



The SpringDale Messenger

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Harmony Day Celebration

Sunday 24 March
12noon - 3pm

Springvale comes to SpringDale

*Welcome new friends from Springvale
Neighbourhood House to visit us.*

- Springvale Neighbourhood House
Lion Dance Group
- Springvale Chinese Dancing Group
- Springvale Mandarin Music Group

*Celebrate Harmony Day at SpringDale - all welcome - bookings
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BELLARINE AGRICULTURAL SHOW

SUNDAY 10TH MARCH
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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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MARCH

Fri-Mon	1-31	National Epilepsy Awareness Month
Fri-Mon	1-31	Australian Women's History Month
Saturday	2	Anti-theft number plate screw installation at SpringDale Carpark 9am - 12noon
Saturday	2	Sun Rising - The Songs that made Memphis - The Potato Shed
Tuesday	5	The History of Rock & Roll - The Potato Shed
Saturday	2	World Day of Prayer - Uniting Church 10am
Sunday	3	Clean up Australia Day
Monday	4	Kinship Carers - 10.00am to 1.00pm
Friday	8	International Women's Day - "Leave No Woman Behind"
Sunday	10	Sunday Market & Bellarine Railway at Drysdale - Market stalls 9am - 2pm
Sunday	10	Bellarine Agricultural Show - Portarlington Recreation Reserve - 9am - 4pm
Wednesday	13	Days for Girls Sewing Group 9 - 3pm
Saturday	16	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
Sunday	17	St. Patrick's Day
Mon-Mon	18-25	Cultural Diversity Week
Monday	18	SpringDale Dining Group - Ocean Grove Bowling Club 6.30pm
Wednesday	20	SpringDale Lunch Bunch - Basil's Farm
Wednesday	20	International Day of Happiness
Thursday	21	Harmony Day
Thur-Wed	21-27	Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination
Friday	22	World Water Day
Saturday	23	We've Only Just Begun - The Potato Shed
Sunday	24	Harmony Day Celebration - 12noon - 3pm at SpringDale
Sunday	24	Earth Hour 8.30pm - 9.30pm (check out activities in Geelong)
Monday	25	Neighbour Day
Saturday	30	Paris Underground - The Potato Shed
Sun-Tue	31-9 April	National Youth Week

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Coordinator's News



Anne Brackley

Everyone has a story to tell. One of the greatest parts of my role is the number of amazing people I meet. Most present very humbly and you need to get to know them a little before you can tease out their story. The other day I found out that one of our regular visitors trained a cricket side overseas and we look forward to publishing his story in the near future.

Sometimes its in the way that you tell the story that can make it interesting. I know when I said that I had a phone call from the United Nations in New York the other day, the person I was telling looked very impressed. As I unfolded the story it became so much less interesting as it was about an order of merchandise that I was trying to buy.

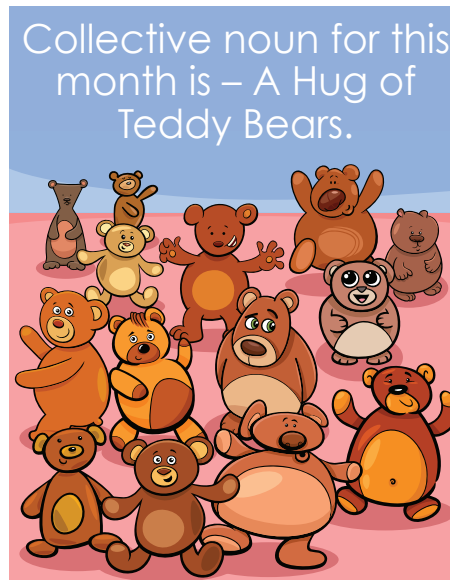
Another story I tell, when I get the opportunity, is to tell about the time I sang with Bette Midler, when she visited Melbourne. It's the information that I am leaving out that makes the story interesting. A little less interesting if I said that I was one of 50,000 people in the audience – singing along with Bette.

What is your story? What chapter do you wish to write next? How could our community help you to fulfil your dream? I know we have been able to help a few people, maybe we can help you? Maybe you will in turn inspire someone else to have aspirations of their own.

At SpringDale there are so many different group activities to try, classes to attend and other one off events – hopefully there is something that might interest you – if not you might suggest something.

We also try to create long lasting partnerships with local community groups and businesses and this month we are striking up a new relationship with Springvale Neighbourhood House. Over the past 10 years SpringDale and Springvale have often been confused with each other by Government Departments etc and so the Neighbourhood House Coordinators have put our heads together to come up with a combined Harmony Day celebration on Sunday 24 March 12 noon – 4pm. If you have attended the harmony days in previous years, I'm sure you'll want to come along. Please let me know if you would love to help.

Anne Brackley - For Team SpringDale



News@SpringDale

New Course at SpringDale Mime for Adults (beginners)

Wednesdays 12.30 - 2pm

Di Roberts is a Drama Tutor with a range of experience. Brought up in South Australia she has worked in the UK gaining her Teaching Certificate at Sheffield University and taught in the Community. She has always loved Performance Arts and been a part of Community Drama groups. On her return to Australia she spent a year working as an Extra for Film and TV shows such as Offspring, Neighbours, House Husbands, The Slap etc. And also in film for Melbourne Uni. whilst completing a National Institute of Dramatic Arts course. But what she loves most is not being on stage but helping others to learn acting skills and performing on stage (including giving speeches or presentations) or just to enjoy a variety of Performance Arts.

The 10 week course at SpringDale is one which combines good exercise with a lot of fun. So come along and learn some Mime Skills and how to put them together. *Have a laugh at yourself... and others.*

Come & Try Wed 20 March 12.30 - 2pm

Dates/times: Wed 1 May - 3 July 12.30pm - 2pm
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Another Great Festival of Glass.

February once again saw another enjoyable Festival of Glass. From the outset my congratulations to Festival Convenor Doug Carson and all his team of hard working volunteers for their efforts in making the festival the great success it is.

Bellarine Peninsula is blessed to have a number of these local festivals. Portarlington has the terrific Mussel Festival, Queenscliff its nationally renowned Music Festival and Barwon Heads the Festival of the Sea.

This year the Festival of Glass has been running events since January. On the main day, more than 50 stall holders exhibited their wares and skills in the form of sculptures, jewellery, homeware, and a wide range of glass art.

Importantly the festival is also gives people the opportunity to participate in lessons from some great artists. My congratulations to all those involved.



World Day of Prayer

Drysdale Clifton Springs Combined Churches invite you to

World Day of Prayer 2019
Praying for the people of Slovenia

Host Church: St Thomas' Catholic Church
27 Peninsula Drive, Drysdale

Date/Time: Friday 1 March 10am

Contact: Sandra 5251 2631

Refreshments provided, everyone welcome.

Emergency Services over summer

I would like to acknowledge the work being done by our various emergency service workers, many of whom are volunteers over summer.

The local Coast Guards and Coast Watch Ocean Grove have as usual ensured our waters are safe for boaters. All our surf lifesaving clubs across the Bellarine do a great job in protecting our beach goers, especially given many holiday makers are inexperienced around water.

The local CFA brigades are always on heightened alert through the summer period and I acknowledge the work of all our brigades together with the much respected Bellarine SES.

And our local police and para medics are also extremely busy throughout the holiday period with again the increased population in coastal towns.

