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Christmas In July

Woodend BATA (Business and Tourism Association) in association with Tourism Macedon Ranges is bringing Christmas to Woodend - in July! On the 20th, 21st and 22nd of July, High Street in Woodend will become a winter wonderland where we will all be able to enjoy the festivities normally celebrated at the end of the year. On offer will be a restaurant and cafe extravaganza where everyone can enjoy great Christmas fare. There will be Carols on the corner, roaming Santa's, horse and carriage rides, 'Sassy' Elf Parades, mulled wine tastings, Santa snags and Rudolph rissoles, face painting, kids super quiz and hot chocolate give away and plenty of instore 'Christmas' specials provided by all of the Woodend traders.

A designated program of events will be released and advertised shortly, outlining all of the special offers, promotions, activities and adventures on offer over this wonderful weekend. There is advertising in all of the shop front windows along High Street now and the response from all business owners has been amazing. They really are getting into the Christmas spirit!

As part of our ongoing commitment to the businesses and residents in Woodend, this is only the first of many

initiatives planned by Woodend BATA. Our main aim is to entice tourists to Woodend and the greater Macedon Ranges so that the entire town can benefit from greater economic growth and prosperity. Tourists aside, we also need all of the Woodend residents to come out and enjoy the festivities in great numbers so that the established businesses in the town can grow and prosper which in turn makes Woodend strong and independent.

Woodend BATA is very aware that we need to embrace and support the services that currently exist in the village and we see on a daily basis that

Woodend residents often shop in other regional centres and in Melbourne. Our long term aim is to redirect that expenditure and to expose all Woodend businesses and services to our residents and tourists so that we create an economically strong, prosperous and independent Woodend business community. Shopping locally ensures profits stay with the Woodend businesses and this helps to ensure your town flourishes and continues to provide us with everything we love about Woodend.

For more information regarding 'Christmas in July' or Woodend BATA, please contact Peter Gaw or Karen Cousins by email woodendtraders@gmail.com.

Submitted by P. Gaw for WBATA



1st Woodend on the go...

It certainly has been a busy month for 1st Woodend Scout Group. The focus of our Joey Scouts has been the environment. They have been 'out and about' hiking on Mt Macedon, canoeing in Gisborne, and visiting the Woodend CFA to learn about fire safety. Our Joeys also joined forces with the Woodend Possum Guides for a fun evening of badge making and camaraderie. Next term the Joeys will visit the Possum Guides for another combined night of fun. We also welcomed a new Leader, Simon Woods, to our Joey Mob. The Joeys now have two new leaders to break-in!



Joeys with Leader (Bilby) prepare to canoe

Our two Cub Scout Packs (Burke and Wills) took part in Jamboree on the Trail (JOTT), hiked on Mt Macedon, attended the District Boomerang Day at Noonameena Scout Camp, and learnt the finer arts of campfire cooking. They are now tried and tested damper makers (along with other campfire delicacies). An upcoming activity is the Scout Gang Show, which promises to be a fun weekend for all.

The 1st Woodend Scouts (Tuckonie Troop) once again ran the Log Cabin Café during the Woodend Winter Arts Festival. The Log Cabin Café was possible due to the support of many 1st Woodend families and the Macedon Ranges Venturer Unit, as well as non-Scouting members of our community – we say 'thank you' to all involved. The positive feedback from visitors and locals alike regarding our Scouts and our café has been fabulous. This annual event shows just what is possible with the input of a group of dedicated volunteers. Our Scouts have also been busy

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delivering Woodend phonebooks. The Scouts are really looking forward to a chance to 'chill out' on camp!

Despite a very chilly blast, a group of intrepid 1st Woodend Scouts and MRVU Venturers participated in a canoe and kayak training weekend on the Maribyrnong River and achieved their qualifications in these water sports. The kayakers were well prepared due to their Eskimo roll practise in the South Gisborne pool before heading to the river. They will now be able to take part in canoeing activities, such as fantastic Saturday night paddles along the Yarra River starting in Richmond and ending at the boatsheds in the CBD – stopping at Herring Island for a BBQ along the way!



For any enquiries regarding Joeys (6-7 years), Cubs (8-10 years), Scouts (11-14 years) or Venturers (15-17) please contact Leisa Macartney (0429 331 695). For enquiries about Rovers (18-25 years) please contact Dan Caddick (0409 407 893).

Submitted by Leisa Macartney (Group Leader 1st Woodend Scout Group)

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One in two Australians will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime. We have all been affected by cancer whether directly or indirectly, whether personally, a family member or through a friend of a friend. What do you say to them? Sometimes actions speak louder than words so that is why Dale has decided to ride to Conquer Cancer.

For real impact, Dale Clune, [participant ID number 762153-2] as part of the team 'Spokes of Hope' needs to raise a minimum of \$2500 to participate in the ride but he doesn't want to stop there. He wants to raise as much as he can to help support ground breaking research. To help him

reach this goal simply visit conquercancer.org.au click on 'make a donation' and type under search for person Dale Clune to make a donation online, or call 1300 00 RIDE.

This is the inaugural Ride to Conquer Cancer event in Victoria.

Submitted by Kelly Clune.

Help Fix Woodend Primary School: we need you!

Woodend Primary School (WPS) is a great school and an important part of our community but we need urgent assistance to improve our deteriorating facilities.

In mid-2011 an audit was completed by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development which identified \$180,000 worth of urgent works to get the school up to scratch.

The deterioration of the grounds and buildings, include:

- Numerous trip hazards due to erosion in the grounds - works are required, including removal of tree roots and improved drainage.
- Several buildings require painting, re-guttering and new downpipes and one building needs a new roof.
- Recently, a goal post on the basketball court collapsed – an incident that could have resulted in serious injury or worse if students had been present.



- The surface of the basketball court is unsafe and requires landscaping and re-asphalting.
- The oval floods regularly and is unusable for several days after moderate rain – new drainage is required.

The School Council has written to Education Minister Martin Dixon and met with Donna Petrovich MP and Federal MP Rob Mitchell, who have both undertaken to lobby on the school's behalf.

The school has an enviable reputation as a vibrant, inclusive school with excellent teachers and a diverse offering of educational activities. This reputation plus Woodend's growing population is driving up enrolments at WPS, putting further pressure on the school.

We need the support of the whole community to fix our school.

Please sign our online petition at: www.communityrun.org/petitions/stop-the-deterioration-of-woodend-primary-school

Submitted by Rebecca Colless, Vice-President, WPS Council.

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	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
January	83.5	17.1	0.08*	54*	227.5	31	Jan
February	27.4	22.1	2.5*	71.5*	115.0	133	Feb
March	35.7	25.4	42.5*	121*	35	84	Mar
April	20.2	20.4	51*	45	63.5	35.5	April
May	95.7	43.7	30.5*	39	73.5	54.4	May
June	105.1	88.7	66.5*	98.5	69		June
July	83.3	112.5	76.5*	87.5	82.5		July
August	34.8	52.2	107.5*	148.5	56		Aug
Sept	49.8	42.0*	88.5*	97	98.5		Sept
Oct	12.1	13.0*	46*	154.5	86		Oct
Nov	91.0	67.2	99*	193	82		Nov
Dec	101.2	96.0*	60*	93	120		Dec
YTD:	739.8	600.3	670.5	1202.5	1119.5	333.4	

For the year of **2011** there was rainfall of **1119.5mm**
1 inch = 25.4 mm therefore the total year 2011 is 44.07 inches

2012 rain fall is 13.13 inches

Braemar secures land for second campus

The Principal of Braemar College, Russell Deer, announced on June 13th that the College has purchased land in Woodend to establish a much-needed second campus.

