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July 17 2015 President Delice Guscott Vol. 42 No. 28

THE GAMES HAVE BEGUN!

The Community Centre was the venue for the first Marysville Triangle Games Night on Tuesday the 7th July. 16 people, friends and families from Marysville came along to have some fun playing a variety of board games and also throw some soft tip darts.
The night kicked off at 6.30 with party pies, sausage rolls, mini quiches and sandwiches washed down with soft drink and hot tea and coffee. This was followed by a good supply of slices (thanks Marysville Bakery) and biscuits including Tim Tams and Mint Slice!
Then the serious fun started with eyes down at 7.00pm. First to the chess board were Neil and Barbara watched closely by Kevin, who wanted to pick up some strategic moves for when it was his turn!
The Scrabble tables were busy with Robin, Nola and Delice all thinking up some interesting words. Annette tried to play the word "Xanadu" but after a Google search was forced to withdraw it! Nice try but no Triple Letter Score there. Ray, however was able to add the word "Mojo" for a great Triple Word Score.
Ethan (who won most games), Hayley, Bec and Jamie had a great laugh during a frustrating game of Trouble while Carl and Bob tackled the Yahtzee dice. They were watched closely by Allison who kept an eye on the rolls of the dice and the paperwork side of things. Caleb won the night with the most "4"s on the Connect 4 table, much to his delight.
The electronic dart board got plenty of action with all players appreciating the fact that the dart board did the adding up (or subtracting) for them, so no "creative" additions were made on the night! There are over 60 different games which can be played on the electronic dart board so there's plenty of variety for all players.
The night had plenty of laughs and lots of fun and everyone said they are already looking forward to the next Games Night on Tuesday 4th of August.
The Games Nights have been made possible by funding for the games from the Marysville and Triangle Community Foundation, Berry St funding for food and drinks and the Gallipoli Park Committee of Management for the use of the venue. We thank these organisations for their support.
Hope to see you there next time where Monopoly, Trivial Pursuit and Mastermind await!

Photo: Top: Barbara, Kevin and Neil play
Left: Becky , Jamie Ethan and Hayley battle it out
Right: Delice, Nola and Robin in a very serious game







Murrindindi Shire Council
King Parrot Ward and Eildon Ward by-elections

Postal elections this August

Voting

Two by-elections are being held within Murrindindi Shire Council, for King Parrot Ward and Eildon Ward. Ballot packs will be mailed to enrolled voters of these wards from Tuesday 11 August. Your completed ballot paper must be in the hands of the Returning Officer by 6.00 pm on Friday 28 August 2015.

If you will be away

If you will be away when ballot packs are mailed, or your address has changed since Friday 3 July, your ballot pack can be redirected by writing to:

Returning Officer
Murrindindi Shire Council by-elections
C/- Victorian Electoral Commission
Level 11, 530 Collins Street
Melbourne VIC 3000

Please include the address for redirection.

Alternatively, you can fax your request to (03) 9620 1568. Each voter requesting redirection must sign their request. Requests for redirection must be received by Thursday 23 July.

How to nominate as a candidate

To nominate as a candidate for either by-election, you must complete a nomination form, and lodge it, together with a $250 nomination fee, in person with the Returning Officer.

The Returning Officer will be available during business hours from Thursday 23 July until 12 noon Tuesday 28 July at:

Murrindindi Shire Council
Service Centre
Semi Circle, Yea

To help reduce waiting time while applications are processed, visit **vec.vic.gov.au** and pre-complete your nomination form using the Candidate Helper. The Candidate Helper will be available from Thursday 16 July.

You will need to print your pre-completed form, sign it and lodge it with the Returning Officer along with the $250 nomination fee.

Call the Returning Officer from Thursday 23 July on 0418 525 300 to make a nomination appointment.







Candidate information session

When: 7.30 pm Tuesday 21 July

Where: Murrindindi Shire Council
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Peter Williams, Returning Officer

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TERRACOTTA DAYS, A NEW BUSINESS FOR MARYSVILLE

The Terracotta Room, formally located at Village Walk in Marysville is launching a brand new business for Marysville and the Triangle. Twenty years on from the first Terracotta Room at a vineyard in England, proprietor Chris Muir has set up a local business that will provide quality experience activities to guests visiting our beautiful area.

Terracotta Days is partnering with local businesses to provide the activities. All the arrangements will be made for the guest including local transportation, booking and organising their experience. The hardest thing the guest needs to do is decide which of the activities they want to enjoy.