While most people enjoyed their summer break, our emergency service workers were hard at work and I commend them for that work and commitment.

2019 Parliamentary Year

I am very proud to have been re-appointed the Minister for Police and Minister for Water. In this term of Government I have also been allocated the Emergency Services portfolio. This includes responsibility for the CFA and for Life Saving Clubs throughout Victoria.

In taking on these Ministerial roles, I am of course also very mindful of work here on the Bellarine and always ensure my diary prioritises very regular time within the electorate.

So 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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Anti-theft Number Plate screw installation

Anti-theft number plate screw installation at Springdale Carpark 9am - 12noon Saturday 2 March, 6 April, 4 May and then after winter. See you in the Springdale Carpark no bookings necessary. This is supported by the bSafe Bellarine initiative.



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"DELIVERING for the BELLARINE"

The SpringDale Lunch Bunch are going to Basil's Farm on Wed 20 March 12 noon. Please ring Margaret on 0418 370 857 to reserve your seat.

SpringDale Dining Club is going to Ocean Grove Bowling Club Mon 18 March 6.30pm. Please ring SpringDale on 5253 1960 to reserve your spot.

The Potato Shed kicks the year off with some great cabaret performances!!

March 2nd we are excited to present **Sun Rising- The Songs That Made Memphis**. **Sun Rising** walks the audience through a chronological tour of Memphis' famed Sun Records, focusing on the early period of 1950-57 and touching on artists including Ike Turner, Howlin' Wolf, BB King, Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, Roy Orbison, Jerry Lee Lewis & more, and for six years, **Sun Rising** have performed sell out shows all around Australia and have amassed a huge fan base and received glowing reviews. One special performance - limited cabaret seating Saturday March 2nd at 8pm.

Morning Showtime returns with the **History of Rock & Roll** - presented by Colin Mockett and the band **All Shook Up** - taking a look back at all those great hits from the Rock & Roll era. That's Tuesday March 5th at 10.30am - \$17 includes Morning tea.

For the fans of the Carpenters music we offer **We've Only Just Begun**, a production that incorporates the story and music of the Carpenters in a unique and thoughtful way, presented by Hit Productions (Shirley Valentine, Australia Day, The Club) One Show Saturday March 23rd at 8pm - limited table seating along with theatre style seating.

To see out the month we welcome back the smash hit from 2018 **Paris Underground** where you will witness astounding acts of magic and illusion, spectacular tap dancing, brilliant burlesque, breath taking aerials, quirky circus and incendiary song in a classic European cabaret and variety show. One not to miss - (last year sold out fast!) One show on Saturday March 30th at 8pm.

Book on 5251 1998 or online at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/potatoshed

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History of Rock and Roll

Tuesday March 5th 10.30am

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Phone No: (03) _____

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POTATO SHED

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SUN RISING

BE QUICK
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**SATURDAY
2 MARCH
8.00PM**
Cabaret Seating (BYO nibbles)
Full \$42 Conc \$3
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Theatre Seating
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THE HISTORY OF ROCK & ROLL MORNING SHOWTIME



All Shook Up

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EARLY!

**TUESDAY
5 MARCH
10.30AM**
Tickets \$17
Including
Morning Tea

WE'VE ONLY JUST BEGUN



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8.00PM**
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PARIS UNDERGROUND



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Bellarine Historical Society

Seaside Victoria, Point Henry c1895

POINT HENRY, a few miles from Geelong, is one of the headlands at the entrance to Corio Bay. It is an arrow-shaped promontory. Opposite to Point Henry stands Point Liliass, and between the two has been cut the Hopetoun Channel. From Point Henry there are fine views in every direction. Agriculture has been carried to a high pitch. In an easterly direction the shore describes a bold curve, with Portarlington, 12 miles distant across the water, at the far end. About midway are Clifton Springs, the buildings standing up prominently.

The most notable thing at Point Henry is the big farm owned by Howard Smith and Sons, the well-known shipping company, which dates back as an Australian institution to 1854, when the Express steamer was put on between Melbourne and Geelong. The farm, garden, poultry yards, are kept up for the victualling of the extensive fleet of steamers which the company has running round the Australian coast. An area of 340 acres, including Point Henry, has been purchased, and 60 acres have been leased from the Government.

About 100 acres are under cultivation. Potatoes, peas, cauliflower, lettuce, onions and celery are here grown. Mangels and carrots are supplied from the farm to feed the numberless lorry horses the firm keep in Melbourne for delivering coal and cargo. About 90 head of cows can be seen grazing, about 60 being milked regularly, and from their milk butter averaging about 1,000lb. per month is made in the compact little creamery and factory, and thence forwarded to their many steamers. Point Henry is something more than the site of a model farm. An hotel has been built, park and garden laid out, bathing houses



erected, all with the idea of making the place a popular seaside resort. Trees have been planted for shade, and any number of seats erected along the shore frontage.

The hotel is a substantially-built two-storey structure, with wide verandahs and balconies. One great convenience is the telephone. Though Point Henry is from 34 to 42 miles from Melbourne, according to the route taken, you can speak by wire from the hotel to Geelong or to Melbourne and suburbs. There is a large hall frequently used by picnic parties as well as for concerts and balls.

Point Henry can be reached by three different routes. By road from Geelong, affording those arriving by train from Melbourne or any other of the many stations on the various lines connecting with Geelong, a ready means of transit at all times and seasons. During the summer season a paddle steamer runs between the piers at Geelong and Point Henry every hour. The third way to reach Point Henry is by Messrs. Howard Smith and Sons' S.S. Edina, running from the Queen's Wharf, Melbourne, every morning, leaving at 10, the fare being only 1s. 6d.

Edited excerpts from Australasian, Saturday 19 January 1895, page 26

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23-24 Peppermint Grove, Drysdale

4 2 6 1,330m² approx



1 Cliff Edge Court, Clifton Springs

4 2 5 3 acres approx

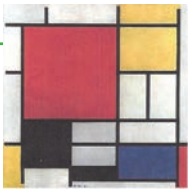


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Please contact Kaye Clancy or Pip Williams by the end of April 2019

Kaye: kceramics@bigpond.com
Pip: pip@135gallery.com.au

ON THE ROAD



with
Norm Cheale

Vehicle Lights

Vehicles today come equipped with a range of lights to enable them to be seen more clearly and to help the driver see, especially at night.

Daytime running lights are now common and most of these come on automatically when the car is started. These make a car more visible to other road users, especially in conditions of poor visibility.

Headlights enable drivers to see more clearly at night, though they can also be beneficial as an addition to daytime running lights or when a car is not fitted with daytime running lights. Headlights must be switched on when driving between sunset and sunrise. A good rule of thumb is 'street lights on: headlights on'. In conditions of low visibility such as fog, smoke or heavy rain, switching on your headlights will make you more visible to other road users.

High beam lights provide better lighting for open road driving and enable drivers to see further ahead. However, this increase in lighting increases the risk of blinding other drivers. High beam lights must be dipped when within 200 metres of another vehicle (see fig 69). If an oncoming driver dips his lights earlier, it is good practice to dip yours too. Do not get into headlight flashing duels with approaching motorists!

Many vehicles are fitted with fog lights and high intensity rear lights. These may only be used in times of low visibility. It is common to see vehicles driving with their fog lights on today but this is not permitted under current rules. Make sure you know how to turn off your fog lights and high intensity rear lights.

