

THE KOO WEE RUP BLACKFISH



JULY 2015

ALL ABILITIES PLAYGROUND IN COCHRANE PARK

Cardinia Shire Council recently funded the creation of an all abilities playground in Cochrane Park in Koo Wee Rup. The new playground includes a rotating carousel suitable for up to four wheelchairs, a cantilever basket swing, rubber soft-fall area and bongo drums. Accessibility improvements were also made to the nearby skate park, existing playground structure and surrounding pathways. Across the car park a new disabled toilet is under construction next to the existing facilities outside the swimming pool.



THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES (Edited Extracts)

The Township held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, 3 June. Township Meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 1 July at 7:30 pm at the Community Centre.

Footpath at the intersection of Station St and Rossiter Road has had tactile surface installed to reduce slip hazard on slope onto road. It was suggested that perhaps the dip into the curb and channel could be reduced so it was not so steep to improve the crossing for those in wheelchairs or using mobility scooters.

The footpath in front of the new shop next to the Newsagent is being repaired and the gaps filled in.

Lou Bucello followed up on his query from last month about the trees at the intersection of Manks and Dalmore Roads to confirm that they had in fact been removed. Councillor Moore confirmed that this intersection was still on the list for Black spot funding.

Councillor Graeme Moore reported the following matters:

- A rubbish bin is to be placed in O'Riordan Park adjacent to the newly installed seating. He also informed the meeting that council staff are currently undertaking an audit on all rubbish bins in the shire to determine whether they are sufficient or required.
- At the recent Council Town Planning Meeting, the Royal Indian Club restaurant has received a permit to continue trading with the condition that they install lighting in the rear carpark.
- Last weekend (30 and 31 May) there were two significant art events in Cardinia Shire. The Yakkerboo Art Show was held at the Pakenham Hall and was well attended and in Koo Wee Rup, the Lions Art Show was well attended too. The Casey-Cardinia Heritage Festival also took place in May.
- Cardinia Shire and the RSL also launched a fund raising effort to support two local young people to walk the Kokoda Track
- The Arise Youth Photography program in Upper Beaconsfield is progressing well.
- Councillor Moore attended the Lions Club change over meeting on 19 May held at Warook.

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The local Lions Club held their Art & Craft Exhibition over the weekend of the 31st May & 1st June. The club appreciated the support received from The Cardinia Shire, our RSL, Craft Quarters, The Chandelier Café, Ponderosa Timber & Hardware and Active Images. Over the weekend we had many compliments.

The exhibitor's works were amazing. The Lions Club thanks all who entered and made this such a successful event. It is intended that the next Art and Craft Exhibition held by the Lions Club will be in 2017.

Saturday's people's choice was a wall hanging "Butterflies" which the correct name was "Metamorphosis", which was hand embroidered and hand quilted by Suzanne Dayble. Sunday's people's choice was a quilt "Applied Poppies" which created by Jenny Harris, the black, red and white colours looked stunning.

The RSL selected winners from the schools entries. From the primary schools the winners were:- Bayles - Ella W, St Johns the Baptist - Alyanna Trajano, Lang Lang - Layla and KWR Tilly, Braden & Grace who all worked together on their entry. For the KWR Secondary College Kyra Murry was selected.

An encouragement award was given to Luke Ashby, a budding photographer who is only 11 years old. His photo of "Mother Hen & her Chicks" was magnificent.

Our raffle First Prize was won by Liz Wilson from Lang Lang, Second Prize was won by Aunty Marj. Third Prize was won by Cynthia Robinson from Lakes Entrance and she chose the photo of "Puffing Bill" which was taken and donated by one of our members. Fourth Prize was a voucher donated from Craft Quarters and won by Kerrie McMahon. Fifth Prize was also voucher donated from The Chandelier Café and this was won by Betty Leemon.

At the time of writing we are showing a profit of approximately \$3,000 which will go directly into our community.



*Sheryl Blay, President,
Event Co-ordinator*



TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *(Edited Extracts)* (from Page 1)

- Councillor Moore had passed on the information regarding the permit for the brewery to Township Committee President, Ray Brown as requested at last month's meeting.
- There was a complaint received regarding the contractors completing the footpath repairs near the newsagent. The contractors had blocked off the footpath where they were working and had parked their truck immediately adjacent which forced pedestrians out on to the road to get past. Councillor Moore advised that the best way to solve these types of issues was to contact Council's Compliance Officers. This is a safety risk and should be addressed immediately.

Lou Bucello queried the quality of the almost completed sealing of Island Road. There are rough patches at the start and finish that are already breaking up, and also mentioned that there is no shoulder on the road to pull over if required. Councillor Moore responded that the width of the road reserve is a constraint for including a shoulder, and he will follow up the condition of the road surface with shire engineers.

Valmai Walker asked if consideration could be given to reducing the speed limit in Bayles Township from 60 kmh to 50kmh. This road is controlled by VicRoads, the matter will be referred to shire traffic engineers who can take the issue to VicRoads.

Vincent Pepe raised the condition of the new surface on the Koo Wee Rup – Pakenham Road north of Manks Road. He stated that the surface was very rough and holds water in wet weather resulting in lots of spray from passing vehicles that can obscure driver's vision. Councillor Moore said he would report back at the next meeting after consulting VicRoads and council staff.

The President, Ray Brown, expressed his delight that the bypass was now open. This was a big win for the Township committee and the local community. Ray recounted how the Township committee drove this from the beginning and garnered the support of local politicians to push the project up the government's agenda. And thanked all those who had been involved.

Ray mentioned that he had been contacted by a local resident because of a report in the Weekly Times. This report had been interpreted as meaning that the Natural Gas connection for Koo Wee Rup may not be going ahead, however after consulting with APA the contractors completing this project Ray was delighted to report that everything was still on track.

Construction of the new Disabled access toilet at the swimming pool has commenced.

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TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *(Edited Extracts)* (from Page 1)

George Fittock presented the report from the Men's Shed. He commenced by thanking the committee for welcoming Aaron at the last meeting and said that Aaron would be a regular attendee to report on the progress of the Youth program supported by the Men's Shed. There are currently 70 plus youths attending various programs each week.

George informed the meeting that there will be a dementia awareness program held at the Shed during July.

George agreed to a request from the President that some of the Youth Group could be involved in fitting new protective rubber feet to the chairs in the Community Centre.

A request was made to George that Council be made aware that the footpath on Moody Street adjacent to the Cobb and Co yard was badly in need of repair. It has been reported in the past but nothing has been done and is now unsafe. George said he would register this as merit request via the Cardinia Shire web page. The meeting was reminded that anybody can report an issue via this process on the council webpage. Go to www.cardinia.vic.gov.au and click on the Make a report or request link.