From learning how to make kiln fired glass jewellery to snowshoeing your way out to your own private sparkling wine lunch among the snow gums on Lake Mountain, you can do it all.

Activity experiences play a major role in all sectors of tourism in Australia for both domestic and international visitors. Tourism surveys show a significant majority of the visitors to the Marysville Triangle area, both day trippers and overnight stays, want to experience a local activity. "We want to make sure the guests have every opportunity to enjoy what the businesses in the area have to offer", says Chris Muir, "and that includes accommodation providers."

Included in the range of experiences, Terracotta will again be providing quality food and wine. 'Your Own Chef for the Night' and 'a Cooking Class at Your Place' are especially aimed at overnight visitors. Taking advantage of the busy snow season, 'a Winter Christmas in Marysville' is a traditional Christmas Dinner prepared and served at their accommodation.

Terracotta Days kicks off with a truffle hunt, including a wine and food tasting, on Saturday, 1st August.

"I am excited at the level of enthusiasm about this new venture from our partners and the accommodation providers", says Chris, "Terracotta has always looked towards providing a quality experience in everything we have done and I'm looking forward continuing that with Terracotta Days."



SOPHIE COMES TO TOWN

Sophie Mirabella, Liberal Party endorsed candidate for the Federal seat of Indi, was available to meet and talk to locals at the Marysville Patisserie last Sunday morning.

Sophie and Cindy McLeish were both special guests at the annual Christmas in July dinner, hosted by the Marysville Branch of the Liberal Party at El Kanah.

Pictured right is Sophie chatting with local resident Neil Guscott.



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July 18 - *Nepal Benefit Concert*

July 23 - *Mercy Ships Fundraiser at 12.30pm at Marysville Community Church Building*

July 24 - *Marysville Triangle Business and Tourism Inc Training Session in Customer Service 10am at Marysville Community Centre, Falls Road, Marysville*

July 28 - *Gallipoli Park Precinct Meeting 5.30pm at Marysville Community Centre—Treefern Room*

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PARKING CHANGES TRIAL TO IMPROVE CONVENIENCE AND HELP BUSINESSES

Murrindindi Shire Council has been working with businesses in Murchison Street, Marysville to develop solutions to traffic flow and parking issues, especially on busy weekends and public holidays.

With many new retail outlets, ski hires, eateries and the new VIBE complex on Murchison Street, business operators have identified changes in the way people use the street and new traffic and parking patterns.

Councillor Christine Challen said the return of business and consumer activity to the street has been a boon for Marysville.

"There's flourishing activity in Marysville again, which has been wonderful to experience. In particular, there is a great deal of activity at peak times on Murchison Street which is good for the local economy, creating employment opportunities and contributing to the long term growth and sustainability of the town.

"This has necessitated a rethink on how parking can best be managed during traffic peaks to enable visitors and locals to enjoy the town and go about their daily activities in the commercial centre of town.

Council was approached by a group of local business people with a view to improving signage on the various off street (all day) car parks as well as adding new parking signage in Murchison Street. It is proposed to trial the implementation of new signs that set various time limits to ensure parking is available for all.

Councillor Challen said "the improved signage will help those needing long term or overnight parking to locate appropriate parking. This will be helpful to those travelling to Lake Mountain Alpine Resort by alternative transport or those staying overnight in town.

"Since Murchison Street has become busy again, many cars are parked all day and sometimes overnight in the one car space, restricting ease of access for other people to the business of their choice. New short term parking limits will encourage better flow through and access by multiple customers" Cr Challen added.

Discussions Council held with Marysville Triangle Business & Tourism association, individual business people, local police and representatives from Lake Mountain Alpine Resort led to an agreement to keep parking time zones simple, with a limited number of restrictions. Parking signs will be erected in most sections of Murchison Street indicating a 4 hour parking period. There will be a small number of locations that differ, including 1 hour parking in front of the Marysville Bakery. The trial period will run until the end of the winter season to allow the community to feedback to Council on the effectiveness of the scheme.

Any questions about the signage should be directed to Council's Infrastructure Assets Department on 5772 0333

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MAYOR'S CHAIR BY CR MARGARET RAE



Something you become very aware of once involved in local government is the sheer diversity of the issues and people that you have the opportunity to meet and learn about. One such part of our community is the membership and representation of the traditional Aboriginal clans in our area. Because the numbers are low in comparison with other parts of the State, it is very easy to live our daily lives without specific contact.

