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SEPTEMBER 2016

THE CHANGING FACE OF KOO WEE RUP



Station Street Koo Wee Rup in the 1940s (top left), in 1954 during a parade for the Coronation Tour of Queen Elizabeth II (bottom left), 1974 during the Sun Tour bike race (top right) and 2016 (bottom right). All the heritage photos are part of the Koo Wee Rup Swamp Historical Society Collection and have recently featured on their facebook page.

THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *(Edited Extracts)*

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

The cables to secure the boom on the dragline in Cochrane Park were not long enough. Additional cable has been purchased and the arm should be secured and the dragline fenced shortly. Graffiti has been cleaned from the dragline.

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KOO WEE RUP FOOTBALL CLUB JUNIORS

What a busy last month of Junior football we have had.

We have celebrated the season with the 2016 Auskicker's and their families at their presentation night. All the kids enjoyed dinner with their fans before receiving their Trophies. Good Luck to the 5 Girls that are about to attend a Half Time Match at Etihad Stadium. Have Fun!!

Under 8, 10 and 11's finished their year of footy. All 3 sides should be very proud of themselves. The teams showed enormous improvement in their footy skills and team work. Each side has shown their crowds just how passionate they are towards their footy.

In the last few weeks the Under 12, 13 and 14's have all participated in finals in their respective age groups. Under 13's made it through to the second week of finals showing guts and determination along the way.

The Under 12's were runners up in their Grand Final. The team played in a tough battle only going down by a few points. Well done to the Players, Coaches, Officials and Parents of this team.

The Under 14's won their Grand Final making it back to back premierships for this age group. The team capped off a fine season going undefeated for the year. An awesome year of



Koo Wee Rup Football Club

JUNIOR SUB COMMITTEE AGM

The Koo Wee Rup Football Club Junior Sub Committee is holding its AGM on:

Wednesday 21st September 2016

at the KWRFC Recreation Reserve, 7pm.

All current positions will be declared open for 2017 season. Anyone wanting to join our Junior Committee is asked to attend. After a successful 2016 season we hope to build on this for 2017.

Any questions can be directed to Geoff Foster via: kwrjfc@gmail.com or 0418 581 874.



hard work.

A special mention to our two U12's players and one U14 player who have been invited to attend the South East Juniors League Presentation Night. Good luck to Jett Williams, Indiana Boswell and Kalin Parker



The Junior Committee will wrap up its season shortly with their Junior Presentation Night and AGM.

*Pictured above the Under 12 Runners up
Pictured below the Under 14 Premiers*

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

Cr David Young reported on the following shire matters:

- The launch of Our Region Our Future: Securing an economic future for Gippsland and the Latrobe Valley final report was held at Traralgon on 6 July. The main focus of the report was the staged closure of coal fired power stations in the region.
- Together We Can - A Year of Action to kick start the end of family violence in Cardinia Shire was launched on 26 July.
- A session on 'Be in the know ... before you go!' was held at Bunyip on 27 July. This was a very informative session on end of life planning and is likely to be held at other locations in the shire in the future.
- On 31 July Jim Mynard launched his semi-fictional novel 'On the Swamp' looking at the history of the settlement of the Koo Wee Rup swamp.
- Council has received funding from the Federal Government to run 'Safer Streets' program to rejuvenate Bourke Park in Pakenham.

Lou Bucello advised that the blue signs indicating the position of the St Sofia Sanctuary were still missing. Cr Young asked for clarification as to where they had been positioned and undertook to follow up.

Lou asked what had held up the redevelopment the Dalmore/Manks Road intersection. The councillors advised that this is a VicRoads project, so they did not have a definitive answer, but it seemed likely that poor weather had held up the project.

Lou reported that a load of tiles had been dumped outside his property and, although council had advised they would be removed, they were still there several weeks after initial advice. Cr Moore advised that it was not unusual for 4-5 weeks to elapse before illegally dumped rubbish was removed as the council only collected around once a month.

Ray Brown advised that Ron Ingram, President KWR RSL sub branch, would attend next month's Township Committee Meeting to discuss the sub branch's plans for new club rooms and a permanent museum. Ray explained that the sub branch had grown over the last few years from a membership of one to the current membership of over 80 people and they would like to build club rooms to house these members. The sub branch sold the old RSL building some years ago and the funds are being held in trust at ANZAC House. They believe they can fund the building of new club rooms which they propose to locate in Cochrane Park fronting Rossiter Road where the old Railway house stood. The club would like to build a club room in this location and later a permanent museum for the district's military history behind it. Ray asked those present to consider the proposal and be prepared to discuss the plans at the next meeting.



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KOO WEE RUP FOOTBALL REPORT

Over the past 113 year history of the Koo Wee Rup Football Club there has been impressive sets of brothers who have donned the red and the blue for their beloved club. Family names such as Lavelle, Shelton, O'Hehir, Esler, Ingram, and Dwyer are legendary around the club and in the local district football history.

Proudly we can now add the Millers to the list, as we now have another set of three brothers playing senior football for the Demons, when U/18s captain Cody Miller joined his two brothers Ben and Tim when the Demons clashed with Lang Lang recently. During the game, the call was "Miller to Miller to Miller" which should become a common occurrence next season in the new

West Gippsland Football Netball League. If Cody was rapt to play, give some thought to mum and dad, Geoff and Tania who rode every bump and crunch that their boys were involved in, particularly Geoff who play football at the top level with St Kilda. The future certainly looks healthy for the club.



"THE MILLER BOYS" left to right; Geoff, Cody, Tim and Ben

DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNIOR PRESENTATION DAY

U/16s and U/18s

SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

SOCIAL ROOMS

For further information see
facebook and website

SENIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

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AMBERLEE RECEPTIONS

CRANBOURNE

Tickets now available from Dan
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members

KOO WEE RUP CRICKET CLUB

It's exciting times down at Denhams Rd with not only our new training nets to be built later this year but also the cricket club will be fielding an over 60s side in the Victorian over 60s competition.

