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Adrian E Mannix OAM COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD 2019 Congratulations Jenni Nickelson



L to R Jenni Nickelson and Michelle Hutchins

Photos thanks to George Stawicki



Congratulations Jenni Nickelson the winner of the 18th Adrian E Mannix OAM Community Service Award. Jenni has lived in the Drysdale area for her whole life and has given thousands of hours to our community. Her time has been spent supporting the Peninsula Little Athletics, Drysdale Tennis Club, Drysdale Cricket Club, Drysdale Kindergarten, and more recently in many roles at the Drysdale Uniting Church and Concern Op Shop. Jenni has also been a Justice of the Peace for 13 years and a Legatee for Geelong Legacy Club.

This year Michelle Hutchins (nee Mannix), Adrian's daughter, presented the award to Jenni. Michelle has known Jenni for most of her life and was so happy to be part of the ceremony. Michelle said "Dad would be so proud". Michelle is looking forward to attending next year and bringing other family members with her to future events.

For those who know someone who gives tirelessly to our community, please consider nominating that person for the Adrian E Mannix OAM Community Service Award for 2020 – nomination forms will be available on the SpringDale website and from our partners the Rotary Club of Drysdale and the Portarlington / Drysdale Lions Club.







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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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	Tuesday	2	Friendly Cuppa and Chat Group 10.30 - 11.30 at SpringDale
	Tuesday	2	Morning with Issi Dye - 10.30am - The Potato Shed
	Thursday	4	Jigsaw Group 10 - 12noon at SpringDale DEADLINE
	Saturday	6	Harvest basket Produce Swap at SpringDale for September issue is 1 August as well as
	Sunday	7	NAIDOC Week (till 14th) the deadline for the August issue being
	Mon-Fri	8-12	Space Pilot Training at SpringDale 1-3pm 1 July
	Monday	8	NAIDOC Week morning tea at SpringDale 10am
	Tues-Fri	9-12	Fractured Fairytales - Doris' Birthday Surprise Party - The Potato Shed
	Wednesday	10	Days for Girls Sewing Group 9 - 3pm
	Sunday	14	National Diabetics Week (till 20th)
	Tuesday	16	Dining Group - Brunenzo's Italian Restaurant - 6.30pm
	Wednesday	17	Lunch Bunch - The Mex, Ocean Grove 12 Noon
	Thurs/Fri	18-19	The Sapphires 8pm - The Potato Shed
	Sunday	21	50th Anniversary of Man landing on the moon Big Day at SpringDale
	Wednesday	24	Lifeline's Stress down Day
	Friday	26	Swanson 8pm - The Potato Shed
	Sunday	29	Donate Life Week (till 4th Aug)



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MEMBER 2019



Coordinator's News

Anne Brackley

I draw inspiration from the simplest things. Yesterday I struggled to encourage the conditioner to come out of the bottle. This bottle seems to be much thicker than normal and I planned in the shower my approach to the company and how I would encourage them to thin it a little and give me back the product that I love using.

But this morning I went to use the conditioner and it had been upturned overnight and gravity helped it flow so easily. Just looking at a problem from a different angle can make such a difference. It saved time, emails, negative energy and was so easy.

Wouldn't it be great to look at every problem from a different angle and come up with a simpler hassle free solution. Sometimes you have to do things the long way round until you work out or have the shorter path pointed out, but that's what learning is all about.

This year my intention is to ask better questions and monitor more effectively. Unfortunately for everyone around me, I am asking questions. It is becoming easier as the year goes on and I have learnt about the term appreciative enquiry and look forward to gaining more knowledge about this and sharing if you are interested.

Monitoring is one of my weakest traits and this year I am hoping to make it a strength. Although I haven't made great headway yet, I still have 5 or 6 months to go and having announced my goal I'm sure there'll be a few people out there to help monitor my progress.

SpringDale is undergoing a great deal of change with new accounting software, installation of new point of sale system, new software to help us with the child care subsidy administration, new education department platform to upload our class information to and a new look for our website. Hoping we can cope with so much change at the same time. Please be gentle with us while we master all this new technology and iron out problems as they come to light.

You may have been following John Reid's articles over the last few years. Last year it was science fiction, this year he has been writing about the Apollo 11 mission in 1969 and creating a model of the workings of the Apollo 11 space craft. John's efforts will culminate in the celebration of 50 year anniversary of the first moon walk on Sunday 21 July at SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre.

During the July school holidays there will be space pilot training sessions so that our space pilots will be ready for the roles in the reenactment on Sunday 21 July. We have a few space pilots but would appreciate many more. The day will involve many reenactments and will give children and adults alike a better understanding of the Apollo 11 mission and have some fun on the journey.

Lastly, I am continuing to seek information about autism to share with our community. My son Stirling and I are about to head to Singapore for the Asia Pacific Autism Conference and look forward to sharing information with you on our return.

Thanks for all your support and I look forward to seeing you at SpringDale soon

Regards Anne Brackley

For Team SpringDale

Autism Friendly Events



Space Pilot Training Sessions 1pm - 3pm Tues 3, Wed 4, Thurs 5, Mon 8,

Tues 5, Wed 4, Thurs 5, Mon 8, Tues 9, Wed 10, Thurs 11, Fri 12 July at SpringDale FREE Children with parents or carers welcome. Spend some school holiday time with us. Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first Moon Walk

Sunday 21 July SpringDale Neighbourhood Centre

- See working stages of the command module
- Climb in a lunar module
- Moon missions running all day
- Linking through to Parkes NSW,
- America and beyond
- And more

Family friendly, educational and fun day at SpringDale.

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Egyptian cooking at SpringDale

Please join us for a morning of Egyptian cooking at SpringDale on Monday 19th August from 10am.

Learn to cook authentic falafel from scratch, tahini sauce, koushari and baklava. All dishes are vegetarian and the best part is lunch is included. Koushari and falafel are traditional Egyptian street food. Koushari is a beautiful mix of pasta, rice, lentils and chickpeas with fried onions and a slow cooked tomato sauce, don't judge it till you have tasted it.









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The SpringDale Messenger July 2019

News from Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine

I am pleased to report that in the 2019/20 State Budget the Government has provided funding to start work on all our election promises, within the first year of this new term.

