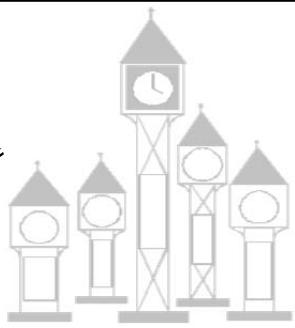


# THE KOO WEE RUP BLACKFISH



JULY 2017

## JUNE WRIGHT, OAM

Congratulations to June Wright who received the Order of Australia Medal in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List for 'service to youth through Scouts, and to the community'.



June has been active in Scouts for 40 years, starting out as Cub Leader in 1978, she has been the Group Leader of KWR Scouts since 2011.

Her association with the Lions has been even longer, starting as a member of the Ladies Auxiliary in 1973 and becoming a full member when the Lions changed their charter to admit women members.

June is credited as the brains behind the set up of the KWR Lions Op Shop in 1992. She is still one of the key players in keeping the Op Shop running. Over the 25 years of operation the Lions Op Shop has put hundreds of thousands of dollars back into the community through the community groups who help to staff the shop.

### THANK YOU

June would like to express her gratitude to all the individuals and community groups who have congratulated her on her OAM. She has been overwhelmed by the letters, emails, phone calls and personal messages of support she has received since the honour was announced.

## THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Township held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, 7 June. Township Meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 5 July at 7:30 pm at the Community Centre.

The President acknowledged the passing of Vincent Pepe, who was a member of the Koo Wee Rup Township Committee and had a lifetime connection with the town. The Committee has made a donation to Prostate Cancer Research as requested by Vincent's family.

Council is still discussing options for the redevelopment of the old Railway Platform with VicTrack. The proposal will be referred to the Koo Wee Rup Township committee before being finalised.

Negotiations are still ongoing on the footpath from Catani Avenue to Charles Street or Health Service.

New trees have been planted at the re-configured intersection of Dalmore and Manks Road and there were some concerns that this may reduce visibility at the intersection. Council will investigate.

Cr Brown advised that he had been unable to follow up on changes to the kerbing at the Community Centre to match the new doors as the relevant council officer has been on leave; he will follow up before July meeting.

The Township Committee does not support the use of deciduous street trees on Station St and Rossiter Rd due to concerns with leaf litter creating a slip hazard in wet weather. The Secretary will continue discussions with council officers to come to an acceptable solution.

Tennis club membership numbers are slightly less than thought but still a very strong club. Council will report at the end of June on requirements for cleaning and repairing the courts. Ongoing discussions regarded lighted courts and a shelter or clubrooms adjacent to the courts.

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## SOUTHERN BROWN BANDICOOT RESEARCH

Residents of Boundary Drain Road may have noticed some researchers, from The University of Melbourne's Veterinary Faculty, diving in and out of the roadside vegetation around dawn and sunset during April. The main purpose of this was not to see who could get the most blackberry scratches but to investigate the health of the southern brown bandicoots. In particular we are looking to see if a small parasite that cats pass into the soil with their faeces, *Toxoplasma*, is affecting the bandicoot populations and if mice and rabbits can inform us about the level of contamination with *Toxoplasma* in the environment.

As an important part of this research, we are also performing necropsies on bandicoots that may have been killed on the road or by predators. We would be most grateful if anyone who comes across a dead bandicoot could place it inside triple plastic bags and keep it chilled or frozen and contact Dr Amanda Bredahl on 0417 363 425 or by email : [abredahl@student.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:abredahl@student.unimelb.edu.au).



*Photo by Hayley Davis*

## CONSUMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The Kooweeerup Regional Health Service (KRHS) like other Hospitals, Nursing Homes and Hostels across Victoria, has established a Consumer Advisory Committee. By 'consumer' we mean members of the public who become patients, Nursing Home and Hostel residents, carers, or simply everyday users of the many facilities at KRHS. The Committee could also be easily alternately labelled a '*Community* Advisory Committee'.

The aim of this Consumer Advisory Committee is to provide KRHS with feedback and advice to improve and strengthen the services, information, forward planning, and future policy development of the KRHS. The Committee will furnish advice to the KRHS Board of Management from a consumer's point of view, a carer's point of view, and from the community's point of view.

The Consumer Advisory Committee will listen closely to consumers and acknowledge their concerns and aspirations so that these alternatives are consistently understood and considered. This advice, and the recommendations developed, will be broadened into balanced information to assist the complete understanding of a particular topic by the KRHS Board of Management.

There are eight members of this inaugural Consumer Advisory Committee and it is chaired by Geoff Stokes. The committee will meet every three months but, in the meantime, each committee member will be actively seeking input from consumers; pursuing details of their concerns, and their suggestions for improvements or any safety issues they have identified.

The members of the CAC Committee are: -

Geoff Stokes (Chair), Lindsay Sharp, Sheridan Williams, Jasmine Sadler, Ruth Dubois, Margaret Vick, Gina Buccheri, and Fran Genoni, CEO Frank Megens and staff members Aileen Thoms and Jenni Quaife.

Contact telephone numbers for the committee is KRHS on 5997 9679 or Geoff Stokes on 5997 1974.

### Lang Lang & District Historical Society

Welcome visitors to our Heritage Centre situated in

Kester Kitchin Park, Lang Lang

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Secretary Peter Hayden 0417 593 719

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#### *Next Meeting*

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## TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *(from page 1)*

Council have proposed some changes for the entrance to Cochrane Park. Improving lighting, trimming trees and moving sign on fence so playground is visible from Sybella Avenue intersection.

Ray congratulated the participants in the 2017 Cardinia Community Leadership Program. 20 Community members attended the program, and six of those were from Port Ward.

Cardinia Shire hosted a delegation from Bangkok who were here to look at work practices within the shire. They were particularly interested in the open office and hot desking practice and Council's methods of Community engagement.

The investigation for improving bus services to Koo Wee Rup is ongoing, with several different ideas for improving the service being pursued. It would be good if these could all be coordinated through Cardinia Shire.

The Koo Wee Rup Recreation Reserve facilities recently underwent an inspection and the prospect for extending the existing footprint for a second oval was looked at. Any extension of the reserve requires council budget approval first; this investigation will be the subject of a report submitted to council by the end of June.

The Men's Shed will be running a pool night on the last Friday of every month. Planning has commenced to extend the shed to allow for more social activities

Andrew Slade presented on the analysis he has completed for Neighbourhood House for Koo Wee Rup.

The Koo Wee Rup community centre already has the spaces required to operate a Neighbourhood House. Many Activities that would ordinarily be organised by a Neighbourhood House are already being done by the Health Service or Men's Shed. There are some opportunities for a Neighbourhood House though such as book club or chat groups.