The site is on the northern side of Boundary Road just east of the freeway and comprises 320 acres of vacant farming land. "This is a very exciting proposition for the College, as it has excellent access from the Calder Freeway, is close to Woodend, close to the current campus and provides enough space to grow an excellent educational facility for Macedon Ranges families.

"As the sole purchaser of the land, we will be able to develop it at our pace and with educational outcomes at the forefront. We look forward to working with the Macedon Ranges Shire Council and the Woodend community in planning some multi-use facilities for broader use outside of school hours.

"The College is mindful of the requirement to maintain its character as a friendly and community centred school of high academic achievement. This is why the development will be paced to preserve the College's financial position with a view to the long term importance of a successful independent school in the region.

"As the new location is just down the hill from the current campus, interaction between the two sites will be a viable option for the school.

"We will be working on specific plans for the buildings and infrastructure that will comprise the first stage of development over the coming months, taking into consideration current and projected enrolment demand.

A website link, parent updates and regular media announcements will provide progress information as the project moves into the next stage.

For more information go to www.braemar.vic.edu.au

Submitted by R. Deer for Braemar College

St Andrews Uniting Church, Woodend

All are welcome to join our church family in worship at our regular Sunday Services from 10.30am at St Andrews Uniting Church, Forest Street Woodend (next to the Police Station). Our weekly service is followed by tea and coffee and time to chat. Why not join us? We're a friendly bunch.

Submitted by Andrew Gall - 0427 177 769



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Woodend Playgroup

Busy bees & cake stalls

Our recent working bee was a great success. The weather stayed fine for us to paint the sandpit area and we now have a lovely bright blue wall on which a mural will be painted. What a difference colour can make! The mural will be completed in stages and will look fantastic when finished, hopefully by the end of June. A big thank you to everyone who helped out.

Another big thank you to our members who so generously helped out at our cake stall. There were lots of goodies to choose from, with something for everyone. We raised \$440 which is a great result and will go towards funding our projects. Thank you also to Woodend Newsagency for letting us use the space outside. We look forward to our next stall in August.

With winter now well and truly upon us, Woodend Playgroup offers a warm, friendly place to meet other local parents and share your experiences of parenting. It's a fantastic excuse to get out of the house and socialise within the community while your kids are having fun. If you have just moved to the area or want to meet more people in your community, then playgroup is the perfect place to come. Our sessions run every day of the week and groups cater for children of similar age. We are currently taking enrolments for Term 3. For enrolments and enquiries, please call Liesl on 0411 588 596.

Submitted by Kate Dalton

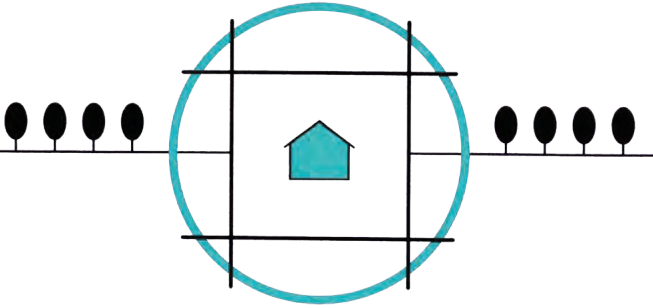
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New town plan for Woodend

Macedon Ranges Shire Council is preparing a new Town Structure Plan for Woodend. This is a major plan that will shape the future growth and development of the town through to the year 2036.

The Macedon Ranges Settlement Strategy was completed last year and defines the role of each town in the shire, including recommended population levels at 2036. The Settlement Strategy anticipates that Woodend will grow from a current population of approximately 3,700 people to 5,000 in 2036.

So we know where we are headed, but how will we get there? What changes to the Planning Scheme are needed to manage future development and ensure the things we love about Woodend are protected into the future?

These questions and more will be answered in the process of developing the Town Structure Plan, which will become the key planning document for Woodend. A Town Structure Plan may lead to changes in planning zones, overlays and local policy. It coordinates development across the town and may identify key infrastructure such as future main roads.

To start the process, an Issues Paper that will shape the Town Structure Plan has been prepared and will be available for comment from 6th of July to 3rd of August 2012.

Key issues for consideration include:

- Bushfire risks especially to the south;
- Protection of township character and heritage;
- The adequacy of zoned residential land to meet forecast growth to 2036;
- The need for further business and industrial zoned land.

Have your say, Visit www.mrsc.vic.gov.au from 6th of July to view the Issues Papers. The information will also be available at our Customer Service Centres in Kyneton, Gisborne, Romsey and Woodend. Submissions should be sent to PO Box 151, Kyneton VIC 3444 or emailed to strategicplanning@mrsc.vic.gov.au by 3rd of August 2012.

Following the consultation period on the Issues Paper, work will begin on preparing the draft Town Structure Plan and further consultation will occur when it is released later this year. Once the final Structure Plan is adopted by Council, it will be incorporated into a Planning Scheme Amendment and a final round of consultation will take place.

This process may take up to 2-3 years, however it is important that you have your say now, as discussion of the issues will shape the Town Structure Plans and the planning controls that follow.

Submitted by G. McAlinden, Communications and Public Relations Coordinator, Macedon Ranges Shire Council

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If your child loves crafts then we have got several activities they will enjoy.

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If your child is more musical then try the Vibration and Sound workshop. This uses beautiful Tibetan singing bowls to create amazing vibrations and music. Children will also do dancing and meditation (a fantastic skill for busy kids to learn how to wind down!).

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For more details check out our website www.woodendnh.org.au or call us on 5427 1845. Term 3 program brochure is out now.

Submitted by Julie Wilson-Annan Coordinator.



Woodend Unit of Red Cross

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Submitted by M.Hocking

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What we did learn was that for every \$1,000 you spend on heating, \$350 goes straight through an un-insulated ceiling. So what was in our attic space? Was it still effective? Could we do better? How much of our heating was disappearing through our ceiling?

Knowing nothing about insulation, we studied the Australian Standards and the Australian Building Code, read the marketing materials and played with all the different insulation products.

What we discovered was that each manufacturer said that their product was the only product you need. So to fully understand the effectiveness and appropriateness of each product, we (Maurice) built a heat chamber and we hired a cool room and built a test house which was insulated with a range and combination of products.

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We then set out re-organising our insulation so it worked much, much better. We double insulated one end of our home with the existing insulation and laid the highest quality, 50 year guaranteed, non toxic, non irritant, eco friendly bulk insulation in the bedroom areas. We then added suitable reflective insulation to provide us with protection from the summer heat.

The Building Code of Australia indicated that we should have a minimum of R4.3 for our home. Our solution produced R5.9 in summer and R5.2 in winter.

The Result? A much cosier home with an additional fall in our energy bill.

Ceiling insulation is only truly effective if...quality product is used and it is laid without any gaps. A series of halogen downlights in a ceiling can reduce the overall effectiveness of the insulation by 50%. There are many ways of treating this situation, it just needs some thought.

If you would like to improve your ceiling insulation, give us a call. We can use Google Satellite Imaging to view your home from the office. We can then estimate the cost of insulating your home. If that is of interest to you, we can conduct a site inspection to provide a firm quotation to install your insulation with our Macedon Ranges based installation crews.

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Bishop of Bendigo to visit Woodend

St Mary's Woodend - A date for your diary

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Regular services are held at St Mary's on Sundays at 10.30am and Wednesdays at 10am. Come and join us and stay for a cuppa afterwards. St Mary's is located at 15 Buckland Street, Woodend.

