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President Ken Adams

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## They Continue to come with Open hearts and Generosity!

Saturday May 24 was a special day for many who live in the 'triangle' of Marysville, Buxton and Narbethong.

Four ladies from Footscray, representing the Footscray Rotarians, came to the rooms in the Marysville Golf Club with heaps of love and generosity of spirit. Their cars loaded with craft goodies to share.

It took a great deal of patience as they tutored this group of 23 ladies plus a young girl and boy. Their expertise soon became apparent as did the ignorance of some 'students'. Bravely each teacher soldiered on. We, the 'album' creators, set about deco-

rating two pages toward a family album. Many hands had many thumbs instead of fingers and for some a few dead brain cells as well. Others forgot which way a pair of scissors worked, like holding them upside down! Is that possible? Others muddled their left hand from their right – others managed to stick their fingers to then scissors with the very sticky, sticky tape. I am sure that was me.

However, pressing on, our teacher of album making, through her expertise and remarkable patience, sent us home with a recognizable two pages well decorated with owls in trees – ready to work on at home to finally attach our photos.

Three other ladies helped another group create cards for all occasions. A much more disciplined group who managed to make dozens of cards in the 6 hours we were in 'school'. We had so many wonderful materials to choose from and many we could take home to continue card making – some beautiful creations were presented to the class for praise and appreciation for their artistic efforts.

At lunch we sat together and relaxed in a sunny spot with talk about our experiences before and after the fire. Opening hearts to a sympathetic and understanding group.

It was a long way for these ladies – all the way from Footscray, and be here at Marysville Golf Club by 9am. But these warm and generous ladies entered our world of a fire damaged environment and people with seared memories, to give succour, understanding, love and laughter – plus Briarley's home made cakes, raffles and lucky stickers under the chairs, making sure everyone won a prize.

Amazingly they offered to come again!!! We answered with a resounding YES PLEASE!

Beth Page



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The Building Commission are holding a further consumer seminar on how to build in Victoria after the bushfires in your region. The seminar provides information about the new residential building standard, to better protect homes in bushfires.

The next consumer session to be held is scheduled as follows:

**Marysville** 28 May 2009

Marysville Golf Club, Marysville  
Buxton Road 6.30pm – 8.30pm  
To book, phone the Bushfire Building Advice Line on 1300 360 320. Or for further information, 03 9285 6307.

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*What's on When in May/June*

Thursday 28th	- Building Commission Seminar - Golf Club, 6.30pm
Saturday 30th	- Triangle Arts Group Meeting
Sunday 31st	- NEW BEGINNINGS Fellowship
Saturday 13th	- MATDG AGM - Golf Club 2pm
Monday 15th	- Marysville Cricket Club AGM - Cumquat 7.30pm

**Marysville Cricket Club**

**Annual General Meeting**

**15th June at 7.30 pm**

At the Cumquat Restaurant - Maryton Park

All Players and Parents are strongly urged to attend

Information: 0409 252 189

**Triangle Arts Group Meeting**

Follow –up to the meeting held 28.3.09 at Marysville Golf Club. Remember, we had some fantastic ideas – Memorial mosaics, sculptures, gardens, Children's art, Community art classes etc. We created an extraordinary list of ideas. Now it's time to make some more progress towards some of these ideas becoming realities. If you would like to be a part of this adventure, please attend the next meeting on:

**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 10.00am – 12.00 noon**

**At the Buxton Primary School**

Contact for more info: **Julia Peddie ph. 59637050** or **Diane Gaylard ph. 59633277**



Marysville Buxton Granton Narbethong Taggerty

Notice is hereby given that the  
**Annual General Meeting of the MATDG Inc. will be held on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June.**

**2pm at  
Marysville Golf Club.**

**All positions will be declared vacant.**

**President  
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**All nominations must be made in writing and delivered to: The Secretary 41 Dyes Lane Buxton Vic 3711 not less than 7 days prior to AGM date.**

All nominations must be made in writing and signed by two members of the Association and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate.

# The Dreamer Trip

The Dreamer Trip was a dream come true for 43 children and 15 adults of Marysville and District, with all the doom and gloom in all our lives of late it was really nice to do something happy and positive.