This past week has seen the annual celebration of NAIDOC week. NAIDOC, which stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee, is held in July each year to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. In our Shire, this is always recognised by Alexandra District Health and it was a pleasure as always to be able to attend the now traditional afternoon tea. But this year there was a more significant event held on 3 July when the Victorian State Government and the Taungurung people held an event to mark the commencement of formal negotiations between the State and the Taungurung group to recognise the Taungurung people's rights over Crown land under the State's *Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010* (Vic).

This is not something restricted to the Cathedral Ranges, nor to the Murrindindi Shire. In fact, the potential Taungurung settlement area covers a large area of central Victoria and includes land in other Shires as well.

This Act is unique to Victoria and successful negotiations will result in agreed outcomes instead of a Federal Court ruling under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). So this is something that, over time, will involve a wide range of people and much consultation and collaboration. In attending this ceremony I was impressed by how much this sensitive and collaborative approach means to representatives from clans from across Victoria, the value of recognition and everyone's shared commitment to agreement.

I couldn't help but reflect once more on my own Celtic culture and bonds to my own place of origin – and gained a deeper glimpse into the strength of the bonds that tie other people to their own heritage.

It is this sense of belonging, wherever we come from, that enables us to join with our communities in making this a better place. And, whilst people do not do these things with a view to recognition, it is really good when we can find a way to recognise outstanding contributors to our society. Two such ways are currently available.

Nominations are now open for the 2016 Victorian Honour Roll of Women. Commencing in 2001, this Roll has acknowledged and celebrated the outstanding achievements of over 500 women who have contributed in many different ways to lasting change in our State.

There are 17 categories for nomination and anyone can nominate an exceptional woman who has made a significant and lasting contribution at a local, state, national or international level and who was either born in Victoria, has spent a considerable part of her life in Victoria, or has made a significant contribution to Victoria. Nominations open on 6 July 2015 and close on 21 August 2015. Further information can be found at http://www.dpc.vic.gov.au/index.php/news-publications/victorian-honour-roll-of-women

Alternatively, there is also an opportunity to nominate individuals, businesses and community groups that are making a difference in our local community through the annual Regional Achievement & Community Awards. Nominations are open in 10 different categories and more information can be obtained at http://www.awardsaustralia.com/regional-achievement-community-awards/vic Eligibility may vary so please check carefully. Nominations close on Friday 24 July 2015. Do think about these – there are not too many opportunities in life to recognise someone who we appreciate. Even if they don't win, the reward that is experienced from having someone publicly recognise their worth is invaluable.

THE MURRINDINDI BEANIE FESTIVAL

is almost upon us, opening this Friday, Saturday & Sunday at St John's Anglican Church Hall, Alexandra July 17-19th. MBFV would like to thank all in the community who have helped get the Beanie Festival up and running and support has reached far and wide.

Lots of wonderful Beanies have been streaming in and we are very excited that on Friday we open our doors to schools and community groups, while at 7.30pm Friday evening is our inaugural Opening Night. Our sponsors & all interested community members are invited to attend.

The committee have been busy working hard & decorating the hall in readiness for judging and can't wait to show the community the fantastic array of beanies that have been entered and donated for us to sell. You too can join in the fun. Saturday 3pm features our auction of some of the very best beanies, while beanies can be purchased both Saturday & Sunday with collection of all beanies from 3pm Sunday. The four main categories include Funky Fibre Fusion and Murrindindi Madness, with some great prizes being awarded to the best and most imaginative beanies. This year's theme is Crazy Critters with monies raised going to local charities including Rotary Alexandra's Wood Chopped For The Elderly and Disadvantaged.

To attend the Opening Night Please RSVP Carolyn txt 0400 997 655

Doors open 10-4pm Saturday and Sunday & entry is by gold coin donation.

If you can't knit or crochet to save yourself, don't forget this Friday the 17th July is wear a beanie to work or school day. Set up a gold coin collection at your work or school, with monies raised helping to keep the elderly and disadvantaged warm in winter.

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The next meeting will be on the July 28th 2015 at 5.30pm.

The Community is always welcome to attend to find out what is happening within the Precinct including the Community Centre. Please view our website: www.marysvillecommunitycentre.com.au to make an enquiry or to book the facility.