Vincent Pepe raised the matter of the Amendment C189 to the Cardinia Shire Planning Scheme. This amendment is to incorporate the Koo Wee Rup Township Strategy into the Cardinia Shire Planning Scheme. This will ensure that recommendations in the strategy have to be considered when granting any planning permits with the Koo Wee Rup Town boundary. Vincent as a newer resident of the town queried what community input there had been to the strategy. It was explained by the president with the assistance of several committee members present that a working group comprising representatives from the township committee and the community had contributed to the development of the strategy and that the Township Strategy had been widely circulated with the town before being endorsed by council, only seven responses were received by council.

Paul West from the Koo Wee Rup Cricket Club raised the issue of the need for more sporting grounds for Koo Wee Rup. He followed up on discussions at previous township meetings where there had been mention of surplus land purchased by VicRoads in the construction of the Koo Wee Rup bypass. The cricket club currently has 10 teams in seniors and juniors and finds it extremely difficult to accommodate these games every weekend. Both the Cricket Club and the Football club continue to grow with the growth of Koo Wee Rup.

Councillor Moore promised to check in with Councillor Young regarding a meeting held in 2014 investigating options to expand on the current site and will report back at the next meeting.

There was discussion about the Historical Society project to preserve the Koo Wee Rup Sun and their request for individuals and organisations to sponsor individual years to be copied digitised and preserved for the future. After some discussion it was decided that the Township Committee should contribute \$500 to this project.

Cathy McNulty from the Koo Wee Rup Business Association reported that 16 traders from Koo Wee Rup have recently completed mentoring program to help them prepare for the changes in trading brought about by the opening of the Koo Wee Rup bypass. THE KBA is running a "Smile you're in Koo Wee Rup" campaign. Businesses around town will be displaying signs on their windows to promote Koo Wee Rup as a friendly place to do business. Over the 12TH and 13TH June a promotion is being run to visit businesses in Koo Wee Rup with a chance to win an Apple iWatch.

STUDENTS GET SCHOOLED ON GRAFFITI

Cardinia Shire Council has delivered a pilot graffiti education program about the negative impacts of graffiti and tagging to students from five local schools. The program, delivered through Council's Community Risk and Emergency Management team, is aimed at young people at an age when they are likely to be experimenting, forming attitudes and being influenced by others. Students from Koo Wee Rup Secondary College joined students from other schools in the Shire. The sessions were delivered by a trained presenter from Warner Youth Education.

The pilot program raised graffiti and tagging issues in a way the students could identify. The program raises possibilities many young people may not have considered in relation to engaging in graffiti. The students learnt how police use photographs of tags to gather evidence against a tagger or that taggers could be forced to pay the clean-up bill, even years later. The sessions were high-energy and really powerful. You only had to look at the students' faces to see that valuable messages about graffiti were getting through.

During the sessions the presenter acted out scenes to demonstrate the social, financial and criminal consequences of picking up a spray can. Situations included a tagger being charged by police in front of his distraught mother and a young person giving in to peer pressure to engage in graffiti vandalism. Scenarios in which young people made the right choice were also portrayed.

A staff member from Council's Youth Services attended each session to provide information on positive recreational activities for young people after school and during school holidays, as well as support services available at My Place youth facility in Pakenham.

This pilot project was funded through the Victorian Government's Community Crime Prevention Program.

Peter and Lisa Elliston are behind one of the newest businesses in Corinella.

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"We wanted a friendly and quiet community to raise our young family and Corinella is perfect for us," Mr Elliston said.

"After working in the mining industry for nine years in New South Wales, Queensland and Papua New Guinea we decided it was time to take the next step and start our own business.

"We are looking forward to building strong working relationships in the area and also becoming part of the community- if you see us, come and say hi."

Prior to working in the mining industry, Mr Elliston gained his qualifications in diesel mechanics, working on John Deere equipment, Fendt tractors, Goldacre sprayers and Pellenc viticultural equipment.

Mrs Elliston also has a mining background, but has recently completed her Bachelor of Education and is currently looking after their five month old son, Noah. She will be helping Peter makes sure things run smoothly.

"We are very excited about our new home and our new business," Mr Elliston said.

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WHAT WAS THAT AIR RAID SIREN? - June 2015

It was the Koo Wee Rup Fire Brigade back up siren to alert all of the volunteers to attend the station for a turn out call. It's also used to let the local community know we are about to be out and about on a call.

- The calls we attended this month were:
- 25/5/15 – Burn off out of control – cnr Sth Gippsland Hwy and Dalmore Rd Tooradin
- 25/5/15 – Car Fire – Seven Mile Rd Nar Nar Goon
- 11/6/15 – Car Fire – Sth Gippsland Hwy Tooradin
- 14/6/15 – Car Accident – Cnr Rossiter Rd and Denhams Rd Koo Wee Rup
- 21/6/15 – House Fire - Sth Gippsland Hwy Lang Lang

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Do your kids know what to do when the smoke alarm goes off? Simple actions like getting down low and crawling under smoke save lives, and every family should have a home fire escape plan that identifies all possible escape routes.

Go to <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/plan-prepare/escape-plans/> for more information on home fire escape plans.



Winter Blues

So quickly we've gone from sunblock an' thongs,
To stokin' the fire with long-handled tongs,
From wearin' short shorts, to cope with the weather,
To sheepskin an' gumboots, an' layers of leather!

Winter's now upon us, that *wonderful* season,
For freezin' an' sneezin', an' coughin' an' wheezin',
When germs are *shared*, to assist the nasal drip,
An' pavements get greasy, so pedestrians can slip!

But I've been preparin' ... my body's *winter-trained*,
With cold-sores an' chilblains *already* well inflamed,
An' *wherever* it may be, right across this nation,
My favourite left knee can *sense* precipitation!

My body's kinda psychic, tho no-one woulda thought it,
If there's viruses to catch, I'm first to know I've caught it;

It's a sinus of the times ... when me adenoids tingle,
Contagious an' cantankerous, I'm not allowed to mingle!

So, in front of a fire of red gum an' sticks,
Wrapped in a blanket, an' smellin' of Vicks,
I'll sit an' repair through the wintery season ...
Happy in the knowledge, I've given rhyme a reason!

Mal Function ...the Poet Larrikin

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KOO WEE RUP SECONDARY COLLEGE

I would like to thank Leonie McGinley for replacing me as Principal during my leave to Israel. I would also like to thank Ben Gwynne for stepping up and looking after Staffing and Haje Halabi and Jarrod Main for taking on Acting AP Roles. The college has been in excellent hands and continued to move forward.

Planning for 2016 is commencing. All the new buildings are now fully functional and we can accommodate a few more families in the future. Soon we will be taking enrolments for next year and subject selection will commence.

I have received many positive comments about the new online Compass system which enables parents to track their child and follow college activities. More and more parents are also using the convenience of online financial arrangements rather than taking time out of work to come to the college.

