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Mr WOOD (Nelson): Madam Speaker, I have in my parliamentary office this clock which is not just any clock

and it has a chicken coop as part of its design, but it is special because I bought it at the Marysville Post Office

four and a half weeks ago. The Marysville Post Office was like many other country post offices, which not only sold stamps and envelopes but sold local art and paraphernalia; a post office which served not only the locals but the many visitors that came to enjoy the peace and beauty of the Yarra Valley region of Victoria; a place from which to send that post card saying "Hello from Marysville". Marysville Post Office is

Marysville had a main street lined with beautiful oak trees with a hardware store, service station, and supermarket to Christmas shop where just the year before I bought a nativity scene for my Howard Springs office; a toy shop and its famous lolly shop; the coffee shops and restaurants, the gift shops, the arts and crafts shops, the hairdresser - all gone. At the bottom of the main street a small creek ran cool water down from the hills, past the football ground and the local park and, then, by the beautiful houses, and what Marysville was famous for, the questhouses - no more, all gone. Nestled in the hills as they had been for many years, surviving past bushfires, but not this time. In one foul swoop, in one hot inferno, in just less than an hour - no more the Marysville that I knew. Not as well as others knew it, but enough to know that this tragedy that had unfolded has forever changed this small and beautiful town.

The town was a special place for many young couples who would spend their honeymoons there. It was special for me, not because I had visited and stayed overnight there over the last couple of years but it was where my mum and dad visited many times with their friends to get away from the city - a place to have time alone, a place to rekindle romance, a place to enjoy the company of friends. All those memories they remain, but not Marysville. It also had another personal connection because one usually drove through Marysville to get to my brother's place just up the road near the little town of Buxton. Perched halfway up the side of the

steep hill overlooking the nearby valley is his house. He had built it some years ago as a retreat from Melbourne. He designed it to stand up against bushfires, with double glazing on the windows, screens to stop leaves falling into gutters, and sprinklers around the house fed by a pump in a nearby dam. He did not know the fire was coming that Saturday, although the police had evacuated everyone else. They missed him. So, he stayed and the fire raged up the slope towards his house. The pump failed, and all he had left was a knapsack on his back to put out flying embers which threatened to burn the house down. The fire passed over; his sheds and tractor destroyed, his car and house amazingly left intact. However, more miraculously, he survived.

Then there were my good friends, Philip and Helen Clancy, who live at Kilmore, only a few kilometres away from where the fires started at Kilmore East. I had stayed with them at the beginning of January this year. The country was the best I had seen it, and had a shade of green, though that can be deceptive as we know. Luckily, the Kilmore East fire went north, not west, and their farm, thankfully, was not under threat. However, the Clancy's were like so many in country towns throughout Australia and the Northern Territory. Phil, as a member of the local fire brigade, manned a local command post for the area and still was doing that late last night when I rang, while Helen and family baked cakes and prepared food to give to the fire crews and helicopter pilots. The Clancy's would have been doing what many other country people would have been doing: helping others in times of need. It was hard to believe, as I wrote this condolence motion last night, that it was raining - in fact, pouring monsoon, heavy rain. Oh, if they in Marysville and some of those other towns only had some of that rain before Saturday. My brother was one of the lucky ones. We all know the numbers who were not so lucky. Marysville is now totally closed down as a crime scene, with already 12 dead. I wonder if the lady at the Post Office who

sold me the clock was one of them.

Perhaps I will never know. I live thousands of kilometres away and, in a way, I would not have expected to have been affected, not in the same way as the many people who have lost their loved ones, their homes and farms, their livelihoods.

