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A dream becomes a reality for 100s of children in Cambodia

— *Thank You Woodend*

In the small community of Thnal Bek, children wait and watch with excitement as the latest Cambodian Kids Foundation Project “Saing Sy Center” is being built.

We visited the community just one year ago and we knew these people needed help, as well as education and emergency health assistance. We were able to help with health assistance immediately, but the education side of it would take a lot of carefully thought-out planning.

We decided to build a school and community centre to bring this community together. This would be a huge project, one bigger than we had ever tackled before. This became our dream; a dream that is about to become a reality.

Within days the Coopers were on a plane, a builder had been hired, contracts had been signed and the land had turned into a construction site. The contracts were signed on the 30th of January, they started digging the foundations on the 31st Jan and by the 7th Feb all the walls were up and the window and door frames were in.

We are building a five room school house, three large classrooms, a computer lab, a staff meeting room, plus a verandah with a huge tiled area for the children to eat and relax. Thanks to four amazing women from the Woodend Children’s Park Committee, our children will also have a soccer field and a playground, something our children have never seen before. Can you imagine their little faces when they see all this?

The Saing Sy Centre is scheduled to finish at the end of March. April will see us employing teachers, enrolling children and setting the curriculum. A party has been



Cambodian Kids Foundations “Saing Sy Centre” is rapidly approaching completion, with classes due to start on the 10th May. This School has been made possible largely due to donations from residents and businesses from Woodend.

Pictured above, L & R Students of Saing Sy Centr, middle picture shows the building of the school. Sponsorship of the students is now being sought.

When we arrived home and told our story and the importance of the Saing Sy Centre, we knew the Woodend community would be eager to help. Everybody was so supportive and worked so hard. The enthusiasm was contagious and soon this was a dream we all shared.

The community of Woodend together with the Cambodian Kids Foundation got to work and raised a massive \$26,000 in less than 6 months. It was an amazing fundraising effort by all, especially our local children that just kept coming up with the best ideas and proudly took them on. They believed in this much needed “Saing Sy Centre”, a school by day and an all important community centre by night; a place open to all for health assistance, hygiene education, emergency shelter or just a friendly chat.

The decision was made at January’s board meeting to start building the school even though we were a little short of funds. It was an exciting time for Woodend and Cambodia.

planned for the 9th of May, a day to celebrate the opening of the school, the first day of classes to start on the following day. The 10th of May is now Cambodian Kids Day, a day to celebrate and think of how lucky we are and think of our friends over in Cambodia.

The school will cost \$15,000 per year to run, and we need your help. You can help by:

- Sponsoring the project “Saing Sy Centre”
- Buying a uniform package for the students
- Become a member of CFK
- Sponsoring a student

There is nothing greater than watching and being part of a child’s growth. With your help, we can give these children a brighter future and let them shine.

If you are interested in helping with fundraising or would like more information, call Donna Cooper on 0417 271 453. The sponsorship profiles and information on the first 50 students is now available, emily@cambodiankidsfoundation.com



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1st Woodend Scout Group

The 1st Woodend Scout Group would like to express their thanks to Mick Masterman. Mick and his colleagues at National Australia Bank in Melbourne raised funds, through a fundraiser at the end of last year, to purchase six new canvas tents for the Group. Mick has three children in the group, Emma, Daniel and Matthew.

The 1st Woodend Scout Group continues to experience growth in Membership and following the opening of the second Cub Scout Pack last year we now have over 90 members and 16 leaders, supported by our parents and family members.

Scouting in general is experiencing a growth in its membership and there is little wonder. What other organisation gives youngsters the opportunity to experience so many different activities and learn so many life skills with the support of a world wide organisation with over 100 years of experience?

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In addition, there is a true sense of belonging and the friendships that develop amongst the members can last forever.

We currently have youth members aged from 7½ to 25 and our expansion plans include starting a second Scout Troop (10½ to 14 years of age) plus a Joey Mob for 6 to 8 year old children.

If you and your family are interested in finding out more about the 1st Woodend Scout Group, please contact Jenny Johnson, Group Leader on 5427 4968.



The 1st Woodend Scout Group Leader, Jenny Johnson, thanking Mick Masterman.



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Macedon Ranges Youth Awards 2010

National Youth Week is a joint initiative of the Australian, State, Territory and Local Governments. It is Australia's largest celebration of young people and in 2010, National Youth Week will be held from 10 - 18 April with the theme 'Live it Now'.

As part of National Youth Week, the Macedon Ranges Shire Council Youth Development Unit will be proudly hosting the 2010 Macedon Ranges Youth Awards, designed to acknowledge, encourage, reward and promote the positive achievements of young people in the shire.

Nominations for the local Youth Awards are now open. If you know of a young person (or group of young people) aged 12-25 years who deserves recognition, the Youth Development Unit encourages you to nominate them for an award. The Macedon Ranges Youth Awards recognise the achievements of young people in a range of categories including: Sports, Arts, Environment, Community Involvement, Business and Academic.

Nomination Packs can be downloaded from the Macedon Ranges Shire website at: www.mrsc.vic.gov.au (follow the links to Youth) or can be collected from any of the council's offices. Nominations close at 5pm Friday 26 March 2010.

For more information, contact Merinda Richards, Youth Development Officer, Macedon Ranges Shire Council on 5422 0272.

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Woodend Rainfall Report 2010

Each month we add the rainfall details and the year to date total. Our rainfall report shows, 2005, 2006 2007 2008 2009 and 2010 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.

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	
January	47.4	49.8	83.5	17.1	0.0	42*	Jan
February	72.2	53.1	27.4	22.1	0.0		Feb
March	5.8	20.6	35.7	25.4	32.3		Mar
April	18.8	46.4	20.2	20.4	38.6		April
May	13.6	58.8	95.7	43.7	32.5		May
June	116.7	36.0	105.1	88.7	56.0		June
July	76.9	91.6	83.3	112.5	91.9		July
August	125.0	30.8	34.8	52.2	104.8		Aug
Sept	55.2	50.6	49.8	42.0*	50.2		Sept
Oct	49.8	5.2	12.1	13.0*	44.9		Oct
Nov	72.4	13.0	91.0	67.2	111.5*		Nov
Dec	40.0	31.0	101.2	96.0*	48*		Dec
YTD:	720.6	693.8	486.9	739.8	801.8	YTD	

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

Figures for 2008 & 2009 include information from a different location indicated by *. This has resulted in a slightly different total than the official BOM totals.