The new buildings look stunning and this is a great achievement for the Town and College Community. I believe that we have state of the art facilities. While I was absent I asked Council to send a letter out to families to encourage politicians to work towards the second stage of redevelopment. Please provide your support in this.

The Student Council continues to grow and develop. There are excellent Captains this year who are very "hands on in their work" with the wider college. This is fantastic. Recently the SRC held a fantastic fun day called "Comfort " and was great!

I look forward to the College Production of Les Miserables from 26th August. Please attend. This event will be remarkable. Ticket purchasing is done online through TryBooking.

I wish Mrs Vis, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Floyd and Mrs Gallant all the best for their leave in term three.

The Uniform Committee has begun its uniform review for the future. The students are invited to participate. This is being led by Mrs McGinley. Changes (if any) will be announced in due course, but there will be a lengthy changeover period.

Donations to the College Building fund are fully tax deductible. Amongst other things we are looking for funds for a new fitness track and a new fascia for the front of the main building to match the new facilities.

With the wet weather coming along please keep an eye out on flood warnings. In the unlikely event that this should happen, buses may decide not to drive that morning leaving kids at lonely bus stops. The school is not likely to close. The SES would make decisions which families need to be aware of. SMS, our website (as well as SES) and mobile phones may also be useful places to get information. Please be careful.

On the first day back in Term 3 there will be a whole school assembly run by the Captains at 1pm in the tennis centre.

Kym Bridgford, Principal



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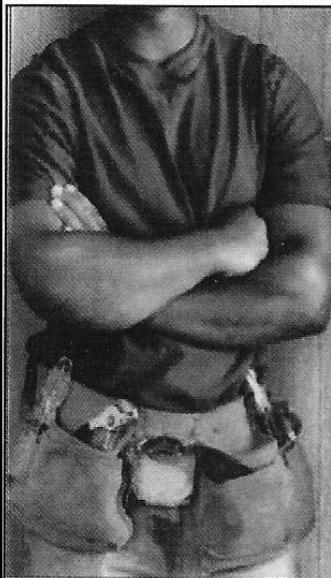
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ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, KOO WEE RUP



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on their continued faith journey.

St John the Baptist's Feast Day was celebrated on Wednesday 24th June with a morning Mass followed by activities throughout the day. We were treated to a sausage sizzle lunch, cooked by parent volunteers. The day was a lovely celebration of St John's life and a great reminder of how he prepared the way for Jesus.

Term Two ended with fun and laughter as the students came along to the School Disco to dance the night away. Not only did students pull out their best dance moves but also participated in group games, enjoyed a Sausage Sizzle dinner and of course, dressed-up for the occasion.

If you are interested in enrolling your child/ren at St John's, guided tours are available with our Principal, Mr Justin Greenwood. Please contact us on (03) 5997 1653 to arrange an appointment.

Kind regards, Kristy Telford, (Deputy Principal)

Senior students learnt about delivering CPR and the things they can do to assist in an emergency. This is what some of our Grade 5/6 students had to say about the day:

"We learnt how to do CPR and how to get oxygen and blood pumping back to the brain."

"I know how to follow the DRSABCD Action Plan."

"I learnt that you shouldn't hang up when you call emergency services."

On Sunday 21st June, we celebrated a very special Mass with a number of Grade Six students receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. The students, their parents and sponsors along with teachers and the Sacramental Team are to be congratulated for their hard work in preparing for the occasion. We wish the students all the best





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KOO WEE RUP Primary School

JULY

School returns
Monday 13th July

Breakfast Club
Wed. 8:15am

Assembly
Monday 20th at
2:30pm

It is with mixed feelings that I wish to advise that I have been successful in being appointed as Principal of Clyde PS effective from the 13th July, beginning of Term 3.

My time at Koo Wee Rup PS has been an ongoing positive learning experience. I have enjoyed getting to know the wonderful students and families in our community. I am immensely proud of the successes we have had at our school over the last two and a half years.

The decisions I have made have been centred on our students. We have a focus on teaching and learning with consistent programs and explicit teaching across our school. We have an orderly and safe learning environment for our students, staff and families. Our staff team are continually learning and reflecting on their professional practice in order to provide the best learning opportunities for our students with the view of developing skills that will ready them for the future.

I know that my leadership of this school and the programs and protocols that are in place, and the work our staff team have done has contributed to a growing positive school culture, a school where our students are always at the centre.

Arrangements are currently being made for my replacement and this will be an Acting Principal position until it is advertised later in the year. Thank you for all the opportunities I have had at Koo Wee Rup PS. I wish the school community; students, staff and families all the best for the future and know that with your support the school will continue to prosper.



Together We Learn

KOO WEE RUP Primary School

'Footsteps into Foundation 2016'

Term 3 Transition
2-3pm
Monday August 3rd
Monday August 17th
Monday August 31st
Monday September 14th



Term 4 Transition
1:45-3:15pm
Monday October 12th
Monday October 26th
Monday November 9th
Monday November 23rd
9am - 1pm
Tuesday December 8th

Our 'Footsteps Into Foundation' program has been established for new Foundation enrolments. The program involves nine planned transition sessions as well as parent information sessions. As Principal of Koo Wee Rup PS, I invite you to visit our welcoming and friendly school and see for yourself the high quality teaching and learning programs on offer for all students.

To arrange your personal tour, please contact Fiona Pratt on 5997 1272.

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Top Left: The Swamp Rat Venturer Scout Unit are gunning for new members, if you are 14-17 and want to give it a (nerf) shot, it's time to get us in your sights.



Top Right: The Venturer Scouts (14-17 years) are encouraged to "Look Wide" and to broaden their horizons - pictured above are the Venturer Leaders from Koo Wee Rup and Pakenham, they may have taken the concept that one step too far!



Left: Hats off to the Chefs - Koo Wee Scouts took on the might of the Lakeside Troop in a Master Chef Challenge this month. It was a closely fought battle in which everyone (at least everyone that got to eat) was the winner!

Below Left: Scouts at the Region Leadership Course at Camp Niall - older members of the Scout section are invited to participate in a leadership camp where they continue their journey towards becoming the community leaders of tomorrow.



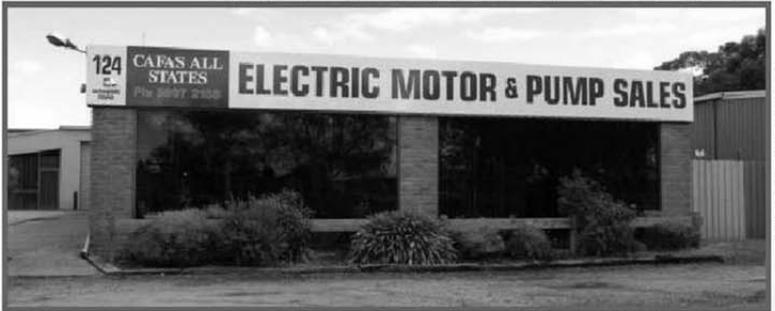
Above: Training is an integral part of Scouting, Queen Scout (and Rover Crew Leader) Jarryd Tempest and his train driving family (as pictured on the 7 Sunday Night News) appear to have taken the theme to heart and rolled with it.

