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Mt Macedon Memorial Cross ANZAC Day Dawn Service

The sound of the bugle played by Jenny Batchelor, the Director of the Kyneton Brass Band hushed the crowd and marked the start of the ANZAC dawn service at the Mount Macedon Memorial Cross.

A large crowd had gathered in the darkness to commemorate the sacrifice, the selflessness and the contribution of those who served their nation at war. Despite the storms of the day before and the day after, the service was conducted in the cold and the fog, but not rain.

The highlights of the service included the singing of Amazing Grace and Dreaming of Home by local group Beata Lumina. Dreaming of Home is the song drawn from the Scottish, French and German soldiers who broke ranks on the Western Front at Christmas 1914 and put their arms aside for a couple of hours to celebrate Christmas together.

Readings from various theatres of war, including a letter from Private Wood, a trooper from Woodend writing from Gallipoli, were read by Gisborne Secondary School Captains Caitlin Farrugia and Aaron Moore. The citation for Trooper Mark Donaldson VC, who was awarded the Victoria Cross for bravery and selflessness in action in Afganistan earlier this year was read by Braemar College Captains Evelyn Deutsher and Austin Van Groningen.

Special guest Premier John Brumby laid a wreath on behalf of the people of Victoria, and was followed by State MP's Joanne Duncan and Donna Petrovich. Mr Brumby's presence marked the recent completion of works to increase disabled access to the Memorial Cross.

Many comments were received at the end of the service about the special qualities of respect, reverence and emotional content of the event. Compere Frank Donovan, a Vietnam Veteran, set the scene with well chosen words describing the nature of mateship and selflessness during armed conflict.

The organisation of the day succeeded because of the great cooperation between a large number of local organisations: Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Parks Victoria, Woodend, Gisborne/Macedon Ranges and Kyneton RSL's, the SES, CFA, Victoria Police, Woodend Scouts, ADF School of Languages, Mt Macedon Memorial Cross Committee of Management, and many other volunteers.



The official wreath-laying party included the State Premier, Mr John Brumby

World reknowned artists heading for Woodend

June 5-8 (Queen's Birthday Weekend)

The Woodend Winter Arts Festival has quickly achieved a reputation for presenting some of Australia's finest musicians in intimate settings, alongside literary events featuring acclaimed writers, children's entertainment, and exhibitions of the fine arts. This year the program goes international, with expatriate performers Li-Wei Qin, Anne Harvey-Nagl and Christine Stevenson from Singapore, Vienna and London respectively travelling to Woodend to appear exclusively at the festival.

"The Woodend Winter Arts Festival is an opportunity to welcome people into our beautiful town to enjoy great works of art in a relaxed setting," said Festival Founder and Artistic Director, Dr Jacqueline Ogeil. "Each year, the festival has doubled its audience, and these days our total attendances are more than the population of Woodend itself!"

"The reason people love the festival is the great air of conviviality that is raised as they walk from session to session, having been inspired by talented artists and happily rugged up in the cool mountain air. The festival makes Woodend a perfect place to get away to for Queen's Birthday Weekend."

Over the weekend, 16 one-hour recitals will be performed at St Ambrose Church and St Ambrose Hall in Templeton Street, Woodend.

Festival goers will be treated to the exceptional talents of harpist Alice Giles; pianist Christine Stevenson; mezzo-soprano Sally-Anne Russell and theorbist Samantha Cohen; violinist Anne Harvey-Nagl and pianist John O'Donnell; Ensemble Gombert and Accademia Arcadia; cellist Li-Wei Qin and pianist En Pei Lin; and cellist Josephine Vains and her string virtuosi friends.

Raising the tempo on Opening Night will be the Sydney-based Flamenco Crew, while Japanese drummers Wadaiko Rindo will follow up on Saturday with a workshop and energetic performance for both the young and old.

On the literary front, well-known writers Arnold Zable, Don Watson and Catherine Deveny will talk candidly about their work, while Botanical Riches will be discussed by Michael McCoy and Richard Aitken.

Leading arts academics Dr David Hansen, Felicity St John-Moore and Caroline Williams Mora will present a special series of fine art lectures, The Cultural Pavlova.

An exhibition Art in Clay by the Macedon Ranges Potters and a talk by world famous Kyneton company Flynn Silver are further attractions for the broader community.

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Other famous locals set to appear are pub philosopher Roger Swarder, and founding member and bass player of The Seekers, Athol Guy, who will present a 90-minute retrospective on his broad experiences in music, advertising and politics and offer a personal blueprint for following one's dreams.

Among a terrific line-up of children's events is a performance of Tubby the Tuba by the Scotch College Orchestra with Playschool's Alex Papps, and free library sessions on Saturday with authors Lee Fox and Simone Howell. Lee created the much loved characters of Ella Kazoo and Jasper McFlea, while Simone is the author of Notes from the Teenage Underground and Everything Beautiful.

The Tubby the Tuba concert is in memory of John Nieuwenhuizen (Jnr), who died shortly after moving to Woodend with his young family. He was committed to fostering the love of music in children. Tickets to the Saturday afternoon concert are \$10 and include bus transport from Woodend to Braemar College.

Handel's Coronation Anthems and Royal Fireworks Music will be performed by Melbourne's outstanding chamber choir Ensemble Gombert directed by Woodend resident John O'Donnell, and baroque chamber ensemble Accademia Arcadia, which was formed in 2001 by Jaqueline Ogeil. The Sunday performance will be followed by a fireworks display on the St Ambrose Oval.

Organisers recommend booking for events now to avoid disappointment as some tickets have sold out in the past. Tickets range from free to \$45.

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Woodend Star Publication Dates for 2009

June	1st June
July	29th June
August	3rd August
September	31st August
October	28th September
November	26th October
Dec / Jan	30th November

Advertisers and contributors are reminded to book in by the 15th of the month with artwork to follow immediately.

Changes to advertisements, new advertisements or cancellations should all be made by email or in writing.

Woodend Rainfall Report 2008

Each month we add the rainfall details and the year to date total. Our rainfall report shows 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 comparisons. Please note that your own rainfall readings may not exactly match these. These readings are the official BOM readings and have been taken in the same location in Woodend for many decades. All measurements are in millimetres.

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
January	21.2	47.4	49.8	83.5	17.1	0.0	Jan
February	6.2	72.2	53.1	27.4	22.1	0.0	Feb
March	19.0	5.8	20.6	35.7	25.4	32.3	Mar
April	41.2	18.8	46.4	20.2	20.4		April
May	39.3	13.6	58.8	95.7	43.7		May
June	98.0	116.7	36.0	105.1	88.7		June
July	93.8	76.9	91.6	83.3	112.5		July
August	76.1	125.0	30.8	34.8	52.2		Aug
Sept	31.7	55.2	50.6	49.8	42.0*		Sept
Oct	38.9	49.8	5.2	12.1	13.0*		Oct
Nov	111.0	72.4	13.0	91.0	67.2		Nov
Dec	144.2	40.0	31.0	101.2	96.0*		Dec
YTD:	720.6	693.8	486.9	739.8	600.3	32.3	YTD

Reminder: We are now on Stage 3A water restrictions.

