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Just in case you were unaware (!) this issue marks our 30th anniversary. I hope you enjoy the nostalgia laden centre page supplement, which

tries to look back to 1981 and how we have developed since then through the eyes of significant contributors to our longevity. As part of our celebrations, we are offering you two chances to win \$50 shopping vouchers. We have the 30th Anniversary "Name The Lakes Quiz" and the "Collect The Tokens" promotion that will run through to our December issue. All details and conditions of entry are detailed with the competitions in the paper.

Once again we are in desperate need of distributors. You can see the areas that need your help in the "Walking The News" article. The consequence of our plea falling on deaf ears could result in the paper not being distributed in the areas concerned, a step we do not want to take and would be a last resort. Each of the 'walks' takes no more than 30 minutes and is great exercise, so please give Peter a call today.

I was delighted to read that the State Government has bowed to community pressure and reversed its decision to cut funding to public libraries. Knox Council have cautiously welcomed the decision and I'm sure the news has been received by Rose and her team at our Library with huge relief.

Congratulations to Kirsten, our regular contributor from Park Ridge Primary School, on the birth of her son.

Our very capable President, Rob James (he's a policeman!!) will be the 'guest' editor for the October issue. Please treat him gently and I will be back for the following edition.



We are bursting with pride. Why? We have a fantastic new website, www.rlcnews.com.au Take a look and I'm sure you will agree it is something for us to be proud and excited about. Our website administrator, Les Pach, has worked tirelessly on the project and now he is looking for comments and critique. Be kind!!

The site currently contains 164 pages grouped in 8 main sections accessible from the main menu. You will find our Home page, About Us, Local News, Local History, Gallery, Directory, Events and a Contact Us page. For easier navigation all pages are accessible by links located on all pages and for some in side bars.

The Side Bar currently contains 23 internal and external links, including Facebook, Twitter, Translator, Knox Council, Centrelink etc. The 'Translator' link lets visitors read our website in 52 languages!

A PDF version of the latest issues can be downloaded by clicking on a link on the Home page or in the Site Bar.

Have a browse and let us know what you think. Contact Les at admin@rlcnews.com.au

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DIRECTORY

Apex Club Meet on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays each month.

AfCFellowship English services 10am (simultaneous kids R.O.C.K. programme) and 5.30pm every Sunday. Indonesian:10am every Sunday. Mandarin1:30pm every Sunday. Stompers Pre-School Playgroup 10am every Wednesday (during school terms).

Baptist Church Services every Sunday 10am and Youths 7pm. 'Flying Solo' a single Mums support group every Wednesday, details 9759 6642 Playgroups - Tue, Thur & Fri mornings during school terms.

CFA Juniors Meet every Thursday 7pm.

Cake Decorators Asscn Bi-monthly 2nd Sunday 10am-3pm (watch for extra meetings) Oct. and Dec. Scout Hall, Turramurra Drive Contact 9763 8646

1st Rowville Scout Group

Scouts (11-14years)

Yarra Troop - every Monday 7.30pm Strzelecki Troop - every Thursday 7.45pm

Cubs (7-10.5 years)

Emu Pack every - Tuesday 7.00pm Kangaroo Pack - every Wednesday 7.00pm Joey Mob (6-7.5 years) - every Thursday 6.30pm Venturers (14-17.5 years) every Friday 7.30pm

Fruitful Vine Church Services every Sunday 10am. **Growville Growers** 1st Friday each month 2pm at Library.

Knox & District Over 50s Meet 4th Tues each month at 1.30pm (except Jan & Dec) at Boronia Progress Hall.

Knox Home Garden Club Meet on 3rd Monday of each month at 8pm at U3A Parkhills Campus.

Knox Safer Community Meet 1st Tuesday each month at Knox Police Station. Contact L S/C Lee Thomson 9881 7948 **Life Activities Club** Regular Activities. Call Melva 9762 3764 **Lions Club** Meet 2nd & 4th Wednesday - 7pm for 7.30pm at Knox Tavern. Transport & meal available 9752 2785

Little Athletics For training & event days: 9763 1404. **Multiple Birth Assoc.** 2-3 yr old Playgroup Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9.30am Kristin 9754 4318 Parents Coffee Morning - Fridays 10am Wendy 0425 805 918

Overeaters Anonymous Do you have an overeating problem? No weigh-ins. Meet every Saturday at 8.30am at Uniting Church. 9874 5527 or 9873 7161

Probus Club Meet 1st Tues each month (except Jan & Nov) 10am.

RAFT Anglican Church Holy Communion 8.30am Family Worship 10.30am every Sunday. Family History Group meet on 1st Wednesday each month at 10am. Mainly Music meet every Wednesday 9.30am

Red Cross Rowville Meet 3rd Wed. each month 10am. Libby 9755 8010

Ritzy Rozellas (Red Hat Society) For all events contact Kerry 9764 4717

Rotary Club Meet every Tuesday at the Baton Rouge Quality Inn at 7pm

Rowville Seniors Meet Wednesdays and Fridays 1pm to 3.30pm at Community Centre

Salvation Army Services every Sunday 10am

Shooting The Breeze Jazz & Pop Group, Every Wednesday 7.30pm Maureen 9768 3896

St Simon's Parish Services Saturday 6.00pm. Sunday 8am. 9.30am and 11.00am

Timbertop Golf Club Saturday Ladies Competition Tirhatuan Lakes Muriel: 0427 585 575

Toastmasters Meet 2nd & 4th Tuesday each month 7.15pm at RAFT Church, contact Sheree: rowvilletoastmasters@gmail.com

TOWN Club Meet Wednesdays 9.30am at Uniting Church

Uniting Church Services Sunday at 10am. KUCA (Primary Children) Fridays 12.30pm LINK Thursdays 10am. Toddler Gym Friday 9.30-10.30 & 11am-Noon (during School terms)

If you would like to add your club, organisation or association to the 'Directory' or 'This Month'



September

www.wattleday.asn.au 1 Sept Wattle Day

1 Sept – 7 Sept Spina Bifida Week www.sbfv.org.au

18 Aug – 4 Sept Melbourne Winter Festival www.winterfestival.com.au

1-30 Sept Ovarian Cancer Research Month www.ocrf.com.au

1 – 30 Sept Prostate Cancer Month www.prostate.org.au

1 – 30 Sept **Heart Foundation Doorknock** www.heartfoundation.org.au

1 Sept – 30 Sept Save the Koala Month www.savethekoala.com

1 Sept – 7 Sept National Asthma Week www.asthma.org.au

2 Sept – 4 Sept Kyneton Antique Fair www.visitmacedonranges.com

3 Sept Idul Fitri Celebration www.perwira.com.au

4 Sept Fathers Day

5 Sept – 11 Sept Child Protection Week www.napcan.org.au

5 Sept – 11 Sept Landcare Week www.landcareonline.com.au

7 Sept 10am -12noon Family History Group Guest speaker Ada Ackerly - Early Irish immigrants. Bev Cooen 9759 5455 or jibec@optusnet.com.au

Threatened Species Day 7 Sept www.environment.gov.au

9 Sept Badge Day

www.epilepsycentre.org.au

10 Sept Suicide Prevention Day suicidepreventionaust.org

11 Sept Sustainable House Day www.sustainablehouseday.com

12 Sept – 18 Sept National Stroke Week www.strokefoundation.com.au/

15 Sept – 12 Oct Tesselaar Tulip Festival www.tulipfestival.com.au

16 Sept – 18 Sept Clean Up the World Day www.cleanuptheworld.org/en/

17 Sept Diabetes Buzz Day www.buzzday.com.au/

19 Sept – 25 Sept Herbal Medicine Week www.nhaa.org.au

21 Sept World Alzheimer's Day www.alzheimers.org.au/

21 Sept – 9 Oct Melbourne Fringe Festival www.melbournefringe.com.au

23 Sept Vernal Equinox

22 Sept World Carfree Day www.worldcarfree.net/wcfd

29 Sept National Police Remembrance Day www.auspol.org

AGM Advance Advice

The Rowville Lysterfield Community News will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 17th November at 8.00pm. There will be a guest speaker and all our readers are very welcome to attend. We probably have the shortest meetings you've ever attended, no more than an hour, so it won't be a late night. The venue will be reported in next month's paper. For further information please call 9763 3157.

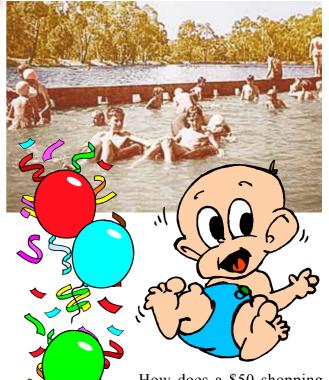
This is your chance to win a \$50 shopping voucher for Christmas. The competition is open to all Primary and Secondary students living in Rowville or Lysterfield.

The RLCN has hidden in this issue of the paper a RED token. In the next three issues there will be a different coloured token for you to find.

Collect all four coloured tokens and send or take them, in a sealed envelope, to RLCN Tokens, Rowville Community Centre, Fulham Road, Rowville. Don't forget to include your name and address so that we can contact the winners.

The closing date for your entry is December 12th 2011. One entry per person, but a family can enter as many as they like provided each entry has the tokens and is for a different family member. The first two envelopes picked with all the tokens inside will win the vouchers.

30th Birthday Quiz



How does a \$50 shopping voucher sound? It could be yours if you can answer one simple question.

Rowville has 3 Lakes. Can you name them?

The first correct answer drawn will receive the prize. This promotion is open to ALL ages so put your thinking caps on, or start searching the internet or library.

The closing date is Friday 16th September. Send your answer to rlcnews@vicnet.net.au or by hand to the Rowville Community Centre in Fulham Road clearly



We are delighted to announce the return of Drs Kirrly Ellerton, Julia Trayer and Kristina Coniglio Dr Lona Brown will also be returning next month.

As a result of the return of our doctors from maternity leave we now have much improved availability of 'on the day' appointments.

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Community Service Clubs' Page



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Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield

A New Interact Club for Rowville-Lysterfield

Strength through Service

What a proud and momentous occasion it was for our relatively young Rotary club to see the inauguration of the Interact Club of Rowville-Lysterfield based at the Rowville Secondary College. 33 Students from the Eastern and Western campus of the Rowville Secondary College are now charter members of this new club including club president Jessica Forrer and five other board members. It was inspiring to see so many committed year 10 and 11 Students willing to become involved in making the world a better place.

Community Service is already a strong ethic at Rowville Secondary College but the formation of the Interact Club provides the opportunity to partner with the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield in both local and overseas projects.

Rotarian Gary Forrest has worked hard over the past twelve months to make the Interact Club a reality. After the club established in Sandringham Secondary College by the Rotary Club of Beaumaris, this is only the second club in our district to be formed.

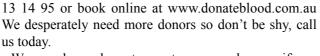
A ceremony was held to kick off the inauguration of the Interact club where Rotary handed over the clubs new banner and certificates and lapel pins to each of the students. Rotary District Governor Juliet Risley was present at the ceremony as were Nick Wakeling (Member for Ferntree Gully) and Glenn Fankhauser (Principal of Rowville Secondary College) as well as a number of other representatives from the school who have provided great support towards the starting of this new club and wonderful program.

Interact is Rotary International's service club for young

people aged 12 to 18 and stands for International Action. Interact clubs are sponsored by individual Rotary clubs which provide support

and guidance but they are self-governing and self-supporting. Club membership varies greatly, they can be large or small, and draw from the student body of a single school or two or more schools within the same community. Each year Interact Clubs complete at least two community service projects, one of which furthers international understanding and good will. Through these efforts, Interactors develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs and learn the importance of; developing leadership skills and personal integrity, helpfulness and respect for others, understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work, and advancing international understanding and goodwill. As one of the most significant and fastest growing programs of Rotary service, with more than 10,700 clubs in 109 countries and geographical areas, Interact has become a worldwide phenomenon. Nearly 200,000 young people are involved in its local and worldwide activities. We wish the Interact Club of Rowville-Lysterfield every success.

On a separate and special note our Rotary Club wish to thank the Rowville Lysterfield Community News for their



We are always keen to greet new members so if you would like to come along, please give Libby a call on 9755 8010 or Joan on 9764 4611. Meeting venue and times are in the "What's On Locally" section on page 2.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all at the Rowville/Lysterfield Community News on thirty years of serving the community in such a responsible way. Our group has benefitted over many years through our association with the RLCN and we would like to wish all connected with the paper a very happy 30th birthday and many more successful years to enjoy.



Photo - From left The Inaugural President of the Interact Club, Jessica Forrer, Rotarian Gary Forrest, Rotary District Governor Juliet Riseley and Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield Club President Steve Macdonald.

continued support and congratulate everyone involved with the news for their hard work and the milestone of 30 years in production. Happy Birthday RLCN.

See the 'What's On Locally' section for where and when Rotary meets. If you would like to visit the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield one night or become a member please call Anthony Johnson on 0412 586 283 or Jeff Somers on

0413 150 587 or email jjsomers@ozemail.com.au.



A group of 'Interactors' with the Principal of Rowville Secondary College, Glenn Fankhausser, Rotary District Governor Juliet Riseley, Interact Club President Jessica Forrer and Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield Club President Steve Macdonald.



Lions Club

The Lions Club of Rowville is gearing up for the warmer weather which always brings with it plenty of activity in the community. Our various committees are all looking forward to making their contribution towards the success

of the club and helping those in need along the way.

Our sausage sizzles at Bunnings Scoresby on the first Friday of each month are proving to be very valuable fundraisers and, with all proceeds going back into the community, we encourage everyone to come along and buy a sausage or two from us in the knowledge that they are doing their bit to help. As always, new members are very welcome and anyone interested in joining, or finding out more about the projects and activities of the club, can ring Roger on 9752 7066 or 0428 105 121 and he will be only too pleased to assist with any enquiries.

Australian Red Cross Rowville Unit

The Australian Red Cross Service continues to expand its reach with the opening of many blood donation centres and through mobile services to regional areas.

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U3A Knox is one of the busiest places around with so many events to take place in the next few months.

Planning is well advanced for the Art Show and entry forms are available on the website: www.u3aknox. com.au under Annual Art Show in the side bar. The show is anything but your usual art show, with several stalls (see picture - 2010) including book stall, craft stall (many Christmas stocking filler bargains), garden stall, and devonshire teas all day.

This year the local station FM98.1 Radio Eastern, will broadcast for the first day, Saturday 8th October, from Parkhills, Park Boulevard, Ferntree Gully as the show takes place. The official opening will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, with presentation of all prizes including the Best Exhibit Prize of \$1,000 donated this year by Bendigo Community Bank. The Environment Society Prize and the Bill Batt Memorial Prize for Best Landscape will also be presented, along with good prizes in all categories. The



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Enhancing the great sense of community and liveability in the Rowville-Lysterfield area is important to me. Not-for-profit community organisations are integral to a healthy, vibrant and cohesive community and I feel it is imperative that these groups are able to effectively communicate what they have to offer. This free community information-sharing page is my way of helping our terrific, not-for-profit groups to do just that. Please contact the editor of the RLCN for more on this offer. I would like to thank those of you who give up your time to help build a better community. I would particularly like to thank the RLCN for their contribution to our community as well.



closing date for all entries is October 3rd. There will be a \$2.00 entry fee which includes the Show Catalogue. Put this in your diary. Inquiries 9752 2737 or email office@u3aknox.com.au

As well as the Art Show, U3A performing groups will be at Federation Square for the beginning of Seniors Week in Victoria, with the Line Dancers, Chimes, and acapella groups all performing live, plus a stall to show off U3A activities.

On 13th October, as another part of Knox Seniors Week, there will be a free OPEN AFTERNOON, where visitors will be able to see some classes in action, have a free afternoon tea, and see a film.

Finally on November 18th, there will be a performance by all groups in the Annual U3A Concert at the newly refurbished Knox Community Arts Centre (more details next issue).

Stop Press...The membership of U3A Knox is once again over 1,000

Kath Brown, U3A Knox Publicity

RITZY ROSELLAS

Red Hatters love to get together for a bit to eat and drink and we do it in a variety of ways. Breakfast in our pj's has always been a favourite of the Ritzy Rosellas. We are not quite up to going to a restaurant in our night gear but usually hold it in a private home. It is amazing that there are so many different styles of purple night wear out in the market. The breakfast is usually held in the warmer weather and involves chicken and champagne of course! Coffee and Cake walkabout is another favourite activity. We choose a shopping centre, find a good coffee shop that sells delicious cakes and settle down for a chat. After our afternoon tea we head off to the shops to see what we can find. Shopping is the national sport for Australian Red Hatters.

Doing lunch is another favourite pastime. Over the years we have been to most of the restaurants at Knox Ozone and are now widening our travels. In the next few

months we are going to Top Paddock in Knoxfield and to Rose Cottage in Monbulk. We always attract plenty of comments when we arrive en masse for lunch.

Afternoon teas and fun activities of a wide variety are held at private homes for any reason. In July we had an End of Financial Year afternoon tea during which we exchanged gifts in a game. We always have a delicious spread of food to have for afternoon tea. Champagne, wine, soft drink and tea or coffee are an important part of the afternoon.