SUNG EVENSONG

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Submitted by Derek Shepherd, Parish Council

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- How much water should I be drinking?
- Does my metabolism change with age?
- Does medication have an effect on physical activity?

Come along to find out the answers to these questions and more. This is also a great opportunity to hear about healthy living programs and activities available in the shire. This information session will be held in Gisborne with Dietician Sally Mitchell from Cobaw Community Health as the guest presenter on Friday 20th of July from 11.30am - 12.30pm at Macedon Ranges Further Education Centre, Hamilton Street Gisborne. This session is Free, with a light refreshments provided. Please register to attend by Wednesday 18th of July to the Healthy Communities Team on phone (03) 5422 0216 or email healthycommunities@mrc.vic.gov.au

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Submitted by G. McAlinden, Communications and Public Relations Coordinator

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These funds always go towards items of equipment, etc, that are for the direct benefit of the patients. We can rest assured that they don't go into running costs.

The KDHS is very grateful for this contribution.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 9th of August, at 20 Sullivans Road Woodend. Newcomers who want to join in the fun would be very welcome!

Submitted by Jo Clancy

All local groups, clubs and committees are invited to submit articles for publication

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This will be a variety type/cabaret style concert with choral, duet and solo items carefully selected to appeal to a wide audience and will be a serious break from their traditional classical choral work. Proceedings will commence with an art and craft exhibition from people in the Macedon Ranges.

Patrons will be seated at round tables and bring their own food and refreshments.

The programme is diverse and includes medleys of Les Miserables and The Beatles as well as a carefully selected range of classical favorites of Byrd, Bach, Haydn, Rutter and Schubert, and including some wonderful foreign songs.

The show will include an oboe solo, Banjo Patterson recitation, Flanders and Swan skit, a piano duet and many more.

The venue is Holy Cross Primary School, Doors open at 6.00pm for Art & Craft Exhibition, Show starts at 7.00pm. Tickets are \$25 each, no concessions, Children under 12 free. For bookings, please email -gisbornesingers@iprimus.com.au or phone Elizabeth on 5426 2467. All tickets must be prepaid. This is a one off concert and based on previous years early booking is highly recommended for individuals or groups, as tables and individual bookings are selling fast.

For further information go to www.gisbornesingers.org.au. New members always welcome.

Submitted by Richard Whiteley



The Gisborne Singers will present a range of numbers at Holy Cross Primary School on Saturday 28th of July



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Tylden Primary School is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year with celebrations scheduled for the 24th of November.

"We are currently collecting memorabilia to be used in displays and a commemorative booklet and any items will be gladly received. All documents will be scanned and returned and memorabilia items secured at the school before and after the display date.

"We are planning a wonderful day of celebrations and we hope that many of our students and teachers from the past will be able to join us," said Principal, Lee MacDonald.

Please ask your friends and family to contact Tylden P.S if they can help.

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Submitted by Andrea Tanner, Tylden PS Council President

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Macedon Ranges Film Society shows a broad range of films

A film about the collapse of the Berlin Wall was June's choice for the M.R.F.S. The film, "Goodbye Lenin" may not seem on many levels a topic for hilarity but there was much laughter. The story centres on a politically motivated woman from West Germany who goes into a coma and does not wake up till the Wall is well and truly down. When her well-meaning son sets out to keep the truth from her, comic situations follow.

How many laughs will be heard during the screening of the July film?

"LA Confidential", starring Kevin Spacey, Russell Crowe and Guy Pearce promises to entertain us with three very different methods of dealing with crime and corruption in 1950s L.A. This film will screen on Wednesday, 11th of July.

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 supplied and for those who wish to stay a while following the screening, there is discussion with supper, kindly supplied by the members.

For more details, email mrfilmsociety@gmail.com or call Vicki on 5427 323 or Christine on 5429 5452.

Submitted by Christine Caley

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If you use the walking track between Romsey Road and High Street you may have seen that a number of big old willows have been removed by our contractors from the Tennyson Street area recently.

People have diverse views on willows, but the fact is that whilst they can be a beautiful ornamental tree in a garden, they are a very bad weed on a waterway and have to be removed. If they are allowed to survive, they will rapidly multiply by means of seeds and twigs to the detriment of indigenous plants. The fact that they drop their leaves in one big dump as opposed to native trees which drop their leaves progressively throughout the year means that the water is robbed of its oxygen as the huge mass of leaves rots away and this in turn kills river life.

We have had some adverse comment about the messy situation at Tennyson Street, although most people understand that there has to be a mess before the improvement can be started. So we ask people to be patient as we try to clean the area up ready for some plantings of smaller native species in Spring.

Speaking of cleaning up, our Thursday Crew have done a great job of cleaning out willows in the creek near the tennis club. They even found a remnant surviving river tea tree amongst the willows and managed to save it. We now hope to replace those willows with more suitable indigenous plants before other weeds like blackberries take over.

Submitted by Peter Yates – President Woodend Landcare

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Council hosts 'how to' sessions for election hopefuls

Macedon Ranges Shire Council will host two public information sessions for residents considering standing for Council in the upcoming general elections on Saturday 27th of October.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council Chief Executive Officer, Peter Johnston, said that standing for Council is a relatively simple process but can be daunting if you're not quite certain what is required or how to go about it.

"The information sessions will outline the roles and responsibilities of a Councillor, describe the election process and provide useful advice for getting elected.

"I strongly encourage any residents contemplating standing for election to attend this information session," said Mr Johnston.

The information sessions for prospective candidates in the general elections for Macedon Ranges Shire Council will be held on Tuesday 3rd of July 2012 from 10.00am – 12.30 pm and on Tuesday 14th of August from 6.30 pm – 9.00 pm. Both sessions will be held at the Gisborne Administration centre, 40 Robertson Street, Gisborne.

Speakers from surrounding councils, including a Chief Executive Officer and representatives from the Municipal Association of Victoria and Victorian Electoral Commission, will provide information about the council area, advice on who can nominate, how to nominate and what is required of a Councillor.

An experienced Councillor from a neighbouring municipality will also discuss their experiences to give prospective candidates an understanding of what the public will expect of you as a Councillor, time commitments, rewards and election campaign techniques.

The sessions will include an opportunity for open discussion and questions. It is free of charge to attend and each registered participant will receive a comprehensive information kit.

If you wish to attend or require further information please advise Stephen Mahon, Manager Council and Customer Service on 5422 0352 or smahon@mrsc.vic.gov.au.

In keeping with Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Privacy Policy, all registrations and enquires will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Submitted by G. McAlinden, Macedon Ranges Shire Council



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For more information on upcoming business events and to register, visit www.mrsc.vic.gov.au

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Submitted by G. McAlinden, Macedon Ranges Shire Council



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Carlsruhe Planning Group and Carlsruhe Landcare Group...

Want to start with a big thank you to all the people, particularly past residents and those descended from early settlers, who came to our anniversary celebrations. Their stories were very interesting and informative. Despite the miserable weather many people came to both our Saturday celebrations and the Open Houses on the Sunday. Thanks must be given to Maurie Wiggett and David Elliott for the BBQ, and John Morieson and Steve Marriott for 'the interview' on Saturday. Special thanks to Hanne Juul (Carlsruhe Railway Station), Mike Goode and Jan Potter (Lord Admiral House) and Steve Marriott (Degraes Mill) for inviting the community to view their historic properties. Thanks must also go to Aesop's Attic Bookshop, Pass the Parcell Toys, Baker's Delight Kyneton, Hanging Rock Winery and Paramoor Wines for their support.