An operating entity would need to be established. Ideally, this would be an incorporated body that could apply for and administer grants, and probably take over the running of the Community Centre. A governance process would need to be set up to guide the running of the Neighbourhood House.

There is the risk of conflicting with activities already being run by other organisations in Koo Wee Rup so it would need to carefully coordinate with other organisations in town.

This is something that Koo Wee Rup could do but there needs to be more planning to determine exactly how a Neighbourhood House would operate in Koo Wee Rup and what type of activities it could support.

Next steps are to identify the need for a Neighbourhood House and the potential use it would attract, and the types of activities that the community would like to have access to.

The report and presentation attracted a great deal of discussion in the meeting with general overall support for the concept.

The President thanked Andrew for his work on completing this analysis.

### **Two Cardinia Brigades in need of new recruits. Bayles & Heath Hill Fire Brigades - Recruiting NOW.**

Volunteers make us who we are, a community and country that care. Each volunteer contributes something no matter how small that ultimately leads to someone else's benefit never asking for anything in return. Volunteers are the life force of hundreds of community organisations. Without volunteers organisations cannot run efficiently or effectively.

This is no different for the CFA, with volunteers giving up their time to make a safer community for all. At this time of year the CFA are asking for those special people to become a part of very large family. Volunteering in the CFA doesn't mean you have to fight fires, there are broader opportunities for those willing to offer their services.

Volunteer firefighters are on call 24 hours a day to assist the community. Brigades such as Bayles & Heath Hill are in need of volunteers. The daytime responses are the hardest to maintain being that many of us work full time and in varying locations. Casual workers, Uni students and stay at home mums can be involved by being daytime crew, while other mums look after their young, anything is possible.

We train you in every aspect of firefighting all we need from you is your time and commitment. If you have ever thought about volunteering or just want to know more please contact us on the numbers below.

### **Volunteering Information Sessions**

**Bayles:** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 10:00am (children welcome) or Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 7:30pm both sessions at Bayles Fire Station  
674 Kooweeup-Longwarry Road, Bayles

**Heath Hill:** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm (Family Welcome) or Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am both sessions at Heath Hill Fire Station, 31 Mt.Lyall Road, Heath Hill



For more information, please contact CFA Brigade Administration Support Officers Lisa Hicks on 0409 401 437 or Ross Mackay 0409 071 621



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## WHAT WAS THAT SIREN? June 2017

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.

It's been a very quiet month this month which is fantastic.

25/5/17 – Alarm operating – Rossiter Rd Koo Wee Rup

27/5/17 – Scrub fire – South Gippsland Hwy Lang Lang

29/5/17 – Smoke in house – Whitstable St Lang Lang

30/5/17 – Fire in yard – Nellie St Lang Lang

16/6/17 – Gas leak – Service Station South Gippsland Hwy Lang Lang



## A better working environment for our fireys



From July 1, drivers must safely slow to 40km/h when passing a stationary or slow-moving emergency vehicle that is responding to an emergency with flashing lights or a siren sounding.

From 1 July, drivers must slow to 40km/h when passing a stationary or slow-moving emergency vehicle responding to an incident with flashing lights or a siren sounding.

CFA Chief Officer Steve Warrington said "There have been too many incidents where CFA members have experienced close calls or even worse – have been struck by passing vehicles – while responding to an emergency."

"It's important that when road users see these lights or hear the siren, they slow to 40km/h and pass with care."

"Where there were two or more trucks attending an incident, the area between the two vehicles, at each end of the scene will effectively become a 40km/h speed zone."

"Our members put themselves at risk daily in their commitment to protect lives and property throughout the community. It is important therefore, to ensure that they in turn, have the necessary support and protection."

### JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

For document signing and associated services contact;

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**Senior Citizens Club**  
**Icke Road, Koo Wee Rup**  
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**10.30 am**

## YEAR 7 FOOTY WRAP

Wow, what a day for school footy! Cold, rain, wind, a patch of sun (5 minutes worth), more cold, more rain, more wind and repeat. The boys got off the bus, very excited to get into a day of footy. Then I delivered them the first and only blow for the day, "sorry boys, but our first game isn't for two and a half hours". Insert a collective groan here. The boys occupied this time by huddling together under the sliver of shelter at Berwick Springs Reserve, watching their opposition play, kicking the footy around, listening to me nagging them about putting more clothes on and asking me 1000 times how long to go until their first game.

Finally, it was their time to play. Year 10 Sport and Rec students Chase Harris and Liam Adams were running the show. It was made very clear to the year 7 boys that I was simply the team manager with no footy coaching skills whatsoever and that they were to listen to everything Chase and Liam had to say. After a rev up from their coaches, the boys ran out onto the wet and slippery field pumped up and ready to play. They had two games to play back to back and then potentially a Grand Final straight after that. Our backline wasn't letting anything past, the midfield combined superbly and our accuracy on goal was on point. This allowed our boys to take care of the two schools in their pool relatively easily, defeating Cranbourne East 34 to 7 and Hampton Park 43 to 13.

This put us into the Grand Final against our arch rivals Alkira. Going straight into our third game in a row, I was a little concerned that our boys wouldn't have the legs to run out a game against the rested Alkira outfit. Especially after we had heard they'd beaten one of the teams in their pool by 85 points! The game was pretty sloppy, with more skill errors than our previous two games combined. By half time we had kicked one goal, but had also kicked seven points! Being a spectator was very nerve wracking and the 15 minute final half felt more like 30 minutes. Finally, the umpire blew the whistle to signal the end of the game and our boys had beaten Alkira 20 to 9! The boys were fantastic all day and the win was well deserved. They are now off to the regional finals in August.

Team: Will "hops" Battams, Jack "Bliss and Eso" Bliss-Ellis, Indi "butters" Boswell, Jordyn Boyd, Jye "Cadbury" Carbery, Kobee "Dorey" Dore-Wilson, Brad Evans, Tyler "Taze" Evans, Josh "sticky mitts" Farr, Jay "Jay Z" Hall, Seth "dummy seller" Harris, Rhyce "wasabi" Harvie, Will "The General" McDonald, Dylan "Jayden Hunt" McMahan, Seth O'Hehir, Ben Silcock, Brody "smit dog" Smith, Jordan "Tex" Sprie, Brad "stone dog" Stone, Tyson "twitch" Twite, James "magnet" Voss, Riley Willis and Alex "tackling master" Wilson.