Going out for dinner is great fun for a Ritzy Rosella. We have been to a few of the local hotels for a counter tea and are usually the last ones left in the room. We draw plenty of comments and are often asked if our photo can be taken. This year we have introduced International Dining. Two of our ladies have chosen a selection of different cuisines for us to try. We have had Chinese, Italian, Mexican and Thai so far and are looking forward to an African meal later on in the year.

If you would like to know more about Red Hatting please ring Kerry on 9764 4717

Congratulations to The Rowville Lysterfield News for its 30th birthday. The RLCN forms a big part of our community and keeps us all informed of what is going on. It certainly has played a big part in the formation and continued growth of the Ritzy Rosellas of Rowville. I look forward to continuing reading the newspaper for many more years to come.



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Toastmasters International is a non-profit educational organisation that teaches public

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speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of clubs. What we now know as "Toastmasters" dates back to 1924. From these early days and humble beginnings, the concept has grown into a global communication and leadership organisation. There are currently over 13,000 Toastmasters' clubs and more than 270,000 members in 116 countries.

Why does Toastmasters continue to grow and attract new members? Because today, more than ever, we need to be able to communicate effectively and the Toastmasters' program helps members do just that. It provides its members with the tools to become better communicators and leaders.

Encouragement and support are intrinsic to the Toastmasters' program. At Toastmasters we acknowledge that what a prospective new member is attempting may not be easy or come naturally to them, but we know that the ability to communicate effectively is achievable and the effort worthwhile. We know because we have experienced it. Members benefit from the skills gained, refined and practised at Toastmasters.

When a new member joins they are matched with a mentor so that they can gain from the direction and support of a person who has had similar experiences. Mentors are able to offer guidance and are available to answer any questions the new member may have. At Rowville Toastmasters we encourage and support every member so that they can become better and more effective communicators.

Some new members may already be skilled communicators when they start at Toastmasters. They are seeking to expand their experience and, along with practised members, they look to be challenged. The contest and competition program provides such challenges by allowing interested members to test and hone their skills. Members are able to compete from club to international levels. The Rowville Toastmasters Club actively participates in and hosts competitions. The presentations given at these contests cover vast and varied topics. They are often educational, inspiring and humorous

but are are always enjoyable. Visitors are welcome to join the audience at these special events.

If you are interested in improving or practising your communication skills we would like to invite you to join us at a Rowville Toastmasters meeting. As a visitor to a meeting you will be able to see how the program is put into action and the quality of education, feedback and support that is offered to members.

Contest details, dates, times and venues are available from Penny and general membership enquiries from Sheree, both at rowville@rowvilletoastmasters.org.au

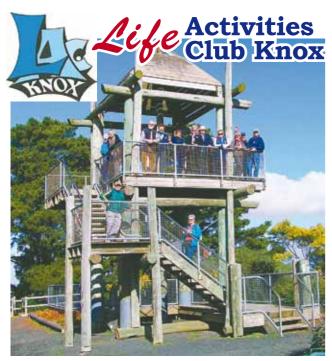
Meeting times and venue can be found in the "What's On Locally" regular feature on page 2.

On a special note:

We would like to congratulate the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News Inc on achieving its 30 year milestone.

Rowville Toastmasters has enjoyed a long association with the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News and we take great pleasure in congratulating the paper and its staff on reaching its 30th year in print. This publication has supported our community, clubs, and organisations over this time, producing an excellent newspaper which is informative, enjoyable and valued by the community. Thank you to all the team at the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News, we wish you continued success into the future.

Rowville Toastmasters



L.A.C.K. "Friday Walkers": Reaching new heights at Wilsons Botanical Park, Berwick

Something to do? Somewhere to go? People to meet? We'll make you welcome, and include all three.

All activities are available to you, so come along, meet us, join in on a couple, and then after two, and only then, decide if our friendly club is for you.

Including Social Board Games, Canasta and "500" we play: A few activities at night, but mostly during the day, Employed and over "50", can join us on weekends, With Cinema, Painting, Walking, Picnics, no end. Travel the world in a comfy armchair, The world is our oyster, no passports, no fare, Bushwalkers too, would like to meet you, An interesting way, to spend some of your day, Tracks are well planned neither strenuous nor bland, Ring the convenor, there's more information at hand. Bus trips, beautiful gardens to visit, holidays, painting too, Music, Cinema, fishing, Dining, all these activities are available to you.

We'll happily post to you, our current newsletter, and maybe for \$20.00, you can join as a full member.

Call either Melva 9762 3764 or Helen 9729 1151 **PS** "Congratulations R.L.C.N. on your 30 years of service to the community."



Spring is definitely with us now and we hope the sunshine will

encourage many of you over-50s to come along and join us in a wide range of social activities.

At 1.30 pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month, we hold our general meeting at the Boronia Progress Hall. With "business" taken care of in less than 30 minutes, we then partake of refreshments and settle down to listen to our guest speaker of the month which is always an entertaining and educational experience. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 27th September, 2011. Visitors are most welcome.

During September, some of our members are off on the annual five-day/four-night trip, which this year takes in the NSW/Victorian border region, north of Melbourne. Each month we offer a wonderful choice of social activities, such as bus trips, lunches, book clubs, movies, morning teas, etc. As a financial member of the Over50s, you would be welcome to participate in any or all of these events.

Our monthly newsletter "Knox Natters Matter" will keep you up to date on all that's happening.

The members of Knox & District Over 50s Inc. are very pleased to congratulate Rowville Lysterfield Community News on 30th years of publication. That's a great achievement and we trust it will continue for at least another 30 years.

Contact Stuart on 9763 8756 for any further information.

Rowville Rail Forums Spark Great Interest

Community forums held in July on a possible Rowville rail link attracted a strong turn-out of residents keen on having their say about the 12 km link between Huntingdale and Rowville.

The three forums were part of the Rowville rail feasibility study, which places strong emphasis on community consultation. The Government is eager to gauge the needs and interests of residents for the purpose of delivering a better public transport system to the eastern suburbs. As such, the forums gave members of the community the chance to share their views and provide suggestions.

I attended the Rowville forum, held on 23 July, where about 60 residents participated in the round-table style discussions. In all, Approximately 135 community members attended the workshops, and participant feedback shows strong appreciation for the workshops and the opportunity to participate in the study.

I myself was very pleased that the forums inspired such strong community interest. It was very informative to hear from so many residents, from younger people, to parents with families, and retirees. Their experiences and views have given us a clearer picture of what Knox residents want from their public transport system, and I would like to thank them for their participation.

For those unable to attend the forums, it's not too late to provide input. To enter your feedback online, go to www.rowvillerailstudy.com.au where you can also find out more about the project.

Nick Wakeling MP

State Member for Ferntree Gully



School crossing supervisors needed!

Council is on the lookout for people who love their community and want to help its youngest residents stay safe on the roads. We are in need of more people to fill school crossing supervisor roles in front of Knox's 103 school crossings.

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a supervisor at one of Council's school crossings is more than a job. It's a way of really giving back to the community, ensuring that the almost 7,000 children who use these crossings every day, have a safe trip to school. Every day at school times, around 85,000 cars use the streets around these schools and school crossing supervisors ensure that our children are able to cross in safety."

Mr Emonson said becoming a school crossing supervisor was extremely rewarding. "Many of our school crossing supervisors have developed special friendships with the children and families who use these crossings every day. They're able to watch these children grow up, while helping them develop important awareness of road safety."

People interested in finding out more about becoming a school crossing supervisor should visit www.knox.vic.gov.au

SEE AD PAGE 11





1981

This is the birth of the RLCN. It was six sides of foolscap (Does anyone still use this paper size?) all typed by Anne Gardner. Where are you now Anne? There was only one paying advertiser, Sandy Sharp's 'Sandy's Beauty Clinic'.

1986 5 Years Old

Cr Colin Tidball reported on the biggest meeting he had ever attended, at Rowville Primary School, to discuss the State Government's refusal to build a post primary school in the new Timbertop Estate in Rowville. The department said it fell short of the required minimum number of pupils by 18! Rowville Little Athletics cross country teams won the prestigious "Max White Shield" for the second time in 3 years. How many have you won now? By-Law 86 stated that a person can keep no more than 2 dogs or 4 cats unless they have a special permit. Additionally they can not permit their animal or bird to make excessive noise that would be a nuisance to neighbours. Is that still the case? Council approved the re-zoning of land west of Goulburn Drive in Kelletts Road from residential to commercial paving the way for a neighbourhood shopping centre.

1991 10 Years Old

Residents Joan and Ray Lightowler struck a major blow for a cleaner environment by establishing a recycling plant for the treatment of waste collected in the greasetraps of commercial businesses (restaurants, take away stores etc.). Located in South Dandenong, it was only the third such plant to open in Melbourne. Park Ridge Primary School opened their new play equipment

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Rotary Club of Rowville "Working for a better community" area. It was built by local contractor Stephen Griffiths of Bullbar Constructions with substantial help from parents at working bees. Were you one of those parents? Which Lysterfield Primary School students remember standing near Wellington Road with Constable Rob James and using a 'Falcon Radar Gun' to zap some cars? Kipling Zubevich, a former Rowville Primary School student, was one of the inaugural recipients of the 'Australian Student Prizes' and also received an industry scholarship to study engineering at Monash University. What are you doing now Kipling?

1996 15 Years Old

John Raymond and Roy D'Andrea were awarded their Brigade and CFA Life memberships along with their 35 year service award. What are your memories from those years? Council decided a survey should be carried out to 'assess the viability of constructing and sealing Heany Park Road and the unmade sections of Bergins Road". Who remembers those roads prior to sealing? The Uniting Church held a family service entitled "The Power of the Roast". Chicken, lamb, beef or pork? 'Con The Fruiterer' alias Mark Mitchell drew the raffle at Lysterfield Primary School's Fair. Did you meet him...'couple of days... beautiful'.

2001 20 Years Old

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Rowville Eagles Soccer Club fielded an Under 15 team for the first time and they won the championship scoring 56 goals. Did you play in that team? Hannah Aroin of the 3rd Lysterfield Scouts received her 'World Conservation Badge' after 18 months of hard work. What are you doing now Hannah? Council appealed to VicRoads for \$30,000 to address traffic problems in Taylors Lane, which had



been identified as a blackspot length of road. Resident Tony Phillips was invited to exhibit his orchid portraits at the Melbourne International Orchid Spectacular. How did it go and are you still painting? At a Rotary Club meeting, Dr Janet Hall posed the question "If men are from Mars and women are from Venus, why can't we have Heaven on Earth? What do you think?

2006 25 Years Old

Around 100 members of the Rowville Senior Citizens went to "The Cuckoo Restaurant" to celebrate their 16th birthday. I bet there were a few 'overeaters'. That also means you have come of age this year. Congratulations. The Apex Club of Rowville celebrated their 30th birthday having given more than 30,000 service hours to the community. They didn't go to the 'Cuckoo'! Local identity Campbell Connell became the new manager at the Bendigo Bank in Wellington Village. David Mann was welcomed back to Park Ridge Primary School as the new Principal, having taught there earlier before moving on to Karoo PS and Yarrawa PS. Rowville Primary School boys aerobics team qualified for the National Schoolaerobics Championships in Brisbane. Can one of those boys tell us about the finals? And finally, incongruous as it sounds, RAFT Anglican Church held a beer tasting day for home brewers! There has to be a story there somewhere?

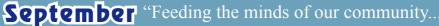
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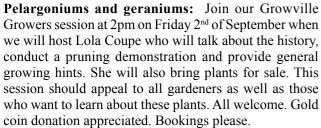




Rowville Community Library

Sponsored by Cr Darren Pearce, Taylor Ward and Cr Mick Van de Vriede, Tirhatuan Ward





Fathers' Day Storytime: A special storytime will be held for Fathers' Day on Saturday 3rd September at 2pm. All members of the family are welcome to attend, particularly fathers and grandfathers who may not be able to attend during the week time sessions. Free event. All welcome. Home Brewers Master Class: Wanted - BEER LOVERS! From 6-8pm on 22nd September 2011Colin Penrose talks about home brewing – from your fist kit to mini-mash and beyond! Learn how beer is made, how you can make it better and even "how" to drink beer. Cheers! Free event. All welcome. Bookings essential. You can book by phoning the library on 9294 1300 or visiting our website at www.erl.vic.gov.au.

Hearing Screening: Australian Hearing will be at Rowville Library from 9.30 - 1pm on Friday 16th September. This service is free and only for pensioners. You must make an appointment by phoning the library on 9294 1300. Free.

Mobile Phone Help –Need to learn more about using a mobile phone? Then come along to the Rowville Library at 2pm on a date yet to be determined (but during the school holidays). Suitable for beginners or advanced, this session is run by Sally from the Stud Park Telstra Shop and will accommodate all brands of phone/carriers. Free event. All welcome. Bookings essential.

School Holiday Program: For some fun in the holidays bring the kids along to Make a Book on Monday 26th September at 10.30am, Scrapbooking on Tuesday 27th at 2pm, Footy Storytime at 10.30 on Wednesday 28th, Games and activities all day Monday 3rd October, Science Show at 10am or 11am on Tuesday 4th, Spring Stories & Craft on Wednesday 5th, Make a jigsaw puzzle on Wednesday 5th at 4pm, Bedtime Storytime at 7pm on Friday 7th and Spring Storytime at 2pm on Saturday 8th. Please ask for a Holiday Program brochure or visit our website at www. erl.vic.gov.au to confirm details for these events. All welcome. Please book on 9294 1300.

Computer Help Sessions: On Tuesday and Thursday mornings a tutor is available from 10am to assist people to use the computers. Tutors are able to help with Internet,



Make your own book in a school holiday activity

Email, Facebook, Word, and Excel, everyone is welcome, including complete beginners. The sessions are free. Meanwhile, at other times, anyone who needs help with using computers just needs to ask the staff and, subject to staff availability, you will be given every assistance. The best times for staff availability would be on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10am. There is no need to book and it's free, but we cannot guarantee staff availability. All welcome.

Kids on Wednesdays: Held on Wednesdays at 4pm during school terms. This group will be specifically for primary school aged children and involve a variety of activities. It's meant to be fun and it's free!

Home Library Services: If you have difficulty coming to the library to borrow materials, or if you know someone else with difficulties, please contact the library to arrange for a home delivery service. Library staff will select some items after a discussion to ascertain your tastes, and volunteers will make monthly deliveries. For further information please ask to speak to Rose or Raelene on 9294 1300.

Growville Growers: The Growville Growers group meets on the first Friday of the month at 2pm. Anyone can be a member of this group as there is no 'joining process' and cost is minimal. All who attend will be made welcome. The next meeting will be on Friday September 2nd at 2pm with a presentation on Pelargoniums and Geraniums.

Bedtime Storytime is held on the first Friday of the month at 7pm. Wear your pyjamas if you want and join us for some stories before bed. (Quite often we see the children in their pyjamas but not usually the parents!) Our next Bedtime Storytimes are at 7pm on Friday September 2nd and October 7th. All Welcome.

Afternoon Bookchat! Have you ever read a fantastic book and wanted to tell someone about it? Join our group of avid readers for a relaxed discussion of what you are reading and what you think about your latest favourite book. It's a great session to get ideas about what you might like to read next and is open to everyone. Held on the 1st Monday of the month at 2pm our next meeting will be on Monday 5th September at Rowville Library. Free event. Bookings not required.

Coming up in October: The October session for Growville Growers will be making Tussie Mussies at 2pm on Friday 7th October. The inaugural meeting of an Unpublished Writers' Club will be held at 2pm on 10th October and on October 21st at 6.30pm Bill Handley, author, will present another session on Speed Mathematics. Edgar (Lok Tin) Yung will present a session on Fen Shui & Chinese Astrology on Thursday 20th October at 6.45pm and again, in Mandarin, on Thursday 27th October at 11am for our Chinese Friendship Group. October is Stringybark month in Rowville and we are planning ways to involve the library in this fantastic community event.

Tiny Tots storytime: Come and enjoy our special storytime designed for babies aged 0-12mths on Wednesdays at 2pm. Relax, enjoy the stories and meet new friends.

List of regular storytimes: Bookings not required. Monday 10.30am Toddlers storytime (age 1 - 3) **Tuesday 10.30am** Preschool storytime (age 3+) Wednesday 10.30am Toddlers storytime (age 1-3) **2pm** Tiny Tots storytime (age 0 - 12 months)

Bedtime storytime is on first Friday of the month at 7pm Are you a member of the **Rowville Community Library**? If not, join now. Joining is easier than you think....all you need to join is a driver's licence with your current address. Joining is free. Borrowing is free.

Normal opening hours for Rowville library are Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9–5.30, Thursday and Friday 9-8, Saturdays 10-4 and Sundays 1-4. Details about the library service are available from our website at www.erl.vic.gov.au and you can even join on-line

Rose Thompson Manager – Rowville Community Library 9294 1300

Rowville Seniors

Once again we are preparing to host the Knox Seniors Indoor Bowls Carnival, at the Rowville Community Centre, as part of Knox Seniors Week. Sixteen teams are expected to participate, all hoping to have their name on the Perpetual Trophy at the end of the competition.

This year it will be a free day to be played on Wednesday 12th October from 10.30am to 3.30pm, with a lunch provided to all bowlers. Enter your team by telephoning Sandra Goodwin on 0402 811 789 or 9758 7996. Remember, don't be late. Play starts and finishes on a bell.

