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St Thomas' Church Buxton

We pass by this small, white wooden building, as hundreds of people have done so since it was opened in 1895. Set back on an untidy plot of ground this simple structure has a gentle glow about it that comes from being much loved in this community of Buxton. I am writing, of course, about St Thomas's Anglican Church.

The history is long, variable, with changes to its structure and spiritual needs over the years.

Many people have come and gone – births recorded, marriages celebrated, funerals held, with the coffins originally being brought through a space in the side wall especially made for the purpose, and of course the usual Sunday Mass.

Always the bridesmaid never the bride – St Thomas played a secondary role in our Anglican Parish as Christ Church was the dominant older sister. Now with the tragedy that has seen most of Marysville burnt including Christ church, we of St Thomas' Buxton, are proudly opening our building for the healing of all peoples. The Baptist Church has been using it in recent weeks.

Mass is as usual at 9:00am on a Sunday with Father Norman who welcomes all to worship.

Now, with doors open wide, St Thomas' has taken on the role of a nurturing place for a diverse number of activities. Wednesday evenings at 7pm there is a beautiful, gentle, healing programme called Emotions Anonymous – Y...you – A...are – N...not – A...alone. All people are welcome. St Thomas' becomes an Art Studio on a Friday morning at 10am; our Art class lots its home due to the burning of the Pioneer Settlement at Taggerty.

Come relax and be creative. Sunday 28th there will be a memorial Service for all animals lost in the fire. Those who have lost a beloved pet in this way are welcome to come and share their sorrow and to be comforted together.

In this year of 2009 a small happy band of dedicated members take care of the needs of the building and support Father Norman.

A new porch was added in 2008 which gives shelter from winter rain and a place to chat over a cup of coffee after mass. Work on the grounds is ongoing!

Around November 1866 the land throughout the Buxton area opened for selection and homesteads slowly began to appear.

Church services only became a regular feature in the 18180's when they were conducted once a fortnight in the original Buxton Hall.

The Church was consecrated on Friday, the third of May, 1895. The Consecration of the Church, the Confirmation and a concert afterwards were widely reported in the Alexandra Standard and the Healesville Guardian.

From 1895 to 1995 thirty Clergy, or Lay Readers, served at Saint Thomas'. From 1893 to 1985 there were fifty-five baptisms, and from 1929 to 1994, twenty three weddings.

The Centenary of Saint Thomas Anglican Church in Buxton was conducted on the 7th of May 1995. It was a very successful day with a huge crowd in attendance. And... there was a great afternoon tea after the commemorative service!

Special note: Post February 7 this year, all over the world prayers have been offered up for the people of this community. Not least of all, a small church in Derby, Western Australia, who devoted their Sunday Service on February 22nd for us. Pastor Timothy had not forgotten a local couple who, in their wanderings around the town of Derby, looking for a church in which to attend service, heard some beautiful singing in the distance and were drawn to it. They entered a church to find that it was an Islanders Church of All Faiths. "Never have we been made more welcome" said Beth and Graham Page "and we were the only white faces there".

Now, three years later, Pastor Timothy tracked down those visitors from Buxton, Victoria and sent his special message. He also told Beth and Graham that his congregation has grown somewhat since their visit; it includes some aboriginal people and even some white faces.



(TN extends their thanks to Beth Page for her contribution for this feature story. If you have a story to share please call us on 5774 7336).

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What's on When at the Golf Course

Friday 27th	- Memorial Service for Kate & David Whittington 11 am
Sunday 29th	- Lions Community BBQ 4 - 6 pm
Tuesday 31st	- Funeral Service for Laurel Lewis (see notice)
Wednesday 1st April	- Funeral Service for Liz & Dalton Fiske (see notice)
Sunday 5th April	- Lions Community BBQ 4pm
Mon/Tues 6th/7th	- Royal Commission

**Want more information?
Check out our local websites**

www.marysvillecommunity.net

www.trianglefamily

Sotheby's

Invitation to Attend the

CHARITY AUCTION FOR THE NILSSON FAMILY FUND

THURSDAY 2 APRIL 2009, 6 pm

Woollahra Art Removals, in conjunction with Sotheby's Australia, will host a fundraising auction for the Nilsson Family fund. Isak and Kirstie Nilsson died trying to protect their home from the fires in Marysville whilst their two young daughters and son took shelter with their grandmother. Well-liked in the arts community, Isak will be fondly remembered for his cheerful and practical assistance to artists, galleries, dealers and collectors. Isak started working with Woollahra Art Removals (Melbourne) in 1990 before working at TarraWarra Museum of Art with former director Maudie Palmer. He returned to Woollahra Art Removals to run the Melbourne office in 2008.