Many four wheel drives have aftermarket driving lights fitted. There are strict rules on the placement of these and you need to consult with the Vic Roads web site before fitting additional lighting. Illegal placement of lights can result in fines and expensive relocation of the light units.



Extracts from 'Road to Solo Driving.'



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most of 6.4km site as we
prepare to build the road.





To ensure we're keeping our community up to date on our progress and in the loop with what's happening on site, we're producing seasonal updates with the first one due this month!

You can find our community updates on our website at roadprojects.vic.gov.au/projects/drysdale-bypass

If you have any questions, give us a call.
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Moon landing re-enactment



One giant leap for SpringDale?

Hi, everyone, it's your resident sci-fi desperado John here, back for more fun in 2019! This time we are turning the "spotlight" on the Apollo 11 "First Man on the Moon" mission which, this year, "ticks up" it's fiftieth anniversary. Who could forget those ghostly images on the bulky two channel (!?) "black-and-white" televisions which were such a wonder to us all back in 1969. When our very own "Greatest American Hero" Neil Armstrong stepped off that ladder onto the lunar surface, we thought we had it "made." Turned out to be not quite that, but I wonder if our modern "5 G" Generation has anything to match the thrill of that moment in "their time."

To celebrate this, SpringDale is planning some "practice sessions" (dates and times pending) for any aspiring astronauts, (young or young at heart!) which we hope will culminate in our very own "Moon landing" right here at SpringDale on Sunday the 21st of July 2019. We already have a full sized lunar landing module and we are in the process of constructing our own "command" and "docking" modules.

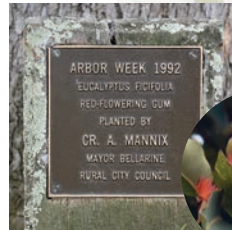
So come on everyone! Let's get into the spirit of this great achievement and "Land on the Moon" all over again! Wouldn't you like to be Neil Armstrong, "Buzz" Aldrin or Mike Collins just for a day?

All "roles" are "up for grabs!"

"This is Tranquility Base calling, the Eagle has landed!" **John.**

FUN FACT

In 1979 when Skylab crashed in Australia upon reentry, NASA was fined \$400 by the local authorities for littering.



Adrian Mannix OAM Award Nominations

As we approach the 18th presentation of the Adrian Mannix OAM Community Service Award, we invite community members to nominate people who have given exceptional service to our community. Nominations close on Friday 26 April and can be submitted via email, mail or delivery to SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Springdale Neighbourhood Centre website <http://docs.springdale.org.au/Adrian.Mannix.Nomination.2019/.pdf>

Nomination forms can also be collected from the Portarlington/ Drysdale Lions Club, Rotary Club of Drysdale or SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. This award is for service given on the North Bellarine – St Leonards, Indented Head, Portarlington, Bellarine, Drysdale, Clifton Springs, and Curlewis.

Over the past 17 years we have been given the opportunity to celebrate thousands and thousands of hours of service given to our community selflessly. Please think about members of our community that you know and who continually give to our community and fill in a simple two page form.

This community event is provided by Portarlington/ Drysdale Lions Club, Rotary Club of Drysdale and SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. Adrian Mannix OAM worked with or influenced through community service, all these 3 organisations and we continue to keep his altruistic community service ethic alive through this award.

The award will be presented on a date in May at an early evening event and our community will be welcomed to share this evening with us.



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Bellarine MBC Support Group

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Meetings 10am, third Monday each month.

Please contact Judy Margolis judymargolis@gmail.com or 0420 528 815.

This is a new group which will be registered with Breast Cancer Network Australia and Cancer Council Victoria.



Business on the Bellarine

Like minded business group meeting weekly in Drysdale, to network and help promote each other's businesses.

Meet new people and learn of other businesses that are part of our community.

We meet on Tuesday mornings 7.45am to 9.15am visitors welcome.

Drysdale Cricket Clubroom
Drysdale Recreation Reserve, Granville Street, Drysdale

Contact Allan Houliston
0405 140 003 for more information

Lions adventure camp thrills local children



Twelve local school children had the time of their lives at Lions Licola Wilderness Village in Gippsland in January thanks to a generous grant from the Portarlington and Drysdale Branches of the Bendigo Community Bank.

The lucky students from Drysdale, Portarlington and St Leonards Primary Schools spent a week at the adventure camp, 254 km east of Melbourne.

Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club successfully applied for \$3,540 in funding for the camp places from the Bendigo Bank under the bank's Youth Foundations Program. The grant covered camp fees and return transport from Geelong.

Lions President Geoff Smith, said Bendigo Bank was to be commended for making it possible for the children to enjoy and benefit from an amazing experience that would not otherwise be possible because of difficult family circumstances.

"Because of the wide range of indoor and outdoor activities available at Licola, the camp could even have been life-changing for some," he said.

Port/Drysdale Lions has funded dozens of local school children to attend the Licola camp in recent years.



Lions President, Geoff Smith, and Youth Coordinator, Glen Jose, receive the Bendigo Bank cheque from Shae Hunt (right) and Emilie Painter from the Portarlington branch.



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The word "**oregano**" is from the Greek language: oros meaning "mountain" and ganos meaning "joy". Of course, it is "joy of the mountains" and it grows wild in the fields of Europe. It is used dried and sprinkled on cooked meat, fish, all vegetables and makes a salad even better. It has lots of Antioxidants and is full of vitamins. Go oregano!

Thyme is a small herb often used fresh with fish, eggs or vegetables. In ancient times it was dried and smoked as incense to give one courage! Dried thyme is just as flavoursome as fresh and can be used as a substitute.

Bay Leaves burned like incense have a calming effect.

Bay Leaves add a "secret" flavour many of us just can't quite describe. Too many bay leaves make a meal pungent or bitter. Fresh bay leaves (no more than 4) added to a sauce or stew add a delicious flavour. Dried leaves have an even stronger way of adding flavour (only 1 or 2) but are best removed before serving. Added to custard or milk-based deserts, bay leaves impart an amazing flavour. They go well with cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves as they contain the same essential oil.

A Bouquet Garni (French for "garnished bouquet") is a bundle of herbs usually tied together with string and mainly used to

prepare soup, stock, and stews.

There is no actual recipe for bouquet garni. Most include thyme and bay leaf. It may also include parsley, basil, chervil, rosemary, sage and tarragon. Sometimes celery leaves or celeriac, leek, onion and parsley root are included in the bouquet.

The bouquet is cooked with meat, fish and vegetables but always removed before serving.

Some like to place the ingredients in a small sachet, a net, or a tea strainer. Traditionally, the aromatics are bound within leek leaves, though a coffee filter (or cheesecloth) and twine can be used, instead.

Marinade is sometimes acidic made with vinegar, lemon juice, or wine or other times enzymatic using ingredients such as pineapple, papaya or kiwifruit.

In addition to these ingredients, a marinade often contains oils, herbs, and spices to enhance the flavour of the food.

It is commonly used to tenderise cuts of meat, e.g. good quality stewing steak, chuck steak, shins, osso buco or other meat on the bone.

Depending on what is marinating, it could take an hour or so to a few days.

AROUND THE WORLD most cuisines use a mix garlic, herbs and various spices in marinades:

The Italian (salmoriglio pronounced sal more eel yoh) and Spanish (salsa) tend to use red/white wine or red/white wine vinegar - depending on whether it is fish or meat.

Greek use lemon juice and garlic - mainly with lamb or fish.