Bruce Morrow who organized the trip had a mission, and that was to be able to put a smile back on the children's faces, which he did successfully. Our trip started off with a bus trip to Melbourne Airport proudly sponsored by Marysville and District Lions Club, (our many thanks). From there, thanks to JetStar donating return air fares to Brisbane this trip would not of been possible. For some of us this was our first time on a plane which made it even more exciting. Once at Brisbane we were welcomed by the lovely members of the Runaway Bay Lions Club who took us under their wings and made us feel special. We then took a bus trip kindly donated by Surfside buses, every driver we had was volunteering their time just for the Dreamer Trip.

On our travels to where we were going to stay, we stopped off at the beach for a photo for the local news paper, with all the excitement the kids jumped in the water, they were wet, cold and sandy and loving it, every bit. We then headed off to the Sports Super Centre in Runaway Bay, we were amazed with what it had to offer, an Olympic size swimming pool, indoor pool, a huge gym and a athletics track and a lot more. The athletics track even inspired all of us, well some of us to get up and move lol...(laugh out loud).

Our first big day was spent at Movie World which in itself was exciting but Bruce had arranged a guest to show us around, it was a very beautiful Ricky Lee, you might know her from Australian Idol and her amazing voice. Ricky Lee was a delight for all of us, and made the day just perfect.

Our second big day was at Sea World, seeing the dolphins at play was great as well as the sharks in the underground aquarium, polar bears, seals, star fish which we could touch, very cool. There is a ride there called Jet Rescue which all the children loved, not for me, too fast!

Our next adventure the following day was on a tour called Aquaduck. You can experience the Gold Coast by land and water without leaving your seat, it is a journey that begins in the heart of Surfers Paradise, taking in the ducktacular views of the Gold Coast beaches while waddling along the beachfront and ducking past 5 star resorts of Palazzo Versace and the Sheraton Mirage before ducking straight in to the spit. That's when the Aquaduck goes harbour cruising, taking in the sights of Sea World, Marina Mirage, Australian Fare, Mariner Cove, the Yacht Club, fabulous millionaires homes, canals and more, to me that was the best part.

After that our bus took us to our next accommodation place called Quality Hotel in Mermaid Waters, very impressive and relaxing. On our last night in the Gold Coast the Runaway Bay Lions Club put on a farewell party for us, we were entertained by young singers who were all blessed with amazing voices, guest speakers Shonty Bush who was named young Australian of the year and a mother and daughter team from the TV show Biggest Loser who told us with a bit of hard work anything is possible (so true), all in all it was a wonderful experience, many thanks to Jet Star because with out them the Dreamer Trip would not of happened.

Special thanks go to Bruce Morrow, Sherrie Ackerman, Runaway Bay Lions Club and Marysville and District Lions Club, Movie World and Sea World.

*Kerry*



## We will be reopening on the 6th June 2009

The team at Cross Country Ski Hire have been working hard to ensure that we are up and running for the commencement of the ski season beginning the Queen's Birthday weekend in June.

The site of the old shop has been cleared by the Grocon contractors and portable units are being erected to house the ski hire business, toilets with baby change and our new on-site coffee shop for the 2009 season.

The shop will look a bit strange from the outside but inside we'll have plenty of brand new, quality stock and are looking forward to your custom during what we're hoping will be a bumper season.

In recognition of the generous support we have received from the Australian public, the hire prices on snow play clothing and toboggans will remain unchanged from 2008. Furthermore, our children's snow-play-package will remain at \$16.

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## Community Collection Points for Firewood & Mulch



### Fire Wood

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Marysville - Sports oval at Gallipoli Park\*  
Flowerdale - Moores Road\*  
Toolangi - Healesville Kinglake Road (logs only)  
Kinglake - Global Care – located adjacent to the Kinglake Services Centre\* - please contact 5786 1452 for inquiries regarding firewood at this location.

VicRoads sites (logs only) – three sites

1. Whittlesea Yea Road at Stony Creek
2. Whittlesea Yea Road, approx 3km's north of Stony Creek
3. Whittlesea Yea Road, approx 3kms south of Stony creek

\* Split wood may be available at these sites

### Mulch

VicRoads sites – three sites

4. Whittlesea Yea Road at Stony Creek
5. Whittlesea Yea Road, approx 3km's north of Stony Creek
6. Whittlesea Yea Road, approx 3kms south of Stony creek

Please note:

This information was correct as of 12 noon 13 May 2009.