Works by well-known Australian artists will be donated by generous artists, dealers and private collectors. Registration to bid will be by a gold coin donation. All proceeds from the auction will go to a fund established in the children's names which will assist them throughout their lives.

Auction

Thursday 2 April 2009
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Auction 7pm
Sotheby's Gallery
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Thursday 2 April
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ALSO Tuesday 7th at 4.00pm

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Tuesday 7th at 1.30pm

ALSO Thursday 9th at 1.30pm

Walt Disney's

"BOLT" (G)

Extension of Arts Victoria Grant Application Closing Dates

As a result of one of the issues raised in a roundtable arts discussion forum held with bushfire affected communities and the Victorian Arts Minister Lynne Kosky in the Yarra Valley last week, the Minister has re-opened a number of Arts Victoria funding programs to ensure that artists and arts organisations affected by bushfires have an opportunity to submit their applications. Arts Minister Lynne Kosky said the closing dates for a number of arts funding programs fell during the height of the emergency response to the bushfires, and this may have hindered a number of artists from submitting their applications.

"We understand that people, including emergency service volunteers and residents in fire affected areas, have had other priorities in recent weeks and that there are artists whose work practice has been disrupted. We are extending closing dates for those who had intended to place an application but were unable to due to the fires."

Four programs have been re-opened for two weeks to enable bushfire affected arts community members to submit funding applications, they are the: Arts Development, Community Partnerships, Victoria Rocks and International programs.

All the usual program eligibility criteria, application requirements and time-lines apply (this is not a 'quick response' fund) details of which are available on the Arts Victoria website. All applications will be assessed as part of a competitive assessment process. It is strongly recommended that potential applicants contact the relevant program manager to discuss their project and situation before submitting an application, their details are available on the Arts Victoria website. See www.arts.vic.gov.au/funding for details.

Call to All Marysville and Triangle ARTISTS and the Creatively Minded.

A meeting has been set for Saturday 28 March at 9.30am at the Marysville Golf Club to discuss the Future Directions of the Marysville and Triangle Arts Alliance.

You are invited to join the Marysville and Triangle Development Group on Saturday 28 March at 9.30am, to have your input and discuss ideas for the short and long term directions of Marysville and Triangle Arts and Cultural

activities, infrastructure, community centre, memorial gardens and other arts projects.

Various projects are emerging and it is vital to have your feedback on what is wanted, needed and supported by the Marysville and Triangle Community. Please come along and take part in their important discussion. **HELP REBUILD OUR COMMUNITY!**

As an example, Julia Peddie is establishing the following project:

Marysville Memorial Sculpture Garden.

Marysville and Triangle residents are encouraged to collect pre-loved pieces, broken ceramics, glassware, fire-damaged objects or any unusual sculptural items (from warped bikes to weird bubbled plastic) as you fossick through your belongings in the coming weeks, to be included in a community artwork.

To be part of this creative project, email design@juliapeddie.com

In addition well-known ceramic sculptor, Deborah Halpern has offered to assist our community to create a Memorial Sculpture. To find out more about this and other arts projects, please come to the Future Directions meeting on Saturday.



Anglican Parish of Marysville

Locum Priest: Father Norman Hart

Sunday, 29th March 2009:

9.00 am Holy Communion - Buxton

Sunday, 5th April 2009:

10.30 am Holy Communion -
Marysville (location to be notified)

See next week's notices for

Good Friday and Easter Service

Enquiries: 0434 896 404
If you cannot reach Father
Norman, ring 5963 4441

Mt Cathedral Baptist Church

will hold a Service every Sunday at Taggerty Hall at 10 am

FUNERAL SERVICES

The Funeral Service for
Laurel Lewis will be held on
Tuesday 31st March
at 11.30am
at St Thomas' in Buxton

The Funeral Service for
Liz and Dalton Fiske will be held
on Wednesday 1st April
at 11.00am
at Marysville Golf Club

Memorial Service For Pets & Wildlife lost during the fires

Where: St Thomas' Church
Buxton

When: 11am Saturday 28 March
2009

A photo or memento of your pet may
be placed near the altar just before
the service begins.

Father Norman and Wendy Davis will
be presenting this tribute to honour &
farewell animal now gone.

If possible BYO Chair

Marysville Temporary Village Construction Underway

Construction of a temporary village for Marysville has commenced on the ESA land adjacent to the Marysville Golf and Bowls Club.

Progress has been fast tracked by a number of weeks or months and the first portable chalets, sponsored by Andrew Forrest, have already arrived and are in place. Initially there will be 10 four-bedroom chalets with a portable kitchen, mess, laundry and cool room which are expected to be on site shortly. Some recreational facilities are also planned.

Up to 40, 2 bedroom, flat pack houses which have self catering and private facilities are also in the pipeline. It is intended that construction of these will begin as soon as they are received.