Also the Koo Wee Rup cricket club is looking to become the first club in the West Gippsland Cricket Association to field an all girls Under 10s side. Currently, we have 9-10 girls that are playing and we are looking for some more. Girls that are eligible to play in the under 12s can also play in the under 10s. If anyone would like to sign up or require more information please call Joe Giacco 0409 188 571.

We also recently held our Junior registration night and had 50 kids sign up. There is still time to sign up for under 10s, 12s, 14s & 16s. If you wish to sign up for any of these grades please call Junior Secretary Richelle Anderson 0405 159 671.

The Senior club is also looking good with us getting around 30 players to each of the sessions we have had so far. With the season over just a month away, anyone that's interested in playing senior cricket for our club can contact President Paul West 0400 652 859 for more information and training dates and times.

Also, we are again selling Social Membership packs for supporters. If anyone is interested in buying one, please call Vice President Glen Burns 0405 609 688 for more information.

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His special interests are exercise prescription, mobile health technology and preventative health. He is available on Saturdays at Black Fish Clinic (by appointment only).

Barry's fees are \$72.95 per session.

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Cardinia Planning Scheme Amendment C215

Protecting Cardinia's Western Port Green Wedge



Have your say!

Amendment C215 proposes to introduce a Cardinia Western Port Green Wedge Policy into the Cardinia Planning Scheme which provides guidance and direction in relation to land use and built form applications within the Western Port Green Wedge. The amendment is the final stage of the project that developed the *Cardinia Western Port Green Wedge Management Plan (July 2016)*.

Council wants to hear from you

Visit cardinia.vic.gov.au/haveyoursay for more information on the amendment.

The amendment is available for public inspection (free of charge) during office hours at:

Cardinia Shire Council Civic Centre
20 Siding Avenue, Officer
or at the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning website at
www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/publicinspection

Council is now seeking written submissions on Amendment C215.

Submissions must be in writing and received by Council by **5pm, Monday 3 October 2016** by emailing mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au or in writing to:

Cardinia Shire Council - Strategic Planning
Amendment C215- Western Port Green Wedge Policy
PO Box 7
PAKENHAM VIC 3810

WHAT WAS THAT SIREN? August 2016

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.

24/7/2016 – Smell of gas in house – Lang Lang

6/08/2016 – Flames sighted, burn off not registered with CFA – South Gippsland Hwy

13/08/2016 – Flames sighted, false alarm – South Gippsland Hwy Monomeith

13/08/2016 – Car fire in garage – Lang Lang



Pictured: One of our members packing up their breathing apparatus after attending a fire call.

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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.

Smoke alarms for the deaf and hard of hearing

Special smoke alarms are available for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. These feature a flashing strobe light and a vibrating pad that can be placed under the pillow to activate when the alarm sounds.

Profoundly deaf people can apply for a smoke alarm subsidy to help cover the costs of visual and vibrating smoke alarms. For further details visit the VicDeaf website.

AGM

Koo Wee Rup Community Centre
Committee of Management

Wednesday, 12 October, 7pm

at the Community Centre

New people interested in
becoming part of the committee
are welcome

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Early in 2015 St Georges opened its doors as 'the collective'. The idea for this business was developed by someone whose only real interest in retail was going shopping. But she had a passion to make available to small business owners a place that was not only affordable but also safe and supportive for them to have a go at getting their business out there. A number of these businesses went on to have their own shop fronts.

Nikole Charlton was the person with that passion and with her investment in developing the collective she has contributed to expanding koo wee rup's retail shopping experience.

So, to now, as you know Sarah and Joe have taken over 'the collective' and they're loving it. Sarah's smile says it all!

Virki Charlton

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KWR or phone 5997 2333

Caroline Roff, Editor

FROM THE PRINCIPAL. KOO WEE RUP SECONDARY COLLEGE

Sporting Achievements. I would like to highlight and thank all the staff and students who have been participating in a wide range of interschool sports this term. I constantly read detailed reports from our staff about how well Koo Wee Rup Students are doing when representing the college. It highlights the large participation rate we have and the wonderful extra work our staff do to engage students.

It is pleasing to see the College engage with the Olympic flavour with a wide range of activities being undertaken. The Year 8 Learning Community have the Olympics on the Big Screen for students to watch (and many staff). They have also started to organise their next inquiry based unit around the Paralympics. The staff have also been actively engaged in a competition involving sporting moments.

The Young Leaders to China program is well under way with staff member Rowen Griggs working closely with our students. They have an upcoming city camp where they will be presented with Blazers from the Parliamentary Secretary for Education. The College Principal and Assistant Principal Margaret Nicolson will also represent the College at this event.

We are pleased to welcome back our Alpine school students from the Snowy River Campus. All the students had experienced a fantastic time and have grown in their Leadership capabilities. We look forward to their community project. The College is delighted to be invited back into the project for 2017. We have accepted and plans are underway to select the next group of students.

The Year nine team is also well underway in its planning for an internal Year nine program that focuses on developing life skills and Career Pathways for students. The aim of the program is to expose Year nine students to experiences separate from the mainstream academic program.

GREASE THE MUSICAL had it's opening night on Thursday 25. It was a well attended evening. Students, staff and parents had a fantastic, entertaining evening. Lots of old favourite songs and plenty of laughs. A full report will be ready for the next edition of Blackfish.

Kym Bridgford Retirement.

The College would like to acknowledge past Principal Mr. Kym Bridgford and extend an invitation to the Koo Wee Rup Community to join us on Tuesday September 13, 2016 at the Ranfurly Golf Club from 5.00-7.00pm. \$20.00 covers Savouries and a gift. Drinks at bar prices.

Access to this event from www.kwrsc.vic.edu.au or cash payments through the College office.

R.S.V.P September 9th, 2016.

Jump Rope for Heart was a two day extravaganza, run by the student Leaders and SRC. Congratulations to Kate Weymouth and her team. Two hundred dollars was raised from this event.

Staff and students had a great time with this event, lots of fun for everybody.

