brassicas need plenty of tucker so make sure the soil is nice and rich.

Salad veg

Now is the perfect time for salad greens, radishes, etc. They're easy to grow and provide a quick harvest.



Mixed onions



Onion seedlings

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SpringDale's raised veggie bed

You may have noticed a raised, no-dig veggie bed outside SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. It is the product of the first 'Four Steps to Edible Gardening' course, run by Drysdale Harvest Basket Produce Swap and Edible Gardening Group, which took place in October and November last year. There were twelve participants who really got stuck in, said they learned a lot and thoroughly enjoyed the course.

After the bed was set up radish and green bean seeds were planted as well as lettuce, basil, tomato, capsicum, zucchini and corn seedlings. Radishes are very fast growers and were harvested along with the lettuces whilst waiting for the other slower growing veggies to be ready. Some of the lettuces were let go to seed as the flowers attract insects beneficial to the garden, such as ladybirds, which help with the pollination of the other veggies. If you've been watching you will have noticed that some of the basil has also been allowed to flower as the bees just love basil flowers.

The corn was doing really well and about six ears were harvested but then the aphids moved in. We thought about spraying the corn with soap spray, which is an environmentally friendly pest control, but it kills the beneficial insects too so we let the aphids have the few ears left.

That's gardening!

The tomatoes and basil have flourished and the capsicums still have a lot of flowers on them but time will tell if there is enough warm weather left for the fruit to form.



One of the best things that grew from this garden bed is the number of conversations that took place at its edge. People would stop and look and talk to the next people who stopped and looked and so on. The community have really engaged with it and with each other.

If you missed this course we are running it again in May and June -Saturday 9 & 23 May,

Saturday 6 & 20 June from 9.30am to 11am. Please call SpringDale on (03) 5253 1960.

We (or you!) will set up another garden bed as well as replant the one already there.

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Thinking about hail it's funny how you can be

in a place like Renmark that gets really hot but while loading 24 tonne of wine for Sydney – I was in the truck having a rest – when a man ran out and told all the workers to move their cars asap to get them under cover. I was in the Volvo with Graham MacKay and the sound made by hail the size of golf balls was horrendous. It only lasted for 15 minutes but those who didn't get their cars under cover were in real trouble with hail damage.

Some of the hail storms I went through in the 50s were shocking with only a tiny windscreen wiper 6 inches long and no heater or demister to help with vision. We would also use potato rubbed on the windscreen on the inside and out to stop the windscreen fogging up.

Because all the shops shut at 6pm we would

buy cold pies and wrap them in foil and sit them on the manifold to reheat. Brian Gallop made our first inside truck heater from second hand 1inch copper pipe. He soldered a metal funnel onto the end of the pipe for inside the cabin near the fan, then ran the pipe back through the firewall into the engine cavity and attached it with brackets to the manifold. There was a cork placed in the centre of the funnel with a light chain attached to allow the heat into the cabin. The heated air kept the windscreen from fogging up. Before the heater we would need to jog through towns at night to try to get our feet warm. I especially remember doing this in Mortlake – we would leave the trucks, sometimes running while we jog to warm our feet. If it wasn't Brian that did the engineering it was Vin Capon".

2015 COURSE UPDATE

Buying and Selling on eBay

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Basic Food Safety

(Follow Workplace Hygiene Procedures)
Code SITXFSA101

Dates/times: Sat 9 May 9am – 4pm
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Venue: SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

Responsible Service of Alcohol

Certificate Code: SITHFAB009A
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Dates/times: Sat 2 May or Sat 6 Jun
10am – 12noon **Fee:** \$30 **Tutor:** Jordon Smith

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Dates/times: Mon 25 May – Mon 1 Jun
7pm – 9pm (2 sessions)
Fee: \$60 **Tutor:** George Stawicki

Yoga on Chairs

Dates/times: Mon 27 Apr – Mon 15 Jun
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Cooking on a Budget

