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MARCH 2016

ASPARAGUS TAKES CENTRE STAGE

Last month members of the Australian Culinary Foundation's Young Chefs Club visited Koo Wee Rup to learn more about Asparagus.

Vizzari Farms hosted the chefs taking them from growing and picking asparagus through to the packing sheds demonstrating the speed with which asparagus gets from the paddock to the plate in Victoria.

The tour then moved to the Royal Hotel where asparagus was the star of the show.

Renan Maiorino, Executive Chef at the Cardinia Park Hotel prepared two entrées and two mains to demonstrate the versatility of asparagus. He told the young chefs how excited he was to work with produce that had come to him direct from the paddock that morning.



THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *(Edited Extracts)*

The Township held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, 3 February. Township Meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 2 March at 7:30 pm at the Community Centre.

Township Committee had sent a letter to VicTrack asking whether there were any plans to extend the rail trail beyond Koo Wee Rup to Lang Lang, and whether the parking bays at the bus station could be repainted, VicTrack forwarded the letter to Public Transport Victoria. Frank Cramer will use the contact provided on VicTrack's return letter to find out who at Public Transport Victoria we need to speak to in order to progress the matter.

Cr David Young reported on the following council matters:

- Cr Young met with George Fittock and Mark Howard from council to find a suitable site to relocate the 'Welcome to Koo Wee Rup' sign on the Bayles entrance to town. It was agreed that the sign should be placed on the Tesoro Estate side of Rossiter Road, which can be set far enough away from the road to allow safe access to maintain the sign. Mark Howard will confirm the suitability of this site with VicRoads. The sign needs to be constructed in such a way that it would collapse if struck by a car.
- New council signs are going up around Port Ward in the next few months.
- Cr Young is waiting on a firm pricing on replacing the plaque on the sculpture 'Embankment' in Cochrane Park. If the new plaque is placed on the concrete footing, it will need to be approved by the sculptor; otherwise it may be possible to install it on a separate footing.

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Food and a variety of other stalls will also be operating.

Please note this is an alcohol free event.

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Bayles Music Festival - Program

Park Stage		Hall Stage	
11:00	In Harmony	11:00	Many More
11:40	KooWeeRup Sec.	11:40	Joe Matera
12:10	Old Dogs	12:00	Jen Taylor
12:50	Reid Stevens	12:40	KooWeeRup Sec.
1:10	John Veloso	1:10	Mark Lindsay
1:30	Limberjacks	1:30	Alan Lazarus
2:00	St John’s– K’Wee (tbc)	1:50	Sandy Rasmussen
2:30	Jaz Power	2:10	EJN Trio
2:50	Perera Family	2:50	Clem Sedgman
3:10	Tidal Moon	3:10	Bayles PS
4:00	GREG CHAMPION	3:40	Peter Adams
5:00			CLOSE

ROLL IN THE FEEDBACK

Council’s Draft Skate and BMX Strategy has been developed and is now open to community feedback. The new draft strategy will guide Council in delivering and improving skate and BMX facilities around the shire, and ensure high quality and diverse facilities are available for all ages and abilities. It will replace Council’s existing Skate Strategy (2002).

The development of the draft Skate and BMX Strategy is jointly funded by Council and the Victorian Government through Sport and Recreation Victoria’s Community Facilities Funding Program.

Feedback can be provided by an online feedback form, email or by mailing a submission to:

Recreation Team
 Cardinia Shire Council
 PO Box 7
 Pakenham, VIC 3810

Submissions close Sunday 20 March 2016.

To view a copy of the draft strategy, or for more information visit the 'Recreation strategies, policies and plans' section of Council's webpage www.cardinia.vic.gov.au or contact Council's Recreation team on 1300 787 624.

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- The disabled toilet near the swimming pool had been installed with the wrong mechanism on the door which is why it had never operated properly. The contractors had undertaken to repair this expediently; although Cr Young could not confirm whether it had been done yet. Cr Young had been advised that the door would now operate on a universal key available to all disabled people. The meeting expressed surprise that such a key existed as none of those present had ever seen one, despite some having family members with disabilities. Cr Young was asked to advise the appropriate council authorities that the Township Committee would like the toilet to be accessible to everyone, not just key holders. Disabled toilets are routinely used by women with infants or toddlers and, with the proximity to the playground in Cochrane Park, the toilet should be available to all.
- The Big Budget Brainstorm wrap up meeting was held in December when the 10 most popular ideas, as voted by local residents, were considered for inclusion in the upcoming budget. The drift trike track was the highest ranking idea, and council will offer support to the drift trike club in the way of finding and zoning a suitable site, but will not offer financial support; council have suggested that the club use their considerable lobbying power to leverage funding from the State Government. The ideas that have been included in the budget were ones that were either already planned, and could be brought forward, or could be put into place with minimal financial expenditure. The council feel the exercise was successful and will incorporate it into the budget process on a regular basis in the future.
- The laneway from the rail trail to Station Street opposite Moody Street is in train. The owner of the site is prepared to release the land to council to allow the project to go ahead independent of any development on the site. Site development plans are with the shire planning department to review levels and to ascertain how the path will go in. Progress may be slow, but it is progressing.
- This year's Lang Lang Show was very good with a strong showing of horses and dogs, some cattle and excellent produce.
- Council's annual free race day at Tynong Racetrack was a twilight meeting this year and was very well attended.

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- KWRSC student Calvin Finch has been awarded the Harold Bould Memorial Award for 2015 to walk the Kokoda Track. Usually two awards are made, but Calvin was the outstanding nominee this year and was awarded on his own.

- Moody Street is being sealed (finally!)

Cr Young congratulated Ron Ingram on being named Cardinia Shire Citizen of the Year.

Frank Worcester advised that a load of mulch had been delivered to the 'Welcome to Koo Wee Rup' sign on boundary drain and wondered who would spread it. George Fittock undertook to see whether the work could be undertaken by one of the mentoring groups at the Men's Shed.