79 members thoroughly enjoyed our "Christmas In July" excursion to the Sandown Greyhound Tabaret. Lots of fun and an enjoyable meal. Our next trip will be to the Imax Theatre and the Melbourne Museum. This is scheduled for September 12th with a lunch at the Burvale Hotel.

We held our AGM on August 12th and a new committee was voted in and Mrs Ena Thompson was returned as President. New members are most welcome. Details of where we meet and the times appear in "What's On Locally" on page 2. All enquiries should be directed to Sandra Goodwin on either of the numbers above.

Finally, a very happy birthday to the Rowville Lysterfield Community News. 30 years is a great achievement especially for a volunteer organisation.



Welcome to new distributors – the Schwass

family – Fiona & Kerry and son Jordan

Thank You to Rob James (our President) who is taking on extra distribution

Voluntary Positions.

Can You or Do You know someone who can be a distributor in the following areas?

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An Hour With Glenn Fankhauser

There wasn't a mortar board or gown in sight when I sat down to interview the Principal of Rowville Secondary College, Glenn Fankhauser. Come to think of it, I didn't see a cane anywhere either.

I was warmly greeted, not only by Glenn, but by three of the four members of the "Principal Team", a flat leadership model with Assistant Principals having designated and shared responsibilities across both campuses of the college, which is certainly not the normal structure. (Glenn says he knows of no other school employing a similar arrangement). It was introduced by Glenn to give the Leadership Team, that includes leading teachers as well as the Assistant Principals, the opportunity to understand the complexities and the responsibilities of leadership and to share in the decision making whilst retaining defined portfolios within the school.

The Fankhauser family left Germany five generations ago, around 1850, to escape the persecution of the Lutherans in that country and settled in Melbourne. They had a fruit farming background so they naturally put that talent to use here.

Glenn was born in Box Hill (the year is withheld for vanity reasons!) before the family moved to Vermont and later Wantirna. He attended Forest Hill Primary School and Nunawading High School. "Neither of those schools exists today and although I was a bit 'naughty' at school and not as focussed as I should have been, I don't think I can be blamed for their demise" he says. At Melbourne University, Glenn started a degree in physical education and after two years added economics, eventually after 8 years gaining a BA in Arts, majoring in economics whilst in full time employment.



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After leaving home, Glenn moved to Glen Waverley as he felt living in inner suburbs would be claustrophobic after his rural upbringing. "It would be fair to say" says Glenn, "that I have always preferred to live on larger blocks of an acre or more". Glenn went on to say "after Uni. I drifted into teaching. I admired my teachers and they were a good example to me. If I hadn't followed this path I wouldn't have met Rae, so it was a good choice". After marrying Rae, they moved initially to Park Orchards, then to Warrandyte, before settling back in Park Orchards, where Glenn still lives today with Rae, his 26 year old daughter and his 24 year old son. "My daughter, who is a judges associate, had visions of becoming a teacher, but as she is a perfectionist I discouraged her, as I thought the various levels of effort that students make could be somewhat distressing. On the other hand my son, who is an extremely competent golfer having been a semi finalist in the 2009 Victorian Amateur Championships and is now at Monash University studying business and psychology, never wanted to follow me into teaching" says Glenn. Rae no longer teaches, but runs her own business from home as an information architect and an investment and business strategist.

Glenn taught in 3 Springvale area secondary schools before accepting the post as Assistant Principal at Pembroke College (now Yarra Hills College) in Mooroolbark, where he stayed for 2½ years. He was encouraged by his peers and his Principal, to apply for the Principal's job at Heathmont Secondary School where he spent another happy 8 years before accepting the position as Principal of Rowville Secondary College in 1998. "If I wasn't teaching I think my 'accounts type mind' might have ended up with me following a numbers oriented path, particularly if there was plenty of planning involved" says Glenn.

Thanks to Brian Dixon's move from Melbourne to North Melbourne, Glenn has been a Roos supporter for almost 40 years. He represented the Eastern Football League whilst playing with the Vermont Football Club and has participated in basketball, baseball, cricket and golf during and after his studies. Glenn says "Today I prefer gardening, walking and even cooking, although my time in the kitchen is limited. I enjoy educational research literature and as a fiction writer I enjoy the work of Robert Ludlum and those who have continued his output since his passing in 2001". However, the one person he most admires is Nelson Mandela. "He is the epitome of turning negatives into positives after experiencing such wrong doing, yet being able to forgive and forget then continue down a path he resolutely believed in" explains Glenn.

RSC has grown to over 1900 pupils and Glenn wants to see every one of them stretch their boundaries and try new ideas to achieve their best possible results. "I have a real passion for the future" reflects Glenn. "Not all students make the most of their opportunities but we are constantly introducing new ideas to convince them otherwise. We have introduced an Arts and Sports programme and next year we will introduce a Maths and Science Academy. Developing and implementing such possibilities is the best part of my job. On the other hand, being a Principal takes you out of the mainstream connection with the students and that is a sad reality for me".

When the day comes for him to vacate his parking space, Glenn hopes that his colleagues and students will remember him for his passion for everything he did and his unfailing desire to always want to do his best.

The College motto is "Opportunities For All' and Glenn certainly promotes that to students past, present and I'm certain, future.

David Gilbert, Editor



Want to lose weight, get fit, or become Australia's fastest runner? At Knox Masters Athletics we cater for men and women over 30 years of age, who wish to get fit and healthy. Don't walk/run around the streets, it's dangerous. Come and join us in a controlled, safe well lit environment.

Knox Masters Athletics has a programme that involves sprints, middle and long distance events in a social climate. You decide which events you run/walk in, and at what speed. The emphasis is on participation, not winning, and members will encourage you to reach your aims. You decide how serious you want to be. You don't need to be a past athlete. People turn up only able to run 50 metres without stopping, but with encouragement they progressively increase distance.

Victorian Masters also holds Championship events from April to October on Sundays. Anyone can participate and run with members from other venues (11 venues in metro area). You may even win a medal.

Knox Masters meets every Wednesday evening at 7 pm, at the Knox Athletic Track, Bunjil Way, Knoxfield. (Melway 73 D7) under the grandstand. New members can participate on a try before you buy system, paying \$5.00



per night. Membership per year for the first year is \$45.00 then \$35.00 thereafter. A \$3.00 fee is also applied for all nights attended. We have a small supper after the events with a reading of the results.

In future issues of R-LC News, articles showing determination and outstanding achievements of our members will be outlined.

Please call Gary (leave message) 9752 2720 for further

Editor's Note: Clearly you are never too old.



Most people take photos from eye level because that is how we normally view the world. However, changing your camera angle to change the viewpoint of your photos can add tone and impact and dramatically change the scene when shot from above or below as opposed to eye level. Shooting from below, particularly, gives power to objects as they appear to tower over us.

Another advantage of shooting from below is the ability to eliminate distracting objects at ground level beneath the main theme allowing viewers to focus on what you mean them to see.

High or low angles of view can reveal patterns and textures not normally perceived at eye level, simplify a composition, isolate a subject against the sky, or eliminate a cluttered environment.

I will occasionally reinforce that it is better to compose your photos to be as good as possible "in camera" to minimise the post manipulation work you may have to do in a photo editing program to eliminate distractions like people, buildings, signs etc. Many people may not want to do any serious post manipulation in which case a little thought when initially composing the photo is even more important.

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Remember also, make your photos interesting — perfect



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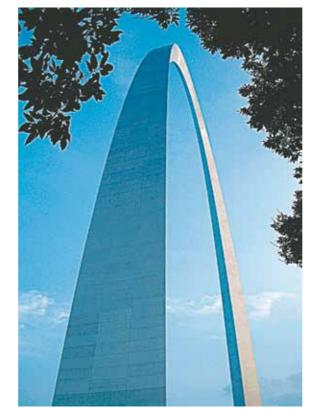
(Come earlier – 6:30pm for finger food and soup)

Phone 9764 3738 to book as places are limited.

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composition and lighting etc will not succeed if your photo image itself is visually boring and does not engage the viewer.



"192 metres ft high, Peace Arch, St Louis, USA from a different angle"

HINT: Eliminate distracting foreground and background by adopting a low camera angle.

Letter to the Editor

Housing Development

Dear Editor

In the article "Knox Council Housing Affordability" (August RLCN), Tirhatuan Ward Councillor Mick Van De Vreede is quoted as saying "Housing prices are being driven upwards at an alarming rate and everyday Australians are being put out of the housing market". Cr Van De Vreede is hypocritical in his statement.

It was Cr Van De Vreede and his fellow councillors at a recent Knox Council meeting who refused to approve an application for multi dwelling residences along Stud Road in Rowville.

Cr Van De Vreede, you and your fellow councillors are directly responsible for the housing shortage and ever increasing affordability issues for all home buyers in the Knox area. It's time that councillors stop politicking and start to see that housing affordability affects everybody. The proposed multi dwelling sites along Stud Road would have made an inroad at improving the situation and housed more residents whilst occupying less space. Instead councillors who are afraid to stand up to a small group of self interested residents who espouse their 'not in my backyard' sentiments, chose to refuse the applications and force developers simply to go to VCAT where those applications will be approved as they are in line with current state government policy.

Cr Van De Vreede and Knox Council it's time you stopped palming off the blame to VCAT or the State Government and started taking action.

Regards,

M. Cosentino

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A Community Safety Message

'He was just out of the car for a couple of minutes, dropping off the dry-cleaning. But that was enough. Returning to the car park he found a window smashed and mobile phone and wallet gone from his car. Not a lot of cash stolen but all that trouble cancelling cards. Who would have thought?'

Well we all should think.

Victoria Police and Community Safety Groups regularly promote the 'Look! Lock! Leave!' campaign reminding everyone never to leave valuables on view in a car. Thieves who steal from cars operate in all areas and are skilled in seizing an opportunity. In a car park, a home driveway, or in a quiet street. Don't become a victim. Be vigilant. Don't leave valuables or other easily removed items on view in a locked car. If you must leave valuables in the vehicle, place any property into the boot before you get to your parking spot. Always remove keys and lock the doors, windows and vents before you walk away from the car.

Theft from cars often goes unreported. Don't let them get away with it. Take the trouble to report to your local police station.

Please see "What's On Locally" on page 2 for details of meeting times and venue.

Knox Council

Knox Arts & Cultural Grants scheme

Council is on the lookout for individuals and groups that can advance the arts in Knox and we're providing grants of up to \$2,000 to assist. The Knox Arts and Cultural Grant Scheme is a funding scheme designed to develop the skills and capacity of local artists.

According to Arts and Cultural Development Advisory Committee Chair, Cr David Cooper, "Knox has a vibrant arts and cultural community and we're looking at ways we can advance this sector of our community". "We want to assist individuals, groups and arts organisations that are keen to represent Knox at recognised events outside our municipality. So funds could potentially be used for securing tutors, assisting artists to receive further skills training, or supporting artists to attend seminars or tour their performances or artwork. It's all about helping sculptors, painters, actors, dancers or anything in between, while advancing Knox as an arts and cultural hub."

Funding for the Arts and Cultural Grants Scheme closes at 5pm on Wednesday 21 September 2011.

For more information, call Knox Council on 9298 8000 or email the scheme's administrator, Sarah Dugdale on sarah.dugdale@knox.vic.gov.au

Rowville & District Neighbourhood House

As we welcome in the lovely sunny days of Spring, guess "What's Happening @ our House?"

We have another Learn Local ACFE funded New Course Introduction to Horticulture 20 hrs for only \$70.00, starting on the 20th October.

Our Learn Local ACFE funded Short course in Office Administration has been a great success, so much so, we have all ready taken enrolments for the next course scheduled to start in October. If you don't want to miss out on this great opportunity for only \$70.00 please call us now on 9764 1166.

The House is a buzz on Friday mornings between 10am-12pm with the Coffee & Chat group that meets here every week. Feel free to come along and join in as there is lots of fun to be had!

"Guess What's Happening our House?". On August 26th we have our "Free" Friday night social evening. If you want to have a bit of fun, why don't you give "Belly Dancing" a go! On September 2nd, The Melbourne Playback Theatre Company is scheduled to visit the House.

New classes starting include 'Discover more about Social Media & Net Safety', 'Fathoming Fashion Workshop' understanding fashion and making it work for you and a new 3 week 'Introduction to Mosaics'. For 'Photography in Practice, The Next Step' there will be 2 workshops and 4 Field Trips to enhance what you have already learned in the first course." What's Cooking @our House" is another Workshop, where you will be able to learn to decorate cakes and make assorted biscuits, pastries and deserts.

Children's classes: The children in our new total beginners Ballet class are having a great time learning the steps. The "House" would like to thank Dance teachers, Lauryn



Relay For Life arrives in Knox

Knox residents attended a successful information evening on Wednesday 24th August at the Knox City Football Club, where residents discovered how to be part of a special new community fundraising event to support those affected by cancer, 'Cancer Council Victoria's Knox Relay For Life'.

"For eleven years, Relay For Life has brought Victorian communities together to walk through the night to raise money for the Cancer Council and the fight against cancer and we are excited to be involved with the first Knox Relay For Life" said Business Development Coordinator, Susan Heron

Knox Relay For Life will take place in March 2012. During the event, ceremonies are held to honour locals touched by cancer whilst taking turns walking or running through the night to raise funds for the Cancer Council's world-class cancer research, education and support programs.

"Cancer Council provides cancer education and support to cancer patients and their families through all regional areas, including Knox City Council," Ms Heron said "And by joining in the fun of the Relay you can help your local community fight back against cancer".

"We need to start planning and making people aware of the event now. There are many ways to join Relay For Life. For example, you can help organise the event, captain a team, be a volunteer on the day, or provide entertainment," Susan said. To learn more about Knox Relay For Life, email Susan at susan.heron@cancervic.org.au or phone 0408 459 237.

& Sarah who filled in for "Jaydee" while she was in Las Vegas, U.S.A with her Competition Group "Baby Steps". We congratulate them for their achievements representing Australia

Rowville & District Neighbourhood House Inc. invites you to our Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 13th September from 7.00 – 8.00pm. New Members are always welcome. If you wish to know more about becoming a member, please contact 9764 1166.

SHOP 'TILL YOU DROP! MYSTERY SHOPPING TOUR

Grab your friends and join other savvy shoppers and grab one or more bargains on our annual pre-Christmas Shopping Tour! Shop direct and save, whilst travelling in comfort by coach, visiting the warehouses of the manufacturers, wholesalers and importers. Bookings essential

Saturday 17th September Departing 8.00 am sharp (please arrive no later 7.50am) Cost \$40.00 includes Restaurant lunch

Limited spaces so ring 9764 1166 and book your seat for this fun days outing.



- need extra cash?
- want to work flexible hours?
- · why not become a school crossing supervisor?
- part-time/casual
- (45min shifts 8-9am & 3-4pm)
- choice of morning/afternoon/both

For a position description visit www.knox.vic.gov.au or call Samantha Lewis on 9298 8119.



Knox Home

So how's the spring cleaning coming along? Curtains dry cleaned, windows washed, linen cupboard sorted? The study all done and dusted? It may be time then to turn your attention to outdoors, to the garden shed or garage. Or more specifically, your garden tools and equipment.

In an ideal world, we would never put our garden tools away without cleaning them first, with no coating of hard, dry dirt to greet us next time that we used them. Check out all your tools and equipment, including hedge trimmers, whipper snippers, mowers, and chainsaws. Gather your garden tools and wash them completely down with a bucket of water and a scrubbing brush. You may need a plastic scraper to remove

any stubborn caked on mud. Allow the tools to dry, if there is any rust, take it off with some emery paper. Treat the metal components to a wipe with an oily rag or a spray with WD40 or similar product. Spades and forks can also be oiled by plunging them several times into a bucket of lightly oiled sand, vegetable oil will do. Give wooden handles a rub over with sand paper if they need it and then wipe them down with linseed oil.

Cutting tools should be sharp, this includes spades and hoes as well as secateurs and pruning saws. They are easier to use and, for pruning, make a cleaner cut. If you have the knowledge and equipment, sharpen them yourself, or take them to a hardware store to be done. Spare parts such as spare blades are available for many brands of tools, for example. Giving blades a thorough wipe and spray with a WD40 type product after each use inhibits rust.

Many years ago when I was single, I had a very efficient electric Flymo mower with wheels. I used to tip it over after each use and clean it thoroughly. Believe you me, it was spotless. Much later, when my husband became ill and I was allocated lawn mowing duties, I looked at our petrol mower and thought: Cripes, that's a grubby looking machine. I quickly tipped it over for a good scrub, and you guessed it, petrol and oil went everywhere! Some things take a long time to live down! If your mower needs attention, do it now in readiness for the busy spring period ahead. Take it to a mower shop if you cannot service it yourself.

Does the wheelbarrow tyre need pumping up or replacing? Do it now.

There is a lot of money invested in your garden tools and equipment. A little care can extend their life and make your gardening activities so much easier.

Look for the Knox Home Gardening Club details in this newspaper, all welcome. Betty Wright





Kim Wells Launches Search For Local Centenarians

The Member for Scoresby and Victorian Treasurer Kim Wells wants to contact residents in the Scoresby electorate aged 100 years or older to attend a special 'Century Club' afternoon tea.

Mr Wells said he was initially astounded at the high number of centenarians living in the Scoresby electorate. "I understand Cumberland View Aged Care Living in Wheeler's Hill alone has six residents aged more than 100 years, with one resident aged 106," Mr Wells said. "Similarly the Latvian Retirement Village Hostel in Wantirna has three residents aged 100 years or older."