As many will have seen in the media the Carlsruhe CPG has received funding for the installation of public seating, walking trails, car parking, toilets, a BBQ shelter and indigenous cultural interpretive signage in Yelka Park from the State Government. These will commence some time this year. Funding has also been received for three pieces of adult fitness equipment that will be placed close to the present playground.

View www.carlsruhe.com.au for further information

Diary Date

- Landcare Group is meeting on Monday the 2nd of July at 7.30 pm
- Community Planning Group will meet on Tuesday the 3rd of July at 7.30 pm

All community members are welcome to attend.

Submitted by Margaret Glen

Children's playgrounds to become smoke-free



In the coming months, children's playgrounds in Council parks and reserves, and all Council building entrances in the shire will become smoke-free zones. The restrictions will apply once signage has been installed in these areas.

Council adopted a Smoke-free Outdoor Areas Policy in May, in response to community feedback received through a community consultation process earlier this year.

281 people completed a survey about smoke-free outdoor areas which lent the highest support to playgrounds (94%) and Council building entrances (86%).

Council will also introduce a voluntary program where traders will receive Council promotions and endorsements for operating as a smoke-free outdoor business—81% of respondents supported alfresco dining on Council land and 74% said they would be more inclined to dine in a smoke-free alfresco area.

Council car parks, bushland parks and reserves and events received the least support for becoming smokefree (70%).

Only two other rural councils and two metropolitan councils have established smoke-free playground zones—Greater Shepparton City Council and Baw Baw Shire Council, and City of Yarra and Hobson's Bay City Council.

The second phase of the project, to be implemented from 1st of July 2013, will see a 10 metre smoke-free zone around Council recreation and sporting areas such as playing fields and clubrooms, and all outdoor events sponsored or run by Council.

Submitted by Ms E. McCormick Communications/Public Relations Officer Macedon Ranges Shire Council

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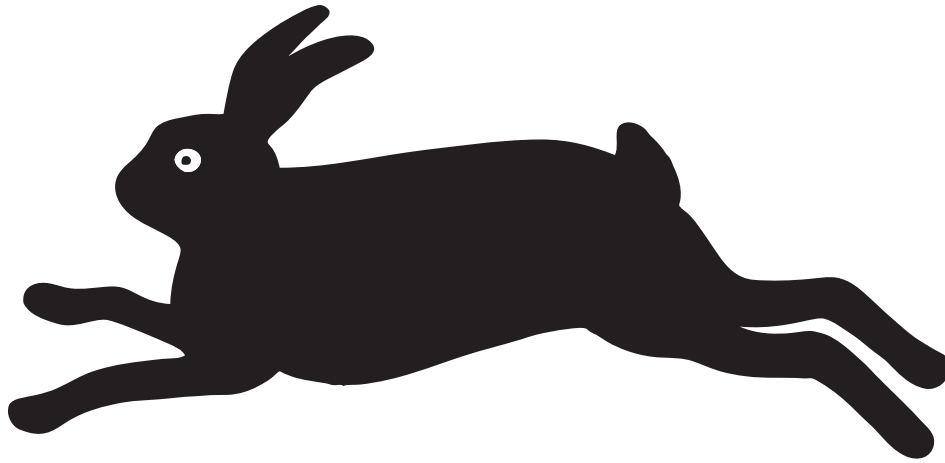
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We have earned awards at international competitions in Australia and the UK, but our greatest satisfaction comes from providing a quality product to our customers here in Woodend and around Australia. In fact, we have even begun exporting our beer to Sweden, New Zealand, Singapore, and Canada. We continue to brew in the same 1600L brewery that we started out with in the shed in '99, but have recently been able to expand our tank capacity and install a number of improvements in the brewery to assist in producing larger volumes to reach a market increasingly thirsty for flavoursome, hand-crafted beer!

Milling and Mashing:

A brew day begins with milling the malted grain to make the "grist" (cracked grain). This grist is augered into our Mash Tun where it is mixed with hot water to produce the "mash" - a thick porridge like mixture. At this point a bit of Mother Nature's magic is employed to convert the starch in the grain into fermentable sugars using the enzymes generated by the grains themselves. Starch is essentially a long chain sugar, or polysaccharide, which is chopped up by the enzymes into basic sugars like maltose, glucose, fructose and sucrose. The mash sits at around 66C for 45 minutes to an hour to allow this process to take place.

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Lautering:

The next stage involves extracting those simple sugars from the grain bed by draining out the liquid. The grain bed itself acts as a filter, and there is a slotted steel screen under the grain bed to prevent bits of grain from coming through. This process is called "lautering". The sweet liquid that results from this process is called "wort", which is then transferred across to the kettle.

We will also rinse, or "sparge", more hot water through the grain bed to extract as much of the sugars as possible. Our kettle holds about 1600L and we are using it at full capacity these days!

Kettle Boil:

Once the kettle is full we bring it to a boil and add the hops. Hops are a perennial climbing plant, or bine, and the flowers are the part used in the boil. The resins and oils in the hop flowers are extracted during the boiling process and bring important bittering, flavour and aroma elements to the finished product. Hops also have natural preserving qualities which are important for natural beers brewed in the traditional way without artificial preservatives. We boil this mixture for about 90 minutes, before rapidly cooling it via a heat exchanger and transferring the hopped wort to a clean and sanitised fermentation vessel. While the boil is taking place we empty the spent grain from our mash tun. The grain is used as feed by local pig and cattle farmers. In fact, grain fed Springfield pork sausages now features on our menu so you can enjoy a meal made with the same grain as the beer you choose to accompany it!

Fermentation:

Once in the fermentation tank we add the final ingredient – yeast. These little yeast critters are single cell organisms, technically a fungus. The yeast eats the wort sugars and produces carbon-dioxide, alcohol and a range of esters. The carbon-dioxide is important for naturally getting the fizz into the beer, and the various esters produced give many interesting and desirable flavour and aroma elements to the beer. We'll allow the yeast about two to four weeks for it to finish its work, at which point we have beer.

Lagering:

After fermentation is complete the "green" beer is chilled and given time to allow the yeast and trub to settle, and the flavours to mature. This maturation phase is generally known as "lagering". After approximately two weeks the beer is suitably clarified, or "bright", and ready for consumption.

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Submitted by J. Nelson for Holgate Brewhouse

Creative Spaces for Local Artists

Artists are needed for an exciting new project that aims to create an artist collective and establish creative spaces in Kyneton and Malmsbury.

In 2011, Council commissioned a Creative Spaces Study to identify places that would be suitable 'creative spaces' for local artists to create, perform and exhibit their work.

The study focused on existing and potential new spaces, such as buildings and empty shops, that could cater for a full range of arts and cultural activities.

Anyone interested in providing professional support and ideas about the development of these creative spaces is encouraged to contact Robyn Till on 5422 0319 or email rtill@mrsc.vic.gov.au

A copy of the Creative Spaces Study is available to view online at www.mrsc.vic.gov.au

Submitted by Ms E. McCormick Communications/Public Relations Officer Macedon Ranges Shire Council

St Mary's Anglican Guild Woodend

The Guild is Holding a Knitting Day for the Salvation Army Blankets for the Homeless Project on Wednesday July 18th at St Andrew Uniting Church Forrest Street Woodend 11.30am - 2.30pm, So bring along your knitting needles and join us for a chat. Contact Maria on 0434436430 by 2nd July.