Indian cuisine - more spice, lime juice.

Other cuisines use a variety of citrus zest.

Apple cider vinegar and salt & sugar brine are common with pork.

Agata Commisso



Do we have a Gustav Klimt in our community willing to enter the 2019 Blank Canvas art show? The theme is trees, proceeds from the silent auction will go to plant trees on the Bellarine.

Following last year's successful Blank Canvas art show the Bellarine Greens plan to run the event again at the Driftwood Cafe in Ocean Grove over Easter. The theme for the artwork will be TREES.

Money raised from the silent auction will go to planting trees on the Bellarine Peninsula. That comes with some challenges in that we need to find public land or a landowner willing to fence off a chunk of their property. Do we create a wildlife corridor, orchard, community garden, urban forest, fruit trees on nature strips, moonah woodland, reforest pasture or reinstate roadside vegetation? Art will be hung from 6 April, grand finale Thurs 2 May. Interested artists please contact John Bowman for an application and an 8x10" canvas. johnbowman108@gmail.com 0434693366 or Springdale Neighbourhood Centre. If enough North Bellarine artists wish to participate a Silent Auction can be conducted at Springdale with funds going to their preferred tree planting project.

Cheers, John Bowman



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Term 2
April-June
2019



Course and Opportunity Guide.

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre offers classes as part of our mission and the purpose of our organisation. We do this in conjunction with many partners including all our tutors, a number of businesses and some Registered Training Organisations.

I believe all our activities include a brain training component, an interpersonal component, and even a practical component. We would appreciate any feedback you have at any time to help us improve our offerings and the experience we offer to our community.

Anne Brackley - Coordinator

SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre Inc

New

Mime for Adults

The 10 week course at SpringDale is one which combines good exercise with a lot of fun. So come along and learn some Mime Skills and how to put them together. Have a laugh at yourself... and others.

Come & Try Wed 20 March 12.30 - 2pm

Tutor: Di Roberts

Dates/times: Wed 1 May - 3 July 12.30pm - 2pm

Fee: \$165 or **Conc** \$150

Italian for Travellers

I've devised a program of teaching Italian language to Australians that seems to work.

After 10 x 1+ a half hour sessions, the student should be able to speak simple Italian sentences to any Italian anywhere who will understand them. I emphasise pronunciation.

We use Italian organically to reveal the grammar which is then taught in a palatable way. And we'll have fun doing it! Ciao per adesso.... (Bye for now).

Tutor: Julie Brand

Dates/times: Tues 7 May - 9 Jul 6pm - 7:30pm

Fee: \$165 or **Conc** \$150

Classes - Dressings and Preserves

Learn how to make a base mayonnaise and how to turn it into a variety of flavours and uses. Make salad dressings, pesto and preserves that are seasonally available. Materials list available.

Tutor: Charlene Angus

Dates/times: Sat 27 April 10am - 4pm

Fee: \$100

Excursion -

Visit Springdale Neighbourhood House

Please register your interest in visiting one of the most culturally diverse Neighbourhood Houses in Victoria. Probably a Monday and probably using public transport - could be good travel training.

They came to SpringDale - can we go to Springdale? Hope you can come with me - Tour guide Anne Brackley

Children' Craft Classes

Making a backpack/library bag

Tutor: Denise Kent

Dates/times: Tues 9 April or 16 April

1pm - 3.30pm or Tue 7 May 4pm - 5.30pm

Fee: \$40 includes materials

Making shorts/skirt

Tutor: Denise Kent

Dates/times: Thurs 11 or 18 April

1pm - 3.30pm or Thurs 9 May 4pm - 5.30pm

Fee: \$40 includes materials

Digital Technology

Introduction to Computers

Tutor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Tues 7 May - 25 June 1pm - 3.30pm

Fee: \$170 or **Conc** \$80

Intermediate Computers

Tutor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Intermediate

Dates/times: Tues 7 May - 25 June 1pm - 3.30pm

Fee: \$170 or **Conc** \$80

Using your Ipad/Iphone

Tutor: Brenda Richardson, Iteracy

Skill Level: Beginner

Dates/times: Thu 9 May - 27 June 1pm - 3.30pm

Fee: \$170 or **Conc** \$80

Buying and Selling on eBay

Tutor: Ken Brackley.

Dates/times: Thur 13 June & Thur 27 June 4pm - 6pm

Fee: \$50 or **Conc** \$30

Wellbeing

How to use a Defibrillator

Dates/times: Dates to be advised **Fee:** \$5

Conflict Management and Mediation Core Skills

Come and develop your conflict management skills and learn to manage basic mediation processes with professional mediator and trainer David Rackham.

The course is 5 x 2 hour sessions.

Expressions of interest - Phone SpringDale 5253 1960

Yoga

Tutor: Glenda Breedveld

Materials: Bring your own mat and blanket if required.

Venue: SpringDale Hall

Dates/times: Mon 29 April - 24 June

No class Queens birthday 9:15am - 10:45am

Fee: \$135 or **Conc** \$120 (8 sessions)

Dates/times: Thur 2 May - 27 June

6:00pm - 7:30pm

Fee: \$150 or **Conc** \$135 (9 sessions)

\$20 per session if paying for single sessions

Tai Chi for Health

Tutor: Kathy Lanthois

Dates/times: Tues 30 Apr - 25 June 7pm - 8pm

Fee: \$100 **Conc** \$95 for 9 Sessions

Dates/times: Fri 3 May - 28 June 9am - 10am

Fee: \$100 **Conc** \$95 for 9 Sessions

\$15 per session if paying for single sessions

Understanding Autism

Talking about Autism

Facilitator: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: Sat 25 May bookings essential

Fee: Free

All Abilities Art

Tutor: Celia Adams

Dates/times: Fri 26 Apr - 28 Jun 10am - 12pm

Fee: \$200 or **Conc** \$100 10 sessions

Bookings essential



Being Creative

Demonstrator Photography Sculpting with Light

Tutor: George Stawicki

Dates/times: Tues 7 May - 28 May 7pm - 9pm

Fee: \$110 or **Conc** \$100

Foundation Art Course

Discover the Artist Within - Level 1

Tutor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Tues 30 Apr - 18 June 1pm - 3pm

Fee: \$135 or **Conc** \$75

Media Art Course

Discover the Artist Within - Level 2

Tutor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Mon 29 Apr - 24 June 10am - 12:30 pm

Fee: \$145 or **Conc** \$80

Advanced Workshop Program

Develop the Artist Within - Level 3

Tutor: Annette Playsted

Dates/times: Mon 29 Apr - 24 June 1pm - 3.30pm or

Dates/times: Tues 30 Apr - 18 June 10am - 12:30pm

Fee: \$145 or **Conc** \$80

Jazz Jam Workshops

Join in a series of beginners' Jazz and Blues improvisation workshops for all instruments and singers, guided by professional musician, David Rackham.

Expressions of interest - Phone SpringDale 5253 1960

Ukulele Beginners

Tutor: Helen Brown

Dates/times: Thurs 2 May - 20 June 10.30am - 11.30am

Fee: \$90 or **Conc** \$85 (8 sessions)

or Single sessions \$15

Ukulele Intermediate

Tutor: Helen Brown

Dates/times: Thurs 2 May - 20 June 9.30am - 10.30am

Fee: \$90 or **Conc** \$85 (8 sessions)

or Single sessions \$15

Card Making

Tutor: Jessie Holton - Independent Stampin' Up!