200 cubic metres of split fire wood has been delivered to 'Meeting of the Waters' since 1<sup>st</sup> May, 80 cubic metres to Gallipoli Park and 80 cubic meters to Flowerdale, however the split fire wood disappears very quickly. Council will endeavour to monitor available wood on these sites and top up quantities when contractors are available.

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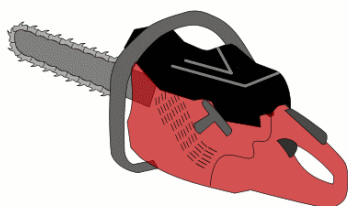
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## Council's Landfill to Ease Road Safety Concerns

The Murrindindi Shire Council has moved quickly to assist authorities concerned about the significant rise of heavy vehicle traffic removing waste from fire affected areas over the Black Spur.

The cleanup has seen more than 34 clean up crews who are running 90 trucks, each doing two trips per day across the Spur, engaged as part of the waste removal process travelling to and from a Melbourne landfill site.

Seeking to ease the traffic burden, Council has been working cooperatively with State Government Officials and Grocon on an alternative landfill site within the Shire. The suggested plan is for waste material to be taken to a specially prepared area at the Alexandra Landfill.

This would significantly reduce traffic over the Black Spur and provide a shorter and safer alternate route for the trucks.

Plans are underway to ensure the suggested site meets the necessary EPA regulations and pose no risk to the community. Regulations stipulate that to be suitable for bushfire cleanup material, consisting of contaminated soil, ash

and a small amount of building rubble, the site requires a suitable clay lining as well as other works to ensure compliance with the regulations.

As soon as approval has been granted, work will commence immediately with the possibility of it being operational as early as next week.

Council will be reimbursed for any costs incurred.

A traffic management plan is also being prepared by Grocon in conjunction with Vic Roads and Council to ensure appropriate safety measures are in place for the increased road usage. A major focus of this plan will be to assist the safe movement of local traffic along Mount Pleasant and Hobans Roads and the entry and exit of trucks to the landfill.

Ian Ellett, Murrindindi Shire Council Manager, Assets & Infrastructure, says council is conscious of the road safety issues caused by the bushfire cleanup and believes the plan, is a responsible and appropriate solution to a short term problem. Anything that makes the roads safer for our community is worthwhile.

## RSPCA Bushfire Assistance Fund

RSPCA Victoria will continue to support animals affected by the bushfires in Marysville and surrounding areas over the year ahead, and longer if needed.

The RSPCA has seven different financial and feed assistance packages available to help bushfire affected animals. Assistance packages include funding to purchase animal shelter and equipment needs, feed for horses and other livestock, and support for the purchase of new animals. The RSPCA is also offering bushfire affected families free adoptions at RSPCA Shelters and will continue to provide ongoing support to local vets and wildlife carers helping affected animals.

If you are interested in learning more about the RSPCA assistance packages available, please visit [www.rspcavic.org](http://www.rspcavic.org) or phone 03 9224 2222.

As you consider the future for both you and your animals, the RSPCA will be there to help every step of the way.

## POLICE NEWS.

*As a result of the recent bush fires Marysville Police Station is now operating from a temporary facility, situated next door to the Buxton CFA on the Maroondah Highway, Buxton. The new phone number for the station is 59633222. In an emergency, please ring "000." All after hours inquires or when police are not in attendance should also be directed to "000."*

## OTHER POLICE NEWS.

*A male has been entering private properties in the area for the purpose of obtaining exotic timber. This person does not have permission in most cases from the owner and may be active at night. Police are seeking assistance from anyone who may have any information relating to this matter. If any person comes into contact with this person, police ask that they are contacted immediately to maximise their chances of apprehending this person.*

*Police would also like the assistance of the public to report any suspicious vehicles and any suspicious behaviour. If you see a vehicle that appears suspicious please obtain the registration number and contact "000".*

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## Business tax change hits bushfire town enterprises

The economic regeneration of local communities rebuilding after the Black Saturday fires would be more difficult with sudden changes by the Federal Government to business tax regulations, said member for McEwen Fran Bailey.