Date/time: Tue 5 May 1pm – 3pm or 7pm – 9pm
Fee: \$5 **Tutor:** Agata Comisso

Budgeting Solutions

Dates/Times: Tue 19 May
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Detoxifying Your Life – Inside Out

Date/time: Tues 12 May 10.30am -12.30pm
OR Tues 19 May 7pm – 9pm
Fee: \$35 **Tutor:** Lisa Fitzgerald

Upset Tummies

Date/time: Tues 19 May 6.30pm – 7.30pm
Fee: \$10 **Tutor:** Adrian Stone

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Date/time: Tues 16 Jun 6.30pm – 7.30pm
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Novel Writing

Date/time: Sat 30 May 9am – 1pm **Fee:** \$30
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Setting up a Simple website

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Tutor: Julie Mather

It's Trivia Time again at St James'

St James' next Trivia Night will be on Saturday 16 May at Clifton Springs Bowls Club (opposite Clifton Springs Golf Club). Doors will be open at 6.30pm with the picture quiz already out on the tables, and the first round of questions will be at 7pm – so it's worth getting there early. The maximum number permitted in a team is 8, and if you can make up a full team – that's very helpful.

If you'd like to take part, but haven't got a team, the organisers can help you to join up with others to make up a full team. Advance booking is essential for seating and catering as tea/coffee and slices will be provided in the interval. Most 'quizzers' bring their own snacks, but no BYO drinks please as the Bar will be open, and St James thanks the Bowls Club most sincerely for hosting this event for them. There will be a fun Raffle with lots of prizes.

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Last month a group of Caravan and Cabin Friends from our Probus Club went to Phillip Island for a few days R & R. Apart from late Saturday night, the weather was kind to us and allowed us to enjoy the many activities available. Several trips were suggested and well attended – the Nobbies, Churchill Island market and historical property, Amaze'n Things, the Vietnam Vets Museum and the RSL for dinner. There was also quite a lot of shopping done along the main street of Cowes. Of course the happy hour (ok read hours!) each afternoon was well attended, which generally led on to tea at the barbeque/camp kitchen area.

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. Please contact Alby on (03) 5253 2631 or Pat on (03) 5253 2142 for further details.



All are welcome to join and enjoy the company of like minded people.

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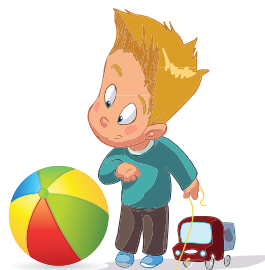
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The Rocky Mountaineer Gold Leaf really is a train experience with the glass dome roof on the upper level and silver service restaurant underneath. From the moment you step on board you are treated to a feast of spectacular scenery, fantastic food and we were lucky enough to see a bear as well as other wild life.

Staying in the Banff Springs Hotel is like living in a castle with all the luxurious surroundings of a Five Star Hotel. We travelled up Sulphur Mountain in a gondola, swam in the hot springs and floated down the Bow River in bliss.

Chateau Lake Louise is situated on one of the most picturesque lakes I have ever seen with the glacier in the distance peaking through the lush green Christmas trees.

Visiting the Athabaskan Glacier, riding on a snow coach and walking on the ice is an awe inspiring experience and if you drink the water on the glacier they guarantee you will look 10 years younger. Worth a try!

Jasper is a wilderness lodge with everything, stunning Lake, immaculate golf course and of course wildlife meandering around the chalets.

Travelling from Jasper we stayed at a couple of ski resorts which, being summer the lifts were running taking mountain bikers up the mountain so they could ride back, no I did not do that one!

Victoria was a lovely place to end our tour, I could have watched the bustling Harbour all day with float planes taking off, cruise boats and water taxis but I had to go whale watching.

I selected to go in a zodiac, on a rainy day flying along the waves felt like Chinese water torture for an hour before getting to the pod of whales. They swam right past the boat, so close I could have touched them, it was definitely a highlight of my trip but there were oh so many highlights.