Massive thank you goes to Chase and Liam for their super coaching ability. These boys not only coached the team on the day, but they also ran training sessions with the boys and helped with the team selection prior to the day. I am very grateful for all their help, as there is no way I could have coached a football team! Also thanks to James Burr and Cohen Tatnell for being great boundary and goal umpires and for not complaining about the weather throughout the day! Finally, thanks to all the parents that made their way to Berwick Springs to support their boys and the team.

*Claire Notman, Sport Coordinator*

## YEAR 8 BOYS SOCCER REPORT

Weather conditions were perfect for a day of soccer, over at the Grices road reserve. Our boys had an enjoyable warm up while the first teams played for the day. Our first match was against Alkira SC, who were helped along to their 3-0 victory over us by one of our boys scoring two own goals for them.

This didn't dishearten the boys, who fired up and Regi Alengaden scored the first goal of the match against Cranbourne SC. Unfortunately this also fired up CSC who ended up defeating us 5-1, despite the excellent midfield play and repeated successful saves by Sam Willemsen in goal.

After lunch, the boys had their final match against Narre Warren SC, who at that point were undefeated. Our defenders stepped up and didn't let them through all first half, with Hayden Bonner getting a clear run and scoring a goal before half time. The second half started with Narre's defence again leaving a gaping hole that was exploited by our midfield, who managed to get the ball up to Hayden for his second goal of the match. Narre started playing harder and managed to equalise against KWR with the ball spending most of the rest of the half in our end of the pitch, until in the last thirty seconds Hayden received the ball on our side of the halfway line, raced down past their only defender and sank the ball in the net for a hat trick and the winning goal of the match.

The team voted Sam Willemsen most valuable player for the day, given how many goals he saved and how hard he had worked, with Hayden and Regi receiving equal votes after Sam.

Other standout players for the day were Emre Razaleigh who captained the team and fed the ball forwards from centre midfield to our attackers constantly; Chris Ranjith, whose play improved noticeably throughout the day and his confidence rose in every match which was great to see; Josh Wariri who added a lot to the back line and kept working the opposition hard to keep them away from our goal.

Everyone stayed positive and played with excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. Everyone's behaviour was excellent both on the field and off.

*Michael Bonsall*

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Koo Wee Rup community, we have had an amazing term 2. Some highlights are as follows:

- Our Year 10 students out on Work Experience for two weeks,
- Wonderful Curriculum diversity across Year 7 and 8 through Inquiry based learning activities.
- Our students enjoying the Year 7 camp at Phillip Island.
- Year 9's engaged in the new Alternative Program.
- Year 12 Career Days.
- Year 11 students visiting the Holocaust Museum
- Year 12 students celebrating the end of term with the Year 12 Formal.
- Year 11 students involved in the Debutant Balls.
- Year 10 students continuing to excel at sport.
- College Captains and Vice Captains representing the College at ANZAC DAY.
- Our wonderful marching band being involved in the ANZAC DAY march in Melbourne.
- Music and Drama performances.

All this, while students have been continuing to work hard with their studies and engaging in mid-year exams.

I would like to wish all members of our College community and the wider Koo Wee Rup community a safe and happy midterm break.

*Felix Patton, Principal, Kooweeup Secondary College*



## YEAR 7 BOYS SOCCER REPORT

30 May, I had the pleasure and privilege to bring the Year 7 boys soccer team for a day of extremes.

We started off the first game against Hampton Park by conceding first, before overturning the deficit with a goal from our central forward Luca Mascadri and our left winger Tom Rodgers. We got a little complacent while 2-1 and eventually conceded a late goal to draw 2-2.

In the second game, I decided to change the tactics a little and positioned our star midfield maestro Nic Motton into an advanced Trequartista position, playing off Luca. This clearly payed off as Nic scored a hat trick and we won 3-1 against Cranbourne East (who eventually got into the Grand Final).

In the third game, we kept our formation and Nic once again showed his class by scoring two fine breakaway goals. It was too early to celebrate, however, as we also scored two unfortunate own goals on our end due to some miscommunication between defenders and the big man keeper Noah Taylor. The game finished 2-2.

Up until then, we have had a rather fruitful run in — tied at the top ladder. In our last game, however, we faced a skilful Minaret College team of boys who, despite fasting through the day due to their Ramadan practice, completely stretched our defence and left us all wrong-footed. To compensate for their hunger and thirst for food, they hunted for goals and we fell 0-6.

Up until the 3rd game, we stood a good chance to progress to the Grand Finals. Alas, it was not enough but I am still extremely proud of the boys for their relentless efforts on and off the field. I believe this may be the best boys soccer campaign KWRSC has ever achieved. If this continues, the future of KWRSC boys soccer may be in stable hands.

Special thanks to Mollie



Russell in Year 10 for assisting and photographing the day — and not complaining about the weather at all.

Team: Noah "Big Man" Taylor – Goalkeeper, Matt "The Passion Man" Mills – Right Back, Hayden "The Rock" Street – Centre Back, Maverick "The Maverick Wall" Klaster – Centre Back, Kyle "The Solid Interceptor" Peck – Left Back, Bailey "The Bulldog" Hetherington – Central Midfielder, Siva "The Buzzing Bee" Parangan – Central Midfielder, Blake "Industrious Runner" Catlow – Central Midfielder, Riley "Stealth Assassin" McLeod – Right Winger, Nic "The Messiah" Motton – Attacking Midfielder, Tom "The Magician" Rodgers – Left Winger, Luca "Speedster" Mascadri – Central Forward

Yang Ch'ng

## YEAR 7 GIRLS SOCCER

May 30, a miserably cold, rainy day BUT it was the day for our girls soccer team to take on the challenge of competing with 4 other schools in this year's inter school soccer tournament.

Despite the horrific weather and the fact that the girls had no feelings in most parts of the body due to the freezing conditions, they acquitted themselves very well and persevered all day. The final results, on the surface, don't look good but if not for a few minor errors we could have easily drawn or even won all the games except for the Hampton Park match. Our girls tried hard but found it difficult to score when the opportunities arise. Regardless of the results, the team had a fun day and stuck together as a team all day.

Well done girls!

Results: Minaret 2 d KWR 0, Casey Gr 2 d KWR 0, Narre Warren 3 d KWR 0, Hampton Park 6 d KWR 0



*Team Coach, Tony Ham*

## STATE SCHOOLS VICTORIA JUNIOR GOLF FINAL

Charlie May represented the College in the State Schools Junior Golf Final played at Gardiner's Run Golf Club on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of May. To earn the right to play in this event students must qualify at a 9 hole regional event, in Charlie's case it was Spring Valley Golf Club in Clayton, a private club that most of us will never gain access to. Five other students attended this event but Charlie was the only one to go onto the Final. From these events run across the state the top 80 scores were granted entry to this Final.