The site will be ready to receive its first residents early next month.

The Department of Human Services are also locating their community hub in the car park of the ESA site.

Bruce Ackerman

MATDG Reconstruction Committee 0418171754

Expressions of interest from anybody interested in living at the temporary village can be sent to info@matdg.com or you can call MATDG Coordinator Kim Wilkie on 0407513245 or Billy Hawes, Australian Children's Trust 0408926970

Marquee for Memorial Services & Funerals

Thanks to the support of the Victorian Health Minister, funding has been provided to assist in the provision of a special large marquee for a temporary chapel. It will be located adjacent to the car park of the Marysville Golf & Bowls Club. The marquee will have a floor, heating and seating for up to 250. It will be available to all, call Bruce Ackerman on 0418171754 Chairman Marysville Cemetery Trust

In addition, an organ has been also donated by the Australian Funeral Directors Association (AFDA) for use by the community for funerals and memorial services. It will be located at the Marysville Golf and Bowls club meeting room, so that when the village is occupied, services will be hosted there.

Free Internet Cafes

Internet cafe's organised by the MATDG and sponsored by Telstra Commonwealth and National banks are available in the triangle area for free use by affected residents.

In Buxton - at the Buxton Hotel, the Igloo Road house, and the Buxton General store, at the Taggerty General store, in the Black Spur Inn at Narbethong, and at the Marysville Golf and Bowls Club.

Storage Containers

MATDG now has available storage containers for affected residents who need a secure storage facility.

The Narbethong Public Hall Committee

invites residents of Narbethong to a community meeting on

Wednesday 1st April at 7pm
at the Narbethong Fire Station.

We hope to build a new and better community facility in the heart of Narbethong. Help us put the "community" into this important community rebuilding project.

Please bring along your ideas and enthusiasm. If you're unable to attend you are welcome to phone or email your ideas to the Chair of the committee, David Fraser 59637190 or narbycabinets@virtual.net.au

Help build a new Community Hall for Narby!

One small way to contribute to the Narbethong Hall's redevelopment is to donate your points to our customer choice account when you shop at Reddrops in Alexandra. It's number 716.

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The Narbethong Public Hall Committee

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A Hot Fire Blast from '39

In the spring of 2008, Marysville never looked more beautiful. Exotic trees shook out their pale green leaves. Street trees and were arched over the streets. Host of fairy-like dogwood blossom graced lofty branches, giant rhododendron "waltzed", their large flowers in brilliant colours, native ferns, trees and shrubs wove their magic. This was the jewel like town that people from all over the world have been coming to see for decades and rightly so.

A much loved lady, whose ancestry reaches back to Marysville's pioneers, told me that her garden was filled with huge trees, before the fires, that the family won't allow to be taken out.

In the spring of 1939 there were less than 200 people and the town was much smaller in area, some streets did not exist. For example, there were 10 houses in Falls Rd and one plus a guest house in the top end of Sedgwick St.

More people lived on Mill site. The major mills, were communities on their own, some included a school.

The residents gardens were modest, the street trees adolescent in size. There were spaces where horses and cows used to graze. Milk was now delivered by Jack Robertson, a dairy farmer. The only horses were the Healesville Shire workman who maintained the roads. Teams of draught horses were on the mills for dragging the logs and on farms. A few, like mill owner Ted Anderson or cattle farmers rode their horses proudly. There was a riding school for guests. Some wealthy visitors arrived for their 2/3 week holiday in flashy cars.

There were commercial vehicles for delivery of food and laundry and other materials for the guest houses and mills. People used the Service buses for travel to Healesville and Melbourne. The mail truck or bus was used to travel to Alexandra.

I was born 1 year and 4 days after Black Friday. The Trees on the Black Spur were planted (near Fernshaw) when I was born. The Mountain Ash grows from seed naturally scattered from the previous mighty trees, when the fire attacked them.

Ken's Story at Buxton

This story was told to me by Ken West, mill manager/sportsman, long time resident of Buxton/Marysville. 1929-2007

"I was a teenager living and working on Bromfield's Mill in Buxton. The mill was situated on the Acheron River on what was called The Board Track, now Project Road.

Dad and Harry Whiteley (sen.) who were about to have morning smoko, looked up to the top of the Black Range and said, "Is that smoke or dust? We'll have a cuppa first and look at it then." They went inside and before the tea was poured, the fire raced through the mill houses.

Mrs Whiteley, a woman of considerable courage, was able to drive the children to safety to Fiske's farm house. This took some doing as she had to negotiate the stringers (bridge) across the Acheron River, (few woman drove cars in those days).

Dad and the other men were busy shovelling earth onto the timber rooves of the houses to put out the fire. Yes timber rooves. They even had timber chimneys.

