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## Ventou Macedon Ranges MS Cycle Challenge and Fun Run

Bicycle riding and running are the fastest growing and most popular recreational sports in Australia today. On the 1st of May, hundreds of bike riders and runners will be drawn to the Ventou Macedon Ranges MS Cycle Challenge and Fun Run to have a great day and raise funds for charity.

Multiple Sclerosis (MS) is a debilitating disease of the nervous system affecting an estimated 18,000 Australians. Four years ago the Rotary Club of Gisborne held the first Macedon Ranges MS Cycle Challenge to raise funds for the Club's MS Awareness project and for other community and charitable work conducted by club members. Since then, the event has become well known on the cycling calendar and has raised thousands of dollars, all of which has been poured back into worthwhile projects to benefit various communities.



This year, Rotary has teamed up with the Gisborne Running Club to include a 7 km fun run starting and finishing at New Gisborne. Cyclists will have three route options: 40km, 75 km and 130 km, with the ride taking in the iconic scenery of the Macedon Ranges from Gisborne to Daylesford and Kyneton, past Hanging Rock and over Mount Macedon, enabling participants to appreciate the splendour of the region.

Philip Kudnig, President of Gisborne Rotary Club, says the day is an ideal opportunity for locals and visitors alike to get fit and have fun while raising money for very worthy causes. "All administration costs are covered by sponsors or volunteers. Everything the club makes from riders and runners will find its way into local and international projects the club supports, such as the SES and CFA; the Bushfire, Drought and Flood Appeals; combating Malaria in PNG/Solomons/East Timor; and funding research to help find a cure for MS. These are just some of the valuable

things we are doing to help people in need", he said.

The event's principal sponsor, Ventou Garment Technology, will have specially-made rider jerseys and running singlets made from high-tech material available for participants to purchase on the day as a memento of the event. Riders and runners can get more information and enter on-line at [www.gisbornerotary.org.au](http://www.gisbornerotary.org.au) Entries are \$75 for riders and \$35 for runners, For further information, please contact: Barry Wills, event promotions officer – Rotary Club of Gisborne on 0408 284 510.

Submitted by Danielle Phyland, Macedon Ranges Shire Council



The New Woodend Star Committee and the Rotary Club of Woodend would like to wish all our readers and advertisers a Joyous Easter.

## Woodend Winter Arts Festival Schools' Day & Literary Dinner

For the first time WWAF is including writers for teenagers in the program, with three outstanding authors participating. Fantasy writer Michael Pryor's latest series for younger readers is "*The Chronicles of Krangor*". Michael says: "*The final book, Hour of Need, in the "Laws of Magic" series for older readers is scheduled for May, so it will be nice and fresh for Woodend*".

David Metzenthien has written many kinds of books for primary & secondary aged young people. *Boys of Blood and Bone* is a powerful WW1 tale. His last book for older readers, the sad and funny, *Jarvis 24*, won last year's Children Book Council Award and was short-listed for the Prime Minister's Prize.

Lili Wilkinson is a rising young talent. At the festival she will focus on *Scatterheart*, a romantic colonial adventure, *Pink* and her brand new novel, *A Pocketful of Eyes*. All the authors are experienced, entertaining speakers.

The Schools' Day will find each author spending a day presenting author talks and writing workshops in local secondary schools. All arrangements will be made via the schools.

The Literary Dinner will be a rare chance for local professionals and other adults to enjoy an informal dinner and hear the authors speak and answer questions. Our local

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bookshop, New Leaves, will have the authors' latest books on sale so you can have a copy signed.

This event will be held upstairs at the Victoria Hotel on Monday May 23 from 6.30 to 8.30. The two course dinner and welcoming glass of champagne will cost \$32 plus booking fee. Bookings essential - www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au or 0447 570 327. or enquiries on 0417 225 268.

Submitted by Agnes Nieuwenhuizen (Volunteer coordinator WWAF Literary Dinner & Schools' Day)



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*HMS Pinafore* or "The Lass who loved a sailor," follows the tale of the Captain of the HMS Pinafore's daughter, Josephine, and her love for the lower class sailor, Ralph Rackstraw. As a lady of stature, Josephine has been betrothed to the bumbling, much older nit wit, Sir Joseph Porter, First Lord of the Admiralty.

Against her father's wishes, Josephine declares her love for Ralph and they plan to elope during the night. However, an astonishing disclosure towards the end of the story leads to a surprise ending. Gilbert and Sullivan's *HMS Pinafore* pokes fun at the British hierarchy in a delightfully, witty manner.

The show will be presented at the Bluetone Theatre, Hutton Street, Kyneton from April 29-May 21.

Tickets: \$20 adult, \$15 concession or \$12 for groups of 10 or more. KTC will hold a gala night on May 21- tickets \$25 adult, \$20 concession, includes champagne and supper with the cast and crew.

Submitted by Bronwyn Neil

# ANZAC Day

In almost every town throughout Australia, communities will again come together on April 25th, Anzac Day, to reflect on the human qualities of courage, mateship, and sacrifice.

ANZAC Day was established on 25 April 1915 when the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula. It was the start of a campaign that lasted eight months, resulting in the death of 8,700 soldiers and 25,000 Australian casualties.

The men who served on the Gallipoli Peninsula created a legend-The ideals of courage, endurance and mateship are still relevant today and the spirit of ANZAC is integral to our identity as a nation.

The ANZAC dawn service was originally very simple and mostly restricted to veterans only. Now more and more people are attending the dawn services around the county, including families and more young people who are encouraged to take part, and each year the crowds grow larger.

If you haven't been to the dawn service at Mt Macedon I would urge you to make the effort. It is a moving service that you will never forget.



We must not forget the enormous contribution that war veterans have made to our way of life. Let's take the time this Anzac Day to honour those fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters who served, and continue to serve our great country.