In very nice weather conditions 100 students (20 girls) in 25 pairs hit off in a shot gun start. Charlie was grouped with students from Yarrawonga and Hamilton. There were students from all over the state. Charlie is currently playing off a handicap of 7. He began steadily with pars on the first two holes. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> he found a green side bunker but was able to get up and down for another par after a great shot out of the bunker that left him within 2 feet of the hole. He had a little more bunker trouble on the front nine as he found the sand very different from that of his home course at Lang Lang. He will probably have a practice in the bunkers before his next round as his mum Ruth suggested.

Being 5 over after 9 holes did not affect him in a negative way. He just continued in his normal positive way and carded a two under for the back nine. It is nerve wracking watching Charlie and the other young talented golfers as they seem not to see the dangers on the course. They just see where they want to hit the ball and have the confidence to go for it. Charlie's golfing effort and the way he conducted himself on the day is a credit to himself and the college. Golf is one of those sports that kids bring to the college not something that they can work on while at school. He is supported by his family and the Lang Lang GC and he is continuing to improve. To be a good consistent golfer you have to have a good deal of mental strength as well as talent. Charlie has shown he has both these qualities.

The final result of the competition is impressive. His 3 over total and 2 under on the back 9, saw him placed 8<sup>th</sup> out of the field of 80. A top 10 finish in the State Secondary Schools Junior Golf Final is something to be very proud of.

To give you an idea of the quality of the competition, winner of the competition had a 6 under par of 66 off the stick with the second placed player having 2 under and the 3<sup>rd</sup> placed was even par. The competition was pretty hot. The talent on display at this event was amazing considering the field is made up of kids who are no older than Year 9 level. We are fortunate to have a student who is competitive at this level.

Well done Charlie.



## YEAR 8 FOOTBALL UPDATE

We arrived at the game with only 18 players; putting that aside we went out with our first game and beat our first opponent with a very positive score line of 23.6.144 to 0.0.0. Our second game against NWS P12 was a bit higher but we ended up running out by 6 or 7 goals. We then played a third straight game which was the final against old rivals Alkira, the no bench and easy first 2 games caught us off guard and they broke away to a 5 goal lead at half time. We were the walking wounded in the second half but with pure grits the boys out scored Alkira but ran out of time and lost the final by 2 goals. Best players for the day in no particular order, Archie, Nick B, Raymond, Fletcher, Jai, Jessie D, Ethan and Bailey.

*Maney Beasley*



## REGIONAL CROSS COUNTRY

Last month, we had a group of students go to Ballam Park in Frankston for regional cross country.

We had two students make it through to State Cross Country, which is a massive achievement:

Matt Voss (15 boys) – finished in 2nd place in an incredible time of 10:20 (3:27 per/km). This is the third year in a row he has made it to the state finals. He was rewarded for his efforts by having to go to interleague training, where he had

to complete 40 X 50m sprints! Safe to say he was moving around quite gingerly during prac today.

Steph Geyer (15 girls) – finished in 8th spot with a time of 12:43 (4:14 per/km). This will be the first time Steph has gone to state finals, after missing out by one place last year.

Super effort from both of these students, who are very modest about their running ability. Wish them luck if you see them.

Congratulations to all our runners: Will Geyer, Jake Seuren, Jacob Ford, Vicky Harris, Chloe Nagel, Kaitlyn Harding, Emily Kerr, Mitch Campbell, Caden Webb, Jack McDonald, Mason Koffman, Hayley Hirst, Keyara Garraway, Makayla McDonald, Mikaela Stokkel, Steph Geyer, Jaymee Bayliss, Matt Voss, Ray Roeder, Imogen Paine, Jade Lennen, Chloe Reichelt, Brody Smith and James Voss. They did a great job making it to regional cross county.

*Claire Notman, Sport Coordinator*

## YEAR 8 GIRLS' SOCCER

In the first game of the day we lost to Alkira 9 – 0 but the girls' showed that they could work as a team and had some great passages of play for their first game together.

Game two was a better result with Koo Wee Rup going down 4 – 0 to Casey Grammar with only one goal conceded in the first half. Excellent work by our defenders who were Ella, Cailin, Amy, Marlee and Jemma.

Game three showed more positively in the scoreline with Koo Wee Rup going down 3-0 to Hampton park but with no goals conceded in the second half. Additionally there were various opportunities on goal for us but we couldn't convert on the score board. Again, excellent work by our defenders and great diving skills from our goal keeper Angelina, kept us in the game. Furthermore, our forwards put in a good show with Ellie running almost the whole field and leaving players in here dust, and a credit to Gef for breaking a few ankles and running her heart out in the midfield!

With the first half of final game of the day not going to plan (we were down five goals to Cranbourne East) the coaching staff decided to go into all-out attack mode. Our first goal of the day came from number 20 forward Letisha. With the end score being 7-1 the team was proud to have scored our one and only goal against the winning team of the event.

An excellent effort by all the girls showing their enthusiasm to play the game for each other and representing Koo Wee Rup Secondary College.

Coach staff: Mitch Buck and Tom Axford (trainee teachers)

Thanks goes to Mitch for training and coaching the team, and to Tom for his assistance. The team should be really proud of their efforts on the day, and this was due to the numerous training sessions beforehand and their willingness to listen to suggestions and advice. For a team with basically no experience (and coming up against teams often with half their team playing soccer out of school), they did exceptionally well. As Tom and Mitch alluded to above, the girls improved out of sight, and played with terrific spirit and sportsmanship.

Team: Ella Broekhuys, Letisha Findlay, Chelsea Haines, Jade Kerr, Angelina Lardelli-Newton, Gef Lombardo, Cailin MacUmber, Ellie Pilkington, Amy Taylor, Jemma Timewell, Marlee Whitehead.

*Ken Jones*



## YEAR 8 NETBALL REPORT

I had the pleasure of taking out the two year 8 girls netball teams. A fantastic day was had by all.