Rob Muré once again asked Cr Young whether the Township Strategy should be referred to by the planning department when approving redevelopment of residential blocks. Cr Young confirmed that it should be. Rob advised that there was a home in the old part of town that had lodged a proposal with council that contravened the Strategy in terms of road frontage. There was a feeling at the meeting that the Township Strategy was being ignored on a regular basis by the Council planning department and it was questioned why the strategy had been developed if it wasn't going to be used. Cr Young undertook to take this back to council.

The state of the corner lot now housing a regular trash and treasure business was raised. The site is seen as something of an eyesore with mounds of rubbish left on the site when the business is closed. Cr Young undertook to raise a merit on this.

In his absence, Ray Brown had asked that the Chair congratulate everyone involved in organising this year's Australia Day celebrations. He particularly thanked the members of the CWA for their work in the kitchen and for the crew that worked the BBQs.

George Fittock advised that the Men's Shed is going well with 1 or 2 new members joining up each week. The mentoring program is ramping up again with 69 youth in various programs. If you include the L2P program there are over 100 youth working with the Men's Shed.

George advised that the shed would be hosting a beginners cooking course (aimed at adults) and a basic home and car maintenance course soon.

Gavin will follow up with Ray Brown about the cost of providing seating on the rail trail. If the price is reasonable, the committee will apply for a capital grant to install the seating.

Cr Young has undertaken to follow up on the bins that were removed from the Lake Sybella area and from Townley Park, neither of which has been replaced.

Lou Bucello questioned where the offset road would be going at the Dalmore/Manks intersection as he failed to see a suitable location. Cr Young will follow this up with Mike Ellis

WHY CARDINIA SHIRE COUNCIL DID NOT NEED TO APPLY FOR A VARIATION TO THE 2.5% RATE CAP

by Cr. David Young

At the Council meeting on 15th February, the councillors resolved to adopt the rate cap of 2.5% set by the State Government under the Fair Rates Policy.

Council officers recommended that the Shire not seek a variation to this cap during 2016.

There are a number of contributing factors that have made this possible:

- Due to strong financial planning Council had anticipated it would deliver a one million dollar plus surplus this year.
- Council are negotiating a significant asset sale
- Council has received State Government funding for two major projects that had already been fully budgeted for in 2016's Budget.

Due to the rate cap, Council will be reporting a balanced budget instead of a surplus budget.

The downside of not exceeding the 2.5% rate cap is there will be no budget surplus and the asset sale proceeds will now go to balance the budget rather than being available to invest into asset renewal throughout the Shire.

In future years, due to rate capping there may well be a shortage of funds to invest in capital improvements outside the Growth Corridor.

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CWA RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Strawberry and orange sorbet

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Serves: 4-6

Degree of difficulty: Low

Ingredients

- 3/4 cup (165g) caster sugar
- 1 cup cold water
- 500g sweet, ripe strawberries, hulled and sliced
- 1/2 cup (125ml) freshly-squeezed orange juice
- 1/2 teaspoon finely grated orange zest
- 1 punnet strawberries, hulled and halved
- 2-3 navel oranges, segmented
- Caster sugar, as needed
- A splash of Grand Marnier



Method

1. Pour the sugar and water into a small, heavy-based saucepan over medium heat. Stir constantly until the sugar dissolves, then stop stirring, increase the heat, and bring the mixture to the boil. Immediately it boils, remove the pan from the heat. Leave the mixture to cool, then pour it into a container, cover it tightly and pop it in the fridge to chill.

2. Put the 500g of strawberries, and the orange juice and zest into a blender goblet, and puree them until they're very smooth. With the blender going, pour the cold sugar syrup through the top and thoroughly mix it in, then pour the resulting mixture into a bowl and chill it. (Depending on the size of your blender you may need to do these steps in two batches.)

3. When the mixture is cold, churn it in an ice cream maker (in batches, if necessary) then store it in a tightly sealed container in the freezer, at least overnight.

4. If you don't have an ice cream maker, pour it into a stainless steel bowl and pop it in the freezer. Leave it until the mixture is half-frozen - which is roughly when the edges are completely frozen but the centre is still fairly soft.

5. Remove the bowl from the freezer and whisk the mixture thoroughly with a balloon whisk to break up the ice crystals then return it to the freezer. Repeat this freezing then whisking once or twice more (twice will give an even finer texture) then transfer the sorbet to a container with a tight fitting lid and freeze it overnight. (Just be mindful that this bowl method of freezing ice cream can take a long while, so you need to plan accordingly.)

6. About half an hour or so before serving the sorbet, put the halved strawberries and orange segments into a bowl. Taste them, and if they're not quite sweet enough, add a little caster sugar, then give them a good splash of Grand Marnier and gently mix them together. Leave them in a cool spot until you're ready to use them.

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Serving suggestions

Scoop sorbet into chilled bowls, then spoon some of the strawberry and orange mixture over the top

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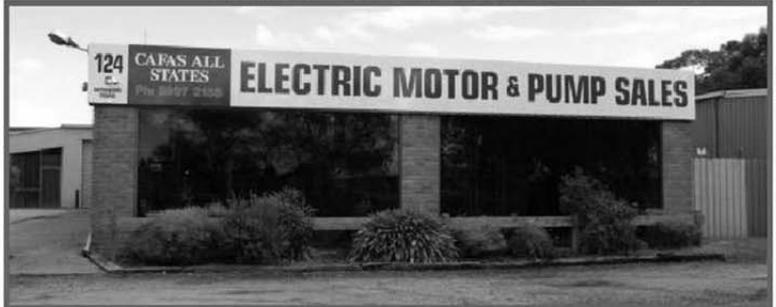
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KOO WEE RUP SECONDARY COLLEGE NEWS

I am honoured to be the Acting Principal of Kooweerup Secondary College. Kooweerup is an effervescent centre of learning excellence that is driven by strong community values. Since I have started, I have had nothing but amazing support from the College community. Students and staff have been most welcoming. It is also pleasing to see that the College values of achieving your personal best align with my own, that of having a Best Effort Culture in a school.