Submitted by Joanne Duncan M.P Member for Macedon

## ANZAC Day at Woodend RSL

ANZAC Day this year falls on Easter Monday (25th April) The Dawn Service at the Memorial Cross at Mt Macedon commences at 6am. Free buses will depart the RSL Hall at 4.30am. A Gunfire Breakfast provided by the Women's Auxiliary will be available at the Hall on return (gold coin donation).

The ANZAC Day March starts at 11.30am from High Street East with a Service at 11.45am at the RSL Hall in Anslow Street. All are welcome. Any queries to 5427 3122.

Submitted by Peter Whitelaw

## Holy Week & Easter Services

Anglican Parish of Woodend- *Palm Sunday 17th*; Blackwood - 8am Eucharist, Trentham - 9am Eucharist, Woodend - 10.30am Liturgy. *Mundy Thursday 21st*; Trentham - 10am Eucharist, Woodend - 7.30pm Eucharist, Washing & Stripping of Altar followed at 8.30pm - 12 midnight Vigil of Prayer. *Good Friday 22nd*; Woodend - 10.30am Liturgy, Trentham - 2pm Liturgy of Action & Reflection *Easter Eve 23rd*; Woodend - 7.30pm Lighting of the New Fire. *Easter Day 24th*; Blackwood - 8am Eucharist, Trentham - 9am Eucharist, Woodend - 10.30am Eucharist.

St Ambrose Parish- *Sunday 13th* 7.30pm - 8.30pm Church open for quiet prayer and reflection. *Holy Thursday 21st* 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and procession of Blessed Sacrament to Alter of Repose. *Good Friday 22nd* April, 10.30am Stations of the Cross. 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion. *Easter Saturday 23rd* April, 10am Individual Confession. 7.30pm Easter Vigil Mass, *Easter Sunday 24th* 10am Mass Renewal of Baptismal Promises.

Uniting Church of Woodend- *Mundy Thursday 21st*, Tylden - 7.30pm Eucharist. *Good Friday 22nd April*, Woodend - 9.30am, *Easter Sunday 24th April*, Tylden - 9am, Woodend - 10.30am.

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	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	
January	49.8	83.5	17.1	0.08*	54*	227.5	Jan
February	53.1	27.4	22.1	2.5*	71.5*	115.0	Feb
March	20.6	35.7	25.4	42.5*	121*		Mar
April	46.4	20.2	20.4	51*	45		April
May	58.8	95.7	43.7	30.5*	39		May
June	36.0	105.1	88.7	66.5*	98.5		June
July	91.6	83.3	112.5	76.5*	87.5		July
August	30.8	34.8	52.2	107.5*	148.5		Aug
Sept	50.6	49.8	42.0*	88.5*	97		Sept
Oct	5.2	12.1	13.0*	46*	154.5		Oct
Nov	13.0	91.0	67.2	99*	193		Nov
Dec	31.0	101.2	96.0*	60*	93		Dec
YTD:	486.9	739.8	600.3	670.5	1202.5	352.5	YTD

Figures for 2008, 2009 & 2010 include information from a different location indicated by \*.

For the year of **2010** there was rainfall of  
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1 inch = 25.4 mm therefore the total year 2010 is 47.34 inches

Kirsty Nuttall

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## Rotary Luncheon

The Rotary Club of Woodend will be holding another of its famous Luncheons on Friday afternoon 8th April 2011. This event has been held for the past 4 years raising funds for the Rotary club which are in turn allocated to various community projects. On this occasion the money raised will be donated to the Rotary club Defibrillator project –‘JUMPSTART’.

JUMPSTART is a Rotary Club of Woodend project that aims to place an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in the local community and provide education to the community on its use in line with CPR education. Rotary Community Service director and Intensive care Paramedic Grant Hocking states that defibrillators are proven to improve outcomes following cardiac arrest. *“You may have seen these devices mounted on walls at major shopping centers, airports and even major buildings in the city. AEDs come with instructions on the pads and voice prompts to make them very simple to use, but it could mean the difference in surviving cardiac arrest.”* stated Grant.

Rotary President Brendan Watters stated thanks must go to Melissa Hocking who arranges the event, coordinating the catering and raffle prizes and to Leisa Macartney for making her house and garden available for the luncheon. *“We hope to raise enough money to enable the purchase of an AED and train members of the community in its use. Recently Grant provided CPR and AED training to our club members over about 50 minutes.”* stated Brendan.

At the November luncheon last year attendance was at an all time high with 60 people attending. It was a fantastic event with everyone enjoying champagne and the savory and sweet treats on offer.

This year the event coincides with the last day of school before semester break so a great way for parents to spend the afternoon prior to the holidays. To book a place at the Rotary Club of Woodend Luncheon on Friday 8 April contact Grant or Melissa on 5427 1578. Please view our website [www.rotarywoodend.org.au](http://www.rotarywoodend.org.au) for information on Woodend Rotary Projects or membership.

Submitted by Rotary Club of Woodend



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We are delighted to announce the performance of *Haydn's Creation* at St Pauls Anglican Church, Kyneton on Sunday 10th April and at St Ambrose Church Hall, Woodend on Sunday 17th April. This is a first for the Gisborne Singers and we are very proud to be performing this famous work. Considered by Joseph Haydn himself as his most cherished work, it took over one and half years to complete. As Haydn said, "I was never so devout as when I was at work on *Creation*. I fell on my knees each day and begged God to give me the strength to finish the work."

"*The Creation*" was first performed in Vienna in 1798 and this master-work was performed nearly 40 times in Vienna in Haydn's lifetime and has remained popular ever since. Haydn had intended that it be sung in English as well as German.

Musical Director—Stephen Brockman has assembled a professional orchestra and professional soloists for both performances. Soprano Catherine Pendelich, tenor Peter Mander and bass-baritone Manfred Pohlenz have sung with the Gisborne Singers in *Handel's Messiah* and other works and their return is eagerly awaited.

Tickets can be ordered from Liz on 5426 2467. Full price \$35 or concession \$30. Some seats may be available on the day. Both performances commence at 3 pm.