Mr Wells said it was likely there were a number of other centenarians living in the community, perhaps with their families. He is keen to make contact with those residents and their carers who would like to attend the afternoon tea

'The Century Club' event will be held in Queen's Hall at Parliament House on Monday 3rd October as part of Senior's Week. Mr Wells' first local invitee to the event was Mrs Olwin Brooks, who celebrated her 100th birthday on Friday 19th August at Balmoral Gardens Village in Wantirna South. Mr Wells will attend the afternoon tea celebration, along with 100 residents from the Village.

"Reaching 100 years is an amazing achievement and, for many of these Scoresby residents, also a testament to the good standard of care they are receiving in their aged care facilities or from their families," Mr Wells said. He added it would be interesting to see the final figures of how many of his constituents had reached the age of 100. But he said early figures revealed Scoresby probably had more than its fair share of centenarians, given the most recent ABS statistics show Australia has a population of 3700 people aged over 100.

For more details contact Shan Blethyn at the Office of Kim Wells on 9764 8988.

It Only Seems Like Yesterday

Margaret and John Freckleton have only lived in the Waterford Valley Lakes Retirement Village in Rowville for 4 years but they love the place just as much as others who have lived there for many more years.

Margaret George was born in 1930 and was an only child who grew up in Ballarat, where her father was a butcher. John was one of four brothers born in Panmure a small town in South West Victoria. "As Panmure had no hospital (population around 400) I was actually born in Terang Hospital in 1927" says John. The family eventually moved to Timboon where John's father worked on the roads.

I noted that there were only seven 'Freckletons' in the Melbourne telephone directory and John confirmed that one of them was one of his brothers who lives in North Rd. Margaret added "There are lots more in the country and that is where another of John's brothers lives, near Portland"

John attended Brucknell School until he left at 14 and went to work on the family farm. John recalls that there wasn't a single girl in the school. Margaret went to Urquhart Street (now Park) Primary School and then Ballarat High. They both played sport in school, John wielding the willow and Margaret scoring baskets. However John preferred to spend his spare time fishing with mates on the Glenelg and Curdies Rivers and even in the surf near Warrnambool and Portland. Margaret says "My real claim to fame is that I went to school with the Geelong footballer Neil Tresize, which probably explains why I am a Geelong supporter". John is a bit torn between Geelong and Carlton.

Margaret recalls that "During the war years, there were lots of American servicemen from the fighting in Pacific, (Guam, Guadalcanal etc.) on leave in Ballarat who were not as affected by rationing as the locals. Many of the





John and Margaret Freckleton

local boys were called up and I can remember my Mother making up food parcels to send to relations in Edinburgh Scotland".

The couple met in Timboon through Margaret's cousin Shirley, who lived in Timboon with her family where her father was Principal of the local school. Margaret went to visit Shirley at Easter 1949 and she met John who was doing some concreting at the time and was 'a bit dirty'. Romance blossomed and the couple were married at Skipton Street Methodist Church in Ballarat in July 1951.

Margaret attended teachers training college in 1949 and had her first placement for 9 months in Mulgrave, before moving to Geelong Primary School in 1951. John worked on the family farm before he decided to buy one of his own in Brucknell not far from Timboon. After selling the farm, the couple moved to Ballarat where John became the agricultural machinery manager at the Ford dealership.

Margaret and John had three daughters, Wendy who lives in The Basin, Barbara in Canberra and Jenny in Heathmont, seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. They see as much of them as possible and are typical loving and spoiling grandparents. Lego is a family favourite.

In their 60 years together Margaret and John have travelled to the UK to visit relatives, Europe and Singapore and when asked if there is anything that would have liked to have done they said "Life is not always easy but we wouldn't change a thing". John thought that Sir Robert Menzies was someone he looked up to and admired, whilst Margaret said "The only people I truly admired were my grandparents who smiled and worked hard through all sorts of adversities".

Today Margaret enjoys playing scrabble, bingo, cards, croquet and bowls whilst John, who is a bit restricted in his walking, uses the gym to strengthen aging muscles. They love the 'Village' lifestyle as it so friendly and easy to get around. "A perfect marriage" they said "was one where you work together, support each other, exercise tolerance and simply enjoy each other". Wise words after 60 years of happiness.

David Gilbert

VCAL Students Help In The Community



Matt With The 'New' Pond

Rowville Secondary College VCAL students were given a \$10,000 grant from the Government earlier in the year to use in the community. Students asked the community through your publication to suggest what the money can go towards. "We had a great response" said co-ordinator Paul Campbell and the first job we did was for a lady who has muscular fibrosis/dystrophy (losing the use of her leg muscles).

Under instructions from teachers Gary Gilbert and Paul, the students tidied her front garden, including rediscovering the borders of the driveway then constructed a new path and step from the back door to the washing line as the old one was very uneven and dangerous for her to walk on. They also created a veggie garden, re-assembled her pond, tidied up her property in general, including removing a large tree and helped her with interior paint colours and decoration.

Whilst viewing the work, house owner Leanne said "I

am absolutely delighted with the hard work the students have put in and the results are fantastic".

In order to complete the job we had great help from local businesses and thank them wholeheartedly for their generosity. Steve from 'Managum Garden Supplies' donated general garden supplies, Tony from 'Knox Garden Supplies', donated the mulch and Gavin from 'All Over Bins' gave us a generous discount on the cost of the skip bin.

The Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) is a 'hands-on' option for students in Years 11 and 12.Like the VCE, the VCAL is a recognised senior secondary qualification. Unlike the VCE, which is widely used by students as a pathway to university, the VCAL focuses on 'hands-on learning'. Students who do the VCAL are more likely to be interested in going on to training at TAFE, doing an apprenticeship, or getting a job after completing Year 12.

David Gilbert

ROWULLE/LYSTERFIELD COMMUNITY NEWS

SECRETARY: ANNE GARDNER 763 5137 SSUE NO. 1; SEPTEMBER, 1981 EDITORIAL committee Greetings from your inaugura newsletter off the ground an of this newsletter is basic COMMUNITY NEWS Can you help? A number of letter and we thank them mo welcome your participation letters to share informatic DATES FOR NEXT ISSU Final date COMMUNITY NEWS it could Ju atmos-Sen lfers. and The Rowville -Lysterfie ROWVIL Primary 11 am? A Sunday School for the ages of 5 and young married cour Church Dandenong an interesting an consisting of gar ies, craft work activities which 25 Years of th year are a camp outings. Nazareth College We like to get tog family every second mo Church service to which welcome to come along. Ingrid Smit 704 7271

Congratulations to the Rowville Lysterfield Communi

Well done R-LC News!

30 years of continual publication without missing a deadline is a great achievement for a community newsletter run by volunteers

The reaching of this milestone is a huge credit to all of those generous people who have been committee members or who have written for, produced and delivered the News with no thought of gain other than the satisfaction that the presence of the paper is a major plus for the spirit of the Rowville-Lysterfield Community.

I commenced my connection with the News as Editor in 1990 at a time when the News was struggling financially but thanks to a hard working committee we steadily moved towards a strong financial position that has underpinned the growth of the News.

In those early days people dropped off their copy at the Community Centre and on the evening of the deadline each month I collected a pile of various sized bits of paper, edited them and then took them to three typists (who were among the few people in the area to own computers back then).

A couple of days later I went back to collect a stack of printouts and a floppy disk from each typist. I laid out the ads and copy (a 'cut and paste') and then drove to Scoresby with this and the floppy discs to the home of Chris and David Lethaby who put everything together electronically for the printers.

I am a strong believer in the need for community newsletters that project positive values to their readership and I am proud to say that the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News has always followed that path.

To all associated with the News I extend my warmest congratulations on your achievement in continuing to produce and distribute a much-valued community icon.

Bryan Power Editor 1990 – 1998, President 1999 – 2006 Distributor 1990 -2005

It is with great pleasure that I offer my congratulations on the thirtieth anniversary of the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News. Having lived in Rowville since 1999, I have seen first-hand how the publication has gone from strength to strength. From humble beginnings as a double-sided sheet, the paper has become a full colour publication entertaining and informing its readers. While the paper's audience can keep abreast of community news ranging from sport, history, events and much more, local businesses have an opportunity to access the entire community.

The paper is testament to the great work of its dedicated volunteers, proven by that fact that it is now being delivered by volunteers to more than 13,800 homes in Rowville and Lysterfield.

Congratulations, and I watch with interest as the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News continues to flourish.

Nick Wakeling Member for Ferntree Gully, Parliamentary Secretary for Health. Proud RLCN volunteer distributor

Congratulations Rowville-Lysterfield Community News!

Congratulations to Rowville Lysterfield Community News on 30 wonderful years! As a community newspaper, this publication has been absolutely invaluable in informing people in the Rowville-Lysterfield area of local news and community events. RLCN has also been a wonderful tool for uniting these two suburbs — fostering a sense of community for residents in Rowville and Lysterfield.

As Mayor, I'm also delighted to see Knox residents having opportunities to find out what Council has been up to. So thank you to RLCN for helping us get these messages out, and helping Council to connect with the people of Rowville and Lysterfield.

Best of luck for the future of Rowville-Lysterfield Community News!

Cr Sue McMillan Mayor of Knox

I congratulate the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News on the occasion of its 30^{th} anniversary.

It is one of the great community-based newspapers operating in Australia today. It serves to help people in the community to stay in touch with each other, and is a wonderful welcome for new residents to the area.

Over the 30 years of its history, hundreds of people have volunteered to put the paper together and get it to people's homes. A few have been involved since the very beginning and maintain their commitment today.

Congratulations to all the RLCN team, past and present. You make our community a better place. *Alan Tudge MP*

Community newspapers are a fantastic way of generating important conversations in our community. And Rowville Lysterfield Community News has been one of the best conversation starters in Knox for more than 30 years! More than just a way to inform Rowville and Lysterfield residents about news and events, Rowville Lysterfield Community News is a publication that really brings people together.

This publication has also been a great support to Council, as the pages of this Paper often talk about the issues we want our community to know about. A special thank you should go to RLCN for taking up the issue of public transport, particularly as we advocate for a rail line to Rowville. Improved public transport is something that continues to be important to the people of this area and we're pleased you were able to get on board this issue, as well as many other important issues over the years.

Congratulations also to the writers, editors and contributors for the many other fascinating reads over the past 30 years.

Cr Mick Van de Vreede; Cr Darren Pearce; Cr John Mortimore

Not having children limits the possibilities of meeting people in a community, but Paul and I had the good fortune to purchase our 1st house in Rowville, the then home to the R-LDG – Rowville Lysterfield Development Group.

In late '85 a public meeting was advertised in the little paper distributed by the group, with Cr Seebeck to be the main speaker. After the meeting the audience was encouraged to join the group. Fortunately for me others thought it a worthwhile idea and very soon a close friendship was formed with Chris Larkin. I was a committee member, Treasurer & distributor for many years and proudly, was part of the growth and change to "RLCN". In 2000 Paul & I moved from Rowville and, like most other suburbs, are now disadvantaged by not having such a wonderful community paper, an outlet for ideas & information, but most importantly a bringing together of a community.

Chris (past, & last, president of R-LDG) & I were very happy to attend the recent 30th Birthday & Life Membership Awards celebration of the paper. I hope this "little" paper has forged many more close friendships. Congratulations to all the past and present members – what a fabulous achievement. *Carol Belcourt*

Treasurer 1987 – 1990 Distributor 1985 - 2000

Congratulations on 30 years of continuous publication of this great paper. I have been involved directly for over 20 of these years, and still remember some of those early issues.

Initially I wrote the invoices to advertisers, then started a delivery round, and then onto the committee (still involved in these positions). During those years I have worked with some wonderful people (all volunteers) like Brian Power, Judeline Wadhwani. Darren Arnott, Rod McKenzie, Pat Stemmer, Michael Walters and Pat Jackson, not forgetting the current members of the committee. Everyone who has served on the committee has helped in their own way, hence the great publication we have today.

There have been many changes over the years, including the obvious re-design of the paper from the original foolscap stapled sheets, through the blue and white "small paper", then colour was introduced, and now our colourful, photographic, "newsy" editions. Congratulations to all concerned, keep up the good work and we look forward to the next 30 years!

Christine Mitchell Assistant Treasurer 1991 – Present Distributor 1991 - Present



Rowville & L

Congratulations to the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News and the many generous volunteers who bring this paper to you each month on the amazing feat of maintaining 30 years of continuous production and service to the community. The RLC-News played an important role in its early days when Rowville and Lysterfield were relatively isolated communities. Rowville consisted of four separate housing estates spread between the remaining farms and market gardens. There were no shopping centres, and there were very limited community services.

Rowville is now a large suburb and the RLC-News continues to play its important role in keeping residents informed of news, events and activities that they may have no other way of hearing about.

Darren Arnott Editor 1999-2000 Distributor 1996 - 2008

Happy And Proud Birthday Wishes

What a great achievement and a continuing testimony to people power, goodwill and cooperation, for the benefit of the community.

Back in 1981 the resident action group (Rowville & Lysterfield Development Group) decided that a locally based and run monthly newsletter would assist the residents and local businesses to feel part of one community rather than the four separate housing areas, with no link between them, that existed at that time.

Knox Council's comprehensive and contentious "Rowville/ Lysterfield Development Plan" resulted in many concerns for locals and the "News" became their voice. It also became a voice for residents, businesses and organisations to express their views, sell their products and promote their activities.

As the initial president and coordinator of the newsletter, I feel very proud of the paper and its achievements. I want to sincerely thank all those hundreds of people who have been involved, from the humble beginnings to the current team, for keeping the paper going and moving with the times.

My special thanks to Colin Bradley who took over as editor and had a major impact on the paper's development from a

ty News for 30 years as the voice of our community



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typed 'cut and paste' production to the fully computerised tabloid it is today.

May well the 'RLCN' forever continue. David Hodges President 1981 - 1991

We tried to contact Colin without success and believe he now lives in the USA.

Time and tide wait for no-one. It is hard to believe that 10 years ago I was writing to celebrate two decades of the fantastic work RLC News was doing as one of Victoria's leading community newspapers and now I hear from David Gilbert it is possibly the oldest of them.

Greetings to the Rowville Lysterfield community from Surrey, UK where I have been living and working for the past three and a half years. Congratulations to RLC News which has risen to even greater heights under David's leadership with increased circulation, colour and an expanded repertoire of articles.

Editorship of the News will always be one of my favourite memories and will forever keep me connected to Rowville. It was a pleasure to work with so many dedicated community-minded people and to keep abreast of all the local activities. Every couple of months I get copies and hence I am in touch with all your news. I would like to acknowledge all the past and present members of the Committee including Bryan Power (responsible for my taking up the editorship), Graeme McEwin, Rod McKenzie (former Treasurer), Muriel Cartwright (former Advertising Co-ordinator), John Mortimore, Rob James (President), Ian Richards and Peter Rumble.

All the very best for another successful decade. Until your fortieth anniversary, it continues to be onwards and upwards!!!!!

Judeline Wadhwani Editor 2000 - 2007

Happy 30th!

Happy Birthday Rowville Lysterfield Community News! Congratulations to everyone who has contributed to the paper over the years – its longevity and place within the

hearts (and letterboxes!) of Rowville and Lysterfield residents is a rare achievement, and I most warmly wish to thank the readers for sticking with us as the paper has developed. My involvement started in 2007-8, when I wrote "Kristy's Column", detailing my experiences during my last years of high school, I write to you now from Berlin, where I have been living for the last five months as a student at the Freie Universität. Berlin is an interesting city which shares many similarities with Melbourne - it's amazingly diverse, sprawls into many unique suburbs, has an active cultural life, and draws visitors from all over the world. It's also a city that embraces its symbols. When I have bouts of Heimwah (home pains) I think about the symbols of my home in South-East Melbourne: the clock tower at the Rowville Library, painted sign outside the Stamford, Bald Hill, rolling fields at the edge of Lysterfield, the fleeting glimpse of a kangaroo off Wellington Road, and hopefully soon, the Rowville Rail. But just as architecture is not all of Berlin neither are these symbols all of Rowville and Lysterfield. To me our suburbs are equally about community, and the symbol of this that I hold in my head as I shop at Alexanderplatz or walk down Warschauer Strasse is that of the RLCN - not only because it documents the sense of community that I feel in our area, but because the production itself is a group effort that exemplifies how we can work together to produce a long-lasting memoir while strengthening community ties. In the meantime, maybe the editors should think about setting up an international distribution network for the homesick expats like me!

Kristy James Columnist 2007 - 2008

My time with the RLCNews started in the 80s when the paper was maybe less than a dozen issues old. I joined the Rowville/Lysterfield Development Group that produced the paper. Being with the R/LDG was

like being a part of every service community organization in the area with the support that they were giving to locals. I quickly found myself distributing the paper into many new areas as they were being built. Often the paper was the first piece of mail these new Rowvillians received as I left it under a brick that was where the letter box was about to be built.

Soon after, Jenny and I took on the distribution coordinators role receiving about 1200 papers in our carport each month. When I retired from the News, the batch delivered was more like 9,000 and there was a lot less paddock between each area. Rowville has grown into a great little area often referred to in the early days as 'nappy valley' and also 'the village that grew'.