It is fantastic to come to a College with such a diverse set of learning opportunities for our students from Performing Arts, Sport and dynamic extra curricula offerings. Interspersed with these are dedicated academic and applied learning opportunities.

The College is an accredited SEAL (Select Entry Accelerated Learning) Academy School, with students achieving strong results and outcomes through this program. Our students are also encouraged to use technology in a seamless way to enhance their learning. A range of devices are used throughout the College to support the staff and students with this.

It is very pleasing to see students and staff enjoying the new facilities which are now in place. There is a sense of dynamic real 21st Century education happening as a result of these new spaces.

I would like all of our students and staff to reach for the moon when at Kooweerup Secondary College and see it as my job to help them get there.

I would like to thank members of the College for making me feel so welcome. Students, Parents and staff had made it an easy transition for me. I am very excited about being part of the Koo Wee Rup College community and will endeavour to uphold the standards that the College has in place.

The start of the year has been a smooth one, with classes exhibiting a calm learning environment. It is pleasing to see our New Year 7 students settling into a routine and enjoying Secondary College life.

A big thank you to the Year 7 team for making this happen.

Our Year 12 students arrived in Melbourne on the 10th to begin their Year 12 Camp and by all reports it went well.

The College has been running Information nights this past two weeks for all year levels and it is pleasing to see such a supportive turn out from parents.

Recently our students have been participating in interschool sport across the Year levels and doing quite well.

The College will be holding House Swimming sports on Tuesday 23. We are hoping for a fun day of participation. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff involved in the preparation and running of such a large event.

Koo Wee Rup Secondary College has had to look closely at its emergency management plan in response to hoax calls being made to schools across the country. We recently ran a fire drill and have been in the process of reviewing our implementation of evacuation procedures. It is important that our local community be aware of what we have in place in case of such a situation. Information can be found on our College web site in relation to this.

Finally I would like to welcome our new staff, students and parents to the college. I wish you all well on making our school the best it can be.

*Felix Patton, Acting Principal,
Koo Wee Rup Secondary College*

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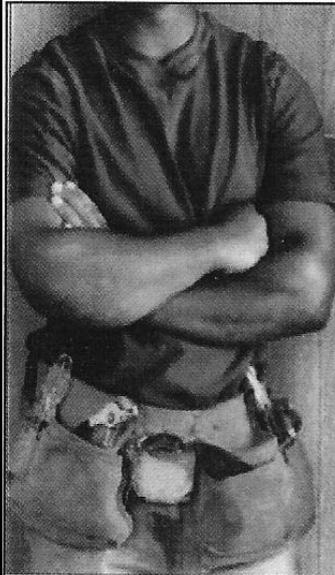
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On Tuesday 9th February, we celebrated Shrove Tuesday and were very grateful to our parent volunteers who cooked pancakes for us before Lent began. The following day, Ash Wednesday, marked the beginning of Lent. We attended a Whole School Mass to receive a cross of ashes on our foreheads as a sign of repentance. We now prepare for Christ’s resurrection on Easter Sunday.

Our senior students recently went through the process of selecting School and House Leaders for 2016. A large number of students prepared and delivered fantastic speeches in front of parents, staff and students. The Social Justice Leaders were chosen last year after having to write a letter of application to the Principal. The student leaders for 2016 are:

Student Leadership Positions

School Captains

Teegan & Aaron



Social Justice Leaders

Abbey, Ella, Tadhg, & Aaron

House Captains

Cremin House
James and Chloe



Mackillop House
Tabatha and Bailey



Wood House
Tianna and Hunter



Scott House
Seth and Payton



On Friday 19th February, 25 students from grades 3 to 6 represented our school in the District Swimming Sports. The students that placed first or second will go onto the Divisional Swimming Sports.

St John’s House Swimming Sports will be held on Friday 26th February at the Koo Wee Rup pool. This is a fun filled day with students from Grades 1 to 6 competing.

Our Senior Classes are preparing for their trip to Canberra where they will visit many sites during the week.

We will finish the term with a “Way of the Cross” in the grounds of the school.

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

Kind Regards, Chris Dortmans (Deputy Principal)



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2016 Student Leaders

On behalf of the staff and school community, I would like to congratulate Alex, Dion, Safa, Tam and Zarrah on being selected 2016 School Leaders. The position of School Leader is the most highly regarded acknowledgement we can give to a Year Six student. Our students had to go through a rigorous selection process. Students prepared an application, a written speech that was read to their peers and teachers and attended a formal interview with a panel of 6 people comprising of 4 staff and 2 student representatives. All applicants were asked to answer a number of questions about their initiative, strengths and skills and what they would bring to Koo Wee Rup PS as School Leader. The selection of the five leaders was based on the demonstration of outstanding qualities during the selection process and their capacity to rise to the challenges leadership will bring. They have already shown these qualities playing major roles in our weekly assemblies. They will attend a Year 6 Leadership Day at the Melbourne Convention Centre in March which will no doubt strengthen their abilities.

2016 House Captains

I would also like to congratulate Sophia and Ella (Eason), Indiana and Tahlia (McKenzie), Georgia and Jordan (Duncan) and Brodie and Rachel (Hurst) on being selected House Captain representative for 2016.



The position of House Captain is an acknowledgement that we believe they all demonstrate leadership qualities and model positive behaviours to other students. They will be representing their House at Student Voice meetings and working with Mrs McCurdy, Ms Disney, Mr Kennelly and Mr Jagoe.

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Founders Day

22nd Feb

The 22nd of February is an important day for Scouts worldwide. It is the day we celebrate Lord and Lady Baden-Powell birthdays also known as Founders Day and we remember that the Scout Movement was founded by Lord Baden Powell over one hundred years ago.