A team: Lily Howes, Chloe Reichelt, Jade Leenen, Brooke Watt, Maddie Joseph, Steph Dooley, Chloe Kerr and Abbey Miller - The girls had a big day playing 6 games of netball. Our first game was against Casey. It was a tight game where we made many errors but we were lucky to come away with the win 10 – 8. After having a games break the girls had to play two games in a row. The first of the of these was against Cranbourne East, who were tardy getting to the court, giving us a three goal head start which saw us victorious with a 11 – 6 win. Next up was Hampton park. We had many opportunities to score a big win but we did not take our chances although we still managed to win 12 – 5. The girls were very excited about our next match up, which was against Alkira. It was the game of the day and looked like the overall winner would come from this match. At half time we were down by one goal. The girls played some brilliant netball in this game and didn't let the more experienced Alkira team intimidate them. At the final siren the score was a draw 10 all. From this point we knew our fate was going to lie with our percentage. In the final two games the girls pushed hard to score as many goals as they could beating Lyndhurst 14 – 0 and Cranbourne 16 – 3. Despite not losing all day and playing a great match against Alkira, the girls do not progress to the next round as Alkira has a slightly better percentage than us and that is just the way the cookie crumbles (sadly).

Abbey was sensational in the goal circle all day, providing plenty of drive and a smiley face. Brooke tried hard all day and found her mojo to goal fantastically. Maddie was outstanding in getting off the line and providing an option for the centre passes, while Jade was the queen at the intercept, shutting down the opposition mid court drive. Chloe R is the most graceful wing defence that you may ever come across, making intercepting look easy, while Steph was thrown from the mid court to defence and used her voice to direct the play. Chloe K was magnificent in defence. Her long arms allowed her to get a hand on most balls making life for the opposition very difficult. Lily played in every third of the court and was a leader on the day taking every position change in her stride. The girls are a fantastic little netball team and while I am shattered that they do not progress through to the next round they should be so proud of how they conducted themselves. The umpires even commended them on their skill and sportsmanship. Well done girls on being the runners up in the Casey South division for year 8 A team netball.

B team: Katie Lucas, Imogen Paine, Chloe McCoull, Mia Tribuzi, Sarah MacDonall, Bella Andrews, Sadie Wesp, Tenisse Manning (injured Bianca Hameeteman and Samantha English) - It was also a big day for the B team having to play 5 games of netball. The B team was first to play and it was a scrappy start but they were able to come away with a convincing win by playing stronger netball in the second half, winning 8 – 2 against Cranbourne. Their second match was against Casey. The ball spent a lot of time in the mid court, but we managed to convert enough chances to win 5 – 2. The third game was against Minaret. This was a difficult game to watch as the opposition did not have a strong handle on how to play netball and at times the game was frustrating to watch, with many errors occurring with our passing and our footwork, but the girls worked hard to improve this and again the second half was much better allowing us to come away with a 9 – 0 win. The next match was against Alkira, which we knew was going to be tough. At half time the scores were level and the girls were impressed they could match it with the more experienced team. Unfortunately, Alkira put the foot down in the second half and we failed to convert our chances leading to a loss, 17 – 5. The final game of the day was a little controversial as Hampton Park took the court with girls who had played in the A team. Our girls tried hard and were not intimidated by this fact, although the scores board suggested we lost 7 – 8, the points were ours due to Hampton Park breaching the rules. Just like the A team the B team were also runners up to Alkira.

Tenisse and Katie were our targets in the goal circle and combined well to give plenty of drive in the attacking half. Sadie and Mia ran hard all day throughout the mid court while Sarah dominated in the wing defence. Imogen was the star in defence, shutting down the opposition and providing strong options bringing the ball out of defence. Chloe and Bella dominated the defensive ring and combined well to shut down the opposition goalers. The girls were a pleasure to have taken out and should also be proud of their efforts on the day. It was very refreshing to see how enthusiastic they were to be given the opportunity to represent the college. Well done girls on being the runners up in the Casey South division for year 8 netball (B team).

I forgot to add a big thank you to Paige for all help, along with Lilly Whitta and Luke Edwards who kept track of all the scores and ladders. Bianca Hameeteman and Samantha English were sensational scoring each game.



*Shona Perrin*

## YEAR 7 NETBALL REPORT

On Monday I had the pleasure of taking the two year 7 netball teams to compete at Cranbourne. The girls had been training for many weeks in preparation for this day.

B team: Payton Booth, Layla Bunting, Xanthe Cuthbertson, Maisie Duncanson, Kyra Farmer, Alana Grogan, Jaide Hunter, Porsha Matheson, Charli Russel

Results from the day: Officer: Win 4 – 2, Alkira: Loss 3 – 19, Cranbourne: Win 4 – 3, Hampton Park: Win 12 – 1, Minaret: Win 9 – 1, Casey: Win 10 – 3.

During the day Payton glided around the court dominating the centre court while Xanthe was the intercept queen proving she is a valuable asset in defence. Layla grew in confidence throughout the day and was the most enthusiastic player, excited to be involved in 6 games of netball and Maisie overcome a knock to the cheekbone to show flashes of brilliance with her feeding in the goal circle. Kyra was the 'gate keeper' playing solid defence all day and Alana goaded beautifully in the final games and worked hard to provide an option in the forward half of the court. Jaide recovered from an ankle injury to prove her versatility playing in all regions of the court and Porsha was outstanding in the midcourt playing in one of the hardest positions wing defence, but she made it her own, while Charli was our little whippet, using her speed and knowledge to provide valuable drive through the mid court. The girls were an absolute delight to have taken to a sporting day and I am so proud of them in achieving the runner-up position in the division. They showed outstanding sportsmanship and genuine love for the game of netball.

A team: Georgia Henwood, Tiana Jones, Olivia Lewis, Georgia Lightowler, Neve Spranklin, Teegan Thornhill, Chloe Thornhill, Charlee Webb

Results from the day: Officer: Loss 8 – 9, Hampton Park: Win 17 – 2, Casey: Win 17 – 11

The girls faced Officer in the first game and as expected in their first proper match playing as a team, the start was a little rusty. With 2 minutes left to go in the game we held a two goal lead, but a couple of turnovers and some chances not converted meant the final outcome did not go our way. The girls went into the second game against Hampton Park full of confidence and it showed on the court. The girls dominated all facets of play and were congratulated by the opposition supports for their sportsmanship and beautiful netball skills. The final match was against Casey, and as they only lost to Officer by 2 goals we were expecting a hard fought match. The first half was a tight tussle going goal for goal, but in the second half we excelled our dominance and came away with a good win.

Olivia 'our tall timber' gained confidence and aggression as the day went on, to shine as our star GK, she was well supported in defence by Teegan who was 'rock solid' all day. Neve was brilliant in all positions. She was 'little miss consistent' in either the defence end or in the mid court while Georgia L probably won the award for the most contacts, demonstrating her desire to win the ball. Tiana was sensational in the midcourt with her bullet like passes into the goal circle and Chloe worked hard in WA, setting up many scoring opportunities. Georgia 'I can't play goals' Henwood was outstanding, with her drive into the circle and definitely showed that she is a force to be reckoned with as a gaoler. Charlee was the goaling genius, and gave the team a fantastic target in the goal circle and her accuracy was sensational. The girls had a great day and finished second in their pool which meant they didn't progress into the grand final. Although disappointed the Maccas stop on the way home made up for it.