My time with the News saw its incorporation and among some of the projects I was proud to be part of was, Stamford Park became Council property, petitioning for Rowville Secondary College to be built, the beginning of Neighborhood Watch and Rowville Basketball Club, running Rock and Roll dances to raise money for our Scout hall, and helping the Salvation Army with their Red Shield Appeal.

The paper has continuously evolved over the years and will continue to do so, but the one constant has always been that the paper unites the people of Rowville and Lysterfield, keeping them in touch with their own community.

Michael and Jenny Walters President 1991 – 1996 (Michael)

Distribution Co-ordinators 1986 – 2000 Distributors 1983 - 2000

I moved from Box Hill to Rowville 23 years ago. At the first meeting of the Rowville Lysterfield Community News I attended, I was amazed to see no ladies on the committee.

So when Bryan Power called for volunteers, I stood up and asked would they welcome some ladies, as then it was an all male show. I was duly elected and became the first female committee member. Now there are four all doing a wonderful job. Most people I know in the area look forward to their monthly copy of the RLCN and enjoy it immensely.

Congratulations to the past and present committee for its great service, hard work and dedication for the benefit of the community.

Patricia Stemmer

President 1996 – 1999 Distributor 1991 - 2009

Thirty years on. What an achievement. I have been part of the Rowville Lysterfield community for twenty nine of those years and I have seen the paper grow and develop over that time. It is a credit to all of the community who have contributed, produced and delivered our paper, what a fantastic effort.

In the past five years the growth of the paper, not only in quantity but also in quality, has seen changes from the original type written pages, to our blue and white edition through to a full colour extravaganza, with a change in size.

I would like to congratulate all our editors throughout our history (yes, we are creating our own significant history) and everyone who has ever been involved with the News. You have helped keep a community together and informed.

Being the present day President of the News I want to pay tribute to David Gilbert, our present day editor. His editorial manner has enriched the quality of the paper and kept it community focused. To all our past Editors, Presidents and Committees, well done.

Thirty years gone, many more to go.

Rob James President 2007 – Present. Distributor 1983 – Present

It was not long after I arrived in Rowville in 1986 that I received a copy of the Rowville/Lysterfield Community News. It contained a request for someone to 'proof-read' the newspaper and having faith in my reading and spelling I decided to volunteer.

Bryan Power was the editor in those days and I became a committee member. At that time Carol Belcourt was our treasurer but she was looking for a break so I put up my hand and became the treasurer. Throughout my years in office I had a very capable assistant in Christine Mitchell who helped to make the job much easier. Under the guidance of Bryan we had a wonderful group of people who kept the paper alive and it is to all those stalwarts that we owe our gratitude and thanks.

My heartiest congratulations to the dedicated team that is now at the helm, as you celebrate 30 years of continuous publication. I will always remember my years with the paper with great affection.

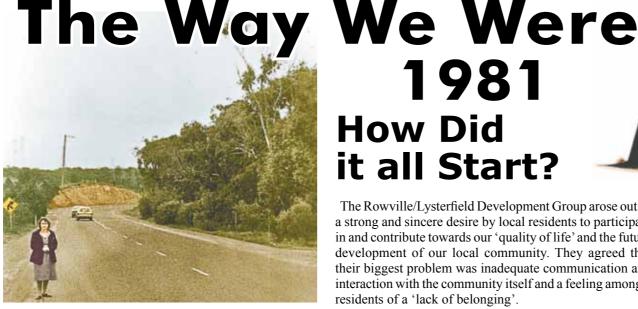
Rod McKenzie Treasurer 1991 – 2003 Distributor 1987 - 2004

The RLCN is an outstanding example of what 'community' means in two ways. First the spirit and camaraderie of the people involved in running the organisation, putting the paper together, undertaking distribution and so on is just wonderful. They are very giving of their time and energy to the betterment of their community, which brings me to the second point. People living in Rowville and Lysterfield are so lucky to have such an excellent publication delivered to them free each month. During my 20 years of working at the Rowville Library I can see how there is in Rowville such a strong sense of community which I put down, in the main, to this publication. Congratulations to all concerned and a very big thank you for publishing our articles each month! *Rose Thompson* Manager - Rowville Community Library

I would like to congratulate the Rowville – Lysterfield Community Newspaper on thirty years of continuous service to the community.

During my years as Advertising Co-ordinator, I met many wonderful community minded people and I will never forget the experience. The News provides information on what's happening and gives local businesses the chance to reach every household in the area.

I wish you many many more years of success. Sandra Ogrizovic Advertising Co-ordinator 1989 – 2001 Distributor 1989 - 2001



Looking West along Wellington Rd between Taylors Lane and Stud Rd. 1981

What was News in 1981?

Governor General – Sir Zelman Cowen Prime Minister – Malcolm Fraser Premier of Victoria - Rupert Hamer, then Lindsay Thompson **WORLD**

Greece enters the European Community, which later becomes the European Union.

Indonesian passenger ship Tamponas 2 catches fire and capsizes killing 580.

U.S. President Ronald Reagan is shot in the chest. Pope John Paul II is shot and nearly killed.

6 blank shots are fired at the Queen during the Trooping the Colour ceremony in London

Mahathir bin Mohamad becomes 4th Prime Minister of Malaysia. Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer's wedding is watched by 700 million people.

MTV (Music Television) is launched on US cable television. Original 5150 IBM PC (4.77 MHz processor) released in the US. The Boeing 767 airliner makes its first flight.

Egyptian president Anwar Sadat assassinated

U.S. President Reagan authorises the C.I.A to recruit Contra rebels in Nicaragua.

The first American test-tube baby, Elizabeth Jordan Carr, is born in Norfolk, Virginia.

AUSTRALIA

Australia withdraws recognition of the Pol Pot regime in Cambodia.

Foreign Minister Andrew Peacock resigns accusing the PM of gross disloyalty.

Rupert Hamer resigns as Premier of Victoria after losing the support of his party.

The Sydney Tower opens to the public.

A referendum is held in Tasmania on whether or not to build the Franklin Dam.

TELEVISION

Good Morning Australia premieres on Network Ten, Logie Awards move to Network Ten from the Nine Network. Wheel of Fortune premieres on the Seven Network. A Country Practice debuts on Channel Seven.

SPORT

Australian Open Tennis Champions, Johan Kriek (RSA) and Martina Navratilova (USA)

Trevor Chappell bowls the final delivery underarm against New Zealand at the MCG.

Australian Open Golf Champion, Bill Rogers (USA) Test Cricket, England retain the Ashes at home 3-1South Melbourne play last game at Lake Oval in Albert Park Carlton (12.20 (92)) defeat the Collingwood (10.12 (72)) to win the 85th VFL premiership.

Just A Dash wins the Melbourne Cup.

Alan Jones finishes 3rd in F1 World Championship, having won the title the previous year.

Test Cricket, Australia draw 1 - 1 with West Indies.

FILM

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer (MGM) acquires the beleaguered United Artists.

Tom Cruise makes his acting debut in 'Endless Love'. Academy Awards:

1981

How Did it all Start?

The Rowville/Lysterfield Development Group arose out of a strong and sincere desire by local residents to participate in and contribute towards our 'quality of life' and the future development of our local community. They agreed that their biggest problem was inadequate communication and interaction with the community itself and a feeling amongst residents of a 'lack of belonging'.

So in September 1981 the R/LDG decided to compile the first Rowville /Lysterfield Community News in order to establish a two way communication with the local community about local issues and events. It was envisaged that a community newspaper would inform the locals and would in turn give a voice to individuals and groups, thereby creating a community spirit that was sadly lacking at the time. It would also offer an avenue for businesses to reach the local communities effectively. The first issue only had one advertiser, a beauty and massage establishment run by Sue Sharp. Prior to 1981 the R/LDG issued a single page newsletter when the need arose.

The typing, editing and reproducing were relatively small hurdles but distribution was a major concern. They needn't have worried, because whilst they and still today we, need more helpers, the paper was delivered by volunteers to the approximately 400 homes that were Rowville and Lysterfield. In fact the total print run of that first edition was 1,100. Wow, haven't we grown? Now we deliver, by the same volunteer method, to more than 13,800 homes.

Best Picture: Chariots of Fire Best Director: Warren Beatty - Reds Henry Fonda - On Golden Pond Best Actor:

Katharine Hepburn - On Golden Pond Best Actress: Best Supporting Actor: John Gielgud - Arthur Best Supporting Actress: Maureen Stapleton - Reds

LITERATURE

The Australian/Vogel Literary Award: Chris Matthews for 'Al Jazzar' and Tim Winton for 'An Open Swimmer Kenneth Slessor Prize for Poetry: Alan Gould for 'Astral Sea'.

MUSIC

Paul McCartney's backing band, Wings, breaks up. Ringo Starr and Barbara Bach marry.

The success of Stars On 45 leads to a short-lived medley craze headed by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra with "Hooked On Classics (Parts 1&2)"

Groups to disband include Bay City Rollers, The Knack, Paul McCartney & Wings

Top Records "Bette Davis Eyes" - Kim Carnes, "Endless Love" - Diana Ross & Lionel Richie, "Physical" - Olivia Newton-John, "Imagine" - John Lennon, "Morning Train (9 to 5)" - Sheena Easton.

BIRTHS

Jan 20th	Brendan Fevola		
Jan 27th	Alicia Molik		
Jan 31st	Justin Timberlake		
Feb 17th	Paris Hilton		
Feb 24th	Lleyton Hewitt		
Apr 28th	Jessica Alba		
May 11th	Lauren Jackson		
May 15th	Zara Phillips		
Jun 7th	Anna Kournikova		
Jun 9th	Natalie Portman		
Aug 8th	Roger Federer		
Sep 4th	Beyonce Knowles		
Sep 26th	Serena Williams		
Oct 26th	Guy Sebastian		
Dec 2nd	Britney Spears		

DEATHS

3	Jan 6th	A.J. Cronin
е	Feb 9th	Bill Haley
	Apr 12th	Joe Louis
	Aug 19th	Jessie Matthews
	Sep 1st	Albert Speer
1	Sep 2nd	Dame Enid Lyons AD, GBE
/a	Oct 6th	Anwar Sadat
n	Oct 16th	Moshe Dayan
	Nov16th	William Holden
es	Nov 29th	Natalie Wood

Dec 23rd Sir Reginald Ansett

Dec 27th Hoagy Carmichael

not have a newspaper. We are very proud of our RLCN and believe that it continues to inform, entertain, bring back memories and help draw the community together, as well as fulfil the original intentions of the R/LDG. David Gilbert Editor

Lysterfield Store - 1981 Photo Courtesy Susan Scott

At this time the committee would like to thank our article

contributors, without whom we would have nothing to print

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Rowville Primary School staff -1981 hoto Courtesy Rowville Primary School

Walking the News

With my wife Pauline, I moved to Rowville in 1990. Not long after, Pauline replied to an R-LCN advertisement for a co-ordinator in our area and together we took it on. By 2004 I was Distribution Co-ordinator, responsible for every paper not just our own area. Later that year, I joined the committee and have been part of the team for over 5 years. There have been many changes to Rowville while we have been here. Do you remember when:

- Mitre 10 was where Sams' Warehouse is now.
- · Safeway was built.
- Rowville Library was built.
- A Police Station was built to be 24 hours one day.
- Pet's Paradise was part of the shopping centre
- A courtyard with a winding pathway mural was where the ANZ bank is.
- Wellington Village had chook sheds on the open land.
- The Kelletts Road / Wellington Road intersection changed
- Traffic lights at Kelletts Rd & St Lawrence Way and Wellington & Lysterfield Rds. • Rowville Health was called Rowville Lakes Medical
- Centre and was located as part of the shops
- Wellington and Kelletts Road were two ways roads, not divided.
- The Village Drive-in. The Bird Cage.
- The hill on Wellington Rd which now has been cut-out near Stud Road,
- The Milk Bar on Wellington Road near Cornish Rd
- The outside of the hall near the Kellett's Rd /Wellington Rd intersection that was destroyed by a fire.
- Lysterfield Primary School was on Wellington Road.
- There was a roundabout at Kelletts / Napoleon Roads.
- Major Crescent was unmade. Dandelion Drive wasn't a
- The railway was to go to the VFL Park in Mulgrave. It's amazing what you remember when you think about it all and these are just my memories. Like Rowville itself, the RLCN has come a long way and is always improving. Peter Rumble Distribution Coordinator 2004 – Present.

Distributor 1991 - Present



Lysterfield Wolves Junior Football Club break through for a premiership flag in its inaugural season.

The Under 12 side finished on top of the ladder won the first flag for the Wolves on Sunday 14th August. In a hard fought Grand Final battle, Kilsyth Cobras led at all three breaks to be 4 points up at 3/4 time. The Wolves pushed forward and finally scored the all important goal to put them in front. Then absolute old fashioned G & D rose to the fore as the game went down to the wire with the Wolves keeping Kilsyth scoreless against all sorts of pressure. The Wolves finally triumphed with a 4.2.26 to 3.6.24 victory. Goal scorers: Braden Mann 2, Liam Dunning & Jordain McNay 1. Liam Dove played his 50th game

as had Nathan Young two weeks earlier. Liam finished on top of the competition goal kicking table with 30 goals for the season. Well done Liam.

Our season was marked by the all round contribution of all 25 players and improvement in ball skills, some even confident enough to kick with their wrong foot during a game. Thanks to all the team helpers and many others who contributed to our very successful first year and supported me in my first year of coaching. All the best to each and every player in their footy future. Geoff Mann - Coach

All the boys from the under 9s have had an outstanding season for 2011; their skill development through the season has been incredible. It is very encouraging as a coach to see such a strong bond and mateship amongst all the players, it truly comes across in their team play and work ethic during



School Holiday Clinic

Come and join in the fun of the School Holiday Netball Clinic at Knox Regional Netball Centre. The clinic will run over two days, the 27th and 28th September, during the upcoming school holiday period. It is a chance for players aged 7 to 12 years to develop their skills and improve their game with the help of elite players and coaches, including players from the ANZ Netball Championship.

All participants will receive a clinic t-shirt, show bag and certificate, as well as morning tea, lunch and drinks.

For more information and an enrolment form contact Knox Regional Netball Centre on 9758 7191 or email knox.netball@knox.vic.gov.au or log on to www. knoxnetball.com.au

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a game and at every training session. The smile that every player has on their face at the end of every game is testament

we can further develop their skills and introduce tackling for the first time. I encourage anyone looking to play football next year to come and join this fantastic club.

Brad Hutchinson - Coach

well both individually & as a team over the course of the season. Introduced to the more physical aspect of tackling,

I hope to see all the players back for season 2012 where

The Lysterfield Wolves U10 boys developed tremendously

to the enjoyment they have experienced.

30th Anniversary of the production of their Newsletter. We along with other community organisations appreciate your efforts, and for giving us the opportunity to share information about our club. Happy Anniversary & Go Wolves in 2012!! Editor's Note A first class effort from everyone,

All at Lysterfield Junior Football Club congratulate the

team at Rowville Lysterfield Community News on their

bumping & shepherding, they relished the opportunity and were often referred to as one

of the strongest teams to play by opposition

sides. Most importantly, the boys became great mates involved in a great club & this

unity resulted in them becoming a great side

After finishing on top of the ladder

the Under 11s lost the preliminary final to Mitcham so unfortunately we

were unable to get to the Grand Final.

Whilst disappointed, there are so many things

that we are proud of and seeing the individual

development of each and every player is

supremely gratifying. I have no doubt that

in the seasons to come this team will win the ultimate prize. Tell your mates about our team

and invite them to join us for season 2012.

The Club will be adding at least one extra

side next year, the Under 13s, to allow the

Under 12s to advance an age group. Any

enquiries can be directed to the President, Mr.Steve Ketzer on 0487 486 487 or the

Registration Officer, Mr. Greg Crawford on

that won 11 out of 13 games.

Mark Edwards - Coach

Steve Ketzer - Coach

especially those 'First Flaggers'. That is a great achievement.

0417 535 817.







The Past Players and Officials Day was a great success with over 80 past players and officials enjoying a great day on the Hill and a late night in the clubrooms as the stories of the kicks became longer and the marks became higher.

The Rowville Football Club and Rowville Hawks Junior Football Club are delighted that 9 Rowville listed players have been included on TAC Cup Squads in 2011. To have such a significant number of players listed is a strong endorsement of the programs at both the Rowville Senior & Junior Clubs. The players are to be congratulated on the hard work they have put in to obtain this achievement.

We were also delighted that 5 junior teams made the finals.

50 Year Anniversary 1964 to 2013

We need the support of all members, playing or non playing past & present.

If you have any of the following information: Contact details of previous players or members, photos, stories & tales either

Rowville | Eildon Park Tennis Club is proud of the

enjoyable and successful year we have had at the club. The clubs on court activities are equally complemented by off court activities. These achievements endeavour to enhance and support community opportunities to be involved in the great sport of tennis. A selection of successful activities undertaken at the club over the past 12 months includes:

old or new, memorabilia, or any other information, please contact a member of the 50 Year History Committee, Roy D'Andrea: 9763 7287,

David Healey: 0417 348 269, John Kidd: 0438 805 686, Russell Walker: 0409 015 292 or Peter Winstone: 9700 6957 This information is vital to a book being published to symbolize the importance of the clubs' 50 years existence. Many people are offering their assistance to ensure that this book will highlight many achievements.