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COUNCILLOR COMMENT BY CR CHRISTINE CHALLEN



It may be winter, but there are lots of exciting things happening in Murrindindi Shire.
Each town I visit is buzzing with families making the most of school holidays. There are loaded shopping trolleys, shops brimming with people, kids walking hand in hand and mums and dads with maps and brochures, browsing, pointing, smiling (well, mostly!). We've been entertained by buskers in Alexandra, blessed with snow at Lake Mountain, rain at the Y Water Discovery Centre and sunny days for cycling on the Rail Trail. As icing on the cake, we're treated to picture post card beauty everywhere we look.
Events and activities planned for this month are numerous and include the Australian Snowman Festival and a kids' cross country mini race series at Lake Mountain, a three-day Murrindindi Beanie Festival in Alexandra, Christmas in July at Holmesglen at Eildon and a Tremendous Truffle and Terrific Wines Dinner at Flowerdale Estate. Enthusiastic committees are hard at work organising the two musical festivals at either end of the Shire planned for 16-18 October, the Foggy Mountain Bluegrass Festival in Kinglake and the Marysville Jazz and Blues Weekend, running concurrently with the Eildon Big Fish Challenge and Food and Wine Festival at the Pondage.
And don't forget our markets. Alexandra on the 2nd Saturday of the month, Bollygum on the 2nd Sunday of the month, Flowerdale on the 3rd Sunday of the month, Kinglake on the 4th Sunday of the month, Marysville on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, Yarck on the 3rd Saturday of the month, Yea on the 1st Saturday of the month and Taggerty's one per season.
There really is something to appeal to everyone. So get involved, book your tickets, invite your friends to stay. Details for all upcoming events are available at our Visitor Information Centres and online at www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au . The Economic Development Department within Council also prints a Calendar of Events, the current edition being May to October 2015. This is also available at each of our Council offices and libraries.
As Councillors, we too have had a lot going on lately. At our last couple of briefing sessions, we've been given presentations from VicRoads and VicForests. We had a presentation on Fish Stocking Rates in Waterways within Murrindindi Shire. We've met with local producers at a Meet the Maker function, spoken with local sawmill representatives and welcomed the Shadow Minister for Local Government, David Davis. We shared afternoon tea with community services and community health staff at the Alexandra Hospital, along with Taungurung elder, Uncle Roy, to celebrate NAIDOC week. We've discussed items such as the Lake Eildon Recreation Boating Facilities Improvement Plan and the latest Local Government Community Satisfaction Survey. A huge highlight was to announce positive news regarding long awaited and fought for telecommunications infrastructure improvements for the Shire, as part of the Indi Telecommunications Advocacy.
Coming up in the 3rd week of July is the Victorian Industry Tourism Council two-day Conference in Melbourne.
July and August are also AGM months. Please check local papers and radio announcements for details of committee meetings and AGMs. Your attendance and participation at these meetings is always welcome and really does offer encouragement and help to share the workload.
So, although it may be tempting to sit at home by the telly during these winter months, I hope you feel inspired to be out and about the Shire and enjoy the company, the energy and the many happenings on offer.

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Murrindindi Shire Council is pleased to announce that the new Ghin Ghin bridge opened for light traffic usage on Monday 13 July as scheduled and will now continue to serve the community as an essential travel route for generations to come.

The ageing single-lane bridge has been replaced with a new two-lane structure that has an unlimited load-carrying capacity and a lifespan of over 100 years.

Cheviot Ward Councillor John Kennedy is delighted that the project has been delivered within the promised timeframe. He said that the community has been immensely supportive throughout the construction period.

"We acknowledge the inconvenience for those who use Ghin Ghin bridge on a regular basis and can't thank them enough for their patience and understanding.

"It's been widely understood that this bridge was in desperate need of replacement and Council appreciates the cooperation of the nearby residents, regular commuters and the wider community", said Cr Kennedy.

Works to replace the Ghin Ghin bridge, which crosses the Goulburn River on Ghin Ghin Road, began in May with preliminary preparation works. The bridge was then fully closed for a short three week period from 22 June.

"Normally, construction of a bridge of this type would require a four to five month closure, however Council engineers worked with the contractor, Civil Bridge and Wharf, to design an integral Concrete Bridge, a method of bridge construction more commonly used in North America and Europe. This innovative construction technique has resulted in the quick erection time by allowing most components to be built off-site".

"Council consulted with the community about their preferred period for the bridge's closure, in order to minimise any inconvenience. It was also important that the closure happened outside the fire season and at a time when the water level was still low. We think these dates accommodated all of these factors" said Cr Kennedy.

On Monday the bridge was re-opened for cars and vehicles under five tonnes. It is anticipated that the bridge will be opened for all vehicle types, including heavy vehicles, by 18 July.