In Drysdale \$893,000 was delivered to kick start work on the Bellarine Secondary College new VCE Centre. This is the school's number one priority project and I have been very pleased to work with the school community on this centre.

For Clifton Springs Primary School \$500,000 has been allocated for the school to undertake the master planning process to identify the facilities needed to cater for the growing needs of this great local school.

I have also been pleased to work over many years with the Drysdale Sport Precinct clubs in delivering this important sports facility.

This budget provides the \$5 million State contribution that is required to get Stage Two of the precinct built.

Our previous contribution of \$3.5 million enabled completion of Stage 1 and Stage 2 will see the creation of 3 extra playing fields, a multi-purpose pavilion, cricket training nets and pathways.

Importantly the State Government will also establish a new dedicated Mobile Intensive Care Ambulance (MICA) service for the Bellarine, helping further reduce ambulance wait times.

In addition, funding for other Bellarine based schools, other local sporting facilities, dangerous intersections, including Hermsley Road and community hubs have all been allocated.

This Budget builds on the State Government's



record for delivering great schools, quality healthcare and improving local facilities across the Bellarine.

I'm proud of our record and I look forward to continuing to work with and for all our local communities.

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 - Member for Bellarine lisa.neville@parliament.vic.gov.au Twitter@Lisanevillemp Ph: 5250 1987

French Classes at SpringDale

Over the last few years our weekly French class has morphed into an Intermediate French Class for French enthusiasts. Unfortunately we sometimes refer to it as French for Travellers, which is where it started but not where it currently operates. Sorry for any confusion we may have caused!

Details of our next **Intermediate French Class:**

Dates/Times: Tues 16 July - 17 Sept (10 weeks) 11.30am - 12.45pm **Tutor:** Serge Botans

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Bellarine MBC Support Group

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Meetings 10am, third Monday each month. Please contact Judy Margolis 0427 052 815

judymargolisx@gmail.com PO Box 78 Portarlington 3223 NAIDOC Week is an important week for reflection and action. I was lucky enough to walk in a march during NAIDOC Week a few years ago in Adelaide and many other activities since. Let's get together on Monday July 8, 10am and have a cuppa and a chat. Let's talk about NAIDOC Week and its importance and let's start to design a Reconciliation Action Plan for our Neighbourhood Centre and our community.

Anne Brackley OAM



The SprinaDale Lunch Bunch are going to The Mex, 4-12 Grubb Rd, Ocean Grove on Wed 17th July 12 noon. Please ring Margaret on 0418 370 857 to reserve your seat.

SpringDale DINING

NAIDOC Week 2019

SprinaDale Dinina Club is aoina to Brunenzo's Italian Restaurant, 5/163 Bellarine H'way, Newcomb on Tues 16th July 6.30pm. Please ring SpringDale on 5253 1960 to reserve your spot.

Advertising Lisa Neville MP Member for Bellarine

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Team SpringDale

POTATO SHED

Another busy month at the Shed - kicking off with everyone's favourite Issi Dye - he will run through his adventures in the music and television industry as part of our Morning Showtime series - July 2nd at 10.30am. School Holidays times see 3222 for Kids presenting some great affordable entertainment for families and great fun for the kids - This time around we have Fractured Fairytales - with Doris' Birthday Surprise Party - 8 shows Tuesday 9th to Friday the 12th at 10.30 and 1.30.

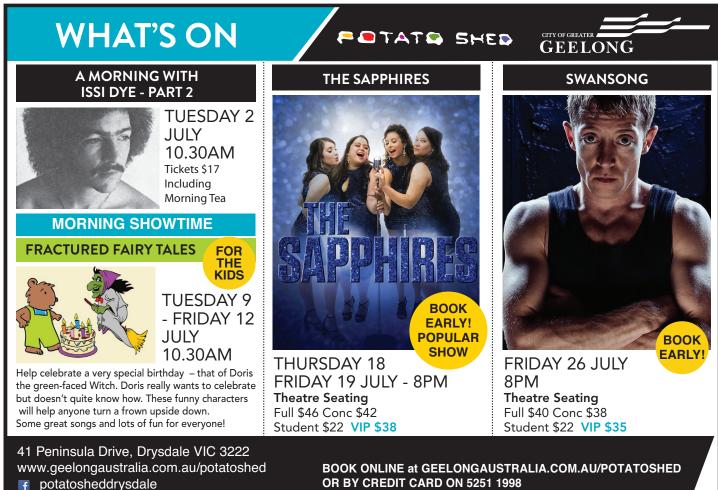
We are delighted and excited to present the amazing production of The Sapphires on July 18 and 19 at 8pm - this production is touring to over 140 venues around Australia and is one not to be missed. You may have seen the film - now you can see the live production right here in Drysdale!!!

Seeing out the month we have the award winning play Swansong - seen around the World from London - New York - with rave reviews. Occi Byrne an unlikely hero who faces insurmountable odds, never giving up. This is a timely message. An important story. Violent, tragic and hauntingly tender, Swansong is the story of a lost soul in search of a home. Just the one show on July 26th at 8pm

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Councillors' News

By Councillor Jim Mason

This is my first solo column for the SpringDale Messenger, since Bellarine Councillors Stephanie Asher, Trent Sullivan and I introduced ourselves to readers in April.

There is plenty going on in our neck of the woods, so there is plenty to say!

Councillors Asher, Sullivan and I had the pleasure of meeting with many of you at High Street, Drysdale on Saturday 25 May, as we spruiked the many projects and upgrades for Drysdale and Clifton Springs in the Draft 2019-20 Budget.

One allocation that I'm particularly passionate about is the \$8.3 million towards accessible grants for community groups and clubs, who are at the heart of our community.

I strongly recommend groups check out the funding options at www.geelongaustralia.com. au/grants. Grant applications open on 7 June and close on 2 August, so get in quick!

Successful applicants for the previous grant round have been announced and one of recipients is the Bellarine Peninsula Basketball Association in Drysdale, which received \$2,000 for equipment and uniforms – a great result!

We also had a question or two about the status of the Drysdale Town Centre redevelopment, following the adoption of the Urban Design Framework for the area.

The first works of the implementation of the UDF Concept Plan have started, with the undergrounding of power in the Town Centre Square.

The Draft Budget has also allocated \$300,000 to start the design development for the Drysdale Regional Library & Community Hub.