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Don't worry, you're not alone. And sometimes people who come to see me spend much of their lives thinking that these feelings are normal. Actually they are huge

warnings that there's a problem with the balance of gut bacteria, what we in the trade call "dysbiosis". And this is a big problem because your digestive system is the centre of your health. In fact, some recent research has linked virtually all chronic diseases, including conditions such as asthma, arthritis, osteoporosis and eczema, to gut dysbiosis.

Why? Well, did you know that there's your digestive system, the vast majority of which live in your bowel. Actually, you have more bacteria living inside you than you have cells in your entire body! The balance of all these bacteria is essential for your health and wellbeing.

How can you keep the balance? To start you need to provide fuel for your 'good' bacteria, and starve the 'bad' bacteria. By keeping a regular daily intake of five cups of vegetables and two pieces of fruit, 2 litres of fresh water, and minimal refined foods and alcohol, you will help this process immensely. Make three of those cups of veggie leafy greens, daily.

We will be going into more depth about this in our Tuesday 19 May Seminar at SpringDale 6.30pm, \$10 per person. If you would like to learn more, come along! Bookings can be made via SpringDale Office.

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Patients with cartilage damage report swelling, pain, stiffness and inflammation, as well as reduced movement. They may say their knee is “locking” or “giving way”.

Depending on the severity of the injury, patients can either be treated conservatively with physiotherapy and anti-inflammatory drugs.

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Neighbourhood Watch Is Back In Town

Neighbourhood Watch is back and active in the Drysdale and Clifton Springs area. The program was revived following a community meeting in the town in January where significant community concern was apparent at the number of incidents occurring – including burglaries and thefts from cars – and a reduction in opening hours of the Drysdale Police Station.

The meeting resolved to set up Neighbourhood Watch to raise awareness of residents to the issues of theft from car and home burglary and the strategies that residents could put in place to reduce the risk of becoming a victim of these crimes.

Within three weeks, a very small but enthusiastic group of volunteers sprang into action and delivered posters with the Lock it, Remove it or Lose it message to businesses and noticeboards around town and produced their first newsletter and distributed same by the end of February.

Our second newsletter has just been issued. Rather than the traditional door to door delivery of NHW newsletters, the group has decided to produce a minimal number of hard copies of the newsletter and to distribute them to businesses in town and at the local supermarket, and post it online on the Neighbourhood Watch website - [http://www.nhw.com.au/Western-Region/Geelong/Newsletters-\(1\)](http://www.nhw.com.au/Western-Region/Geelong/Newsletters-(1)) It is also offered via email – simply register your email address to our email address – www.nhwbellarine@gmail.com

You may also wish to connect with us via Facebook – Neighbourhood Watch Bellarine



Out and about on an awareness campaign

or join the group Drysdale and Clifton Springs First Response.

An Easter Egg Raffle was conducted to raise much needed funds to enable the group to undertake projects within the area. The lucky winner – Kate from Narre Warren – purchased her ticket from our volunteers at the Drysdale Market. We sincerely thank the generosity of Simpson's Bargain Basements and Gifts, Fig and Vine Deli Café and Bakers Delight Bakery who supported our Easter raffle and Drysdale Market for the site at the March market to enable ticket sales.

We are keen to welcome new volunteers to assist with our upcoming projects that will focus on community safety issues in our community. If you are interested in assisting in any way, call Leanne on 0409 389 488 or complete an online registration form by visiting the Neighbourhood Watch website – <http://www.nhw.com.au/Getting-Involved> Care about the community you live in – get involved.

Watch out for new Neighbourhood Watch signage soon to appear around our town, thanks to the generous sponsorship from Stockdale and Leggo.

Thankfully, thefts from cars have reduced dramatically since February, but unfortunately, a number of burglaries at

local businesses have occurred, including three over the Easter holiday period.

These were followed by the theft of a Rowville four horse float from a Drysdale property on April 13.

