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Kindergarten upgrades help meet growing demand

On Tuesday 23 July, Victorian Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development, Wendy Lovell joined Macedon Ranges Shire Council in officially opening the recently refurbished Woodend kindergarten.



Minister - Wendy Lovell, Cr- John Connor, Mayor- Roger Jukes, Cr- Jennifer Anderson Officially open Woodend Kindergarten

The project was funded by the Victorian government and Council to help meet increasing demand for kindergarten places and implement 15 hours of kindergarten per week for each child.

The upgrades provide a contemporary setting for early childhood services, including increased capacity through additional floor space, and better integration of a range of services in one location.

There is now one common entrance and shared reception for what was two, separate kindergarten buildings. Other improvements include new children's toilets, improved storage, an integrated staff room and a multipurpose room for visiting specialists and the Maternal and Child Health service.

Mayor, Cr Roger Jukes thanked parents, families and staff for their patience while the works were completed.

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A real community asset

One year on since it was officially opened The Norma Richardson Hall has become a real asset to the community, serving Woodend and the wider Macedon Ranges.



The Norma Richardson Hall

Around fifty events have been held in this brand-new state-of-the-art hall in the past 12 months ranging from exhibitions and community meetings to family celebrations, choir practice, first aid training, Parish fete, bridge games, sewing bees, pilates classes, a feature film and a trivia night, as well as two wedding receptions and an engagement party.

Kelly Clune, Hall Secretary has been overwhelmed by the positive feedback she has received from hirers. "Everyone just loves the hall," says Kelly

It is a beautiful space and so flexible that some weeks it is hired out every day," she added.

During this year's Woodend Winter Arts Festival the Norma Richardson Hall was the perfect venue for the Books Illustrated exhibition with over 200 people visiting.

The Macedon Ranges Bridge Club have chosen The Norma Richardson Hall as their new base and hold bridge club events in the hall three times a week.

Bookings are now being taken for 2014, so if you're interested in reserving this wonderful venue or finding out more please visit: www.woodendanglican.org.au/nrh The website has a full list of all the hall features as well as hire rates, catering options, photos and the booking calendar. You can also keep up to date on Facebook - woodend Anglican or email woodendanglican@gmail.com



The Norma Richardson Hall set for trivia for 100

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Kindergarten upgrades . . . continued

“We congratulate everyone involved in achieving the 15 hour milestone for four year old children, while maintaining the valuable three year old programs.

“The new facilities will improve access to quality preschool education programs and other early years services in our shire.

“These improvements are the result of a successful partnership between Council, the community and the Victorian government to secure the best possible services and opportunities for children and families in the Macedon Ranges,” he said.

Submitted by G Gamble, MRSC

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A real community asset . . . continued

Knit and natter

The Guild ladies invite you to join them to knit squares for blankets for the homeless. And have a natter over a cuppa! To date over 300 blankets have been donated to the Salvation Army.

A soup and crusty roll lunch will be served. Cost \$6. Wednesday, 14 August from 11am– 2pm in The Norma Richardson Hall. RSVP Norma 5427 2315 by 7 August.

Regular services are held at St Mary's Anglican Church on Sundays at 10.30am and Wednesdays at 10am. Whether you're new to Woodend or just visiting please come and join us and stay for a cuppa afterwards.

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Submitted by Angela Van Dam

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Tickets are \$40 per person. It is always a fun event and is a great excuse to give us girls a few hours off!

We would be delighted if local businesses could support our fundraising event through the donation of a prize or voucher to raffle or auction off...anything you think would be of value to the ladies attending our lunch and that helps promote your business. In return for your support, your business would be acknowledged verbally and in writing at the Ladies Lunch, in our newsletter to 120 Kinder families and in any related articles in the New Woodend Star. Tickets are limited and have sold out in previous years. If you would like to attend the luncheon or if you think your business would be able to help, please call Emma on 0447 621 855 or email woodendkinder@gmail.com.

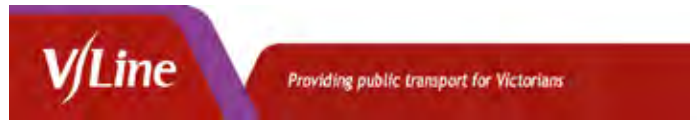
Submitted by E. Tuck

Woodend Rainfall Report 2013

Each month we add the rainfall details and the year to date total. Our rainfall report shows **2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012** comparisons. Please note that your own rainfall readings may not exactly match these.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	
January	17.1	0.08*	54*	227.5	31	3.9	Jan
February	22.1	2.5*	71.5*	115.0	133	97.4	Feb
March	25.4	42.5*	121*	35	84	53	Mar
April	20.4	51*	45	63.5	35.5	20.5	April
May	43.7	30.5*	39	73.5	54.4	83.2	May
June	88.7	66.5*	98.5	69	126.8	147.8	June
July	112.5	76.5*	87.5	82.5	102		July
August	52.2	107.5*	148.5	56	113.7		Aug
Sept	42.0*	88.5*	97	98.5	54.6		Sept
Oct	13.0*	46*	154.5	86	39		Oct
Nov	67.2	99*	193	82	31.4		Nov
Dec	96.0*	60*	93	120	21.4		Dec
YTD:	7600.3	670.5	1202.5	1119.5	823.8	369.8 mm	

1 inch = 25.4 mm therefore the total rain for 2012 is 32.43 inches



myki on V/Line

The myki ticketing system has begun on the Bendigo line.

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Public Transport Victoria Director of Customer Services Alan Fedda said myki is replacing most single use and all periodical V/Line tickets on commuter lines.

"The V/Line tickets migrating to myki are the Single, Return, Weekly, Monthly, Date-to-Date and Off-peak tickets, all of which can be accessed using myki fare products," he said.

"Passengers currently purchasing Single, Daily and Off-Peak tickets should switch to myki money, while those using Weekly, Monthly or Date-to-Date tickets should switch to myki pass.

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For example, A customer travelling from Warragul to Melbourne (Zone 6 to Zone 1), touches on at 5.05 am and boards the 5.14 am toward the city.

This travel covers six zones, and because of the length of the journey one additional hour is added to the two hour fare to give them a three hour fare which expires at 9.00 am.

The 5.14 am service from Warragul arrives in Melbourne at 6.59 am, providing the customer with two hours of free travel in Melbourne.

Using myki pass, travel between your origin station and Melbourne includes travel in Zone 1 & 2 at any time as long as your ticket was valid.