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Submitted by Maria Arnold

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Owned & operated by university-qualified Nutritionist, Kristina Nelson, appointments incorporate in-depth nutrition consulting and clients can expect a professional, comprehensive and caring approach. Kristina says “I use evidence-based nutrition, which means I avoid using gimmicks or fad diets. Quick fix methods are usually not backed up by credible evidence, and tend to be unsuccessful in the long run because they are full of rules that can't be sustained long term, and don't address the underlying issues. Instead I work with each client individually and focus on identifying realistic goals and overcoming barriers, and prescribe supplements where necessary, so consultations are specifically tailored to each person.”

A typical first appointment will review full medical and diet history, including a nutritional assessment, BMI and computerised dietary analysis that can help determine whether nutritional needs are being met and what areas need improvement. Group sessions will also be coming up in the next few months in Woodend and Kyneton on a variety of topics, including healthy eating and weight management, and nutrition for exercise and active living. Kristina is also available to provide advice to specific groups, teams or businesses upon request.

Kristina is active in nutrition research and is looking forward to continuing this side by side with her private practice. Kristina has conducted various studies including the effects of selected supplements in cancer and menopause, as well as how particular grains and breakfast cereals affect the health of people with obesity.

Nutritional assessments can help with many health goals that can be improved by diet and lifestyle modifications. If you would like an appointment, Kristina will be consulting from July at Purple Sage, 18 High Street, Kyneton. For bookings please phone 5422 3483, or general enquiries phone Kristina on 0448 355 535, or email krisnelson@aapt.net.au.

Submitted by Kim Graham, Purple Sage

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Sugar & Spice Children's Market

Sugar & Spice Children's Market is back for 2012 and is bringing its much loved and well known markets to the beautiful Macedon Ranges town of Woodend.



Sugar & Spice Children's Market aims to bring high quality, unique and handmade children's products to the people of the Macedon Ranges. Each market showcases a big variety of stallholders, who sell mostly handmade products for children and babies. Ranging from children's clothes, accessories, toys, décor, nursery items and bedding, each stallholder is handpicked by the Sugar & Spice team to ensure every market offers a unique and diverse range for shoppers.

Each market is also a family-friendly event with free goodies bags, free face painting, coffee and cupcakes always available. Whether it be the locals who attend or day-trippers from out of town, shoppers are sure to find something gorgeous and unique from the talented Sugar & Spice stallholders.

In 2012 Sugar & Spice will hold two exclusive, boutique markets at their beautiful location at St Ambrose Hall, Woodend, on Sunday 22nd of July, 2012 - 9am to 1pm. and Sunday 18th of November 2012 - 9am to 1pm. Entry is FREE

For further information about Sugar & Spice Children's Market please visit www.sugarandspicemarkets.com.au or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/sugarandspicemarket.

Submitted by D. Phyland, Macedon Ranges Shire Council




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Rotary Club of Woodend meets every Thursday at 6.45pm upstairs in the Victoria Hotel, Woodend. For more information about our club and Rotary in general contact Brendan Watters on 54 226442 or email: bw_hibernia@vic.chariot.net.au



RedBeard bakery is a delicious finalist

RedBeard Historic Bakery in Trentham is a national finalist in the ABC delicious. magazine Produce Awards 2012.

ABC delicious. is Australia's top selling food magazine. The delicious. Produce Awards promote and advocate ecologically sustainable, best practice in food production.

More than 2000 entries were received for the delicious. Awards in 2012. The judges are some of Australia's most respected chefs and food industry experts. Winners will be announced in July.

RedBeard entered two products for the delicious. Awards: their fruity Nice Buns and their Walnut cob loaf. Both are finalists in the Artisan Award: From the Earth category.

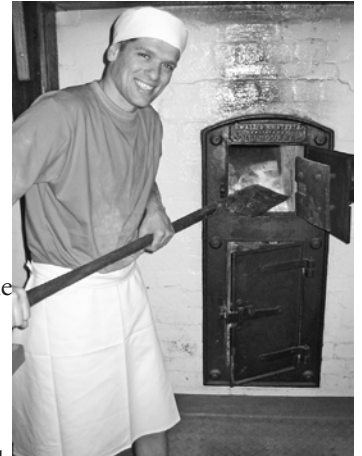
"Our sourdoughs are made simply from organic flours, salt, water and a natural wild yeast culture," explained RedBeard co-owner and Woodend resident, Alan Reid.

"The result is traditional bread that is pure, better for your health and tastes great.

"Unlike bread made with baker's yeast, sourdough's slow and complex fermentation produces outstanding texture and flavour and breaks down up to 90% of the gluten in the dough. This means RedBeard sourdough is suitable for gluten intolerant customers, although it is not recommended for coeliacs.

"We fire our oven on plantation hardwood, so our baking is carbon neutral; our electricity comes from renewable energy sources; and our use of local, organic ingredients further reduces our business' environmental impact.

"For example, our Walnut cob is made with organic Wellwood Wallace Walnuts, grown near Gordon, while our Nice Buns feature Madelaine's organic, free range eggs from Hollyburton Park in Clarkefield," said Mr Reid.



"We only sell our products locally – at farmers' markets, as well as at the bakery in Trentham – which keeps our food distribution miles low. We've had a great response to our stall at the Woodend farmers' market - on the first Saturday every month."

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With his brother John, Alan Reid opened RedBeard in 2005. Their team of artisan bakers uses a huge, woodfired, masonry oven, dating from at least 1870.

“The oven was used continuously until 1987, then it lay dormant for 18 years,” Mr Reid said. “Since we started using it again, several elderly people have introduced themselves as ex-employees of the bakery.

“The old timers say that little has changed with the traditional baking techniques we employ. Except that back then, when bakers were real men, the flour sacks they hefted weighed 70kg - instead of a measly 25kg. And dough was mixed by hand in a wooden trough instead of a mechanical mixer - up to 200kg of dough at a time!

“The viewing window into our historic baking room is very popular, especially with kids - they love the huge peel we use to load and unload the oven,” said Mr Reid.

“We’re taking more and more tour groups through the bakery too – the tours are free to café customers. Recently, in addition to our popular Sunday sourdough baking workshops, we’ve been offering mid-week workshops for groups of at least four people.”

RedBeard Historic Bakery is open daily. For more information, visit www.redbeardbakery.com.au or telephone 5424 1002.

Submitted by R Colles for Red Beard Bakery



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Ace future for Woodend tennis

Woodend Tennis Club will be redeveloped, with six new courts and competition lights transforming facilities from arguably the worst to the best in the shire.

The work is being funded with more than \$700,000 obtained through the Department of Sustainability & Environment’s Flood Recovery for Community Infrastructure Fund.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council secured the funding after the courts and surrounding area were inundated when the Five Mile Creek flooded early last year. A high water table and backwash into the drainage system have created havoc with the old courts due to the flooding.

The overhaul will include the reconstruction of all six courts, drainage works, upgrade of lighting to competition standard, new fencing and nets as well as improvements to the common area between the court enclosures.

Drainage and construction works are estimated to start later this year after a public tender process. The drainage upgrade will help mitigate future flood damage.

Woodend Tennis Club president, Richard Bills, says the funding allocation is overwhelmingly exciting and augurs well for the future of local tennis.

“There have been many complaints regarding the poor condition of the courts since the flood. Several courts are nearly unplayable so the club is very excited about the prospect of Woodend having an exceptional tennis facility for the community to enjoy into the future thanks to this funding.”

Dr Bills says the tennis club is also contributing financially towards the project, and the extensive improvements stand to benefit the local schools, spectators and community members who use the clubrooms. The changes will also prevent the need for players to contemplate moving to other clubs.