However, I am affected like many others because we are all part of this country - a country that has a tradition of floods and drought, of fire and rain. 'We will all be rooned', said Hanrahan. Just this time, it was a fire that even Hanrahan would not have believed. This is not about state boundaries: it is about a commonality we share as Australians. We are Australians, and a tragedy such as this brings us together and makes us realise the common bonds we do have. When tragedy strikes as it did last weekend, it strikes us all, no matter how far we live from the fires. We all weep. In the Territory, we know tragedy can strike quickly, as with Cyclone Tracy, and people responded from all over Australia. This is far worse than Cyclone Tracy, so we should now do our best to help those Australians who now need our prayers and our practical help to ease the pain that they are now suffering. I am sure all Territorians will give generously. If Madam Speaker, when I see this clock hanging on the wall in my room, it will forever be the permanent memory in my mind of the events that I have just seen and heard -a memory I will never forget. These events are not over yet, fires still burn in north-eastern Victoria and Gippsland. However, when the fires are out and the bush sprouts again, as it will, when the dead are laid to rest, when the living have time to grieve, when the brave fire fighters have rolled up their hoses and communities start to rebuild their shattered lives, when the years move on, this clock on the wall will remind me not only of Marysville and the people who have lived there, but how lucky I am and how I should thank God for each minute of my life, because who knows when I will be called. To those who have died, rest in peace. To those who survived, our prayers and assistance, and for those who are helping the survivors, thank you and God Bless.

Gerry Wood - NT Parliament. Our contact, his brother Michael at Buxton

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What's on When at the Golf Course

Friday 20th Saturday 21st - Free concert Carneval String Quarter 7.30pm - Visit of Christine Nixon - 1pm Golf club

Sunday 22nd - Lions Community BBQ 4 pm

Friday 27th Sunday 29th

Sunday 5th April

- Memorial Service for Kate & David Whittington 11 am

Lions Community BBQ 4 pm
 Lions Community BBQ 4pm

Mon/Tues 6th/7th - Royal Commission

Want more information? Check out our local websites

www.marysvillecommunity.net www.trianglefamily

All Ages Recovery Concert

The Alexandra FReeZA youth committee is coordinating an "all ages" event at the Alexandra Community Centre on Friday 27 March, with proceeds taken at the door to be donated to the Berry Street Bushfire Management Fund.

The FReeZA committee has designed a terrific night of entertainment including professional Hip Hop dancers and DJ's kicking the night off. Local bands including: Break the Silence, Sanity Leak and The Fallen's Affliction are locked in to continue the party well into the night.

The Hip Hop dance group from Melbourne proposes to have a DANCE OFF at the event between 6.30 - 8.00pm, with a professional DJ. Hip Hop dance styles such as Popping, Locking, Krumping, Breakdancing and Hip Hop will feature on the dance floor, as seen on music video clips by Chris Brown, Rihanna and Missy Elliott.

What makes this concert so special is that the youth committee is creating an all ages event to contribute to the recovery of the Murrindindi community. The intention is to bring people together to celebrate life and the community we all share together. Professional security will be attending with no pass outs, smoking, drugs or alcohol permitted.

Come along and support this terrific youth initiative, tickets are available at the door for \$5 per person. For further information on the event, including FREE bus transport opportunities from Eildon, Narbethong or Yea, please contact FReeZA worker Bob Cummings on 0418 585 648.

FReeZA is a Victorian Government program that supports young Victorians to get involved in community life by planning and running drug, smoke and alcohol-free music and cultural events.

Narby eggs

Genuine Free Range

Eggs

Yes we are still here and the chooks are still laying so we are operating business as usual

Free Delivery within the Triangle

Ph: Raelene Bartlett 59 637 248

Please support our local businesses that are still lucky enough to be here.

Update on Community Health

Great news!! Establishment of Marysville Community Health Services into a temporary location in Buxton on the corner of Maroondah Highway and Buxton-Marysville Road is progressing extremely well.

Some minor modifications to the building are well underway and we have been delighted with the response from many companies who are donating equipment for the building. We anticipate officially "opening for business" within the next week.