Fran said new rules limiting business tax offset claims from July 1 were unwelcome for local small business and tourism operators rebuilding competitiveness and sustaining employment in our communities.

"Our towns have been hit by drought, economic uncertainty and the tragedy of the Black Saturday fires.

"Many business owners have other jobs, using that income to keep local businesses open and retain local people in local jobs." Fran said.

Fran said the Government's decision was a blow for local enterprise and business owners wanting to provide long-term commitment to our communities.

"Local jobs are being put at risk by this ill-conceived announcement in the Budget," Fran said.

"Small business is being forced to make a choice between building their enterprise and local employment opportunities or reducing the capacity of our economic engine .

"The Government should immediately drop plans to limit claims on business tax offsets and give our small businesses, farmers and tourist operators the opportunity to fully contribute to the rebuilding of our local economies."

### Murrindindi Shire Council School Crossing Supervisor



The Murrindindi Shire Council is seeking applications from interested individuals to take on the position of school crossing supervisor at the Buxton Primary School, Maroondah Highway, Buxton. The suitable applicant must be prepared to work mornings and afternoons during the school term. All appropriate training and clothing will be supplied prior to commencement of work.

For further details regarding this position, please contact Ian Coller by Wednesday 3 June 2009 at the Shire Office Alexandra on (03) 5772 0326.

Matt Parsons  
Manager Development & Environmental Services

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## Councillor Comment

### Green solutions

Sustainability comes to Murrindindi in a bulk buy solar community program called "Pure Local Energy". This program is facilitated by the North East Greenhouse Alliance. The program aims at making the bulk buy scheme available to (those with an annual income less than \$100,000 in) the community before the Australian Government Solar Homes and Communities grant of up to \$8000 per 1 kilo watt solar panel expires on 30 June 2009. Solar Shop Australia has been appointed for the implementation of the "Pure Local Energy" program: telephone 133 765 or visit [www.solarshop.com.au/purelocalenergy](http://www.solarshop.com.au/purelocalenergy)

Further grants are available for sustainable water and energy technologies, for fire-affected residents rebuilding their homes and for the general community. With support from the Moreland Energy Foundation (MEFL) and the Murrindindi Climate Network (MCN), a list has been put together describing the different rebate schemes offered by the Federal and State governments: weblink [www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au](http://www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au)

Out of the devastating Black Saturday fires I believe we have a timely opportunity to rebuild our communities sustainably and to boost the local 'green solutions' building and technology sector and to become a showcase for other rural communities to follow. An interesting example of this is the small rural town of Greensburg (population 1389) in the US state of Kansas. Hit by a EF-5 tornado on 4 May, 2007 in the wake of the disaster the community decided to embrace common sense green solutions and to make their town a sustainable rural community. A few months after the disaster a Sustainable Comprehensive Plan had been established by the community, the local authorities, and professionals of many different areas of expertise. With its vision and operational planning it has laid the foundation for the reconstruction of a town that has become a showcase for rural sustainable living in the US. I particularly like their desire to create a walkable community! (<http://www.greensburgks.org/recovery-planning/long-term-community-recovery-plan>).

Cr Sally Abbott Smith,  
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## REMAINING RESIDENTS URGED TO COME FORWARD

Taskforce Phoenix detectives believe the community may still hold unknown information crucial to their investigation of the fires that ravaged the Yea-Murrindindi Complex.

They are calling on any residents in the 'Triangle' area who were affected by the Black Saturday fires and haven't spoken to police to make contact and provide their story.

The 'Triangle' area includes the communities of Marysville, Buxton, Narbethong, Taggerty and Granton.

Police set up an information caravan at the Marysville Community Golf and Bowls Club in early March to collect statements from a number of residents about their experiences during the fires.

A similar caravan set up in Yea during April also led to more people coming forward.

Detective Senior Sergeant Jeff Maher said that along with statements, photos or video footage may provide important details about the fire for police.