Figures for 2008 include information from a different location indicated by *. This has resulted in a slightly different total than the official BOM totals.

There was no rain in January or February 2009.

Country Fair and Vintage Tractor Pull at Tylden

SATURDAY 9TH MAY, 2009 – 10.00 am to 3.00 pm
Tylden Primary School, Clowes Street Tylden

The Annual Tylden Primary School Fair and Vintage Tractor Pull is on again. It is a day out that can be enjoyed by all and has something to offer everyone.

Stalls will be selling plants, crafts, fresh local produce, scrumptious cakes and great coffee there will also be devonshire tea, face painting, tattoos plus a great range of food on offer for lunch including curry. The SES will be demonstrating the “Jaws of Life” which is always a big hit with all ages and Manny the Clown will be performing endless magic and creating wonderful “balloon shapes” throughout the day. There is also a fabulous Silent Auction with a fantastic range of goods.

And it wouldn't be a true Country Fair if the Vintage Tractors were not on show displaying their great gusto of strength. This event is definitely a must see and there will also be a fantastic range of Classic Cars on display. Anyone who owns a Classic Car and would love to show it off, why not bring it along for the display and at the same time enjoy a fabulous day out in the country – all welcome! Most of the funds raised will go towards the ever growing costs of upgrading computers, sporting equipment etc. for the school whilst a percentage will also go towards the setting

up of a fully equipped kitchen for the kids where they will learn wonderful culinary skills in a hands on kitchen environment as part of their curriculum – a fantastic initiative to not only develop their skills but also to encourage healthy eating habits from the vegetable garden to the kitchen!

The Fair and Vintage Tractor Pull is the main fundraiser for the school. Wrist Bands will be on sale (prior to 9th May only) at \$25 per band giving endless rides on the Probungee Trampolines, Adventure Jumping Castles, Petrol Powered Jeeps and Trackless Train. The Bands can be pre-purchased from the school and collected on the day. For enquiries about the Country Fair or purchase of Wrist Bands, please call the school on 5424 8244, concerning the Vintage Tractor Pull please contact Ross on (0428) 176 996 or regarding the Classic Cars, call Craig on 5424 8227.



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We are a children friendly church and families are always welcome.

Other church activities

St Mary's Guild meet the 4th Wednesday of the month at 11 am in the Rectory, new members are welcome just come along and join in the fun and share a cup of tea or coffee.

St Mary's street stall 2nd Saturday of every month outside Woodend Newsagency. Handmade knits and crafts, Homemade preserves and cakes no added preservatives, 9am-12pm.

Thanks to Woodend Newsagency and Marlins on High Take Away, for allowing us to trade outside their premises.

Knitting a square for the homeless, next function will be in June watch this space for details.

The rebuilding of St Mary's Church Hall, which was destroyed by fire in August 2006, will commence during the course of this year following the receipt of the necessary planning approvals.

We would like to thank the Woodend community for their support and interest shown in this project.

Submitted by St Mary's Parish



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Many thanks to the folk who supported the BBQ for the Bush Fire Appeal and Rescue for Wild Life in the Bendigo area.

Thank you to Coles Supermarket who so generously donated the bread, sausages and drinks throughout the day.

Thankyou to the ladies from the Woodend Children's Park group and the Tin Collectors assisted by Braemar students who helped the Woodend Lions Club with this project. The community will be pleased to know that the sum of \$3,250 was raised and the Bushfire Appeal received \$2,500 and the Wild Life Rescue received \$750.

New members are welcome at our club meetings which are held the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, for further information please phone Gary Dudderidge 5421 2255 or Robyn Robbins 5427 1342

Submitted by Robyn Robbins, Secretary


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The results of our Easter Egg Raffle are as follows.

1st prize (a huge basket of Chocolate goodies) was won by Mrs Heather Hoopell

2nd prize (a basket of chocolate goodies) was won by Carol.

3rd prize (a basket of Chocolate goodies) was won by Mrs Margaret Robinson.

Our thanks to all who participated.

The boys have been busy again and thanks to John for replanting our garden and Bill, Reg, Barry and the rest of the helpers for the work they have put in to get us up and running again. Well done all. Also the ladies busily working in the background. We make a great team. More ladies to help out and join our Auxiliary would be most welcome.

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If we want to keep our store and Post Box we need to support them - think of the daily petrol [and" black balloons" you will save]. We welcome the new "owners"

submitted by Sally Stabback

Woodend Rotary Fundraising Luncheon and raffle

Following on from the previous successful fundraising luncheons, the Rotary club of Woodend will again be hosting another event of sumptuous treats.

Friday May 22nd, 12 –3 pm, \$20 includes light lunch & Champagne on arrival, at 142 Washington Lane, Woodend.

RSVP and payment by 15th May please by phoning Melissa 54271578. Raffle tickets will be available on the day or prior from any Woodend Rotarian. Funds raised for Drought Relief.

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This is a Woodend Community Project, a family day to enjoy, with all proceeds going directly to the Cambodian Kids Foundation (CKF). Come down and support the tremendous work of the foundation and ensure they can continue on with the projects currently underway in Cambodia. This is also an opportunity for people to become acquainted with CKF and appreciate that this is our foundation and all support great or small is truly appreciated!

What's in it for you? Sausage sizzle; jumping castle; face painting; outdoor auction (\$5 reserve); Green Bean coffee machine; Color Me Cooper Closet – new & used clothing \$5 per item; new & used Converse shoes \$20 and so much more! For further information or to donate goods for the Auction please contact: Emily at Color Me Cooper 5427 1454. Quality saleable items please!

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"BreastScreen is an important health service for women," Program Manager for BreastScreen Victoria in the North Western region, Victoria Cuevas said.

"The Mobile Screening Service brings the highest quality BreastScreen services to rural and regional women close to home and at no cost to them," she said.

"We are hoping to screen 1200 women in Kyneton this visit. I encourage women to have their regular free screening mammograms for the early detection of breast cancer before the Mobile Screening Service leaves in May.

BreastScreen Victoria is particularly focused on women aged 50-69 as evidence has shown that this is when mammography is most effective in finding the early signs of breast cancer. Finding breast cancer at an early stage gives women the best chance of successful treatment and recovery.

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Macedon Ranges Bridge Club Raises funds for Dementia Research

Members of the Macedon Ranges Bridge Club (MRBC) will be competing in the Bridge for Brains Research Challenge, to raise much needed funds for the Prince of Wales Medical Research Institute (POWMRI) to undertake research in the many forms of dementia affecting the community. The Challenge, in its fifth year, is organised by the Prince of Wales Medical Research Institute, with the support of the Australian Bridge Federation and State Bridge Associations.