My three helpers on the day were also magnificent. Payton Humphreys couldn't play due to a foot injury but came along and scored each game. Without Holly Huxtable and Ashlee Hameeteman the day couldn't have run. They kept track of each of the teams results and organised the ladders. I cannot thank them enough for their assistance on the day. It was also fantastic to see so many parents and family members there to support the girls.



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### Enrolments for 2018 are now open

We held our Foundation/Prep Open Morning for all prospective students and their parents on 20<sup>th</sup> June. Our school leaders took families on tours of the school informing them of the facilities and programs we offer.

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



The last weeks of term 2 ended with fun and laughter as the students came along to the School Disco to dance the night away. Not only did students pull out their best dance moves but also participated in group games, enjoyed a Sausage Sizzle dinner and of course, dressed-up for the occasion.

St John the Baptist's Feast Day was celebrated on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June with a morning Mass followed by morning tea for parents and then activities throughout the day. Students were treated to a sausage sizzle lunch, provided by the Friends of St John's. The day was a lovely celebration of St John's life and a great reminder of how he prepared the way for Jesus.

Throughout term 2, the students have been collecting non-perishable food items and warm winter woollies for our local St Vinnies. The theme for this year's Winter Appeal is 'Be a HERO this Winter' because together we can do heroic things. The



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**Assembly - Tuesday 2:15pm**

**Library Club - Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:40am**

**Maths Club - Wednesday at lunch**

**Term 3 begins Monday 17th July**

**Resilience Project Parent Session Wednesday 19th July**



Dear members of the Koo Wee Rup Community,

Following on from staff and student sessions held earlier this year at Koo Wee Rup Primary School, we invite you, the wider community, to attend an evening with Hugh van Cuylenburg, the founder of The Resilience Project. This is an amazing opportunity for all families to hear from a highly motivational and informative speaker on healthy minds.

Please go to [theresilienceproject.com.au](http://theresilienceproject.com.au) for more information.

**When:** 7 - 8:30pm **Wednesday 19th July**

**Where:** Koo Wee Rup Secondary College Gymnasium

To ensure that we cater for all attendees could you please RSVP to Therese O'Callaghan on 5997-1272.

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**Term 3 Transition  
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**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**  
**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August**  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

**Term 4 Transition  
1:45-3:15pm**  
**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
**9am - 1pm**  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

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New Members always welcome!

Contact June Wright our Group Leader on 0439 161 939 or 5997 1480



## June receives an Order of Australia Medal!

Left: June celebrated receiving the award with family and friends at a special afternoon tea and Ron Ingram was happy to read out the long list of June's achievements.



Another great month for the 1<sup>st</sup> Koo Wee Rup Scout Group.

Select members from the Scout section went bush camping to learn leadership and team building skills.

The Cub Scouts visited the CFA and went bowling with 50 other Cub Scouts from around the District.

The Joey Scouts, Venturers and Rovers were busy too building great leaders for tomorrow.



Congratulations to Lara (10 yrs) for organising and completing her Grey Wolf Hike and to Hayley for linking up a second time to join the Scouts.

But most importantly Congratulations to June Wright OAM for receiving the Order of Australia Medal for her service to the community (Lions Club and Scouts). There is no need to bow and scrape to her any more than you usually would *but please buy some of her raffle tickets*.

**Congratulations June from all at the 1<sup>st</sup> Koo Wee Rup Scout Group, well deserved recognition for your tireless work in the community.**



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## KOO WEE RUP RSL SUB BRANCH REPORT

On behalf of our members, may I convey our delight in congratulating Mrs June Wright on receiving her Queen's Birthday Honour for many years of voluntary service to our community.

With grateful hearts we salute you June and thank you and your hard working ladies for the commitment you demonstrate, especially at the op shop. An honour and a privilege to know you. It is people such as you who make our wonderful country what it is. Congratulations again on your award.

Many years have passed since those of my generation were children and many things have changed, but our sentiment of respect, esteem and gratitude to those of the generation before us burns ever so brightly within each of us. I am writing of our WW2 service men and women. We owe them an enormous debt.

Our Sub Branch was honoured with the presence of a much admired Rats of Tobruk survivor, Mr Harry Crick. Harry is a living legend and he presented our Sub Branch with a very young fig tree, derived from a cutting (or a root off-shoot) from the only green and living thing in Tobruk, under which our wounded soldiers were placed to shield them from the searing sun. Whenever I am in the company of men such as Harry, I feel a beautiful brotherly bond with each one of them (a great family we belong to) and Harry is even more special, at 98 he is so appreciative and full of life; he can be extremely proud of his service, not only to our grateful nation but to the entire free world - thank you Harry and those of your generation, you are a treasure and inspiration.

With a heavy heart, I need to inform the membership and those who want to know of the passing of our Elder Statesman Norman Joseph. On behalf of all our members, I wish to extend our deepest and most sincere condolence to his family.

Norman proudly served our country when being far too young (at 15 years of age) and was sent to Borneo, at the same time Norman's father was with the 39th Battalion in Papua New Guinea. We can only try to imagine what Mrs Joseph was going through; she would have had a direct line of communication to the Lord our God; may they all rest peacefully.

On May 28th I was privileged to be invited to the Naval Memorial Hall for the unveiling of a Plaque of Dedication to those we lost while on Operational Service during the Vietnam War. The Officer involved was Lt EGT Kennell, who died whilst in transit to Vietnam, who was attached to 816 Squadron on HMAS Melbourne. On April 28th 1966 Lt Edward G Kennell RAN died when his Sea Venom crashed off the flight deck while on operational service to Vietnam.

The ceremony was well attended with many of his shipmates and around 50 of our South Vietnamese friends, ex servicemen. Lt Kennell died in the service or our country yet not recognised as his death was accidental and not KIA; the logic of that argument fails to impress. We Will Remember Them, Lest We Forget.

*Yours Aye, John Camilleri,  
Sub Branch President*



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## LIONS CLUB NEWS

May and June proved to be hectic months for the Club. As already covered in last month's issue of Blackfish, the Club ran its inaugural 'Newcomers & Neighbours Dinner' towards the end of May and what a great success it proved to be. The Club sincerely thanks its major sponsors, Stockdale & Leggo, One Agency, 1<sup>st</sup> Choice Estate Agency and Right Choice Mortgage Brokers for their most generous support, together with all the other Koo Wee Rup businesses which supported the dinner. Also, congratulations to Stockdale & Leggo for being the inaugural winners of the perpetual trophy for selling the most tickets for the dinner.