For the year of 2009 there was rainfall of

801.8mm

1 inch = 25.4 mm therefore the total year to date is 31.53 inches

Woodend Art Show

Well known Woodend artist John Walsh, who has been a regular exhibitor at the Woodend Lions Art Show for 24 years is, once again, supporting this annual event. Over the years John has regularly donated a painting of a local scene for the raffle which is held on the weekend of the Art Show. The Lions Club greatly appreciates John's generous and continued support and the lucky winners are always delighted with their John Walsh original.

Pictured is John with this year's raffle prize, a painting of Islay House, Woodend.

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WOODEND LIONS CLUB ANNUAL



ART SHOW

MARCH 2010

Saturday 6th 9am - 5pm
 Sunday 7th 9am - 5pm
 Monday 8th 9am - 4pm

St Ambrose Hall,
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Entry: Adults \$2

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Woodend Carnival

There are two good reasons to come to this years Woodend Carnival.

St Ambrose building works should be finished in time for viewing at the Carnival on Saturday, 17 April, 2010. Consider it a great big house warming.

Undoubtedly the biggest and best carnival in the district, this years event offers family entertainment, including rides for all ages, food, a music stage, a brand new range of raffle prizes consisting of a "Woodend Indulgence" package, family photographic portrait, art and jewellery. The activities and entertainment are outstanding, and matched only by the afternoon teas. See you there.



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Sustainable Success

The Sustainable Living Festival is set to become an annual event after a first up effort that was a great success.

The Festival featured 25 stall holders and attracted more than 500 visitors at the weekend, proving that local residents are keen to learn how to live more sustainably.

Stall holder Lindsay Houston, from Eco-energy said the day was brilliant with lots of informed and interested customers. David from Woodend Cycles reported that it was a great opportunity to promote bicycle use and the business in a relaxed environment.

This Sustainable Living Festival was organised by the Macedon Ranges Sustainability Group as a showcase for local businesses and local groups active in sustainability and to provide local solutions to those wanting to live more sustainably. From feedback collected on the day the Festival has been the stimulus for much personal enquiry around sustainable living. Everything from massage, relaxation and yoga through to food production, solar hot water systems, double glazing and local organic food and beverages were on offer.

Presentations on relationships, retrofitting and sustainable sheds were well attended and those that returned or stayed until the local music program started were treated to a sublime evening of original songs and covers by local artists.

President Peter Hansford said that there are a range of fun, exciting and meaningful projects that members can get involved in. We hope that many of the new members will help us get some of the planned larger projects better resourced. One project now on the agenda is organising an even bigger better Festival next year. Enquiries and suggestions can be made to mrsrg@woodendweb.org.

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Sustaining Kindness

A most welcome visitor to Saturday's inaugural Macedon Ranges Sustainability Festival was a perky little porcine named Hamish. Hailing from just a stone's throw away at Edgar's Mission Farm Sanctuary in Willowmavin, Hamish and his human companions made sure one and all considered kindness as part of their ecological footprint.

"With growing concern about the environmental message we leave behind it is most timely that we also think about our kindness footprint as well" said Hamish's guardian and sanctuary founder, Pam Ahern. "With the knowledge that we are fast using our planet's resources at an unsustainable rate many people are reducing car usage, using energy efficient appliances and taking shorter showers while few are looking to their plate as a source of environmental problems"

Being kind to animals, Hamish and his intrepid crew told, has enormous benefits for not only the animals involved. Just one kilogram of beef uses up 50,000 litres of water compared to just 2,500 for a kilogram of white rice. While over 30% of Australia's green house gas emissions can be blamed on animal based agriculture. Singled out for being particularly unkind to animals and the environment was the factory like farming of chickens and pigs which sees huge numbers of these otherwise free roaming animals severely confined to such a degree that just about all of their natural behaviours are prevented.

"The only reason animals live, or rather exist like this, is because people buy the products of their suffering. So next time people think about reducing their carbon footprint, we ask that they think about increasing their kindness one too" concluded Pam" If we could live happy and healthy lives without harming others ... why wouldn't we?"



Abby Maya of Macedon and her new friend Hamish

Calling all community groups

The New Woodend Star aims to provide a voice for Woodend residents, Community groups and Businesses.

Editorial and publicity for community events and groups is free, and all other contributions or business advertisements are most welcome. Please contact Alexia 5427 3092 or sales@collierooffice.com.au Please keep articles under 350 words, pictures are always welcome.

Cyber Bullying Forum

St. Ambrose school, Woodend Primary school and Braemar College are pleased to announce a Community Forum on Cyber Bullying on Monday 15th March at 7.00pm in St. Ambrose school hall. The evening will be facilitated by Specialist Consultant and director of the Cybersafekids Project and Cybersafeworld, Robyn Treyvaud. A leading authority on ICT and education, Robyn has presented at international conferences and published papers in Australia, UK and the USA and led workshops in schools across Australia and the Asia Pacific region. All interested community members are welcome to join us as we work together to protect our children from the harmful social, emotional and psychological effects of cyber bullying. For any further information on the evening, please contact Jill Cannon (Wellbeing Coordinator, St. Ambrose) 5427 1285.

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The Woodend Playgroup has had a busy start to the new year with many new families returning and over 10 new families joining playgroup for the first time resulting in new sessions starting. We are now accepting expressions of interest for Term two with the hope of starting more new sessions. If you are interested in Playgroup why not come and have two weeks trial session in March before commencing playgroup in Term 2. To register call the Enrolments Officer call 5427 2583.

The Playgroup operates Monday to Friday and offers 3 sessions each day 9am to 11am, 11am to 1pm, 1pm to 3pm. Each session has children of similar ages in them.