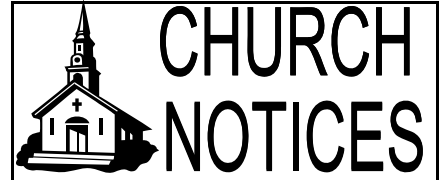
"It doesn't matter how significant or irrelevant a particular detail might seem to you, it could be the missing piece of the puzzle that investigators are looking for," Det S/Sgt Maher said.

"Any resident of the Triangle community who hasn't come forward and spoken to police about their experiences during the Black Saturday fire is urged to do so as soon as possible.

"We are also compiling any photographs or video footage that residents took on the day as this could provide further clues.

"Police have had an enormous amount of support from the community in this area and we thank them for their time and patience as the investigation continues."

Taskforce Phoenix have requested that those who haven't yet told their story contact **Crimestoppers** on **1800 333 000** as soon as possible.



### Anglican Parish of Marysville

Priest in Charge: Father Norman Hart  
Locum Priest: The Rev Philip Gale  
Phone contact 5963 4441  
(if no answer leave a message)

**Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2009**

Feast of Pentecost  
10.30 am Holy Communion

14 Gould Terrace (off Falls Road)

### Mt Cathedral Baptist Church

Pastor Ivor Jones  
Normal services- whilst the Buxton Community Hall is being used as a relief centre, are held in the Taggerty Hall every Sunday @ 10:00 am

**Further enquiries  
Ivor Jones 0414430951**

### MOPS

We had a very productive committee meeting last week, when alternatives for a temporary MOPS were discussed; we hope that we shall be able to report more on this issue soon. There has been a good response to our letters requesting donations of fixtures for the shop. We shall show our presence in the community in the near future – be assured

"NEW BEGINNINGS" fellowship

Victorian Bushfire Prayer & Remembrance Thanksgiving & Celebration Service

Date:- Sunday May 31st, 2009  
Time:- 11am Start

Venue:- Marysville Golf Club  
(Marysville)

Guests from Emerald, Dandenong, Box Hill, Glen Waverley and Local Organisations will be present and all are welcome to SHARE Lunch to follow, meet & make new friends.

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## A BEAUT(y) DAY

A lot of you won't be aware of a lady named Helene Diamantopoulos. Helene and her husband George and two children live in Melbourne and owned a small holiday accommodation business in Allison Crescent Marysville.

Helene contacted me one day and said she felt helpless and wanted to be able to do something special for the ladies in the Triangle.

Helene is a Mary Kay consultant. It was decided that she would spend the day pampering and advising anyone who was interested. All for free including morning tea.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> May, after a couple of venue changes, the Buxton CFA rooms were buzzing with excited ladies. 18 of them in fact. Helene left a foggy Melbourne at 7 am to make sure she was set up in time for a 10.30 am start.

The "spoilies" played with face creams, hand creams, makeup, fragrances and a large range of other Mary Kay products Helene managed to fit in her car.

By the end of the session, 18 ladies left looking beautiful, having learnt valuable tips and smiling through lip sticked mouths and battling masacraed eyes. Everyone of them had a much deserved, needed and very relaxed enjoyable day. Helene also provided each lady present with a surprise \$25 voucher to spend, only if they wanted, absolutely no pressure.

Thank you to the Buxton CFA for lending us your warm room, a huge thank you to Willie for sitting in for me and a special thank you to Helene for taking the time to spoil everyone. Last but not least thank you to all the 18 ladies who attended to make it such a great successful day. Should we do it again one day?

Dear Editor

We lost our son and his partner in the bushfire. On 1 April, two days after their funeral, my daughter and grandson returned to Fruit Salad Farm with me. They spent considerable time sorting and recovering items, and placed them in a trailer ready for my husband and I to retrieve then we were able to cope with this.

We returned last week and were disgusted to realise that someone had been onto our property and stolen numerous items. Not only had most of the items retrieved by my grandson gone, including my husbands tools that had survived the fire, but they also stole bluestone pitchers from our drive, several large gas bottles, and used machinery to remove rubble from one of our cottages to steal a Coonara heater.

I am angry and disappointed that people are taking advantage of this tragedy like this. If anyone has any information about this theft, please let the local police know.