Felix Patton, Principal, Koo Wee Rup Secondary College



KOO WEE RUP RSL SUB BRANCH REPORT

Hello to everybody again. We are starting to get some warmer weather again and this is helping us with our museum work. Things are progressing nicely, our meeting room kitchen is now in and finished thanks to George, Dave, Ted and Daryl. Next stage is to paint the museum floor and start moving in. We can hardly wait!

Our sub branch is now starting to look forward to our Remembrance Day service and poppy sales. We will be holding a service at the cenotaph on the 11th of November at 11am. Please join us if you can. We are hoping to have the drum band of TS Tingara.

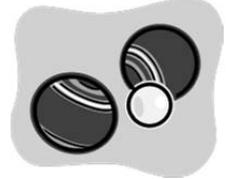
Our poppy programme is coming along really well, if you would like to help you can ring Lyn on 0409 959 821. These poppies can be crocheted, knitted, etc. We are hoping to make a large 'Lest We Forget' sign.

Finally, we are close to having the final design for our future museum/RSL sub branch meeting rooms ready for release to our local community. More on that next month.

For now, yours in service, Ron Ingram, President KWR RSL Sub Branch

KOO WEE RUP BOWLS CLUB NEWS

In beautiful winter conditions, weather wise, we held our penultimate day of the Friday Winter Triples competition for the season on 5th August. With the results being Best Last Game was won by Nick Filius, Ken Walton (KWR) & Ray Leggett (Pakenham) with 19 pts. & 16 shots up. The Runner Up rink for the day was George Crynes, Tony Jolly (KWR) & Phil Wright (Corinella) with 36 pts. Winning team for the day with 37 pts. was Peter Bott, Brian Norton & John Moore (Pakenham). A big thank you to Ken Hammond who received a very late phone call at 10.20 to replace an unavailable player and made himself available to play coming across from Pakenham. Well done Ken and the organizers certainly appreciated your co-operation. Unfortunately the final day on 19th August had to be cancelled due to the inclement weather forecast in direct contrast to the previous fortnight. Thanks to the players from various Clubs who supported this competition. We must also thank our sponsors for this competition - IGA Supermarket (Tooradin) for the prize money & Bunyip River Meats (KWR) for meat vouchers. Their support during the season is very much appreciated by our Club. Our Summer competition starting date will be decided shortly and players notified.



NEW HOME FOR KOO WEE RUP MEDICAL CENTRE

Koo Wee Rup Medical Centre has moved to a brand new purpose built centre at 303 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup.

The clinic had outgrown the old practice site which had been a medical centre for over 55 years.

The centre welcomes two new GPs, Dr Rachel Marr and Dr Thushy Amaranaathan as well as onsite audiology and sleep specialists. The centre will soon have onsite pathology, podiatry and physiotherapy. An onsite chemist is planned for the future.

The old clinic will soon be on the market and is likely to return to its original residential status.



The new clinic features a spacious waiting room (left). The old waiting room would probably fit into the new children's play area!



BAYLES FAUNA PARK

Working Bee

Sunday, 11 September

9 am to 12 noon

followed by a sausage sizzle

Annual General Meeting

Monday, 26 September

at 7pm

at Bayles Hall

All welcome

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST PRIMARY SCHOOL, KOO WEE RUP



Enrolments for 2017 are now open

If you are interested in exploring the wonderful educational, social and wellbeing opportunities that St John's have to offer, please contact the school to arrange a tour and to meet the principal Mr Justin Greenwood.



Planning for 2017 has already commenced and please note that enrolments for 2017 Prep/Foundation students close in September.

To help prepare students for the transition from kinder to school, we have carefully developed a 5 session orientation program that allows us to really get to know your child before starting.

Our Prep/Foundation orientation sessions are on Mondays; 24th October, 7, 14, 21 & 28th November

If you interested in finding out more, we can be contacted on (03) 5997 1653

On Wednesday 17th August, sixty students from grades three to six competed in the District Athletics at Casey Fields. Students took part in discuss, high jump, triple jump, long jump and shot putt as well as track events. Congratulations to the students who have made it through to the Division round. We wish you all the best!

Our F – 2 students were visited by Monash Health for a dental education session and check-up on Friday 14th August. Many were very shocked to see what their teeth may look like if not looked after properly! The children also discovered which food and drinks are good for our teeth, tying in with their current health-related inquiry unit.

On 23rd August our Foundation (Prep), Grade 1 and Grade 2 children went on an excursion to Scienceworks. They had the best time! Most children didn't want to come home. They loved the Sportworks exhibit where they ran, jumped and used their muscles in lots of different ways. The Pump Station was good and the playground was great fun. Nitty Gitty Super City however was their favourite place in Scienceworks. They saw things that live in our gardens, they could build and move lots of things, make music and saw Melbourne made out of lego. Wow! What a great day!



Thirteen Grade Four children received the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time on Sunday 27th August. This Sacrament is the third Sacraments of initiation and is considered a great source of nourishment for all Catholics.

As part of our Literacy and Numeracy Week celebrations during the last week of



August, students will participate in a range of activities including a Book Character Dress-up Day, a whole Story Telling incursion 'Fair Dinkum', a Reading Line and multi-age mathematic activities. Friday will finish off a very busy week with an early start for Father's Day Breakfast, sausage sizzle lunch followed by the Manser Cup, a sports activity afternoon with KWR Primary.

It is always great to see many parents and local community getting involved in these activities.

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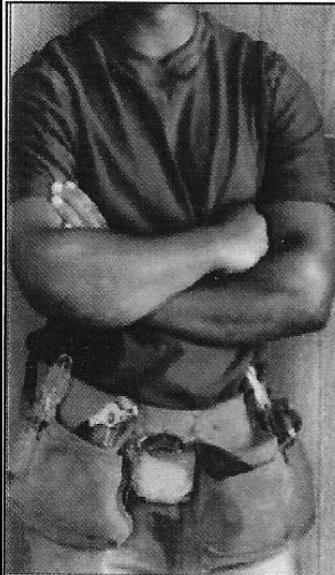
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KOO WEE RUP Primary School

Together We Learn

September 2016

Assembly
Every Thursday 2:15pm

Thursday 1st Sept.