In the meantime, Dr Fraser's medical clinic is continuing as advertised from this location (appointments can be made at the Buxton General Store) and the District Nursing service is continuing to provide visiting nursing services to the area. If you require assistance from a District Nurse, please contact 5772 0890 (Mon to Fri mornings).

Heather Byrne

Chief Executive Officer / Director of Nursing Alexandra District Hospital

Change to Watering Hours

Goulburn Valley Water has announced that the watering hours under stage 1 water restrictions have been amended for the autumn/winter period effective Friday 20 March 2009.

Goulburn Valley Water's Public Relations Officer, Mary Connelly-Gale said that the Corporation has adjusted the evening watering hours for lawns and gardens. "Our customers can use their manual watering system in morning between 6am and 8am and in the evening between 5pm and 7pm on alternate days."

"Automatic watering systems can be used between midnight and 4am on alternate days."

Alternate days means if your property number is odd (1,3,5 etc) you can water on the odd days of the month and if your property number is even (2,4,6 etc) or you do not have a property number then you can water on the even days of the month. "On the 31st day of the month all properties can water."

"All other requires under stage 1 water restrictions remain in place. Full details of water restrictions requirements can be obtained from the Corporation's website www.gvwater.vic.gov.au or by contacting our 24 hours Customer Service Centre on Free Call 1800 45 45 00," said Ms Connelly-Gale.

Longwood residents should note that they are still on Stage 4 water restrictions which restricts the use of water outside the home.

Beginning Again

Today just three weeks after Black Saturday I am contemplating new beginnings. I am contemplating beginning a new quilt. A big undertaking given that, like many others on that day of devastation, our new home was burnt to the ground. Our gardening tools, our bikes, some boxes that had never been unpacked after our move were all that survived at our place...in the shed, all safe albeit slightly dusty.

When I contemplated what we had lost I bemoaned the loss of my cook books, my favourite cooking pots and utensils and my sewing machine, the completed quilts I had made and one incomplete quilt which I had been making for my daughter. Our daughter had only moved out of home when we made the move to the country, less than 12 months ago, and I had wanted her to have something in her new home to remind her of her Mum's love and all she had shared in our former home. When I viewed the ruins and realized how much work was entailed in claiming back our former life I thought I had little heart to begin again let alone to resume quilting. But friends and family had different dreams for us. They have intervened to not only make it possible for me to begin quilting again but to share this passion with others in a similar situation.

After a news item placed by my husband's step-sister in Canberra on her blogsite requesting fabrics, I have been inundated with fabrics from fellow quilters from all over the world; not just fabrics either but all the extras a quilter needs: pins, needles, cutting boards, scissors, rotary cutters, threads, soaps, sweets and even a coffee mug! My sister- in-law in Mornington is still taking delivery of parcels and ferrying them to me when she can. The second bedroom in this tiny cottage we have been so fortunate to rent in Buxton is full to overflowing!

The plan is that I should invite quilters who have suffered the loss of this favourite occupation, and those who would like to begin quilting, to form a group in the Triangle. We would need to find a place to meet and share these goodies and give each other support as we resume our lives again. I have begun making enquiries about a place, and intend to pursue the matter of obtaining sewing machines.

Interested quilters can contact me either on either of the following numbers: H: 5774 7606 - M:0407 313 485
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Community consultation sessions

Community members directly affected by the bushfires are invited to the 2009 Bushfires Royal Commission consultation on Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 April.

The purpose of the consultation sessions is for individuals from the fire affected areas, including Buxton, Marysville, Narbethong and surrounding areas to discuss their views about key issues in relation to the inquiry, to be conducted by the Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission.

The Terms of Reference include the examination of the causes and circumstances, as well as the preparation, planning and response to the bushfires that burned in various parts of Victoria in late January and February 2009.

To register, call **1800 842 463.** Seating is limited so you are encouraged to register promptly. Please tell us if you require accessibility assistance.