Submitted by Richard Whiteley

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We are always welcoming new members to join us, so if you have just moved to the area, or are wanting to meet more people in our community, then playgroup is the perfect place to meet other families. Our sessions run every day of the week and groups cater for children of similar age. This month we have a new group starting for 1-2 year olds on Tuesday mornings and are looking for more families to join. For enrolments and enquiries for any of our groups, please call Emma on 5427 1867 or 0447 621 855.

Submitted by Sarah Copland

## Woodend Library

### Book Club Collection

Jenny Shaw's Book Club collected books in February for Flood Relief in Northern Victoria. The initial idea spread so rapidly that a drop off point was established at the Woodend Library. Over 3000 books were donated and sent to CWA Headquarters. Lorraine Twedde, the Group President, arranged transport and the books were sent from Melbourne to Charlton. The Book Club and Library staff would like to thank the Woodend Community for such a wonderful effort.

### Writing Workshops

Next holidays Dee White will be presenting writing workshops. Thursday 14th April Ages 8 – 12 at 9.30 am and Ages 12 – 17 at 1pm. Adult workshops are available at Gisborne Library at 7 pm on April 11th and 13th. Please book on 133 88 88 02.

### Covering new books.

If you are able to assist us by covering new books please let the Library staff know as new volunteers are welcome.

Submitted by Lulu Cockram

## Toddler Workshop

CentaCare Family Education Services in partnership with Macedon Ranges Shire Council is conducting a Toddler Workshop from 9.15am to 11.30am on Monday 4th April at the Woodend Neighbourhood House. This workshop is free of charge and will give parents of toddlers the opportunity to share ideas and experiences with others. The joys and challenges of toddlers will be discussed, including parenting strategies for this age group. To register your attendance or for further information, please contact Robyn Tickner on 5422 0225.

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Dee, a former journalist and advertising copywriter is the author of *Letters to Leonardo*, *Hope for Hanna*, *A Duel of Words* and *Harry's Goldfield Adventure*.

She was also the founder of the Romsey Writer's Group and was the facilitator for their anthology, *Moving On*.

Dee's workshops are for writers aged 8 to adult and she is also available for school visits.

### Children's Writing Workshops Thursday 14th April

- Where Will it End? - a workshop for 8 to 11 year old writers. 9.30 to 11.30 am Woodend Library

One of the hardest things for young writers is knowing how to finish their stories. This workshop will teach them how to plan their stories so they have a beginning, middle and an achievable end.

- Heroes and Villains - a workshop for 12 to 17 year old writers, 1.00pm to 3.00pm Woodend Library. Using photographs to spark the imagination, young writers will be taken on a creative journey into the minds of their characters. They will discover the skills and techniques to creating effective characters and plots.

### Adult Writing Workshops 11th & 13th April

- Explore the Writer in You - Beginners 11<sup>TH</sup> April - 7.00pm to 9.00pm Gisborne Library. A workshop for adults who have always wanted to write but never quite got around to it.
- Writing for Publication - Some writing experience required 13<sup>TH</sup> April - 7.00pm to 9.00 pm Gisborne Library. For people who know they can write but aren't sure where to go from here. Writers will learn how to edit their work and prepare it for publication.

Cost for a 2 x hour workshop, Children - \$10 per child Adults - \$20. Numbers are strictly limited so book early For Bookings, phone: 1300 88 88 02

Submitted by A MacDonald, Macedon Ranges Shire Council

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## Students invited to enter sustainability awards

Donna Petrovich, State Member of Parliament for Northern Victoria Region and Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Environment, is inviting all primary and secondary students living in the Macedon Ranges Shire to enter the Macedon Ranges Students' Sustainability Awards.

*“As the Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Environment, I believe our focus in Victoria must be on doing things better, smarter and more productively while reducing everyday environmental impacts,”* said Mrs. Petrovich.

*“With this in mind I invite the young minds of our school and college students in the Macedon Ranges to send me their ideas for making the Macedon Ranges a more sustainable and environmentally-friendly place.”*

To be eligible, students must live in the Macedon Ranges Shire.

- Junior Award-Open to students 12 years and under.

Entrants are invited to provide in 200 words or less (and may include illustrations) their idea/s for making the Macedon Ranges a more sustainable and environmentally-friendly place. Prize: \$100 cash

- Senior Award- Open to students 13 years and under 18 years. Entrants are invited to provide in 500 words or less their idea/s for making the Macedon Ranges a more sustainable and environmentally-friendly place. Prize: \$200

Entries close Friday 6th May 2011. Entry forms are available from Donna's office at 84 Sydney Street Kilmore or call 5782 2011. Copies are also available at neighbourhood houses and libraries within the shire and copies have been sent to local schools.

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“This is an opportunity for all students in the Macedon Ranges Shire to explore ways in which we can improve environmental protection and sustainability in our local region,” said Mrs. Petrovich.

## Toy Library Garage Sale

The Woodend Toy Library is taking part in the Woodend “Whole Town Garage Sale” on 2nd April. If you are looking to update your children’s toy collection then this is the garage sale you shouldn’t miss.

The Toy Library Garage Sale will have hundreds of toys for sale including plastic toys, puzzles, children’s books, DVD’s and CD’s and musical instruments. Volunteers have been collecting, sorting and cleaning donated unwanted toys, many of them in near new condition to sell at the garage sale.

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Submitted by Megan Spielvogel

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## Woodend Winter Arts Festival

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Mozart's Requiem, jazz, Vivaldi, Liszt, Stravinsky to choreography, Spanish songs, the acclaimed Goldner String Quartet and literary panels including Rodney Hall, Lindsay Tanner, Jacqueline Kent and Mary Delahunty

The Woodend Winter Arts Festival program for 2011 was launched on 21 March and bookings are now open for ticketed events. With more than 30 events scheduled, there is truly something for everyone.

The 2011 artistic theme commemorates the bi-centenary of Franz Liszt's birth with a rare recital of Liszt songs, and a piano recital, featuring Liszt's greatest work, the Sonata in B minor, based on the Faust legend. A most exciting event is the rare performance of Stravinsky's The Soldier's Tale (1918) – a story which parallels the Faust legend.