For example, A customer who has a myki pass for Ballarat to Melbourne (Zone 8 to Zone 1) already has all zones between 1 and 8 included in their pass. So travel is included in Zone 1 & 2 while that pass is valid.

Remember: Always touch on - and touch off - any time you travel

Submitted by PTVIC

Vegetarian Food Forum

—Healthy Food for a Healthy Planet

Would you like to know more about a vegetarian diet? A Food Forum will be held at the Woodend Neighbourhood House on Saturday 21st of September, at 2.30pm. A panel of experienced speakers, including local dietician and nutritionist Cathy Thesing, will lead a discussion and answer your questions. The Vegetarian Food Forum is being organized by the Macedon Ranges Vegetarian Eating Group (MRVEG) which is a very enthusiastic part of the local Sustainability Group.

Key topics will be:

- How to maintain your health without eating meat
- The key nutritional factors of a meat-free diet
- How to adapt and plan simple and delicious meals
- Great tips for a low budget
- Terrific recipe ideas
- A week in the life of a vegan family.
- A great afternoon tea featuring samples from our favourite dishes.

This forum is for anyone wanting to make the transition to vegetarian eating, whether it is for ethical, health, budget or spiritual reasons – or all of these! We particularly welcome young people living at home or independently who want to take charge of their own food.

Enquiries about the forum or joining MRVEG are welcome. Please contact Ruth Hodgson - mobile 0425 785 392 or email ruthhodgson@gmail.com. You can also check www.mrsgonline.org.au.

Submitted by Ruth Hodgson



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The Boss leaves \$9.7 million economic impact

The two Bruce Springsteen concerts attended by 34,000 people at Hanging Rock in March this year are estimated to have contributed \$9.7 million to the region, according to an economic impact analysis conducted by Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

To inform Council's analysis, patrons of 'The Boss' concerts were asked to complete an online survey about their trip and expenditure patterns, to which 626 people responded.

The survey found that the majority of concert goers originated from Victoria (82%), followed by 17% from interstate and 1% from overseas. Interstate visitors consisted mainly of residents from WA and NSW, whilst Victorian visitors mainly originated from Melbourne (52%), followed by Ballarat-Bendigo (13%) and the local region (12%).

Over 36% of respondents visited other destinations within the Macedon Ranges during their trip and 41% stayed in overnight accommodation on the night of the concert. The large majority of overnight visitors stayed away from home for 1 to 3 nights, with an average length of stay of 2.7 nights.

86% of respondents indicated that they would definitely attend another concert at Hanging Rock, and 88% indicated that they would visit Hanging Rock again outside concert activities.

Kylie Lethbridge, Council's Manager of Economic Development and Tourism, said that the estimated economic impact far exceeded the \$2.3 million estimate for the Rod Stewart concert held in February last year.

"When we combine the visitor expenditure and lengthy average stay with the total business spend, we get an estimated total economic impact of \$9,655,302.

"This is significant for the Macedon Ranges and surrounding regions—it surpasses the estimated impact of the Rod Stewart concert, and equates to supporting 29 full time jobs annually.

"We are extremely pleased with the results of this event and the benefits achieved for our local businesses and community," she said.

Council also conducted a survey with residents in June this year which indicated that 84% of local residents, 79% of the broader community and 97% of businesses support future concerts at Hanging Rock.

Council will consider a proposal to continue to host concerts as part the annual Hanging Rock event program.

Submitted by G Gamble

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The SRG program will be offered in the regional townships of Gisborne, Macedon, Riddells Creek and Woodend with training over 13-weeks with the aim of all participants achieving two running milestones – 5km at week 8 and 10km at week 13 under the guide of club volunteer leaders and assistants.

Training times and places:

Gisborne – Tuesday and Thursday 6pm and Sunday 8am meeting outside the Gisborne Aquatic Centre.

Macedon – Tuesday and Thursday 7pm and Sunday 8am meeting at Macedon Railway Station.

Riddells Creek – Tuesday and Thursday 6pm and Sunday 8am meeting at Lions Park carpark.

Woodend – Monday and Wednesday 6.30pm and Saturday 7am meeting at Gilbert Gordon Oval.

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Submitted by Lisa Cole

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As you are reading this there are a number of exciting things happening at the House. New courses such as Introduction to Woodworking, Mixed Media Workshops, Group Guitar and Working with Pastels have started, but only just, so call now to see if you can still join a class. This Term's Level 2 First Aid is on Saturday 14th September, Quickbooks for Small Business and Introduction to Excel start on 6th August. If any of these tickle your fancy then call the House to put your name down.

On two consecutive Sundays, 25 August and 1 September we are offering Mental Health First Aid where you can learn to assist people experiencing a mental health crisis. We have a special price for community volunteers of \$90. Call the House on 5427 1845 to register for this sensitive and thorough course.

We have a late addition to the program that didn't make it onto our brochure:


Make your own Skin Care Products - using organic sunflower oil, Shea butter, coconut oil, beeswax and essential oils create your own lip balm, moisturiser and bath scrub. Sunday 18th August, 10.30am - 1pm, \$35 plus \$10 for materials

There have been some interesting developments in establishing a new workshop space that we are calling The Woodend Workshop, an initiative of the Woodend Neighbourhood House, Woodend Rotary, some dedicated community members and the local council. The Woodend Workshop will be a community shed, based on the concept of a Men's Shed. Women and men, young and old, will be able to come down to the workshop for specific courses or just utilise some free time to work on a project. We are in the start-up phase, where we are looking for donations, support and ideas from people. Please see the story from Rotary on how and what you can donate to assist with the set-up or call us on 5427 1845 to get more information on how you can get involved.

Finally, the House will be conducting a Community Needs Analysis, talking to you - the community - about what you would like to see happening at your Neighbourhood House. We'll have a range of ways for you to have your say; look out for announcements soon about how you can help shape what the Neighbourhood House offers you.

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Submitted by Jill Scanlon - Coordinator



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Woodend Landcare held its Annual General Meeting on Saturday 13 July at the Neighbourhood House. At

the meeting Peter Yates stood down as President and Kate Daniel, former Treasurer, was appointed new President. The whole team at Woodend Landcare thanked Peter for his dedication and commitment to Landcare. Peter will remain a Landcarer providing support and advice to the committee and members. The other elected officers are: Vice President: Jo Clancy (no change), Treasurer: Krista Patterson-Majoor, Secretary: Linda Vale (no change) and the general committee is made up of David Gossip, Angela Van Dam, Bob Sullivan, John Newell, Stewart Olney, Barry Clarke, Eric Paul, Paul Newman.