Details:

Community consultation sessions
Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 April
11:30 – 1:00pm or 2:30 – 4:00pm
Marysville Golf & Bowls Club
956 Marysville-Buxton Road
Marysville

Informal lunch with Commissioners

Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 April

1:00 – 2:00pm

Marysville Golf & Bowls Club

956 Marysville-Buxton Road

Marysville

(No registration required)

The light lunch with Commissioners is open to all community members, regardless of whether they have registered to attend the consultation session.

For general enquiries about the 2009 Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission please email enquiries@royalcommission.vic.gov.au or visit www.royalcommission.vic.gov.au.

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the Berry Street Sushfire Appeal

Local Bands

Sanity Leak, Break the Silence, The Fallens Affliction, AC'JS

Acoustic act by: Kim Croxford & Duncan Rees



Welcome

Event Details

Where:

Alexandra Community Centre

When:

Friday 27 March 6.30-11.00pm

How much:

ONLY \$5 per person

Bus transport:

Narbethong/Buxton/Taggerty (4.45pm), Eildon/Thornton

(5.30pm), Yea/Molesworth (5.15pm)

For bus timetables and bookings contact Murrindindi Shire Council's

Youth Coordinator on 1800 633 792

Berry Street





Fully Supervised, Drug, Alcohol and Smoking free event.



Mayor's Chair

Councillors met with Christine Nixon who heads the Recovery Reconstruction Authority on Wednesday last week. We had discussions around the role of the Authority, how council will work with them and the importance of working together with the community to rebuild. There is opportunity to look at where our community buildings are and consider if they were in the right places and if not, where they would be best placed. It is really important we are able to work forward knowing we have made the right decisions for future generations.

As we are still drought declared, anyone wanting information can contact the Drought Information Line on 136 186 and the DPI Drought web pages at www.dpi. vic.gov.au/drought The Drought Personal Support Line is no longer being funded with any calls being forwarded to Lifeline. If you need this service for personal support and counselling please contact Lifeline on 13 11 14 or visit www.lifeline. org.au

Building guidelines have been released for those people affected by the bushfires. Council will be looking at these new codes and scales for new houses in the coming week. The

Building Commission will run free public and industry seminars in bushfire affected communities during March and April to help people understand key elements of the new residential building standards. For further details on the community information sessions, and online registration go to: http://www.

buildingcommission.com.au/ www/html/2224-newresidential-buildingregulations-seminars-forconsumers.asp

Councillors have attended a number of events over the past week including – Royal Commission Information session, Yea Swimming Pool plaque unveiling, Alexandra Traders and Tourism Association meeting, Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority meeting, Peri Urban meeting.

Thought for the Week – 'You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You must do the thing which you think you cannot do.'

Kind regards Lyn Gunter Mayor

Marysville & District Lions Club

would be interested to hear from people affected by the bushfires who believe that there are areas/types of assistance that have not yet been provided or addressed by any of the organisations.

Please contact Neil on 5963 3342

PAT'S HAIRDRESSING

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CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT WORKING FROM HOME FOR THE TIME BEING

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At Buxton Reserve 4:30pm Mondays All ages – coaching Practice & play

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BUXTON COMMUNITY HALL

The Buxton Progress Association being the management committee of the Buxton Community Hall advise that the hall is presently being used as a distribution centre for clothing and other goods to assist those affected by the recent fires. It is anticipated the hall will not be available for general use for some time.

All enquiries regarding future use and hire of the hall should be directed to the President, Clive Clayton 57747076 or the Secretary, Karen Morrison 57747155.

GREAT DONATIONS FOR MARYSVILLE SCHOOL

(at Taggerty)

Last week on the 11/3/09 we had Graham from the Springvale Learning and Activities Centre Inc deliver a huge donation to our school. This included a whole heap of totally fantastic (and extremely useful) brand new items including:

80cm LCD TV, Digital Camera, CD / Cassette player, TV Stand, Comb Binder, Laminator, Computer with all accessories Multifunction machine (printer/fax/scanner/copier)

We were all speechless and in tears with such a generous gesture (Graham included). The Learning Centre just said in their letter to us "We hope this will go a little way in resetting up the school that was lost in the horrific bushfires". It certainly has!