CITY OF GREATER

Meanwhile, I'm pleased to report the \$13 million Drysdale Integrated Children's Centre is progressing nicely.

Construction is well underway, with services such as long day childcare and kindergarten to start in January 2020.

There's also \$200,000 set aside for the Clifton Springs Golf Course landslide remediation, to treat stormwater and construct reinforced earthen walls and rock chute.

I've given you just a small snapshot of the opportunities available through the Draft Budget.

These towns are great places to live and these allocations will further improve them.

I'm always out and about, so if you see me, please feel free to say hello!





The Drysdale Family Support Foodbank has been helping families experiencing food insecurity across the Bellarine Peninsula for nearly twenty years. This service is supported by local community volunteers and groups like service clubs, churches, schools, businesses and individuals have been donating food and finance.

Each year we see an increase in demand and we also are faced with the reality that the things we purchase are increasing in cost, the same problem all households face. This places a strain on our budget as we try to meet the need and give people

what they need to make ends meet. Winter is a particularly challenging time as household costs rise through people trying to stay warm.

We are conducting a Winter Appeal to help the Foodbank maintain the level of support we think is needed by the families who look for our help.

We need donations of non-perishable food or finance to help us help people facing the prospect of not having the nutritious food that they need.

Donations can be made to Drysdale Family Support at 276 – 290 Jetty Road Curlewis or by direct deposit – Drysdale Family Support – BSB 633 000 A/C 118464429

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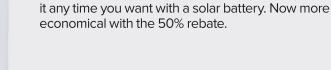
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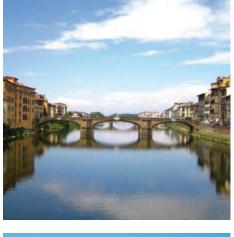
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An Aussie Barbecue - short version By Claudia Collins® 12/02/2019

Hilary and Joey didn't leave Melbourne as early as they had planned, and they arrived in Linton around lunchtime.

"Just stick your stuff in the spare room and I'll make us all a cuppa," Angela hugged her brother and his wife. It was a small room, with a fold-up sofa-bed, a tallboy, and French doors that led out onto the broad back veranda. "I've invited the family over for a barbie, that way you can catch up with everyone at once."

They barely had time to stow their bags before Ned, Brian's border collie, came bounding through the side gate from next-door and up the veranda steps, followed by the fiveyear old triplets. Brian and his wife followed more sedately. Rhonda was pregnant again and she was huge. "I look like a barge," she said ruefully, "the doctor said its twins, but knowing our luck it will probably be quads!"

Brendan handed beers to his brother and Joey, and Angela brought out the tea-trolley. "I have some wine for us to drink with our meal," she said.

"I'd better stick to tea," Rhonda pointed to her stomach.

Angela made coffee for Johnno and his wife, Sally, when they arrived. When Rhonda poured cordial into plastic cups for the children, Bridget promptly knocked hers over. She started crying, and the boys began to argue over the different coloured cups. "I'll show you some magic tricks later, if you're good," Joey said, and leaned over to pull a lolly out from behind Bridget's ear. She stopped crying and popped it in her mouth. Ned licked her face.

Brendan and Brian manned the barbecue, one wearing a red-checked flannelette shirt, the other in a blue one. Age and experience had crafted only small differences on their identical twin faces. The women prepared a variety of salads and set the table, making sure there was adequate salt and pepper shakers and tomato sauce.

"Sorry I'm late," Joey and Angela's policeman father, Fitzy, accepted a beer from his sonin-law. "Charlie Todd's cows broke through the fence again, and Chooka Pierce swerved his car to avoid one, hitting a tree. Chooka's alright, and so are the cows, but the Ute is a write-off."

The steaks, chops, sausages, and burgers were consumed along with the salads. "Pass the 'dead horse', please," Johnno said.

'He has always called sauce that,' the memory made Hilary smile. Ned devoured the scraps along with any food the children fed him under the table.

The family all stayed on for tea. The uneaten meat was brought out of the fridge and reheated and served with the remains of the salad. Angela made a 'pav' for dessert and the kids had bowls of ice-cream with chocolate topping. After tea Rhonda took the triplets home and Johnno and Sally left, but Brian stayed on until the beer ran out.



We call this The Australian Way of Life.

The above story is how we think of Australia with the barbeque and families getting together and celebrating with food. But what makes us different from other countries?

Australians seem reasonably relaxed, the days of informal introduction to each other has changed we have gone from Mr and Mrs, aunties and uncle to using their Christian names and even that can be shortened or called by a nick name. Some of us still struggle with this but the younger generation have no problems at all!!!! We dress casually most of the time, perhaps we still have that good set of clothing for special occasions like a wedding or funeral or special events, but nothing like years ago, although this can change from different areas within the country. We can be casual with time keeping, feeling we have plenty of hours in the day and generally feeling it will be right mate and it all seems to get done. Even the gardens now have changed many have that casual look and people have changed to native garden needing less tendering, but again weather conditions rule what we choose and again that word called time. Australians are tolerant of differing opinions. People are able to live according to different values, cultures, political persuasions, without fighting, without abuse.

Australians believe in a fair go for all and always there for each other. We realise how lucky we are when we do have that time to stop and reflect. When there is a tragedy or in times when people really need help and support that's when we realise how we all band together and show our love and support for each other. For a lot of us that's the True Aussie Spirit.

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Wild jubilation broke out all over the world when we heard the Eagle had landed. But as it's always calm in the eye of the storm, so within the lunar module a laconic "So far so good," a hand shake and "Let's get on with it" is how the occasion was marked.

The moonwalk presented unique challenges to the astronauts. The famous (One small step for man, one giant leap for man-kind) message actually preceded a long checklist of things to be done within the two hour thirty minute time limit they were allowed out for.

Foremost among these was planting the American flag and collecting rock and soil samples. These jobs proved more difficult than expected. They found that they could not dig deeper than six inches into the lunar surface so standing up the flag and digging out samples posed problems. Also a number of scientific experiments needed to be deployed. These had been chosen by N.A.S.A .from hundreds of applications and had been some years in preparation so it was important that having got so far the lucky few went on to fruition.