Yours sincerely

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## Five arts recovery projects assisting communities affected by the Victorian bushfires will share in State Government grants totalling \$10,000 through the Arts Recovery Quick Response Fund.

Arts Minister Lynne Kosky said the fund was initiated to assist communities affected by the Victorian bushfires and encourage local artists to contribute to the rebuilding effort.

"Speaking to local artists following the devastation of the fires, I heard very strongly the need for quick and flexible support to help them get projects off the ground. This program directly responds to these immediate needs, and I'm pleased to announce the first round of projects that will benefit."

Applicants funded in the first round of the program are:

- **Nillumbik Shire Council** to work with a local artist to create letterboxes for a survivor group of up to 60 bushfire affected families in Strathewen (\$2500);
- **Kinglake Ranges Neighbourhood House** to launch and grow membership of the Kinglake Phoenix Choir and provide musical relief, entertainment and interaction with surrounding communities and choirs (\$2500);
- **Berry Street** for *Meet, Meld, Merge II* a forum in Yea to explore the ways in which artists and communities affected by the fires can utilise the arts as a recovery tool (\$1,000);
- **Dederang Rural Fire Brigade** to produce a photographic and text record of the Black Saturday fires and the effect on the local community, with photographs and stories provided by members of the community (\$1500); and,
- **Yarra Ranges Film Society** for outreach activities in secondary schools in the Yarra Ranges to encourage and enable students submit short films on the theme "*My Place, My Family, My Environment*" in the context of bushfire recovery and healing. To be presented as part of Warburton Film Festival (\$2500).

Grants of up to **\$2500** are available to support local artists to work in their communities on projects that contribute to the recovery effort. Applications close on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month until September.

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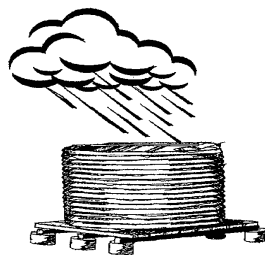
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As we go further down the recovery road, and head towards the end of the financial year, it's a good time to have a look at Business Recovery. If you run any type of business and need some help or guidance, or even some simple tax advice, the Murrindindi Shire Council, in association with the Rural Finance Counselling Service and Regional Development Victoria are running Information sessions. In attendance will be representatives from the Rural Financial Counselling Service, CPA Australia, Insurance Council of Australia, Legal Aid and many others. Following the successful kick off of these sessions at Kinglake on 26 May the remaining session times are as follows:

- ✓ Marysville/Narbethong/Buxton and surrounds - Tuesday 2 June - 7 pm - Black Spur Inn, Narbethong
- ✓ Taggerty/Buxton/Eildon/Thornton – Tuesday 9 June - 7 pm - Taggerty Hall
- ✓ Yea – Wednesday 10 June – 7 pm - Yea Golf Club
- ✓ Alexandra - Tuesday 16 June – Mount Pleasant Hotel

Each evening will finish with a light supper, so please book yourself in – on 5772 0341 or email kgannon@murrindindi.vic.gov.au . We look forward to seeing you there.

Also, for information on rebuilding the Building Commission has been running seminars to bring people up to date on the new building standards and bushfire protection. Again the sessions began in Kinglake on Tuesday 26 May at the National Park Hotel at 6.30 pm and the Commission will be at the Marysville Golf Club on Thursday 28 May at 6.30 pm. To book please call 1300 360 320.

The Burn Survivors Network would like to invite our shire's burn survivors and their families to "Camp Phoenix" at Anglesea from 23 to 26 August. The free camp,

supported by Rotary and other philanthropic organisations, offers great respite and a breath of fresh sea air. To get further information and register have a look at the website [www.kidsfoundation.org.au](http://www.kidsfoundation.org.au) or call 1300 734 733.

As mentioned last week, council attended the opening of the Marysville Temporary Village last Sunday, 17 May. A great day was had by all who attended and it was encouraging to see so many families moving back into the area. If you are still considering moving back, into the temporary village, call 5793 6400 or email [leo.ryan@dhs.vic.gov.au](mailto:leo.ryan@dhs.vic.gov.au) for further information. We all welcome you back!

The Hazeldene Bridge repair project is currently the subject of community consultation to discuss the community's needs and possible options for the upgrade works. Please call Council on 5772 0333 or visit the Hazeldene General Store for further details.