The literary program reflects the Faustian influence,



embodied through a framework of political biography and political speech writing, emphasising the essentially pragmatic nature of politics and policy-making.

Now a Woodend community winter highlight – the Festival will open with fireworks at Buffalo Stadium Oval at 6.30pm followed by a special opening night cabaret / dinner performance by the ever-popular Joe Chindamo Jazz Trio at the Bentinck. Seating is limited so book early! Over 90% of sales are pre-booked.

Program details, tickets and booking information available at [www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au](http://www.woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au). You can also find us on facebook and receive regular updates. Flyers available at the Tourist Information Centre and local cafes. Bookings can be made via the website. Enquiries can be made via email [info@wwaf.org.au](mailto:info@wwaf.org.au) or phone 0447 570 327.

Submitted by WWAF Committee

## Trentham Art & Craft Show

The extremely popular Trentham Art & Craft Easter Show will be held again this Easter, Friday 22 to Monday 25 April 2011, 10am to 4pm every day, with the official opening Thursday 21 April, 7.30pm.

All are invited to both the Show and the opening night. The evening will cost \$15 per person which includes wine and a delicious supper.

New additional categories for the show include Photography and Crafts. For general enquiries: David McCallum, phone 5424 1483 Entry enquiries: Lyn Williams, phone 5424 1199.

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## Woodend Neighbourhood House

We recently held our AGM and celebrated our past years achievements including the continuation of the Woodend Youth Music Collective bringing young people together with talented volunteer adults to connect, create and perform; we hosted a new resident information session bringing people and local community groups together; we completed our kitchen upgrade thanks to a grant from the Department of Planning & Community Development. We continue to offer a wide range of opportunities to all members of our community whether for social, hobby or educational activities. We finished the year by changing our name to Woodend Neighbourhood House to better reflect who we are and avoid confusion with the Community Centre.

I would like to thank the outgoing Committee of Management for their energy and dedication to the Neighbourhood House, especially Annie Rowland immediate past president who has been most inspirational. I welcome Janet Pearce as our new Chairperson and look forward to working with the incoming committee members.

Later this month you should receive our new autumn program in your post boxes detailing our regular and new courses and opportunities. Alison Pouliot will once again bring local fungi to life in her weekend workshops on 30 April & 1 May, places are filling fast. We are bringing the Department of Primary Industries workshops in Environmental Best Management Practices on Farms Program to Woodend in May where you can be guided through the steps to make your own environmental farm plan. Once again we will offer training for people wishing to work as an integration aide in educational settings. Many of our regular courses will be available as usual.

We continue to work with community groups to promote what is available within our town and recently ran WoodExpo where many of our local groups showcased their activities and purpose to the town. It was an inspirational day where the people of Woodend connected and exchanged ideas, knowledge and stories.

Our Woodend Whole town garage sale is on Saturday 2 April so pop down to the House from 8am and buy your map of all the garage sales on the day.

For details of all courses and opportunities ring 5427 1845, or visit 47 Forest St.

Submitted by Sarah Campbell Coordinator



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Recently, the Cambodian Kids Foundation has built two new facilities. One is to house a village medical centre to treat basic illness and injuries for the whole community. The other is a wonderful day time Kinder for the young children of Soksan village to come and learn and be in a safe environment. Currently, parents must work to feed their families, but have no option other than to leave their children alone during the day. Often, the older siblings are weary of leaving their younger siblings alone in the house so don't attend school.

In October 2010, the foundation lost its first little friend since its beginning 4 years ago. Kimyeng, a beautiful little 20 month old child, drowned in only 70cm of water. This spurred the making of the Kimyeng Centre, the foundations new kinder, offering a safe environment for the children of Soksan village, an environment that little Kimyeng was not born into. With this kinder, families will be able to work and go to school worry free, and the children of Soksan Village will not go to school already behind the other students due to their lack of young life education. This kinder will change the village forever, but we need your help. The Kimyeng centre is in desperate need of sponsorship to keep it running and maintain its facilities. From as little as \$30 a month, you can support many children to lead safer and better lives. If you would like to help the Cambodian Kids Foundation to ensure the safety of these children, please contact Donna Cooper at [donna@cambodiankidsfoundation.com](mailto:donna@cambodiankidsfoundation.com) for donation and sponsorship options. Thank you.

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## A Great Welcome to Woodend Kinder

We had such a great morning for the Kinder Welcome BBQ on February 27. Despite the unpromising weather, many of this year's 140 Kinder children came along with their families and had a fantastic morning playing and getting to know everyone. It was a wonderful experience. Thank you to everyone for coming along and making it such a great success.

The delicious BBQ was made possible by some very generous donations, Many thanks to Bourkies Bakehouse, Hardwicks in Kyneton, Bertocchi Smallgoods, Coles Supermarket, Bunnings Warehouse, BP Woodend and all the families who donated eggs and fruit.

It's no secret that Woodend has a fantastic community spirit and it is certainly no different at Kinder with the Welcome BBQ raising over \$1,800 in funds to support the children's learning experiences. Special mention must go to Joel Dwyer from Auskick, Mmmm Coffee and to Tamara Oldcastle for painting 70 gorgeous faces and donating half



her earnings on the day back to Kinder!

Our six raffle prize packs were very kindly donated by Macedon Views Restaurant, New Leaves Bookstore, the Plazzer, Cheetham, Rossi and Koster families, and Melbourne Museum. Many thanks to everyone who purchased tickets and congratulations to the winners. And here's hoping that all of us who missed out have much better luck next time!

Again, a very warm welcome to all the new Kinder children and their families in 2011. We really hope every child has a wonderful time at our fantastic community facility.

Submitted: Woodend Kindergarten Committee

## News from Newham

The Newham hall is very pleased to support the Harvest Festival to be held on Saturday 9th April. The Community Orchard at the rear of the Hall will be opened by Stephen Ryan around 9.30 am.


This is a free event following up the Environment Day last year. Stephen is always generous with his time and knowledge which is encyclopaedic on all things gardening.