While Buzz assembled a seismometer designed to measure any quakes that might occur on the moon, Neil was engaged in setting up a special cube reflector which would respond to a laser beam strike from Earth. They also took photos, investigated a nearby crater and tried a high jump.

All too soon it was time to get back aboard and prepare for lift-off and the subsequent tricky manoeuvres required to overtake and re-join the orbiting command module. After short sleep they made final preparations and then pushed the button to fire the ascent engine to start them homeward bound. A textbook docking procedure had them back with Mike Collins and three days later splashdown marked the triumphant conclusion to a trip unprecedented in our history.

Join us at SpringDale on Sunday July 21 and we'll do it all again! We have built working models of the command, service and lunar modules large enough to hold three kids (or three young at heart adults!) and we will be running moon missions all day. We hope to be skyping through to America as well. We want all the family to come along and share in this great educational and fun day at SpringDale.

Let's all fly to the moon and back! See you all there! John.

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Since we started work six months ago, we've moved over 300,000 cubic metres of dirt – that's enough to fill more than 120 Olympic swimming pools!

The Bypass has been formed using earth materials from within the road alignment site.

To build up lower areas of the bypass, we have moved over 600,000 tonnes of earth from Drakes and Murradoc Roads to Peninsula Drive.

We'll now start building the road, the Bellarine railway-overpass and the pedestrian underpass at Peninsula Drive. We will keep the community informed about the progress of these works.

If you have any questions, please get in touch. Our contact details are below. You can also visit our project page at **roadprojects.vic.gov.au/ projects/drysdale-bypass**

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SpringDale Occasional Care

SpringDale Occasional Care -Marnee & Danielle

We welcome families to our centre at SpringDale Occasional Care. We cater for your needs of your child. Occasional care can support a family that needs some time to do busy jobs of life, by taking care of their precious child. Making families feel confident and at ease to leave their child in an early childhood learning environment, where they can socialise and interact with other children.

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SpringDale Trivia 24th Edition by Drysdale Girl Guides

- 1. Which comic book superhero is Robin usually associated with?
- 2. What is the chemical symbol for Helium?
- Who was the ruler of the United Kingdom, and the head of the Commonwealth, before Queen Elizabeth II?
- 4. Which type of big cat found in the wild is the largest?
- 5. What is the name of the river that passes through both Budapest and Belgrade?
- Turn to page 23 to find the answers.

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- 6. True or false, Tim Tams were named after a horse.
- 7. Which city in the Southern Hemisphere was the first city below the Equator to host the Olympic Games?
- 8. What colour is produced when Red and Yellow are combined?
- 9. Which actor voiced the iconic character the Genie, from the animated movie Aladdin?
- 10. As of the start of the 2019 AFL season the Geelong Cats had won how many VFL/AFL premierships?

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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Friendly Ageing on the Bellarine FRIDAY OCT 4th, 2019 in Drysdale

Where you will learn of all the available options about healthcare, home services, alternative living options, financial options, decluttering your home, social activities, community groups, hobbies, exercise options, environmental initiatives, local transport, end of life options and more, giving you all the information you need to make the best choice to support you and your relatives to live a wonderful life on the Bellarine peninsula.

We are looking for expressions of interest from businesses and service providers who would like to participate in the Expo to advertise their products and services.

Please contact bacaexpo@mail.com for more details

Bellarine Aged Care Association (BACA) is run voluntarily by a small band of local people since 2014 who feel passionately about improving the amenities available on the Bellarine Peninsula for mature aged residents.

It provides a voice, advocacy and support regarding delivery of services, residential models for aged and frail people and provides a platform where concerns can be raised at a monthly meeting, or where relevant information can be gleaned on their website www. bellarineaca.weebly.com and Facebook page.

Past events include a meeting at Point Lonsdale which was attended by over 50 residents and organisational representatives which had been called to seek the community's input to what they see as important issues for Aged Care in the Bellarine. In conjunction with SIP (Staying In Portarlington) a series of Forums giving information to attendees on how to access and use My Aged Care. These Community Meetings were planned as an ongoing process, and BACA is encouraging the development of a coalition of community organisations/groups to focus on the needs of the ageing population in this area.

Bellarine Aged Care Association, Inc. (BACA)

A voice for older and frail residents of the Bellarine





We are so fortunate to live in an area that has a high population of birds.

Every day as I enjoy my walks I see so many species, some permanent residents, some tourists just briefly visiting the area and others who spend quite a few months here before returning back to their more permanent home.

I would like to share some knowledge about the birds that we see around the Bellarine so that you too can admire them.

Last week when walking around Lake Lorne, the Pink-eared Ducks were most obvious in their great numbers. These ducks are easily recognisable with their plumage patterns of black and white, large eye patches and huge unusual bill. If you look carefully you will see a distinct pink patch just behind the eye from whence they get their name.

As I sat on the grass to watch them filter feed I noticed how they seemed outstanding at synchronised swimming. One large group was swimming in a tight circle with the idea that the ducks in the front of the formation would create a disturbance so that tiny aquatic invertebrates would rise allowing the birds following behind to feed. The ducks swirled and circled with their large beak just under the surface and soon all were feeding happily.

The Pink-ears also swim in a V formation not seen at Drysdale for some reason, however even when seen in smaller numbers, pairs can be viewed swirling around each other. I saw this at McLeod's Waterholes Reserve where a smaller number of Pink-ears have settled. The small eddy whirlpools that are created as the ducks feed are a delight to photograph.

The Pink-eared Duck can be found around Australia and its conservation status is of least concern. This means that we can enjoy this beautiful bird in many areas.





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Drysdale Clifton Springs Curlewis Association

Drysdale's Second Mural a Glittering Draw!

Around 30 people crammed into Drysdale's High Street arcade to launch a spectacular mosaic mural that transforms the arcade and celebrates the local community with itself and the area's many visitors.

The Festival of Glass committee and its 'parent' – the Drysdale, Clifton Springs Curlewis Association (DCSCA) - created the mural, which consists of twelve 1200mm by 600mm mosaic panels. Each panel uses hundreds of glittering glass tiles to depict an element of the area's past or present – and sometimes to hint at possible futures. Accompanying the mural is a website giving more information about each panel's stories and inspiration and the answers to each panel's questions and puzzles.