Woodend Landcare is holding a working bee on Sunday 25 August 9.30am at Slatey Creek Reserve. See the large display outside Coles or the blog for a full calendar of events or visit the blog site.

For June the rainfall was 147.8mm for a year to date of 369.8mm.

June was a very strange month - first half very wet, second half very frosty. It was the wettest June for at least ten years and also the frostiest.

If you're new to Woodend and are interested in getting involved with Woodend Landcare you can sign up to our blog site at <http://woodendlandcare.wordpress.com> You'll receive an email when we publish something new. The blog site also provides a handy list of indigenous plants if you are planning plantings for the Spring.

Submitted by Angela Van Dam

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Film Society Nails It!

The film chosen for July by the Macedon Ranges Film Society was *Withnail and I*, written and directed by Bruce Robinson. It seemed to highlight, among other things, the moderate drinking habits of the film society members! *Withnail*, the hapless character wedded to the demon drink, lurches from one disaster to another, all the while bewailing his misfortune in life and dragging into the sphere of his shambolic attitude his long-suffering companion, the autobiographical "I" of the film. In the midst of outright laughter and general tittering at their mad escapades - shooting fish in a mountain stream, for example - were gasps of disbelief and shock. After the film and over supper, everyone had a strong opinion on this film.

On August 14th, an oldie but a goodie will be shown. Hitchcock's *Rear Window* with those legendary stars of the screen, James Stewart and Grace Kelly, was made in 1954, yet maintains its reputation as one of the most memorable English-speaking films of the last century.

The Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Woodend Community Centre. Film notes are provided and for those who wish, there is discussion following the screening, with supper kindly supplied by our members. Email mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or call Christine on 5429 5452 or Lorraine on 5427 0921.

Submitted by Christine Caley.

Woodend Library

Woodend Men! Are you interested in being part of a book club?

Book Clubs are a great way to connect with other readers in your local community, get together with friends, make new friends, enjoy books, and to simply have fun!

Goldfields Library Corporation offers a great selection of book club sets that are free for loan. Each book club set comprises 10 copies of a book, and can be borrowed for 6 weeks. We currently have approximately 200 book club sets in our collection, and more titles are added regularly. Books are chosen for their potential to create and sustain dynamic discussion, and cover a variety of tastes - including new novels, non-fiction, classics, prize winners, and works by local authors.

If you're interested in getting together with other blokes to talk about books and reading, please contact Susie at Woodend Library: 5427 2074, woodend@ncgrl.vic.gov.au

Woodend Kids! Book Week is coming! Monday 19 August - Friday 23 August.

Book Week is the longest running children's festival in Australia. This year's theme is "Read Across the Universe." Woodend Library will once again be partnering with local schools to celebrate the Children's Book Council of Australia Book of the Year Awards. Shortlisted titles for this year can be found at www.cbca.org.au/awards

Check out our library catalogue or enquire at the desk to borrow or reserve any of these great reads.

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Submitted by Susie Prestney and Lulu Cockram

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The Davies Hill site will be open for viewing on the following dates:

Saturday 10th August from 11am – 12pm

Saturday 17th August from 1pm – 2pm

Saturday 24th August from 3pm – 4pm

Community Workshop

Following our site visits, a workshop will be conducted in early September with key members of the community who are interested in shaping plans for the positive future of Davies Hill.

The workshop will encourage discussions and insight on future growth of the area. Those who attend one of the site visits and register their interest for the community workshop will be invited to participate. Further details will be provided.

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 3. Keep an eye on the mail for your brown paper bag with the secret theme and object
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 5. All entries must be submitted to Woodend Neighbourhood House by Monday 2nd September
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Relay for Life

**Cancer Council Victoria awards
Lancefield/Macedon Ranges
community!**

The dedication and hard work of Lancefield/Macedon Ranges' Relay For Life supporters has been acknowledged with an award from Cancer Council Victoria.

Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relayers were presented with a Community Fundraising award at Cancer Council Victoria's annual Relay For Life Summit on the weekend.

The Relay For Life Summit provides a forum for volunteers to receive news and information from Cancer Council Victoria staff and to build relationships and receive training from other volunteers. Each Summit aims to inspire and inform volunteers, so they can continue to grow their local Relay For Life.

Since the Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay commenced in 2003, the local community has raised over \$1 million for Cancer Council Victoria. The Community Fundraising award recognises and celebrates this significant milestone.

"Every dollar raised for Cancer Council Victoria ensures important cancer research, support and prevention programs are helping reduce the burden of cancer," Lancefield/Macedon Ranges volunteer committee member Ken Wiltshire said.

"It's important that we can continue to bring hope to those facing cancer, and the support of our community means that we can do that."

Relay For Life Program Manager Brett O'Farrell said that funds raised by the Lancefield/Macedon Ranges community are vital for the work of Cancer Council Victoria.

"These funds enable Cancer Council Victoria to continue work into valuable cancer research, prevention and support programs," he said.

Regional Summits will be held around Victoria June-August. To find out more email summit@relayforlife.org.au.

Lancefield/Macedon Ranges residents can register for the 2014 Relay For Life now. The Relay will be held on March 1 & 2.

To register a team, join the volunteer organising committee or find out how you can help, please visit relayforlife.org.au or call 1300 65 65 85.

Submitted by Nadine Hartnett



Woodend Workshop

including Men's and Youth Sheds

Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Woodend Neighbourhood House, Rotary Club of Woodend, and others have taken the first tentative steps to creating a wonderful multi purpose workshop Shed.

The location has been secured and we are ready to begin!

It is planned to provide facilities for men, women and youth groups. Some sessions will be mainly social and others will include levels of teaching.

Initial help requested is for donations of suitable material to "set up" the Shed.

Examples are; Work benches, good and safe Hand tools, strong shelves, lockable cupboards, sets of drawers, selected power tools, vacuum cleaner, usable clean wood etc.

Donations of money would of course be appreciated.

Please telephone Jill at Woodend Neighbourhood House on 5427 1845 or Email bonningtonjs@gmail.com so inspection and pickup can be arranged.

Submitted by S. Bonnington for Woodend Rotary Club

Macedon Ranges Farmers' Markets In August

- Woodend - August 3
- Kyneton - August 10
- Riddells Creek - August 17
- Lancefield - August 24

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Submitted by Meges Hannes

Family Heritage Walk

Plaque dedication ceremony – Woodend & District Heritage Society family heritage walk, 2014

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Held in Kyneton across several venues including pubs, retailers, churches and halls, Kyneton Music Festival celebrates all genres of live music on festival weekend and at events throughout the year. The festival gives up and coming local artists the opportunity to meet and play with more experienced artists, gain exposure and provide networking opportunities. This year Kyneton Music Festival is excited to also present BeardFest 2013. BeardFest will be held in Kyneton over festival weekend and will celebrate bands, beer and of course, beards.