Local industry has contributed significantly to the construction of the bridge with local contractors engaged to carry out concreting, road works and the provision of traffic management. Over 150 cubic metres of concrete was provided from a local concrete batching plant and fuel for the massive plant required was supplied from Yea.

The bridge works have been carried out by Council Engineers and contractors Civil Bridge and Wharf Pty. Ltd., with funding from the State Government's Country Roads and Bridges Program and Murrindindi Shire Council.

IMAGE L-R : State Member for Eildon Cindy McLeish MP, Cheviot Ward Councillor John Kennedy and Murrindindi Shire Council's Manager Infrastructure Assets John Canny



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COUNCIL RESTRUCTURE UNDERWAY

Murrindindi Shire Council is implementing a number of changes to its organisational structure to ensure a more streamlined approach to enabling economic development and growth in the Shire and to make the Council more accessible to those who want to live, work and invest here.

The changes relate primarily to departments governing economic development, planning and development-related infrastructure. Council has restructured to better coordinate these elements to ensure greater ease for customers in navigating through various regulatory and other processes.

Council's Chief Executive Officer Margaret Abbey said the changes would help those in the Shire to plan and develop with greater ease and to make the Shire more attractive to external investors.

"Rather than having separate functional areas, we are incorporating these critical functions into a new department that can act as a one-stop shop for those wishing to plan, develop or invest. Stream-lining our processes will be critical to the Shire's economic development and long term sustainability," said Ms Abbey.

Council has also made a range of adjustments to staffing arrangements within its Corporate Services area to better reflect Council's obligations under the Local Government Act, including new administrative and corporate reporting requirements.

Ms Abbey said that while all councils need to review their structures from time to time to ensure they continue to meet the needs of their communities, she appreciated the fact that restructures can cause considerable uncertainty for staff.

"We know that restructures can be stressful for those whose roles are affected. The restructure has resulted in three staff redundancies to allow for the new arrangements to take effect. We are pleased that a number of staff affected by the restructure are to be redeployed in new roles within Council".

Ms Abbey added that while Council will shortly advertise a range of roles created by the restructure, there will be no net increase to the number of staff employed by Council.

"The roles that are to be advertised are a combination of existing vacancies and positions resulting from the restructure which will help us achieve our goals as an organisation. Council's staffing levels will remain constant throughout this hiring period.

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Football and Netball games live at Gallipoli Park

ALEXANDRA FOOTBALL/NETBALL CLUB – SDJF/NL

Sunday, 12th July, 2015



The Alexandra Football/Netball Club junior teams enjoyed a general League bye for the middle weekend of the school holidays and then traveled to Euroa last Sunday for round 11 of the Seymour District Junior Football Netball League 2015 season and took on the Magpies for three games of football and three games of netball.

Under 12s Football

Alexandra 4.1 – 25 defeated by Euroa 6.7 – 43

Essence Coffee Lounge award Alex Meggitt; Reddrops Foodworks award James Meggitt; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Bailey Goschnick; Ian Kemp award Dylan Jack; Goulburn River Trout award Henry Meggitt; Brendan Smith award Will Dunsford; Coach's award Brodie Humphries.

Under 14s Football

Alexandra 7.9 – 51 defeated Euroa 4.7 – 31

Essence Coffee Lounge award Harry Twining; Reddrops Foodworks award Lachlan Jeffery; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Isiah Findlay; Bundalaguah Engineering award Jai Lerch-Mackinnon; Coach's award Angus Smith.

Under 16s Football

Alexandra 12.2 – 74 defeated Euroa 2.0 – 12

Essence Coffee Lounge award Harrison Murdoch; Reddrops Foodworks award Josh Humphries; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Mitch Dunsford; Alexandra Physiotherapy award Kallagun Wilson; Happy Snapper award Ben Thomas; Coach's award Tyson Pedlar.

Under 12s Netball

Alexandra 8 defeated by Euroa 10

Reddrops Foodworks award Ellie Sinclair; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Mia Rouget; Alexandra Quality Meats award Lilly Hillman.

Under 14s Netball

Alexandra 22 drew with Euroa 22

Reddrops Foodworks award Matilda Walker; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Alexia Andreou; Goulburn River Trout award Shona Gesler.

Under 16s Netball

Alexandra 24 defeated Euroa 21

Reddrops Foodworks award Meg Norris; Alexandra Bakery and Café award Darcy Cann; Bundalaguah Engineering award Elley Morrison.