Last week, we celebrated Volunteer's Week. Council held a number of wonderful luncheons and presentations day on 13 May to say thank you to our dedicated volunteers who so strongly and selflessly support our aged and disability services. Sadly, I couldn't attend the events due to prior commitments but all reports indicate the days were just terrific and a lot of fun was had. My greatest appreciation to Maree, Cassie and all other council staff involved in organising these luncheons and again thank you to our volunteers for their year round dedication.

Councillors this week have completed the following activities: Kinglake Memorial Reserve meeting, Regional Waste Audit Committee meeting; the Flowerdale Community Meeting, ABC Kinglake/UGFM and 774 Radio spots and Jarara Centre meeting.

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Yes, it will be on again over Melbourne Cup weekend; this year we shall have it in the Taggerty Hall, as our normal venues are no longer here! Letters have been sent out to all our artists who have previously exhibited, so we are looking forward to a good response once again. We shall be asking for people to look after the entry to the show so, if you can help it would be great to hear from you – contact Andrew on 5963 4441. The show will be held on Friday night 30<sup>th</sup> October and then on Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 10am to 4pm

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"High blood pressure in people with Chronic Kidney Disease managed in primary care was controlled to the treatment target in only 37% of cases, in one recent large Australian study."

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(Information from **Kidney Health Australia**)

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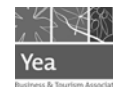


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In attendance at these sessions will be representatives from the Rural Financial Counselling Service, CPA Australia, Insurance Council of Australia, Legal Aid, Regional Development Victoria, and many others. The sessions will consist of a few short presentations, and a Question & Answer session followed by time to speak one on one with the various agencies and organisations and collect specifically relevant advice and information.

Area	Date	Time	Location
Kinglake Ranges/ Toolangi/ Flowerdale/ Strath Creek/ Castella	Tuesday 26 May	7.30 to 9.30 pm	Kinglake West Mechanics Institute Hall, 1055 Whittlesea - Kinglake Rd, Kinglake West
Marysville/Narbethong/Buxton	Tuesday 2 June	7pm to 9pm	Black Spur Inn, 436 Maroondah Hwy, Narbethong
Taggerty/ Buxton/ Eildon/ Thornton	Tuesday 9 June	7pm to 9pm	Taggerty Hall, Cnr Maroondah Hwy & Taggerty – Thornton Rd, Taggerty
Yea/ Murrindindi/ Limestone/ Glenburn & district	Wednesday 10 June	7pm to 9pm	Yea Golf Club, Racecourse Rd, Yea
Alexandra & district	Tuesday 16 June	7pm to 9pm	Mount Pleasant Hotel (Up Stairs), 90 Grant St, Alexandra

A light supper will be served at the completion of each information session. If you wish to attend one of these sessions, please RSVP for catering purposes with your name and selected session to [kgannon@murrindindi.vic.gov.au](mailto:kgannon@murrindindi.vic.gov.au) or phone 5772 0341.



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The Council will put in place a process where a site plan can be approved at the same time as building permits are issued.

The information required on the site plan includes such details as property boundaries and dimensions, location of any damaged or destroyed buildings, the proposed location of replacement buildings etc.

Whilst the changes to the planning process are designed to aid a speedy rebuilding process, landowners will still require a building permit to ensure structural safety and implementation of the new bushfire requirements.

All fees associated with the approval process including building permit fees are waived as part of this government initiative.

Complete details of the changes to the planning process together with planning consent forms are available at [www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au](http://www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au) or by contacting the planning department on 03 5772 0317 for further assistance.