Top Left: Lord Baden Powell
Left: Koo Wee Rup Cubs celebrating Founders day with the rest of our district
Right: Emily, Megan and Brayden at Megan's Presentation night.



Congratulations to Megan Barth on achieving her Australian Scout Medallion. The highest award for the Scout Section

Koo Wee Rup Crew wins Service Award for 2015



The Odonata Rover Crew were recognised on Founders Day as the winners of the 2015 Baden Powell Lodge Service Award. This award is for exceptional community service and eight of the Odonata Rover Crew were presented with certificates, at lodge on Monday night.

L-R Bro. Jody Freeman (State Commissioner Rovers), Sarah Gent, Jessica Berton, Ryan Gorick (Crew Leader), Regi Jensen (Rover Advisor), Grand Master MWBro. Hillel Benedykt, VWBro. Russell Bradd, Suzanne Clark (Rover Advisor), Bro. Aden Dowell, Jacqui Smith and Emily Angell and Victorian Rover Council Chairman Daniel Ingamells.

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- 28/1/16 – Washaway on roadway – Sth Gippsland Hwy Tooradin
- 29/1/16 – Motor Vehicle Incident – KWR Longwarry Rd KWR
- 4/2/16 – Truck roll over – Rossiter Rd KWR
- 4/2/16 – Burn off in fire restrictions – KWR Rd KWR
- 5/2/16 – Motor Vehicle Incident persons trapped – Sybella Rd KWR
- 6/2/16 – Grass and Scrub fire – Ballarto Rd Bayles
- 10/2/16 – Grass and Scrub fire – Bass Hwy Lang Lang
- 11/2/16 – Motor Vehicle incident – Ballarto Rd KWR
- 16/2/16 – Automatic alarm – Rossiter Rd KWR
- 16/2/16 – Truck roll over – Sth Gippsland Hwy Tooradin
- 20/2/16 – Motor Vehicle Incident – KWR Rd/Manks Rd KWR
- 21/2/16 – Rubbish fire – Salisbury Rd Lang Lang



KOO WEE RUP REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICE LADIES' AUXILIARY

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Fire Danger Period for Cardinia Shire is still in force

The Fire Danger Period is when CFA restricts the use of fire in the community. This is to help prevent fires from starting. Call the Victorian Bushfire Information line on 1800 240 667 for further information.

Fire restrictions are now in force. This means you cannot light a fire in the open air unless you have a permit or comply with certain requirements.

Contact Cardinia Council to obtain a permit if you plan on burning off. If you don't obtain a permit, you could be breaking the law and may be prosecuted. All burn-offs should also be registered with ESTA on 1800 668 511.

Go to <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/warnings-restrictions/can/> to check what you can and can't do during fire restrictions.

KOO WEE RUP RSL SUB BRANCH REPORT

Hello to everybody. Since last month, our sub branch enjoyed a magnificent trip to the Edinburgh Tattoo at Etihad Stadium. We had a full busload of 50 people enjoy what was truly a great and enjoyable spectacle. Special thanks to Margaret and Ivan for the organisation of this trip; they made it a stress free event. Also to Ray Brown, our Treasurer, who organised the tickets; thanks to Ray going in and selecting the seats, we finished up with the best seats in the stadium. Must thank bus driver Peter, who once again picked us up at the door and regaled us with history and jokes as he drove.

March is a very special meeting for us as it is our AGM and the meeting where we firm up our year's activity list. Of course we are starting to focus on ANZAC Day now, April 25th. This will be a dawn march and service followed by a gunfire breakfast, more next month.

On Sunday the 21st February, several members of our sub branch attended the commemoration service at the Springvale Cemetery for all those who made the supreme sacrifice during the Vietnam War. This was a well organised and very moving ceremony and very worthwhile, especially for the families of these soldiers.

Finally, for anybody who might like to come along to an RSL sub branch meeting, they are held on the 2nd Tuesday, 7pm at the Bowling Club with supper included. You would be most welcome.

*Yours in Service, Ron Ingram,
President KWR RSL Sub Branch, 5997 1665*

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KOO WEE RUP LIONS CLUB

Perhaps you saw the recent TV news item about the Burrumbuttock Hay Runners? No? Well, this was all about a dedicated individual who, being acutely aware of the severe drought conditions in western Queensland, went about arranging donations of hay from farmers in the southern states, together with free transport from trucking companies to get the hay to where it was most needed.

The result was a convoy of trucks that delivered some 5,000 bales of desperately needed hay, free of charge, to the farmers around the western Queensland town of Ilfracombe.

Ilfracombe is a small town surrounded by beef and sheep properties, which, because of the drought, currently in its 14th year, has seen some of the continent's best beef and sheep grazing land turned into something like a desert landscape. As a result, most farmers have had no other option than to sell most of their animals. Others, who decided to hold on to some of their cattle and sheep for as long as possible in the hope the drought would break are now having to gradually destroy them rather than watch them die of starvation and thirst.

Is it any wonder, therefore, that some families have just packed up and walked away from this heartbreaking situation as their livelihoods are destroyed and their debts have mounted. On an even sadder note, some farmers have taken their own lives, since they were unable to see any light at the end of the tunnel – one must wonder what affect this must have on those they leave behind.

At the Club's first meeting in February, Janie Stace, a past member of the Koo Wee Rup Lions Club, gave a presentation during which we were made starkly aware of this dire situation and the desperate need our northern neighbours have for any assistance they can get to help them through this terrible drought. It also brought home to us members how insulated we are from this heartbreaking situation, simply because we live where we do – a case of out of sight, out of mind.

Janie, together with three of her lady friends organised a "Family Fun Day" at Morrison Park on the South Gippsland Highway at Nyora on 21st February, with the Bass Valley and Koo Wee Rup Lions Clubs combining to provide the catering on the day.

All of the proceeds from the day will be donated to drought relief. In particular, to support the efforts of the Drought Angels, Aussie Helpers, Beyond Blue and Buy a Bale, all of whom provide essential support to drought affected communities.