Lauriston musician Chris Roberts of band The Wardens says "We are all really looking forward to the BeardFest, we are fans of the mighty beard and finally it is being honoured with some much needed rock n roll in good ol' Kyneton town. Being a strong believer that a man without a beard is like a woman with one I can honestly say that this festival may be the most important music event ever! And what better place to do it then Kyneton! We look forward to seeing all the Kynetonites flying the flag for beards and for music! "

Applications for local artists to play at the 2013 Kyneton Music Festival are open August 1st – October 31st 2012.

Submitted by Tourism Macedon Ranges



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Ernest Leviny's reputation as an outstanding nineteenth century gold and silversmith of note was established with the execution of two famous major works.

A colonial gold and redgum inkstand was exhibited in the London International Exhibition of 1862 where it attracted a great deal of attention. The second item was the Silver Standing Cup Centrepiece, purchased as a gift in 1863 to Charles Saint upon his retirement as editor of the Mount Alexander Mail. The Cup was purchased in 1970 from Sotheby's in London by the National Gallery of Victoria.



Stanley Ellis was an early-mid twentieth century metal and enamelwork craftsman and a highly respected teacher that influenced Ernest Leviny's daughters in their pursuit of arts and crafts.

The Masters of Metal exhibition at Buda will include original metalwork produced by Leviny along with items by Ellis and his students on loan from the Castlemaine Art Gallery & Historical Museum.

Buda is open Wednesday to Saturday from 12 noon until 5pm and on Sundays and public holidays from 10.00am until 5.00pm. The Buda plant nursery is open daily with free admission. Group tours are available by prior appointment at any time.

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Submitted by Clare Hutchison



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I have been out and about in the local Woodend community over the past months listening to the concerns and hopes of the many people I have met.

Reliable employment remains one of the key issues for Australians, and this has been reflected in the feedback I have been receiving in Woodend.

The potential of the NBN to provide essential infrastructure for our schools, medical centres, businesses and homes has also been raised as an issue.

Labor's Better Schools Plan has often been mentioned and I look forward to it delivering extra resources to every school in the Macedon Ranges once the State Government signs up.

As well, health and aged care, roads, rail and community services have all been raised by community members as issues of importance.

I will be in Woodend many times before the election, and look forward to hearing more about the hopes and concerns of people in the area.

For the last eight years, I have devoted my working life to representing workers and their families, making sure their wages are fair and their rights are protected.

I look forward to continuing and expanding that representation and advocacy role as your representative in the Federal parliament.

Submitted by Lisa Chesters

Doing business in the Macedon Ranges

Victoria's Small Business Festival Month

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Submitted by G Gamble, MRSC

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Submitted by Carolyn Lesley



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Oh what a Night!

Woodend Playgroup celebrates fundraising success at French-themed Trivia Event

Not even the rain could dampen the spirit and goodwill at the Woodend Playgroup Bastille Day-eve Trivia Night, held on Saturday 13 July at the Norma Richardson Hall in Woodend.

The event was a blast – raising a whopping \$6,350 – as the local Woodend community (and friends and family) dug deep to participate in the auctions and raffle.

A great night was had by all, made possible by the help of no less than 79 contributors who kindly donated products and services to support Woodend Playgroup's fundraising effort - a huge thank you to all those people and businesses who supported the event!



Woody's little helpers: Members of Woodend Playgroup Committee (and spouses) prepare for a big night of trivia and fundraising at the Woodend Playgroup Trivia Night on Saturday 13 July

"We have been absolutely blown away by the support we received from the local community – from the members of Playgroup who helped in the lead up to the event through to the 100 people who packed the Norma Richardson Hall and, of course, all the local businesses that donated goods

and services to help us achieve such a fabulous result!" said Faye Cormick, President of the Woodend Playgroup Committee.

"So many people came to our aide following the disheartening break-in we encountered just a fortnight before the event and we can't thank you all enough for your support – particularly those who donated additional items to help.

"As one of our members so eloquently put it, it's the community spirit and goodwill here in our wonderful town that makes us remember why we all love Woodend," added Faye.

The money raised will enable Playgroup to start planning the renovations of the bathrooms, which is a fantastic result. Thank you Woodend!!

Members of the community interested in joining Woodend Playgroup can contact Kristy on 0467 093 878, make an enquiry via Facebook or send an enquiry to WoodendPlaygroup@gmail.com.

Submitted by Laurissa Mailler



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Dr Tristan Pawsey, will be co located with Cobaw Specialist Children's Services, which includes Early Childhood Intervention Services, Paediatric Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Special Education and Speech Pathology. Other Cobaw services, such as family services and counselling will also then be able to provide holistic and coordinated support to families. Tristan will also work closely with all GP's and Maternal child health nurses.

With a growing population of young families in the area this is an essential service that has been missing. Having a Paediatrician based in Woodend will save time; money and most importantly provide a holistic wrap around health service for children and families.

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Submitted by P Southy

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Welcome Kristen - Psychologist



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Welcome to Monash Medical Students

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Changes to after-hours services

As reported in the past, Medicare Locals have been directed by the Commonwealth Government to co-ordinate after hours services – they formally took over the reins on July 1st.

Medicare Locals are Commonwealth funded organisations that work to co-ordinate health care services and address local health care needs.

Over the past year we have vigorously lobbied the Macedon Ranges & North Western Melbourne (MR&NWM) Medicare Local to try and find the best afterhours solution for our community.

The MR&NWM Medicare Local, has appointed a new CEO. A new Consultant has also recently been appointed to find a workable model.

From 1st July **significant changes occurred for patients living in the Macedon Ranges Shire:**

- The Central Highlands Afterhours Medical Service no longer operates – calling 1300 557 512 now diverts to After Hours GP Helpline.
- Brooke Street Medical Centre doctors are not presently accessible for after-hours services beyond the advertised opening hours (see above).
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Brooke Street Medical Centre continues to work with the Medicare Local and local services to try and arrive at the best solution for our patients.

BSMC website

We have recently opened our new website. We are currently building information on the site and hope to have a number of useful health links for your information as well as information related to Brooke Street Medical Centre services. Please let us know if you have any ideas for its development. www.bsmc.net.au.

After hours GP Helpline - tel. 1800 022 222

A little birdie told us there's cake!