To visit the mural project website:

EITHER Click on the QR code on the captions alongside each panel

OR Visit the Festival of Glass site (www. festivalofglass.net.au) and follow the links to the Mosaics and our Glass Art Trail.

Involving locals to promote community

Designing and creating the mural was an enormous task involving fifty people from a wide range of local community, recreational and sporting groups; and the Bellarine Historical Society and Wathaurong





Aboriginal Co-op each provided local historical information.

For many participants, creating the glass mural was their first experience of making glass art and several of them brought friends and family to the launch to admire their work! Many participants want to create more glass art and have joined the Festival of Glass Mosaics Group as a way to do so.

The arcade's owner and tenants are keen supporters of the mural, recognising that it makes the arcade a brighter, safer and more inviting space, benefiting businesses within it and pedestrians passing through it.

The mural will be a major draw for visitors to the town, joining DCSCA's *Welcome to*

Winter School Holiday Running

This passenger carrying miniature railway situated within the grounds of the Portarlington Bayside Family Park, corner Point Richards & Boat Roads, Portarlington (Melways Map Ref No. 444 C5) and operates on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm, during the winter months (June - September).

During the Winter School Holiday period, the railway will also operate a special service on the following days:

Wednesday, 3rd July and 10th July, 2019 from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm

Trains run at frequent intervals and the cost is only \$4.00 for a ride. The train ride takes about 10 minutes and a special attraction is that children under the age of 2 years travel free. Family and periodical tickets are also available.

This family park is only 30 minutes by car from Geelong and with its natural beachside setting makes an ideal location for that special family outing or picnic. Other attractions in the park include ample car parking, playgrounds, walking trails, free electric BBQ facilities and a station kiosk – all are nearby.

Further details can be obtained from the railway at P. O. Box 419, Portarlington, 3223, or from Kerry on our Telephone Info Line – Tel No. 0476-124-598.

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Drysdale glass mural in central Drysdale, its **Festival of Glass** (now in its tenth year) and its glass art Mentorship Programme.

DCSCA received almost \$11,000 from the federal government's Stronger Communities Programme to design and create the mural and we're grateful to Richard Marles MP for supporting our application to the programme. The aim of the mural project was not only to create a stunning piece of glass art, but also to bring community members together in a shared endeavour. Now we're looking forward to the first project by the newly-expanded Festival of Glass Mosaics Group!

Patrick Hughes.

Lions Raffle your chance to raise vital club funds



Local community groups and clubs can help themselves to much-needed funds by participating in this year's Lions Community Raffle.

The Lions Club of Portarlington/Drysdale organises the raffle and provides the prizes, obviating the need for participating organisations to run their own raffles.

All your group has to do is arrange ticket sellers – the more you sell the more money you make!

Launched in 2010, the Community Raffle is one of Lions major annual projects and has paid out more than \$122,000 since its inception.

Twenty-eight local organisations participated in the 2018 raffle and shared in ticket sales of \$22,628. Thirteen prizes totaling \$4,000 in value were on the ticket.

Big sellers included the Bellarine Anglican Parish, Winged Horse Equine Welfare, Drysdale Sport Fishing Club, Drysdale Soccer Club and Portarlington Football/ Netball Club.

This year's Community Raffle tickets go on sale from 9 September to 21 October with winners drawn on 30 October. To participate, contact Raffle Coordinator, Andrew Trott, on 0417 466 893.

ONE POT COOKING

There is nothing easier than making something to eat in one pot. This may take a bit of planning sometimes but it's also probably how the Paella came about. This is also a lesson on what to do with left over rice... it is always handy and together with a few other ingredients either in the freezer or in the pantry makes an easy meal.

Broad Beans are good for your health! They are full of protein and provide lots of healthy nutrients. They are a good food source of vitamin B1, iron, copper, phosphorus, potassium and magnesium.

- Cook them together with peas and artichokes to have with fish or meat.
- Add them to potato and leek soup.
- Enjoy them young and fresh in salads or mashed as a dip with fresh young peas.

Broad Beans Risotto (serves 6 as a starter or will serve 4 as a main course)

- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 1 Spanish onion, finely chopped
- 3 spring onions, finely chopped
- 1Kg fresh if available once shelled should be about 500g
- Chorizo and/or bacon diced and stir fried for a few minutes
- 4 cups rice (already cooked)
- 800ml hot stock/water
- 1 cup parsley roughly chopped
- 250g peas
- 1 lemon zest and/or juice (opt)
- sea salt and black pepper
- Heat the pan with olive oil and add the garlic, onion, spring onion.
- Stir fry and when lovely and fragrant place bacon and sliced chorizo in the pan. Continue cooking over gentle heat for about 15 minutes, until the onion is transparent and limp.
- Add broad beans, a little stock or water, just enough to cover.
- Put the lid on and allow to simmer for about 10 minutes.
- Check for water, add if necessary.
- Add the peas, salt, pepper and check for water.
- Allow to simmer for about 10 minutes.
- Add the rice and allow to heat through.
- Stir well, add the lemon zest and parsley and turn off the heat.
- The risotto is ready when the broad beans have lost their bright green colour and the skin is wrinkled.
- You may need to add water to avoid it being scorched or have the broad beans stuck to the pan. Stirring with a spoon will result some being broken and a little mashed at the end of the cooking time.

Agata Commisso





Want to give the missus a break from cooking?

Come along to the Friday Men's Cooking Group and join in the fun.

We are a small group who learn basic cooking, and enjoy eating what we make. Yum!

We make 2 dishes each Friday, and have one for morning tea while our lunch is cooking.

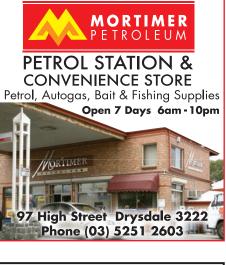
At morning tea time we chat about all sorts of things while we enjoy our freshly baked tucker.

And we take the extra food home to show what we made. Come along and join us.

Fridays at 10am until around 1pm. \$10 per week for supplies and \$2 for Morning Tea.

Barbra Hudson









Service excellence at its best

Compared to our Annual Changeover Dinner this recent event at the Portarlington Golf Club had the highest number of attendees together for a meal. The purpose of the night was to acknowledge the amazing local businesses and the service they provide to the community at large.

From Hairdressers to cafes to clothing shops to Real Estate agencies and many others were all recognised. The energy and the fun in the room was electric!