Presentation Night

Saturday 17th September 2011 at the Mulgrave Country Club

Top 20 Community Club award from Tennis Victoria; Club coach, Lee Pearson - finalist Tennis Australia Coaching Excellence - Club category; Over 100 sides playing competition tennis over the past12 months (including Juniors, Senior, Mid week ladies, Pennant and Night tennis); on court success spread across Senior, Junior, Midweek Ladies and Tennis Victoria Pennant Sectional and Grade winners; ongoing running of in-house Thursday night men's night tennis social competition; Current holders of the Summer and Winter Presidents Cup (top Junior sections and holders of the Boys A1 Rubbers title for the Summer season (top boys section); Club Championships held for Seniors and Juniors for both Age and Grade based formats; Junior players selected for Victorian or Waverley Tennis representative sides; regrooming of courts 6 courts and new sand for the remaining 3 courts; installation of a new coin operated light system for 6 courts (part of a successful grant application); installation of a chilled water fountain (part of a successful grant application); Australian Open MLC Ballkids Trial venue; Participation in the Tennis Victoria Mums in Tennis Program; Involvement in the Aus Sport Play for Life interactive session with local schools; Stringybark Festival display and demonstration;

Lachlan Viney U11 Boys Courtney Beer U8 Girls Jemma Stapleton U10 Girls Emily Merrigan U15 Girls

Best Wishes Boys!

Although not officially Little Aths' business two of our boys have been selected to be part of Team Vic, representing Victorian Primary Schools at the National Championships in Darwin later this year. Kaya Beagley has a berth for High Jump and may also contest other events including the relay. Lachlan Viney will be wearing the Vic tracksuit for the second time and is well placed to show Kay the ropes. Well done boys!

Knox Photographers

A small band of talented volunteers who also happen to be Little Aths parents, give their time to ensure that many Little Aths' memories are captured as photos. If you join Little Aths your picture may even appear in this paper. We hope to see you in September!

Rosemary Merrigan



Little Athletes are invited to attend the Knox Track on Bunjal Way Knoxfield between 9and 11:30am on Saturday 3 September to sign up. There is no competition on this day, but it's a great chance to see the track and collect uniforms ready for the season

Try Out Day on Saturday September 17, is just what it says, a chance to try out Little Aths. There's no obligation to join and it's not an official day of competition. It's a morning which gives you the opportunity to have a go at a few events, meet some other athletes and get familiar with the venue before the big crowds turn up on Day One

of competition, Saturday September 24. Try Out Day runs from 9-11am.

Eleven Clubs participate in the Knox Competition, and if

you are reading this article, chances are your local club is Rowville or Rowville Lakes. Both are very strong and well organized, in fact they were once one club! (A few years ago they decided to divide based on school lines because numbers became so big.)

The Rowville Lakes Club caters for children from Park Ridge, Lysterfield and Karoo Primary (Call Nick on 9764 0661). The Rowville Club is for those attending Heany Park, St Simons or Rowville Primaries (Call Steve on 0409 231 380 or 9764 3384). Secondary school students or those from other Primaries may choose where they join. We look forward to hearing from you!

Knox Cross Country Awards

Several local athletes were honoured with Best in Age Awards at the recent Knox Cross Country presentation night. Congratulations to the following youngsters who took home trophies for their respective age groups.

Trent Stapleton U6 Boys Marcus Byron U7 Boys Lachlan Stapleton U10 Boys



Defence against Dental Disease

It is a scary thought that 4 out of 5 pets are living with dental disease without their owners even knowing. Dental disease left untreated can cause tooth loss and internal disease such as kidney failure and heart disease.

There are a number of signs which could alert you that your pet is living with dental disease but believe it or not **bad breath** is one of the most common signs. During September your local Greencross Vet clinic is offering FREE pet dental checks. These dental checks will be given by a trained pet care team member (nurse or vet) and you will be provided with a complete and personalised home dental care program including instructions on how to maintain your pet's teeth.

Why is dental care so important?

Caring for your dog's and cat's teeth is a very important part of maintaining their overall well-being. There are three reasons why proper dental care deserves more emphasis these days:

Our pets are living longer

Thanks to advances that have been made in veterinary medicine and the increased public awareness of how to look after their pets properly, our dogs and cats are now living longer. Hence it is important that their teeth last a long time too.

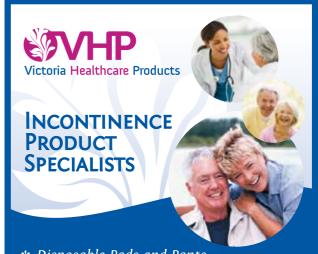
Hereditary traits

Over many years our dogs and cats have been selectively bred to achieve the certain distinct characteristics that we know and love. However, as a result, some of our furry friends' mouths have become quite overcrowded and malaligned which can predispose to dental disease.

The hunter no more

Our canine and feline companions, large and small, had ancestors who resembled and behaved like wolves and lions - catching and eating their food, fur, bones and all which provided excellent cleaning actions for teeth.

Greencross Vets would like to extend our congratulations to the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News on 30 years of outstanding reporting of the local events and news through their editorials and support to our community. Well done to the team @



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Ferntree Gully Festival display and demonstration.

The smooth running of the club is due to the commitment of our Committee and other volunteers, reflecting our base as a community tennis club. The club would like to acknowledge and thank Ruth Cardullo and Michael Walsh who have chosen not to continue on the committee, for their efforts over the years. Whilst at times busy, they have also been enjoyable and rewarding.

It is also pleasing that 2 long serving Committee members have recently been acknowledged for their contribution and hard work. At Parliament House in July, Michael Walsh and Stuart Draffin were awarded Victoria Day Awards by Mr Nick Wakeling MP for their services to tennis, and in particular junior tennis, in our community. The clubs congratulations go to Michael and Stuart.

If you are interested in having fun and getting fit at the same time, then we would love you to join the ladies at Eildon Park Tennis Club on Friday mornings for our Doubles Social Competition. Being an intra-club social/ friendly competition catering for all levels of ability it is played on the clubs synthetic grass courts each week beginning at 9.30am and concluding by midday, with time for a coffee and a chat. If you're interested in having a go, please contact Sue on 9759 9068, 0412 471 113 or Pauline on 9752 9691, 0419 108 651.

If you are interested in getting involved in our club, whether it be for social or completion tennis please call Stuart Draffin our Membership Secretary on 0408 778 658. If you are interested in coaching please call LEEP Tennis Academy and speak to Lee on 0409 396 479. Additional information about Eildon Park Tennis Club can be found at www.eptc.org.au



One of the privileges and pleasures of being a Year 6 student at Park Ridge is to make the traditional Year 6 dragon as part of the Visual Arts program. Under the guidance of our enthusiastic and experienced Art teacher, Craig Hall, students draw on techniques and utilise tools that have been introduced to them during their previous years of schooling. Over a two hour lesson, students create their dragon in readiness for an initial firing in the school's kiln. In a later lesson a glaze is applied to the dragon's surface and then given a final firing after which time the final product is ready for display and collection

The Cycle Of Life

Our Year 1 students are currently studying life cycles. To support their learning, Queensland imports in the form of giant roaches and rhinoceros beetles have been introduced to the classrooms. The aim of the exercise is for the insects to reproduce and thus enable the students to observe the insects' life cycle. Currently each classroom is home to a colony of stick insects and we have it on good authority from year level coordinator, Barbara Warden, that the colony is expecting soon.

Junior School Council Talks The Talk and Walks The Walk

Our Junior School Council is a proactive body of students who care for their school and for those around them. This group initiated and insisted on our participation in the current Woolworth's promotion "Earn and Learn". Rather than leaving the work of administering the program to office staff and parents, JSC members are working a roster to input the data from each docket into the system. As the school is accumulating a large number of points, this is an Herculean task

A further initiative of the JSC has been to run a lunchtime Zumba activity. Organised by two Year 6 students, Mikeeli and Annie, for a small donation, students and some staff members were able to enjoy thirty minutes of Zumba dancing in the gymnasium during a lunchtime. Their efforts raised almost \$100 that will be forwarded to the Kids With Cancer

Lysterfield Sailing Club

What our Club has to offer local schools:

The club wants to encourage local school students to come and try the sport of sailing by providing supervised access to the club's Sailability Fleet of Access 2.3 Dinghies.

We would like to talk about our six Access Dinghies and how they can be a benefit to local schools and other organisations. The Access Dinghy is a relativity new design of yacht, developed in Victoria primarily for people with a disability. It is 2.3 metres in length with one main sail and a capacity to carry two people. It has a centreboard heavenly weighted to prevent the yacht from capsizing and a simple joystick steering control. We have allocated every second Friday, from 10.00 to 3.00 during October to April, to have these boats available to any interested group. No knowledge of sailing is necessary. Safety gear would be provided. Contact our Rear Commodore Brian Girling, on 0427 521 128, for

Groups would have to provide their own volunteers to supervise the students and accompany them on the water. Any volunteer with a Recreational Boat Drivers Licence would also be welcome. The ideal situation would be to have enough students to cover a whole day's activity but not necessary from the same group or school. would be a small fee charged to cover club expenditure in providing this service.

What our Club has to offer generally:

The Lysterfield Sailing Club is a family club. Our club membership categories include senior, junior and family members. Family activities are organised throughout the year with organised sausage sizzles, fun days and the end of year Christmas party. We provide two organised racing seasons. The summer series runs from October through to May and



the winter series runs from June through to September with competitive sailing on Saturday afternoons

Safety is an important issue and the club provides fully accredited Safety Officers and Race Officials in compliance with Yachting Australia standards. During the race the race officials in the control tower have a full view of the set course and are in communication with the on-water duty rescue boat.

The club runs a sailing instruction course offering an introduction to sailing for all ages. This is a popular course with beginners and covers all aspects of boat rigging, boat handling, basic sailing skills and safety. Boats and life jackets are supplied. There are two courses per year with one running from early October and the other from early February.

Our next sailing instruction course starts on the 8th October 2011 and will run every Saturday morning for 8 weeks. Please phone Rob Sheers on 59683766 for more information. This course is accredited by Yachting Australia, the cost is reasonable and the course is very popular.

To the RLCN, Congratulations on your 30th anniversary.

Back From Boston.

In early August our Principal, David Mann, flew to Boston in the USA to be part of conferences convened by leading educators at Harvard University. David was part of seminars that covered topics ranging from the potential of computers in classrooms to the way in which the brain functions during learning. David has returned full of enthusiasm with many ideas to share, but more importantly, the satisfaction of knowing that the pathway Park Ridge is treading is the best direction that current research indicates.



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David was able to undertake this study after being awarded a grant as a High Performing Principal. His penance for his good fortune is the necessity to write and present a detailed paper on his findings and comment on their implications for the future of education.

Congratulations RLC News.

Congratulations to the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News on 30 years of service to the local community. Like many other organisations, Park Ridge Primary School did not exist when this newspaper first appeared. Like the area, the newspaper is now intrinsic and a respected part of the community. At Park Ridge we salute you and wish you the very best for the next thirty years.

Rowville **Group Fitness**

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Rowville Kids Spring Fun

Rowville P.S. students are celebrating Springtime.

How many definitions of the word 'spring' can you think of? Answers: water spring, wire spring, to jump up, the season.

IN THE GARDEN

Guess what we did. I will give you a hint. It is very

It has something to do with Gardening. It eats plants. It's a bug. 1to found a lot of them. It is so slimy. Miss Vetsica is our teacher. The secret is a snail!!It was fun. By Zach 1TO Guess what we did in the garden? It has got a shell .It is slimy .It is a snail. They eat our leaves it was fun.

By Meissa

Today I found snails, and two caterpillars with Ms. Vetsica and my friends. It was in gardening. We were getting the out from our garden, because they eat leaves. Imogen Grade 1

Guess what we did. I will give you a hint. It is very yuck. It has something to do with Gardening. It eats plants. It's a bug. 1to found a lot of them. It is so slimy. Miss Vetsica is our garden teacher. Zach

Today we were doing gardening. In gardening we looked for snails and caterpillars it was fun. We don't want to let the snails eat the plants. Jack Today with Miss Vetsica we helped in the garden. We picked out snails it was disgusting but it was fun. We took them out because they were eating our vegetables. Matthew

Today, in the garden Yuk I found a caterpillar and a snail. We were taking care of the garden. Nicholas Guess what we did today?

Today we did gardening with Ms Vetisca. We were looking for snails and caterpillars. We found lot of snails. Some snails are big and some are small. I found a tiny snail. I didn't find a caterpillar. We need to get rid

> of the pests them because they eat our food. By Samuel Today we did Gardening with Miss Vetsica and we found snails and caterpillars. When we finished people went to the oval and the rest waited in the classroom and we washed our hands as well.

We don't want snails because they eat our plants. By Steph

SPRINGTIME WORD SEARCH

By: Kiara, Brittany and Annika

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It is time for gardening! "Yay!" I said. With Miss Vetsica we are finding snails and caterpillars. I found two snails. I love finding little creatures. Ashleigh. GRADE 1TO

Guess what? Today we had gardening and I didn't get any snails because it was too slimy, we also pulled out dead leaves off the plants. We didn't want snails because they eat the plants. Divya

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Cooper's Favourite Spring Jokes

- Q: What season is it when you're on a trampoline?
- A: Springtime!
- Q: Can February march?
- A: No, but April may.
- Q: What flowers grow on faces?

My Special Theme

I love Spring, it's my birthday dream. My Best BEST theme is my birthday dream. Leaves go crunch on my tippy toes, Trees all sway in the morning breeze. Flowers bloom with the big white moon. Bees go buzz and bizz and zzzzzzzz! These are a few of my birthday themes! (By Vidhi, Nikki, Bernadette and Tara)

Spring's new leaves are as red as a tomato People are relaxing and cooking a barbeque Roses are colourful and growing quickly I love watching Iris's grow beautiful colours Nice flowers growing in our backyard Garden beds as bright as ever By Kayla

Springtime Bees

SPRING is a lot of bees flying around and making

SPRING has bees zooming around and stinging people. SPRING is when bees make hives. SPRING is when bees collect pollen. By Cristian

What Spring means to me

Spring is here, it's a very happy time. Spring makes



me smile. Spring is when all the new leaves start to bud, and baby animals are born. It's a whole different world when Spring comes. Spring is a nice, comforting place. Spring makes me feel like having FUN! By Kristin.

Spring Means...

Spring means joy, Spring means friends, Spring means it's time for peace.

Flowers, roses, lakes and

Our freedom lies with

Spring. By Cameron

The Different Colours of the World

Silver is the colour of the shimmering bright stars shining in the dark night sky.

Gold is the colour of the soft sand on the dry deserts and wet beaches.

Blue is the colour of the deep crystal clear ocean and the cloudy sky.

Pink is the colour of the soft beautiful spring blossoms.

Yellow is the colour of the bright hot sun and the brilliant sun flowers.

Red is the colour of the fragrant full and lovable red

Purple is the colour of the sweet smelling pansies. Orange is the colour of the beautiful spring sun sets. Green is the colour of the newly mowed grass. White is the colour of peace and joy. by Ashna. Year 5 BO

Students Corner



This task is an introduction to the photographic process and to the darkroom. No camera is necessary, just an imagination and a willingness to experiment. Here photography is reduced to its purest form, the physical action of light and chemicals on a two dimensional surface.

Students placed three dimensional objects directly

on top of unexposed photographic paper under the enlarger, then exposed the paper to light for 20 seconds. They then took the objects off the paper and developed the image as they would develop a photograph. The end product is called



a Pictogram. The results were very successful and the students certainly 'developed' their skills in processing and their understanding of how photographic images

RIA Media Teacher, Carolanne Collins

Darkroom fun!I thought the darkroom was confusing, at first but when

I got the hang of it, it was fun. It was the first time I had ever been in a darkroom. I did not even know what it was until today.

In the darkroom, we designed a photo with our own



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Ola Luczak (Dietitian)

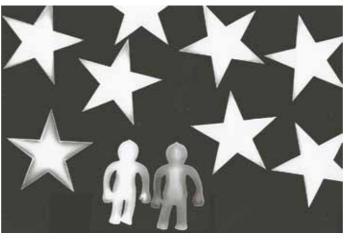
Kate Williams (Exercise Physiologist) se for prevention and treatment of Heart D

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objects. Once we let the picture set we put the photo in some liquids. The first liquid was called the developer. When we did the photo, the piece of paper was fully white, but when we put the image in the developer the photo slowly came out, so you can see it clearly. After the developer we put the photo in the stop bath. When placed in the developer, we had to leave the photo in for one minute, but when placed in the stop bath it was only 30 seconds. The stop bath stops the photo from developing.

We used special tongs to hold the photo. After the stop bath, we put the image into the fixer. The fixer made the photo stay permanent, so when we took it out to the light, it would not expose. Once we got it out of the fixer we put it into the water to wash off all the chemicals. The photo will expose to white light but it does not expose to warm red light. When we took the image out of the water, we could take it outside to look at it, but then we had to take it back to wash it further then let it dry. The darkroom was pretty dark, so it took a while for our eyes to get used to it.

The darkroom was a really fun experience and I thought that the photo was really cool.

By Rachel Foord 2JR







Headaches

"Headache" is a broad term that describes pain anywhere in the head or

neck. They are a very common occurrence, with 90% of people suffering a headache every year.