When Woodend's self-proclaimed "Sugar Artist", Sharyn Frantz, extends an open invitation to celebrate the first birthday of her business, Blackbird Cakes, it is worth keeping one's diary free.

And while the milestone cake on August 30 is sure to be visually spectacular and taste sensational, Shaz is starting the celebration early with a competition for four people to each win their own personalised birthday cake.

Blackbird Cakes is fast building a reputation for exquisite and distinctive celebration cakes using advanced sculpting techniques and intricate attention to detail.

Shaz has a special knack for creating cakes that bear little resemblance to the loaves and sponges that come out of most ovens. Think cheese board, wine barrel, rainbow trout and workman's boot.....indeed, so ultra novel and artistic is some work that many a party guest has been fooled by the clever assemblage and masterful icing. Often everything accompanying one of Shaz's cakes is edible, including the plate and accessories.

It has been a busy and exciting first year for Blackbird Cakes, which provides decorating supplies for the home baker and those working in the industry. Shaz is dedicated to sourcing quality baking products as well as increasing the range of fun accessories for hire.

During the year Shaz has continued to attend classes with accomplished industry tutors including Karen Portaleo and Handi Mulyana. This month sees her give the first of what she hopes will be many cake decorating classes, and she is bubbling with enthusiasm about sharing her skills and passion.

Blackbird Cakes received two nominations in the 2013 Macedon Ranges Business Excellence Awards and is a participant in the Macedon Ranges Art Trail, which is just one of the community initiatives the business supports.

"The warm welcome from the Woodend community and beyond has been a positive and heart warming experience," says Shaz.

Submitted by Nadine Hartnett



WIN your own custom cake

To be in the running for your own Blackbird Cakes birthday cake, valued at \$125, colour-in and submit the entry on the back page (or pick one up in store). The age categories being judged are: Under 7; 8-11yo; 12-15yo; and 15 years plus. One entry per person.

Woodend Cemetery Trust News

It's been a busy couple of months at the Cemetery

Late last year descendants of the Adams memorialised their ancestors by restoring their graves and erecting steel fencing and plaques around each grave.

It was noted at the time that there were more graves of their ancestors, however at some point a Cypress had been planted over the graves which had grown to a large specimen. This tree had been cut back to a stump a number of years ago, approximately 2.5m tall and 2m through, and was prohibiting restoration of the remainder of the graves.

Through the efforts of staff and volunteers, the stump was cut, burned and ground to below surface over several weeks. The works unfortunately created concern for some neighbours, with several reports made to the Fire Brigade. Thank you to the Woodend CFA for their patience and understanding.

If you would like to know more about rehabilitation and restoration works being undertaken at the Cemetery, please contact the Trust on 0417 011 300 or via our website – woodendcemetery.org.au. We are happy to discuss with you the improvements planned for the future.

A big thank you must also go to Bruce Hedge, who has provided the Trust with aerial photographs of the Cemetery. These photographs will now enable us to create an accurate plan of current gravesites, making it easier for friends and ancestors to locate graves.

Submitted by Philip Johnson, Chairman, on behalf of the Woodend Cemetery Trust

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ART in the Woods

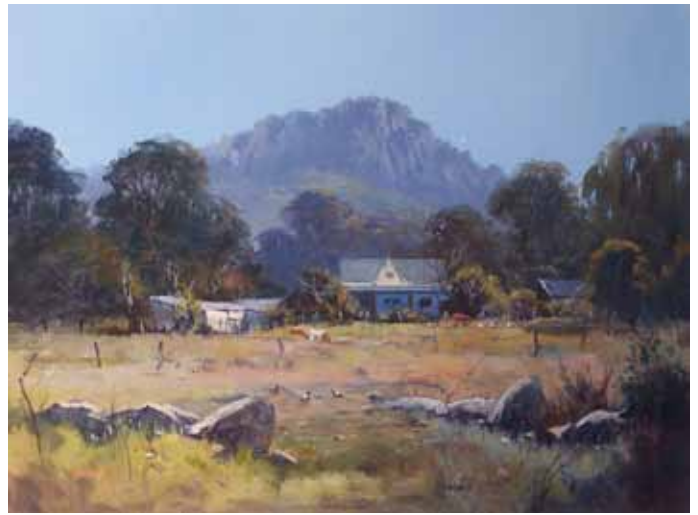
Richard Chamerski became a full-time artist 35 years ago, putting an advertising career behind him to concentrate on his life-long passion for painting and drawing.

Born in England in 1951, he paints mainly in oils with a penchant for impressionist landscapes and seascapes, often featuring young children and romantic figures from a bygone era.



Richard draws his inspiration from the Heidelberg painters, admiring their natural vision and ability to truthfully reflect their observations. "They caught fleeting impressions as accurately as they could. Their style has become Australia's favourite and nothing before or since has evoked such response from the Australian people."

A Woodend resident for 28 years, Richard is well known to local art followers. He has consistently won prizes at shows around Victoria including the highly regarded Camberwell Art Show and Australian Guild of Realist Artists' Spring Exhibition.



In 2003 he conducted a painting workshop at the NGV to coincide with the Charles Conder Exhibition. He holds monthly oil painting workshops and is about to release a DVD.


ART in the Woods features Woodend residents participating in the 2013 Macedon Ranges Art Trail. All studios are open year round by appointment. Pick up a brochure at the Woodend Visitor Information Centre or download a copy for locations and information at: visitmacedonranges.com/arts-culture.

Submitted by Nadine Hartnett

Red Cross

The next meeting of the Woodend Unit of Red Cross will be on Thursday 1st of August at 12 midday. At this time it is asked that members please bring along a plate of food to share, and afterwards we will hold our AGM. We will be meeting at 18 Welsh Street, Kyneton. Please RSVP to Pauline Brown on 54271742.

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On Thursday 25 July a business networking meeting was held at Colenso with guest

speaker and business consultant Mr Peter Whitelaw presenting 'What people REALLY want: How to improve customer focus and grow your business'.

On Saturday July 27th a range of family-friendly activities based around the Woodend Library and Community Centre was organized by the Woodend Business and Tourism Association to encourage locals to get out and about, wander the village precinct in their brightest winter gear and enjoy Woodend in Winter!

Library activities, yarn-bombing the area outside the library, book displays children's storytelling, face-painting, the "Flash Twinkle Toes Silly Circus Show", buskers, tasty treats, sausage sizzle and more were on offer.

School students created their works of art which have been displayed around Woodend. Children and their pets were invited to join the 'winter parade' and follow the 'yarn trail' and Village traders were invited to offer in-store promotions and decorate their store windows with a 'Woodend Winter' theme. The best window display will win a dinner for two in Woodend. All prize winners to be announced in the next edition of The New Woodend Star.