Dates/times: Thur 30 May, 27 June 10am - 1pm

Fee: \$20 per session or free with an order.

Cheese Making

Tutor: Charlene Angus

Let us know if this is to lead you to a new career path.

Dates/times: Sat 11 May 10am - 4pm

Mozzarella, 5min Mozzarella and Ricotta **Fee:** \$100

Future Direction

Is being a Support Worker right for you?

Tutor: Maryanne Cosic

Dates/times: Mon 27 May and 24 Jun 10am - 12noon

Fee: \$40 Child Care available.



Returning to Earning - hints & tips

Tutor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: Thur 23 May & 20 Jun 3pm - 5pm

Fee: Free Child Care available.



Focusing on the Future

Tutor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: Fri 26 Apr and 7 more sessions as individually scheduled

Fee: \$100 or **Conc** \$80

Espresso Coffee Making Workshop

Tutor: Jordon Smith

Dates/times: Sat 6 Apr or Sat 4 May or Sat 1 Jun 10am - 12pm

Fee: \$40

Food Safety Session

Tutor: Tim Digby

Dates/times: Expressions of Interest being taken

Fee: \$5

Introduction to Cookery

Tutor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: Mon 20 May - Mon 9 Dec 10am - 2pm (8 sessions once a month)

Fee: \$160 or **Conc** \$80

Transition Streets (Intro to Sustainability)

Tutor: Jackie Lukacz

Dates/times: Wednesdays 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Fee: \$12 plus \$2 weekly

The Joy of Volunteering

Tutor: Anne Brackley

Dates/times: Mon 20 May 3pm - 5pm

Fee: Free

Languages

Italian for Travellers

Tutor: Julie Brand

Dates/times: Tues 7 May - 9 Jul 6pm - 7:30pm

Fee: \$165 or **Conc** \$150

French for Travellers

Tutor: Serge Botans

Dates/times: Tues 23 Apr to 25 June (10 weeks)

Fee: \$150 or **Conc** \$130 or Single sessions \$15

Latin

Tutor: Neil Bell

Dates/times: Sat mornings 9.15am - 10.45am

Fee: \$50 for 10 weeks

SpringDale Groups

To attend SpringDale Groups you must be a member of SpringDale - Annual Membership \$12 - each group charges a small fee ranging from \$2 to \$12 per session.

Patchwork and Quilting Group

Tutor: Anna ph: 5250 4829 for more information

Dates/times: 1st & 3rd Friday each month 9.30am - 12noon

Fee: \$2 per session plus your own materials.

Kinship Carers

Meets monthly Monday - Mon 6 May, Mon 3 June 10am - 1pm

Card Games

Monday afternoons 12.30pm - 3pm.

Friendly Cuppa and Chat Group

First Tuesday of the month between 10.30am - 11.30am.

Dining Club

Monthly dinner. Register your interest by emailing office@springdale.org.au or phoning 5253 1960

Girls' Shed / Craft Group

Tuesday weekly from 1pm - 3pm.

SpringDale Badminton

Wed 1pm - 3.30pm weekly at The Scout Hall Drysdale.

Bellarine Community Choir

For more information phone SpringDale 5253 1960 or Jenny 5251 2676. Thur 1.30pm - 3.30pm

Cryptic Crosswords Group

This group meets Fridays 10am at Zoo Cafe.

Fun Volleyball

Mondays from 9am - 10.30am

Venue: Drysdale Scout Hall

Genealogy

Thursdays 9am - 12 noon

SpringDale Jigsaw Club

The first Thursday of the month from 10am - 12noon.

SpringDale Mahjong Club

This group meets Wednesday from 9.30am - 12noon.

Pole Walking Group

Weekly Mondays 8:50am-10am (Contact SpringDale for meeting points)

SpringDale Scrabble Club

Held on Tuesday afternoon, 1pm - 3pm.

Men's Kitchen - Tuesday Mornings

Tuesday morning 10am - 1pm

Location: St Leonards Recreation Reserve

Fee: Price depends on menu

Men's Kitchen - Wed/Thurs/Fri Morning

Wed/Thurs 10am - 2pm

Fee: Price depends on menu

Men's Kitchen - Wednesday Evening

Every second Wednesday evening from 5pm - 8pm.

New members welcome **Fee:** Price depends on menu

SpringDale Artists

Wed 9am - 12noon or Wed 1pm - 4pm.

SpringDale Wheelie Riders

Rides Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri and Sat or Sun.

SpringDale Singers

Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm until 3:30pm.

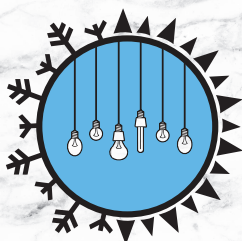
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1st Thursday of the Month from 2.30pm - 4.30pm.

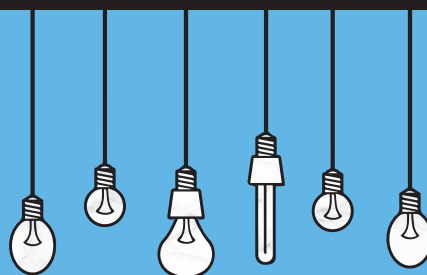
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Come in and talk to us and get first-hand experience on the destinations you have on your wish list, or join us on our small group departures led by a travel specialist.

Please enjoy our latest Travel Talk page.

Sonja and the Team

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST – SCENIC TOURS GLOBAL INFO SESSION

Come and hear all about Scenic and the amazing destinations they travel to.

This session will be held on April 3rd at a local venue.

Please contact our office for more information and to register your interest (details below).

UPCOMING ESCORTED GROUPS

24 DAY SMALL GROUP TOUR – SCANDINAVIA AND RUSSIA

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Scrapbooking Group

Thurs 17 Jan, 14 Feb, 14 Mar 1pm - 4pm

Harvest Basket Produce Swap & Edible Gardening Group

1st Saturday of every month in the SpringDale Hall.

Date/time: 9am - 10.30am

Felting

Contact Julie on 0409 511 662.

Date/time: 1st Saturday each month. 10am - 3pm

SpringDale Community Garden

Growing Green - a Healthy and Sustainable Community.

Drysdale Toy Library

by appointment

Portarlington Toy Library

Meets weekly Wednesdays during school terms

8.15am - 9.15am

5D Diamond Painting group

Second Saturday 11am - 4pm and last Monday of the

month 1pm - 4pm

Non SpringDale Activities

Drysdale Guides

We meet on Thursday evenings at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre. Girls aged 5 - 11 years meet from 4pm - 5.30pm and girls 11 to 18 years meet from 6.30pm - 8pm. Contact Anne Brackley for more details 0407 529 205.

Jr Guides Thurs 4pm - 5.30pm

Senior Guides Thurs 6.30pm - 8pm

Bellarine Camera Club

Meets at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre, Drysdale, at 7:30pm on the first and third Monday of the month. For further details call in to a meeting, or go to our website www.bellarinecameraclub.org.au

Bellarine Woodworkers Inc.

All keen woodworkers have the opportunity to meet on the first Monday of the month at 1.30pm - 3pm. New members welcome. Just turn up.