For enrolments call 5427 2583.

Term Fees are \$30 per family and the yearly 2010 Playgroup Victoria Membership of \$25 per family, which offers a number of great resources and discount (concessions also available).

Woodend Senior Citizens

Activities: Tuesday – Bingo (win a gift) 1.30pm, Friday – Carpet Bowls 10.30am, Cards 1.30pm. General meeting and Trading Table – Friday 5th March at 11am. Followed by 43rd Birthday Lunch at 12 noon, then fun afternoon and Cards at 1.30pm. Monthly Bus Trip: Tramboat Cruise Monday 22nd March 2010. Bookings essential for Birthday Lunch & Tramboat Cruise. Members please join in our activities and new members most welcome.

Submitted by A. Warnock, President.

Camp Out at the Rock

Experience an exciting overnight campout at the popular Hanging Rock Reserve on Saturday 20 March 2010.

This event in the past has been a great success with participants having a fantastic experience.

Come along and enjoy an evening in the great outdoors; join in on a guided night walk looking at the reserve's flora and fauna, or watch an indoor screening of the movie 'Picnic at Hanging Rock'.

The local SES will be providing a sausage sizzle on Saturday night and bacon and eggs for breakfast on Sunday morning for a small fee.

Bring your own tent, torch, food and drink. BBQ facilities are available if you wish to cook for yourself. Great for families, school groups and couples!



Pre bookings are essential. Cost: \$30 Family, \$15 Adult, \$10 Child. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. For further information and bookings contact Macedon Ranges Shire Council on 5421 1468.

March is Red Cross Calling

Members of the Woodend Red Cross Unit will be carrying out their annual collection for Red Cross during March. Members will be collecting in the town and any donations will be gratefully accepted, small or large.

New members are always welcome. Any queries please call Norm Proctor on 5427 1620.

Submitted by P. Wilson and J. Podrazil

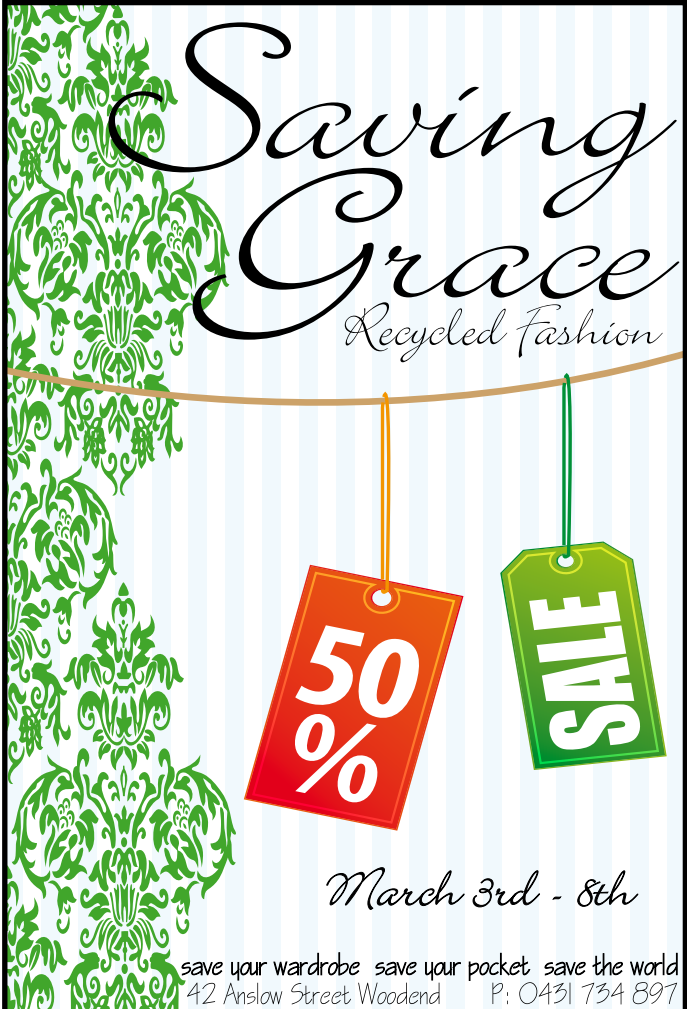


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We are currently offering mediation for children with Monica on Friday afternoons between 5 and 5.45pm. In today's busy world give your children the opportunity to discover the benefit of guided quiet time.

We have received several requests for daytime yoga so will trial a class on Wednesdays during March from 12.30-2pm. Leisa from Caitanya Yoga is taking bookings and can be contacted on 9743 3997 or 0408 934 656.

Integrated anaphylaxis and paediatric first aid will run in March, over two Saturday mornings, so whether you need CPR update, level I first aid, or training in the management of allergic reactions, now is the time to enrol.

Do you understand numbers? If not maybe numerology is the place to start. One session held on 13 March will teach you how to work out your current Personal Year, using your date of birth. Discover the opportunities available in each year to bring your goals to light.

We also have several classes for those of you who are creative. Mosaic is a relaxing but challenging hobby and you can get started making a platter with Ettore. Also with Ettore why not make your own glass jewellery, plates or coaster – a unique gift or treasure to keep.

With Easter coming up, why not attend a gift card making workshop with Robyn? Unleash your creativity and learn new skills in papercrafting.

Newham News

The Newham Community Planning Group held the inaugural Social & BBQ on 29th January. Thanks to all community groups who supported this event at the Newham Mechanics Institute. And a big thanks to members of the Newham Mechanics Hall for the terrific effort put into the catering for this first Social.

With over 130 people turning up it was great credit to everyone involved that the evening went without any hitches. These Social get togethers are to be held on the last Friday of the month from now on. BYO everything. The new electric BBQ in Wesley Park (next to Mechanics Hall) should be ready by the next social on February 26th.

And don't forget the Newham Mechanics Institute is again holding its famous Garage Sale on Saturday, 27th March 2010, 9.00am-3.30pm BBQ & Refreshments available. The donation of clean, high-quality goods are welcomed and these can be delivered to the Hall on Saturday 21st March 9am-3pm or Friday 26th March between 11am-5pm. Contact Val 5427 0387 or Fran 5427 0661 for other details.