Fathers Day Stall
Spelling Bee Grand Final
2:15-3pm
Book Fair Opens
3:15-3:45pm
Bedtime Stories Night
5:45-7pm

Friday 2nd Sept.

Fathers Day Breakfast
7-8:30am
Fathers Day Stall
Manser Cup (Years 5&6)
11am @ St. Johns
Special Friends Afternoon
2:15-3:15pm

Saturday 3rd Sept.

Working Bee
9am - 12noon

Monday 12th Sept.

Foundation Transition
2:15-3:15pm

Friday 16th Sept.

Footy Day Parade
9:15am
Term 3. Dismissal
2:15pm

During the month of August we held our Student Led Conferences. Students, with the support of their teachers prepared for their conferences with great diligence and care. It was fabulous to see the pride our students showed as they celebrated their learning achievements with their families.



There was overwhelming positive feedback from parents who attended the conferences. Here are a couple of examples of the comments provided.

"I wasn't sure what to expect coming into the conference, but I was pleasantly surprised and impressed by the way my child presented and shared their learning with me. Well done."



"Well done to the school for doing something which held much more purpose for my children and really involved them in it all."

NATHAN JAGOE - Principal

'Footsteps into Foundation 2017'

Term 3 Transition
2:15-3:15pm
Monday August 1st
Monday August 15th
Monday August 29th
Monday September 12th



Term 4 Transition
1:45-3:15pm
Monday October 10th
Monday October 24th
Monday November 7th
Monday November 21st
9am - 1pm
Tuesday December 6th

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.

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It has been a busy term so far at Bayles Regional Primary School, with lots of activities happening around the school and beyond - Camp, Spud Olympics, Bunnings BBQ fundraiser, Open Morning for 2017 Foundation students and parents, Science Week, public speaking competition, district athletics and more. This week we are holding our Father's Day Footy Morning and Stall and we will finish the term with Division Athletics, Hooptime, Golf Sessions with Sporting Schools and Literacy/Roald Dahl Day before a well-earned break!

We are also welcoming enrolments for 2017 and would love to have enrolment forms submitted as soon as possible. This assists the school with its planning for next year and ensures that your child has the opportunity to be involved in our transition program during Term Four.

CAMP RAWSON

Students from Year 3-6 visited the adventure camp at Rawson earlier this term. They spent three wonderful days on camp filled with plenty of fun and laughs. Some activities included abseil, mountain biking, high ropes courses, initiative style activities, commando courses, damper making by the open campfire, marshmallow toasting, and hut building just to name a few.



They also completed a challenging bushwalk with plenty of steep hills and the most beautiful scenery. All of our students displayed excellent manners towards all staff, were courageous during daunting activities and encouraged each other throughout the entire camp. We would like to thank all of the staff who attended camp and extend a special thank you to Andrew and Jo for attending the camp as parent volunteers.



Congratulations to Talia P who won the KWR Lions Club Speech Competition in the Year 3/4 Age group and will be competing at the next level of the speech contest - she received a certificate and trophy for her speech. Well Done !

District Athletics

On the 17th of August, selected students from Years 3-6 went to Casey Fields for our District Athletics Day. All students participated with great enthusiasm and showed sportsmanship towards their school mates and to other school students. Overall, we received **23 ribbons** on the day and have **13 students** going on to Division Athletics on 14th of September at Cranbourne Athletics Track. Congratulations to the students who have qualified for the Division level, and to Antonia M for being awarded the 12/13 Girls Age Champion and to Shak B for being awarded runner up in the 10 Boys Age Champion. Overall, Bayles came in 4th for the day against 7 other schools. This was a fantastic effort from everyone that took part. Well done to you all.

Spud Olympics

BRPS held their Potato Olympics this term in order to celebrate the 2016 Olympics in Rio in a fun way. Many classes dressed their potatoes in creative ways then held Olympic sports using the potatoes as the athletes. Not only were these games a lot of fun, students were also learning important literacy and math concepts along the way. Some of the events included the Spud Roll, Spud Slide, Spud Bowling and Spud Best Dressed. All students who participated had a great time!



We have a new display in the office area that was created by students during our whole school weekly classroom wellbeing program. "KIDS MATTER WE ALL MATTER". Our focus for this activity was teamwork and friendship. The KidsMatter initiative focuses on creating a school environment that assists in creating a positive school community, teaching children skills for good social and emotional development, working together with families and recognising and getting help for children with mental health problems.



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Once a year the 1st Koo Wee Rup Scout Group share the successes of their youth members, with the wider community, at our Annual Reports and Presentations (ARAP) night. Thank you to all the members of the community who joined us for this special occasion and helped us acknowledge the great things our youth member's achieved over the previous year.

Congratulations to all our members for a great year but especially to Haley Murphy (Cub of the year); Black Six (Six of the year); Emily Bloxidge (Best Performed Scout & Chris Burhop Medallion recipient); Red backs Patrol (Best performed Patrol) and Aaron Smith (Men's Shed Venturer Award). Helping and celebrating the success of our youth is a deeply rewarding experience. Join up, don the blue shirt and share in our pride and joy that we experience every time we help the youth of today ***prepare for adventure, prepare for life.***

Bec Worthington joined a rather elite group by earning her Wood beads and becoming the latest member of the 1st Gilwell Scout Group. An international scouting group made up of every scouting leader, since Baden Powell that has completed their advanced training. Congratulations Bec, your achievements as a leader benefit each and every Cub Scout every time you are with them.

Below Right: The Joey Scouts buddied up with the Mob from Wonthaggi and helped restore power to Melbourne at Coal Creek. Not only did they gain an understanding of the historical importance of the region they made some friends with a group of kids they would have otherwise never have met.

Below Left: Our Venturer Scout's had a great time at Willy Camp, which included a silent disco. Intrigued? 14-17 years old? Come down to the hall on a Friday Night at 7pm to see what it is all about. It is never too late to start looking wide!