On the 2nd Wednesday of each month we meet with members at the Hall at 7.30pm to hear their concerns and ideas - we encourage all members to participate - it is the community's hall, you own it as part of being a Newhamonian.

On the Newham website you will find the Minutes of Committee meetings and also a Calender of bookings for you to check if you wish to book the hall. If you're not cyber literate then ring Ian Miller on 5427 0478 or Val Sutton on 5427 0387 and they will help you out. Please ask if you would like to see our facilities.

Our recent membership drive has been quite successful, however we need lots more - everyone is a shareholder in the Hall but we need financial and community support to keep it in our hands.

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### April

- 2nd Whole Town Garage Sale - Woodend
- 2nd – 6th A Thousand & One Stitches Exhibition - Castlemaine
- 2nd & 3rd Macedon Ranges Art Exhibition – Gisborne
- 4th Toddler Workshop – Woodend Neighbourhood House
- 8th Rotary Club of Woodend Luncheon
- 9th Newham Harvest Festival
- 10th Haydn's Creation – St Pauls Anglican Church – Kyneton
- 14th Writer Workshop with Dee White – Woodend Library
- 17th Haydn's Creation – St Ambrose Church Hall – Woodend
- 22nd Good Friday
- 22nd – 25th Trentham Art & Craft Show
- 24th Easter Sunday
- 25th ANZAC Day
- 26th ANZAC Day public holiday

### May

- 1st MS Cycle Challenge & Fun Run
- 23rd Woodend Winter Arts Festival School's Day & Literary Dinner – Vic Hotel Woodend

### June

- 11th, 12th & 13th Woodend Winter Arts Festival

### July

### August

- 9th The Census of Population and Housing



## Happy Easter

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

**PLEASE SEND US YOUR FUTURE DATES**

### COMMUNITY GROUPS CONTACT DETAILS

- Alcoholics Anonymous Friday night, Cobaw Community Centre 0409 131 144
- Australian Breastfeeding Association, Heather 5427 2398
- Cobaw Thursday Walking Group 5427 3340
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- 1st Woodend Scout Group, 5427 4968, Jenny
- Friends of Macedon Ranges Library, Chris/Bill 5427 2469
- Garden Club 5422 6062 / 5427 3340
- Kyneton Municipal Band Doug 0411 420 113
- Living Word Christian Church 5429 6327
- Historical Society, Courthouse, 5427 2523
- Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club, 10 Webb Cres, New Gisborne 1st Wednesday each month 8pm
- Macedon Ranges Animal Aid, Buffalo Sports Stadium, 5427 1752
- Macedon Ranges Bridge Club, 5420 7595
- Macedon Ranges Families of Children with Disabilities Support Group, 5427 3365
- Macedon Ranges Residents Assc. 5427 1481 or 5427 2651
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- Macedon Ranges Photographic Society, Ron Mathews 5427 3284
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- Rotary Club of Woodend, meetings weekly at Vic Hotel Thursdays 6.45pm, Brendan 5422 6442
- St. Mary's Guild, 11am, 4th Wednesday of month
- St. Mary's Street Stall, 9-12 noon outside Woodend Newsagency (2nd Sat of the month)
- Woodend 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
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- Woodend Lions Club, Meetings 2nd/4th Wednesday each month, ph Robyn Roberts 5427 1342
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## \$1 million target for cancer event

Organisers of the Lancefield-Macedon Ranges Relay For Life say the event is on track to achieve \$1 million for the Cancer Council next year.

Although the final fundraising tally for the 2011 Relay will not be known until next month, it is expected to be around \$70,000. This would bring the overall amount raised since the Lancefield event started in 2003 to almost \$870,000.

And while the highest amount raised in one year was \$119,046, it is hoped the 10th anniversary milestone will help drive efforts beyond the 2009 fundraising record. All proceeds are spent by the Cancer Council on research, education, and advocacy and support services.

Committee Chairmanager Ken Wiltshire encouraged local residents, particularly youths, to become involved in the organisation of the 2012 Lancefield/Macedon Ranges Relay For Life. He said extra help would enable the health education component of the weekend to grow as well as step up efforts to obtain additional sponsorship and team registrations.

Next year's event is on March 3 & 4. For details about entering a team, joining the committee or volunteering before or during the Relay contact Melissa on 0438 831 427. Donations can still be made online towards this year's Lancefield tally at [www.relayforlife.org.au](http://www.relayforlife.org.au) until April 11.

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## Carlsruhe Community Corner

### Community Planning Group.

The information for the Master Plan will be delivered to the Macedon Ranges Shire Council at the end of March. In turn the Plan will be presented to the community planning group for discussion and comment. In the meantime members of the group are obtaining quotes for equipment for the development of the common. Playground equipment, barbecues and toilets are the first items to be purchased.

An approach to VicRoads is to be made through the planning group requesting that they look at the feasibility of reducing the speed limit within the township to 30 kph with the aim of protecting the residents, particularly children, using the roads for walking and riding and reduction of dust. Please remember that these are public roads and that adherence to the speed limit and use of indicators are legal requirements.

### Landcare Group.

Members of the group have been working very hard over the summer period, particularly in keeping the grass mown and reducing fire hazards. Residents will also notice that new plantings are also occurring.

Submitted by Margaret Glen

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At the function former Rotarian ,Francis Lyford-Pike of Stockdale and Leggo was formally inducted as a new member of Woodend Rotary. Only three weeks ago Jane Watters, committee member of The New Woodend Star, was welcomed into the club. So Rotary membership is on a roll at present!

Submitted by Woodend Rotary Club

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General meeting and trading table 11am Friday 1st  
 April, followed by lunch, (please bring your own). Then a  
 fun afternoon and cards at 1.30pm.

Bus trip on Monday 11th April to Mansfield via Yea and  
 Bonnie Doon. A very scenic drive.

New members are very welcome - please come and join  
 our various activities.