A report on the "Family Fun Day" will be included in next month's article.

At our second meeting of the month we were pleased to have the company of our District Governor, who had come along to make a special presentation.

The Koo Wee Rup Lions Club currently has 18 members, with two new members joining our happy band in the next couple of months. Within the current membership of 18 there are three Lions who have been members of the organization for 30 years, or more, which by anyone's standards is an outstanding effort.

As you may have deduced by now, the presentation our District Governor had come to the meeting to make was to another Lion who had served 30 years or more. The Lion in question was Frank Ferguson, a long-time resident of Bayles and a stalwart of the Club, who was presented with a 30 year membership chevron on behalf of the Lions International President in recognition of this outstanding effort.



Daryl Allman (KWR LC) Janie Stace Cor Seuren (Bass Valley LC)



Frank Ferguson with District Governor Ian Gratton

Planning and Environment Act 1987
CARDINIA PLANNING SCHEME
 Notice of Approval of Amendment
 Amendment C189

The Minister for Planning has approved Amendment C189 to the Cardinia Planning Scheme.

The Amendment comes into operation on the date this notice is published in the Government Gazette.

The Amendment amends the Municipal Strategic Statement to incorporate the 'Koo Wee Rup Township Strategy (October 2015)' into the Local Planning Policy Framework at Clause 21.03-3, amend Clause 21.07 to include Koo Wee Rup as a Local Area and insert a new Incorporated Document titled 'Koo Wee Rup Township Strategy (October 2015)' at Clause 81.01 into the Cardinia Shire Planning Scheme.

A copy of the Amendment can be inspected, free of charge, at the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning website at www.delwp.vic.gov.au/public-inspection and free of charge, during office hours, at the offices of the Cardinia Shire Council, 20 Siding Avenue, Officer 3809.

JOHN GINIVAN
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 Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning



JUNIOR FOOTBALL UPDATE

The KWRFC Juniors held their Registration Night recently with a large turn out of people. We had players and their families returning for another year and families joining us for the first time. We have also had a steady stream of players registering since then. As a result of the large amount of kids wanting to play junior football, the KWRFC has had to increase the amount of teams we will field in 2016 to 6. The sides range from Under 8's through to Under 14's. This will ensure that all kids wishing to play with KWRFC can.

The Coaches are excited about the year ahead. Some teams have started training and the rest will be shortly.

New Registrations are still being accepted.

With 6 teams taking to the field it is not too late to sign up to play for KWRFC.

We have positions available for Boys and Girls aged 7 to 14 years.

AUSKICK 2016.

Once again the KWRFC will be running Auskick for 2016. Registrations are now open. Visit aflauskick.com.au to register. The season will start in Term 2.

Auskick Coaches Needed. If there are any Mum's or Dad's that would like to help run our Auskick Clinic for 2016 please contact the Club. Training and Support is provided by the Junior Club.

So 2016 looks like it is going to be an exciting year for the Juniors at the KWRFC.

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/KooWeeRupFootballClub

Contact Geoff Foster, Junior President on 0418 581 874 or at kwrfc@gmail.com or Maddi, our Registrar on 0419 342 617 (AH) for any further information.



JUNIOR FOOTBALL POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The KWRFC Juniors have positions available for kids aged 7 to 14yrs wanting to play football in 2016.

The Club offers 6 sides that are open to both boys and girls.

Training is about to start.

Contact the club for more information.

Geoff Foster, Junior President on 0418 581 874
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or

Maddi, our Registrar on 0419 342 617 (AH)

ROTARY CLUB OF KOO WEE RUP - LANG LANG



The Rotary Club of Kooweerup–Lang Lang wish all in our community good health throughout the coming year to enable us all to serve our community. Just a very short but action packed report, what will the remainder of the year bring?

The last week in January saw us having our first meeting for the year where the final planning for our ‘Show’n’Shine’ was in full swing for February.



The show will be a yearly event and raises money in support of establishing an Aged Care Facility which is greatly needed for our aging population in our community. The date for 2017 will be February 12th.

A most heartfelt THANK YOU to all who came along to view the magnificent vehicles of all descriptions to support our fundraiser. To all our supporters,



Hard to believe this ole girl is 100 years old, we have come a long way in vehicle technology

sponsors, volunteers, judges and anyone that put in to make it a most successful day and especially ‘those magnificent men in their flying machines’ pardon the pun, thank you for making our day successful. The weather was very kind to us this year which saw many coming out to enjoy the many magnificent cars etc on display. A special thank you to Jan Kruizinga, Rudy de Jong, Darren Shepherd for all your valuable assistance with getting your charges into gear for a very successful day.



Just one of the cars on display

Our next big fundraiser for the year will be our Charity Golf Day in October at the Lang Lang Golf Club, further issues will have more details but never too late to jump on board after our almost full card last year.



In May 2016 the club will be holding a Debutante Ball, any girls who would like to make their debut in a very friendly and family orientated function please contact Val Williams on 5997 5358.



Our Rotary Club had the pleasure of supporting Katherine Robertson to attend a Science Forum in Canberra. Katherine gave us a great report on her Youth Science Forum experience that she attended during the Christmas holidays. The forum has given Katherine a rejuvenated and stronger direction in her choice of the sciences. Think our future is in good hands. Congratulations Katherine on representing your family and our club so admirably. Katherine has a wonderful connection to the club with Col Utber being her great uncle and Col was our first charter President.



Always a good refresher to have Gavin and Rosie come along each year to give us the latest on CPR. Maybe give your local CERT a call to come along to your next meeting. The more that know this procedure the better.



Our newest member Kevin Chambers. Welcome Kevin, we look forward to you serving our community.