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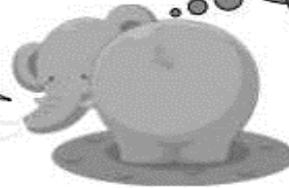
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KOO WEE RUP LIONS CLUB

As mentioned in last month's article, the members were greatly looking forward to the Club final of the Junior Public Speaking Competition, which was held at the Koo Wee Rup bowls Club on the evening of 17th August.

Between 50 and 60 were in attendance to enjoy the outstanding efforts of the participants, being Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 students from the local primary schools.

After introducing the judging panel, being Assistant Principal, Leonie McGinley from Koo Wee Rup Secondary College; Bendigo Bank Manager, Andrea Vincent and Lion Maurice Schwennesen, a member of the Lions Club of Strzelecki, Club President, Ron Payne introduced the students.

Year 3/4: Talia Pereira (Bayles Regional PS), Chayse Everitt (Lang Lang PS), Shaylee Travis (KWR PS)

Year 5/6: Cooper Bassett (Bayles Regional PS), Nikita Ranke (Lang Lang PS), Indianna Boswell (KWR PS)

The topic each of the Year 3/4 students was required to discuss was "You are a superhero. Tell us about your super powers and how you found out you had them. Are other members of your family blessed with similar powers and how do you keep these facts a secret?"

Chayse Everitt informed us he was Invisiman, getting his name from the fact that when he flew while carrying out crime fighting missions with his other superhero friends he was invisible. Apparently none of the other members of his family possessed the powers he enjoyed.

Shaylee Travis adopted the superhero name of Poison Ivy and outlined a typical day in the life of that person. Poison Ivy's mission was to turn The Joker from a life of crime to putting his powers toward fighting crime and changing his reputation accordingly. It would appear that none of Poison Ivy's family had her superpowers.

Talia Pereira in her superhero form was Supermash, with super strength enabling her to lift anything, which was used in the fight for good over evil, particularly against her arch enemy, Doomsday. Supermash's powers are able to make enemies become friends, unhelpful people become helpful and rude people polite.

The topic each of the Year 5/6 students was required to discuss was "A day in the life of your chosen profession"

Nikita Ranke spoke most eloquently about her desire to become an artist, since she has a passion for drawing using charcoal, graphite and pastels, all of which can be used so expressively in drawings. Nikita recognised that it can be difficult to make a reasonable living from being an artist, but that is compensated by being able to express oneself through art and to be involved with something she truly loves.

Cooper Bassett took us through the day in the life of an ER doctor, with the need to quickly assess patients as they arrive in the emergency room, to recommend treatment and medication. Although the hours are long and the work is demanding, the sense of doing something really valuable makes the commitment worthwhile.

Indianna Boswell took us onto the battlefield, where, as a soldier in the Australian Army, he was involved in a skirmish against the enemy. Although the life was hard, as, very often, were the conditions under which soldiers had to operate the whole thing was worthwhile because of the mateship and the knowledge that one was fighting for one's country.

Head Judge, Leonie McGinley remarked that each year the standard of presentation by the students has improved. The use of eye contact, voice modulation was very effective in engaging the audience, as was the use of drama and humour. All students' presentations clearly showed they had done their research, which was most important.

Talia Pereira was declared the winner of the Year 3/4 section and Indianna Boswell winner of the Year 5/6 section.



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L to R Club President Ron Payne, Year 3/4 Winner, Talia Pereira with very proud teacher Meg Donnan



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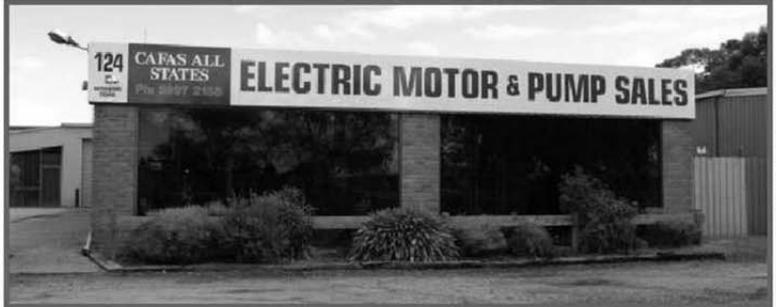
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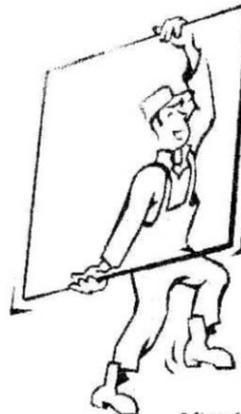
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Report of the KBA Annual General Meeting (AGM)

On Tuesday 16th August the association held its AGM in Estelle's craft room at Craft Quarters (beside the motel on station St.). Brent and his crew at the Chandelier Cafe catered for the event providing some delicious nibbles for everyone. Graeme Moore, shire councillor, chaired the meeting. A few new faces around the table, a couple of them attending as new members. A new executive was elected as follows;

President,	Vicki Charlton
Secretary,	Andrea Vincent
Minutes secretary,	Ken Blay
Assistant secretary,	Nikole Charlton
Treasurer,	Nikole Charlton

Below is an excerpt from the AGM presidents report.

The association has maintained a strong membership this year. Considering the pace of our lives, members have maintained a good connection, with quite a number attending meetings on a regular basis.

Some of the items dealt with in the past 12 months are;

A vision, mission and values statement was developed, presented to members and put in place.

The Swamp Tower advertising board project was finalised and installed. This project had become a bit of an epic but we forged ahead taking all hurdles in our stride. We think it looks fabulous and hope you agree.

We developed presentation folders, containing brochures from local businesses and community groups, which are being distributed by our local real estate agents to new residents moving into the area.

David Young's council updates have been a welcome addition to our meetings. They provide members with important information that may affect them or impact on local businesses in general.

I believe that all things considered, including the first year following the opening of the bypass, that the association and Koo wee rup businesses in general have maintained a positive attitude thereby continuing to be a strong business community.

Sincerely, Vicki Charlton

Report of KBA general meeting

At the conclusion of the AGM we proceeded with the August general meeting at which time the attending members and guests jumped straight back into lively discussions about a range of items. This was a great start to the beginning of the membership year and, in my mind, proves that the association remains strong and focused on koo wee rup's business future.