A very big thank you to the above award sponsors for their continued support of our junior footballers and netballers in 2015. Now that school holidays have finished and we get back into routine, junior meals also resume as per normal this Thursday. If anyone can assist with the canteen on home games during the season please speak to Ros Smith to go on the roster. This coming Sunday we return to Rebel Park and host Broadford for three games of football. Also, congratulations to Alexandra's Peter Cairns who has made the final squad for the Goulburn Murray V Line trials to be held at Kialla Park Recreation Reserve to play two practise matches against North East Border under lights at Wangaratta Showgrounds on Wednesday, 15th July. Tom Davey, Keegan Grant and Hudson Kaak from St.Marys have also made the squad.

Photo: Ben Thomas snaps goalwards against Euroa

ALEXANDRA FOOTBALL / NETBALL CLUB
Saturday, 11th July, 2015

The Alexandra Football/Netball Club travelled to Gembrook Cockatoo last Saturday for round 13 of the YVMDFL 2015 season for competition in two games of football and two games of netball. The second placed **Reserves** took on the sixth placed home side with a full team despite losing a couple of players who were promoted to cover injuries etc in the seniors. The Brookers won the toss and kicked with the strong wind favoring the Clubrooms end and had the better of the first quarter although Shaun Graham was able to goal at the road end and then Alexandra perhaps expected things to just happen as they took their turn with the wind but despite Ben Podger-Carroll wining plenty of possessions and further goals to Graham the home side were able to keep in touch. The wind had abated somewhat as the third quarter progressed and both sides were able to score. Alex kicked three goals (Corey Jack, Jock Blakeney and Jedd Hamill) but Gembrook kicked four to take a three point lead into the last quarter. Alex were going to the scoring end and were expected to get the win but Gembrook were able to slow up play and use up valuable time to frustrate Alex. Despite the efforts of Len Jenkins and apart from a two goal burst from Podger-Carroll the home side were able to hang on and inflict Alexandra's second defeat of the season. Best players included Len Jenkins, Ben Podger-Carroll, Jasper Rouget, Paul Francis, Jaye Rogerson and Alasdair Hutt in a solid game of football. Awards: Rebels $50 Incentives – Len Jenkins and Jasper Rouget, Mt.Pleasant Hotel $20 meal – Billy Cody, Commercial Hotel $20 meal – Alasdair Hutt, Commercial Hotel 5 pots – Jaye Rogerson.

The **Seniors** took on Gembrook who were keen to back up their good win of the previous week when they beat top side Emerald and hold fifth place. Alexandra has had very little success at Gembrook, winning only twice there in ten contests. Alexandra made five changes to the side comprehensibly beaten by Thornton-Eildon last Saturday including Michael Coombs, Daniel Rouget, Tom Halligan, Jack Tossol and Kurt Veldman to replace Michael Miller, Conor Heaslip, Brent McDonald, Isaac Hedger and Travis Carter. The predicted wintry conditions with heavy rain had arrived as the game began but Alexandra got off to the perfect start when David Bourke roved the starting ball-up and burst from the centre with his long kick being marked by Chris Mullins for a goal. How easy was that? But then reality set in as had the rain and the game became a battle as each side could only get the ball to half forward. Alex again this week had a player sent off and had to play the last half of the first quarter with seventeen players. Gembrook snapped their first goal during this period and followed up with a second from a series of frees. Alex was doing well despite the handicap and got the ball forward where Mullins earned a free from a strong tackle leaving Alex trailing by the narrowest of margins at the first break. The lights were taking effect as the second quarter began and Gembrook got the first goal of the second preceding a behind to the hard working Ben Cooper. Alex was hard at the contest tackling strongly and a fine smother prevented a Gembrook goal. After ten minutes of even hard contested football the home side bounced-skidded through a fourth goal as Alex added only behinds. Alexandra's inability to man-up at crucial times was costly and poor defense on the last line in the last minute of the quarter allowed the home side to go to the half time break with a 21 point lead. Coach Sam Kidd asked the players to be more disciplined at the half-time break particularly being responsible for their opponent. Despite the efforts of Scott Heveren in the ruck against the big Gembrook ruckman Clarke and Tyler Horwood who tagged his opponent all game the third quarter was all Gembrook as they added 3.9 to a solitary goal (Jordan Purcell). Also the fact that the rain had eased probably helped the home side as their edge in class became more evident. As usual the Alexandra players fought the game right out but too often when players such as Cooper, Nathan Dundas and others won the ball they were confronted by a wall of Gembrook defenders who seemed to be on their own as their opponent had been drawn up to the contests. Gembrook with four last quarter goals went on to win by ten goals plus. Best players included Tyler Horwood, Kurt Veldman, Jordan Purcell, Scott Heveren, Ben Cooper and Jack Tossol with special mention to Ryan Carter who, despite being injured, was prepared to play and do his bit for the team. Sam urged the players to stick together, work on their skills to match their effort and was sure that a win was not far away. Awards: Molesworth Hotel $20 meal – Ben and Dylan Jack; Rebels $100 Incentive – Kurt Veldman, Caltex $25 fuel card – Tyler Horwood, Mt.Pleasant Hotel $20 meal – Scott Heveren, Commercial Hotel $20 meal – Ben Cooper, Commercial Hotel 5 pots – Jack Tossol.