Melanie (teacher)

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Stay informed as we rebuild

Victorians affected by the recent bushfires can now access information in four ways to help stay informed as their properties and communities are rebuilt.

Chair of the Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority, Christine Nixon, today launched the 'We Will Rebuild' website www. wewillrebuild.vic.gov.au which provides visitors with access to all relevant bushfire reconstruction and recovery information.

"The 'We Will Rebuild' website is a one-stop-shop for all bushfire related information. Visitors can access information on financial and personal support and the reconstruction process, right through to how individuals and communities can have their say," Ms Nixon said.

"Internet access can be limited for those Victorians displaced by the bushfires so it is vital there are alternate ways people can access the information they need. The Victorian Bushfire Information Line (1800 240 667) will continue to provide callers with an easy way to access the information they need."

Victorians can also keep up to date with the reconstruction and recovery process via mobile phone. Mobile users can register for free SMS alerts by texting the word REBUILD and their postcode to 13 GOVT (13 46 88)*.

In coming weeks, fire affected communities will also receive a regular newsletter to keep residents informed of activities underway in their local area. This newsletter will be delivered to community hubs, relief centres, municipal offices and local gathering places in fire affected areas. It will also be available for download from www.wewillrebuild.vic.gov.au

Ms Nixon said the Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority would provide support to fire affected communities to help people recover and rebuild in the way that they want.

"Community organisations and individuals who have been affected will have opportunities to have their voice heard," Ms Nixon said.

"I have already visited a number of fire affected communities and will continue to attend community meetings in these areas to ensure both I and the Authority understands each community's recovery and rebuilding needs. Following these meetings, the Authority will release a community engagement structure explaining how people can stay involved as we rebuild.

"Local rebuilding plans will be developed to ensure each community's economy, infrastructure and transport, environmental, and health and wellbeing requirements are met.

"The Authority will work with communities to develop these plans and where needed will work with other government departments to make sure they are delivered," Ms Nixon said.

For more information visit www.wewillrebuild.vic.gov.au, phone the Victorian Bushfire Information line on 1800 240 667 or register for SMS updates by sending the word REBUILD and your postcode to 13 GOVT (13 46 88)

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Immediate commencement

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Brett Weinberg Operations Manager 03 59577201

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

The opening of Community Health services including the Marysville Medical Clinic at a temporary location in Buxton last Friday represents a major milestone in the recovery of our community following the devastation of the fires.

Many of your readers may not be aware that our Community Health service building in Marysville was completely destroyed by the fires. The week after the fires started, we began looking for a suitable temporary site to house health services for the area. Enormous thanks go to Greg Bell for making his building on the corner of Maroondah Highway and Buxton-Marysville Road available to re-establish our services.

Once we had the location established, the next step was to fit out the building with the equipment and services necessary to run a health facility. I would like to express my personal heartfelt thanks to the following businesses, from near and far, who went out of their way to help us achieve our goal in an amazingly short time frame; Hedger Constructions, Bourke Airconditioning, Lopez Electricals, Lucky's Locks, Jim and the guys from Telstra, Landmark Embling, Cisco IT systems, Daikin Airconditioning, OAPL, Office Max and Eastern Ranges GP Association.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their support in making it all happen; Linda Ellis, Yvonne Bellingham, Drs Margaret and Ian Miller and Anne Marie Ellis along with our own amazing staff Juliana Sartori, Debbie Louis, and Stephanie Johnston. To all the other people who have assisted in any way – thank you.

The support of Health Minister Daniel Andrews who has made himself available to assist us with anything we have required through this difficult time is also greatly appreciated. During his address at the official opening, the Minister expressed his amazement and delight with what we have achieved so quickly.