Some of the discussion involved looking into getting more directional signage for Koo wee rup business. It's an item that has been raised and looked at a number of times but due to time constraints, associated with running your own business, bringing it to a conclusion has, as yet, not been possible. So we hope to be looking into this in the future.

As we've just begun it seems that's all there is to be reported, so until next month please take care.

Ciao for now

Vicki Charlton

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Many of the eleven Debs and their partners attend the Koo wee rup Secondary College and all looked radiant, nervous, excited, stunning, graceful and carried themselves with great pride to the delight of their family and friends who attended the evening.

Page Girl Isabella de Jong and Page Boy Kyle Kruizinga did a wonderful job with the tasks set for them and didn't miss a beat. Funny little twist to this year's Deb Set was a set of female twins, a set of male twins, a twin and a triplet. Val has been 'in charge' of our Deb Balls for a number of years and what an amazingly huge task it is that Val and her team take on and do justice to such a grand evening.

Our MC Cheryl Warry had the audience spell bound portraying each Deb and partners profile. Sam Loughridge again outdid himself with a carriage for the Debs grand entrance. Instructors Jack and Alex had the Debs and partners trained well for the evening and did them proud with the Evening 3 Step, Rumba, Carousel, Moresque and Side Together Jive. The Deb cake was made by our own Andrea Sanford and beautifully done. Official Guests for the evening was District 9820 District Governor Lyn Westland and her husband Trevor and President Jan Kruizinga and Rosemary. There was over 215 attendees and we thank Nettie Marson and her crew for the wonderful supper.



Creations from Sam Loughridge and Andrea Sanford



2016 Debutante Set with District 9820 District Governor Lyn Westland & Trevor and rotary Club of Koo wee rup - Lang Lang President Jan Kruizinga & Rosemary and Instructors Jack & Alex

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Charity Golf Day on Thursday October 13th at the Lang Lang Golf Club.

Inter Primary Schools Speech Night is on the 7th of September in the Lang Lang Hall with 5 primary schools participating.

Christmas Carols have been set for December 14th in the Lang Lang Hall so save the date.

'Show'n'Shine' will be in February 2017 on the 12th, get those hot looking cars ready.

Other events we have committed to is the St Sofia Festival in Koo wee rup, the Fathers Day breakfast at the Koo wee rup Primary School and assisting Bell Park Scout Camp with clearing to name just a few that will be on our books for the year.



Camilla Damvig arrived on the 25th of July and what a wonderful welcome with the weather, Camilla was even cold. Camilla is really enjoying school and has already seen some of what Australia has to offer. Camilla is pictured here on her arrival at Tullamarine Airport with her Counsellor Graham Warry, and first host mum Sue Carson. Sue, and her husband Phil, are certainly showing her the sights of Melbourne and surrounds. A visit to Maru Craft to see some of the natives was highly appreciated by Camilla.



For those of you that remember our previous exchange student Carol Chou from Taiwan, good news, Carol is coming back to Australia to further her studies at Monash University and we wish her all the very best and hope to have her along to a meeting when it fits in with her studies.



We were happy to assist Madi May in her quest to represent Australia in the ICC International Women's Cricket Without Borders in Samoa recently. Madi spoke to us about her time in Samoa, how she enjoyed taking cricket bats and balls to schools, doing a little sightseeing and playing cricket. Evan Campbell spoke to us about his time working in Saudi Arabia. A brilliant presentation, so informative and engaging on so many levels. Upcoming speakers will be Camilla Damvig and MUNA Students Joe Barrett and Andreea Suica. A number of weeks back we had Amer, a blind refugee, tell us his tale. Amer plays soccer and we were delighted to be able to assist him in playing in a tournament in Sydney in the near future.



RYLA, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards is aimed at 18 to 27 year olds and is a program conducted annually aiming at encouraging and developing leadership, personal development and social skills. The RYLA Committee ensures that a stimulating and informative program is presented. If you feel you would like more information please contact the club through our secretary Steu or visit ' district9820.org ' Website for further information.



For more information please phone our new secretary Steu Fleming on 0417 666 680 and yes I have spelt it right, I checked. The club meets at the Lang Lang Sports Club every Wednesday at 6.30 for 7pm start. We are hoping to increase our membership so if you are interested please ring Steu, you don't have to have a meal, so give a thought to coming along and see how we assist the community.

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Bookings essential: Brian Harlow 5997 9687
 Hewitt Eco House, 215 Rossiter Road, KWR



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The way home care is delivered in Australia has changed. Older people now have more choice and control over the services they receive and how they are delivered.

This **free session provides practical information that will assist you to make the most of your choices.**

Monday 26th September, 10.30 - 11.30am
 Senior Citizen Club, Koo Wee Rup
 Contact Nola 5997 9792 for bookings

THE HUB

Opening
Wednesday
31st August

KRHS wishes to acknowledge the generosity of the Bendigo Bank KWR, the KWR Lions Club and Vic Health in helping to establish 'The Hub'

The Hub is a free, informal and confidential health service available to all young people aged 10 to 25. Helping youth to take an active role in the care of their health.

Phone Brian 5997 9687 for more information

**Every Wednesday 12.00 - 4.30pm
215 Rossiter Road, KWR**

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Kooweerup Infant Feeding Clinic provides free personalised advice and support to families with infants from Internationally Accredited Lactation consultants.

Feeding your baby, whether breast or bottle can sometimes be confusing and frustrating. Misinformation about infant feeding is common and the reality can be a world away from what you read on line or in books.

Babies are individuals and just as you have your own preferences, likes and dislikes so too does your baby.

We can assist and support you to overcome common problems such as:

- Positioning and attachment difficulties
- Low breast milk supply
- Management of sore nipples
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- Reflux issues
- Weaning
- Introduction to solids
- Low, poor weight gain
- Mastitis

Ph: 5997 9679





Outlook Community Centre has some fantastic low cost options to get you out of the house to meet with other members of your community and have some fun!