Submitted by A Warnock President 5427 1644

### Neils puzzle

1. Solve the number pyramid

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2. Numbers in each line to be in ascending order

Solution on page 21

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## Community Farmers' Market for Woodend.

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Other Farmers' Markets in the region are popular with people who are looking for fresh local produce & who want to support local food production in the area.

Currently the Farmers' Market working group are looking for people who are interested in joining the committee for the market &/or assisting on the day when the market is operating. The proposed day for the market is the 1st Saturday of the month. The site we are looking at using is the grassed area surrounding the Community Centre & Library.

If you are interested in supporting a great project that encourages local production & trade, we would like to hear from you. The group meets monthly at 7pm on the Wednesday following the 1st Saturday of the month at the Woodend Neighbourhood Centre in Forest Street.

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Submitted by Bosilka Lipkovich

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## RSL Women's Auxiliary

Our auxiliary held their AGM on Saturday 5th March in the RSL Hall. The committee was unchanged and is as follows. Margaret Russell – President, Helen Wright – Vice President, Betty Howden – Junior Vice President, Betty Barned – Secretary/Treasurer, Margaret Russell & Joy Littlejohn – Delegates.

We warmly welcomed two new members in Irene Liefman and Linda Calvito. This makes four new members as last month we welcomed Beryl Atkinson and Karen Meldrum. We hope that they will enjoy our happy little group.

The Dine and Dance with HAAC have proved so popular that we will be running a second day each month. A light lunch and entertainment is offered and the fun can be enjoyed by those of all ages. Our next two Dine and Dance functions will be held on Wednesday 6th April and Wednesday 20th April. Admission \$10, starts at 11.30am. Come along and enjoy.

Due to our ever growing daily commitments the Auxiliary are no longer catering for Friday night meals. You will however be pleased to know that the RSL have engaged popular Gary Nish on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, for the usual meals, together with entertainment. Be sure to book early; RAL 5427 3122, Betty 5427 2225 or Margaret 5427 1226.

We have Blumes Fashions booked for Monday 16th May. A Linen Party to be held after the May meeting Sunday 1st May. More on these dates later. Also we will be busy with our Easter Raffle at Coles, so please buy a ticket.

We have another big day on the 25th April, ANZAC Day when it's all hands on deck for the "Gunfire Breakfast" at 7am, and after the service at 11.30am, morning tea in our hall. Very busy times ahead, but we enjoy it.

Submitted by Betty J Barned Secretary

## Strengthening Volunteering across Macedon Ranges

Three information sessions will be held in the Macedon Ranges Shire to assist with recruiting and supporting volunteers. Learn current best practice approaches, gain simple tools and techniques and discover the vast resources available on line. Topics include:

- 'Introduction to Volunteering' including Rights & Responsibilities of Volunteers, Code of Conduct, Privacy & Confidentiality, OH&S, Police Checks & Working with Children Checks
- Guidelines to developing a Volunteer Network to support and strengthen your volunteer community
- 'I can do that' an Introduction to the on-line Victorian Volunteer Portal

Lancefield Neighbourhood House, Wednesday 9 March 2011, Time: 10am – 12noon. Bookings: 5429 2337 Email: lancefieldhouse@tpg.com.au

Riddells Creek Neighbourhood House, Wednesday 9 March 2011, Time: 1.30pm – 3.30pm, Bookings: 5428 7836 Email: rcnh@westnet.com.au

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Submitted by Jacqueline Brodie-Hanns



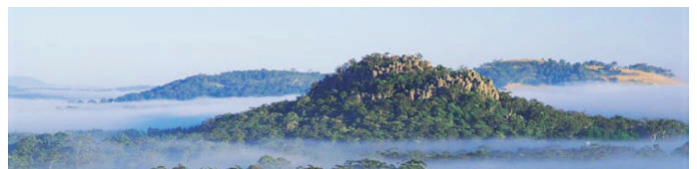
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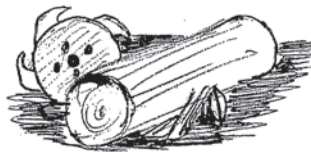


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Intramaps is a web-based application that delivers information to users via their web browsers. There will be no information of a private or personal nature displayed.

Intramaps can be accessed via the 'Maps' link on the home page of Council's website – [www.mrsc.vic.gov.au](http://www.mrsc.vic.gov.au)

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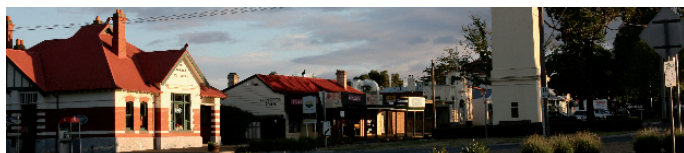
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# Heritage Society News

*Recording our history: we need your help!*

In the March edition of Heritage News, we asked members to consider creating family diaries in which they record local events for a twelve month period. This is something we encourage all families to take on as a project. Setting up a file on the computer called "Life in our district, 2011" and adding photos and news from the district will be an interesting way to record your family's, and our local history. If you do decide to do this, please pass on your efforts to the Local & Family History Resource Centre so that they can be preserved. It's a great way of recording history for the future.

Here is an example of some of the information we have extracted from our huge database and scanned newspapers:

1861– Following a meeting of local farmers and business men at the Springfield Hotel (Woodend North) the Woodend, Rochford and Newham Road Board is set up and proclaimed on 25th November. 6 acres, 24 roods and 1 perch are also proclaimed for the Woodend Cemetery. An 1861 Business directory listing includes "The Full and Plenty Restaurant" and "Temperance Dining Rooms." 25th July: Richard Thorn writes to his brother in England from Woodend. "I have seen snow here at Woodend as it is a very cold place and it has rained here almost every day for the last ten weeks as it is just under a great mountain called Mount Macedon close to a large forest called the Black Forest." On the 4th July: The railway opened to Woodend and a bullock roasted in the street to celebrate. The local paper continues to advertise for itinerant workers to work on the Railway. The Woodend Police Court is established possibly in response to the large influx of these workers. The Road Board accepted the contract for the erection of a stone bridge over the five Mile Creek from William Bayne and Co. The cost of construction of the bridge was £2526. 11.6.