Hazy Tales Art Studio

M: 0439 709 492 116 Collins Street, Drysdale

W: www.hazytales.com.au

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Tutor: Stayin' Alive First Aid

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Fee: \$60

Provide First Aid (including CPR - Level 2)

Code HLTAID003

Tutor: Stayin' Alive First Aid

Dates/times: Mon 15 April or Sat 15 Jun 9.30am - 3pm

Fee: \$120

Provide an emergency first aid response in an education and care setting

Code HLTAID004

Tutor: Stayin' Alive First Aid

Dates/times: Mon 15 April or Sat 15 Jun 9.30am - 4pm

Fee: \$160

Stayin' Alive First Aid delivers nationally recognised training in partnership with, and under the auspices of, Allens Training Pty Ltd RTO 90909.

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SpringDale Trivia 20th Edition by Drysdale Girl Guides

1. In which Australian state or territory would you find Australia's highest mountain, Mt. Kosciuszko?
1. Which Australian outback town's population swells from 120 to crowds of over 5000 for a racing carnival?
2. In rhyming slang, if someone said they were going to have a "bo-peep", what would they be doing?
4. Name Australia's western-most point?
5. Who was the most recent Australian to win the men's singles title at Wimbledon?
6. What animal featured on the Australian 2 cent coin?
7. Where was Ned Kelly's last stand?
8. How many countries are larger than Australia? (in terms of land size)
9. In what city did the Australian Commonwealth Parliament first sit?
10. Which of the following is not an Australian innovation? A) Chiko Roll B) Lawn Sprinkler C) Plastic bank notes D) Dual flush toilet E) Wine Cask?

Turn to page 21 to find the answers.

Drysdale Guides Meet on Thursdays during the school term 6:30 to 8:00. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Anne Brackley on 0407 529 205

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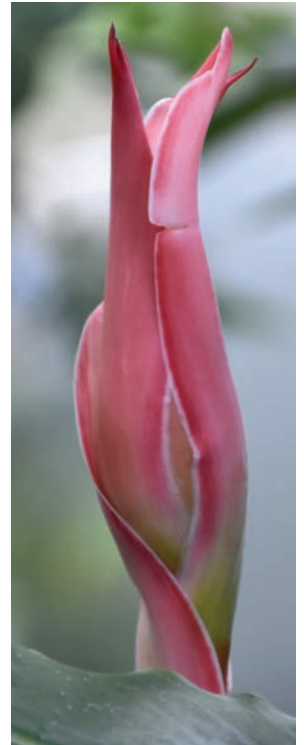
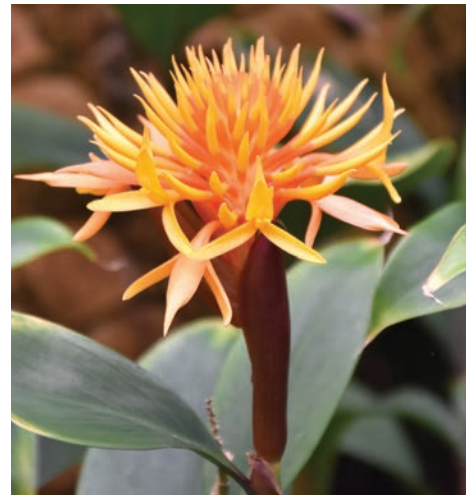
Clifton Springs Garden Club

Has your garden survived our very hot days? Are you new to the Bellarine and not sure what plants grow best in the area? Would you like to meet new people in your local community? If you answer yes to these questions, why not come along to one of the Clifton Springs Garden Club meetings.

Our Club is steadily growing with a mix of locals and non-locals. Our members have an extensive knowledge on all things gardening and if they don't know the answers they know where to find the answers. The Committee work hard to secure interesting speakers on a wide variety of topics to do with gardening as well as other points of interest in the area. During the year we have several trips to local gardens, nurseries and gardens a little further afield as well as a couple of social dinners to allow members to get to know each other better.

Visitors and new members are always made most welcome by Simon, our Meet & Greet person. If this sounds like something you would enjoy then come along to one of our meetings as a visitor, we meet on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7.30 pm, Uniting Church Hall Drysdale. Contact our Secretary Helen, on telephone 5257 1566 or email hma3152@gmail.com for more information.

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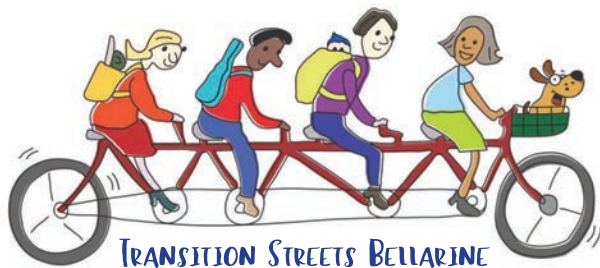
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The Convenience of Single-Use Items Comes at a Huge Environmental Cost...

For a long time we have been taught about the 3 R's, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle – but now there's another R in the mix - REFUSE!

Our lives are full of stuff we don't need, and each thing has an environmental cost. Single-use items in particular have a huge environmental impact, firstly because as the name suggests, they are made to use only once, which means after their short lifespan, if not recycled, they generally end up in the trash.

1. Plastic Water bottles

Australians have been estimated to spend \$385 million each year on bottled water, even though we have some of the world's best quality and very inexpensive tap water.

2. Single-serve coffee pods

It is currently estimated that Australians consume between 2.5 and 3 million capsules per day.

Most coffee pods are not recyclable. The more sustainable option is to stick to brewing coffee yourself.

3. Paper coffee cups

There's no excuse these days not to carry a reusable coffee mug with you whenever you buy takeaway coffee. They're not expensive, and may even save you money as many eco-conscious cafes now offer discounts to customers who bring their own reusable mugs.

4. Boxes of tea bags

Buying boxes of tea bags generates a lot of cardboard and plastic waste, while the staple and string must be removed before putting the single-use tea bag into the compost (if they're compostable at all). Instead buy loose leaf tea that comes in a single paper bag or refillable tin

5. Disposable utensils

You can now buy biodegradable, wooden and other types of compostable utensils and keep a fork, knife and spoon in your hand bag...and refuse a disposable set with your take-away.

6. Plastic bags

About 1 million plastic bags are used every minute. They might be convenient, but they take more than 1,000 years to disintegrate and remain toxic even after they're decomposed. Canvas bags, reusable bags or good old cardboard boxes are the way to go.

7. Produce bags

Although many people reuse their produce bags once at home, at some point they're going to end up in the trash. Better not to use them at all, there are plenty of reusable options available, or make your own from old net curtains.

Excerpts from www.1millionwomen.com.au

I often wonder where my life would be heading if I was not a kinship carer. I would probably still be working and enjoying all the opportunities that come with a decent salary. Yes, I gave up my teaching career to become my granddaughters full time kinship carer. So fast track 14 years, do I miss teaching? NO. Do I enjoy being a kinship carer? YES.

In those 14 years there have been many up and downs, dealing with Government Departments, dealing with raising a child (starting off with kinder and school all over again) and dealing with the loss of my teaching career. But the joys of being a kinship carer, outnumber all the downs in the past 14 years.

My granddaughter and I have made so many wonderful, caring and loyal friends from not only in Geelong, but all over Victoria and Australia.

We have been on wonderful adventures, from riding a camel together, to my granddaughter flying a plane and we have been on many kinship camps with other kinship carers. We both consider ourselves to be very lucky that we have each other.