*A happy band of Lions and guests celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Lions in Chicago*

The date of the Club's first meeting in June coincided with another very significant date, which was 7<sup>th</sup> June 1917. On this day 100 years ago the Lions organisation was founded in Chicago. To celebrate this event President Ron supplied two birthday cakes with an appropriate candle.

On 16<sup>th</sup> June the Club held its changeover dinner. This is the time when the Club members, together with other invited guests from many of the other groups in and around Koo Wee Rup share in celebrating the successes of the year, thank our outgoing President, Ron Payne for his excellent stewardship and to welcome our new President, Sheryl Blay. It is a time for reflection and a time to look forward to the challenges of the

coming year. A sincere thanks to all those who attended to make the event so enjoyable.

As this article is being written, the Club is looking forward with anticipation to its Art, Craft & Patchwork Show, to be held for one day on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June at the Community Hall, Cochrane Park.

The jewel in the crown will be the quilt, titled 'The Journey'. A quilt lovingly made by the Lions Club of Quilters Victoria to commemorate 100 years of Lions. After being on display at the Club's show it will find its way to Chicago, where it will be displayed during the Lions International Convention celebrating the Lions centenary.

A full report in the next issue of Blackfish.

Finally, the members of the Koo Wee Rup Lions Club wish to sincerely thank so many members of the Koo Wee Rup community and the communities of Lang Lang and Bayles for their outstanding support over the last twelve months. Without that support the Club would not have achieved the successes it enjoyed during the year. Let's hope that in the new financial year we can all achieve even more together.

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This month we held our annual 80s and over Birthday Party. We had 33 members who enjoyed afternoon tea and entertainment by Marceau Camille.

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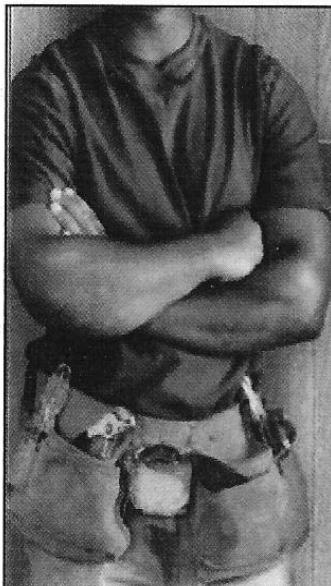
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## WHAT'S GOING ON AT THE MEN'S SHED?

Maybe you think talking football, watching tele', and having a natter is all that happens at the Koo Wee Rup Men's Shed. Well ... we have some enlightening news for you ... right here.

The underlying principle of the Men's Shed is the health and well-being of the men of the district; some of whom live alone at home and others are getting age-fragile and really need some male company. Recently, at the Annual General Meeting, George Fittock was re-elected as president with Alan MacKenzie as vice-president. The joint treasurers of the Men's Shed committee are Brian Harlow and John Farmer; Brian is also the secretary.



OK, you say, but what has everyone actually been doing? Well, certainly there have been all the traditional activities of a Men's Shed such as wood working, metal working and art work or just simply relaxing with a coffee by the tele'. And there have been a couple of outings to South Gippsland for lunch but, they are also a very proud bunch of blokes when they talk about their special mentoring programs for the youth of the district.

It is a fact that there are some children in our local schools, boys and girls, in year 9 who are struggling, and sometimes they disengage with their fellow students. It is with these particular youngsters that

the mentoring group works. The students, under the auspices of the Men's Shed members, and without their day to day school teachers, do wood working, play games, do arts and crafts work and some students just simply socialise. A separate group of students from the KWR Secondary College, in an advanced class, again mentored by the Men's Shed members, are vying for their Duke of Edinburgh's Award by building an upmarket chicken coup and videoing their own on-going progress. Over fifty young people a week take part in these activities. There is also an adult training course run for mature students of 'Community Health', allowing them to fulfill the required one hundred and twenty hours of working with young people under supervision.

Big plans are afoot to expand the Men's Shed building to improve the catering area for social evenings, suppers, and lunches, away from all the machinery and, of course, the pool table. This extension, together with an extra storage shed in the grounds, is to be carried out by the members and should be complete by the end of this coming September. Just recently the members had the honour to welcome the Federal Minister for Health, the Hon Greg Hunt MP, to the Shed and he was impressed indeed with all that had been achieved, especially with the solar systems used throughout the KRHS site.

It's also not generally known that the Men's Shed is the sponsor of the barbecue held at the town's monthly market and they supply everything for other community groups to use during their respective time on the stall. There is an art and painting class for adults on a Thursday afternoon and computer classes are available for beginners and another class for those with some knowledge of computers, iPads, androids, etc.; both computer courses are on Friday mornings and run for about five weeks.

On the social side Saturday mornings are family mornings where families are encouraged to 'have a go' in the community garden and then join everyone else for lunch in the Men's Shed. Added to this is the monthly Friday evening meal, organised by the members, for even more pleasurable times and get-togethers. Wives and lady friends are always very welcome at these happy meals.

Do come along and be with us and enjoy these events. The Koo Wee Rup Men's Shed is an active, life-giving boost to the older and perhaps wiser men of the district who are always keen to share their lifelong experiences with everyone.



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## KBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the community of, and visitors to, Koo wee rup,  
How many of you found the little brass plaque??? (pictured right).

The association would like to congratulate June Wright on receiving a Medal of the Order of Australia. Very well deserved.

Heard on the grape vine that Koo wee rup got a mention on 3aw, about our selection of recycled/vintage/antique shops. Great to hear the word getting passed around.

On Tuesday 20th June the association held a general meeting. All members were brought up to date on current projects after which there were two business presentations. The first, represented by Andrea Vincent (branch manager, Koo wee rup) and Andrea How (financial planner), was the Bendigo Bank. Included in their presentation were issues regarding business and personal finance options, superannuation and interest rates. After a break and some delicious light refreshments (catered by the Chandelier cafe) we heard from Damien Matthys from Computers Unplugged. His presentation was on all things business internet and how best to make it fit for you, including using the cloud. Both presentations were open to discussion providing attendees with answers to all their questions.

Are you a local home based business? If yes, something you may be interested in is the Casey Cardinia Business Coffee Club. For all enquiries give the Cardinia Council a call.

### JOIN US AT THE JUNE BUSINESS COFFEE CLUB

The Casey Cardinia Business Coffee Club is an informal opportunity for local home-based businesses to meet other like-minded people over a cup of coffee or tea.