Finally, please don't forget that on Sunday 3rd April new plaques will be dedicated along the Family Heritage Walk. This is always a very moving ceremony and we hope you will be able to attend. This year, Plaques and Trees are to be dedicated as follows (not necessarily in this order): Carmen & Rod Carnegie, The (Jim & Mary) Godden Family, The (Gary & Loretta) Matthews Family, Lilian & Samuel Shiner.



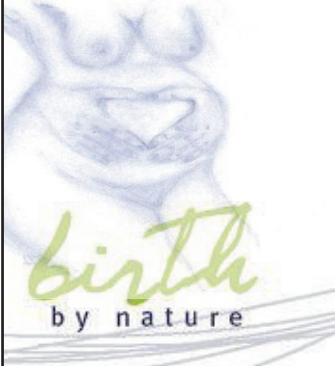
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1.00 pm: Gather along the Five Mile Creek Path at the Creek end of the Tennis Courts. The Kyneton Brass band will be playing, and at 1.30 pm: The dedication of plaques and trees will commence. Following the Ceremony, afternoon tea will be provided in the Woodend Tennis Club Rooms. From 3.00 pm The Courthouse will be open for participants, family and friends to view the Photographic displays associated with each Plaque, and to sign the Special Family Heritage Walk Book.

Submitted by Janet Hawkins.



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## Parent Support 4 Learning Difficulties

### *Sunbury & Macedon Ranges*

"John" is 10 years old and in Grade 4. He has struggled with school since Prep. His mum and dad are exhausted after years of struggling to help him to read and spell. His behaviour is also difficult. Speech and psychological assessments have indicated that one of "John's" problems is a severe learning disability - Dyslexia. "John's" parents spend hundreds of dollars a month on additional tutoring and speech therapy to provide him with the best opportunities for the future.

"John's" story is a common one. Dyslexia is a learning difficulty which affects about 5% of children. There are other learning difficulties with similar signs as Dyslexia including trouble with spelling, reading, writing and multiplication tables. They often confuse left and right and have trouble copying from the teacher's board. These children are living in a world which does not make sense to them like it does to us and often they have low self-esteem and significant behaviour problems.

A recent national report to the Federal Government about the recognition of Dyslexia as a disability states that around 10% of the population struggle to cope with Dyslexia. It affects the ability to gain employment and there is little help available. The report also calls for improved training and professional development for teachers to deal with poor literacy skills and improvement in the education system's ability to diagnose children – parents are waiting up to a year for access to a school psychologist.

A group of proactive and enthusiastic parents of local children with learning disabilities has formed "Parents 4 LD" – Sunbury and Macedon Ranges. The group was launched at a "Dyslexia In Brief Seminar" at Gisborne Primary School on the 9th March. Membership to the group is free and the aim is to provide support, information, education and practical advice through seminars and discussion.

If you have a child or children with learning difficulties and would like to join, email: [parents4ld@gmail.com](mailto:parents4ld@gmail.com)

Next meeting, 7.30pm on Monday 4th April 2011  
 Woodend Community Hub, 47 Forest Street  
 Woodend

Submitted by Kerrie Bradburn

# Maintenance Matters

## Woodend Community Notice - March 2011



*Keeping you informed of planned changes to your water supply*

Western Water is taking advantage of spring and summer rains to make improvements to our maintenance program so Woodend residents can be supplied with the highest quality drinking water.

### **Why now?**

- Woodend residents are currently receiving local reservoir water from Campaspe Reservoir to the west of town and Reservoir C on the side of Mt Macedon
- Woodend water supply returned to 100% local sources in November 2010. Before that, the town was supplemented with water from Melbourne as local supplies could not support the town during the drought
- Differing water supplies means that from time to time, changes to water treatment are required to ensure our high level of water quality is maintained
- Regardless of the water source, Western Water closely monitors the quality of drinking water supplies to ensure compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (2003). We can proudly say we are in the top water businesses in the state for supplying the highest quality water to our customers.

### **What are the changes?**

- In times of water abundance, pipes are maintained by flushing every five years, this is the best form of maintenance but can use up to 4 million litres of water for a town Woodend's size
- Over the last 14 years of drought, along with our customers, Western Water also adapted practices to conserve water. One of these conservation measures was to modify our flushing maintenance program
- During periods of drought, system wide flushing was not viable and flushing occurred on only small sections of the pipe network on an 'as needs basis' to ensure water quality was maintained
- Less flushing during the drought means more build up of organic matter in water pipes. This build up is safe but can have an impact on the colour, smell and taste of drinking water.

Western Water is starting on a major maintenance flushing program to improve water quality in Woodend that will be implemented in two phases:

**Phase one:** Change in type of chlorine dosing commencing early March. Residents may notice a temporary increase in the smell of chlorine. If this is an issue, you can place drinking water in the fridge.

**Phase two:** Major flushing commences mid April. During this phase, some customers will need to have their water turned off for periods of time. We will notify you in advance via a letter to your household so you can plan around the shut off period.

### **How does this affect me?**

Your water will be safe to drink during all phases of these works. However, you may notice some changes in taste, colour and smell of the water during the two month maintenance period. The taste, colour and smell of the water will settle down after the works are completed.

We thank you for your patience and are here to work with the community to continue to supply Woodend with water that is safe and good tasting.

### **For more information**

Please email any comments on the maintenance program to [communications@westernwater.com.au](mailto:communications@westernwater.com.au) or call 1300 650 425 for more information.

## Over \$2m of Works Underway

Macedon Ranges Shire Council will invest more than \$2m in major roadworks across the shire in the coming months.

The roadworks will occur at various locations throughout the shire to address safety issues and repair damage caused by the flash flooding and extreme weather experienced earlier this year. The works will include:

- \$450,000 of works on Ashbourne Road in Woodend to widen the road and repair roadside edges will commence this week. The project involves widening a 2km section of road and improve will result in a significant improvement to the quality and safety of this section of road.
- \$1m of road resealing works to the bitumen road network at various locations throughout the shire.
- \$250,000 of works to lay new asphalt on various roads across the shire.
- Almost \$500,000 of works to repair sections of the gravel road network that was damaged extensively by flash flooding earlier this year.