POWMRI, one of Australia's pre-eminent research institutes, is committed to the prevention and cure of some of the world's major brain related diseases and disabilities and is seeking more funding to assist with their research into Dementia. Chief Executive Officer of POWMRI, Professor Peter Schofield, said Dementia was one of the many brain related diseases affecting Australians – both young and old – which POWMRI was undertaking research into.

"The team here at the Medical Research Institute are dedicated to the prevention and ultimately a cure of dementia among many other major brain related diseases and disabilities", Professor Schofield said. "we congratulate the MRBC for stepping up to the challenge of raising funds while at the same time helping to raise awareness of dementia in the community".

The MRBC will participate in the Bridge for Brains Research Challenge on 5 May, with a Duplicate Bridge session held at the Community Centre Hall, Woodend. Peter Wells, Secretary of the MRBC said the club was proud to be providing support to the POWMRI in raising funds while also raising awareness of the benefits of keeping the mind active in order to minimise the risk of being diagnosed with dementia. "Bridge is a wonderful way to keep your mind alert and our players recognises that it's vital to keep mentally as well as physically active as they get older", he said.

Further information on playing Duplicate Bridge in the Macedon Ranges region please contact Peter Wells on 5427 4440, or PO Box 727, Woodend, Victoria 3442.

Submitted by Macedon Ranges Bridge Club

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It makes us volunteers a bit cross when we have to deal with this stuff; all we want to do is remove weeds and put in new native plants.

Give us and the environment a fair go, Woodenders, and put your rubbish in the bin!

Two new families have taken up our request to "adopt-a-site". We hope to see more joining up soon.

Our May Working bee is at the "Black Gum Rescue" site at the corner of Anslow St and Wood St, Sunday May 24, 9.30 a.m. See you there!

Submitted by Jo Clancy



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\$5 Entry Fee, kids under 10 free. 100% of all proceeds go to the children of Cambodia. There will also be kids entertainment, a BBQ, food and drinks available.

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Macedon Ranges Wellness and Longevity Group

The group was established last year to organise the first Health and Longevity Expo, that was held in Kyneton on the second weekend in September. In line with Victorian governments grant of \$7.3 million, that has been committed to promoting this region as a Spa and Wellness destination; we are working to build the profile of the Macedon Ranges as a Serious Healing and Wellness Destination. This is in contrast to the Daylesford and Hepburn Springs Spa and Indulgence destination.

Former Gisborne PM Athol Guy is lending his support and expertise to the project and believes that establishing the region as a healing centre has huge potential and will bring many benefits to the area.

Our plans for this year include: An Expo in Kyneton and establishing a Central Wellness and Healing Retreat at Mount Macedon. We welcome anyone who is interested in participating in either of these ventures. Especially regarding the retreat, we are open to ideas and ideally a business partner who may own a property at Mt Macedon and would like to develop it as a retreat.

With the generous support of Athol Guy, we have also released a DVD that features the stories of five interesting people. It is being pitched to several television networks and is available for purchase at \$15.00 for the 2 DVD set, proceeds go to the MRW&LG.

In times of economic stress, people need to be looking after their health more than ever and attracting \$\$\$ to

the region's businesses is a major priority, this is a unique opportunity to establish the region. All these initiatives will bring focus, awareness, people and investment to our region.

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National Disability Awards nominations are now open

Local people have been encouraged to nominate for the 2009 National Disability Awards.


Member for McEwen Fran Bailey said nominations close on May 22 and recipients would be announced during International Day of People with Disability on December 3.

"These awards were inaugurated three years ago and bring together people with disability, non-government organisations and businesses to celebrate and raise awareness of the unique skills of people with disability," Fran said.

"Across our local communities, we appreciate the skills and contributions of these people and organisations."

Categories in the awards are –

- Lifelong achievement award for a person over 25, with or without disability, who has demonstrated a sustained and extraordinary personal commitment to improving and/or reshaping the lives of people with disability.
- Disability Rights Young Leader Award for a young person, 12-25 years of age, with disability who has raised awareness and shown outstanding leadership in improving the lives of people with disability.
- Business Award for a person with or without disability who has displayed an innovative approach and achieved substantial outcomes, in advancing the lives of people with disability in areas such as transport, housing, communication and technology. No age limit.
- Local Government Award for a person who has challenged or lobbied, and has succeeded in implementing substantial change by breaking down barriers faced by people with disability. No age limit.
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Shelter Project at Hanging Rock Begins

The development of a new shelter at the Hanging Rock Reserve is a "joint venture" between the Shire of Macedon Ranges (as Trustees of the Hanging Rock Reserve) and the Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club Inc.

The Reserve and the Shire through the Community Funding Scheme have provided the much needed money for materials and essential tradesmen works whilst the club is providing volunteers to co-ordinate the project and do the tasks that can readily be done as workers.

The first job was to clean up the site with the grader blade and erect the safety fencing for the project as evidenced in the photos.

"We are really excited about this project leading a new way forward for the Reserve and an area for new players to have some comforts on Thursday nights during daylight savings period" enthused Club President Ken Helmore, as he watched the works begin.

"We appreciate the commitment of the Reserve, the Shire of Macedon Ranges and our own members to make this happen".

Submitted by Chinka Steel

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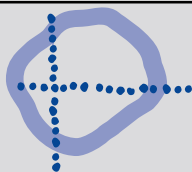
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5th May, Gisborne Shire Offices, Executive room

8th May, Woodend Neighbourhood Centre

11th May, Romsey Shire Offices

15th May, Riddells Creek, Senior Citizens

18th May, Malmsbury Town Hall

22nd May, Macedon Jubilee Hall

Submitted by Macedon Ranges Shire Council



A beautiful photo and a Poetic License*

An enquiry from Bruce Hedge sought permission to shoot on location at our place for the WAAF.

Bruce had a flying history with the NZ Air Force, and I wondered if that's what he was referring to. Could it be the female arm.

Now Newham-based, this photographer still gets to push buttons and capture things, and it seemed a good way to marry two professions, but a long way to haul a bunch of Kiwis for a photo.

Then we thought maybe we'd misheard and he meant the RAAF, and while an FA18 over Hanging Rock in itself would be spectacular, it seemed a bit extreme ... and not without complications.

Could he have meant WWOOF? They get a few transient WWOOFers down that end of Newham. If you feed them they're pretty harmless but would they be advertising? Anyway, with dinner cooking and no time to chat the reply was "Sure thing. Help yourself".

So imagine our surprise while enjoying steak and three veg and the view from our double glazed, can't hear a thing, big as you like kitchen windows, when the lithe figure of Bruce Hedge marched past; (his) camera on one shoulder, (our) aluminium ladder on the other, beating a path through the 60-knot southerly buster, seemingly oblivious to the wide eyed onlookers. "Just Keep Eating, Children" I commanded, the way one does when one is unsure what might transpire.

Quite soon the ladder dislodged and blew itself up against the barn wall*, sending Bruce airborne into the front paddock* where he proceeded to walk in circles*. "Rather peculiar" we thought, as dessert was served. "Must be the wind". What's this all about?