To promote and maintain a vibrant business community in Woodend, we need the participation and involvement of a majority of all business owners including home-based, tradesmen, consultants, service providers, artisans who are willing to give their time and ideas in order to further promote Woodend.

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Western Water's Water Plan in place for 2013-18

Water bills for an average customer will go up by less than one dollar a week for homeowners and around 28 cents a week for tenants this year under Western Water's new Water Plan.

Under the Water Plan 2013-18, tiered pricing for water usage will remain, which means higher water users pay more for their water.

Price rises are spread out over the five years, rather than a large upfront increase, in line with feedback Western Water received from customers during the Water Plan consultation process.

"We have worked hard to keep price rises as low as possible, while maintaining our service levels and planning for our growing population," Western Water's Managing Director, Neil Brennan, says.

Under the Water Plan 2013-18 Western Water has also been given approval for capital works including:

A \$2 million upgrade of the Woodend Recycled Water Plant to cater for growth, scheduled to be complete in 2018

A \$950,000 upgrade of the Campaspe Reservoir in Woodend, scheduled for completion in 2017.

"We understand that some customers are doing it tough, and will be impacted by any price rise," Mr Brennan says.

"We urge anyone who is having trouble paying their water bill to contact us for a confidential chat so we can help with a range of support programs."

The new Water Plan 3 came into effect on 1 July 2013.

Submitted by K Smith for Western Water

Woodend's five year water plan

Western Water's Water Plan 2013-2018 is now in effect. The Plan sets out our prices, service standards and capital works over the next five years.

We listened to your feedback, and will increase our prices by 12.3% gradually over five years. In 2013-14 there will be an average increase of \$47 for an owner/occupier or \$15 for a tenant.

In Woodend we will be investing in upgrades to both Campaspe Reservoir and the Woodend Recycled Water Plant, to meet the needs of our growing population.

For information call 1300 650 422 or visit westernwater.com.au

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It's not a new fire levy, it's a fairer fire levy.

On 1 July 2013, as recommended by the Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission, the Victorian Government is replacing the old fire services levy with a fairer system.

Rather than being added to insurance premiums, the levy will now be collected with council rates. This means all property owners contribute a fair share to the Country Fire Authority or the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

The levy is a fixed charge of \$100 for residential properties and \$200 for non-residential properties, plus a variable charge based on the property's capital improved value.

All funds will go towards supporting Victoria's fire services.

GST and stamp duty charged on the old levy have been removed and, for the first time, eligible pensioners and veterans will receive a \$50 concession. These reforms will save households and business around \$100 million a year.

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- 1-31 Kyneton Music Festival Applications open
- 1 Woodend Red Cross meeting
- 2 Woodend Rotary & SES luncheon
- 3 Macedon Ranges Framers' Market - Woodend
- 6 Marketing for Growth - The Bentick
- 10 Macedon Ranges Framers' Market - Kyneton
- 10 Davies Hill site visit
- 10 National Bookshop Day
- 13 Woodend Landcare - AGM
- 13 NBN Information Session - Romsey Community Hub
- 14 Knitting and natter, The Norma Richardson Hall
- 14 Macedon Ranges Film Society - Rear Window
- 19-23 Book Week 2013
- 17 Davies Hill site visit
- 17 Macedon Ranges Framers' Market - Riddles Creek
- 18 Kinder Ladies Lunch, Zarby's
- 24 Macedon Ranges Framers' Market - Lancefield
- 24 Davies Hill site visit
- 25 Landcare Working Bee - Slatey Creek Reserve
- 26 Macedon Ranges Start Running Group
- 17 Getting the Right Staff- Kyneton

September

- 2 Brown Paper Bag Short Film & Photography Festival
- 21 Vegetarian Food Forum - Woodend Neighbourhood House
- TBC CFA Fundraiser featuring Cantorion Cymreig Victoria Welsh Choir Welsh Choir

October

- 27 Craft Market Hanging Rock

November

- 16 Woodend Anglican Spring Fete at St Mary's
- 24 Giborne/Ballarat Sigers- "Elijah"- St Ambrose

February

- 28 Kyneton Music Festival & Beard Fest
Till March 2

March

- 1&2 Lancefield & Macedon Ranges Relay for Life
- 23 Woodend & District Heritage Society -
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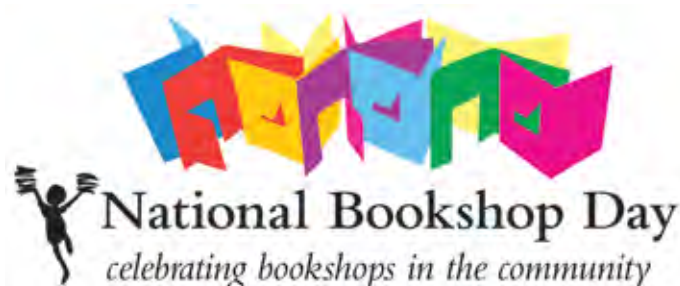
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In addition there will be individual activities taking place in each store on the day. At the top of every hour, Book Bonding will be running Blankety Blanks with a Book Theme, plus asking all members to contribute a sentence at a time to their Store Storyboard. Both New Leaves Woodend and Aesop's Attic Kyneton will host kids crafting activities in store. And Red Door Books of Lancefield will be having a book review competition – pencils and paper available in the shop!

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Submitted by Eleanor Reid, New Leaves



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The \$64,000 project is funded by the Regional Development Victoria, Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Mt Alexander Shire Council, Hepburn Shire Council and Jump Leads (a Melbourne-based not-for-profit arts company).

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Submitted by Kir Larwill



Tax Time – Work related expenses

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Councillor for Rotary

On Thursday 18th July at The Victoria Hotel, Woodend Councillor John Connor from West Ward gave a presentation to Woodend Rotary members and guests on "The Role of a Councillor and Latest Developments in The Shire".

John was on familiar ground having been a former member and Past President of the the Rotary club.

The talk was highly informative about aspects and statistics relating to Macedon Ranges Shire in particular the large number of amenities which need to be maintained by the council.

Some lively discussion followed with many questions asked about various developments in the area.

Also attending the meeting was Rotary Assistant Governor David Bourke from Keilor who stressed the need for Rotary clubs to concentrate on retaining members while promoting new people into Rotary.

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Winter Chill with 1st Woodend

1st Woodend Tuckonie Scout Troop recently spent 4 days having fun, being resourceful and making the most of our local area during their 'winter chill-out' camp.