Most kinship carers do not have it as easy as my granddaughter and I have. Most children when they are removed from their parents are hurting and hurting badly. They take their anger out on the people that love and care for them the most - their kinship carers.

Being a kinship carer is not easy in any shape or form, so why do we do it. Because in most cases the children concerned are our grandchildren and like all grandparents, we would do anything for our grandchildren.

If you are a kinship carer and think that you are alone, believe me you are not. Our group would love to support you in your kinship journey.

Our group meets monthly at SpringDale on the following dates for 2019 4th March, 6th May, 3rd June, 5th Aug, 2nd Sept, 14th Oct, 4th Nov and 2nd Dec. Please bring a snack to share. 10am to 1pm.

If any organisations or business would like to support us as kinship carers, please feel free to contact myself directly.

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The year is just starting out so at this stage our meetings have not yet got into full swing with guest speakers etc so I thought I would update you on the Rotary Club of Drysdale's project in Nepal, our very own "Chicken Run".

When someone gets a vision and puts it into action and if passion leads it, the work gets done in super-fast time.

In a few short months the locals in Nepal have worked extremely hard to get the Chicken Farm to a point of achieving income for the family and villagers. The local people own their own project, we are just available to help where we can.

Do you want to get involved in a project such as this? Or have an idea for another project we can be a part of? Come visit with us at a meeting on a Monday Night at the Clifton Springs Golf Club. Call Terry on 0411 452 509 or myself 0408 989 221 to make sure that is where we will be as we do adventure out to vocational places, the movies or maybe we could be ten pin bowling.



New Men's Cooking Group
- Friday morning
10am - 2pm at
SpringDale in
Drysdale.

It will be like a Men's Shed in a kitchen. If you have been thinking about gaining some cooking skills this might be for you. We also have vacancies in the St Leonards Mens Cooking group on a Tuesday morning and the SpringDale Men's Cooking group which meets Wednesday evenings.



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Thinking about a new career, perhaps in caring for other people, come along to two sessions and think about what would be required, what you might have to do, in a very honest presentation. Maryanne Cosic will share her experience with you as an experienced trainer.

Dear Bellarine Neighbour

I hope you like this concept sketch for the CliffCurl Baths.

The Sea Baths at the Dell were a popular spot a century ago and I can imagine that a rebuilt baths would delight today's swimmers.

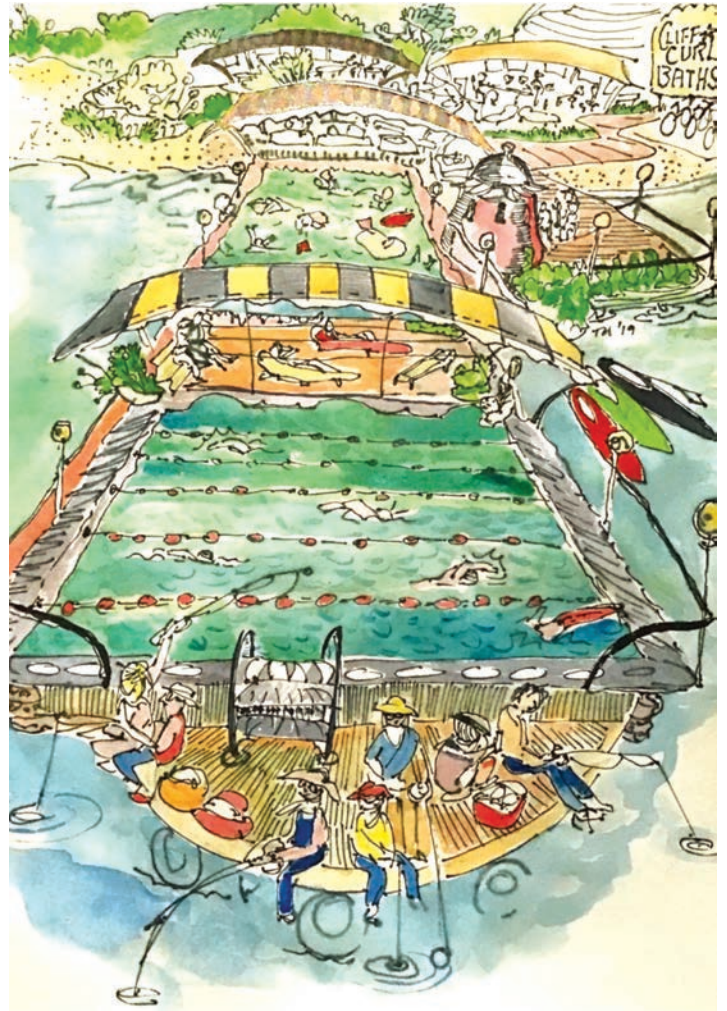
It would be an alluring and inclusive space to relax and enjoy the coast with modern facilities.

The CliffCurl Baths would provide a safe place free from the boats and other vessels so that swimmers can thoroughly enjoy deep water lap swimming.

Currently the water is shallow and sea-weedy and, if in the water, you can feel invisible to high speed vessels while you're out doing the aussie crawl where the deep water begins.

While answering to the needs of a growing population, the CliffCurl Baths would promote tourism by generating jobs and boosting the local economy.

A Curlewis resident.



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Memories of Yesteryear

by the Older Generation of the Bellarine

The Whitcombe Walk - Part Four Robert Austin Whitcombe (Bob) 1896 - 1967

During World War 2, our new farm in Whitcombes Road produced canned asparagus, greatly desired by the American Forces, who were staged in this country, ready for the great push north, to rid us of the Japanese threat.

At the same time Bob, maintained & expanded the share farming at Bellarine, producing many tons of onion seed, as well as other vegetable seeds. This was a matter of great urgency, as up to that time, almost Australia's entire supply of seeds, were imported from overseas.

My father Bob was a man of many facets.

His parents had been very strict Methodists. Hence, in his early life, it was early to bed, early to rise.

He was a trustee of the Methodist Church, for most of his adult life, as had his father Samuel and brother Jack. He had a good voice and as a soloist, sang at various district churches on special days. He never learnt to read music, but could play by ear: Mouth organ, Accordion & Cornett even a large sea shell with a hole in the end.

During his Army Service, he played kettle drum, in the unit's pipe band. The captain of his unit was Tom Maltby, later to win a seat in State Parliament. Bob only attained the rank of Corporal, but this did not prevent their life-long friendship.

Throughout the 13 years we lived at Bellarine, Bob & Laura conducted the Sunday School and Youth Club. I never had any doubt that my father, had strong Christian beliefs. He believed that if one lived properly, then there should be no need for penance. He was a quiet man, not given to bursts of enthusiasm, or despair. I do not recall him or his brother Jack, ever use a bad word, or raise their voice in anger.

In spite of Bob's difficulties, he was a determined & highly productive worker. In his youth he was known as a "GUN" in the pea paddock. Later in life, always on his knees, with someone to shift bags. He had an uncanny ability to handle potatoes & onions with great speed. Bob had a wide practical knowledge of fruit & vegetable growing, extending to the production of high quality vegetable seeds.

He was the originator of an excellent strain of white Spanish onions, at a time when most others were still growing mixed lines.



Bob & Laura

During the years of the second world war, he contributed greatly to the establishment of the Brown Spanish Onion Seed Certification Program. Up until this time very little effort had been put into vegetable seeds production in this country.

To be continued

Written by Ian and Lesley Whitcombe



Onion workers with Bob forth from the left.