After the fire had abated somewhat, I rode my push bike up the track, lifting it over burning logs to find that the mill was still standing. It was so good that everybody in Buxton survived and our houses and mills as well.

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Helen Maunsell

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When:

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Goulburn Valley Water has the following important information to convey to the Marysville community in relation to water supply and sewerage system.

GVW infrastructure Investigations/Works

- 1) GVW Staff have been inspecting our facilities over the last few weeks and have isolated most of the leaks in the water supply system. We still appear to be losing water and will continue to follow this up. If you notice a leak can you please report it to our 24 hour customer service centre on Free Call 1800 45 45 00.
- 2) GVW staff are currently locating and marking all of our facilities, including water meters and sewerage houses connections. We will have people in Marysville over the next week or so. Their work will entail
 - a) Assess if assets have been damaged by the fire
 - b) Clearly mark the location of assets so that they are not damaged during cleanup.

We will start in Falls Road and work through the town. This will mean working through the backs of some properties to find sewer mains. Our staff will be wearing GVW uniform and carrying identification and will introduce themselves to people if they see them. They will try not to be intrusive in any way. This work is very important and we ask that community members be understanding about what they are doing.
- 3) Contractors, DigRite are in the process of replacing the water supply pipeline from the Steavenson River to Aub Cuzens Reservoir. We lost an above ground section of the pipeline in the fire. The replacement pipeline will be Concrete Lined Ductile Iron.

Water Supply

- 1) The water supply system is operational and is of drinking water quality as of Tuesday 24 March 2009.
- 2) There is no need for bottled water or tanks in Marysville. However,;-
 - a) We have bottled water at our Alexandra Operations Centre that we can deliver to Marysville in an emergency.
 - b) If someone installs a tank GVW will provide water free of charge to fill the tank for the first time, but the owner needs to organise and pay for cartage.
- 3) There is ample water in Aub Cuzens Reservoir. We have approximately 50 megalitres in storage, and we can isolate the reservoir if needed too to protect water quality in the event of short term contamination from runoff from the burnt catchment.

Water Meters

- 1) The isolating valves in the water meters have melted and we will need to replace all the damaged water meters.
- 2) We will organise replacement of the water meter assembly and provide supply to the front tap at no charge to the property owner. Priority will be given to properties that are to be occupied in the near future. Please contact our Customer Service Centre on Free Call 1800 45 45 00 to request a connection.
- 3) The property owner will be required to pay for any extension of the water supply within the property beyond the front tap.

Sewerage System

- 1) The system and wastewater management facility are fully operational.
- 2) We need to cap and seal all sewer house connections to avoid run off, soil and debris washing into our sewers and creating a public health issue. This means locating the house connection at the sew point, cutting the connection and sealing it temporarily until the property owner is ready to reconnect.

approach to having the house connection sealed and capped is:

are working with Grocon to have the cap and seal done at the same time as they clean up. Grocon will organise to have the work done and recorded and we will assist with locating the connection points.

Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction And Recovery Authority has advised that if the work is done as part of work there will be no charge against the property. However, we must also cap and seal those properties that Grocon is not contracted to clean up. It is our understanding that the Authority will not cover costs in these cases a charge against the property.

clear direction from you (via Grocon) as to whether you are using them for cleanup so the situation with sealing are clear.

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Water Accounts

In relation to outstanding water accounts, we will not be billing any customers in Marysville until we get a Government directive on billing. We hope this will be in the next week or two so that we can clarify the situation for you.

Buxton

Buxton's water supply is fully restored and has no restrictions on use as we disinfect at Buxton.

Allen Gale
Bushfire Recovery Controller
Goulburn Valley Water

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,
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Marysville Golf Report

On Monday 16th March 10 ladies from the Marysville Golf Club played in a 4 BBB event at Alexandra Golf Club. The event was held to honour the Dalhousie Player of the Year who for 2008 was our own Liz Amos. The special celebration was scheduled to be held at Marysville but our thanks go to the ladies of Alexandra GC for hosting the event at short notice.

It was wonderful to have 88 ladies representing many of the Dalhousie Clubs playing in the competition, and their presence was testament to the esteem with which Liz is held throughout the District. We greatly appreciate the support we are receiving from all the Dalhousie Clubs and please be assured that the support is making a difference to our recovery.

Our congratulations to the winners of the event Marg Bland and Brenda Lopez from Alexandra. Marysville members Jenny Coleman and Patti Matthews were beaten for second place on a countback. Gail Leigh won both nearest the pins and had an eagle on the 7th hole! Liz was presented with a perpetual trophy and a voucher which she kindly donated to the Bushfire Recovery Appeal.

Our thanks to the Dalhousie Ladies Golf Committee for organising this event and for their ongoing interest and support of the Marysville Golf Club.