From our vantage point, we then saw him, to our horror, disappear down the inside of the dam. "My God!" I thought, "He's shot himself in the foot with the Canon!" and abandoning the Sarah Lee, grabbed for the floaties*. "Hang on HedgeB!" I hollered wholeheartedly from the house. "Help is at hand and I'm hurrying hither".

But while heading to the rescue in a calm and orderly fashion, plus 60 knots from the rear, a car load of newcomers preceded me. Peering pensively from behind a gnarly pine tree* I watched as they extracted a church organ,* lugged it up onto the dam bank, and wedged it into a wabbit hole* – which no doubt surprised the wabbit.

"OH FABULOUS" I thought, "someone's going to play us a riff while we wait for the jets !" (and mud wrestle HedgeB+tripod+very expensive camera equipment out of the bog).

That night, emailed photos arrived to solve the puzzle. Not a church organ, but Jacky Ogeil's copy of a 17th Century Flemish harpsichord, and it looked magnificent against the dominating Hanging Rock backdrop.

And so the fog lifted. No jets or hungry backpackers. No Riff, RAAF, WAAF or WWOOF.

Only lovely music, and with the dogged determination of a professional, a beautiful photo.

Enjoy the Woodend Winter Arts Festival.

Submitted by Kathy Mexted

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Upcoming Events & Meetings

May

- 4 Carlsruhe Landcare meet 7.30
- 6 Carlsruhe Community Planning Group 7.30 pm at Carlsruhe CFA
- 7 Red Cross Meeting
- 7 Community Buffet Luncheon at Braemar College 5427 2500
- 8 Consultation on aging well in community at Woodend Neighbourhood Centre
- 9 Country Fair & Vintage Tractor Pull at Tylden Primary School
- 9-10 Ramble Among the Roses - fundraiser for Cambodian Kids Foundation
- 9 Music Pizza Night @ Red Beard, Trentham
- 10 Mother's Day
- 11-15 Neighbourhood House Week
- 15 Allergy Seminar
- 16 Color Me Cooper Closet & Garage sale @ community centre 9am
- 22 Rotary Fundraising luncheon & raffle Melissa 5427 1578
- 23 Woodend Community Aged Care Monster Fair @ St Ambrose Hall
- 23 Winemakers' Dinner at Grange Cleveland 5429 9000
- 23-24 Vintage Showcase Lancefield & Romsey Wineries
- 25-31 Palliative Care Week

June

- 1 Carlsruhe Landcare meet 7.30
- 3 Carlsruhe Community Planning Group 7.30 pm at Carlsruhe CFA
- 4 ADFAS Lecture Kyneton
- 5-8 Woodend Winter Arts Festival, Queen's Birthday weekend
- 8 Queen's Birthday public holiday
- 22-23 Film Makers Seminar at Lawson Lodge

October

- 4 Daylight Savings starts 2am
- 14 National Ride to Work Day www.bv.com.au
- 25 Woodend Teddy Bear Show, St Ambrose Hall

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 Historical Society, Courthouse, 5427 2523
 Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club, 10 Webb Cres, New Gisborne 1st Wednesday each month 8pm
 Macedon Ranges Animal Aid, Buffalo Sports Stadium, 5427 1752
 Macedon Ranges Bridge Club, 5427 4440
 Macedon Ranges Families of Children with Disabilities Support Group, 5427 3365
 Macedon Ranges Residents Assc. 5427 1481 or 5427 2651
 Macedon Ranges Communicators (ITC), 5427 2669
 Macedon Ranges Photographic Society, 1st Tues of month, Ron Mathews 5427 3284
 Macedon Ranges Social Club (activities for singles over 35) phone 9740 5517 or 9744 2697
 Neurological Support Group "Contacts", Woodend Community Centre
 Panic & Anxiety Group, 5427 8256
 Parents & Carers of Children with Special Needs, Woodend Community Centre
 Probus, 5427 2003
 R.S.L., Anslow Street 5427 3122
 Red Cross, 5427 1260
 Rotary Club of Woodend, meetings weekly at Vic Hotel Thursdays 6.45pm, Kai 5427 1029
 St. Mary's Guild, 11am, 4th Wednesday of month
 St. Mary's Street Stall, 9-12 noon outside Woodend Newsagency (2nd Sat of the month)
 Woodend & Five Mile Creek Landcare Group, Jo 5427 1909 or Doug 5427 0666, 3rd Tues Meeting, 4th Sunday Working Bee
 Woodend Angling Club, RSL Hall, 5427 2395
 Woodend Art Group, Railway Station, 5422 6172 or 5427 1659
 Woodend Business & Tourism Association, Cori 5427 3434, 2nd Tues of month (BATA)
 Woodend Lions Club, Meetings 2nd/4th Wednesday each month, ph Maureen Dougherty 5427 4949
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The fifth Woodend Winter Arts Festival goes international, with performers from Singapore, Vienna and London appearing exclusively at our Festival.

The international theme carries into a night of Flamenco music and dancing, and Japanese drumming for the young and old. Our ties with old England are explored with royal music for the Queen's birthday weekend, featuring Handel's wonderful Coronation Anthems and popular Royal Fireworks Music performed on period instruments. We celebrate several significant musical anniversaries, designing programs around Purcell, Handel and Mendelssohn, whose Octet is coupled with a rarely heard Bruch masterpiece. Local treasures Flynn Silver are back by popular demand, as is our ever-wise pub philosopher Roger Sworder. There is also an exhibition of 'Art in clay'.

Don't miss another special local appearing for the first time in the Festival — Athol Guy with a Seeker's Retrospective.

As well as free literary events for children with Lee Fox and Simone Howell, we have Japanese drummers Wadaiko Rindo performing and presenting a workshop.

We are excited to have as part of our Festival line-up literary legends Arnold Zable, Don Watson and Catherine Deveny. There is a session on botanical riches with Richard Aitken and Michael McCoy. And not to be missed is a special series of fine art lectures: The Cultural Pavlova, with leading arts intellectuals, Dr David Hansen, Felicity St. John-Moore and Caroline Williams Mora.

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*Dr Jacqueline Ogeil,
Artistic Director*



How to Order Tickets

BOOK IN ADVANCE

Online: purchase tickets online via the Festival website, www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au

Mail Order: See the order form in the brochure for details.

By Phone: Call 0447 570 327 between 10 am & 5 pm Monday to Friday. A booking administration fee of \$5 for internet bookings and \$10 for mail or phone order bookings will be applied.

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This pass allows you to attend one performance of every concert, including the Japanese drumming. It does not include admission to the literary or children's events or the drumming workshop. The cost of a pass is \$195 (including GST), which represents a saving of up to \$100 over purchasing tickets individually.

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Tickets to most events will be available for sale at the Festival Box Office over the Festival weekend. However, many events in previous years have been full to capacity so it is in your interest to pre-purchase your tickets. Note: As there is no car parking available at Braemar College, tickets to the Children's concert Tubby the Tuba include free bus transport from Woodend (details on the Festival website). Tickets must be purchased before boarding the bus.