“Accessibility to the facility has been sub-standard for quite some time so the club is hopeful that the front entrance and ramp to the clubhouse will be addressed at the same time if the budget allows.”

Dr Bills thanked the MRSC and DSE for supporting the club’s efforts to improve the tennis facility for members and the greater community.

“The committee will keep our members and the wider community informed as the project unfolds especially when we get an indication of when the courts will be under construction and out of action. We will be talking to neighbouring clubs to arrange an alternative home base while the courts are under construction for our Saturday, Tuesday and junior competitions and for our resident coach.”

Submitted by Ms E McCormick, Macedon Ranges Shire Council

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Colleen Dwyer Gray inspires me to be a nice person and do the right thing in life. She also inspires me because of all she has done so far in her life.

Colleen Dwyer Gray is my scout leader and I think she is a true giver because she gives up all her Friday nights for the weekly scout meetings. She gives up her weekends and holidays for camps and fund raising. She also gives up her Tuesday nights to the cubs.

I think that is a lot of time to give up for other people. Colleen Dwyer Gray has taught me some valuable skills that I will always use, like how to do a clove hitch, how to treat a snake bite, canoeing, pitching a tent and how to build a billy cart.

Colleen has given up so much time to help us scouts raise funds for jamboree, by giving up so many of her weekends. Tess, Rose and I think that Colleen never gets out of her scout uniform because we have never seen her out of it apart from last weekend. She is always in it on scout camps and on weekend actives.

I really do think that Colleen Dwyer Gray is a true giver and I really do think that she gives up a lot of her time for us scouts.

You're the best Colleen (Won-Tolla)

B.R.A.V.O

By Matilda Willmot – Friday Night Scout – 1st Woodend Scouts
Matilda had to write a few paragraphs for a school project about a "Giver", and she picked a long standing Scout leader to write about.



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July

- 15 SASS singing – St Andrews
- 2 Landcare Group Carlsruhe
- 3 Carlsruhe Community Planning group
- 3 Information session for Prospective candidates for MRSC general elections
- 6 – 3 August Town Structure Plan available for comment
- 6 Woodend RSL Dinner & entertainment –WNANABE Entertained 5427 3122
- 11 Macedon Ranges Film Society – LA Confidential
- 13 Woodend RSL Celts & Cobber \$5 including supper
- 15 SASS singing – St Andrews
- 18 St Mary's Guild knitting day
- 20 – 22 Christmas in July Woodend Village
- 21 Woodend RSL Christmas in July with Ricky Lee & dinner \$30 5427 3122
- 22 Sugar & Spice Market
- 28 Gisborne Singers midyear concert Holy Cross PS New Gisborne
- 28 Hawke Comedy

August

- 4 Heskett Primary School annual dinner dance
- 12 St Mary's Anglican Church - Dedication of new hall
- 14 Information session for Prospective candidates for MRSC general elections
- 19 SASS singing – St Andrews

September

- 16 SASS singing – St Andrews

October

- 21 SASS singing – St Andrews
- 27 Macedon Ranges Shire Council General elections

November

- 18 Sugar & Spice market
- 18 SASS singing – St Andrews
- 24 Tylden Primary School 150th celebrations

All community groups and events are invited to submit their dates for listing on the community events calendar

COMMUNITY GROUPS CONTACT DETAILS

Alcoholics Anonymous, Friday night, Cobaw Community Centre, 0409 131 144
 Australian Breastfeeding Association, Heather, 5427 2398
 Cobaw Thursday Walking Group 5427 3340
 Daylight Masonic Lodge, 5427 2480
 1st Woodend Scout Group, 5427 2848, Leisa 0429 331 695
 Friends of Macedon Ranges Library, Chris/Bill 5427 2469
 Garden Club, 5422 6062 / 5427 3340
 Kyneton Municipal Band, Doug, 0411 420 113
 Lancefield-Macedon Ranges, Relay For Life, Melissa, 0438 831 427
 Living Word Christian Church, 5429 6327
 Historical Society, Courthouse, 5427 2523
 Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club, 10 Webb Cres, New Gisborne 1st Wednesday each month 8pm
 Macedon Ranges Animal Aid, Buffalo Sports Stadium, 5427 1752
 Macedon Ranges Bridge Club, 5420 7595
 Macedon Ranges Families of Children with Disabilities Support Group, 5427 3365
 Macedon Ranges Residents Assc., 5427 1481 or 5427 2651
 Macedon Ranges Communicators (ITC), 5427 2669
 Macedon Ranges Photographic Society, Ron Mathews, 5427 3284
 Parent Support 4 LD,- Kerrie 0414 432 158
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 R.S.L., Anslow Street, 5427 3122
 Red Cross, 5427 1260
 Rotary Club of Woodend, meetings weekly at Vic Hotel Thursdays 6.45pm, Brendan 5422 6442
 St. Mary's Guild, 11am, 4th Wednesday of month
 St. Mary's Street Stall, 9-12 noon outside Woodend Newsagency (2nd Sat of the month)
 Woodend Art Group, Railway Station, 5427 1659
 Woodend Business & Tourism Group woodendtraders@gmail.com
 Woodend Landcare Group, Jo 5427 1909 or Doug 5427 2666, 3rd Tues Meeting, 4th Sunday Working Bee
 Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club, Hanging Rock Reserve, 5427 2477
 Woodend Lions Club, Meetings 2nd/4th Wednesday each month, Barry McDonald, 5427 1272
 Woodend Model Railway Club, Buffalo Stadium
 Woodend Neighbourhood House, 47 Forest St, 5427 1845
 Woodend Pony Club, 5427 2793
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Dangers during winter

CFA statistics show that one-third of all house fires started in the kitchen, 20% were caused by heat from fuel fires and fuel-powered objects such as stoves and heaters, and another 20% from faulty or overloaded equipment. Here are just a couple of other examples: Electric Blankets, Clothes Dryers, Open Fire Place, Heaters, Candles and Power Boards.

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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.

Over the next few months, it is not uncommon for us to be called out early in the morning, in the dark, to a serious car accident on Blackforest Drive, or other major roads, where a car had hit some black ice and then skidded out of control to crash into gum trees.

People can be very seriously injured and it can take several hours to clear the scene, thanks to the combined efforts of the paramedics, SES, Police and CFA. The police helicopter is also often called to take an injured person to hospital.

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

For further information contact Captain Mick Christie on 0419 870 601 or 1st Lieutenant Mike Dornau on 0409 093 935, call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356, visit the station in Urquhart Street or our website: www.woodendcfa.org. The Woodend CFA is a volunteer emergency service, committed to Creating a Safer Community.

Submitted by 1st Lieutenant Mike Dornau, Woodend CFA

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Capital Radiology

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Welcome to Gemma Exercise Physiologist



Gemma Bird, our new Exercise Physiologist, will be joining the Brooke Street team in June. Gemma is looking forward to being able to practice within a multidisciplinary team and says "I'm passionate about exercise and helping people to keep active and healthy!"

Gemma will be available on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays while Kellie Ruane will continue to see patients on Wednesdays.

Nayana's studies reduce her hours

Dr. Nayana Prematilaka, will soon be reducing her consulting days in order to undertake further study in palliative care. Nayana will be available on Saturday mornings and every second Friday, from 6th August until February 2013. She will take two weeks annual leave at the end of July before starting her course.

Fit in Life Gym

Our Gym is currently open between 9am - 12.30pm and 2pm-4.30pm. We are interested in hearing from people who may want to use the gym but for whom these hours are not useful. If you would like to respond to our survey please email bsmc@bsmc.net.au for a copy.