The Ladies have enjoyed playing with the Alexandra ladies each Wednesday and we are going to play at Eildon within the next few weeks. It makes such a difference for us to have a 'local' course on which to play.

Attendance at the Saturday morning working bees has been excellent and a small group of people working for a short time has certainly made an impact on the course.

These working bees will continue throughout the year.

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Photo, Lesley Rundle, Patti Matthews & Liz Amos at the working bee.



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Mayor's Chair

Due to the fires we appear to have lost a month somewhere. Communities are now being reopened and as we know the grieving process will continue for some time. It is up to all of us to help and support each other through this time. Services are being stepped up each day with family care, counselling, plans for temporary villages, cleaning up and case workers for those in need.

We will continue to rebuild with our surrounding landscape which is also becoming greener by the day and with the new shoots brings new hope for all of us.

Council staff is busy working through the day to day issues as well as planning for the huge job of recovery. We are working through the recovery plans with the Recovery Reconstruction Authority and there have been a number of meetings with community so far. These meetings will continue to be held so all of us can work together in planning for our future.

We would like to thank the many volunteers who have, and continue to, work helping and supporting our communities. Without your help we would have a very large hole that could not otherwise be filled.

There have been a number of community events including the Yea Autumn Fest, Motorcycle Show and the reunite the triangle bash. The committees organising these have done a great job and we congratulate them on continuing with the much needed events in difficult times.

During the last week councillors have attended the Timber Towns AGM, met with Ben Hardman, conducted a governance workshop, and attended an audit and risk meeting.

Thought for the Week – There is always opportunity no matter what the circumstance, we just need to grab hold of it and make sure it happens.

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Operations Manager
03 59577201

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Community Meeting to be held at the Narbethong CFA Station

Saturday 28th March at 7.00 pm

"What is your vision for the future of Narbethong?"

Come along and have your say, so we can keep our wonderful
Narbethong Community together.

Some of the topics to be discussed will include:

- Public Facilities e.g. buildings, public spaces
- Town Planning
- Business Development

Other items of interest:

Bushfire Memorial

A suggestion has been made for putting up a bushfire memorial in
Narbethong.

If you would like to be part of this and are clearing your block you may like
to put something aside as a memento e.g a brick, doorknob, pot, anything
you like.

Details to be discussed at the Community Meeting at the CFA Station on
Saturday 28th March at 7.00 pm

Professional Photography:

Are you interested in having your property photographed for artistic and
historic purposes **only**? Professional photographers will be coming to
Narbethong over the next few months to record the recovery of your prop-
erty. Please contact Jo Kasch on 59 637 264 or 0429 133 416.

Bushfire Website:

Deb from Deb's Web's in Narbethong has kindly put together a website for
all Triangle residents to use to tell their fire stories, get information out to
others, share their photos etc. This website also contains links to other in-
formative sites. If you would like to take a look go to www.trianglefiretales.com.

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support

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BUXTON COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA APPRECIATION PARTY

for the

BUXTON CFA MEMBERS

All Welcome

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Please come and say THANK YOU

Sunday 29th March

2pm – 5pm at Casa Mia

2235 Maroondah Highway Buxton

The Black Saturday BUSHFIRES

have had a dramatic social and economic impact across the shire.

This devastating event has had far reaching consequences affecting the vibrant nature of our communities and businesses.

Many businesses will be under significant financial pressure throughout 2009 and beyond and the flow on to business viability and job security could be significant.

YOU CAN DO SOMETHING

Right now you could consider:

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- Giving local businesses an opportunity to quote a price
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2009 VICTORIAN BUSHFIRES
ROYAL COMMISSION

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.

NARBETHONG
Gateway to the Murrindindi
HISTORY WALL

Narbethong picnic area has been restored.

Thankyou to all involved.

We would like to create a history wall.

This wall will be created by local artists
incorporating items donated from bushfire
properties.

Anyone affected by the bushfire can donate
something special from their ruins.

One item per home.

Ring first to have the size of the item
assessed.

Contact – Grace 040 777 3012

The Writers
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*March 28 - July 4 -
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*Held in Alexandra
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Community Health in Buxton

(Temporary location for Marysville Community Health.)

The following services are now available at Community Health (Corner of Maroondah Hwy and Buxton – Marysville Road, Buxton).

- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietitian
- Access Worker
- Continence Advisor
- Women's Health (Pap test provider)
- Diabetes Education
- Sexual Health
- Wound Management
- Podiatry (private service)
- Myotherapy (private service)
- Counselling (Mitchell Community Health)

To find out when these services are next visiting Buxton please call Alexandra Community Health (03) 5772 0800.

Marysville Medical Clinic

Dr Lachlan Fraser

Is available to see patients on Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment after 10.00am by calling 5772 0888

Request for appointments may be made during the week by leaving a message on the above number, and your appointment time will be confirmed.