Currently we have Rudy & Joy de Jong, Tania Hansen, Hayden Giles and Graham Warry representing our club riding their bikes around the Wangaratta area to raise funds for Life Education and Centenary House to name just a couple of projects being supported. John McDonell is also assisting with his motor bike riding skills making sure that all 60 odd riders from Rotary District 9820 are safe and well. Rosemary & Jan Kruizinga are applying their culinary skills in providing morning and afternoon tea as well as lunch for all the riders. We wish all our members a successful Ride to Conference and conference at Wangaratta this year. We are also delighted that Alan Laughton who will be addressing the conference on his recent volunteering trip to Timor Leste.



Rudy, Rosemary, Hayden, Joy, Tania, John & Jan enjoying morning tea

Our club will be assisting the Rotary Club of Drouin with their MOTO FEST on March 12th & 13th at Lardner Park. If you love the smell of burned rubber then this is for you and its just down the road.

For more information regarding any community matters that the club could assist with 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. You don't have to have a meal to come along and check us out.



Harewood House Open Day

Sunday 6th March 2016

3300 Sth Gippsland Hwy. Tooradin

10.00am - 3.00pm

Police Pipe Band, Irish and Scottish dancing. The grand parade is at 1.00pm with tours of the house throughout the day. Many and varied crafts and stalls including lace making, jewellery, tapestries, crochet and china painting. Food and drinks plus Devonshire tea. A medium, miniature ponies, cars on show and so much more.

The money raised by the KRHS Ladies Auxiliary will go directly to the Palliative Care Unit.

KOO WEE RUP BOWLS CLUB NEWS



Round 11 had Div. 1 host Mt. Eliza in the battle for the "wooden spoon" and we went down narrowly 99-101. Kim McMahon, Arthur Giaccotto, George Crynes & Lindsay Wealands lost 30-40. Bryan Walker, Pauline Gray, Gerry Fuller & Bob Mason won 32-14. Brad King, Ray Brown, Peter Butera & Fred Forde won 26-22. Max & Evelyn Calder, Rex Alexander, Mary Masters lost 11-25. Div. 4 came home from Mt. Eliza [3rd place] with a 72-65 win to keep their faint finals chance alive. Peter Stevens, Charlie Borg, John Hatton & Irene Stanbridge won 26-23. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Brett Condron, Laurie Bell won 26-20. Noel Speight, Bill Files, Charlie Masters & John Dale lost 20-22. Div. 7 were at home to Seaford and were beaten 38-55. Jill Roisseter, Ken Hammond, Glenice Jackson & Lois Mahomed lost 20-29. Richard Bricknall, Cliff & Ruth Kent & Janette Dale lost 18-26. Round 12 scores Div. 1 lost to Hastings 70-125. Bryan Walker, Pauline Gray, Gerry Fuller & Bob Mason lost 21-26. Kim McMahon, Mary Masters, Darren Brown & Lindsay Wealands lost 21-22, Brad King, Ray Brown, Peter Butera & Fred Forde lost 12-44, Max & Evelyn Calder, Rex Alexander, George Crynes lost 16-33. Div. 4 lost to Hastings 70-82. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Brett Condron, Laurie Bell lost 23-27, Peter Stevens, Charlie Borg, John Hatton & Irene Stanbridge lost 22-31, Noel Speight, Bill Files, Peter Dillon & John Dale won 25-24.

Div. 7 defeated Hastings 47-45 in an absolute thrilling finish. Pat Carlin, Richard Bricknall, Cliff & Ruth Kent won 27-26, Betty King, Jill Roissetter, Ken Hammond & Glenice Jackson won 20-19. Round 13 results against Frankston RSL Div. 3 at home lost 63-133. Kim McMahon, Max Calder, Mary Masters & Lindsay Wealands lost 10-38. Bryan Walker, Gerry Fuller, Bob Mason & Julie Walker won 22-18. Brad King, Ray Brown, Peter Butera & Fred Forde lost 22-29. Arthur Giaccotto, Rex Alexander, Darren Brown & Evelyn Calder lost 9-48. Div 4 played away at RSL and lost 72-79. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Brett Condron, Glenice Jackson lost 23-27. Noel Speight, Bill Files, Peter Dillon & John Dale lost 24-30, Peter Stevens, Charlie Borg, John Hatton & Ken Hammond won 25-22. Div. 7 had the bye this round. Round 14 results Div. 1 won 105-101 at home against Somerville. Arthur Giaccotto, Rex Alexander, Darren Brown & Fred Forde drew 26-26. Brad King, Ray Brown, Mary Masters & Peter Butera won 31-27. Bryan Walker, Pauline Gray, Gerry Fuller & Bob Mason won 27-20. Kim McMahon, Max & Evelyn Calder, Lindsay Wealands lost 21-28. Div. 4 played Seaford away and won 77-64 to finish the season. Peter Stevens, Peter Dillon, Charlie Borg & John Hatton won 27-18. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Brett Condron & Glenice Jackson lost 25-28. Noel Speight, Bill Files, George Crynes & John Dale won 25-18. Div. 7 at home to Somerville lost 34-52. Richard Bricknall, Jill Roissetter, Margo Dillon & Laurie Bell lost 19-28. Margaret Scullin, Cliff & Ruth Kent, Ken Hammond lost 15-24.

Our Club Champions, Brad King & Evelyn Calder, played in the PBD Champion of Champions event with Brad winning against Mt. Eliza 25-24 in a very close & entertaining game. Representing our Club for the final time Evelyn lost to Mornington 25-14.

The finals of both the Peninsula Division Champion of Champions & Men's State Pairs events were held at our Club on 7th Feb. A real fillip for the Club as the PBD obviously hold our Green & facilities in high esteem.