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I'd like to take this opportunity to personally thank the many volunteers in the Macedon Ranges who contribute their time and effort to our community. Your contribution makes our community a very special place to live.

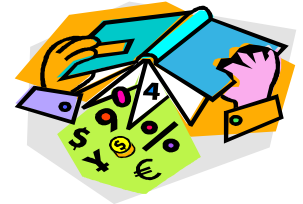
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Monster sized fun

Woodend Community Aged Care is holding a Monster Fair at St Ambrose Church Hall on Saturday, May 23.

The fair will start at 10am and promises to be a fun-filled day with well stocked stalls, a jumping castle, face painting, spinning wheel, sausage sizzle, devonshire teas and live entertainment. Profits will fund a bus to take residents of the aged care facility on outings.

Stalls will include Trash & Treasure, Cakes, Craft, Bric-a-Brac, Books, Plants (rare and drought resistant) and Clothing (good quality pre-loved).

Anyone who wishes to donate items for the stalls can contact Sue Sullivan on 0428 333 916.

Woodend Art Group news

The Woodend Art Group will again present its Winter Art show on the 6th, & 7th and 8th June, providing entertainment to everyone in between the musical recitals of the Winter Arts Festival. We will have painters demonstrating several different medias and will encourage the public to "Have a Go". There will also be displays of what we achieve in our various classes and workshops.

During Term two Helen Cottle has agreed to run six Watercolour classes and on the 16th of May Adam Lee will run a workshop in a more contemporary style of Watercolour. Persons interested in either class should contact Pamela Simmons on 5427 1659.

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nausea; inability to concentrate; lack of muscular co-ordination; depression & anxiety and memory lapses. Sufferers can be diagnosed with conditions such as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and Fibromyalgia which overlap with chemical sensitivity. Those with more severe sensitivities have to live in isolation from the rest of the community, unable to work, study or take part in social activities because of the health risks involved.

Time: 1.00 – 6.00pm

1pm Neil Blyth, Architect – Chemically Sensitive? How safe is your house?

2pm Maree Jeffs, COTA: 'Remembering Well'

3pm Deborah Randa, DDLS: 'Disability Discrimination Law & Chemical Sensitivity'

5pm Dr Colin Little, Physician-Allergist: 'What is Chemical Sensitivity?'

Venue: The Michael Centre, 37A Wellington Park Drive, Warranwood, Victoria. This building has hardwood floors and hydronic heating. It is set on 4 acres of bush. No pesticides are used on the property and they will clean the building with cleaning products supplied by AESSRA.

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Petanque at Tahbilk Winery

Petanque – strange name, great game. Petanque, the French game also known as boules, was recently played at the Tahbilk Winery as part of an annual tournament.

On 19 April this year 31 doubles teams arrived early on Sunday morning to compete; with 16 teams competing in the open event and 15 teams in the veteran's event where both members of the team have to be at least 60 years old. The players came mainly from petanque clubs in the central Victoria region and Melbourne metropolitan clubs. Petanque is a sport equally suited to women and men and the teams commenced a series of five rounds of play at 10 am. Each petanque game is scored in precisely the same manner as lawn bowls where the winning team for each end gains a score representing the number of balls (steel boules in the case of petanque) they have closer to the jack (coche) than the opposition. In doubles petanque each member of the team throws 3 boules, usually in a back-handed style that imparts plenty of spin to the boule.

The game of petanque is best played on reasonably level graveled terrain and thus is ideally suited to a car-park of the sort found at the Tahbilk Winery alongside the old cellar door building. For the Tahbilk Masters Doubles tournament the Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club provided the expertise to conduct the tournament while the cellar door manager Geoff Hamence made the graveled car-park area available for the day for the petanque playing areas, or pistes, and then very generously provided some of his world-famous wines as prizes.

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Many of these visitors were fascinated with the game of petanque and stopped to chat with players and officials alike while being very careful to stay well clear of the flying steel boules that weigh in the vicinity of $\frac{3}{4}$ kg each. Visitors stood there amazed at the skill of players who can get these boules close to the coche on gravel and seemingly defy the random nature of the terrain. The most spectacular throw in petanque is referred to as 'shooting' where an opponent's boule is struck on the full and dispatched from the piste with the incoming boule then remaining perfectly stationary on the spot where the opponents boule sat a moment earlier!

The winners of the 2009 Tahbilk Masters Doubles in the Open event were Pierre Bommarito and Michael Lacase from the Melbourne Petanque Club who beat Anne Burge and Kay Hunter of the Pyrenees Petanque Club, Avoca. In the Veteran event, the winners were Santiago Mayor and Claud Chaloup.

You can find more about petanque by visiting the Woodend Hanging Rock Petanque Club website at <http://www.petanqueattherock.com.au>, and both the club players and Tahbilk Winery, <http://www.tahbilk.com.au/>, will be working on a repeat of this event in the future every year in April.

Submitted by Chinka Steel

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Cambodian Kids Foundation opens the ATTITUDE Centre for Education

The Cambodian Kids Foundation has always wanted one thing, to make a difference in the lives of the Cambodian people. And in particular, to empower the younger generation to become well rounded individuals. Individuals which show compassion and strong leadership. This is why the foundation made the decision to open the Attitude Centre for Education.

The Attitude Centre for Education (ACE), is an institution which focuses on peoples attitude towards each other, and their outlook on life. We equip them with mental skills required to become successful leaders.

ACE provides a range of different courses at the centre, including: Leadership courses, Conflict resolution, Mental Health, Job seeking and Life skills.

With the knowledge obtained from these courses, students can, not only become leaders in their community, but pass their skills on to others and create a better Cambodian future.

These courses are open to any organization, school or community group. They are run for groups of any size, ranging from 20 – 145 students. We run courses on site, in our new building, and also travel to isolated rural communities.

As well as the ACE courses, the centre offers accommodation for university students in Phnom Penh. These students come from the provinces, but without sufficient funds to support their study. The ACE students, who live in the centre dormitories, are given a leadership training scholarship and receive free accommodation.

Future plans will involve, university scholarships also. CKF currently supports 4 students on full scholarships and are able to accommodate 20 students in our dormitory project. We plan to expand ourselves, and with your support we will be able to. Your attendance and generosity at our May fundraising events would be greatly appreciated – see pages 6 & 8 this issue.

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Community Funding Scheme

– Applications Open

Applications for the 2009-10 Community Funding Scheme are now being accepted.

The Community Funding Scheme provides assistance to locally based community groups wishing to develop and provide programs, services or activities for residents of the Shire. The scheme also aims to assist Council facility user groups to upgrade and improve their facilities.