The gym operates for those who may have or are at risk for chronic diseases or have injuries requiring rehabilitation. Assessment and program induction is essential before gym membership can be taken out.

Monash Students

Our first group of 4th year Monash medical students for 2012 has completed their time with us. We wish them well in their second semester and final exams. They have been an asset to the clinic and we are appreciative of patient co-operation in the training of these students; so near now to the time they will bear the title of 'Dr'. Our second semester students arrive on Monday 9 July and will be with us until 2 November.

Research grant awarded to BSMC

Brooke Street Medical Centre has been awarded one of a small number of grants from the Centre of Research Excellence in Rural and Remote Primary Health Care.

The grant will enable us to investigate the model of care we use to provide services to residents of Woodend Community Aged Care. This model of care aims to improve quality of care and increase access for residents to the General Practice team.

The research will hopefully benefit residents of other aged care facilities around Australia where General Practices seek new ways to meet the many and varied needs of their communities.

New door weekend & public holidays

All our weekend and public holiday morning clinics will now operate from our new building only. Please enter from the new entrance (on the High Street side) as the entrance to the old building will be closed on these days.

Brooke St. Medical Centre – tel. (03) 5427 1002 (after hours: tel. 1300 55 75 12)

Autumnal Photo Competition Winners

Tourism Macedon Ranges recently held an Autumnal Photo Competition. Congratulations to all of our entrants, we received so many amazing photographs that highlights the beauty of the Macedon Ranges.

The Winners of the Autumnal Photo Competition are:
1st Prize: Xin Hu; Honour Ave, Macedon



2nd Prize: Bronwyn Farrugia; 25 Pinchoff Lane Mount Macedon



3rd Prize: Philip Holgate; Fonteinbleu, Mount Macedon



You can view these beautiful photographs on the Tourism Macedon Ranges Facebook page.

Winter Wonderland Photo Competition

Our seasons are so magnificent in the Macedon Ranges that we are running a Winter Wonderland Photo Competition – we want you to share with us your best image of winter in the Macedon Ranges.

All entries must be in by the 31st August 2012.

On entry, please ensure when you post your picture/s you include: Name of your picture; Location in the Macedon Ranges and name of the Photographer and/or entrant

Conditions: The winner must like Tourism Macedon Ranges Facebook page.

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Sammy grants supporting school gardens

Woodend Primary School will receive \$1000 from Western Water under the Sammy's School Garden Grants program.

The school will use the money to improve the irrigation system of its existing vegetable garden and establish an outdoor learning centre.

"We are pleased to be supporting this great project at Woodend Primary with a Sammy Grant," Western Water's Managing Director, John Wilkinson, says.

"We were very impressed by the school's application, which showed great commitment from the school community to gardening sustainably and using the garden as an educational resource," he says.

The school is one of ten in the Western Water region to receive a \$1000 Sammy grant, named for the Western Water mascot.

The grants is part of Western Water's Corporate Social Responsibility program, which aims to give back to the community.

Submitted by K Smith for Western Water

Horse Agility Clinic

What a fabulous day we all had when Yggdrasil Equestrian Training, led by coach Amber Smeenck, held its first Horse Agility Clinic at Kilroe Connemara Stud in Woodend.

Horse Agility comprises a variety of obstacles (like the better known dog agility) for horses and their handlers to complete; at higher levels this may be timed and competitive.

Horse Agility tests horses physically and emotionally and also tests the trainer's ability to teach their horse to face a variety of situations with confidence and grace. This builds wonderful relationships between horses and trainers on the ground which can be transferred to horses when they are being ridden.



On Sunday the sun shone in North Woodend while a huge black weather front hovered over the Macedon Ranges. Eleven horses and their handlers took part ranging from 10 year old Leila and her miniature pony Tinka to the beautiful ClydieX

stallion belonging to Annemaree from Kilmore. Three Connemara ponies took part with great aplomb. The young horses who took part were initially very shocked by balloons, brightly coloured feather boas and tarpaulins but by the end of the day were confident and more experienced. A couple of the horses who took part were not currently being ridden due to injury or their handler's health problems but horse agility provides a challenge and fun for all ages and all levels of fitness.

For more information about this fast growing new sport check out www.horseagility.com.au

Submitted by Amber Smeenck

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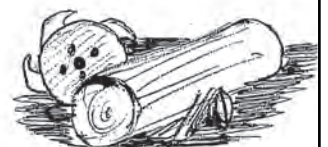
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Donna Petrovich encourages individuals, businesses and community groups, clubs and organisations that are making a significant difference in our community to nominate for the 2012 Regional Achievement and Community Awards.

“These prestigious awards pay tribute to regional and rural Victorians who are the pillars of our communities” said Mrs Petrovich.

“These community members contribute so much to making our community a better place to live and they deserve acknowledgement and recognition.

“I encourage you to consider making a nomination on behalf of someone that deserves a pat on the back,” said Mrs Petrovich.

Nominations are now open in the following categories:

- Prime Super Community Group of the Year Award
- Regional Development Victoria Business Achievement Award
- Blue Scope Distribution Leadership and Innovation Award
- Medibank Healthy Participation Award
- Department of Sustainability and Environment Water Efficiency Improvements Award
- Parks Victoria Environment and Sustainability Award
- Regional Development Victoria Trade and Career Achievement Award

- Parks Victoria Regional Achiever Award

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Nomination forms and posters are available from Mrs Petrovich's office at 84 Sydney Street Kilmore or by calling 5782 2011.

The Awards Office can also be contacted on 9720 2277, email: vic@awardsaustralia.com or by nominating online at www.awardsaustralia.com/RACA_vic.html.

Nominations close Tuesday 17th July 2012

Submitted by J Laffan, Office of Donna Petrovich MLC

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Kindergym is a great place to spend time with your little prince or princess in our enclosed playground. It's a perfect way to interact with your child and watch their development, in a fun and safe atmosphere, and a great place for grandparents to bring their grandchildren on a Friday morning.

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Submitted by Anita for Buffalo Sports Stadium


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“Democracy – Who Cares?”

“To make democracy work, we must be a nation of participants, not simply observers. One who does not vote has no right to complain”

Louis L’Amour.

I wonder what the American author would make of the Lowy Institute survey that shows many Australians are quite indifferent about democracy and younger Australians in particular do not believe democracy is the best form of government.

Of those aged 18 to 29, 23% believe that, it doesn’t matter what kind of government we have.

37% say non democratic rule can be best, and only 39% believe democracy is better than other forms of government.

This disconnection of young people from the political system is a problem. While they may seek to excuse themselves from political engagement they are possibly more affected by the outcomes of the democratic process than others. The impact of political decisions today will have a decisive and cumulative effect on their socio-economic circumstances across their lifetimes.

Are they disengaged because we have a stable political system, they don’t like the major political parties, or is it just youthful boredom?

What will it take for our younger citizens to embrace and participate in democracy and how do we engage them? I am interested in your thoughts.

Warm regards Joanne Duncan

See below for contact details

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As your local Member of Parliament I am keen to listen to any concerns or ideas you may have.

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Warm regards,
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The Foundation provides the following services and resources: information and referral, resource library, professional counselling, guest speaker program, support groups, reiki healing, ifas treatment, ear candling, quarterly newsletter, self help workshops and educational films.

Weekly Support Groups:

- Health Awareness Support Group Offering meditation, reiki healing and general discussion on natural therapies and preventative medicine. Tuesdays, 7.30-9.30pm.
- Self Empowerment and Healing Support Group For confidence building and positive living. Thursdays, 10-11.30am.