Come along and give one a try. Payment is taken on the day for these programmes, we just ask that you call ahead to book in and fill out an enrolment

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To view our complete Term 3 Programme, please visit www.outlookvic.org.au

Enrolment: Online, In person, Email or Over the Phone

Payment: Online, In Person or Over the Phone

Phone: 5940 4728 Email: communitycentre@outlookvic.org.au Address: 24 Toomuc Valley Road, Pakenham, 3810

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Previous computer skills not necessary.

Use our laptops and iPads, or bring your own.

**Wednesdays during school term 10.00am - 12.30pm
Cost : \$3 per session**

CARD GAMES SOCIAL GROUP

Bridge, 500, Canasta, Euchre, Solo

Do you enjoy playing card games? Looking to exercise your brain and have fun doing so? Join this group and gather with others who love playing card games of all types. Informal, friendly and non-competitive.

Every Tuesday 1.00pm - 4.00pm Cost: \$3 per session

OVER 50S WOMENS FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Join other over 50s women for fun, friendship and support. Enjoy coffee, chatting, excursions, guest speakers and other activities. Come along and get to know other members of your community.

Tuesdays 10.00am - 12.00pm Cost: \$2 per session

TOOMUC VALLEY WALKING GROUP

Our Heart Foundation Walking Group caters for walkers of all levels. Enjoy a walk through parklands, enjoy the fresh air and come back invigorated. A great way to stay fit and healthy and meet other community members.

Meet at Outlook Community Centre Reception

Every Tuesday (Except Public Holidays)

9.30am - 10.30am

Cost: FREE

KNIT AND KNATTER

Learn how to knit or crochet, pass your skills onto others or learn new stitches. Suitable for all ages and abilities.

3rd Saturday of the Month

17 September

10.00am - 2.00pm

Cost: \$3 per session

GARDENING GROUP MEETINGS

Group meets on the first Friday of the month. Come along to enjoy guest speakers, information sharing, problem solving and swapping cuttings. Have a cuppa, meet other avid gardeners and have an input into the future activities of the group.

We also schedule optional excursions each term. Stay tuned for Term 4!

1st Friday of the month

7 October

10.30am - 12.00pm

Cost: \$3 per session

MARKETPLACE MARCHERS WALKING GROUP

Don't let the rain, wind or heat stop you from staying fit and healthy. This group walks in air conditioned comfort inside the shopping Centre. Join this safe and comfortable physical activity.

Pakenham Central Marketplace,

50 - 54 John St, Pakenham

Every Friday (Except Public Holidays)

8.00am - 9.00am

Cost: FREE

FUNCTIONAL FITNESS

Functional fitness exercises train the body to make it easier and safer to perform everyday activities. Improve balance, agility and muscle strength. This class is suitable for all ages and fitness levels.

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CARLO CATANI

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

The name of Carlo Catani is familiar to most of us as we know that he was one of the Engineers in charge of the Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Drainage scheme and that the town of Catani was named after him, but not many of us would be familiar with his life story.

Carlo was born on April 22 1852 in Florence in Italy. He was the son of Enrico Catani, who was a merchant, and Augusta Geri. He was educated as a Civil Engineer at the Technical Institute of Florence. Carlo and his two friends, Pietro Baracchi and Ettore Checchi, arrived in Melbourne, via New Zealand, in September 1876.

The trio were employed as draftsmen by the Department of Lands and Survey. In 1880, Catani was registered as a Surveyor and in 1882 he and Checchi joined the Public Works Department as Engineering draftsmen. By 1886, they were both assistant Engineers. Checchi (1833 - 1946) went on to become an Engineer with the State Rivers & Water Supply Commission when it was established in 1906. Baracchi (1851 - 1926) became the Acting Government Astronomer for Victoria and later joined the Commonwealth Government as an Astrologist and Meteorologist.

Catani was promoted to the Head of his Section in 1892. In 1893, the Public Works Department resumed the control of the Swamp drainage works from private contractors and Catani was appointed as the Engineer. Catani implemented the Village Settlement Scheme. Under this Scheme, all workers had to be married, accept a 20 acre block and spend a fortnight working on the drains for wages and a fortnight improving their block and maintaining adjoining drains. The villages were Koo-Wee-Rup, Five Mile, Cora Lynn, Vervale, Iona and Yallock.

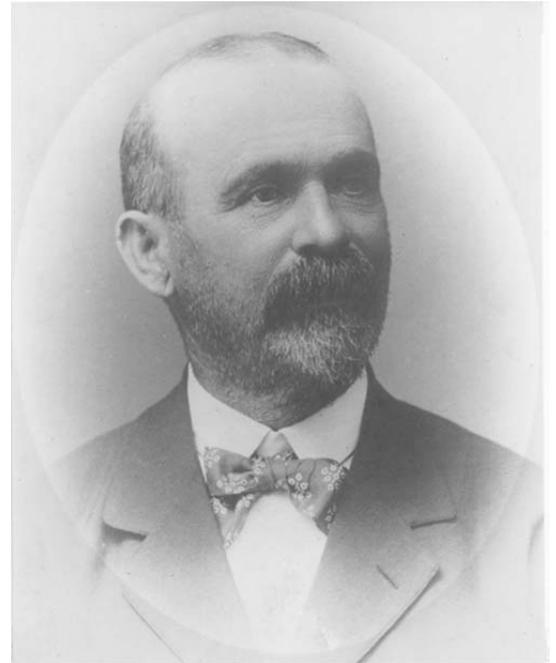
Catani was also responsible for the first mechanical equipment used on the Swamp. He had ordered the Lubecker Bucket Dredge in 1912 and it arrived in 1913 at a cost of £4,700. It weighed 80 tons and had a capacity of 61 cubic metres per hour. A labourer at the time dug about 8 cubic metres per day. It was used on the Lang Lang River, then on the Main Drain, Cardinia Creek and Yallock Drain.