Causes:

Headaches are caused by a variety of factors including a problem within the neck muscles or joints, ears, eyes, sinuses and injury within the skull itself, as well as dietary, hormonal and psychological influences.

Types:

There are two major types of acute (sudden onset) headaches. Migraines/tension type headaches that normally cause intense tightening pain with visual disturbances and Cervicogenic headaches that are caused by a referral of pain from the neck or jaw and usually described as radiating

For sufferers of chronic headaches it is beneficial to keep a 'headache diary' to monitor when and where a headache is present. In cases of chronic headaches or intense acute headaches medical intervention is important.

Your Physiotherapist can evaluate the cause of headaches and give referral to a medical specialist or provide treatment including massage, mobilisation, dry needling/acupuncture and education

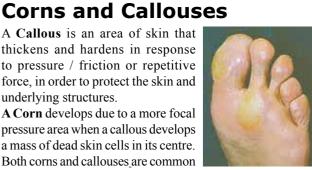
Headaches are a major health problem within Australia but one that can be significantly reduced by effective treatment and management.

Contact our clinic for further information.

A Callous is an area of skin that thickens and hardens in response

to pressure / friction or repetitive force, in order to protect the skin and underlying structures.

A Corn develops due to a more focal pressure area when a callous develops a mass of dead skin cells in its centre. Both corns and callouses are common the ball of the foot, the tips of the toes and tops of the toes.



Causes:

- ◆ Increased pressure, friction or repetitive force
- ◆ Sports that involving running or side to side movement
- ♦ Bony prominences
- ◆ Abnormal foot function or structure
- ♦ Ill fitting shoes or socks
- ♦ Bunching of socks or socks with seams at the toes
- ◆ Manual labour
- ◆ Not wearing shoes

Signs and Symptoms: Callous



- ◆ Thickening of the skin without distinct borders
- ♦ Skin colour changes from: white to gray- yellow, brown
- ◆ May be painful or tender
- ♦ May burn or throb

Corns

◆ Texture varies from dry, waxy, transparent or horny

- ◆ Distinct borders
- ◆ Hard or soft
- ♦ Painful with pressure in most



Treatments:

- ◆ See a podiatrist to have them removed (Corn Pads will not get rid of a corn)
- ♦ Soak feet in warm water to soften Apply moisturiser regularly

Speak to your podiatrist at Rowville Sport Medicine Centre to have your callouses or corns treated professionally.



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of 13 has calls it)!

Pictured from left to right (back): winners of Local Sporting Championships Round 3 for 2011 are: David Thomson, Samuel Kim, Jack Sheridan, Rebekah Keating, (front) Jordon Busch and Jazmyn Demetri with Alan Tudge MP

As a Member of Parliament, it is a great honour to be able to personally congratulate and recognise the efforts of individuals throughout our community. Recently, I was delighted to present cheques for \$500 and Certificates of Recognition to formally acknowledge our Local Sporting

Champions.

One of these champions is Jazmyn Demetri, who at the age of 13 has found a true passion: soccer (or football as she calls it)! Jazmyn received a Local Sporting Championship

grant for her participation in the 2011 National Soccer Championships, held in Canberra. She puts 100 per cent into everything she does and when it comes to soccer, she trains in excess of 20 hours a week.

Attending Rowville Sports Academy for high school education, Jazmyn trains with older boys, so her playing skills are constantly being extended and challenged. She also trains with her club and assists with younger teams. When Jazmyn is not at school, she is either at training, playing or watching her brother and Dad train and play every day of the week. So soccer is very much a sport shared and enjoyed by the whole family. Well done Jazmyn! It is a great achievement to have been chosen to compete at this level. I commend each recipient of this award for their dedication and commitment in their chosen field. In 2011, there have been a total of six students

that received Local Sporting Champions Awards from Rowville and Lysterfield: Jack Edwards, Scott Gilmore, Shevaun Hayes, Isabella Tzanidis and Brandon Wood.

Alan Tudge MP Federal Member for Aston



Primary School Presents Twist of Fate

(from front cover)

The senior students at Rowville Primary School are once again busy practising for this year's production, 'Twist of Fate'. The whole senior school (grade 5 and 6 children) are involved in the production either in a main speaking part or singing and dancing. The middle school choir are performing as well.

Since May the children and teachers have been practising during lunchtimes and class times. They have been learning lines, practising dance moves and working on costumes, props and make up.

Twist of Fate follows six ordinary children...well at least they think that they are ordinary but what they soon discover is that they will have an extraordinary experience that will change their lives forever.

The children will travel through a magical house into four magical worlds; the World of Sweets, the World of Spells, The World of Schools and the World of Rock

Knox Council Rowville & Lysterfield

Minutes of July 26th Meeting

Here is a brief summary of items affecting the Rowville-Lysterfield area from the Knox City Council meeting on the 26th of July 2011

Item 6.6 Application to develop the land for a three (3) storey apartment building containing nineteen (19) dwellings and basement car parking at 19 Stamford Crescent, Rowville. Melway Ref. 81 J1 (Application No. P/2010/7007)

Council resolved to issue a Refusal to Grant a Planning Permit to develop the land for a three storey apartment building containing nineteen dwellings and basement car parking at 19 Stamford Crescent, Rowville under the following grounds:

- 1. The proposal is considered inconsistent with applicable objectives for residential development as contained within the Local Planning Policy Framework of the Planning Scheme and in particular Clause 22.07 Neighbourhood Character and Clause 22.10 Housing Policy.
- 2. The proposed development is inconsistent with the interim height limit of 3 storeys (9 metres) of the Stud Park Structure Plan (Stage 2).
- 3. The proposal demonstrates several fundamental deficiencies when assessed against the objectives of Clause 55. In particular:
- 3.1 The development is contrary to key design objectives of the Garden Suburban Precinct with a dominate built form in terms of height and width, with front and side setbacks providing insufficient areas available for planting of canopy trees and landscaping to maintain the landscape character of the area.
- 3.2 Street setback is inconsistent with Standard B6.
- 3.3 Building height is inconsistent with Standard B7.
- 3.4 Site covered by buildings is inconsistent with Standard B8.
- 3.5 Side setback is inconsistent with Standard B17.
- 3.6 Wall height on boundaries is inconsistent with Standard B18.
- 3.7 Access width to the development and the car parking layout is inadequate and impractical with no passing bay or a parking layout that enables vehicles to safely and efficiently manoeuvre within the site.
- 4. The development does not comply with the State Planning Policy Framework, Local Planning Policy Framework and

the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) as contained in the Planning Scheme.

5. The proposal is contrary to orderly and proper planning. **Item 6.7** Application to develop the land for a three (3) storey apartment building containing forty four (44) dwellings and basement car parking at 39 - 41 Stamford Crescent, Rowville Melway Ref. 81 J1 (Application No. P/2011/6082)

Council resolved to issue a Refusal to Grant a Planning Permit to develop the land for three storey apartment building containing forty four dwelling and basement car parking at 39 - 41 Stamford Crescent, Rowville on the following grounds:

- 1. The proposal is considered inconsistent with applicable objectives for residential development as contained within the Local Planning Policy Framework of the Planning Scheme and in particular Clause 22.07 Neighbourhood Character and Clause 22.10 Housing Policy.188 Council City Development 26 July 2011
- 2. The proposed development is inconsistent with the interim height limit of 3 storeys (9 metres) of the Stud Park Structure Plan (Stage 2).
- 3. The proposal demonstrates several fundamental deficiencies when assessed against the objectives of Clause 55. In particular:
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- 3.3 Building height is inconsistent with Standard B7.
- 3.4 Site covered by buildings is inconsistent with Standard B8.
- 3.5 Side setback is inconsistent with Standard B17.
- 3.6 Wall height on boundaries is inconsistent with Standard B18.
- 3.7 Access width to the development and the car parking layout is inadequate and impractical with no passing bay or a parking layout that enables vehicles to safely and efficiently manoeuvre within the site.
- 3.8 The proposal would cause an unreasonable level of detriment to the amenity of the adjoining property to the south with minimum side setbacks contributing to reduced energy efficiency and day lighting to north facing windows, shadowing and loss of privacy with habitable windows and balconies orientated to the south.
- 4. The development does not comply with the State Planning Policy Framework, Local Planning Policy Framework and the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) as contained in the Planning Scheme.

5. The proposal is contrary to orderly and proper planning. **Item 10.2** Lease of office, shop 32A Stud Park Shopping Centre, Stud Road, Rowville for use as the Rowville Customer Service Centre.

Council resolved that Council sign and seal the lease between Lend Lease IMT Pty Ltd (lessor) and Knox City Council (lessee), for the lease of Shop 32A Stud Park Shopping Centre, Stud Road, Rowville, for the continued purpose of a Customer Service Centre. The lease is for five years commencing 1 April 2011 with the rental being \$65,000 per annum (plus outgoings of \$11,200 per annum) with 5% rent increases on each anniversary of the commencement date.

Darren Arnott



DATE	19 November	26 November
EVENT:	CONCERT	OPEN DAY
PLACE:	Performing Arts Centre Eastern Campus Humphreys Way	Western Campus Paratea Drive
TIME:	7:00 pm	1:00 pm

Come see your old school; meet with your old teachers and friends! it's not to be missed!

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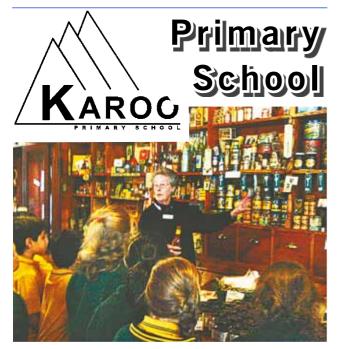
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and Roll. They will meet new people and learn valuable lessons that will change who they are. And Elvis even makes a special appearance!

The children will be performing at the Rowville Secondary College Eastern Campus Performing Arts Centre which is located in Humphreys Way Rowville on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd September at 7:15pm.

Members of the Rowville community are encouraged to attend and tickets for the performance will be sold from Monday 22nd August at the school office from 8:45-9:30am. You can also download forms from the school website or call for information on 9764 1955.

Hurry and purchase these HOT tickets as the last 3 years have been sold out!



Year 2 students at Karoo Primary School are exploring a unit titled 'Now and Then'. In their classrooms they have a wonderful display of artefacts brought from home (many are from grandparents). To experience life in the 'olden days' the students visited Coal Creek in Korumburra. This article tells about the great day they had.

We started our day upon arrival with a snack on an old train. A trip around Coal Creek on a tram was interesting and gave us a good overview of what a country town looked liked a long time ago. We were surprised to learn that the tram stopped on several occasions so that the driver could get out and switch the track direction. We learnt about many aspects of olden day life and were amazed at the old court house and jail, the doctor's surgery, bootmakers and carriage works. We had fun in the old school house practising our handwriting and some students even got to dress up in olden day costumes. We also enjoyed exploring the General Store, looking at the types of things people bought long ago, the flying fox that sent the receipt and money to the office and the selection and purchase of old fashioned lollies.





St Simons

Primary School

A Tour of Stamford Park

On Friday the 5th of August our class and the rest of the grade fives went to the Stamford Park homestead. It was very exciting and also interesting. We left for our walk at 1:15 and planned to return at 3:00. Our walk

was peaceful and joyful; we had a good view from one of the hills. I personally had a really good time on the journey with my friends.

When we arrived at Stamford Park it was beautiful, with big trees with a huge farm and beautiful houses. I was very excited when our guide Peter told us to gather in a circle to perform a special Aboriginal ritual. Since the Stamford Park land belongs to an Aboriginal tribe we performed their ritual to keep away ghosts. So Peter gave us each a Eucalyptus leaf that we waved in the air to keep away evil spirits.

When Peter was showing us to the door to take us inside he stopped to show us the old well.

By Lachlan G. 5 B

The level 5 students are learning about the history of Rowville. We have learnt about how that in the olden days there was some pretty hard to follow rules at school. Some included having to call the teacher Sir and Ma m and how you only had to speak when you're allowed to .We got an history project to do at school. It includes who discovered Australia and we got to build a model of a British settler's house from scratch.

Now on to the Darcy report. Darcy has been progressing well. He has chewed a lot of things but apart from that he has been doing well. He went on a long walk to Stamford park. We even gave him a nickname "Mr. Chew a lot". All of us are getting along with him.

Hopefully he becomes the best guide dog ever. By Pehan P. 5B.



On Friday the 5th of August all the grade five students walked from our school to Stamford Park When we arrived the house looked haunted from the outside, (especially because it was about to rain), and all the gum trees were hanging down like they were about to fall on our heads. We each had to carry a gum leaf as we entered the Rows territory, because aboriginals believe that it scares away ghosts and bad spirits.

As we walked into the building the house was filled with high ceilings and very creative looking walls. Peter showed us all the different rooms and told us what they were used for.

Soon it was time to go, but before we lined up with our classes, we peeped into the seller, but we couldn't go too close though because it was flooded inside.

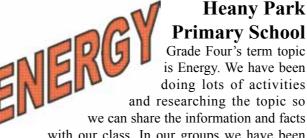
It took about 30 minutes to get there and get back. I think it was really good, but it would have been better if we staved for longer to see and learn more about the history of this area. By Hannah Petrie

On Friday 5th of August we went on a walked to Stamford Park because our topic is history. When we walked into the place Peter gave us a talk and gave us gum leaves and wave it because you get rid of GHOSTS.

He took us to all kinds of places in Stamford Park and said the Row family made the first house in Rowville.

Peter took us to the well inside the house and told us an important fact. They found a faded line on the wall outside and a vent out stuck on the step and then bricks made into a rectangle.

By Pryianka P. 5B



with our class. In our groups we have been learning about solar energy, wind energy, electrical energy, chemical energy and how we use it in our lives.

Zoe Walsh



ROBOTICS INCURSION On Monday the 1st of August, Grade

Four at Heany Park had an incursion

as part of our science program. We have been learning about the different types of energy and Caroline from Supreme Incursions came to our school to show us how to make a circuit where a globe lit up. We were asked to bring a plastic bottle and make a robot. We were given a battery, a wire, a piece of tape and a light bulb, it was important that the wires each touch the battery for it to work. We made different robots, some were dogs and some were machines with a light on them. It was a great incursion

Jessica V.



Fame the Musical



The Rowville community will definitely remember the names of the cast and crew who made the production of Fame the Musical a great success!

Fame hit the Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday, 6 of August for five

amazing shows, including a matinee performance for three of the local primary schools' senior students. Five massive shows took a lot of hard work, dedication, passion and most of all, as Principal Glenn Fankhauser describes, "soul".

The cast of over 70 students all brought those traits to their auditions back in February; all the rehearsals, the production camp and finally, the cast brought everything they had and more and projected it to an audience over four fantastic nights of performances.

The week leading into production saw the entire cast and crew attend after school and weekend rehearsals full of enthusiasm and ready to work. It also saw Arts and Technology teacher, Robbie Bechaz work tirelessly to complete the sets, ready for opening night.

Fame Day also took place, which raised funds to go towards the production and also got the students and staff excited about the production, not to mention the cast!

Production week finally came and the nerves began to set in as the realisation that opening night was only hours away.

At the Performing Arts Centre, the change rooms began to fill with costumes, makeup and of course the excited yet slightly nervous cast members. I was fortunate enough to be a part of the production doing the makeup for the lead cast and featured dancers and as Mady Reynolds likes to add, "hair too". Doing this I was able to witness first hand all the excitement, preparation and frantic activity from backstage.

Three hours till the first show and the cast began to transform themselves from regular Rowville Secondary College students to the students of the High School of Performing Arts or PA, as it is referred to in the musical.

Time was ticking and with the show less than two hours away it was time for Miss Hocking and Miss Power to go through the notes from the previous day's dress rehearsal. After notes finished the cast was left with a single hour to put the finishing touches to their hair and makeup and prepare themselves for the show. The dancers stretched, the leads warmed their voices and like a family, the entire cast supported each other, which according to Mady Reynolds



who plays Serena, is what they became. "We have become like a little family. We have become so close and everyone has gotten along so well," she said.

Watching the leads prepare for the big show was an experience is itself as they all have their own ways of doing it. For Ryan Parker, who played Schlomo, warming up his voice and breathing exercises worked, whereas for Tamra Burke, who played Iris, physically warming her body ready to dance prepared her.

The time had come. The last powder and lipstick touches were made, the lights dimmed and the shadows of seven students were before the audience. After many months of hard work, sweat and dedication, the show was about to begin. There was no turning back now.

The first scene reflected what the rest of the show would be; full of energy and amazing talent.

If the cast was nervous prior to the production, they definitely did not show it and according to Shellby Howe, who plays the confident but troubled Carman, a range of emotions went through her.

"Before the show starts I feel nervous and excited," she said. "As soon as the lights go down my heart goes crazy."

From the moment the students got on the stage, they instantly transformed into their characters and did an excellent job of it.

Geordi Szabo played the flamboyant and boisterous Joe Vegas who is a womaniser and not afraid to show it. To see Geordi transform from a shy and considerate young man to a complete opposite shows the talent that the students possess. And may I add that Geordi had audiences in absolute stitches on all four nights through his performance! He is definitely one to keep an eye out for!

The entire cast went out on stage and gave it their all

and what a show it turned out to be. There was laughter, entertainment, catchy songs to sing along to and amazing student talent.