Submitted by Fran Spain NMI Secretary

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Do you lack confidence? Joy Black, a professional life coach will assist you develop skills to increase your self esteem. These sessions are aimed at youth and young adults.

Do you know what blogging is---? Find out more this month with Fred, who will explain how blogging gives you your own voice on the web.

Look out in school newsletter later this month for our school holiday program. If you have something you would like to share with children and teenagers please let us know.

The Woodend Neighbourhood Centre is a not-for-profit organisation that runs with a paid coordinator under the guidance of a volunteer Committee of Management, who work together to meet the needs of the local community. If you would like to have a say in what is offered in Woodend why not become a volunteer, meet the Committee, or become a member of the Committee. Our AGM is being held this month on Tuesday 24 March at 7pm and everyone is welcome.

Our contact details are phone 5427 1845; email reception@wnci.com.au; web www.wnci.websyte.com.au or visit 47 Forest St, Woodend.

“Oh Chocolate”

There's a book about the history of chocolate whose opening paragraph is extracted from the film *Chocolat*. That's not a spelling mistake - Foreign accent required, please.

Here goes :

“In my dreams I gorge on chocolate (don't we all, honey). I roll in chocolates and their texture is not brittle but soft as flesh, like a thousand little mouths on my body, devouring me in fluttering small bites.(ew!) To die beneath their tender gluttony is the culmination of every temptation I have known”. Wow!

But that's where the poetry stops. The book “Bitter Chocolate” goes on to trace the history of chocolate, starting with its known beginnings as a delight in Central America in the 1500s, at a time when coca beans were revered as currency, in the same way we value gold and silver. And they were fairly casual about their gold and silver mind you, the way we might be about chocolate.

There was always a secret to its delights, depending on who you commissioned to investigate it for you. Mind altering anti depressant chemicals, love drug, antioxidant and cancer inhibitor. It seems to triple as food, drink and cure-all. No mention of cellulite or diabetes. Yippee.

As an anti depressant, chocolate also puts up a pretty good fight.

When the house is quiet and the occupants asleep, one might boil the kettle to steal another half hour for private thoughts. But there is nothing to shatter the serenity of the sleeping masses like the hysteria of a woman who goes to the pantry to find that, after a day of toil and tending, all is not as she left it. And the screams can be heard for miles ... and miles ... and miles..

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The Bohemians are an idealistic, penniless bunch intent on enjoying the festive season which is the context for this story. Tribulations, celebrations and the troubled triangle of Musetta, Marcello and Alcindoro provide a counterpoint to the genuine and profound love between Rodolfo and Mimi. Love's greatest enemy, misunderstanding, threatens to sabotage their union; and ultimately their destiny, as everyone knows, is a tragic one.

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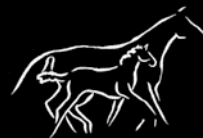
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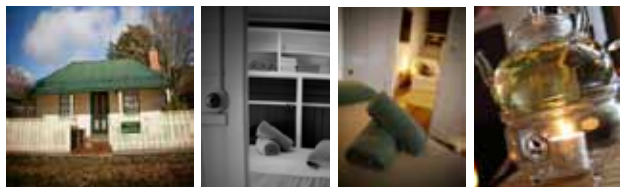
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Libraries in the community

Libraries in the Macedon Ranges had an eventful year in 2009. Friends of Macedon Ranges Libraries Inc (FOMRL) President Sheila Drummond outlined the changes at their AGM on 17 February in Woodend Library.

All four libraries have a new look and are increasingly becoming 'the heart of the community'. The refurbished Gisborne Library was officially opened on 5 August 2009; changes to the Woodend library allow for sharing of the council service centre; Kyneton added new services; and the greatly extended library in the Romsey Hub is now run by Goldfields Library Corporation instead of Mitchell Shire. All can be accessed via <http://www.ncgrl.vic.gov.au/>



Some local artists at the 'unveiling'

On 19 November FOMRL hosted an event to welcome back some of the Lions Club collection of paintings to the Woodend library. There are now ten landscapes displayed on the wall over the computers, the majority by local artists. It is anticipated that the Council's Arts and Culture team will curate future selections with various community and sporting groups.

FOMRL's fund raising efforts are centred on the book stall at the Woodend Market. Three stalls in January, May, and November raised just over \$1000. These funds have been used for magazine subscriptions at the libraries, to sponsor a visit of author Lee Fox as a free event for children at the Woodend Winter Arts Festival, and for prizes for the 'Read on the Wildside' Summer Reading club for children.

Sheila thanked the many people involved with our community's libraries - Councillors, Council and library staff, committee members and volunteers, and said: "Working together with council and GLC we can through our libraries make our communities better for all age groups." FOMRL has two representatives on the Macedon Ranges Shire Council's Library Advisory Committee.

New members to FOMRL are always welcome - our Ranges Reader will keep you abreast of news. Also welcome are donations of books for the book stalls. Contact Helen, or Woodend Library. The Woodend Library is also seeking volunteers to help with tasks in the library. Talk to librarians Maria or Lulu if you are interested

Submitted by Helen Scott, Secretary,
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On Friday 5th of March 2010 more than three million people worldwide will worship together during an annual day of prayer.

The theme chosen for this year's service, "Let Everything That has Breath Praise God", reminds us that we are to praise God in all circumstances, especially during difficult times because as long as one has breath there is hope. Be encouraged by joining others around the world to praise our Lord for this wonderful truth. Our local Service is at 7.00pm St Andrews Uniting Church Forest St Woodend.

The Cameroon, a place of great beauty on the African continent, is home to close to 18 million people and is about twice the size of Victoria. It is estimated that rural women supply about 90% of the food needed for the subsistence of the population. This country also faces issues of forced labour and sexual exploitation of both women and children. Issues that are of concern for us all.