The recovery road is a long one, but with the high level of commitment and cooperation we have seen on this project, I am confident that our community can look forward to a bright future.

Yours sincerely,

Heather Byrne Chief Executive Officer / Director of Nursing

Thank you

In the aftermath of the bushfires of Feb 2009, and the thanking, many times over the official departments, community groups, volunteers etc etc (too many to mention) LET'S NOT FOR-GET the private individuals who stayed to fight the fires, whether by choice or circumstance. The actions of these quiet achievers (unsung heroes) need to be acknowledged, many who, having saved or lost their own property also helped to save neighbouring properties, and in quite a few instances were responsible for saving lives. You all know who you are.

Well done!
signed The Forgotten
(name supplied)

CHURCH NOTICE

Anglican Parish of
Marysville Services are
to be held
at St Thomas' Buxton
9 am each Sunday
until such time as
services may be
resumed in Marysville.

Mt Cathedral Baptist
Church
will hold a Service every
Sunday at Taggerty Hall
at 10 am

Memorial Service For Pets & Wildlife lost during the fires

Where: St Thomas' Church Buxton When: 11am Saturday 28 March 2009

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COMMUNITY INPUT REQUIRED

Gallipoli Park Recreation Reserve Committee of Management want community groups, organisations, clubs and interested members of the community to let us know your views on what you or your organisation require to be incorporated into Marysville's new Multi-purpose Community Building.

Please advise in writing as soon as possible to:
The Secretary, Gallipoli Park C.O.M., PO Box 83, Marysville, 3779, so that concept plans and community consultation can commence.

(Our mail is being re-directed)

THIS IS THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY FOR MARYSVILLE TO ACHIEVE A MUCH NEEDED COMBINED FACILITY

Healesville Harvest

Positioned between the Healesville Hotel and our Foodstore Kitchen and Butcher we are looking to build on our team of friendly, passionate professionals. Our café provides a central hub to the local community and on weekends buzzes with people lunching on our seasonal, regional produce, sipping coffee and soaking up the dynamic energy of this town.

Café Supervisor

An experienced leader with a positive, hands on approach to customer service. An interest in good food and an eye for detail and merchandising essential.

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We are looking for a qualified, passionate coffee guru to man our coffee machine, provide a sensational consistent product to our customers and to develop a training programme across all our businesses. This position offers the right person a chance to grow and utilise their skills in a successful and well recognised company.

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Water Accounts to be sent out

Goulburn Valley Water has commenced reading meters for properties in fire affected towns and surrounding areas.

Goulburn Valley Water's General Manager Finance, Mr Graeme Jolly said that many of the Corporation's customers have been affected by fires including loss of life and properties. "We offer our deepest condolences to the people and communities impacted by the fires."

"The Corporation is endeavouring to return to normal business and this has involved an initial assessment of properties that have been lost in the fires," said Mr Jolly. "We do not intend to issue accounts to destroyed properties until a consistent state-wide approach has been agreed with the Government." Mr Jolly said that the Corporation will be sending out Water Accounts to customers whose property has not been impacted by the fire. "We understand and appreciate that although a property is still standing does not mean that the people living in that property have not been impacted in a more severe way by the fires."

"If any of our customers are experiencing financial or personal hardship as a result of the bushfires we encourage them to contact our Customer Accounts Officers on 1300 360 007 during normal business hours and we may be able to assist them via our hardship Policy."