If you have ANY information about these break ins, or the theft of the float, please call Drysdale Police on 03 5253 1763 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 FREE.

Remember, YOU, the residents are the eyes and ears in the community.

If you believe a crime is being committed, call 000.

Don't wait to call Police "in the morning" or "next time the Police Station is open". Call 000 immediately.

If you have information in relation to a crime that has occurred, call Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

This month's safety tips:

- Don't become a victim of theft from your car – remove ALL valuables from your car, shut all windows and LOCK it whenever it is left unattended.
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Drysdale Bypass Community Consultation Feedback

Drysdale Bypass

1. Are there any local issues that VicRoads should be aware of?
(i.e.: items of heritage or environmental significance on your property or in the Drysdale area)
2. The route of the bypass will need connection points into Drysdale. What parts of the town do you see as the most important connection points? (i.e.: particular roads, certain landmarks, industrial areas, schools etc.)
3. The connection of the Geelong-Portarlington Road/Jetty Road/Grubb Road roundabout, Andersons Road and High Street to the Drysdale Bypass is crucial to the success of this project. VicRoads have established that there are two intersection options at this location. Each option has advantages and disadvantages (see enclosed flyer for further information). Please tick your preference.

Comments:

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New re-designed roundabout

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Traffic lights

High Street improvements

4. What opportunities for changes and improvement are there along High Street?
(i.e.: cycling paths, pedestrian islands, parking, intersection improvements, traffic flow improvements, landmark architecture etc.)

Future community consultation

5. What topics relating to the Drysdale Bypass would you like VicRoads to address in future communications?
6. Do you have any specific questions not yet answered which you would like further advice about?
A VicRoads staff member will contact you to discuss.

Further information: Call: 5225 2876 Email: drysdaletransport@roads.vic.gov.au

Visit: <https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/planning-and-projects/regional-road-projects/drysdale-bypass>

This form is on the VicRoads Website for you to complete or call VicRoads to receive a copy.
The plans that were on display are on the VicRoads website and can be viewed online at SpringDale.



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Captain Percy Cherry VC MC



Captain Percy Cherry and his photo courtesy of the War Memorial



Captain Percy Cherry is buried in the Queant Road Cemetery, Buissy, France.

Captain Percy Cherry VC MC was honoured in park naming ceremony recently. This commemorates a local World War 1 hero Captain Percy Cherry VC MC, who had 'bravery beyond description'.

It is 100 years since Captain Percy Cherry, then 19, left to serve in the 1st AIF. He was first sent to Gallipoli and served at the Somme battles, including Pozieres in 1916, before being killed in action on the Hindenburg Line at Lagincourt in March 1917.

He was awarded a posthumous Victoria Cross, an honour for which his Battalion Commander recommended him, for 'bravery beyond description'. He also received the Military Cross. In recognition of his heroic service, the park adjacent to Griggs Creek in Curlewis is now named Percy Cherry Park. It is located not far from where he was born in Drysdale.

Direct descendant and local resident Bill Westhead said the naming of Percy Cherry

Park is very important for his family in honouring Percy's courage, helping to heal the generational pain of the family's losses, and understanding the incredible commitment of those who fought in the Great War.

"The ANZACs' courage and persistence in the face of overwhelming odds is exemplified by the acts of courage and sacrifice down the military ages. It is a symbolic day – not for the glorification of war, but for the reverence of the participants.

"When a serviceman or woman is deployed into combat, their extended family is on watch. There is no peace. The huge casualties are emotionally devastating on families and communities, and the effects remain in their social fabric.

"As part of this naming ceremony, we should all remember the ANZACs and those who followed and fought to preserve our country's democratic rights and the enabling of free speech. It's a freedom that we need to cherish every day," Mr Westhead said.

For more information please about the location of Percy Cherry Park visit: <http://www.bayviewcentral.com.au/latest-news>

The Percy Cherry Story

Percy Herbert Cherry was born on 4 June 1895 in Drysdale, Victoria, son of John Gawley Cherry and his wife Elizabeth, née Russel. The family lived at Mannerim until 1902 when they moved to Cradoc Tasmania.