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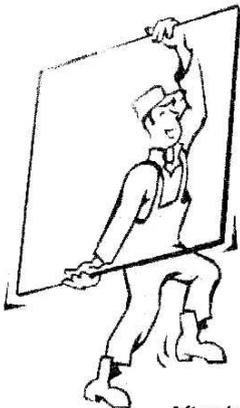
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KWR RSL SUB BRANCH REPORT

We would like to thank the community of K W R and district for the wonderful support they gave the Anzac Badge AND Memorabilia Appeal which was excellent.

Vice President John Camilleri attended The Harold Bould Memorial Award afternoon tea at the office of Edward O'Donohue MLC at Pakenham in June where last year's 10 Cardinia Shire winners are due to depart at the end of June to walk the Kokoda Track with representatives of the 39th Battalion Association.

In mid June we had 9 members attend the Annual Change Over Dinner with KWR district Lions Club at the Warrook Homestead.

In July we have our Annual Secondary School – RSL dinner where the students prepare, cook, serve & wait on the tables which is always a great night

*Regards Ivan Royle Secretary
KWR Sub Branch*

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Residents can register to participate in the program and book a mini-myna magnet trap during the trial period. A \$100 deposit is payable upon collection of the trap. Borrowers must sign an agreement to confirm that any birds trapped are captured and euthanised according to humane, RSPCA-endorsed methods. The trial will run until July 2016 and following a review, may become a permanent program.

Indian mynas are an introduced species and one of the most invasive and aggressive animal species in the world. They force native birds and small mammals out of their nests and tree hollows, and prey on baby native birds. By using sticks and rubbish to build nests inside roofs, Indian mynas also create fire hazards. They scavenge in open bins and spread rubbish, causing public health risks. Droppings and mites from their nests also contribute to the spread of disease.

To register for the Indian myna trapping program, contact Council on 1300 787 624 or mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au



NEW LOCAL LAW ADOPTED

Cardinia Shire Council adopted Local Law 17, at a Council meeting on Monday 15 June. The local law comes into effect immediately, and replaces Local Law 10 and Local Law 9.

Key changes include:

- Personal trainers/boot camp operators require a permit to offer training in municipal reserves
- a new limit on the amount of poultry and large birds that may be kept in residential areas before a permit is required
- Clarities on open air burning offences, the use of kerbside waste collection services and dangerous trees on private land
- Prohibiting smoking within 10 metres of municipal buildings
- Increasing the infringement penalty for wandering livestock on roads.

For more information about the changes visit Council's ['Local Law 17' web page](#).

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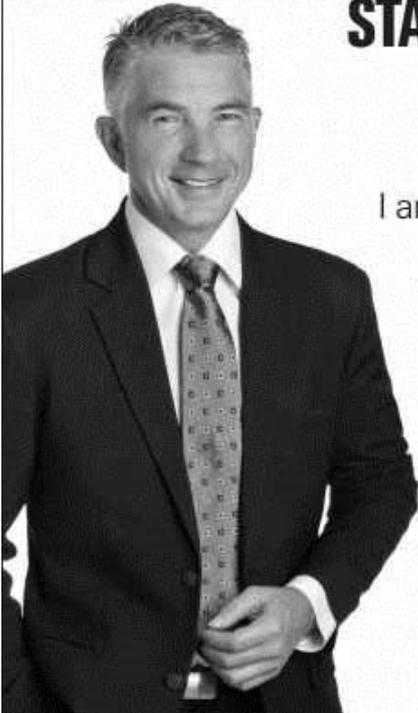
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KBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the community of, and visitors to, Koo wee rup

The business association has had another busy month with a promotion and a special event being held.

On Friday 12th and Saturday 13th June the KBA ran a 'Shop in Koo Wee' promotion which promoted lots of interest in the local and surrounding community. You may have noticed the blue and red balloons. The organisers did a fabulous job putting it together. Rob Muré of One Agency reports:

The KBA recently conducted a promotion to celebrate the opening of the Koo Wee Rup bypass. The intention was to encourage people to visit Koo Wee Rup and experience the town without the noisy trucks. A prize was offered for anyone entering 10 local businesses and just saying hello. The event was a great success with many businesses reporting that they had many new faces just dropping in to have a look. We hope that this may become an annual event with bigger and better prizes. Many thanks to the 24 local businesses that participated in the event and congratulation to Jackie Drysdale for winning the Apple iWatch.

On 16 June the 'Crisis Planning for Business' meeting was held at the Koo wee rup community centre. The presenters were Anna Maciejewska from the SES and Anthony Turner from Are You Ready Cathy McNulty, KBA Secretary, reports:

In conjunction with the Cardinia Shire Council, the KBA organised two speakers to talk to local businesses owners about Crisis management. Though sometimes this topic is hard to swallow when not in disaster this was an extremely successful evening with traders and businesses learning the importance of pre-planning for these large events. The evening was a huge success with many businesses taking the time out to talk and learn about how best to prepare and plan for a crisis in their business.

On a personal note the event was a real eye opener for me. It brought to my mind emergencies that previously I would not have included under the heading 'disaster' in relation to how it would impact on my business. These emergency situations encompass ill health, family situations, crime, power loss, as well as fire, flood etc.

There are some very positive comments being made about shopping in Koo wee rup now the bypass is channeling most of the trucks around the town. The one that is heard most is "how easy it is to cross the road now". Also parking and exiting cars is easier and, it goes without saying, much safer. I have also noticed a rise in the amount of cars stopping and people shopping. Another noticeable difference is the reduction of noise and pollution which comes with heavy vehicles. All in all a very nice environment to spend time in.

There are two business showcases this month:

Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed

Brett Batcheldor originally came to Koo wee rup and reopened the recently closed down Stockfeed Store in 1996. He owned and managed it as Batches Stockfeed until around 2003. At this time he decided to sell the business. The new owners asked him to stay on as manager. He took up their offer. The store was renamed Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed, and continued to provide excellent service to its clients. Brett started out in the Stockfeed business in Cranbourne in 1984. Over the years he has gained vast amounts of knowledge and is able to assist in all areas of livestock and their feed requirements. Brett also shows pure bred poultry and can assist with all your enquiries with regard to your poultry problems.



Chandelier Café

Brent James has owned and managed the Chandelier Café for 4½ years.

At the age of 14 Brent started working at the service station on Station St. At the age of 20 he purchased the business then in approximately 2010 sold the business to John Duff and Co but continued to manage the business until opening the Chandelier Café in 2010. As you can see, Brent has strong ties with Koo wee rup and the community.