After the first show the other three shows followed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening and according to Production Coordinator Kacey Hocking, the Fame cast all put on an excellent and professional performance. "The students are very conscious to do their absolute best, which creates this positive and professional atmosphere, and they all support each other to put on a quality performance," she said.

Although critical of themselves at times, at the end of the production week the cast were full of joy and excitement with the show they produced and as Ryan said it was a great feeling. "It is great! Performing it finally is a fantastic feeling after working for so long," he said. Tamra agrees with Ryan saying that a range of emotions went through her. "I am nervous, excited and happy all at the same time," she said.

Although the hard work of the production shone through the performances, it was also the people who were back stage, in the production box and in the band pit who made Fame come to life. The production team consisted of eight talented and selfless staff members who dedicated much of their own time to give Rowville Secondary College students the chance to perform in a very professional manner.

Production Coordinators Kacey Hocking and Sarah Power directed a team which included Carolanne Collins, Andrea Tesoriero, Julia Duke, Laura St Clair and Music Coordinators Jake Johnson and Patrick Thomson.

A big thank you to all involved! It was an amazing and very successful production week which proved that Rowville Secondary students and staff are extremely talented.

As Shellby said, "let's just say that next year's production better come fast!"

Celebrating 30 years of the Rowville Lysterfield News



the first Primary School in Rowville, opening in 1973 with some 250 students. At that time it was a small, isolated school nestled amongst 23 acres of native flora and fauna. It wasn't unusual at the time for snakes to be found near the school. One snake was found only 50 yards from the school building and another black snake was found sunning itself on the path leading to Stud Park (this happened in the 1980's when the school was still situated in bush area)! The school camping program actually took place within the school grounds.

The site was eventually sold off and is now shared with the Western Campus of the large Rowville Secondary College. Our School now has a modern Gymnasium and Canteen Complex and a newly completed building, named the Nganagee Building meaning a place for collaborating and celebrating. The school still retains some of the native bushland, giving home to a variety of native birds and animals and great care is taken to preserve the relaxed rustic nature of the site. The love of gardening and caring for our school grounds began when the school first opened with children working in the Garden Club. This love still continues today with a gardening program that will support our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program and with an Environmental Parliamentary Working Party. Our pride in our school environment will be continued in the development of the one acre stretch of land on the Simon Avenue side of the school, transforming the space into a working and productive garden to be developed over the next few years. The setting of the school complements the unique, peaceful, friendly environment remarked upon by so many visitors, and also enjoyed by our positive, happy student population.

From 250 students in 1973, the school community grew with the housing developments in the Rowville area and in October 1988 the total number of children enrolled at Rowville Primary School was 802. This was the year that the school was granted a \$2.2 million upgrade which commenced in January 1990 and took a year to complete. Building continued in 2006 and new permanent buildings were opened. Eight classrooms with built in pods for student collaboration and a media room were a part of

this building. 2007 saw the opening of our new school playground and 'Pirate Ship' at the entry of our school. Rumour has it that there is treasure buried deep under the Pirate Ship!

Our facilities have expanded as the population of students has grown. Rowville Primary School now boasts fully refurbished junior school classrooms that facilitate 21st century learning. The middle and senior school blocks are now linked with the completion of the BER project. There are two separate library collections in our school spread across the junior and senior school ensuring that all students have access to a large range of different texts. Every classroom in the school has computers and laptops, all of which are linked to the Internet and our school network. Every classroom now has a Smartboard or a projector to enhance student learning and students now use a variety of ICT to collaborate, communicate and create in all learning sessions.

Although there have been many changes throughout Rowville Primary School's history, the values and enthusiasm for learning have continued and will continue well into the 21st century.

We thank the Rowville Lysterfield News for 30 years of support for Rowville Primary School and we hope that this partnership and link between our school and local community continues for many years to come.

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Sovereign Hill, Ballarat

On the 28th and 29th of July, all of the Grade 5's went to Ballarat to go to the Sovereign Hill schools, they were Red Hill, Ragged School, St Alipius and St Peters. The two of us went to the Ragged School with 16 other Grade 5's. We had to get up at 7 o'clock in the morning to get ready and into our costumes. We had to wear pantalets under our patterned dress, a blue apron and a

coloured cape to go over our dress. When we got to our school the girls would go first and have to take our capes off. We started the day with writing using the ink pens. After the first day we received homework, which was learning our ABC's backwards.

Our class went for a wander down the road to the

Confectionery Store to see them make the lollies. The class went to the bakery across from the confectionery; we ate our lunch and headed back to school. 6 girls from out class got chosen to go to a cottage and hand stitch, and the other 3 got to go and make bath crystals. When we all met each other at the school we had play time, us girls played skipping with the rope. For our morning tea we got a biscuit and fruit, we had 10 minutes to play outside our school and eat.

We had 6 hours of school the first day and 4 on the second day, also on the first day we got to on mining tours underground. We had \$10.00 spending money and we had 1 hour to walk around Sovereign Hill to buy what we liked, most of the Grade 5's got lollies and some got candles.

Overall we had the best time at Sovereign Hill, also thought it was the best camp.

By Emma & Georgia

On the 28th and 29th of July 2011, all of the Grade 5's from Heany Park went to Sovereign Hill for camp. At camp we got split into different schools, there were 4 schools called St Peters, St Alipius, Ragged School and Red Hill. We were in St Peters, our teacher was a Ma'am. Our school was a church but it was a school during the week. During school we had to use the ink pens, it was pretty easy. We had a look at the world map, then it was morning tea time and we got

to have a piece of fruit and then we had to play outside. We

played skipping most of the time. Then Ma'am rang the bell and we lined up to go inside. Inside our school it had wooden desks and stools. There was a knock at the door, it was the Vicar. He came to our school to see how we were going. He was hilarious. He even made fun of somebody's handwriting. He said there was an earthquake when he was writing. The next day was quite the same. We had a fantastic time at our schools.

By Sophie & Tiahne

We visited the Red Hill National School in Sovereign Hill to see what it was like a very long time ago. All the girls wore long dresses and pinafores. Our teacher was a headmaster. He was VERY loud and scary. First he chose monitors. The monitors for Red Hill were Jade, CJ, Brittany, Jordan and

Then it was playtime. Sir showed us how to play all of these old fashioned games. Most of the girls played skipping. The other games were Jacks, marbles, Grace and a few others. We also had a snack, biscuits and fruit. Yummy!

Then 2 people came and they had a phone and we were acting and said "What is that? That's weird?"

After play time finished we went inside and we did writing with the ink. When Jack was pouring it he accidently spilt it, Sir said "Ma'am is not going to be happy you got ink all over the floor".

We did some writing and some children got into trouble because they used their left hand. You were only allowed to use your right hand. He called the left hand the 'wrong' hand. Later on the girls did sewing and the boys drew in a copy book. Then we all went panning for gold. It was much harder then everybody expected. Not many people found gold. Some of the girl's dresses got really wet.

Then the Red Hill School went for a walk. We passed the lolly shop and we all stopped at the place where Raspberry Drops were made. It looked pretty easy. Sir asked the Raspberry Drop maker if there were any samples we could try, they were yummy!!

By CJ & Takara

As part of the Grade 5 camp to Sovereign Hill, Ballarat all of the Heany Park Primary School students were randomly divided into the four schools at Sovereign Hill. They were the Ragged School, Red Hill National School, St. Alipius and St. Peter's.

The children dressed in costumes similar to those that were worn in the 1850s and role played with their school Teacher to gain an authentic experience from the past.

This involved girls entering rooms before boys, not speaking unless spoken to, using their manners at all times and utilising equipment and toys from the 1800s.

Some of the activities the students participated in were; cross-stitching, drawing, handwriting, practising their 12, 16 & 17 times tables, candle making and poetry.

Throughout the school day the children tried their luck with gold panning and realised it was a bit trickier than it looked! They also had the opportunity to watch the gold smelting and 4 children (1 from each school) were able to hold the piece of gold. We all had a great time at camp!

Liberty Avenue Three Year Old Kindergarten

Throughout third term we will be offering many new experiences for the children, creating various interest areas to explore in both solitary and shared learning experiences. We have created areas for imaginative play where the children can work co-operatively alongside each other, share equipment, their thoughts and ideas.

In the dramatic play area we have provided a secluded play space that is defined by curtains. In here we have included items such as stethoscopes, x-rays, writing implements, a computer keyboard, telephones, bandages, items that represent medication, beds and dolls as willing patients, all items you may find at a hospital or medical centre. Here the children use their imaginations as they explore and experiment with the materials available. They draw upon their own life experiences as they create storylines within their play and they use their communication skills as they share their ideas about the direction of their play and what they would like to do. They also develop tolerance and a sense of community as they listen to and consider the ideas of others. Through play such as this, children

develop life skills that help them to become confident, considerate, respectful, contributing members of a group. These skills will be helpful in the school playground and throughout their lives as they encounter different personalities and situations requiring co-operation. The children's play in this area has created many interesting topics of conversation and opportunities for interest-based learning, some of which have included discussions about how our bodies work, what is inside our bodies that we can not see and how we can keep

ourselves healthy.

At Liberty Avenue Three Year Old Kindergarten, we currently offer two different groups, each with a maximum of 20 children in attendance. Our Gumnut group is a "deferred" group, specifically for children whose attendance at 4-year-old preschool has been deferred for a year, allowing the children more time to mature before going to school. This group attends for 2 x 3hr sessions per week. Our Bottlebrush group attends for 2 x 2.5hr sessions per week. The costs vary according to group preference.

We employ two staff members, including a qualified kindergarten teacher and an assistant. We pride ourselves in offering families an individually based programme, where the children's progress is monitored and their needs are planned for on an individual basis. We offer a safe, nurturing, learning environment and a stimulating educational programme that encourages the children to have fun together as they learn.

Enrolments:

If you would like more information about our kindergarten, our session times, the program we offer or if you would like to obtain an enrolment application form, please contact our enrolment secretary – Caroline on 9752 9565.

We would like to congratulate the Rowville-Lysterfield Community News on 30 years of continuous publication. It is a commendable achievement by this publication for our local community.

Eildon Park Cricket Club

Well Auskick and the footy is over, so it's time to think about cricket. We are looking for the next big bashers and at Eildon Park we have a great In2cricket program where we can get you started on your journey to the Stars or Renegades and the Bushrangers.

With the front oval back in action this summer there's room for plenty. In2cricket is for kids 5-9 years of age male and female. We'd love to have



Registration day is Sunday October 23rd 9.30 am till 11.00 am, cost of \$65. The program will run on Sundays through till the 18th December then back late January for a few weeks. If you'd like to know more ring Warren our Milo In2 Cricket co-ordinator on 9763 0424 after hours.

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Following the excitement of our recent school holiday programme ("Club Extreme") when over 250 children were served by 80+ volunteers, we are continuing to find ways to serve children and families. This term we have joined with Rowville Primary School to start a "Kids Hope" programme. "Kids Hope" is an initiative of World Vision Australia. Its aim is to "build caring relationships, one child, one hour; one church, one school." The school pairs mentors from the church with children needing some form of additional support (academic, social, etc). We have started with 12 volunteer mentors. They have been encouraged by the way they have been welcomed by the school community and look forward to making a positive difference in the lives of the children they are working with.

In addition to "Kids Hope" and "Club Extreme", we have several programmes for children and young people. It begins with Playgroup. On Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings during school terms parents and children enjoy interacting in play, craft, stories and so on. For more information on playgroups, contact Perlita (ph 9016 3180). We also have high quality activities on Sunday mornings (10:15-11:30am) for children from 3 years old to Year 8. Children can explore faith and make friends in a creative fun setting (Phone Louisa or Marg





on 9795 5857). For teenagers, we offer the Youth Space on Friday afternoons, Youth Group on Friday nights and a youth led worship service on Sunday nights. Contact our Youth Pastor, Denns, on 0431 878 128 to find out more.

During September our care for children and families will take on a global perspective. We will be seeking to take up a number of new child sponsorships through Baptist World Aid Australia's Support An Orphan programme. This delivers aid directly to people in need through trusted on-site partners. For more information visit www.baptistworldaid.org.au or come along to church at 10am one Sunday in September.

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Whilst on the topic of helping people in need, in October we will be holding the next set of seminars on managing a household budget - "Stretching Your Dollars". These Free seminars are held at the Wellington Care Centre, Le John Street, Rowville, in partnership with EACH Social and Community Health and Knox Infolink. To find out more or to register, phone 9764 3738. The Wellington Care Centre also provides one-on-one sessions with a Budget Support Worker and also emergency relief to those experiencing financial hardship. The Centre also provides high quality counselling at accessible rates on

a wide range of issues. Visit www.wellingtoncarecentre. com.au.

If there are other ways you think we might be able to assist you or your family, please contact us.

Congratulations to the Rowville Lysterfield Community News on 30 years of serving and connecting our community. The News is a great means for sharing and hearing the many good things taking place in this growing area. Rowville Baptist has appreciated being involved with the News since its inception.

Rev. David Devine ph 9764 4242



We want to appreciate the opportunity they provide to us in this space we get to write to the community! Thank you and congratulations! Here's to another 30 years of even better achievement, ahead!

Celebration this month is not only limited to the achievement of this newspaper but we expect all of Melbourne to be celebrating at least for the arrival of

spring! It's been a very chilly winter, and that little bit of extra sunshine and daylight not only contributes to brighter days, but also to improved temperaments!

There's something about the newness of nature that brings such relief and provokes smiles. Buds of colour begin their orchestral bursts from branches that were naked in just the previous season. Daylight prolonged for a couple more hours to farewell winter's long nights gives us a little more light to fit things into our *day*. It's that joyous part of the life cycle: new life, fresh colour and those few extra degrees to warm our days in spring's wake. Although we've passed the halfway mark of 2011, it's as good an opportunity as any to just begin afresh! Sure it's easier said than done. Starting two thirds into the year trying to feel fresh can be a hard task when there's a backlog of stale obligation tracing to the beginning of the

year. But we weren't meant to feel tired all the time, there is hope and abundance in life and it's meant to be ours.

So, in the case that you feel you could do with a little support or some help in just trying to start things afresh for this new season of spring, we've got spare seats beside us waiting for you! Life is a progression that little by little we walk through as a community. Because there's nothing more refreshing than new friendships to pave the walkways of new seasons in life and we'd be honoured to have you to share a fresh lively season with! So if you had a Sunday without plans, you don't have to spend it alone just visit us, we'd love to meet you! It would probably put a spring in our step (and hopefully yours too)! ©

Details of Services and Club Meetings can be found in "What's On Locally" on page 2



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Spring is in the air and blossoms are blooming and wee again reminded of some of the beauty of creation that we experience every year in our gardens and other plac ares. Spring is a time of new things and new energy. It is the time that the Rowville Lysterfield Community News was born, and we at the Uniting Church are pleased to have been involved with this great community initiative for many years now. Congratulations to all involved in the past and in the present in providing 30 great years of this community news paper, we look forward to many more years to come.

The Uniting Church meets each Sunday for worship at 10am. We have a service that combines a mix of music, traditional and contemporary, and a friendly atmosphere that welcomes all comers. We offer Sunday School during the service.

We have been pleased in the last month to welcome Nathaniel Atem, a Sudanese student minister studying to be a minister in the Uniting Church. Nathaniel, his wife Angelina and son Isaac, will share with us for the next 12 months as part of his preparation for ordained ministry. We look forward to hearing about his journey to be here and what he will bring to us.

Last year we introduced a program called Advent Workshop. A four week after school program to share the story of Christmas with primary aged children in a fun and creative way. We were very happy with the great response to this program and will be offering it again this year. The program will run on the 23rd, 30th November and 7th and 14th of December. Details about the time and registration details will follow next month.

We are currently running two programs that enable people to connect socially. Each Tuesday at 1pm there is a craft group meeting at the church. Anyone who enjoys doing their own craft in the company of other craft lovers is welcome to this group. The coffee and the conversation are both great! On Thursday mornings at 10am the Link group meets at the church to simply have a friendly chat and morning tea together.

For information about any of our programs, youth, KUCA, Toddler Gym, the Bridgewater Centre community counselling, Kids Hope, please call the office on 9753 3495. God bless. *Trevor*



Nathaniel and Angelina Atem, our student minister and their son Isaac.

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Knox Council Reuniting pets and owners: on Facebook

Council has launched a new Facebook page aimed at reuniting lost animals with their owners. Called Lost Animals in Knox, the page lists details of dogs and cats found by Council. It also allows residents to add details of their missing pets.

Local Laws Coordinator Elke Tapley said "We understand that Facebook is a really popular social media tool and we see it as a great way of helping to get pets home again. Every day we're adding more and more details of pets we've found and picked up, and we're also asking residents to report their missing pets here.

Additionally, we're uploading

pictures and a description of animals currently

at the RSPCA and in need of adoption." Ms Tapley said if residents lost a pet they could use the page to upload a photograph of the pet, and add a description. This will help Council to crosscheck against its own database of pets. Residents can also look through the list of missing pets on the Facebook page to see if their animal has been listed.

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Council website, and are happy to chat to concerned residents over the phone, we see Facebook as another way of helping owners find pets," Ms Tapley said.

"It's also a great way for a wider audience to see that

your animal is missing, just in case they may have seen it." To learn more about Lost Animals in Knox, visit this nage

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