The public submitted their positive feedback to encourage these businesses and the Rotary Club of Drysdale presented 34 certificates -Commended, Highly Commended and Overall Winner.

The planned running sheet had to be totally changed as the MC and organiser of the Service Excellence Awards had no voice. Another member stepped in and handled the short notice very well. No one could say that we are not adaptable. The night ran extremely well and feedback from attendees was very positive.

The major winner of the night was SpringDale \$2+. They received a cheque for \$200 and the nominator Dina Markov also received \$200. You have 12 months to start noticing the business or person who impacts you as being on target for providing Exceptional Service. We look forward to your nominations.

President Caroline Rickard **Publicity Officer** Rotary Club of Drysdale 0408 989 221



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Shine on Recognition

Rotary International Southern Districts Shine On recognises outstanding community service by people with disabilities who, by their actions, serve as shining examples to the community. They continue under demanding and difficult conditions to serve their local and wider communities.

We had the privilege to present the Major Adult Recognition to one of our local residents from Portarlington who fitted the above criteria well and truly.

David Waters due to cancer on his throat can no longer talk. This has not stopped him from advocating for the disadvantaged here and overseas. Recently having finished working for World Vision due to the return of his cancer, so is now spending valuable time with his family and friends.

We are very proud to have a local person to be able to nominate. David is an unassuming man with an amazing smile and an acceptance of his journey.







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Anam Cara loved by the people of Rotary & Geelong

'Many hands make light work'; 'a problem shared is a problem halved'. I am sure you have heard these messages before. A simple conversation between a local Rotarian and her club grew to asking the other Geelong Rotary clubs for their support and in a very short while they had organised a charity dinner.

Anam Cara needs a lot of money to build a brand new 20 bed end of life facility on land out near the Epworth hospital, to replace their current facility in a very old building in need of much repair. Anam Cara are a local organization with no government funding, that provides a safe, serene place for day and short term respite accommodation for people and their families approaching the end of life.

The planned new facility will offer a massive increase in their ability to offer support and care or the Geelong and wider region and will be massively helped by collaborating with the Epworth nursing staff which will alleviate the current staffing issues with the now setup.

A combination of a generous local restaurant, a wine producer, fish supplier and other generous contributions - a night was set, people invited, tickets purchased. To start the ball rolling, Truffleduck said they would donate the full cost of the tickets.

Two hundred and sixteen people turned up on May 16th at Truffleduck. We had the most amazing food, listened to some speakers about the plan for the build, held an auction and had a wonderful night. An incredible couple said they would double whatever money was raised and hey presto the night amassed \$171,000 doubled to \$342,000. What a great and invaluable start to what will need to be ongoing funding.

What a night, what a result. Thank you Anne for grabbing the passion and bringing eleven Rotary Clubs along for the ride. Rotary and Geelong you have done it again. Anam Cara, thank you for being here when we need you.



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New to the Drysdale/Clifton Springs areas or have lived here all your life, interested in gardening or want to be involved in a Community Group, or would like to meet people with a similar interest, then you might like to think about coming along to a Clifton Springs Garden Club meeting. Currently, each month two members give presentations, Lorraine, who is always most entertaining supplying facts and figures on obscure aspects of gardening and what to currently do in your garden and Keith with his "Herb Corner". Both are very knowledgeable on their subjects and always willing to answer questions. The Club also endeavours to have an interesting speaker each month.

Part of the community aspect of our Club, is our annual Open Day in October, where members put on an awesome display of plants, vegetables and fruits grown in their gardens. We also have plants grown by members for sale, along with a monster raffle which relates to gardening. Some of the proceeds of this day is donated to a community group or charity. Put the last day in October in your calendar.

We do not have a formal meeting in July, instead we have a social dinner at the Portarlington Golf Club.

The Club welcomes visitors to our meetings, so, if you see a speaker listed that you think you might enjoy, you are most welcome to come along. We meet at 7.30 pm on the 3rd Monday of each month, at the Uniting Church Hall Drysdale. If you would like further information on the Club please contact Secretary Helen, on telephone 5257 2220 or email hma3152@gmail.com





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BELLARINE CAMERA CLUB







IMAGE OF COMPETITION & 1st PRINTS A Grade: 'The Promise'- Stan Coath 1st EDIs - A Grade: 'Pair Against the Cold' - Jim Den Ouden 2nd EDIs - A Grade: 'A Pair of Wax Flowers' - Tony Cavanagh 1st PRINTS - B Grade: 'Grandma's Hands' - Helen Broeks







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We had a very special guest speaker this month. Brian Murray brought along his many and varied cameras he has used during his working life, which ranged from some very old and heavy aerial cameras to specificallymade panorama cameras, with many others in between. Now retired, Brian spent most of his career in western Victoria where he was not only an aerial photographer but also owned his own photography shop. He is a black and white photographer who develops all his own work in his specifically-built darkroom. He now only uses film cameras and has a wealth of knowledge of many aspects of the photography/printing business. Our members were very interested in what Brian had to say, and enjoyed his many stories of his working life. The outing this month was to Melbourne where members visited the Shrine and the city's streets and laneways. Our competition this month was "Pairs" which was judged by Bellarine local Pammi Pryor, who gave good feedback on our images.

For Club details please call in to a meeting, or visit www.bellarinecameraclub.org.au

PRINTS - A GRADE 1st & IOC The Promise -Stan Coath, 2nd 2 Windows 2 Wipers - Daryl Haywood, 3rd Shark Bay - Martin Young, Merit Hunting Pair - Jim Den Ouden

PRINTS - B GRADE 1st Grandma's Hands - Helen Broeks, 2nd Life Long Pair - Robyn Curtis, 3rd On the Tracks - Helen Broeks, Merit How Many Pairs are Here? - Robyn Curtis

ELECTRONIC DIGITAL IMAGES - A GRADE 1st Pair Against the Cold - Jim Den Ouden, 2nd A Pair of Wax Flowers - Tony Cavanagh, 3rd A Faithful Duo - Alex Valkenburg, Merit Rupanyup Silos - Jeff Williams

ELECTRONIC DIGITAL IMAGES - B GRADE 1st Cats Eyes - Helen Broeks, 2nd Crystal Pairs - Robyn Curtis, 3rd Pair of Big Birds - Geoff Evans, Merit Them Boots - Helen Broeks









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Statistics from EdConnect annual reporting show that 100% of our schools have reported improvement in students' self-esteem and confidence, while 91% of at-risk students have improved literacy and 87% of students have improved in numeracy. "Schools love having EdConnect volunteers in their school because our volunteers are trained and ready to go with all the relevant checks," says EdConnect CEO, Ms Gerri Clay. "They have a positive attitude and a real desire to make a difference."