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**Friday, June 5th at 8pm**  
**Marysville Country Club**

**"Last Drinks"** a distinctly Australian comedy play.

Written and performed by **Damian Callinan**

Directed by **Matt Parkinson**

**"Witty, clever, top class act"** - The Age

**"See him, see him, see him!"** - Funny Tonne

Dual Barry nominee comedian Damian Callinan artfully transforms himself into a cast of regulars at 'The Criterion' a pub that survives the wowsers, the yuppies & the health inspectors. No pokies! No wine list! No front teeth and now, no customers! Pull up a stool and allow the not so modest Irish barman to pull you a beer while you meet a good hearted junkie; a Scottish Grandma with a short fuse; an irritating ex jockey with a penchant for detailing medical procedures; an acerbic war veteran; an underworld enforcer with a strong sense of civic responsibility and a psychopath'. Damian also happens to be Ireland's foremost exponent of Peripheral Dancing (a phenomenon that doesn't have to be seen to be believed.) Look out for it! **N.B. Despite Damian's best efforts, he can't control the language of some of The Criterion's more colourful characters.**

This show is proudly presented by

**Marysville's Cultural Community Inc.**

as part of the Café Culture Series 2009

**Admission is FREE**

Bar opens 7:30pm

## Re: Footy at Marysville

There have been quite a few encouraging developments and conversations over the last few weeks. Thought an update would be timely. Please feel free to forward this on to anyone who is not on the list and may be interested.

### **SUPPORT FROM EXISTING COMPETITIONS**

I have spoken to the following people in the last 2-3 weeks:

Stephen Walter, CEO Yarra Valley Mountain District Football League

Rob Sharpe, CEO Eastern Football League

Michael Sholly, CEO Victorian Amateur Football Association

All were extremely supportive towards the idea of locating fixtured games to Marysville when facilities become available, and the possibility of an additional venue for pre-season and possibly a final (YVMDFL) was welcomed.

The Amateurs have clubs in the Albert Park precinct and have a need alternative venues over the Grand Prix period.

The EFL includes Clubs such as Coldstream, Sth. Croydon, etc and Rob Sharpe felt confident that games could be arranged.

Stephen Walter also expressed genuine interest in the formation of a 'Triangle Football/Netball Club' comprising Marysville, Buxton and Narbethong. We agreed that this was a longer term project which would require serious feasibility studies and active Community support. Stephen advised that a solidly based plan and co-ordinated approach would be given full support and assistance.

### **AFL/VFL/VCFL**

Discussions have taken place with John Hook (CEO VFL) and Shane Ward from the VCFL (Vic Country Football League). The VCFL have programs in place to assist football development in fire affected areas and I have arranged a meeting with Glenn Scott (CEO, VCFL) and Shane Ward at Marysville next Tuesday to discuss this in more detail.

Shane has indicated that as well as funding possibilities, there may also be some assistance available with design advice on football facilities.

Andrew Demetriou's office will also be sent this update.

### **GALLIPOLLI PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE/MURRINDINDI SHIRE COUNCIL**

The key factor in bringing any form of Football back to Marysville is obviously the re-development of facilities at Gallipolli Park. The new Community Centre which Russel Crowe and Luke Longley have generously contributed to, would need to be located at the oval and incorporate Football/Netball facilities in order to attract funding from the VCFL, etc.

Nat Morandi and Delice Guscott have been very helpful in areas of Committee administration, Council roles, etc. and will need to be involved in all ongoing discussions.

Michael Chesworth, from the Murrindindi Shire Council is aware of this proposal and will forward this communication on to the relevant people.

Timing wise, it would be great to see something commence in 2010, but obviously that would depend on building schedules, Council approvals, etc.

### **THE AUSTRALIAN CHILDRENS TRUST/MEDIA**

CEO David Kenley mentioned the possibility of assisting with some media coverage, given the Russel Crowe/Luke Longley contribution towards construction of the Community Centre. This would need to be accompanied by a definite announcement relating to the overall project.

On the media issue, I should also mention that Mike Sheahan and Eddy Maguire and have both been advised of the Football initiative. As a result, Mike Sheahan is keen to be kept posted on developments and Collingwood Football Club has been in contact and shown interest in some involvement. This correspondence will be forwarded to both parties.

### **SUMMARY**

Given the 'In Principle' support from the larger Football community so far, it would appear that we can be successful in bringing Footy to the area, if we can provide the facilities. The Community Centre at Gallipolli Park will need to become the core for these facilities, but additional funding will be required.

Equally important is local community support. The community has become fragmented since the fires and many people have extreme personal and financial issues to contend with. Hopefully, in the future, catching up with friends at local football can be one step in their re-building process.

Any comments/suggestions are welcome.

Best Regards,

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