OFFER TO CARRY LINES OF OUR LOCAL PRODUCE

One of our regular B&B couples have offered to help out by encouraging their local shops/markets (they are in Black Rock) to carry lines of our local produce from up here.

If you or anyone you know wants to take up this offer, please let me know and I will put you in touch with them.

Please circulate this widely through your networks.

Megan Buntine

mmm@southcathedralfarm.com



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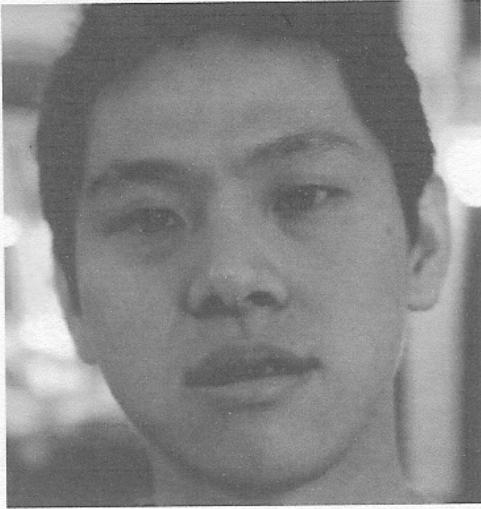
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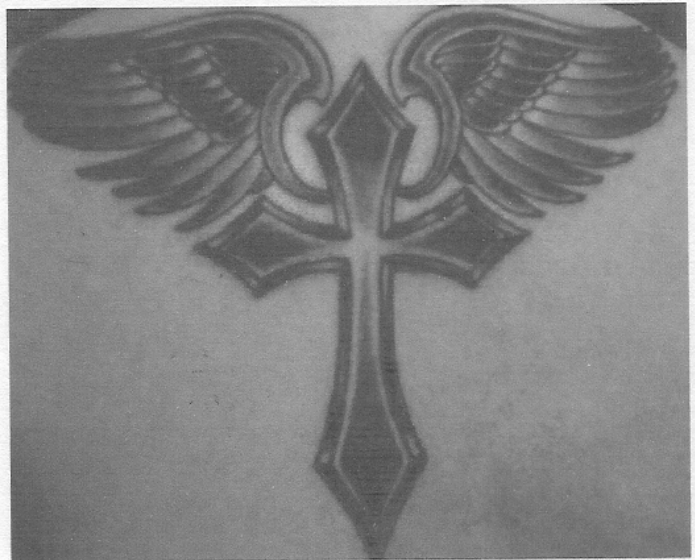
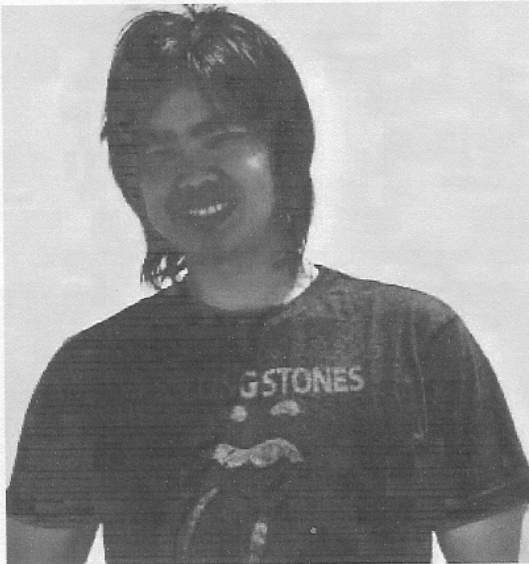
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MISSING PERSONS



RUDI & his tattoo



DEAN & his tattoo

Rudi and Dean were visiting Marysville on Saturday, 7 Feb 2009 between 1-6 PM and haven't come home since. Rudi is 28 yrs old and Dean is 26, both are about 165 – 170 cm tall, of Asian appearance and speak English with an accent. Both have a tattoo on their upper back (as shown above). Rudi was wearing a sleeveless orange-brown top, long denim shorts and a pair of black thong sandals. If you have seen Rudi or Dean, please contact Julie on 0433 232 756 or Felix on 0413 788 421.

Any information will help.

Applications now open and must be received by 9 April 2009 5pm (AEST).

The Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is calling for applications under the Next Gen Farmers. Next Gen Farmers offers support for projects to improve the leadership and representative capacity of young people entering or involved in primary industries, particularly in the context of the challenges and opportunities in these industries as a result of a changing climate. The fund is a part of the government's Australia's Farming Future initiative.

The department is now seeking applications for eligible projects for young people through Next Gen Farmers. The grants will support activities that aim to:

- build and share knowledge and experience
- increase access to planning tools and resources
- develop leadership and management skills
- develop pathways to increase participation in primary industries
- develop skills to contribute more effectively to government and industry decision making
- build networks among rural, regional and remote Australians.