The Scouts enjoyed activities such as bowling, camping, learning alternative cooking methods, hiking, and exploring Bendigo.

Some great gourmet delights were consumed as a result of the Scouts' creativity with bricks, metal and straw – the result being a wood-fired oven as well as a straw box cooker in which they created their meals during the camp. The most popular fare from the oven was the peach cobbler, and the meatball casserole cooked in the straw box was delicious also.



The 'magical mystery' tour of Bendigo saw the Scouts working in teams to gain insights into our history and heritage as they worked through their checklist of cryptic clues about Bendigo.

Whilst at base camp, many Scouts also took the opportunity to brush-up on some of their bushcraft skills, finish off some of their badge work and create new patrol plinths. A camp with a bit of everything enjoyed by everybody!

This camp was both the first and last for some of our members. The first Scout Camp for our newer members (including Cubs who have recently moved up to Scouts) and the last Scout camp for several Scouts who will continue their journey as 1st Woodend members of the Macedon Ranges Venturer Unit.

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Vehicles Being Targeted in the Macedon Ranges

Categories of property crime are still causing concern for police in the Macedon Ranges. The number of vehicles being broken into and having property stolen is proving to be a persistent problem in the area. A review of recent crime trends indicated an increase of almost 24 % in this particular crime category. Thieves are targeting vehicles in residential areas, around railway stations and in some remote locations in the Wombat State Forest and the Lerderberg State Park.

Local Area Commander, Inspector Ryan Irwin said “trail bike riders are often the victims of these offences. Recreational riders leave vehicles parked in bush locations while motorcycle riding in the forest and return to find that their vehicle has been broken into. Items stolen include bags containing riding equipment and clothing. Tools, wallets, cash and mobile phones are also very popular.”

Police are warning riders not to be complacent when frequenting these areas. “A seemingly quiet location should not necessarily make people think there is less chance of becoming a victim of theft. In fact it is often the remoteness that makes the location more desirable for thieves due to the reduced likelihood of being disturbed” Inspector Irwin said.

Police have increased their patrols in these locations and they are urging people to take extra security measures wherever possible such as using designated parking areas and not leaving valuables on display in parked cars while absent.

“We are also urging people to report any suspicious behaviour they observe while in these locations” Inspector Irwin said. “We are very keen to hear of any information people might have. It might be as simple as obtaining the registration number of a vehicle that looks out of place or where the driver’s behaviour is unusual.”

Offences committed in and around urban areas often involve complacency as many of the vehicles targeted had been left unlocked while parked in private driveways or outside residential properties.

Unfortunately many people still think “it wont happen to me” and fail to take adequate security measures. Similarly there is a level of complacency involved when people park at shopping centres and leave vehicles unlocked while attending retail outlets. “It only takes a matter of seconds to become a victim in these circumstances and we are urging locals to be more vigilant and more security conscious” Inspector Irwin said. People often think that because they are leaving the car for a short period of time there is less need to lock it. “This is not the case,” Inspector Irwin said “Unfortunately many people have returned to their unlocked vehicle after an absence of a few minutes only to find that their mobile phone, purse or other valuables have been stolen. People need to be security conscious at all times including when at home or visiting shopping centres”.

Police are urging people to report any suspicious behaviour or to pass on any knowledge they have of crime committed in their area to Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000.

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National Broadband Network information session

The National Broadband Network (NBN Co) will host a community information session on Tuesday 13 August in Romsey to discuss the planned NBN rollout in the Macedon Ranges.

The session is aimed at residents and businesses interested in finding out more information about the future of high-speed internet and the digital economy at a local level.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council Mayor, Cr Roger Jukes encouraged anyone interested in accessing NBN services to attend.

"This is the second community information session presented by NBN Co in the Macedon Ranges. The first was held in Kyneton and was very well attended.

"With the announcement earlier in the year that Romsey and Kyneton have been added to the three year NBN rollout plan, we felt that it was important to provide another opportunity for the community to ask questions and be given the details about the rollout," he said.

The session will be held at the Romsey Community Hub and will commence at 6.30pm on Tuesday 13 August 2013.

For further information, or to register your attendance at the workshop, contact Gaynor Atkin on 5421 9615 or email gatkin@mrsc.vic.gov.au.

For more information relating to the NBN rollout contact the NBN Contact Centre on 1800 816 818 or email info@nbnco.com.au.

Submitted by G Gamble, MRSC

Students encouraged to explore reaching out

2013 Live4Life Competition

Entries are now open for the 2013 Live4Life Competition, which gives year 8 students from Gisborne Secondary College, Macedon Grammar, Braemar College, Kyneton Secondary College, Sacred Heart College and the Sunbury and Macedon Specialist School (Bullengarook campus) the opportunity to explore mental health issues and win some great prizes.

This year's theme, 'Reach Out' is connected to what students have been learning throughout the year in Live4Life education sessions, and focuses on the importance of seeking help.

The competition is designed to encourage young people to research what it means to 'Reach Out' and seek help in our local community when you feel you're not coping or you see a friend is having some trouble.

Entries can be in submitted in a range of formats, including written and digital or multimedia (such as a podcast or DVD). The closing date for entries is Friday 13 September 2013.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council is also seeking prize donations from local businesses to support the Live4Life competition. All local business support will be recognised as part of the competition celebrations, to be attended by 800 students and staff.

Prizes will be announced at the Live4Life Celebration day at Braemar College on Wednesday 9 October 2013.

To donate a prize or for more information about the competition, visit www.live4life.org.au or call Jacqui Carter, Live4Life Coordinator on 5422 0275.

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This was a cabaret style performance with patrons enjoying the show whilst eating and imbibing at round tables, seating ten.

It was an opportunity for the Singers to have some fun and present a more relaxed style of entertainment compared to the more serious choral work normally performed. Piano accompaniment was well handled by John Payne and the night was most successfully compered by Michael Soleri.

The Singers are now preparing for probably their most ambitious production yet, namely Mendelssohn's 'Elijah'. This is in collaboration with the Ballarat Choral Society.

The group of about eighty singers and five distinguished soloists will perform this magnificent Romantic oratorio,

accompanied by organ and full symphony orchestra.

Patrons should make a note of the only performance in the Macedon Ranges on Sunday 24th November at St Ambrose Parish Hall, Woodend commencing at the earlier time of 2.30 pm. There will also be a performance at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts in Ballarat on Sunday 17th November, also at the earlier time of 2.30 pm.

