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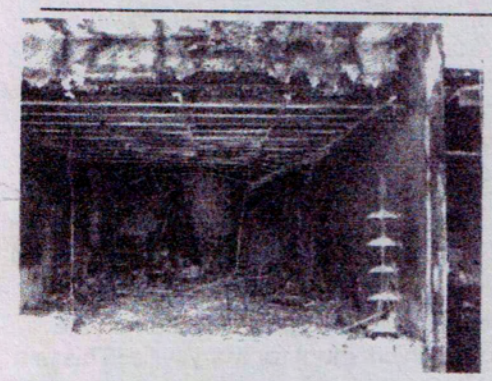
The Village Walk(s) again!



The first main street building to rise from the Ashes of Black Saturday has opened !

By the time you read this Fragas Café Restaurant will be back in business, rebuilt and operating from its original premises.

The opening of the restaurant is the first stage to ending a painful journey – emotionally, physically and financially for the family who lost their home, investment property, and business in the fires.

James and Jane and their two young children Benjamin and Anna who was only 3 weeks old on Black Saturday, have been resolute in their determination to remain and rebuild their lives in Marysville. During the reconstruction they maintained a presence in Marysville Central Fragas was a popular meeting place for locals and visitors and will undoubtedly be so again. Congratulations on your endeavours and commitment to be first out of the blocks

Since the fires of Black Saturday Pat Whittingham (Pats Hairdressing on The Walk) has had 'itchy feet' to get back to her 'Beautiful town and people of Marysville'.

"I would like to thank everyone who has come to my home 'laundry / mini salon' for the past 6 months. The new salon will be a whole new design to welcome residents and visitors alike. I look forward to offering all your hairdressing needs and also to include manicure and possibly facials in the very near future". Hopefully if will only take a couple more weeks to do the salon setup so don't be shy, come and check it out ".

There's your offer ladies for a Marysville makeover!

The newcomer to The Village Walk is Joan Marshall the Principal of L.J. Hooker Alexandra. But newcomer is hardly the right term for she has had a long association over several decades including the Sister at what was then the Marysville Care Centre. Of latter years Joan and her staff have been active in the Triangle Region and the establishing of an Office in the Town will enable a improved service and closer link with the Triangle Community.

Another returning tenant is Richard and Leonie Uden and their country clothing / homewares store– Country Touch – (the shop with the iconic bird feeders !)

Richard was getting frustrated with delays in approvals in getting started on his own property next to the Post Office at 24 Murchison Street and has welcomed the opportunity to come back early until their premises is rebuilt. Richard and Leonie are living in Healesville but look forward to connecting again with the local community as they spend more time in Marysville. Unfortunately Kirstie Nilsson and her friend Hugo Bear will not be returning. We will greatly miss Kirstie, that dynamic lady who was the driving force, the inspiration, and the 'feminine touch' supporting the Udens in the previous two shops.

Brothers Geoff and Graeme with wives Gwen and Priscilla are the owners of the property and have put dozens (hundreds ??) of hours into investigations, feasibilities, and generally 'Kicking through constantly shifting goal posts' as Geoff calls it . Both families lived in Marysville, Graeme was the Director who oversaw the design, building and then managed the ESA Holiday Village currently The Hub housing townsfolk and a range of support services.

In the 1970's Geoff 'found' an old guest house in serious disrepair (The Golf House) opposite the Country Club, that when restored became 'Elkanah'. Over the years he was involved in real estate, the Retirement Village, tourism, Wirreanda Festival, the Golf and Tennis Clubs, etc.

"We lived in and loved this town for over two decades, and were passionate about facilitating and participating in the rebuilding / recovery process. We hope our step of faith in Marysville's future will encourage others to build – shops, dwellings, and accommodation – whatever.

Stage 2 planning is well underway for the rebuild of the three original premises at the rear. A more formal 'celebration' opening is planned for when the finishing touches are completed and tenants are operating.

This is the first retail or commercial development to be rebuilt in Marysville and the Triangle. Call in and welcome them back – and better still support them by buying a coffee, an ' oilskin ', a hair styling – or a block of land !

Marysville
Moss, Snow and Mountain Ash

The above is the title for a most outstanding book of photographs of Marysville:
As seen through the lens of the camera of photographer extraordinaire Donovan Wilson.

This book is indeed a unique treasure! And none of us could more aptly describe this beautiful book than Don and his wife Michelle.

'Marysville - Moss, Snow and Mountain Ash' invites you to be part of the journey as the magic of our wonderful environment rejuvenates itself.