NETBALL AWARDS:

Molesworth Hotel $20 meal – Michelle Jack; Beauty of the Blade $10 award – Melita Laurie-Rhodes;
C grade draw: Commercial Hotel $20 meal – Michelle Fleming; Essence Coffee Lounge $10 meal – Kelly Cleven;
D grade won: Commercial Hotel $20 meal – Kelly Cleven; Essence Coffee Lounge $10 meal – Grace McKenzie;

In the "Rebels Family" this week we have the spotlight on the Anderson family with George and Nancy supporting Kate through her junior years of school and sport. Kate is now married to Chris Mullins and they have two daughters who follow the family tradition of helping around the Club, albeit picking up toys at the end of the day or pulling out the tickets for the Rebel Raffles on a Thursday night. Kate is playing netball and Chris is captain of the senior football team. George is also a regular behind the bar on Thursdays and functions always with a smile and a helpful hint.

Thursday's Rebel Raffles are sponsored by Anvil Angus and Mt. Pleasant Hotel, Reddrops Foodworks / Houseboat Sales Lake Eildon, Eildon Bakery / Outdoor Education Group, Alexandra Quality Meats / Alexandra Windscreens and Yea Chinese Restaurant / Bailey Funerals and were won by Chris Mullins, Shane Hill, Bob Elkington, Daniel Roper and Jason Krijt. The joker jackpot card remains hidden with the Anvil Angus Jackpot worth $600 this week so come along and buy some tickets at $1 each but you need to be at the Club rooms at 8.00 pm for the draw.

Do not forget to order your Club merchandise – polo shirts @ $40 and hoodies @ $60. Also available in stock are Club stubby holders @ $7, travel mugs, peaked caps and beanies @ $15, cook books @ $20, bumper stickers are free. The Alexandra History Book is also in stock, available at the Alexandra Newsagents @ $25. Thursday night dinners are also popular with main course and sweets – adults $10 and kids $5, everyone is welcome.

This Saturday we travel to Yarra Junction for two games of football and four games of netball with the Club back to the Commercial Hotel for the awards.On Saturday, 1st August the Club's Slaves and Services Auction will be held in the club rooms. Looking further ahead, the Club's Patrons Day is scheduled for Sunday 20th September and Senior Presentation function to be held on Friday 2nd October.

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ALEXANDRA FOOTBALL / NETBALL CLUB

On Saturday, 25th July the Alexandra Football/Netball Club will be playing at Rebel Park and hosting Seville for two games of football and four games of netball. After the games, the Club and Berry Street Tune-In are excited to welcome Kelly Cartwright, Paralympian and multiple World Record holder as guest speaker at the Club's social rooms. A two course meal will be available for $10 at 6.00 pm.

Kelly will be speaking after dinner at 7.30 pm on 'Sport, Life, Challenge and Recovery' which reflects her personal journey of having her right leg amputated at 15 years of age and becoming a very successful Paralympian and inspirational speaker.

The life of Geelong's Kelly Cartwright is best described as triumph over adversity when at the tender age of 15 Kelly was forced to make a decision that would change the direction of her life, literally every step of her life from that day on. Raised in Port Arlington and moving to Belmont in Geelong, Kelly was like most other sporty teenage girls – bright eyed and loving life. With her trademark smile Kelly had many friends and looked forward to joining them as team mates every Saturday for Netball.

In the November of 2004, Kelly's world changed forever. Diagnosed with a rare and aggressive form of cancer in her right knee, Kelly was forced to make the most difficult decision of her life – have her right leg amputated to give her the best chance of survival or face radical surgery to remove the cancer but potentially still face the risk of the cancer spreading and ultimately claiming her life. Kelly chose amputation.