We have many local Bellarine schools already involved; Drysdale Primary School, Bellarine Secondary College, Leopold Primary School, and Wallington Primary. Drysdale Primary School EdConnect School Coordinator, Nicola Alonso says "student learning is enhanced by the presence and capability of these volunteers and the impact on student learning outcomes is evident for those students fortunate enough to be supported through EdConnect". Drysdale Primary School are always on the lookout for extra support, in particular they would like people who might be interested in assisting with the school gardening programme or their school library.

If you have a passion to help young people and can give an hour of your time weekly, please apply online today. www.edconnectaustralia.org.au/ or phone 1800 668 550 to find out more.

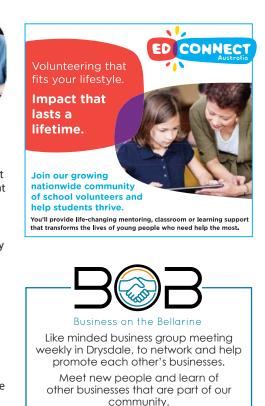
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As the numbers of carers and children increase in our group, so does the demand for support.

That support can come in many forms, from material support (such as clothing, books and games for the children) to emotional support - that emotional support is just something simple as meeting up for a catch up to let the carers know that they are not alone in their kinship journey.

The carers and children in Bellarine Support Group for Kinship Carers are like family - one big happy family - all 105 of us.

I recently helped a family, caring for their granddaughter for the past 4 years. They were completely unaware that they were living in a kinship arrangement. The grandparents thought they were "just doing the right thing" for their granddaughter.

I assisted the grandparents to proceed to court to obtain legal custody of their Granddaughter, hence the grandparents were able to receive Centrelink payments for their granddaughter. Another happy camper.

To keep up with all the changes in Kinship Care I am part of and involved in several kinship support groups.

Recently my granddaughter and I attended La Trobe University in Bendigo to find out all about the "Raising Expectations" in which several universities are offering scholarships for young people living in out of home care to study at university.

I then pass all the information that I have learnt to other kinship carers, so the children

in their care can if they wish continue their education at university or TAFE.

I would like to thank the following wonderful, awesome and superb people who have donated so much to our kinship support group over the past month:-

Colleen - Clifton Springs

The carers who received a new set of sheets for the little boy in their care - a huge thanks.

Helen - Portarlington

What can I say but THANK YOU Helen, little "Annie" is loving her new home, her "mummy" has even taken "Annie" to kinder for the day.

Olivia and Dillion - Clifton Springs

The little boy's bike is waiting for its new owner to pick it up.

The girl's clothes and snow boots are now living with a little girl in Leopold. Her carer wanted me to pass on to you both how grateful they are that you two young children reached out to help her granddaughter.

To the person who donated a bike and toys

The bike is now being ridden around St. Leonards, the boy's carer his Grandpa wanted me to pass on his thanks.



The new "tool set" has been sent to the North Pole. One little boy in our group (aged 4) is going to be an "apprentice" builder next year for his uncle (who is a builder). So the new tools will come in very handy.

Deb and Bill Indented Head

Thank you both for your continued support. The carer who received the change table was just so grateful and happy.

If you are a kinship carer, we would love you to join our very supportive and caring group.

Our group meets monthly at SpringDale on the following dates:-

Mondays 5th August, 2nd September, 14th October, 4th November and 2nd December (no meeting in July due to school holidays) Please bring a snack to share.

If any business or organisation would like to support the carers and children in our group please feel free to contact me directly - I would be happy to present an information talk at your next meeting.

Have a great month everyone.

Jeanette Hanley-Heath 0414 308257



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Memories of Yesteryear by the Older Generation of the Bellarine

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

By now I was managing most of the day to day activities on the farms, so Father could concentrate on his other interests. He worked closely with the Department of Agriculture developing fertilisers for the farmers in the District, he particularly specialised in fertilizers for potato growers. He built a number of fern and glass houses at our home "Lauriston" and in his spare time he enjoyed cultivating and growing different varieties of daffodils, taller plants and trees. He constantly had me crack the seeds out of gumnuts and pine cones, so he could propagate and eventually plant them in abundance to act as windbreaks and beautify the landscape.

During his time on Council, Bob believed that Drysdale could do with their own Bowling Club. He spotted a piece of land in central Drysdale, that was for sale and he felt it would make the perfect location for a Bowling Green, just a shame it was a swamp! However, this not deterring him, he had a discussion with a few of his fellow Councillors and friends, Charley Holiday, Harold Bennett, Jimmy Henderson and Ab Filbay and it was decided... In 1943 The Drysdale Bowling Club Association was formed, the men purchased the land for 100 Pound and they gave the land to the newly formed Association. A team of men set about preparing the ground. It would take 5 long years of preparation before the first Bowling Green was ready. The Bowling Club opened in 1948, Jack Whitcombe was the founding member and Father was the 1948 Champion.

In the early days, it was a male only game and women were not encouraged to play. It was my mother, Laura, who believed that the woman of Drysdale should have equal rights and have the opportunity to play an alternate sport on the bowling green if they wished. Mother, Essie Rodgers and a few other local ladies quite liked the idea of playing Croquet.

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She insisted that Father organise and prepare a Croquet Green to enable the woman of Drysdale to form their own Club. Father, my Uncle Bert Judd and Charley Holiday donated the land and a magnificent Green was prepared, just for Croquet. It is believed the game was first introduced to Geelong in 1906 and now in 1950, Drysdale had their very own Green. The lawn was so good, the men were jealous, the woman agreed to allow the men to use it, but only on SUNDAYS! Father, my brother Alan and I donated the wood for the Croquet Club Room which was erected on the site. Initially it was a very basic shelter, with no floor. windows or toilet as there was no plumbing or running water inside. (This came later). 1n 1955 a dunny was erected outside, but the women were not so impressed as they had to keep a look out for the snakes and redback spiders! Nevertheless, it was better than having to walk to the public toilets down the road...