The Singers are looking for tenors and basses. If you have held off joining the choir, now would be an ideal time to start. We rehearse each Tuesday at 7.30 pm at Holy Cross Primary School, New Gisborne so either come along then or call President-Grainne Black on 0423 769 643 or Vice President D'Arcy Wood on 5428 3040. For more info go to www.gisborne-singers.org.au.

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Submitted by Shelley Hughes

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The group soon grew in numbers and at some stage it was agreed that the hostess for each walk should record the route they had taken and any other interesting things that had taken place and so began a collection of fascinating diaries. When the books were handed over to our Local and Family History Resource Centre for safe keeping, we decided that they should be published. Sylvia Boxshall whose World War 1 publication “They Went to War” has been so well received, agreed to oversee the project and undertake the set-out for printing. The hand written entries were faithfully transcribed by Joyce McGuckian, some illustrations by Joycelyn Moreland added and photographs and illustrations by various members of the group scanned and included. In all, “The Walkers” soon grew to a large 386 page book - a fascinating social document for the future as well as being a great resource and guide for anyone today who is interested in exploring the district and discovering some new and interesting places to visit and enjoy.

Copies of “The Walkers” are available from the L&FHRC at the old Court House in Forest Street, Woodend on a Wednesday or from Collier Office and Business Assist in the 19th Hole Shopping Centre at other times. \$35 collected. For postage please enquire, but due to the weight of the book, it is not advised.

Submitted by Janet Hawkins

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Beware of black ice

There are more dangers in winter than those in and around our homes. Winter brings its own specific dangers to our region due to our climate, and black ice on our roads is one of the most severe.

We are called to every major road accident, and during the many cold mornings that occur through the winter and spring months we should be very alert to the dangers of black ice on our roads.

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It is clearly evident that we should all be extra careful when driving during our cold and wet periods.

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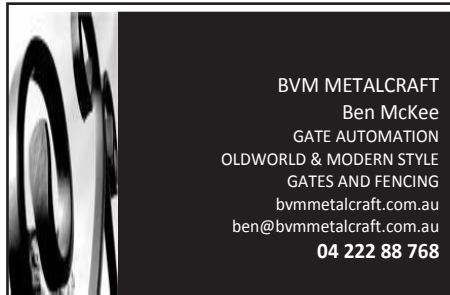
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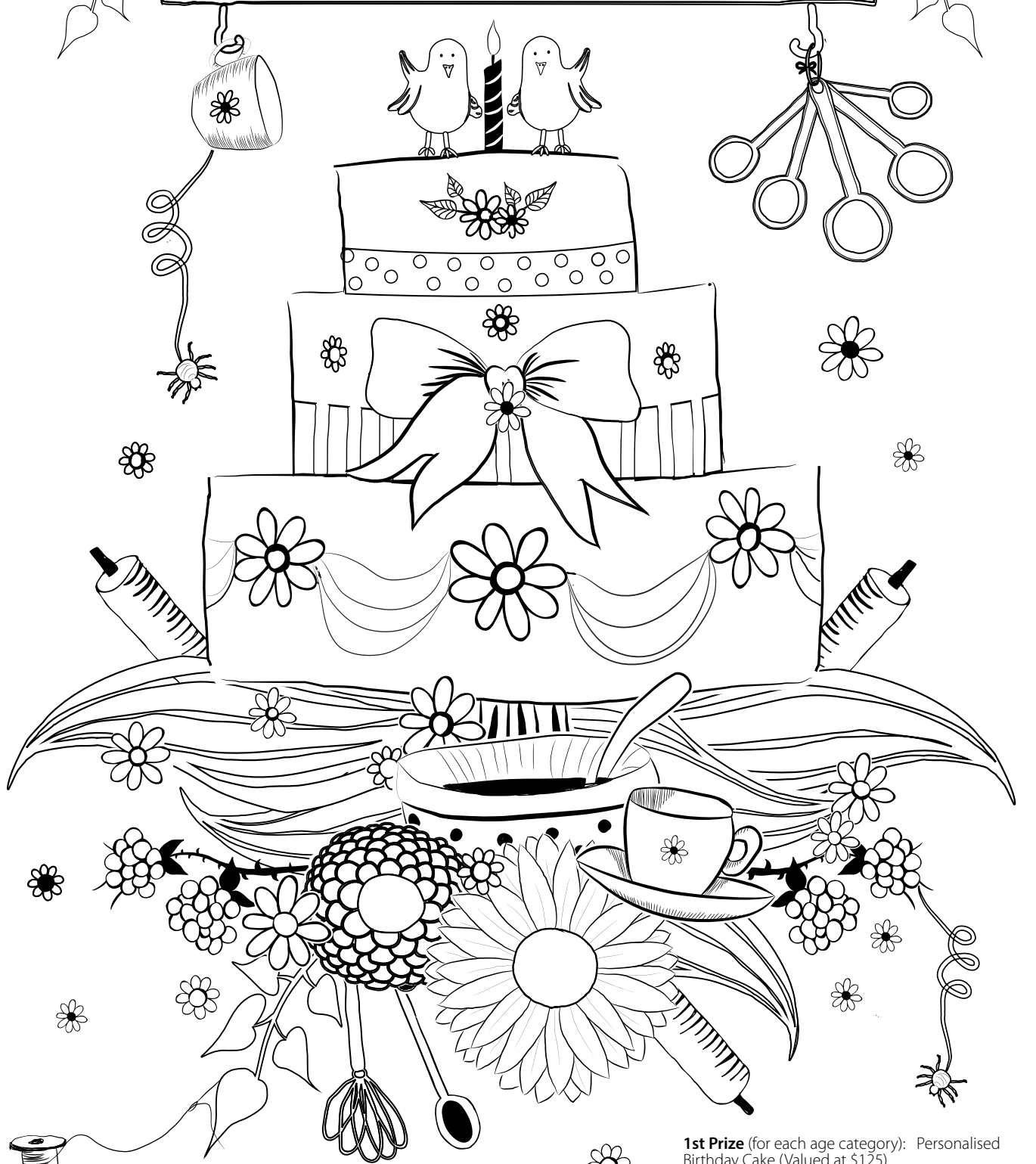
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PHONE: _____

1st Prize (for each age category): Personalised Birthday Cake (Valued at \$125).

Age Categories: Under 7 years; 8 -11 years; 12 -15 years; 15 years plus
Closing Date: 4:30pm on Friday 23rd August 2013.

Conditions: Entries are to be submitted to Blackbird Cakes, 37A Anslow Street, Woodend, 3442. Judges decision is final – No correspondence will be entered into - One entry per person.