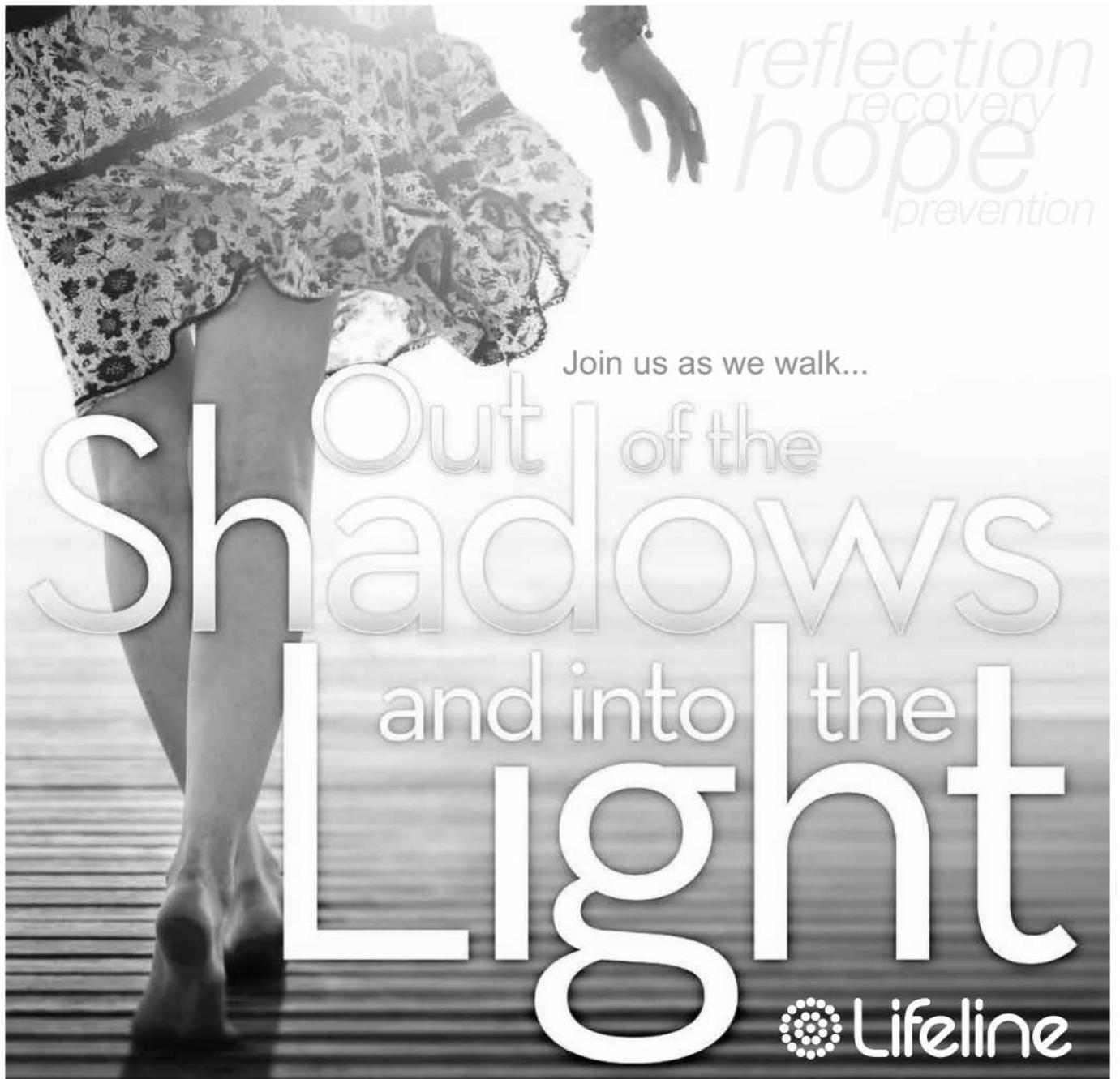
Catani's other work with the Public Works Department included flood mitigation works on the Yarra River. He was responsible for planting the elms, oaks and poplars along Alexandra Avenue. He designed the Morrell bridge. The laying out and planting of the Alexandra Gardens was also carried out under Catani's direction. His last major project was the reclamation of the St Kilda foreshore. The gardens he designed at the end of Fitzroy Street were named after him as was the Catani arch bridge on the St Kilda foreshore. There is a bronze bust of Carlo Catani on the Clock tower on the St Kilda esplanade. Contemporaries of Catani said that he 'saw possibilities to which others were blind' and that he had 'unfailing courtesy and a kindly nature.'

Carlo was naturalised in 1892 and never returned to Italy. He married Catherine Hanley of Port Fairy on May 18 1886 at the Anglican Church at Fitzroy. They had six children, Edward (b.1886 and d.1887), Elvira May (1888-1947), Enrico Ferdinando (b.1891-killed in Action in France in 1916), Ettore Luigi (1893-1967), Eugenia Anastasia (1895-1915) and Enid Marguerite (1899-1950). Catani died in 1918 and is buried at the Brighton cemetery. Catherine died in 1925, aged 68. None of the children married.

I looked at Enrico's Military Record and found that he was Killed in Action on July 29th 1916. Enrico was a Second Lieutenant, had served at Gallipoli before serving in France. He was buried at Cemetery Post Station, near Pozieres. However in an interesting and poignant twist, in 1932 the body of an 'unknown' soldier was exhumed from another location and this was identified through the identification disc and other personal effects to be Enrico Catani. There are a series of letters in Enrico's Military file between the Australian War Graves Service and Enid Catani regarding this discovery. In the end Enrico was buried again in the Serre Road Cemetery near Beaumont Hamel, in France. The body of the Officer, who was initially thought to be Enrico, now has a headstone stating that he is an 'unknown Australian Lieutenant'. In one of the letters Enid sent to the Government regarding the discovery of her brother's body, Enid said that her surviving brother, Ettore, had never recovered from the shock of Enrico's death and is under the care of the Master-in Equity of the Supreme Court. The Master-in-Equity looked after people who did not have the legal capacity to care for themselves. It's sad to think that effectively, the family lost two sons to the First World War.

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 ☎0407 521 637





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Join us in Koo Wee Rup as we walk *Out of the Shadows and into the Light*
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