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March

- 3 RSL AGM
- 7/8/9 Lions Art Show
- 13 Newham Sustainable Festival
- 13 La Boheme. Hanging Rock
- 13 Macedon Ranges Buisness Centre
- 15 Community forum, Cyber bullying
St Ambrose Hall
- 16 *Duneira* Dr Gawler
- 18 **WWAF Launch Concert ...
Baroque Concertos ... St
Ambrose church at 8.00 pm.
Tickets at door.**
- 20 Camp out at the Rock
- 21 Lions Village Market
- 24 Woodend Neighbourhood Centre AGM
- 27 Vauderville X, Kyneton Town Hall
- 27 Newham Mechanics Institute Garage
Sale

April

- 3 Slava & Leonard Grigoryan,
Haywoodhall Braemar College
- 17 St Ambrose Fete, Woodend Carnival
- 18 Lions Village Market
- 22 "Divas" Kyneton Town Hall
- 25 ANZAC Day

May

- 7 "Anything Goes" Kyneton Town Hall
- 14 Zulya & The Children Of The
Underground. Malmsbury Hall
- 16 Lions Village Market
- 22 Arts Ball, Kyneton Town Hall

June

- 11-14 Woodend Winter Arts Festival , visit
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- 18 Wombat Stew Kyneton Town Hall

July

- 9 Mario Lanza Story
- 14 Johnny Cash Tribute Show
- 17 Fox. Kyneton Town Hall

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Cobaw Community Centre 0409 131
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- Australian Breastfeeding Association,
Heather 5427 2398
- Cobaw Thursday Walking Group 5427
3340
- Daylight Masonic Lodge, 5427 2480
- 1st Woodend Scout Group, 5427 4968,
Jenny
- Friends of Macedon Ranges Library,
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6.45pm, Kai 5427 1029
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5427 3434, 2nd Tues of month
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- Self Empowerment and Healing Support Group
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The centre is hosting a family-friendly opening event on Saturday March 13th to promote the social and community-focussed aspects of the venture. Interested parties are invited to drop by for a drink, face painting for the kids, something to eat – or just to have a look around. See insert for details.



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Woodend RSL Report

Well, it's all happening at the RSL. On the afternoon of 13 February a coachload of our friends from Altona RSL visited; they have been very supportive in the past. It was great to catch up with old mates.

Plans to revive the Pool competition at the club are in hand, a practice night will be held on 18 February. Anyone interested please ring the club (5427 3122) any weekday morning or pop in between 4 and 6pm any night.

Welfare Officer Barry Meldrum attended a regular State Welfare meeting in Melbourne on 10 February so he is ready to help with the latest info. (0428 989 077).


The Victorian RSL. State Branch are holding an Open Day on Sunday 28 Feb. we are participating, the club at 32 Anslow St. will be open from 10am to 4pm. Please pop in and see our modern clubrooms and get an overview of RSL activities.

Australia Day celebrations were held at the club and we were delighted to share activities with Woodend Rotary and Woodend Scout Group. The committee is planning more activities involving other Woodend organisations this year. If you have any ideas, please let us know.

A reminder to those intending to attend the Club's monthly dinner night on 5th March, please book through our Women's Auxiliary. See their report in the Star for details.

Another reminder of our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 3rd March at the Club, commencing at 7.30pm. This will be followed by the first General meeting for 2010 at 8.00pm. Membership renewals will be taken prior to the 7.30pm meeting. Please make a special effort to attend and influence the future of Woodend RSL.

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Applications are now open for Resonance String Orchestra Auditions for 2010.

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Resonance provides an opportunity for string students of varying standards and ages to further the skills and aspects of musicianship that they have begun developing in their private instrumental tuition. Resonance explores different music styles, performance and playing techniques, and enhances ensemble, aural, singing, motor, sight-reading, leadership and performance skills and string playing techniques. It also fosters interest and participation in orchestral and chamber music in a friendly and constructive learning environment.



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In 2010, Resonance students will have access to orchestral and chamber music tuition. We will be collaborating with a string quartet from the Australian Youth Orchestra for a workshop and benefit concert, with internationally recognised members of the Freshwater Trio for a chamber music workshop as part of Woodend Winter Arts Festival, and with local Woodend choir "The Pollyphonics".

Resonance is for ALL string students aged 9 upwards (adults are welcomed) with a minimum standard of AMEB 1st grade (or equivalent) ranging through to the upper AMEB grades.

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Woodend Lions 2009 wrap up

Carols by Candlelight Sunday 13th December.

As in previous years, the annual Lions Carols by Candlelight was a great success. Lions wish to thank all those organisations and individuals who gave their time and contributed their skills and talents to make the evening a success. In particular Lions would like to thank Ray Hunter (Musical Co-ordinator), special guest Athol Guy and Janelle Robbins (Carols Co-ordinator). Special thanks also to the Woodend community for continuing to support this local event.

Recent Donations

Since September 2008 the Woodend Lions Club has made the following donations to organisations and individuals: Macedon Ranges Wildlife Network \$200, Woomba Festival \$100, Woodend SES \$850, Woodend RSL \$1000, Sacred Heart College, Laurie Brown Award \$1000, GSC Laurie Brown Award \$1000, Aldaf Inc \$75, Local Businesses and Individuals \$650, Blaze Aid \$1850, Lions Hearing Dogs Inc \$200, Anti Cancer Council \$200, Lions Cord Blood and Childhood Cancer Research Appeal \$1000, Sun Ranges Twins Plus \$300, Operation Teddy Bear \$155, Open Family Australia \$100, St. Lukes Anglicare \$500, Woodend CFA \$1000, 1st Woodend Scout Group \$500, Operation Smile Project \$150, Sacred Heart College \$1000, Welfare – assistance to individuals \$740.

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Metal Art Garden

Donations of scrap metal and concrete are sought for the creation of a metal art garden at Darraweit Guim.

The project, which has funding from Arts Victoria and is supported by Macedon Ranges Shire Council, is to create a metal art garden in the grounds of the War Memorial Hall at Darraweit Guim.

Anyone wishing to donate scrap metal or concrete to the project is asked to call Cathy Tobin, 5789 1252. Provided the scrap is of use to the project, committee members will come and collect it.