The scheme is divided into four grant categories:

- Recreation and Facilities Grants
- Community Wellbeing Grants
- Cultural Development Grants
- Community & Tourism Event Grants

Application forms and an outline of Council's funding guidelines and policy are available to download from www.macedon-ranges.vic.gov.au or can be collected from Council Service Centres in Gisborne, Kyneton, Romsey and Woodend. Alternatively, you can request a copy be mailed by telephoning 5422 0333.

For further information or if you have any questions about the scheme, contact Garry Holmes on 5422 0320, Kate Strahan on 5422 0345 or the relevant evaluating officer for the grant that you are applying for (refer to the guidelines for details).

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Jamboree 2010

The 22nd Australian Jamboree will be held at Cataract Park Scout Camp in NSW in early January 2010. Twelve members and three leaders of the 1st Woodend Scouts will be participating in this exciting 12 day event. Therefore we will be fundraising to help meet the considerable costs associated with getting our participants to the Jamboree.

Firstly, we will be holding several sausage sizzles and wood raffles across the winter months, tickets will be on sale in Woodend on weekends and market days, so please support your local Scout troop and purchase a ticket or two—you never know it may be you that will be taking home a trailer load of wood to ward off the winter chills! You can also chase away the cold by buying a delicious hot sausage from our BBQ ... just follow your nose to our sausage sizzles.

Secondly, across the Woodend Winter Arts Festival weekend (5–8 June), the Log Cabin Devonshire Tearooms will open its doors to one and all for the very first time. Please pay us a visit—warm-up in front of our roaring wood fire and enjoy something to eat and drink from our

selection of homemade goodies. Morning and afternoon teas, as well as light lunches and snacks, will be available at reasonable prices. The tearooms will be located in the Woodend Scout log cabin in Forest Street Woodend, follow the signs throughout Woodend across the weekend.

We thank you for your support in our fundraising endeavours.

Submitted by Leisa Macartney

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Woodend Red Cross

The Woodend Red Cross would like to thank everyone for their support with the bushfire appeal stall with \$400 being raised. The winning ticket in the raffle was a green ticket number C61. We would also like to thank the Woodend RSL for their donation. The next meeting will be held on the 7th May 09 in the SES Rooms to start at 1:30pm. For enquiries please contact N. Proctor on 5427 1260 or J. Sheppard 5427 4293. The June meeting will include a Dutch Auction for all those who are interested.

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Term 2 has started with a rush this year, with lots of new and exciting opportunities for everyone. Many classes have already commenced, however there are still lots starting this month.

Are you considering running your own business? If so attend our informative course on Starting and running a small business is a great way to start. Make it Happen is an adventure based learning program for women planning to return to the workforce – this will give you the confidence to get back out there! Coming up are regular first aid, anaphylaxis, CPR, food hygiene and boat licensing courses plus QuickBooks and MYOB training, beginner computers and email and internet classes. Confined Space Safety for Farms is an accredited four hour course on 28 May.

For the more creative people we have numerology, mosaic or glass fusing with Ettore, make a Wood-fired oven, suitable for pizza and much more, silver and gold jewellery making with Fran Harkin of Made in Malmsbury, Thai cooking, plant propagation, digital photography for beginners and the more advanced, plus permaculture and more. Safety in the home is a one session class guaranteed to make you think about how safe your own home is and runs on 16 May.

Have you ever wondered what Life Coaching is all about? Come and meet Joy Black on 21 May and find out what it can do for you.

As always we really do welcome new volunteers and are always looking for new tutors. So if you have an hour a week or month, please pop in to see what the Neighbourhood Centre is all about.

For details of all our courses and events go to our website www.wnci.websytle.com.au or call into 47 Forest St during school hours Monday – Friday.

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Vintage '09 in Lancefield and Romsey

With vintage almost over and fermentation well under way, the Winemakers of Lancefield and Romsey* are counting their blessings and thinking of their less fortunate colleagues in other areas where drought, fire and smoke caused so much loss. Although yields were below normal, grape quality has been outstanding; so we are all hoping that vintage '09 will provide some more award winning wines to add to the rapidly growing reputation of the Macedon Ranges region, and the Lancefield district in particular, as Australia's premium producer of sparkling and other cool climate wines.

They certainly have reason to be proud of their wines and the all important terroir of the district. Elevation around 500 metres plus, soil, sunlight and the skill and care of the operators of these small family owned vineyards and wineries have all contributed to their outstanding success. District pioneer, Gordon Cope-Williams can claim over 50 trophies and gold medals, whilst Curly Flat continues to go from strength to strength with high praise from internationally renowned critics such as James Robinson and James Halliday. Mt William scored major successes at the Macedon Ranges Exhibition, the French Chamber of Commerce Concours des Vins and won Best Sparkling Wine at the 2009 International Cool Climate Wine Show. Wines from the Lancefield and Romsey area have dominated the awards at the Macedon Ranges Wine Exhibitions with Gold Medal and trophy awards to Braewattie, Farrawell, Mt William, Morganfield, Midhill, Lanes End and Portree.

Following the successful launch last year of their "Vintage Showcase", the Winemakers of Lancefield and Romsey will have another "Showcase" on the weekend of May 23 and 24, with each of the nine participating vineyards opening their cellar doors to show just how good their wines are. There will be a Vintage Showcase dinner at Cleveland on Saturday 23 May with district wines and many of the wineries will also be offering fine food and entertainment over the weekend. There will be pizza and pies at Curly Flat, lamb souvlaki at Portree, mussel soup at Mt William



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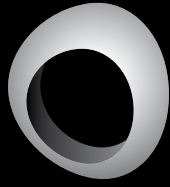
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A little bit of Hollywood in Macedon

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The course titled "Script to Screen: Film Makers Seminar" will walk you through all facets including movie making, finance and distribution. It runs over two days, with the first seminar scheduled for Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd June.

Mark's long list of achievements as a Producer includes Storm Warning, The Real Thing, and new film Prey (starring Natalie Bassingthwaite), and he has also appeared as an Actor in Quigley Down Under, The Four Minute Mile, Blue Heelers, Neighbours and Acropolis Now.

Not only are we privileged to have Mark's wealth of knowledge and expertise at our disposal, but he is bringing some of his friends from the industry to present – all working professionals who are leaders in their field, including legendary script writer Patrick Edgeworth.

Patrick's work includes movies such as BMX Bandits and Cool Change, but is best known for hit 70's TV shows such as Cash and Company & Matlock Police, and more recently work on Newly Weds and Neighbours. Patrick has also presented in film related courses at RMIT.

Chris Nicholson, Manager of Lawson Lodge in Macedon, was beaming when announcing the partnership. "We are delighted to join with Mark to provide such a wonderful opportunity for aspiring film makers, financial advisors and the like. What a great opportunity to learn from people who have so much experience in this field. These aren't university lecturers reading from a text book, but notable professionals working in the industry. These guys have experienced success on many levels and they have also had a few hurdles along the way that they have learnt from, so to share in that knowledge is invaluable. And what better place to do it than Lawson Lodge where you can also enjoy our hospitality and stunning surrounds."