After a pain staking 3 months of rehabilitation she was fitted with a prosthetic leg and had to learn to walk again and faced with the thought of not playing netball again she looked for a new direction. That direction was running. Running with an artificial leg proved a challenge and produced many falls, cuts and bruises but with every fall came more determination and it wasn't long before the falls were replaced with a focus on the clock and the times Kelly was running.

In the August of 2005, Kelly tried out for and was accepted as a member of the Emerging Talent squad for the London Paralympics. What was remarkable was that this was achieved using a 'walking' leg, rather than a purpose built prosthetic leg that is made for running. Spurred on by her early success and with support from her friends and family, Kelly raised enough money to purchase a new purpose built running leg and so began the career of the world's most talented above the knee amputee.

Kelly also achieved off the field and whilst training six to seven days a week Kelly achieved her goal of completing her VCE at Bellarine Secondary College in 2006.

With a growing passion for running, Kelly's training intensified in pursuit of her latest goal – to be the best above knee amputee 100 metre sprinter in the world. Adding to her fast growing list of achievements Kelly became the first above knee amputee woman to climb to the summit of Mt Kilimanjaro in 2009.

Returning from the 2011 World Championships with two gold medals and a new World Record in long jump ensured Kelly was going to be under pressure at the 2012 Paralympic Games in London.

2012 was by far Kelly's biggest year, drawing on all her training, she rose to the top in long jump, setting a new World Record and claimed the gold medal, also running a personal best in the 100 metres to claim silver in London.

Kelly was awarded an Order of Australia in the 2014 Australia Day Honors "for service to sport as a Gold Medalist at the London 2012 Paralympic Games."

Away from the track, Kelly is an ambassador for Make A Wish Foundation Australia along with becoming one of the most credible health and fitness models appearing for international clothing brands Cotton On and Bonds.



While Kelly's life journey is inspirational we also need to recognise the inspiration that occurs as part of our day to day lives, in our homes and in our towns. We do not need to be world record holders to be good and inspirational role models. We love our sport and we love winning but we also recognise that the sporting arena is simply one of many community settings where we can learn important life skills that enable us to face adversity with courage, get up when we fall, give and accept a helping hand, recognise the importance of mutually supportive friendships, and play and work as part of a team.

The Alexandra Football/Netball Club and Berry Street Tune-In invite everyone to come along and be inspired by Kelly Cartwright's story with an opportunity to meet her on the night. Please contact Ray Steyger on 5772 2627 if you would like to book a table for dinner at 6.00 pm or feel free to come to hear Kelly speak. Entry is free and once again, everyone is welcome to come along for this community event.

AMBASSADORS VOLUNTEER TO DO TRAINING FOR MARYSVILLE

Marysville Lake Mountain Visitor Information Centre ambassadors are undertaking training as part of their role in providing information services to the visitors of the Marysville Lake Mountain and Triangle area. Twenty VIC Ambassadors recently took time out of their busy schedules to undertake the first of two training sessions facilitated by Marysville Triangle Tourism and Business Inc. The training courses are being conducted to assist the volunteers in their roles at the Marysville centre. Undertaking the courses is providing further skills for the Ambassadors which will assist them continuing to provide an essential service to Marysville and the region.

Marysville VIC Ambassadors are the welcoming face of the information centre and provide a service that is sort after by the visitors to the region. This in turn directly benefits MTBT members, local business and the region as a whole. As part of the training the message is emphasised that the VIC Ambassadors play an essential role in the success of Marysville as premier tourist destination.

Visit Victoria places great importance on the visitor information centres for successful tourism across the state. Centres are promoting as being "staffed by friendly, professional and trained people with extensive local knowledge", all this predominantly by volunteers and Marysville is no different.

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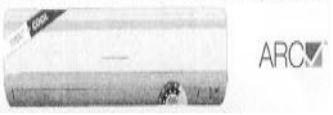
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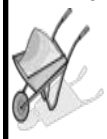
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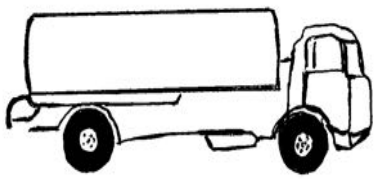
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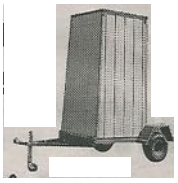


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