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The Aussie Summer...

Who would want to spend summer in Australia?



It is sometimes hard to imagine why people want to spend summer in Australia. Australia has the world's deadliest snakes, spiders, sharks, crocodiles, along with the biggest blowflies and mosquitoes - do not get me started on the crazy hot days and nights!

I for one still want to spend all summer in Australia, and I am going to tell you why?

The most important reason, the number one tradition of summer is cricket but for anyone that dares not to like cricket - the most magnificent sport in the world, I will start with some of the other Aussie wonders.

The sun, the sea, the sand. That combination makes our world famous beaches. Thousands and thousands of tourists flock to our beaches every summer, risking life and limb, especially if you are to believe the international news channels about our deadly sharks.

The beach to me is; the sand between your toes and racing your brother as fast as you can across the hot sand to make it from the water to your towel. Arriving back to your towel, the warmth of the towel on your shoulders and zinc spread across your face. Sitting under the shade of the umbrella, listening to the awesome sound of the waves crashing, kids laughing, watching kites flying and surfers

surfing, and most importantly, enjoying fish and chips (sprinkled with sand) with your family. Then finding sand in every part of my hair and shorts and trying to wash it out in the shower when I get home.

If the beach is not your thing, then bring on the long summer day barbeques, the smell of onions burning, sausages sizzling, steaks cooking and again the laughter of friends and family standing around together sharing stories (especially my granddad spinning stories and giving me tips on how to tease my dad).

Along with the summer BBQ is the marvellous sport of cricket. It means the smell of freshly

cut lawns, mum chasing us around trying to smother us in sunscreen and my grandparents watching the cricket on TV whilst snoring. It does not matter whether it is backyard cricket, beach cricket, cricket fields or the nets, the best part of cricket is spending the long summer days with my friends playing cricket. Summer to me means: 'Howzat'; 'wicket!' and 'caaatch!'.

If you add no school, no homework, Christmas & Christmas lights, New Year's Eve fireworks and being able to sleep-in every day, then that takes summer in Australia to the top of every kids dream list.

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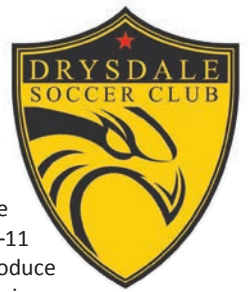
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Junior Preseason kicked off in late February, with early numbers looking fantastic again for Drysdale SC in 2019. The club will again be running the ALDI MiniRoos program which is designed for kids of all abilities, aged 5–11 years. The nation-wide initiative uses short, game-based sessions to introduce the sport of football to newcomers in an inclusive way. It focuses on learning new skills, being active, making life-long friends and potentially unearthing the next generation of Socceroos or Matildas.

The Junior teams (under 12's to under 14's) will look to continue on from their fantastic 2018, with the under 12 boys, under 12 girls and under 13 boys all making their respective finals. The club will again be looking to develop our young juniors, which has seen 6 Drysdale players move onto NPL Juniors over the last two years. The club is proud of the pathways it provides for our next generation of stars. It is a testament to the quality of junior coaches who put in a significant amount of time and effort into their coaching roles.

The five players who have advanced to NPL Juniors over the last two seasons are,

Leisel Huddart and Beth Taylor (Geelong Galaxy)

Jack Huddart, Spencer Hand, Harry Rawson, Riley Hull (Geelong SC)

Pre-season is well under way for the Senior teams with a host of practice matches scheduled for the Senior Teams in February and March, with the season starting in early April. The club will again field three mens teams (Division 1 and Division 3 and Masters- over 35yo's) and two women's teams (Division 1 and Division 2) in 2019. If you are interested in trying out soccer or returning to soccer after a few years out of the game, come down and have and have a kick! Training sessions are Tuesday and Thursdays at the Drysdale Sports Precinct (Belchers Rd), for more details visit www.drysdallesc.com



Top: The under 12 Girls enjoyed a fantastic 2018 making the Grand Final

Middle: The under 13s team

Bottom: Leisel won the League Best & Fairest in 2018 and will play with NPL club Geelong Galaxy in 2019

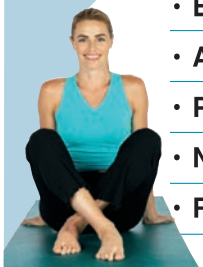
Trivia Answers

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2. Birdsville
3. Having a sleep
4. Steep Point (Shark bay)
5. Lleyton Hewitt
6. Frilled neck Lizard
7. Glenrowan
8. Five (Russia, Canada, China, USA, Brazil)
9. Melbourne
10. B- The lawn Sprinkler
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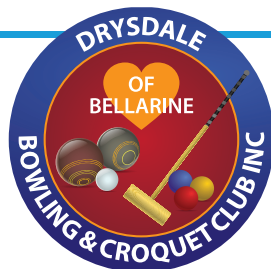
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HAWKS LOOKING FOR FINAL PIECE

The Drysedale Football Club is looking to add the final piece of its Female Football Program. By fielding an Under 18 team for the 2019 season, they hope to continue to lead the way in Women's Football. Club President Dave Walder says the time has come. "The club has always been a leader in Female football in the region. We had the first junior girls' team, the first Senior Womens' team, but the Under 18 age group has remained unfulfilled. Our number one priority as a club is to make sure everyone who wants to play football has the opportunity to do so at Drysedale."

The club has been working tirelessly to promote the game in the region & will be working closely with local schools in the upcoming months. Participation numbers around the country have exploded in recent years, with AFL now the fastest growing sport amongst females. With the second season of AFLW now underway & Geelong having its own AFLW team there has never been a better time for the women of Drysedale to take up the sport. "Football offers a whole range of new & exciting opportunities for females" says Walder, "the physicality, the camaraderie, the fitness are just a few reasons why it has struck a chord with so many people. We encourage anyone who is considering having a game to give it a go – you will love it!"

Walder is proud of what the club has achieved so far but is aware of just how important fielding a team in each age group is, "The Drysedale community has always produced fantastic female football talent & is continuing to do so. It is vital for our club & our community that those players have a continuous pathway from U12's right through to Seniors. We have players like Tess Craven, who has played over 100 games at our club – it would be a tragedy to see them having to leave just to continue playing the game they love." Craven, who has won the past two league best & fairest, agrees, "I just love playing footy at Drysedale" she said, "I've played here since I was 10 and it's like my second home. I really hope I don't have to go anywhere else – it's my club".

Anyone who is interested in playing football in any age group should contact Female Coordinator Jennie Deckker on 0425 718 838.



The Drysedale Hawks Football Club in 2019 is celebrating its 140th year of existence, having been established back in 1879. The Geelong Advertiser reported a match between Drysedale and Chilwell 2's on June 14th 1879, with Mr Cuddy captaining the side in a losing effort, 6 goals to 2. Further games were played that year against East Geelong, Wanderers, and in our best result, a draw with Artillery. Early games were played at a ground behind the hotel known as The Buck's Head. This was also the location of the race-track & the ground was most likely in the centre of this.

In the leadup to our 140th Birthday in June, we will touch on different eras of the club, as well as sharing some photos of our rich club history. There is a gala event planned for June, where we will be celebrating the clubs 140 years. Further information will be available in the coming months.

Any story's, photos or memorabilia you would like to share with the club and its supporters is more than welcomed, and the club can be contact via email drysdalefootballclub@gmail.com.



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