On 15 March 1915, Cherry enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force posted to the 26th Battalion. Considered too young for a commission he went to Egypt a Quartermaster Sergeant. As a company sergeant major in the 26th Battalion he reinforced Gallipoli where he served at Taylor's Hollow and Russell's Top.

He was wounded on 1 December and evacuated; a week later he was promoted to Second Lieutenant. He was transferred to the 7th Machine-Gun Company (2nd DIV AIF) and commanded the company's 1st Battery at Fleurbaix, Messines and on the Somme until 5 August and was wounded in a duel with a German officer at Pozieres.

Cherry was promoted to Lieutenant on 25 August 1916 and resumed duty on the Somme in November. In December he was made a temporary Captain and transferred back to the 26th Battalion as a company commander. At Warlencourt on 1–2 March 1917 he took part in an attack on Malt Trench. When he and his men found a small gap in the enemy wire, he rushed two machine-gun posts, capturing one single-handed and turning the gun on the fleeing Germans before being wounded himself. He was to receive the Military Cross for this gallant episode.

On 26 March 1917 his battalion was ordered to storm the village of Lagnicourt. Cherry's company encountered fierce opposition and after all the other officers had been killed or wounded, he 'carried on with care and determination ... and cleared the village of the enemy'. The Germans counter-attacked and the battle raged all day long. Though wounded in the leg, Cherry remained at his post but in the late afternoon he was killed by a shell.

As a result of this action he was awarded a posthumous Victoria Cross, an honour for which his battalion commander had recommended him for 'bravery beyond description'.

Captain Percy Cherry never learnt of the honours bestowed; the Military Cross and the Victoria Cross were both announced after his death.

He is buried in the Queant Road Cemetery, Buissy, France. He was unmarried.

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The members of the public are very welcome to attend to hear what the Rotary Club of Drysdale, the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club and SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre are planning and also to celebrate service throughout the local area.



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Bellarine Secondary College – a very positive place

Bellarine Secondary College is committed to being a highly effective and positive learning environment for every student. This commitment was the stimulus for the College investigating and implementing a school wide positive behaviour program.

"Our College is committed to maintaining a positive learning environment that maximizes both the academic and social growth of our students", said Mrs Alison Murphy, College Principal. "We hold the responsibility for the development of our students as citizens who will contribute to the social, economic, educational and creative fabric of our society. Bellarine SC welcomes the opportunity to work with the young people of the Bellarine to ensure they leave our school well placed to make a positive life-long contribution to their community"

"Some might simplify this program into encouraging students to treat others as they would like to be treated, however it is much more complex than that", said Mrs Murphy. "The program has 4 important elements including gathering and using data (evidence) to inform decision making, measuring outcomes and feeding that data back to students and staff, ensuring consistent practices across the College that support young people and ensuring systems within the school efficiently and effectively support staff."

The 5 Student Environment Leaders at Bellarine Secondary College are leading the College staff and students in ensuring the daily experiences of students are constantly monitored and responded to. These staff



- Lifelong Learning • Citizenship
- Teamwork • Respect • Honesty

members ensure that the academic, social and emotional growth of every student is responded to. Explicit teaching of values is just one part of this.

Mrs Katie Walsh, a Student Environment Leader said, "Last term our school focus was on 'Respect' and students were involved in Homegroup activities to better their understanding of what this looks like, feels like and sounds like in different contexts in our school and community. This term, we are focusing on promoting and acknowledging 'Honesty'. Activities will continue at school to build student understanding of what honesty means and how they can demonstrate this.

Postcards sent to parents are just one of the ways we acknowledge and celebrate the social development of our students. Of course this is occurring in partnership with our work ensuring the educational program of every student addresses their specific needs"

"We believe it is imperative to develop the 'whole person'. Yes, academic achievement is important but so is the growth of the social skills that empower a young person to be a positive member of the community." stated Mrs Murphy.