Brent also had a previous history working in cafés and thought that he had some good ideas that he could incorporate with his particular expertise that would enhance Koo wee rup's café atmosphere. The Chandelier Café is a great place to relax in with its friendly atmosphere and wonderful staff. The food is delicious and the coffee may just be up there with the best you've ever tasted.



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KBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT *(continued from previous page)*

Due to the special event held on the 16th the KBA did not hold its usual monthly meeting, but will be back on schedule for its AGM on Tuesday July 21st. We encourage all businesses to attend if possible. The association is open for membership any time throughout the year. For any information please feel free to contact me.

So, till August take care and stay warm,

Vicki Charlton, President, Koo wee rup business association

KBA BUSINESS MENTORING PROGRAM

Local traders recently undertook a business workshop and mentoring program facilitated by Cardinia Shire Council and sponsored by the state government. The aim of the program was to ensure that they have the necessary strategies to move their businesses into the future in a positive manner. Three workshops were followed up with five one-on-one mentoring sessions. Over the next few months, we will be talking to businesses who undertook the course.

Chandelier Café

Brent from the Chandelier Café found the mentoring sessions useful. As the sole proprietor of a small business, he comes up with ideas and implements them without much outside input. Having someone who understood his business to talk with, gave him renewed confidence that he had made good choices when setting up and running his business. He was promoting his business well using social media, signage and other advertising, trying new things and offering great customer service.

Brent remembers stopping at the front door of the café on the morning after a workshop and looked through his customers eyes rather than his own. Instead of seeing a familiar workplace he felt the café looked cluttered rather than inviting. He reorganised his stock to make a more relaxing atmosphere for his customers.

Since the bypass opened, Brent has been surprised to see that his business has increased rather than fallen away. Out-of-towners are still dropping in on their way through and locals are coming in larger numbers; maybe because the town is now a nicer place to visit without the constant traffic.

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Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed

Angela from Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed says that the program gave them newfound enthusiasm for their business and got them thinking about ways they could improve their business to better service their loyal customers.

Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed has provided a very good range with competitive prices and great customer service. They were encouraged by the program to reach out to their loyal customers in new ways. They will be more proactive in notifying regular customers of deals and new items and will use social media to engage with old and new customers.

Koo Wee Rup Stockfeed will be holding information nights to help educate their customers on how to get the best out of their products. The first session was held in May with a seminar on Horse Nutrition attended by over 30 people. It was a very informative evening with the presenter answering questions regarding feeding before, during and after competitions, speaking about Nutrition to influence recovery rates after riding and covered other topics including omega 3 for horses, gastric ulcers and supplements.

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ROTARY CLUB OF KOO WEE RUP - LANG LANG

Wow what an ending to President Sam's year with our changeover on Wednesday the 24th of June with over 80 attending. Many of the highlights of the club's activities throughout the year were mentioned, it feels like yesterday that President Sam took the reins, he certainly has kept us on our toes and 'Service Above Self' has certainly come to the fore. It has been a most rewarding year I am sure for President Sam and his wife Judy as it has been for the members and partners. We would like to thank them sincerely for all that they have put into the club for the year but also wish them a bit of rest now. Dean Turner took on the challenge of Secretary after only being a member for a short time, he has taken to the task 'like a duck to water' with the wonderful assistance of his wife Bek. It has been a pleasure to have their children, Mylee, Kirby and Toby along to some of our meetings throughout the year. The board also should be thanked for their support to President Sam throughout the year and they were, Vice President Bruce Thomas, Bruce also had the mantle of Assistant Governor, Treasurer Rudy de Jong, President Elect Graham Warry, International & Youth Services John McDonnell, Community Service Bob Comber, Vocational Services Hayden Giles, they have supported President Sam with great assurance.

Changeover is always a grand affair in recognising members with a Paul Harris Fellow and this year was no exemption. Hayden Giles was recognised with a Paul Harris Fellow for his dedication to community, not just the Rotary community also the local community with his commitment to scouts, football, the Secondary College and Club 21. Congratulations Hayden and sorry the selected few couldn't let you in on the secret so you could wear your suit. As mentioned it's always grand to recognise members for their commitment to the community, so a second one to hand over, this recognition went to Rudy de Jong. Rudy is a tireless worker for the community and Rotary so he was recognised with his second Paul Harris Fellow in a Sapphire Pin. Congratulations Hayden and Rudy, well deserved by you both.

Incoming President Graham Warry also has a well prepared and experienced board behind him and along with his wife Cheryl I am sure that President Graham's year will also be rewarding for them and the club. All the very best to you, Cheryl and your board for your year ahead.

Back to business on reporting on our activities of the past couple of months. Our lads do like a good wood chop and helping out another organisation so with this in mind the boys set off to Bell Park Scout Camp for the task. Bell Park is in the process of clearing a number of fallen trees so we were happy to aid them in getting rid of the wood for wood raffles. One load of wood has been supplied to Mathew West who will be attending the World Junior Baseball Championships in Japan, so if you see Mathew and family, buy a ticket to support him please in his quest to further improve his baseball abilities.

The recent disasters in Nepal and Vanuatu has devastated those countries and with the assistance from Rotary we are providing funds and Disaster Boxes, working alongside other Rotary Clubs in those areas to provide safe drinking water and housing alternatives to those in need. A range of boxes are available from safe drinking water to alternative housing. If you would like to donate you can ring our Secretary and he will put you in the right direction.

Life Education is greatly supported by our club, not just with funds but also in moving 2 vans around and maintaining them. The Cranbourne van in recent times has been to Phillip Island, Wonthaggi North and Rangebank and the Berwick van has been moved to Macclesfield, Tecoma and Upwey, they certainly keep the wheels turning. But they don't turn on their own, the two vans are housed at Cardinia at Rudy & Joy de Jong's home. Rudy keeps them well readied for each move. Rudy is ably assisted by many volunteers who move the vans around, which is not an easy ask in some very tight locations.

Carol Chou, our exchange student from Taiwan, has had a full year in Australia. Ehuca, horse riding, Rock to Reef, football, bike ride reunion and outbound information day, a concert, Yarra Valley, trips to Melbourne, many goodbye dinners with Rotarians and friends and celebrating her 18th birthday with the club have been on the agenda the past couple of months. Carol did her final presentation to the club with many guests in attendance. Carol's presentation was excellent to say the least and shows how far she has come in her year here. The evening was enjoyed by all who came to wish her farewell. We wish Carol a wonderful future and safe travels back home to Taiwan, where we are sure her family and friends will be regaled with all her activities while in Australia. Once again we thank the Kooweerup Secondary College and students for their support to Carol for the past year.