More than a dozen people from the community of Darraweit Guim held their first meeting this week to discuss their project, which has generated great excitement.

At the next meeting, on 1 March, the group will be working with artist Woody Taylor to map out the project, which it aims to have completed in September 2010.

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Woodend Landcare

Why are plants like gorse, willows and blackberries considered to be weeds needing removal? There are many ways to explain that, but too often they involve a lot of scientific jargon and the message is lost to us ordinary people. So this is an attempt to explain in simple terms what Woodend Landcare believes.

What is a weed? A simple definition is "a plant that is capable of growing and multiplying more efficiently than the local species". In other words, a plant that will gradually overpower local plants and eventually eradicate them. We can all see evidence of this in the thickets of gorse and broom around Woodend which have gradually eliminated most of the natural vegetation. As a result, we run the risk of losing some types of local plants entirely. Woodend actually hosts one of these "endangered" species called the Black Gum or Eucalyptus aggregata. This tree only grows around Woodend and if it dies out, we have lost it forever. We can't just go to the local nursery and buy more if that happens, we have lost the tree and all the life forms that rely on it.

We are still learning about the relationships between plants and animals. We know that some plants need pollination by a specific insect to survive. We know that some animals, birds and insects also need particular plant species to survive. We need to think about what a terrible thing extinction is. From a purely selfish point of view, many of our drugs are sourced from plants. That plant we are allowing to fade away might just be the plant to cure a major illness one day. How stupid would we be to allow that?

What can we do at a local level? Controlling weeds is beyond the capacity of the local council. They do what they can with limited resources. No doubt they could do much better if our rates were increased to pay for it, but that would not be popular. Groups like Landcare are also limited as we are just volunteers and there are not enough of us. So it is a battle against the odds. There is scope though for all of us to do our little bit – perhaps adopt a section of public land to look after or at least control weeds on our own properties or nature strips.

Even if we can't actively help with weed removal, we can at least ensure we don't make the problem worse by selecting the wrong plants for our gardens. View with suspicion any plants that produce lots of seed such as some popular garden wattles. Plants producing berries such as blackberries and hawthorn are also likely weed candidates. Birds and other animals often enjoy foreign cuisine and will spread seeds and berries into nearby bushland with devastating effects. If you live next to a waterway or even a drain, avoid plants like willows and ivy that will grow easily from cuttings. Willows can grow from one little twig on a damp surface. Finally, watch out for plants with bulbs that seem to be able to pop up again each year. Many bulbs like daffodils and tulips are safe enough, but the bad ones such as angled onion are very tough and hard to eradicate once they take-off.

If you favour a cottage garden, there are thousands of plants you can use that are not invasive weeds. Just take

care to avoid the potentially invasive species. And whatever you do, don't dump your garden clippings anywhere except the transfer station or your compost bin. Lots of weed problems start with dumped garden waste.

So whilst the very best thing you can do for your local environment is to plant only local indigenous plants, you won't be doing much harm if you just take a bit of care in any other plant species you decide to grow. Advice is available from your local nurseries, the council and of course Landcare.

Landcare Working Bee

The March working for the Woodend Landcare group will be at Ruby McKenzie Park, Tennyson Street Woodend on Sunday March 28, Commencing at 9.30a.m. till 1.00p.m.

Brushcutters would be useful, and don't forget work boots/shoes. Our usual excellent morning tea is served at 11.00am.!

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Get up close and personal to George, an Eastern Freetail Bat that has been going to her talks for 20 years.

The evening will start with a presentation by Lindy Lumsden at 5.45pm, followed by show & tell [George, Harp traps, bats trapped the night before], listening for bat calls and releasing of wild bats.

Ticket price includes a BBQ tea and exit fee from the reserve. \$10 adults, \$5 children 7-16, under 6's free. Family ticket \$25 [2 adults, 2 children] Bookings / payment to Newham & District Landcare Group, PO Box 314, Woodend 3442. Contact/queries: Penny 5427 0795



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Who Knew And What If?

One of the key messages in the post-Black Saturday Community Information Programmes has been the importance of people/families having a detailed, written, flexible and practised Bushfire Fire Plan, including the very important trigger for people to decide if and when they would decide to leave on high fire danger days.

However recent research reports show that significant numbers of people still plan to actually stay at home on Code Red days. Fire research confirms Victorians are listening - but more need to act

The CFA recently commissioned research into community attitudes towards bushfire preparation, with people living in the 52 high risk townships in Victoria.

Here is a summary of the key findings, and some are quite frightening:

- Most people (94%) know that they need to be self sufficient in the event of a bushfire
- 15% of people have changed their plans since 7 February 2009
- Most respondents (92.4%) understand bushfire could impact their property

More needs to be done to cement the intent of Code Red Days as significant minorities are still unclear of its status or required actions (21.7% and 23.8% respectively)

- 25% of respondents still say that they will do as much as they can to defend their property and leave when threatened

- 60.6% of respondents plan to leave their property on Code Red Days - however 31.3% plan not to leave.

The fact that nearly one-third of people don't plan to leave is concerning, as the CFA want everyone living in high-risk areas to understand the serious hazard that Code Red conditions present, and the need for people to act to ensure their safety

- Of those staying, 25.3% will reconsider in the event of fire while 40% feel safe or prepared to defend. This is not an effective plan because being on the roads during a bushfire can be the most dangerous place to be

- While 45% of people surveyed said they will leave the fire-prone area, to places such as: with relatives/friends outside area (45%), to Melbourne or provincial city (13%) or to a beach or waterway (6%) - 9% of people still plan to go to a public place in the fire zone

Do you have a Bushfire Safety Plan? Are You Staying Or Going?

The first and most important decision you must make is to decide whether or not you plan to stay with your home.

What is your trigger to leave? The safest option is to leave early on the day of Severe or Extreme fire rated days, if you live in a bushfire prone area (which we do). On a Code Red (Catastrophic) rated fire danger day, the safest option is to leave the night before, or early in the morning. Waiting until you see smoke or flames is far too late and extremely dangerous. And do not expect a fire truck.

If You Plan To Go ...