Round 12 on Tuesday Pennant had 2 victories for KWR over Mornington Civic. Div. 3 65-56 & Div. 4 78-52. Good results against the big Civic Club. Div. 3 scores were Pauline Gray, Mary Masters, Margo & Peter Dillon lost 22-26. Bryan Walker, Bill Files, Charlie Borg & Julie Walker won 23-13, Rex Alexander, Gerry Fuller, Betty King & Pat Carlin won 20-17. Scores from Div. 4 were Darren Brown, Peter Stevens, Jill Roissetter & Lois Mahomed won 24-18, Margaret & Ivan Royle, Lyn Jenkins, Pauline Mason won 30-10, Margaret Scullin, Noel Speight, Glenice Jackson & John Dale lost 22-24. Round 13 results Div. 3 KWR 75-55 against Mt. Eliza. Rex Alexander, Gerry Fuller, Betty King & Pat Carlin lost 22-24 with the final bowl of the game. Pauline Gray, Mary Masters, Margo & Peter Dillon returned to the winning list 25-15. Bryan Walker, Bill Files, Charlie Borg & Julie Walker won 28-16. Div. 4 lost to Mt. Eliza 51-70. Darren Brown, Peter Stevens, Jill Roissetter & Ken Hammond lost 12-26. Margaret Scullin, Noel Speight, Glenice Jackson & John Dale lost 16-25. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Charlie Masters, Pauline Mason won 23-19.

The final round of home & away games resulted in 2 wins for KWR. Div. 3 at home to Frankston RSL won 67-39. Pauline Gray, Mary Masters, Margo & Peter Dillon won 24-13. Bryan & Julie Walker, Noel Speight, Charlie Borg drew 18-18. Rex Alexander, Gerry Fuller, Betty King & Pat Carlin won 25-8. Div. 4 went to RSL and won 67-45. Darren Brown, Peter Stevens, Jill Roissetter & Lois Mahomed lost 15-27. Margaret Scullin, George Crynes, Glenice Jackson & John Dale won 28-8. Margaret & Ivan Royle, Lyn Jenkins, Pauline Mason won 24-10. Div. 3 finished on top for the season and will play in the finals.

We were finally able to complete our January Mixed Triples tournament which was postponed due to inclement weather. Winners for the night were Bryan & Julie Walker [KWR], Wayne Stevens [Corinella] with 46 pts. Runners Up with 37 pts. were Rex Alexander, Max Calder & Glenice Jackson [KWR]. Third place went to Graeme Cobbett, Ken & Genie Mynard [Lang Lang] with 33 pts. & Best winning game was Bill Files [KWR], Judy Prowd [Lang Lang] & Margo Dillon {KWR} with 15 pts. [1st game]. The idea of holding these tournaments as a twilight fixture brought favourable comments from the players although entries were down on previous years.

Results from Friday Triples on 5th Feb. Winning rink with 37 pts. was Bryan Walker, Mary Masters & Lindsay Wealands [KWR]. Runner Up with 34 pts & 15 shots up was Ken Taylor, Edna Adams [Warragul] & Fred Forde [KWR]. Best Last game with 19 pts. was Bill Files, Ray Brown & Charlie Borg [KWR].

Scores from the 19th Feb. games are Winners were Ken Cluffton, Nick Filius [Pakenham] & Ken Walton [KWR] with 37 pts. Runner Up rink with 35 pts. was Bill Files, Ray Brown & Charlie Borg [KWR]. Best last game was won by Brian Edwards, Albert Slefendorfas [Corinella] & Wendy Pownall [Hastings] with 19 pts. & 11 shots up.

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HEART FOUNDATION EVENING WALKING GROUPS

We're still walking every Thursday evening meeting at 7 pm at the Koo Wee Rup Clock towers in Rossiter Rd. Some also walk at the same time on Tuesday nights.

We get our regular 7 or 8 of varying abilities and would love to have more of you along. We often run into others and invite them to join in. Our good friends are the running group (about 3 to 5 meet up with us).

There is always cheerful banter and support between the two groups and we're all out there getting some great exercise and fresh air. All for FREE .

Enquiries to Marlene on 0429 814410



KBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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

On the 15th February, as a representative of the business association, I was extended an invitation by Vikki Leng, representing the Australian Asparagus Council to take part in a tour of Vizzarri's asparagus farms. Although I have run my business in Koo wee rup for 18 years I have never had the opportunity to get a close up look at the one thing, asparagus, that this region may be best known for. It was an amazing eye opener, starting with a visit to the paddocks, learning about seed acquirement, crowns, ferns, spring/summer cuts and the logistics of managing their teams of workers that arrive from Vanuatu each year to harvest the asparagus. Then on to the packing shed which, again, is amazing to see in operation. Starting with the arrival of the crates at the shed through to the product being ready for transport. Over the years I have been able to direct people wanting to purchase local asparagus to the farm gate sales at Vizzarri's, but next season I will be able to do so in a better informed way.

We held our first meeting of the year on Tuesday 16th with 6 business owners attending and council represented by David Young. Robin Elijah, president of the Lang Lang traders association also attended to check us out. We finalised putting together the presentation folders, which were delivered to local estate agents during the course of the week. The association developed these folders, which contain flyers from local business (KBA membership required to participate) and community groups for local estate agents to pass on to new residents who move to the Koo wee rup area. They will help familiarise new residents with Koo wee rup and all it has to offer.

The swamp tower advertising board (dare I mention it) has moved to the next stage of development! It is now in the hands of the sign writers.

I personally extend an invitation to any business owner who is not yet a member of the association to come along to any of our meetings. No obligation. Find out what's going on, what we're up to and if it might be something you'd like to be a part of. I think it's a vibrant (with the odd quiet meeting) community of people, sharing ideas and offering assistance where needed. Let us know if you're coming and we'll put on some snacks. We all believe in the Koo wee rup business communities ability to survive. We all belong to the same community, but sometimes when we're busy or under pressure by our work responsibilities we can feel quite isolated. So we must always try to remember our connection to the community and reach out, I assure you that the person in the office/shop somewhere near will understand and support you. Even if it's only a peaceful chat you need.