With the current economic downturn and high unemployment, this is a great opportunity to advance your career or give you an insight in to the glamorous world of film making.

The cost is \$485 which includes two full days seminar, with morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea provided both days. Lawson Lodge also have overnight packages available which include dinner and single accommodation on site for Monday night plus breakfast on Tuesday morning at \$195 per person. For more information or to book contact Lawson Lodge on (03) 5426 1551 or enquiries@lawsonlodge.com.au

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We have a Pastoral care Volunteer program; this service supports the patient, their family and caregivers.

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Referrals can be self referrals, from family, caregiver or health professional. Macedon Ranges Palliative Care service can be contacted via Kyneton District Health Service 5422 9911.

For further information about palliative care or the location of your nearest service go to www.pallcarevic.asn.au



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Recycled water demand peaks as renewable resources come of age

Western Water is celebrating autumn's harvest this year after notching up another bumper crop of success stories for its Renewable Resources team.

Managing Director John Wilkinson said customers used a record 97 per cent of all inflows to Western Water's recycled water plants during February, plus the season was topped by an excellent report card from Victoria's Essential Services Commission for its reuse of biosolids, a byproduct of recycled water.

Mr Wilkinson said tough water restrictions meant, in many cases, recycled water had been the only source available to keep local parks and sports grounds alive as drought conditions persisted in the region.

"Recycled water is now commonly used on sports grounds throughout this region and Western Water's network of recycled water schemes underpins extensive agricultural and horticultural enterprises on Melbourne's western fringes."

Mr Wilkinson said Western Water remained a leader in the field of recycled water in Australia after the Essential Services Commission again highlighted the organisation's environmental performance in a recent water industry performance report.

"The ESC report particularly commended Western Water's recycling of biosolids, which was the highest percentage in this state," he said.

"Biosolids reuse is a growth area at Western Water in our drive to eliminate waste from our business profile. Last year, 132.6 per cent of biosolids was used, cutting into existing stockpiles."

Mr Wilkinson said developing secondary markets for byproducts of water recycling made good business sense as well as being eco-friendly.

Western Water's Renewable Resources manager Stephanie Gillespie said developing a committed and knowledgeable customer base was the key to the success of Western Water projects around the region.

As well as connecting sporting fields, vineyards, orchards and olive groves to pipeline schemes from most town recycled water plants, Western Water had also put in standpipes at Sunbury, Melton and Gisborne, which are accessed by councils for street trees and road construction and maintenance, as well as by registered agricultural water carters.

"Increasingly, recycled water has become as precious as rainwater," Ms Gillespie said.

Ms Gillespie said growing demand from both the urban and rural sectors would keep Western Water on track to achieve 100 per cent reuse of recycled water by 2013.

"Western Water is well on the way to having the systems and schemes in place to recycle every drop," she said.

"This year, we called for expressions of interest in a new scheme in Woodend, work is underway on another scheme at Gisborne and the Riddells Creek Recreation Reserve will be connected in the coming weeks."

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In keeping with the recycle theme of the shop, door prizes included a ladies purse made from 100% recycled material being a milk cartoon and the inside tube of a bicycle tyre! Woodend local, Susan was the lucky winner and delighted with her prize!

"The evening was enjoyed by all" said Caroline Wogan, manager of Saving Grace. "In particular, it was an opportunity to say thank-you to Fiona D'Silva (previous owner)."

Saving Grace sells recycled designer womens clothing including labels such as Anthea Crawford, Perri Cutten, Country Road, Sportscraft and many more. The shop is located behind Macedon Florist and beside Cafe Colenso. New Management have extended opening hours to Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun 10am to 4pm.



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Congratulations Woodend CFA Medal Winners

Woodend CFA was successfully represented at the recent Victorian Police & Emergency Service Games.

Mitch Hobbs won Gold in the Shotgun – Trap Shooting C Grade with 70 out of 75 points, and is the current record holder. He also won the overall Gold in F Class (Open) in Large Bore Shooting and is the current record holder with 284 out of 300 points, including Gold for the 300 yards (with a perfect score of 100), Silver for the 500 yards (92 out of 100) and Gold for the 600 yards (92 out of 100).

Geoff Wells was also successful in F Class (Open) Large Bore Shooting finishing runner-up to Mitch for a Woodend CFA 1-2, with 281 points out of 300 – just 3 points behind, including Gold for the 500 yards (94 out of 100). Mitch actually borrowed Geoff's rifle to shoot in F Class, and Geoff is now naturally insisting that Mitch uses his own rifle next year.

And Amber Smeenk won a Bronze Medal in the Equestrian Dressage for the second consecutive year. Well done to you all, a terrific effort!

A great 'Good Friday' collection

Once again, the Woodend and Newham CFA conducted the annual Good Friday collection for the Royal Children's Hospital Appeal throughout the roads, streets and tracks of the area. A very big thank you to all of the CFA members, family members and friends from both brigades, around 50 in total, who volunteered to doorknock and count, many giving up most of their day, and to the Ladies' Auxiliary for ensuring that all were well fed and watered. And a special thanks to everyone in the Woodend and Newham areas who donated so generously, raising a record of nearly \$8,970 - including \$7,230 for Woodend and nearly \$1,740 for Newham. With Jessie and Georgia McKinnon, daughters of Woodend CFA member Stewart McKinnon, collecting some \$1,450. Unfortunately, we were not able to cover every home, and many people were away for the Easter break, so if you still wish to donate, please drop into the Woodend or Newham CFA stations any Sunday morning with your donation – up to the end of May. A great effort by everyone!

Thank you to the Woodend Bowling Club

The Woodend Bowling Club recently held a Social Day for the Woodend CFA attended by more than 50 members of both organisations. A very entertaining day was had by all, culminating in an excellent BBQ and a generous donation from the Club to the CFA.

The Fire Danger period is now over – but ...

The Fire Danger Period should have officially ended on



May 1. If restrictions have been lifted you can now burn off without a permit. You are able to light a fire in the open air for burning off grass, scrub or rubbish. However, we ask that you still do so with extreme care and caution, as there is still plenty of dry grass and undergrowth left from summer.

For small clearing fires, a permit is possibly not needed, however there are still strict guidelines you should be aware of. Lighting fires to clear unwanted vegetation can still be extremely dangerous. If a burn escapes due to carelessness and damages someone else's property, you will be held responsible.

By law the size of pile of material being burned must not exceed 2 cubic metres, and you should clear a firebreak of at least 3 metres around a fire, to ensure that it can be restricted to a controllable size. The space above the fire should be free of any flammable material and vegetation.

You should not burn too close to adjoining land and should also do the courteous thing and notify neighbours prior to the fire being lit, so that they can bring in washing and close doors and windows.

Naturally, what you burn should be dry garden waste and not produce any toxic fumes. You will need to have adequate methods of controlling and extinguishing the fire in place.

You shouldn't just set fire to a large pile and let it burn.

It's smoke alarm time!