Experience has shown that many residents receive little, if any, official warning of an approaching fire. Will you have time to leave the area safely? When will you go? Where will you go? What will you take? Who will you tell? What about pets? Will you know in which direction the fire is travelling?

If you are waiting until you are alerted that a fire is in your area it will involve some risk. It may be difficult to leave as road conditions will be dangerous. There may be road closures, smoke, fallen trees and embers.

If You Plan To Stay.

A well-prepared home can survive if able-bodied people are there during a bushfire, and the conditions aren't too severe, because they can quickly put out small outbreaks on or near the house. However, you must be properly prepared. The decision to evacuate is yours.

Does your Bushfire Plan include 'What Ifs'?

Your Plan should actually include a number of different plans based on different circumstances – that are beyond your control. We call them 'What Ifs'!


- What if your plan was to leave early, but a fire starts near where you live? Are you prepared for this?
- What if you and your partner are both out of the area when a fire starts in your area? You may not be able to get back home if the police have set up a road block?
- What if some of your family is in Woodend and others are out of the town? How will this affect your plan?
- What if you have visitors?
- What if you have elderly family, friends or neighbours?
- What if the power, water and telephone are cut off?

These are just a examples. There are so many different 'what ifs' that will relate to your individual circumstances, and you should consider those as part of your Plan.

For further information contact Captain Mick Christie on 0419 870 601 Or call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356, visit the station in Urquhart Street or our website:

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ShelterBoxes for Haiti Appeal

The Rotary Disaster Response organisation "ShelterBox" which provides a "Home in a box" to disaster victims around the globe is meeting its biggest challenge in Haiti since the Boxing Day tsunami. With around 250,000 dead, it is no longer "news" but the scale of the devastation is such that thousands of people are living in tents and many still don't have shelter or proper sanitation. With rains fast approaching a "second emergency" is happening. Shelterbox has shipped over 7000 boxes housing around 30,000 people, providing makeshift medical facilities, orphanages and women's refuges. More boxes and tents are on their way to house another 50,000 people.

The Rotary Club of Woodend along with Rotary Clubs worldwide is fundraising frantically to provide more boxes. To date the Woodend community has contributed over \$4500 from the public through our donations table set up at the Coles supermarket to which we are very grateful for allowing us the opportunity. The club has also been very generously granted space at the Harvest Picnic Festival at Hanging Rock on the 28th February and we ask locals to drop in and view the unique Shelterbox set up & contents. Each box costs \$1200 and contains a specially designed 10

person tent, thermal blankets, cooking equipment, stoves, rebuilding tools, children's activity packs and enough water purification tablets and water filtration facilities to last over 2 year s— everything except for food — a complete home in a box.

Highly trained Shelter Box Disaster Response volunteers, known as "SRT's" go to disasters around the globe to ensure the boxes go to those in desperate need. There are only 14 SRT's in Australia and 2 of these are in Woodend - Rotary Club of Woodend President Eb Friedrich and his 19 year old son Luke who completed the very challenging course in the UK last November - the youngest SRT in the world. The course has a high failure rate and is a credit to Luke who passed the course on his own merits. SRT's are not paid and asked to go to disaster areas with often only a day's notice and need to cope in extremely distressing and arduous conditions. Both Eb and Luke are on standby to travel to Haiti if required. Shelter boxes are also being sent to thousands made homeless by flooding in Egypt and in Peru.

It is also worthwhile mentioning that Shelterbox was there to assist our bushfire victims by day 2 of the disaster and many countries from overseas sent money to us to support our work.

Successful Grant For PA System

The Woodend Rotary Club through the efforts of Grant Hocking and Caroline Wogan were successful in obtaining a \$5000 community grant to purchase a public address system consisting of powerful speakers, microphones, roving mikes etc - sufficient to address an audience of 500 people. We were also able to purchase projection equipment and a Rotary marquee. This equipment is available to Community Groups by application to the Rotary Club of Woodend. Many thanks to Grant and Caroline for their efforts.

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For full information about the 2010 programme and to obtain a membership application form, please contact Caroline Boehm tel: 5422 3293.

Grass Fire At Braemar College

Braemar College staff – with the aid of Woodend's CFA Fire Brigade – on Friday January 29 averted a potential fire threat to its students, staff and the site itself when a grass fire was reported to the CFA at 1:28pm.

All students and staff responded quickly to the situation and moved safely to the college's fire refuge.

The CFA extinguished the fire at 2:08pm and any direct fire threat was averted. Victoria Police has been notified and is currently conducting an investigation into the cause of the fire. The College was able to put its fire preparedness training and preparation to good use and the CFA was highly complimentary of its efforts.

Woodend Lions Village Market

Sunday Market March 21; April 18; May 16

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Woodend Australia Day Celebrations

This year the Woodend Rotary club and RSL linked events to make a full day of celebrations. The weather for the event was magnificent with sunshine throughout the day. The day commenced with a breakfast in the park followed by a flag parade down High Street to the Woodend RSL for a flag raising ceremony. The event was made possible through generous support from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council.

The morning was prepared by the Woodend Lions club. Once again generous support was offered by the Woodend Scouts group with leaders, Venturers, scouts and cubs attending. Approximately 50 people participated in the march with the local Woodend Police and Ambulance assisting the parade to safely cross the roads. En route Australian flags were handed out.

More people had gathered at the RSL and on arrival the international flags were placed on display in preparation for the Australian flag raising ceremony. The scout group performed the flag raising which was followed by the National anthem and then proceeded into the RSL. Members of the RSL then provided a magnificent BBQ lunch which was enjoyed by all present. A game of cricket continued for most of the day along with other games and activities to keep everyone entertained.

The Kyneton Municipal band were also in attendance. The music was outstanding and many voices and toe-tapping heard. Thanks must go to the Woodend RSL for the hard work in preparing for and hosting the event, and to the Woodend Scouts for assisting with the march and flag raising ceremony at the RSL. All the activities and food on the day were provided free. This was a great day for the local community to come together and celebrate our countries national day.