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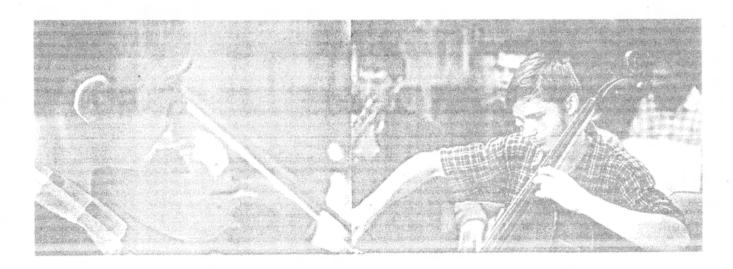
Be encouraged as we present our theme to:

"Never Give Up"

Featuring - Highwood College Choir and Youth Ensemble

Where - Taggerty Community Hall When - 6 pm, Sunday 22 March

Free Admission and refreshments provided



MANY HAVE RESPONDED TO AN APPEAL FOR THE VICTORIAN BUSHFIRE SURIVIVORS - THIS IS ONE COMPANY'S REPSONSE

EXTRACTS FROM A NUTRIMETICS INTER-OFFICE AND FIELD MEMO:

A big thank you to every single one of you who gave so generously for our Victorian Bushfire Appeal... in just two weeks we managed to raise an incredible \$13,593 (Australian Consultants) plus \$1335 (New Zealand Consultants) in online donations for the Red Cross Victorian Bushfire Appeal.

A further \$533 was raised by the team at Nutrimetics head office, Balmain, NSW.

Nutrimetics on the front line. After making initial contact with head office on the Sunday night, the ball started rolling. Initially, 500 units of product were pledged and I was to collect it from the Melbourne warehouse. On Monday, my mum and I volunteered at the St Vinnies Relief Centre and an urgent call was for handbags, wallets, overnight bags etc.

Another call to Nutrimetics and the response was "Do you have a tow bar on your car? We now have a trailer-load". By Wednesday, a semi-trailer has been organised and I can't describe the emotion I felt as it rolled through the local bay of the Relief Centre and was greeted with cheers from over 200 volunteers. On board were 20 pallets - \$450,000 worth of products and bags.

Thank you, thank you! We can all be proud to be part of this magnificent company that embodies our vision statement of "helping people help other people".

Note: As an ex-Nutrimetics career Consultant (Presidential Director) with almost 30 years in the Company, this internal memo was shared with me by a colleague. I retired in 2002 and moved to Buxton but still carry within me the pride, love and respect for this Company which I have always held dear. Nutrimetics, thank you from the hearts of our community and a personal thank you from Paul and I. Monica Fafeita.

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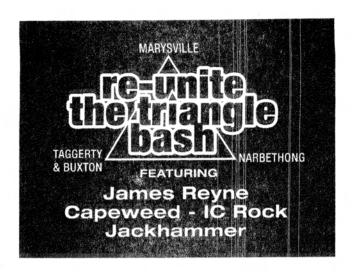
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"Reunite the Triangle"

Date:

Sat 21st March

Time:

2pm - 12 midnight

Venue:

Buxton Hotel, Maroondah H'Way, Buxton

The people of Marysville, Narbethong, Taggerty and Buxton have a chance to get together on Saturday 21 March 2009 for a day of music and family fun.

Buxton publicans Eric, Annie and Linda together with residents from across the region have created an event to help the local community re-connect. *Reunite the Triangle* will provide an opportunity to catch up with friends and supporters following a tense month following the devastating fires in early February 2009.

Reunite the Triangle will include performances from high profile artist James Reyne (former Australian Crawl frontman), I C Rock, Jack Hammer and local band Capeweed together with children's performers and activities to cater for families. Residents, friends, family and people who just want to show their support are most welcome to join in this great family day.

There will be a fundraising door charge of \$20 with proceeds going towards future infrastructure in the triangle that will be determined by a local community committee in due course. All paying patrons will receive a commemorative stubby holder.

Courtesy buses will run from designated points in Alexandra, Taggerty and Narbethong to Buxton from 2pm until the end of the night. Please call the Buxton Hotel to book your seat.

The event will go ahead rain or shine so get ready for a big day at the Bucky Pub.

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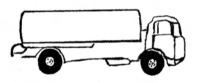
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