Pride of Workmanship are awarded to employees of local businesses. Colin Brown from Lang Lang was awarded for his assistance to maintaining the Life Education Vans. Charlie Lansdown was recognised for his services to the CFA and also to the Life Education vans. Brian Humphries was recognised for his service to customers changing tyres. Brian is employed at Larmax tyre repair service and by all accounts is kept very busy at one particular Rotarians farm. Congratulations to all three on your outstanding service. The club presented this award to Dean our Secretary in 2002, this spurred him to join Rotary and he enjoys every minute of being a member.

From time to time we meet outside of our regular meeting venue to either visit a work place or in this case the Holden Museum in Traralgon. The evening was a great hit with members and much was learnt about the history of our iconic Holden. The museum is not all about Holden cars, it showcases Holden Products prior to General Motors Holden, a fascinating visit well recommended by those that attended.

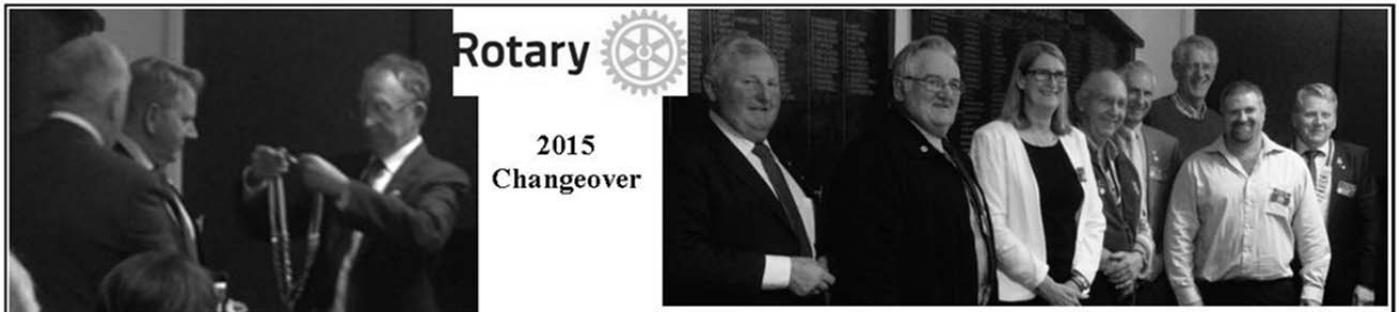
The Aged Care Facility is still moving along. We thank the Lang Lang Bowling Club for their donation towards this well needed facility in Lang Lang.

It is always rewarding encouraging the youth of the district and with RYPEN, Rotary Youth Program (of) ENrichment we were able to provide a weekend to Forrest Edge for 2 students from the Kooweerup Secondary College. RYPEN is a Rotary sponsored program for Year Ten and Eleven Students, for schools within District 9820 to attend a weekend camp designed at developing their potential through a mixture of lecture type sessions and adventure-based learning. It's aim is to communicate to young people a series of ideas, problems and social experiences which will assist them in forming their own values and moral standards. A program of thought provoking speakers, social situation and personal challenges is offered. This program is available yearly along with a number of other opportunities.

We congratulate Alan Laughton on his recent service trip to Timor Leste on the island of Atauro to erect an 'add-on' room to an existing building and build a toilet block. Alan noted that he was contactable by phone as they were only one hour (and 3 decades) behind time-wise. Alan not only enjoyed participating in this project but the beach which was only 4 steps from his hut. Well done Alan.

We had a number of guest speakers in the past months. Darren Smales, Manager Proving Grounds Operation at Lang Lang, gave us great run-down on how the site operates today and the history of this iconic Lang Lang land mark. Di Clover gave us an insight into Horse Training and the Spring Racing Carnival. Ken Peake and David Swainsbury from Gippsland Rotary Centenary House also presented an impressive insight into the assistance provided to patients requiring Cancer treatment in their accommodation facility at Traralgon Hospital.

For more information please phone our secretary Dean Turner on 0418 574 508. The club meets at the Lang Lang Sports Club every Wednesday at 6.30 for 7pm start.



Rotary

**2015
Changeover**



Top Left: District Governor Elect Merv Williams inducting President Nominee Graham Warry to the position of President 2015-2016.

Top Right: Board for 2015-2016, Vice President Sam Loughridge, President Elect Jan Kruizinga, International & Youth Sue Carson, Vocational Hayden Giles, Treasurer Rudy de Jong, Community Harold Keily, Secretary Dean Turner & President Graham Warry.

Bottom Left: Cheryl Warry & Judy Loughridge.

Bottom Right: District Governor Elect Merv Williams & wife



Left: Darren Smales, LL Proving Ground
Right: Alan Laughton, Atauro Island
Bottom left two: Ken Peake on Gippsland Rotary Centenary House
Bottom right two: President Sam assisting Di Clover on Horse Training. Not sure President Sam would cut the mustard as a jockey.



**GUEST
SPEAKERS**



Rudy de Jong receiving his Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire Pin



Hayden Giles receiving his Paul Harris Fellow.

As Paul Harris Fellow is when a person is recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow, they are presented with a Certificate signed by the Rotary International President and the Chairman of the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation, and a lapel pin and medalion.



Pride of Workmanship recipients:
Left: Brian Humphries with President Sam
Centre: Charlie Lansdown with President Sam and Treasurer Rudy de Jong
Right: Colin Brown with Hayden Giles and President Sam



Carol's Corner



Some of the activities that Carol participated in the past few months



Left: quilt made by Judy Loughridge as a parting gift. Right: Rock to Reef, yes Carol is in there somewhere



The farewell committee:
Left: school friends
Bottom: club members
Right: on her way



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1.00pm - 3.00pm OR**

**Thursdays commencing 30 July for 8 sessions
6.00pm - 8.00pm
Cost: \$30**

Kids in the Kitchen

For primary school aged kids. Chefs in the making. A fun and interactive cooking class. A great opportunity for kids to experiment with food and get interested in cooking. Cost covers all ingredients.

**Mondays commencing 27 July for 6 sessions
4.00pm - 5.30pm Cost: \$90**

Group Golf Lessons

Mixed and Ladies classes available

Learn how to play golf, or fine tune your existing skills. Group lessons suitable for beginners or experienced golfers. Held at Pakenham & District Golf Club - clubs supplied.

Ladies only: 12.00pm - 1.00pm OR

Mixed: 1.00pm - 2.00pm

Tuesdays commencing 28 July for 4 sessions OR

Tuesdays commencing 25 August for 4 sessions

Cost: \$50 for 4 sessions

LIFEVIEW EMERALD GLADES – BUS TOUR NATIONAL RHODODENDRON GARDENS FREE

Join Lifeview Emerald Glades on a bus trip to the National Rhododendron Gardens Olinda, with a snack pack and drink provided. The bus will pick up from Lifeview Emerald Glades front foyer between 9am - 9:15am then proceed to the National Rhododendron Gardens – on arrival guests will board the National Rhododendron Garden Explorer bus for a leisurely tour around the gardens, approximately 25 minutes. After the tour guests will have an opportunity to sit and enjoy their snack pack & drink before returning on the bus to Lifeview Emerald Glades – approximately 12:30pm.