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Tiny Tackers Dance & Studio Two

Tiny Tackers dance started in 2005 with teacher Miss Anita Turner moving from Melbourne to Woodend, looking to provide a dance school that was a relaxed non-competitive environment, focusing on encouraging good technique.

Tiny Tackers dance started with 3 kids and boomed in 6 months with classes starting in Gisborne the next year. As the kids have grown, Studio Two was introduced at the end of 2009 to incorporate our older kids, and to have somewhere for our tiny tackers to move on to. We now have 14 classes between Woodend and Gisborne.

Tiny Tackers Dance is a program that promotes fun and creativity through movement to music, improves confidence and teaches the basic dance principles of Tap, Jazz and Ballet.

Studio Two provides intermediate and advanced dance classes for children aged 6 years and above. Available classes include Jazz, Tap, Ballet, Contemporary and Hip Hop.

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Heritage Society News

Just a reminder that the ceremony of the unveiling of trees and plaques along the Family Heritage Walk, will take place on Sunday 18th April next. Proceedings will commence at 1.30 and will be held in the Heritage Park area. We hope that you will come along and support the following people and or groups who will be dedicating trees and plaques this year.

Ernest C.M. Bowen - Elsie M. Bickerdyke, dedicated by Ron and Polly Bowen; Agnes Ellen McKenzie (nee Dousset), Dedicated by Peter Dousset; W.A.B. (Andy) Oates-Margaret C. McKenzie, dedicated by Ron and Polly Bowen; Noelle Stephens (nee Smith), Dedicated by Carolyn and Graeme Stephens; St. Andrew's Uniting Church, Woodend; and "The Ladies' Sewing Bee" (now St. Mary's Guild).

This will be a moving and interesting occasion and we hope you will make a note to be there.

At the completion of the ceremony which we estimate will conclude at about 2.30 pm., we will be providing afternoon tea. The ceremonies will be held in the beautiful Heritage Park area at the rear of the Court House. The walk has already reached down to the Five Mile Creek. On site parking will be available near the tennis courts..

The Local and Family History Resource Centre is back in full swing. You are most welcome to call in and see it all in action on any Wednesdays between 10 am and 4.30 pm. Copies of "Shirley's Story" can be collected then or from Macedon Dry Cleaners on any day during business hours. Our first print run has nearly sold out so don't miss out!

Anyone with an interest in the history of the area covered by the original Shire of Newham and Woodend may become a member of The Woodend & District Heritage Society. If you would like to join us, please complete a membership form., available from the W&DHS website www.home.vicnet.net.au/~wdhs/

Fees: Individual: \$20. Concession or full time student \$15. Family \$25 pa. Subscriptions fall due in January and cheques should be made Payable to the W & DHS and sent to: The Treasurer, PO Box 124, Woodend, 3442.

Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month except during December, January, July and August. They often include visits to places of interest, and are held in a variety of venues in addition to the old Court House in Forest Street. Dinner meetings are held in June and November at various local venues. All members and their friends are most welcome. Members receive the Society's Newsletter "Heritage News" and may attend monthly meetings and carry out Research at the Resource Centre without charge.

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SPORTS NEWS

Buffalo Sports Stadium

Woodend Indoor Sports Stadium will be hosting numerous activities and competitions in 2010. Come and join in the fun, meet some great people and stay fit and healthy.

Mixed Volleyball Competition

The mixed volleyball competition will be kicking off again this year. Anyone interested in entering a team or individual should contact the centre immediately. Games are played every Thursday night from 7.00pm (school term only).

Aerobics Classes

Come and join our new instructor Jenny Tuesday mornings for Pump and Step classes. Get Fit - Feel Healthy. Term passes available, 9.30-10.30am.

Table Tennis

Played Monday nights all ages and skill levels. Doubles 7-8pm \$36 per team. Singles 8-9pm \$36 per Singles player.

Strength for Health

Classes run on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 1-2pm. The class operates on a personalised program of light weight training and exercises depending on your needs. \$6.00 per visit, beginners welcome. 10 Pass cards available for Intermediates at \$55. Call Karyn on 5422 2293 for more information.

Kindergym

Fun, exercise and music, that's Kindergym classes every Friday morning, 9 months - 3years 9.30am. 3-5years 10.30am. 10 pass card \$76.50, \$8.50 per class casual. First class FREE all welcome.

Pilates

Classes for beginners start 19th April 6.30-7.30pm at the Woodend Community centre. Intermediates 7.30-8.30pm, Bookings essentials call the Stadium for more information.

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6th	Ruby Studley	Turns 9
17th	James B.D. Cachia	Turns 13
18th	Emily Jane Ridington	Turns 8
20th	Liam Patrick Callaghan	Turns 3
21st	Charlotte McKinnon	Turns 12
23rd	Oliver Rice	Turns 11
25th	Alyssa Muscat	Turns 11
28th	Tyler Drew	Turns 12
31st	Jay Allanson	Turns 13

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Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____

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Woodend Golf Club

The golf year has just begun with hot weather greeting golfers the last few weeks. The course is in fantastic condition with plenty of lush rough to catch the unwary.

The first tournament of the year, the Maurie Armstrong Plate, a 27 hole 4BBB Par event for men, was held on Saturday 13th February. The winners of the Plate were P.Kozicki & R. Portier with a score of + 12, for 18 holes. Winners of the front 27 were M. Keating & M. Fitzpatrick, +14 and back 27, L. McKenzie & M. Gatt also with + 14.

The first Ladies event will be the Ruby McKenzie Memorial Tournament being held on Thursday 18th March.

The Woodend Golf Club is always looking for new members, men, ladies or juniors, all are welcome. The memberships commence 1st April each year with a full membership costing only \$400.

The Golf Club rooms are an asset the whole community can enjoy as they are available for hire. Comprising of a large kitchen, spacious seating area as well as a well stocked bar. The conditions of hire are available from the secretary/treasurer. Hoping to keep you all up to date with the competitions and results for the year.

submitted by Chris Doherty, Ladies Captain

The New Woodend Star aims to provide a voice for Woodend residents, Community groups and Businesses. Editorial and publicity for community events is free, and all other contributions or business advertisements are most welcome.