For any enquiries regarding the Business Association please call

Vicki Charlton, used to be new, 0413 384 480

Rob Mure, One Agency, 0417 553 324

Andrea Vincent, Bendigo Bank, 5997 2266

SYBELLA AVE ROADWORKS UPDATE

Please be advised that the roadworks on Sybella Ave have unfortunately been temporarily suspended due to the discovery of a water service in the shoulder of the road.

The situation is currently being investigated by South East Water and it is likely some service relocations will be required before the roadworks can resume.

At this stage it is unclear how long the suspension will last, although it could be several weeks.

In the meantime Sybella Ave will be open to traffic but with a speed reduction to 60 km/hr given the unsealed surface.

Our contractor has now commenced work on South Gippsland Highway near Tooradin which is a part of the same contract.

While working at South Gippsland Highway they will continue to maintain the Sybella Ave site to ensure it is safe for traffic.

We apologise for the inconvenience caused to the Koo Wee Rup community and will work closely with the Contractor and South East Water to ensure the suspension is kept to a minimum.



Koo Wee 4 Kidz

We are a Friday night primary school kids program run
by **TurningPoint** Church Koo Wee Rup
We run weekly throughout the school term
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THE DANDENONG JOURNAL AND LOCAL PROGRESS ASSOCIATIONS

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

Trove, the National Library of Australia digitised newspaper website, are in the process of adding the *Dandenong Journal* from 1927 until 1954. You can access Trove at <http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/>

The Journal has coverage of the old Shire of Cranbourne and Shire of Berwick so you can find lots of local content. This article looks at the activities of local Progress Associations mainly through the correspondence they wrote to the local Council. Many towns had Progress Associations from the late 1920s to the 1950s - Bayles, Koo-Wee-Rup, Dalmore, Lang Lang, Hampton Park, Lyndhurst South, Pakenham South, Warneet and Tooradin to name some. Like many community organisations which rely on volunteers some formed, then were disbanded and then reformed years later. There was naturally less reporting on the Associations during the Second World War – I guess complaints about road conditions and drainage issues seemed trivial at the time, plus the community was involved with supporting the War effort. Sadly for all of us, the issues raised by these groups are not much different from the issues raised by the Township Committee 70 or so years later!

Warneet Progress Association formed in December 1945 and one of their activities in December 1947 was to fill the vacancies on the Warneet Foreshore Committee and to have a site set aside for a Public Hall (the hall still hasn't been built). In 1953 the Progress Association asked for the construction of two 'public conveniences' (one at each jetty) as even though the town had only five permanent resident families there was a big weekend population, with 40 to 50 car loads of visitors. The town had already received a grant of £1280 from the Tourist Resorts Fund but wanted the Council to put in the remaining 25 per cent and to take responsibility for the buildings. The Council was happy to subsidise one building but felt that the Warneet Foreshore Committee should be responsible for the upkeep.

In another coastal town, the Tooradin Progress Association asked for assistance in 1928 to carry out works on the Tooradin picnic grounds but the Cranbourne Shire said no funds were available. In the same year, they complained about the state of the 'main coast road' – the South Gippsland Highway and also complained about the action of the Koo-Wee-Rup Progress Association in diverting traffic from Koo-Wee-Rup along to Pakenham (so thus avoiding Tooradin). Fast forward 80 or so years later and Koo-Wee-Rup was doing all they could to get traffic out of the town!

Dalmore Progress Association was established before the War and it re-formed in 1953 with 60 members attending the first meeting. Some of their first activities included holding a Ball, entering a float in the Coronation day procession at Koo-Wee-Rup, forming a badminton Club and notifying Council about the state of local roads and drains. In 1953 the Pakenham South Progress Association complained to the Council about Ballarto Road; they wanted it graded and the drains cleared out.

The Bayles Progress Association in 1928 asked the Council for four lamps that they had promised them for street lighting. The same year they said that 'approximately 20 services would be required in the sanitary area at Bayles' - as this would require the Council 'night man' to empty the toilet pans at these properties, the Council decided that the service would be too costly. A year later they wanted a bridge built to give access to the Recreation Reserve; I am not sure where this Recreation Reserve actually was. In 1947, they asked the Council to fence off the local bridges to assist farmers and drovers with cattle. They also asked the Council if they could take over some adjoining railway land to extend the park at Bayles, described by one Councillor as 'a nice little park' which had been established by the Association.

The Koo-Wee-Rup Progress Association in 1928 wanted permission from the Council to plant trees in Rossiter Road from Denham's Road to Henry Street. A year later they were complaining about the state of Moody Street and they also wanted the Council to erect a danger sign at the School - not sure what that was about, presumably the state of the roads and not feral students.

In June 1944, the Association put in 'numerous requests' to the Council - the *Dandenong Journal* uses this head line on more than one occasion. 'No less than seven requests' were before the Council - amongst the requests they wanted a foot bridge over the Station Street drain for use of the flax mill employees; they wanted a section of Sybella Avenue sealed and they wanted Boundary Road put into a 'serviceable condition' The next month they put another long list of requests in including some repeat numbers from the last time, because they regarded the replies to the original list as not being satisfactory. In 1947, the Progress Association agitated for the re-location of the Shire Offices from Cranbourne to Koo-Wee-Rup which was 'a more central situation'. There was bit of discussion about this issue and a Councillor complained that the Progress Association was always late with their correspondence (thus presumably this could not be read before the meeting) and had to be put into extra correspondence and that the 'Association was very critical of the Council and what the Council doesn't do' and 'it's time they woke up to themselves'

Finally, this didn't come from a Progress Association but from the Country Roads Board in 1939 asking whether the Koo-Wee-Rup Pakenham Road 'is fit to be used as a public highway' - still a question that people are asking.

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 or by appointment. Heather Arnold harnold@dcsi.net.au ☎0407 521 637.

A CHANGE IN THE LANDSCAPE

After several years sitting vacant, the old Ford dealership in Rossiter Road was demolished last month and foundations have been laid for a new medical and specialist centre.

At right are pictures of Edwards Ford from 10-15 years ago. Below is the work in progress



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