Council's Director Assets and Operations, Dale Thornton said resealing and rehabilitation works on roads have been challenging in the past couple of months due to the higher than average rainfall and unpredictable weather experienced.

"These works are part of Council's commitment to maintaining and enhancing Council roads as part of our 2010/11 Capital Works Program," he said.

"It is anticipated these works will be completed over the next 2-3 months – weather permitting," he said.

Submitted by E. McCormick MRSC

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- Strength for Health 1pm – S4H runs Tuesdays from 1-2pm with April and Friday mornings 9.30-10.30am with Jackie. Strength for Health is a progressive strength training program designed specifically for older adults. This program is for people wishing to manage chronic illness, prevent the onset of chronic illness or just to keep healthy. For more information please call the Buffalo Stadium on 54 273 411

Submitted by Anita, Buffalo Stadium

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**Change Your Clock, Change Your Smoke Alarm Battery**

Sunday April 3 is the end of daylight saving and along with changing your clock it is the perfect time to also change your smoke alarm batteries. Woodend Captain Mick Christie said house fires occurred more frequently in the cooler months.

*“As we head into Autumn and then Winter, we tend to stay indoors more, turn on the heating and do more cooking indoors,”* Captain Christie said. *“This is the time residents should be testing their smoke alarms. Only the sound of a smoke alarm, not the smell of smoke, will wake you in a fire, so it’s essential that smoke alarms are tested on a regular basis”.*

*“All smoke alarms, whether hard-wired or wireless, require a battery”* added Captain Christie. *“Hard-wired alarms use a battery as a backup and the battery needs to be changed as well.”*

Smoke alarms usually have a lifespan of about 10 years—alarms older than this should be replaced. Some smoke alarms have a printed use-by date, but if an alarm is still ‘beeping’ after its battery has been changed, it should be replaced.

**Only a working smoke alarm saves 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.

To ensure you have a working smoke alarm:

- Test it weekly by pushing the test button to make sure it beeps.
- Dust the alarm with a vacuum cleaner brush.
- Change the battery at least once a year.

**Royal Children’s Hospital Appeal Collection on Good Friday**

The CFA will once again be collecting on behalf of the Royal Children’s Hospital on Good Friday April 22. We will begin collecting at soon after 9am and will cover as much of the Woodend and Newham areas as we possibly can during the day. The Woodend Community is normally very generous and we’re sure this will continue. If you are not going to be home on Good Friday, you can drop donations off at the Woodend and Newham Fire Stations.

For further information contact Captain Mick Christie on 0419 870 601 or 1st Lieutenant Mike Dornau on 0409 093 935. Or call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356, visit the station in Urquhart Street or our website: [www.woodendcfa.org](http://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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## Woodend Heskett Football Netball Report

*The smell of liniment is in the air!!*

April brings the beginning of our 2011 RDFL campaign in football and netball for another year at the Woodend Heskett Hawks.

The club will be making the journey down the Calder to meet the Sunbury Kangaroos for the opening match of the season with a great anticipation to see how we go when there are points on the line.

We sincerely thank the Wedderburn, Trentham and Kyneton football and netball clubs for joining us in practice matches in the pre season, and we know that we are better for the hit out.

Supporters of the club have just one home match to look forward to in April. The Romsey Redbacks will face the Hawks down at Gilbert Gordon Oval on Saturday April 16th in our Round 2 clash.

Put the date aside and invite your mates down for the weekend – I have no doubt that the sun will be shining and perfect conditions for a 'Hawk Burger' with some high quality local footy on show.

### Memberships

Can't come to every game but want to support the club?

Woodend Heskett Football Netball is offering a 5 game pass that can be used at any home match during the 2011

season. This is the perfect option for those of you who may not be able to make it every week, but know that when they are in town they will be at the footy and netball.

Cost = \$55 see the website [www.woodendheskettfnc.org](http://www.woodendheskettfnc.org)

### Woodend Heskett Football Netball Fixture

Sat April 9th vs.	Sunbury	Kangaroos away
Sat April 16th	vs. Romsey	HOME
Sat April 23rd	BYE	Easter
Sat April 30th	vs. Melton Centrals	AWAY

Submitted by Jock Allan – President – 0419 308 501

## Join Squash Now

Why not have a go at Squash? It's a great way to meet people and to get fit.

There are new competitions starting after the April School Holidays in both Romsey and Kyneton so why not contact Bill Hutcheson on 5348 7972 to arrange a free hit.

All standards welcome. Give it a go

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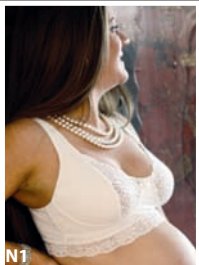
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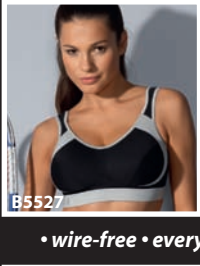




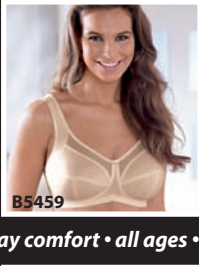
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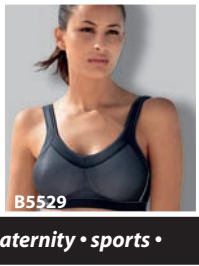
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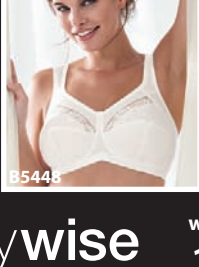
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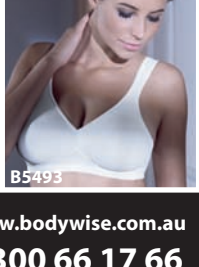
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