Bookings required by 12/10/15 as numbers are limited.

VENUE:

Meet at Lifeview Emerald Glades – 15 Emerald-Monbulk Road Emerald

DATE:

20/10/2015

TIME:

Pickup 9 - 9:15am

BOOKINGS:

Lifeview Corporate Office – ph: 9572 9600 by 12/10/15

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July 2015

KRHS are developing strong partnerships with the residents of Cardinia Waters in Pakenham. A number of tours and presentations have been held and well received.



On Friday the 19th, 7 residents from Killara with volunteers and staff from KRHS went to Cochrane Park to try out the new "All Abilities Access" play equipment. They were joined by students from Koo Wee Rup Primary School, the Mayor Cr Leticia Wilmot & Councillors Graeme Moore and David Young, having fun in the fresh air and sunshine.

Representatives from the council project team and equipment manufacturers were on hand to answer questions and tell us about their ideas behind the project. As part of the council's Playground Renewal Program, The Roundabout, Open swing and Bongo set are all specifically designed for use by every member of the community, accommodating all abilities and all types of mobility equipment.



Volunteers Needed Do you have a hobby or craft? Do you play the piano or guitar? Do you have a bit of spare time to spend with our residents? We would love to hear from you. please call Mariana -our volunteer co-ordinator on 5997 9792 for more information.

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Don't miss these great programs happening here in Koo Wee Rup - open to everyone

Preserving for Life

Come and learn about cooking, nutrition and preserving seasonal food
This 4 week session with a cook & share lunch will teach you how to preserve and prepare food and so much more

Held at the
Koo Wee Rup Community Centre
 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup
 from 10am to 2.00pm on
Tuesday 14th July,
Tuesday 21st July,
Tuesday 28th July,
Tuesday 4th August, 2015

Contact Jesse on 0418971640 for bookings and more information

Dementia Awareness Day

15th July, 2015
11.00am to 1.00pm
Hewitt Eco House Community Room
 215 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup

Light refreshments available

For bookings and more information contact Aileen 5997 9681

Proudly sponsored by the KWR Men's Shed

Computer Classes

Classes are held in the Kooweerup Men's Shed, 215 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup. Friday mornings suit absolute beginners at 9.00am and more advanced at 10.00am. Bookings essential as places are limited to 5 per group. Please phone Geoff on 5997 1974 or Brian on 5997 9687

Nature play with your child

KOOWEERUP REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

We welcome you to experience play time in our Koo Wee Rup Community Garden with your children. We encourage hands on activities, story telling, group play, smell, taste & touch activities. New and exciting theme every month.

July - Worms!
 Run by 2 local mums, Linny & Lyndsay
 Sponsored by KWR Men's Shed & Community Garden

Location: 215 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup
Cost: Gold coin donation
 BYO snack and drink for story time includes tea & coffee

When: Saturday 25th July
 9.30 - 11.30am
 All craft activities supplied
 For more information: call Brian on 5997 9687

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July 2015

Coffee can actually be good for you!

Studies show coffee can do more than just wake you up; it can provide important health benefits.

Many people drink coffee to clear their minds and give themselves a boost of energy to kick-start their day. I enjoy a strong coffee percolator style every morning!

What you may not know that this dark delicious morning brew offers plenty of health benefits too.

***Let's have a look at the research:***

Studies have shown that consuming caffeinated coffee may reduce the risk of death from heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and infections.

Men who drink at least six cups of coffee per day had a 10% lower risk of all-cause mortality compared with those who didn't drink coffee.

Women who drank at least six cups of coffee per day had a 15% decreased risk of all-cause mortality compared with non-drinkers.

People who drink at least three cups of coffee per day had a 10% chance of living longer than nondrinkers.

Older adults who drink three cups of coffee per day were less likely to develop Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

Other studies have found the following:

Drinking up to four cups of caffeinated coffee per day may decrease the risk of developing type 2 diabetes by as much as 25%.

Consuming coffee helps control symptoms of Parkinson's disease.

Men who drank six or more cups of either caffeinated or decaffeinated coffee per day had a 20% lower risk of developing prostate cancer.

People who drink coffee are 50% less likely to develop liver cancer than non-drinkers. A few studies even found lower rates of colon, breast, and rectal cancers among coffee drinkers.

Reasons for Health Benefits

The humble coffee bean has been shown to contain a large number of antioxidants.

There are approximately 1,000 antioxidants in green coffee beans, and an additional 300 antioxidants are added during the brewing process. Polyphenols, including chlorogenic, caffeic, and ferulic acids, are the chief health-promoting antioxidants in coffee.

Most studies that assess the benefits of coffee consumption saw positive effects after two to four cups, but these effects can vary from person to person. Caffeine consumption and its effects are individual and are based upon gender, body mass, age, certain medications, and health conditions such as anxiety disorders.

How Much Is Too Much?

A Moderate coffee intake of no more than six cups per day is recommended to avoid negative side effects such as restlessness, insomnia, nervousness, irritability, headache, increased blood pressure, gastrointestinal distress, and benign fibrocystic breast disease.

Janelle Couch, Dietitian, Kooweerup Regional Health Service

pilates

45 minute class with a qualified instructor,
 Mondays at 6.00pm and Fridays 1.30pm
 \$5.00 per session at the KRHS Physio room. concession available
 RSVP is essential. Call Aileen for more information 5997 9681
 or to register: Sharyn Gregory 5997 9761





Please join us for an afternoon of
Old Time Dancing
Next Dance
 1pm - 4pm
on Wednesday, 8 July
at Koo Wee Rup Senior Citizens Club
Icke Road, Koo Wee Rup
Bring a partner or come on your own
Everyone welcome

BAYLES FAUNA PARK

Working Bee
 Sunday, 12 July
 9 am to 12 noon
 followed by a sausage sizzle

Next Meeting
 Monday, 27 July at 7:30 pm
 at the Bayles Hall

All welcome



**TurningPoint Church Koo Wee Rup
 &
 Koo Wee 4 Kidz**

Presents

Bible Heroes Holiday Club 2015

Koo Wee Rup Community Hall

Starting Monday 6th July to Friday 10th July

9.30am – 12 noon

(\$20 per child for the full week or \$5 per day)

Concluding Friday night with ~ A Heroes “Hall” of Fame

7pm – 8pm

Followed by supper

For more information please contact Jade 0430 280 793

(Booking’s are essential for catering purposes)