These activities could be conducted via workshops, seminars, conferences or industry events or through other innovative mechanisms.

Grants of up to \$50,000 are available.

Next Gen Farmers is not intended to fund your organisation's day-to-day operating costs.

Applications

Who is a 'young person'?

The department does not use a single definition of a 'young person'. However, in assessing applications, priority will be given to activities which focus on the 18–25 age group and activities for people aged 15–30 will be considered.

Applications targeting young women, young Indigenous Australians and young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are encouraged.

Who can apply?

Organisations involved in agriculture, fisheries and forestry at the local, regional or national level are eligible to apply.

Applications will be accepted from clusters of organisations joining together to hold an activity for young people living and working in rural, regional and remote Australia.

Organisations that are not incorporated under Commonwealth or state legislation may apply if sponsored by an incorporated organisation. In this case, the sponsoring organisation becomes the applicant.

How many grants will be approved as part of Next Gen Farmers?

The number of grants will depend on the quantity and quality of applications received and the amount of funding sought by each applicant.

How are applications assessed?

Applications will be assessed through a competitive process by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and the Office for Youth. The Hon. Tony Burke MP, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, or his delegate, will make the final decision.

If successful, you will be required to sign a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.

Please note that no grant funding can be provided until the funding agreement has been fully completed, signed by both your organisation and the Commonwealth and a copy of the signed agreement is delivered to you.

How do I apply?

Go to : <http://www.daff.gov.au/climatechange/australias-farming-future/community-networks-and-capacity-building/next-gen-farmers>

Applications now open and must be received by 9 April 2009 5pm (AEST).

UPPER GOULBURN WINES & FOOD ON SHOW APRIL 25 & 6

Twenty two wineries who are members of the Upper Goulburn Winegrowers Association invite all members of the community interested in the high quality, distinctively flavoured, cool climate wines being produced in the Upper Goulburn Region to celebrate the 2009 vintage.

The UGWA vintage celebration will be held in High Street Mansfield on Saturday 25 April commencing from 11.30 am until 5 pm.

The purchase of a \$5 tasting glass will enable the vinous produce of the region from the twenty two member wineries to be sampled and matched to delicacies also produced from the local region which has a growing, quality food culture. As this is Anzac Day no wine sales will be permitted before 12 noon in deference to the Anzacs.

There will also be entertainment from the Syncopaters Society Four and other local entertainers from the region.

A Kids Corner will be provided to keep younger people fully entertained whilst their parents and carers sample and taste.

On the following day Sunday 26 April the Upper Goulburn Long Lunch will be held at The Orchard at 640 Goughs Bay Road Mansfield sponsored by local firm Crawford Kitchens.

A delectable repast of four courses matched to the very best wines of the region will be on offer. The Long Lunch cost will be \$90 a head.

Tickets to the Long Lunch need to be booked and paid for in advance by contacting Susan Kinloch on 03 5777 3447.

The Orchard has been selected as the venue because it is a private property on the Delatite River where selected local chefs will present their signature dishes within the transformed original dairy shed.

As a major vintage celebration the twenty two wineries participating are based in Alexandra, Buxton, Eildon, Mansfield, Merton, Tallarook and Yea including both the well recognised wine labels as well as the newer emerging boutique producers. Comments and reviews from the leading wine writers and an evolving wine show awards tally indicate that the Upper Goulburn region is fast emerging as an impressive source of quality wines.

For information on both functions or to make a booking for the Long Lunch contact Susan Kinloch on 03 5777 3447 or for accommodation bookings for the weekend Mansfield-Mount Buller Info should be contacted

Seeking Blue Thumbs

Are you an avid gardener, do you have a passion for waterwise gardening, if so nominate for Goulburn Valley Water's 2009 Water-wise Garden Award.

The categories for this year's award are:

- Best New Small Garden
- Best New Large Garden
- Best Established Small Garden
- Best Established Large Garden
- Best Professionally landscaped Garden

Goulburn Valley Water's Public Relations Officer, Mary Connelly-Gale said the awards are open to all residential customers in Goulburn Valley Water's region. "Nominations will be independently judged on six criteria, plant selection and grouping, garden, design, watering systems, gardens management, water management and garden enjoyment".

Nominations forms and further information can be downloaded from Goulburn Valley Water's website www.gvwater.vic.gov.au or by contacting Mary Connelly-Gale on 5832 0471

Entries close on Friday, 28 August, 2009. The winners and runner ups will be announced in October during National Water Week.

Triangle Quilters

Further to my letter to the Triangle, called "Beginning Again", which outlined the commencement of a group for Triangle Quilters, I should like to invite Quilters & Embroiderers to meet on Thursdays between 1 & 3 pm.