From the majestic trees of the Black Spur to the Alpine Mountains, down to the deepest rainforest gullies and rugged beauty of the Cathedral Range, one cannot drive through Marysville without seeing the beauty that surrounds her, and in this book I have tried to show that beauty and give the reader a sense of what lays beyond the roads and tracks, and to give you a glimpse o f the true nature of this region.

It is also a journey through time, it expresses the beauty of our area, prior to February 7th and up to 6 months on with the magical regeneration.

The fires of February 7th changed many of the places in my photographs but beauty is still there and with determination and time communities and the forests will grow again. I am committed to being part of this journey. I had a vast quantity of photos that I had taken over the past 5 years, and I thought I should publish them so people could see how beautiful some of our forests are, especially the temperate rainforests that are some of the best in the world .

Although I take all the photos on my own, I couldn't have put such a book together without the help of my wife Michelle. Someone to bounce ideas off and for overall compilation.

TN: and prior to living in this area Don? *I lived in Selby until I tuned 18. I met Michelle at a party not far from home and we have been together ever since. We have 2 lovely children, Tamara 8 and Rohan 6. They go to Buxton primary school.*

We have a wholesale nursery specialising in ornamental trees, which we moved from Menzies Creek in the Dandenong's to our property on Retreat Road. I have enjoyed fishing for a long time and with all of the rivers up here it was very attractive to come here. I still fish in the river, but I find taking photos of the surrounding areas takes me to the more remote places that I enjoy so much.

TN: and a property with a million dollar view to boot!

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Moss, Snow and Mountain Ash
$20 per copy with $2 contribution from the sale of the book will go to rehabilitating flora and fauna
Available from Marysville Tourist Information Centre and various General stores and outlets around the Triangle area and also at Marysville Patisserie in Melbourne.
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MARYSVILLE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

On Wednesday 23rd our Society celebrates its 40th Anniversary. We feel this is quite an achievement considering our terrible losses on February 7th

The response from overseas and from all over Australia has been incredibly overwhelming. Already our temporary home is bursting at the seams. Along with this, a member of the Society, Andrew Mackenzie of Mt Eliza, has collected even more artwork and memorabilia. Andrew is an Art Historian, Librarian and Lecturer so has many contact who have been only too eager to assist with rebuilding the Society's collection.

At our meeting, Andrew will be guest speaker and will be telling us about some of the very special artifacts he has gathered.

We have already begun our album collection - twenty four are under way - some larger than others. We would love to receive more photos from surrounding areas - Buxton, Narbethong, Granton and Taggerty. We have some but not as many as we have received about Marysville. The other area which is thin on the ground is birds and animals of the district. Any assistance with originals or copies of photographs would be most appreciated.

If you would like to attend the 40th Anniversary celebration please ring 9874 4085 or 0417 596 433 to assist with catering. R.S.V.P. by 19th September. A light luncheon will be held at 12.30 pm on Wednesday 23rd at Crossways.

We will also open the premises at 6 Woods Point Road (next to Crossways) so that people who have not yet visited can see the new collection.

Our new centre - site not yet decided - will be very special and will be surrounded by a beautiful garden to commemorate our benefactor, Yvonne Knight (nee White). Yvonne was a Fellow of the Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria and was a great supporter of the former Marysville and District Garden Club and or Historical Society.

The White family are well remembered for their past contributions to Marysville community, particularly Gallipoli Park, donated and named by Joe White, Yvonne's father, in memory of his brother, Lieutenant Colonel Alex White, who died in the massacre at "The Nek" on the Gallipoli Peninsula in August 1915.

We are here so all the stories can be told!

Remember, "A community unaware f its history is like a man who has lost his memory."

Regards
Mary Kenealy—Secretary

MARYSVILLE BIG SCREEN
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
play animation
STOPMOTION WORKSHOPS
Monday 28th Sept - 8 to 12 year olds
Tuesday 29th - 13 years & up
10am to 4pm

In this workshop you will learn to create:

- Model characters and simple sets for use in stop motion animation
- Learn filming and editing techniques
- Use digital cameras to create stop motion films
- Special FX using paper and other recycled materials

Spaces limited, contact Bridget Lloyd-Jones on 0408 844 848

Friday 2nd October - 5pm FAMILY NIGHT SCREENING

Come watch the created animations on the big screen and other animated short films

BUXTON CFA

Invites all Buxton residents to a community forum about the upcoming fire season.

Where: **Buxton Community Hall**

When: **Saturday 3rd October 2pm**

Why: The Bushfires Royal Commission made many recommendations that effect individual communities. This forum allows the Buxton Brigade to consult with residents regarding issues and challenges facing us in the upcoming fire season.

This is your chance to have input to these community issues and how you can be informed about CFA operations, fires and other emergencies and how we can all work together to protect our community.

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS IMPORTANT FORUM!

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