When you changed your clock you should have also changed your smoke alarm battery. The CFA recommends that all Victorians should replace your smoke alarm batteries around the time that you turn back your clocks for the end of daylight saving – which was this month. The message is quite simple: only working smoke alarms save lives. If there's no sound from your smoke alarm, there's no warning.



Remember, it is normally smoke, not flame or heat, that kills the majority of fire victims. When asleep, our sense of smell is largely diminished, and we're unlikely to smell smoke. The smoke may also put occupants into a deeper sleep, so a smoke alarm actually helps wake you. And, with all of the plastics, materials, electronics and chemicals around - house smoke can be extremely toxic.

Here are some interesting home fire facts:

- One in five Australians have experienced a fire in their homes
- Research has shown that the absence of a smoke alarm can increase the possibility of a fatality by 60%
- While 45% of properties visited had smoke alarms installed, 31% of those were not functioning with the batteries flat or even removed



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- About 64% of house fires were unintentionally lit
- Around 56% of these started in the kitchen during cooking and a further 15% the result of electrical faults
- In more than 95% of metropolitan household fires someone was home at some stage during the fire
- From 2001-2006 there were 108 deaths in house fires in Victoria and the majority of incidents occurred when the deceased was resting or sleeping

For further information contact Captain Mick Christie on 0419 870 601 or 1st Lieutenant Mike Dornau on 0409 093 935, call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356, visit the station in Urquhart Street or our website: www.woodendcfa.org

The Woodend CFA is a volunteer emergency service, committed to Creating a Safer Community.

Submitted by 1st Lieutenant Mike Dornau, Woodend CFA

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Australian Decorative Fine Arts Society's next lectures are in May and June. The first of these is to be held on Thursday, 7th May at 7.30pm. in the Kyneton Town Hall.

Entitled "Augustus and Gwen John: the Lives and Work of Two Contrasting Artistic Siblings", it will be given by Sandra Pollard from England, lecturer with the Open University and a trustee of Bowes Museum.

Augustus John and his sister, Gwen, could not have been more different and myths have developed about both of them. He epitomised the Chelsea artist, the Bohemian womaniser who fathered many children. Gwen is usually depicted as retiring, living in a garret in Paris and painting small, feminine pictures. The lecture will investigate these myths and possible truths, using their paintings.

On Thursday, 4th June, 7.30pm. Kyneton Town Hall the lecture will be "Max Dupain: a Snapshot of Australia's Pre-eminent Architectural Photographer". The lecturer is Adrian Boddy, architect, former director of the Architecture Programme at University of Technology, Sydney, whose interests include teaching of architectural design and photography.

This lecture will explore the work of Max Dupain, who at the age of 17 years at Sydney Grammar, joined the Photography Society of N.S.W., his innovation and techniques in architectural photography, and his assistance to younger photographers. Dupain's photographic images became emblems of an Australian tradition in the visual arts, depicting Australian landscape, industry, fashion and everyday life.

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Heritage Society News

I've just put the following two items into our newsletter "Heritage News" which goes out regularly to all our members. I'll repeat it here so that the information will also reach those who have not as yet taken out a W&DHS membership.

ASHBOURNE REVISITED:

We had a great response to our invitation to join an informal meeting to share information and memories related to Ashbourne at our March meeting. The old chamber at the Courthouse was literally packed with old and new residents, keen to share their knowledge or learn more about the area where they are now living. A sincere thank you to all those who attended and contributed to a very enjoyable and productive afternoon..

In view of the amount of information that was forthcoming, we have decided to gather this together and combine it with some of the information we already hold in the collection and make it available as a small publication. We are still hoping that more photographs will be made available and that people who were unable to be at the courthouse gathering, will take the time to jot down their reminiscences and send them to us for possible inclusion in the book. A possible title for the book has already been suggested — "Where is Ashbourne?" — it seems this is often asked! What do you think? Other suggestions welcome.

WORLD WAR 1 SOLDIERS WHO HAD CONNECTIONS WITH THIS DISTRICT.

Sylvia Boxshall, one of the Centre's long time volunteers, is currently working on the collation of all records pertaining to World War I soldiers with district connections. Many detailed records are now available from various web sources and to these we are adding much additional information gleaned from local newspapers and other sources. If you have any letters or other information, and in particular photographs, which relate to a district WW1 serviceman or woman, we would very grateful to receive them to include in this proposed publication. Information and photographs can be emailed to wdhs@vicnet.net.au, dropped in to the Centre on a Wednesday or posted to the WDHS, PO Box 124 Woodend. Please include your name and contact details.

Coming back to W&DHS membership, this remains at just \$20 a year for an individual, \$25 for a family and \$15 for concession card holders and full time students. Your support for our efforts will be greatly appreciated. Again, our postal address is PO Box 124, Woodend, 3442 or you can call in to the Local & Family History Resource Centre on a Wednesday between 10 am and 5 pm. You will find us at the Courthouse, Forest Street, Woodend and will always be welcome.

Submitted by Janet Hawkins

All news items, articles, advertising bookings and community news columns must be received by 15th of each month.

Welcome to the Woodend Star Kids Club May Birthdays

6th	Jamie Staresina	Turns 10
6th	Sarah Meacham	Turns 12
7th	Nicola Fitzgerald	Turns 11
9th	Tyrone Hinsley Hargreaves	Turns 6
9th	Jessica Louise Thorne	Turns 7
10th	Jett Sanders	Turns 4
19th	Remy Sheppard	Turns 13
26th	Jamieson Simpson	Turns 4

Happy Birthday Everyone!

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You can collect your birthday surprise by visiting Collier Office & Business Assist in the Woodend shopping centre – but you must come in yourself!

(PS: We need your jokes and pictures! Please drop them in.)

Riddells Creek Adult Riding Club

Dressage Jackpot and Combined Training Competition. 15th March 09

Riddells Creek Adult Riding Club held their first event on 15th March 09 at their new grounds at the old Woodend Racecourse which they share with Woodend Pony Club. It was big team effort by all the club members, new and old, their families and members of Woodend Pony Club who helped with the catering. Saturday's downpour of rain made setting up quite exciting. The number of competitors exceeded expectations so fitting in additional arenas and parking made it a tight fit but all worked out very well on the day.

There are so many people who deserve thanks; first of all the riders and their horses who put in so much work to produce their best performances. We would also like to thank our wonderful Sponsors whose help, financial and in kind, made the event possible. The winners were very proud of their lovely rugs and saddle blankets.

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Junior tennis champs

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The team, managed by Paul Holgate, won 38 games to 34.

Woodend Tennis Club has around 175 members, with many involved in competitions including Midweek Ladies (Tuesday), Mixed Night (Thursday), and the Saturday Juniors & Mixed Open sections.

Lights are now operating on all courts, opening up more playing opportunities. Casual court hire is available through the Woodend Information Centre and light tokens are available from BP service station. The clubhouse is also available for private functions, meetings and workshops. Details: Nadine 5427 1571.

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