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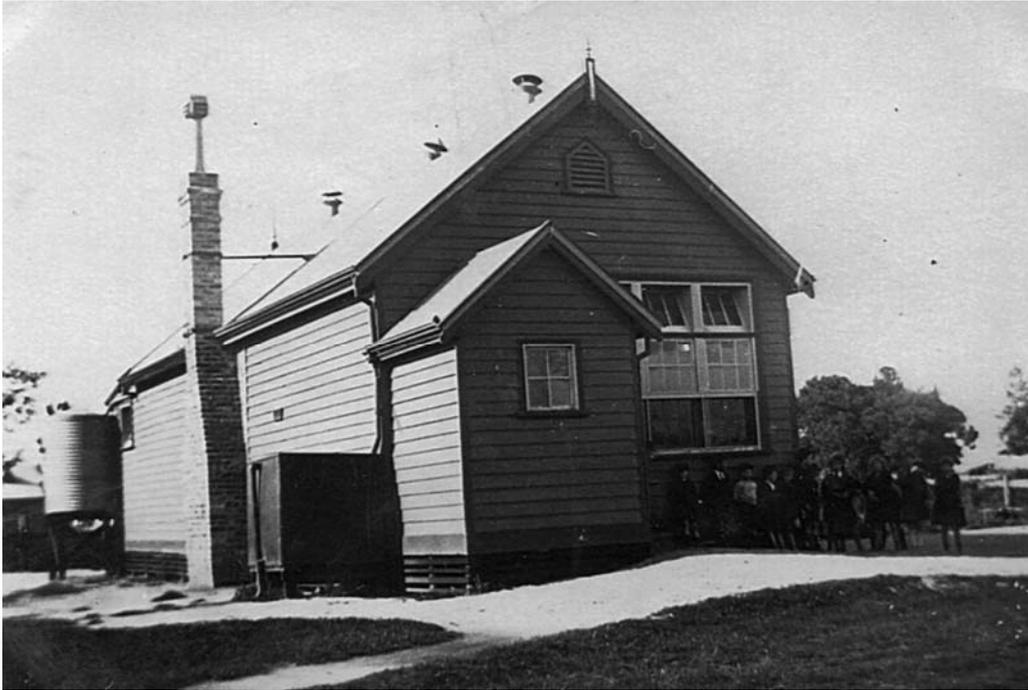
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STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS THAT CARRIED THE KOO-WEE-RUP NAME.

By Heather Arnold, on behalf of the Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society.

There have been four State Primary Schools named Koo-Wee-Rup. In 1884 School No. 2629 was built on the corner of Bayles Road and Bethune's Road. It was originally known as Yallock, but changed its name to Koo-Wee-Rup in 1903. The school officially opened on November 1, 1884. The first Head teacher was Eva Hurst and the initial enrolment was 22 pupils. Miss Hurst was replaced by Mary Dodd, who was in turn replaced by Mrs Grace MacKenzie in 1888. There was agitation, from as early as 1891, to have the school location moved closer to the town of Koo-Wee-Rup, which was growing due partly to the arrival of the railway in 1890. The School population moved into the Public Hall in Rossiter Road in 1909 and in the September of 1910 classes moved to the original school building, which had been shifted into town to the site where the Secondary College now stands. Mrs MacKenzie left the school in 1911 to take up a new appointment at Moolort. The original school building became redundant when a new building was opened in February 1915 and this old building eventually became the Island Road School.



Koo-Wee-Rup North School 1927

In 1894, the Koo-Wee-Rup South School (No. 3198) was established at Five Mile. The building was previously the San Remo School. This school has the distinction of starting its life called Koo-Wee-Rup South and then having its name changed to Koo-Wee-Rup North. The school was closed in 1959 and became part of Pakenham Consolidated School. There was a movement towards School consolidation during the Second World War. Male teachers had enlisted which caused a staff shortage and school maintenance had declined due to materials and resources being put into the war effort. Pakenham was chosen as a site

for a Consolidated School, and all rural schools within five miles had to close. Beyond five miles the School communities could vote on it. The schools which eventually formed Pakenham Consolidated School, which was opened in May 1951, were Pakenham Upper, Pakenham South, Toomuc Valley, Army Road, Mount Burnett, Tynong, Tynong North, Nar Nar Goon North, Nar Nar Goon South, Rythdale, Officedale, Cora Lynn and Koo-Wee-Rup North

School No. 3456 was opened in 1903 in Modella in temporary premises (a room in a private house). At the time the area and the school was known as Koo-Wee-Rup East. The School moved to its permanent location in 1904 and on February 16 1905 officially changed its name to Modella.

In January 1907 the Koo-Wee-Rup Central School (No. 3502) was built at Cora Lynn. By September of the same year its name was changed to Cora Lynn. The first Head Teacher was John McGibbon. This school became part of Pakenham Consolidated School in May 1951.

The Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at Mallow house in Rossiter Road, corner of Henry Street. New members welcome. The Museum is open the second and fourth Sundays from 1.30pm until 4.30pm. Heather Arnold harnold@dcsi.net.au ☎ 5629 4396.



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Public Art Naming Competition Submission Form

Cardinia

Prize: \$200

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:



Propose a name for the artwork and give an explanation below for a chance to win \$200

Artwork Name:

Explanation of why you have chosen this name:

Competition closes 5pm Friday July 17th 2015

Winner will be announced at the launch of the new work in August 2015.

Please submit your form:

- In the competition box provided at the Koo Wee Rup Newsagency or
- Scan and email to arts@cardinia.vic.gov.au or
- Post to Cultural Development Officer, PO Box 7, Pakenham, VIC, 3810

Note: The winning name will become the property of Cardinia Shire Council.

Koo Wee Rup Public Art Naming Competition

Prize: \$200

The Koo Wee Rup Township Committee and Cardinia Shire Council, invite residents to submit ideas for naming a new Public Art work to be installed in Cochrane Park in June 2015.

Please read the artists statement and reflect upon the artwork and themes when considering a name for the work.

ARTIST STATEMENT:

The sculpture was inspired by the relationship between the natural environment and the hard work of man that built Koo Wee Rup. The brave project of digging the drains many years ago allowed the land to be liveable, without this, Koo Wee Rup would not exist today as a town and community. The drains also form the visual landscape today, and function to keep people above the water and safe from flood. They are necessary for the town's future growth. Each channel like section of steel represents a drain where water travels to keep people safe, collectively gathered they become like wings in flight, hovering and allowing people to live above the water. The sense of graceful movement in the sculpture alludes to people living lightly on the land and the design intends a suggestion that man and nature need to live together harmoniously. The rusted surface shows the transition of nature, time and history and yet is strong and long lasting. The box like channels, welded together, symbolise working together to achieve a desired outcome. They are like the stepping stones of history that formed a town.



Pictures are of the **model**. The final sculpture will be made of Corten (rusted) Steel and will measure approximately 3.3 x 2.7m.

This picture denotes the size/scale of the work in relation to an adult sized figure.