Health Workshops & Seminars for July 2012

- Six Healing Sounds of Qi Gong Workshop with Stefano Zanin. An ancient Chinese technique that utilizes the power of movement and breath to help prevent and protect the body from disease and promote longevity. Saturday 14 of July, 10am-4pm. Cost \$150 or \$120 CNTF members.
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All Welcome

Submitted by Sue de Jonge, Cancer and Natural Therapy Foundation



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Heritage News

It is 12 years since a short history of Islay House appeared in these pages, so given the great interest that surrounds it; here again is a brief summary of its history including our most recent research.

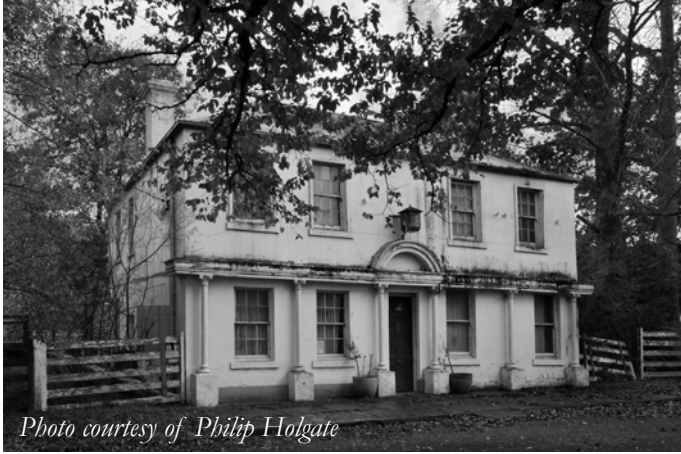


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The land on which Islay House stands was purchased from the Crown in 1859 by Henry Dale. The sale price was £30. He built the building we now know is Islay House and in 1861 applied for a publicans licence under the name of the British and American Hotel by 1862, records indicate that Henry Dale was in financial difficulties and eventually became bankrupt. On the 11th June 1863 Henry Edwards appealed against the Rates of £100 for the British American Hotel and these were reduced to £75. He may have been the receiver. The Hotel then became The Cumberland Hotel and later when it was leased to Thomas Patterson, Patterson's Family Hotel. In 1877 it was again put on the market: "To let or for sale Privately. Patterson's Family Hotel, High St Woodend, now licensed, containing 8 rooms & bar, with detached kitchen & servant's rooms & ballroom, ten-stall stable. The land, 2 original Government allotments, town of Woodend." Thomas Patterson, who had been both a Councillor and Mayor, left the district in 1879 and at that point left the district to become a Miller. Local folk memory suggests that the hotel became a stopping place for Cobb & Co. coaches and the blacksmiths shop which stood beside it for many years until it was destroyed by fire in 1972 would support this. The hotel was eventually de-licensed and purchased by the Gilchrist Family to become their private home.

John Gilchrist was born on the Island of Islay off the West coast of Scotland and named the house after his birthplace. When he arrived in Woodend in the 1850s he established a tea, wine and spirit business, one of the first stores in Woodend. After he died in 1893 his wife and then his sister continued to live at Islay House. The Victorian façade of the building was altered to incorporate some Georgian features just after the end of World War II. In more recent times the property became the home of another local Councillor, Gilbert Gordon and his wife Annabel. After his death, the property was auctioned in 2000, sold; some restoration work carried out and then resold again. As I write, it is currently once more on the market.

Submitted by Janet Hawkins, W&DHS

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Woodend District Netball Club

The Woodend District Netball club were successful in applying for a Community funding scheme grant to build a shelter with accessible path. Many thanks to Adam Kerry Building, Brad Crozier from Fieldscape Concreting, 2MH Consulting and the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. The club looks forward to funding a BBQ for the shelter for the use of the club and the wider community.



Monday Morning Netball

Thank you to all the ladies for making this an exciting first season of our Ladies Monday morning netball. There has been some great friendships made, and all the participants are enjoying the exercise and a catch up with friends old and new. Our new season is due to start Monday 16th July, so if you are interested please do not hesitate to contact the staff at Buffalo Sports Stadium and register your interest. A great way to spend your Monday morning... make this time your time.

Tuesday Night Netball

The Autumn 2012 season at Buffalo Sports Stadium for the Ladies Tuesday night netball has come to an end for another season. What a fantastic time we have had. Teams have showed great team spirit and support towards each other. We are looking forward to seeing you again for our winter season starting on the 17th July.

Submitted by Anita



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SPORTS NEWS

Lockie Marshall's Debut Australian Formula 3 Championship Race

Victorian teenager Lockie Marshall faced up to the biggest challenge of his motor racing career as he lined up for the 4th Round of the Australian Formula 3 Championship at Hidden Valley Raceway, Darwin on the weekend. Before a crowd of more than 50,000 spectators and the full contingent of V8 Supercar Teams, the teenager from Woodend had his first taste of the pressure of high level motorsport competition. The 2.9 km circuit features the longest straight of all the Australian circuits with the F3 cars reaching speeds of about 230 kph prior to negotiating turn 1, a tightening left hand hairpin. Friday practice saw Marshall top the time sheets in the National Class in practice session 1. Marshall was upbeat after the session saying "I'm very happy with my speed and the set-up of the car".

Practice session 2 was a different story however, with an electrical fault starting a small fire in the cockpit of his Dallara racing car on lap 3 forcing a hurried exit into pit lane and an exit from the car as the fire marshals quickly doused the flames. Fortunately the damage to the car was minor and following repairs to the wiring the car was prepared for the qualifying session on Saturday morning. Despite the disadvantage of having less practice time than his fellow competitors and being new to the circuit, Marshall was still able to post the 2nd fastest qualifying time in the National Class. As the field lined up for the first of 3 races on Saturday afternoon, Marshall knew that staying out of trouble at turn one was his number one priority. As luck would have it Marshall was able to get around the chaos caused by one of the lead cars spinning in turn one which resulted in him dropping a couple of places as he had to run wide to avoid a stationary car. Marshall put his head down and over the next few laps proceeded to make up the lost places and by the end of the 12 lap race had worked his way up to first place in the National class. Race 2 on Sunday morning saw a clean start however a small error resulted in Marshall losing a place and eventually finished in 2nd place in his class.

Race 3 was the feature race and saw Marshall starting off pole on the National class grid beside Queenslander Ben Gersekowski. A determined drive from Marshall saw him take the lead in the National class and hold it for the 15 laps to take the win and deliver an overall first place for the race meeting. Commenting after the final race Marshall said "my times were very consistent over the length of the race and my race with one of the Championship class cars helped me draw away from the rest of the National class runners. Its been a great opportunity to race against some top drivers and I've learnt such a lot".

For his debut Formula 3 race it was a great result and all the more satisfying as he was presented his winning trophy by former Australian F1 world Champion Alan Jones.

Lockie would like to thank his sponsors Lord Chemicals, Ontime Distribution, Forensic Consulting, A1 Signs, Elf Racefuels, Connexus, Campbellfield Truck Services, Kyneton Autopro, Kyneton Toyota, Bridgestone Kyneton, Point Precision Engineering, Race Recall and Unique Marine for their support through the year. Lockie would also like to thank the team at Brad Jones Racing for their help over the weekend.

Lockie is now looking forward to the next round of the Australian Formula 3 Championship to be held at Eastern Creek Raceway, Sydney on the 14th and 15th of July.

You can watch in-car videos of all the Darwin action and follow Lockie's progress on his website www.lockiemarshall.com or on Facebook or via twitter at @lockiemarshall



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