The owners of Butters Café have very generously offered the use of their premises for our gatherings. Please come along.

We will commence meeting there on Thursday April 3, 2009. We still have gifts of beautiful fabrics and sewing notions (donated by quilters from all over the world) to distribute and these will be available at the meeting.

Are there any Spinners & Handweavers within the Triangle area ?

I have been spinning for a number of years and have often wondered if there were other spinners who would like to form a group. Recently I met a lady who also spins who suggested I might advertise.

Please contact Delice on 5963 3342 if interested.

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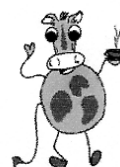
THEN ENTER NOW.

PUT YOUR NAME IN THE BOX AT THE BLACK SPUR INN - A TRAILER WILL BE GIVEN AWAY ON EASTER SUNDAY NIGHT.

(YOU **MUST** BE THERE WHEN ITS DRAWN.)

EVERY ONE IN OUR TRIANGLE DISTRICT, NARBY, GRANTON, BUXTON, MARYSVILLE AND TAGGERY **WHO HAS LOST THEIR TRAILER IS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER.**

A great fund raising raffle will be drawn that night as well.
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Furnished, sleeps 5 comfortably. Includes linen, crockery, cooking facilities.

Great place to spend time - may suit temporary tradesman during rebuilding.

Please contact David on
0404 015 740

FOR SALE

We have a 2 year old fully furnished, 2 bedroom, bathroom, Jayco Cabin completely undamaged by the fire, located at Marysville Caravan Park.

We have been told that we will have to relocate from the park.

If anyone is interested in buying this relocatable cabin from us please contact me on 0439 326 529 or 9741 9594.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The major vehicle insurance companies are bringing in a crusher this Thursday and Friday to compact those destroyed vehicles that have been signed over to them.

We are also wanting to make that facility available to those vehicle owners who are **uninsured** and wish to use this service.

We are suggesting that they contact Damian at Marysville Towing on 0407 536 644 and complete an indemnity to give authority for their vehicle to be crushed.

Owners will need to have sufficient personal identification to allow the indemnity to be signed and if available sufficient proof of ownership.

Indemnities are available at the Marysville Golf Course, Black Spur Inn at Narbethong and the Buxton Hotel.

All enquiries should be through their insurance company or through Marysville Towing.



Lake Mountain Alpine Resort.

Position: Marketing and Senior Management Support

Can you assist Lake Mountain in its efforts to rebuild and recover from the Black Saturday fires?

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You will need to be enthusiastic, conscientious and be able to work independently. Excellent customer service and communication skills are essential. A broad knowledge of computer programs is required. Graphics skills are desirable.

This position is available for immediate start. We have lots to do to be ready for this winter. Apply now.

This multi faceted job will be offered initially on a casual basis with a view to it becoming a permanent position.

For further information please call Kevin or Brett on 5957 7201
Please forward applications to:
Kevin Beard

Lake Mountain Alpine Resort
C/O Buxton Post Office
Buxton
Vic 3711.

E: admin@lakemountainresort.com.au
www.lakemountainresort.com.au

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Media Release

Wednesday 25 March 2009

Media Contact:

Darren Skelton

0417 368 805

Regeneration burns planned near fire affected areas

VicForests and the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) will undertake a number of planned regeneration burns near fire affected areas of the state next week.

VicForests Regional Manager Central Highlands, Brad Winthrop, said weather permitting, seven regeneration burns will be ignited in the Alexandra, Toolangi and Marysville areas.

"These types of burns are specifically undertaken to provide appropriate conditions for native forests to regenerate following harvesting," Mr Winthrop said.

"Under favourable weather conditions, fire is used to burn large quantities of debris to develop an ash bed surface which provides the required environment for germinating seedlings."

DSE North East Land and Fire Area Manager, Peter Farrell, said the areas to be burnt were not affected by the recent fires.

"We are acutely aware that these burns will create additional smoke in bushfire affected areas, which may cause some anxiety for those impacted by the recent fires," he said.

"However, we are asking the community for its support and patience while we undertake these important works which will play a critical role in the regeneration of our native forests."

The planned burns range in size between 10 and 40 hectares and are expected to be completed over a number of days. Regeneration burns are also planned for harvested areas near Woods Point.

Mr Farrell said DSE would continue to consult with communities about the burning program and notifications will be broadcast on ABC Radio and other local media. Information will also be published in the community bushfire recovery newsletters.

For information about planned burns, fire restrictions and campfires, call the Victorian Bushfire Information Line 1800 240 667.

Callers who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech/communication impairment may call textphone/ telewriter (TTY) on 1800 122 969. Information is available at www.cfa.vic.gov.au or www.dse.vic.gov.au