Yet Another Successful Art Show

The **Annual Easter Art Show** for the **Rotary Club of Drysdale** is done and dusted for another year and planning is already happening for next years Art Show which will be our 40th year. You can only pull a show like this together with a team of people dedicated to the task and this year was no exception.

To all of you a very big thank you. Eighty eight artists provided three hundred and thirty three works of art for the patrons to enjoy.

What a range of entries we had, the judge Laurence Balshaw-Blake had a job to select his winners.

A Rotary Club and L.J. Hooker Drysdale combined to support this years raffle which raised money to support Cystic Fibrosis Geelong being LJHookers charity of choice it was fitting that the Aquisitive Award chosen was a painting of our own Geelong Cunningham Pier.

Springdale Neighbourhood house provided a



Pop Up Cafe serving devonshire teas with scones to die for.

We expect to be able to distribute around \$15,000 from the Art Show to support projects both locally and internationally.

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Caroline Rickard
Art Show Chair 2015

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Portarlington Demons Football Netball Club



Portarlington Demons Football Netball Club Inc.

The 2015 season is underway and our first round against Newcomb was successful with wins in all grades of football and netball, junior and senior. The ground was a picture, with all upgrades being appreciated by the big Easter crowd that attended the game:

- our new interchange boxes
- upgraded fencing
- the electronic score board
- newly painted toilets and change rooms.

Our 2015 season launch and our Player Auction had to be cancelled due to a power outage and a quick re shuffle allowed a replacement pizza night to keep the boys fed before round one.

Our Easter weekend started on Good Friday with our first fund raising collection. We had

the help of around 30 netballers, footballers and committee members who rattled tins around the town and were able to raise over \$3,000 for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal, which was a great first up effort. Thank you to all the helpers on the day, it's a day we will ensure to build upon for next year so we can contribute even more to such a good cause.

Half time of the seniors match last Saturday saw another first for the club, the first ever Easter Egg Hunt. It attracted a great crowd of kids of all ages and was seen as another big success for the club and again something that again will be carried onto next year, building it to be even bigger and better for 2016.

AFL Barwon's push for competition equalisation is underway and the PDFNC is

well prepared with our 5 years Strategic plan [2015-2019], Capital Works plan and an official response has been prepared and will be provided in due course. We are a proud member of the Bellarine Football Netball League and will be working hard to ensure the long term viability of the club both on and off the field. We will update outcomes in following editions. We are planning for 2016 and beyond and for that reason we are accepting registrations for next year from any prospective players and members, football, netball, coaches, managers and supporters for both seniors, young adults and juniors. Please contact Steve Maul 0407 861 955 for further information.

Don't forget – Club BAR and BISTRO opens at 5pm each Thursday for great meals and camaraderie.

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

Are your kids keen on netball?

Why not get them involved with ANZ NetSetGo?

The program provides children from 5 to 10 years with the best possible learning and playing experience. ANZ NetSetGo incorporates skill activities, minor games, music, dance and modified matches in a fun and safe environment. Once registered the participants will receive a pack including a netball, t-shirt and medal.

Peninsula Netball Association

Drysdale Recreation Reserve

Thursday 4pm – 5pm

The program runs until Thursday 25 June 2015

Netball Victoria registration: \$47

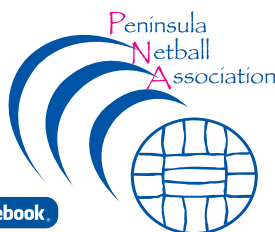
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Million Paws Walk



The RSPCA invite you and your pooch to join in the RSPCA Million Paws Walk to be held at Eastern Park (meet near the Geelong PlaySpace), at 10am on Sunday 17 May. It is set to be a fantastic day for the family and your pet including pet advice, pet care displays, pet dog competitions, demonstrations, products for sale, BBQ, food and refreshments, and prizes.

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