Unfortunately, sometime in the 50's the Bowling Club gave the land to the Shire Council as they no longer wanted to pay the rates!

Bob retired from Council after nine years of service including a term (1946-47) as President.





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It was during his time on Council that he organised to have the connecting road "Ganges Lane" renamed Whitcombes Road in memory of his parents.

To Be Continued....

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	1963	S.O.FOUND.	F. L.WISBEY.	
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Bellarine Historical Society

Our First Road Board & Toll Gate

In 1854 one of the first Government sponsored and locally elected bodies on the Bellarine Peninsula was formed--the Portarlington Road Board. This board was remarkable for the fact that its first Chair was Caroline Newcomb who along with other large landholders took a considerable interest in the development of roads in the district. They also invariably assisted the work by supplying men, horses and carts and materials when work was going through their land. The initial Road Board had only limited means of funding. Toll gates were their main source of funding. Even Melbourne had toll gates (See sketch done in 1853 showing Princes Bridge in the background.) The first toll gate on the Bellarine was at Moolap and would have been designed to pick up all traffic to and from Geelong.



The following are excerpts from "The Geelong Advertiser and Intelligencer" (Vic.: 1851 - 1856), Saturday 14 July 1855, page 2

". Owing to this being the first Board formed in this district, they have had considerable difficulties to encounter, and expenses to incur, which will not it is to be expected fall to the lot of their successors...... The toll-house and gates have been erected at an expense of £135, from which a considerable revenue was expected. But on account of the lateness of the season, when it was opened, and the ease of evasion, by crossing over to the Queenscliff Road, on which there is no toll-gate, the revenue from this source, has not equalled the expectations of the Board; but the revenue derivable from the toll-gate being for the benefit of the whole district, the Board doubt not, that a considerable increase in the receipt will soon be apparent. Application was made to the Central Road Board and to the Town Council of Geelong, for the erection of a tollgate on the Queenscliff Road"

"With the small amount of means at their command, which they trust has been laid out as judiciously as possible, tie Board have been enabled to carry out the following works, viz. :l. Road formed, 1 mile, 416 yards; road partially formed, 1 mile, 144 yards--making a total of 2- miles improved. 2. Making a portion of road with metalled track, and dam at Bellerine, at an expense of £275. This work is considered to be of essential benefit to the inhabitants in that locality, and one urgently required, so that the amount of £71 Is has been subscribed by private individuals to have it carried into effect. 3. The putting down a portion of plank road at the toll-gate, at an expense of £113 10s."

Our next gathering is on Sun 14 July 1.30pm at the Court House and will be about "Avalon" - Janice Edwards will be sharing her father's story - Public Welcome



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Drysdale Bowling & Croquet Club

Celebrates 70 years

Over the last 12 months there have been a number of activities to help celebrate the 70 years of Bowling at Drysdale. We have replaced Green 2 with Tiff Drawf turf and that has been a great success, we look forward to bowling throughout winter this year for the first time. Thanks to City of Greater Geelong for helping us with a small grant to accomplish this.

We have welcomed some new groups to try Bowls and will continue to do this into the future. One of the groups that are continuing to play regularly are some young men who are lucky enough to be on the Autism Spectrum, this is the first time many of them have played organised sport and we thank the club members especially Danny Williams and Cheryl Shoemaker for organising this.

Our Club Handbook underwent a facelift and we will build on this over the next few seasons and the Bowling Section Annual Report was spectacular thanks to the President Doug McDonald and the others who contributed.

One contribution that Doug requested was for a Platinum team to be listed from players over the last 70 years and I am so happy to have 3 of my family members mentioned in that list. Some reasonably old family names from the area are listed.

Men's

Lead: A. Drake, Second: C. Bennett, Third: L. Mortimer, Skip: E. Rodgers Lead: J. Biggins, Second: K. Lamont, Third: J. Fry, Skip: C. Inderberg Lead: L. Morrow, Second: B. Bennett, Third: K. Steen, Skip: D. Mortimer Lead: C. Ash, Second: B. Prior, Third: K. Ash, Skip: R. Jeffs Emergencies: J. Muller, E Wisbey.

Women's

Lead: G. Bush, Second: P. Cox, Third: V. Barber, Skip: G Hopkins Lead: G Horne, Second: M Sawyer, Third: B. Jeffs, Skip: M Peel Lead: S. Thomas, Second: F. McKeeman, Third: M Pretty, Skip: F. Wisbey Emergencies: F. Sanderson, H. Musgrove.



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Drysdale Soccer Club





Answers Trivia

1. Batman

- 2. He
- 3. King George VI 4. Siberian Tiger
- 5. The Danube River
- True, they were named 6. after the winter of the 1958 Kentucky Derby

7. Melbourne 8. Orange 9. Robin Williams 10. 9 Premierships, in 1925, 1931, 1937, 1951, 1952, 1963,

2007, 2009 and 2011

return of the Geelong **Region All-Abilities League** which Drysdale Soccer Club

June has seen the

is proud to participate in. The league proudly sponsored by GenU and LeisureNetworks aims to give players with an intellectual or physical disability the chance to play the game they love in a club environment.

DRYSDALE

2019 also marks the 10 year anniversary of the club, established back in 2008, with the clubs first competitive fixtures being played in 2009. Drysdale Soccer Club has come a long way in ten years, becoming one of the largest and quickest growing soccer clubs in the Geelong region. Founded by Bellarine local, Geoff Briggs and a group of players from another local club, the club was initially named "Springdale FC" for its first few years until being rebranded as Drysdale SC in 2013. The club now boasts over 270 registered players across u7's through to its four senior teams and is proud of its 30% female base of registered players. The club will celebrate its 10 years with an event in late June, with a Senior Men's team of the decade announced along with milestone awards for Junior and Senior players. Thank you to all the locals, individuals and businesses that have supported the soccer club in its first ten years of operation and we look forward to plenty more years providing a safe and welcoming environment for all ages and abilities to enjoy their soccer locally.

For more information on Drysdale Soccer Club please visit our clubs Facebook page or email drysdalesoccerclub@gmail.com





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