On Tuesday 15th August the association will be holding its AGM. All members are welcome, and encouraged, to attend.

Rainfall (21 May to 24 June) 35 ml

So ends this report,

Till next time, please take care.

Vicki Charlton

President

Koo wee rup business association

For any information on the association including:

- Meeting times and dates
- Membership

Please call Vicki Charlton on 0413 384 480 (used to be new)

Andrea Vincent on 5997 2266 (Bendigo Bank) Treasurer

Nikole Charlton on 0419 699 965 (Inner Psych Solutions) Secretary



## FOOTY UPDATE

With the commencement of the second half of the 2017 WGFNC season, the Koo Wee Rup seniors are still achieving their pre season goal, which was to be in the final five come Round 18. With 11 rounds played the Demons are 7 wins and 4 losses in what is a fairly tight leaders board and the committee and coaches are under no illusions, as every game is a challenge in what is a high standard of competition where any club can step up and upset plans of playing in the final series.

The U/18s, and for that matter the U/16s, continue to battle hard in their respective games and while not winning as often as they have the talent to do, its pleasing to see them improve each week. Equally pleasing for the coaches Mick Monckton and Phil Backman is to have their players moving up into the senior ranks. Young demons like Luke McMaster, Brad Harding, Liam Hetherington, Nathan Voss, Bailey Galante, Troy Dolan, Jesse Hand, Mitch Leek and Travis Bindley who is with Gippsland Power, are a fine example to many other juniors who have the ability to make it in the Seniors. Keep it up boys as you are the future of the club.

## VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

This month's volunteer is actually a super duo. Geoff and Tania Miller are the club's Game Day Secretaries and they certainly make a great team as they ensure that all is in place and Team Manager's are grateful for their professionalism as they dot every I and cross every T. Tania runs the computer while Geoff gathers all the results and statistics and gives Tania a couple of pointers on the computer. (I dare him). Not only are Geoff and Tania Miller an important asset to the club they also gave us Ben, Tim and Cody, three great on field contributors.

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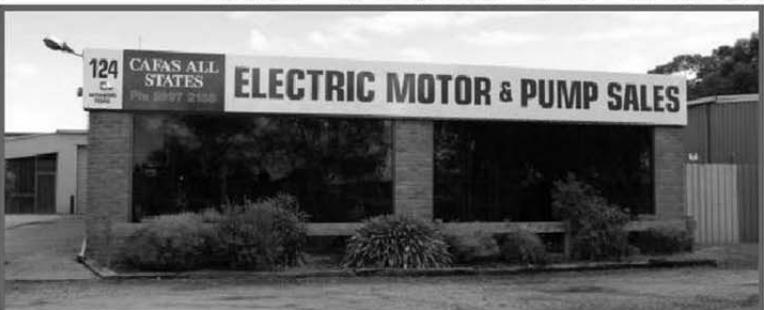
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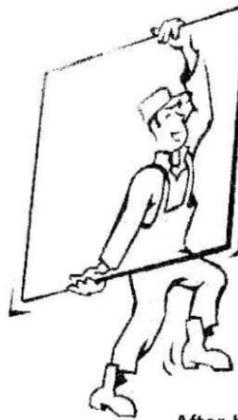
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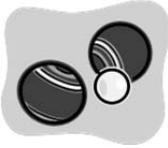
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## KOO WEE RUP BOWLS CLUB NEWS

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transferring from Lang Lang BC. however we have cleared Fred Forde back to Warragul & Nick Filius has temporarily retired. We are still looking for anybody who would enjoy learning to play the game of bowls and join a small but progressive Club which is considered one of the best on the Mornington Peninsula. Contact the Club for further info. or call at the Club. There is a Club member there on most days.

### JUNIORS WANTED

**Winter sport Finished? Don't play a sport? Nothing to do on a Saturday? This sport starts in October until the end of February (Xmas break).**

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Waters] team and Best Last game was won by Wendy Pownall's team [KWR] with 20 pts. The results from 20<sup>th</sup> June games played in sunny but windy conditions had the Winners being Alan Thompson's [Berwick] team and another Berwick team led by Cliff Fothergill was Runner Up. Best Last game was won by Peter Bott's [Pakenham] team.

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The Tuesday Winter Triples season has commenced with only 1 day lost to poor weather so far. We have had players from Berwick, Cardinia Waters, Corinella, Garfield, KooWeeRup, Lang Lang & Pakenham compete with 7 or 8 rinks each day. Results from the 2<sup>nd</sup> day saw Graeme Wilde's team [Pakenham] win with 39 pts. Runner Up rink with 37 pts. was Mick Knight's [Cardinia

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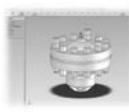
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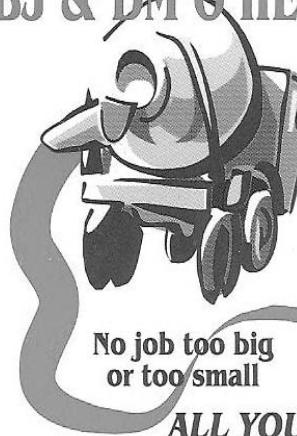
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Volunteers find their participation at KRHS enriching and rewarding; it offers a sense of responsibility and belonging while providing opportunities for friendships, training, new skills and experiences. If you have some spare time and would like to join our wonderful group of dedicated volunteers, please contact Maria Carty Phone: 5997 9792 Email: [cantym@krhs.net.au](mailto:cantym@krhs.net.au)



## FIVE MILE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

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

There was a report on the Five Mile School Honor Roll in the *Lang Lang Guardian* of June 9, 1915. Five Mile, also known as Koo-Wee-Rup North, was a small township on the corner of the Main Drain and Five Mile Road (the road being five miles from the start of the Main Drain at Western Port Bay). The School opened in July 1894 and closed in November 1959 when it became part of Pakenham Consolidated School.

Who were these soldiers who were honoured? I have included their Service Number (SN) so you can look up their full record in the National Archives of Australia ([www.naa.gov.au](http://www.naa.gov.au)).

**Backhouse**, Bert (Herbert Arthur Burder) (SN 612) Bert was 23 when he enlisted on April 20, 1914. Bert is listed in the Electoral Roll in 1913 at Koo-Wee-Rup. His next of kin on his enlistment paper was his father, Talworth Backhouse, whose address is listed as Metropolitan Board of Works, Melbourne. Bert's mother was Emily A'Beckett, a daughter of W.A.C. A'Beckett - a politician and lawyer, so they were a well connected family, socially. He Returned to Australia on May 4, 1917 and was discharged on medical grounds (septic knee).

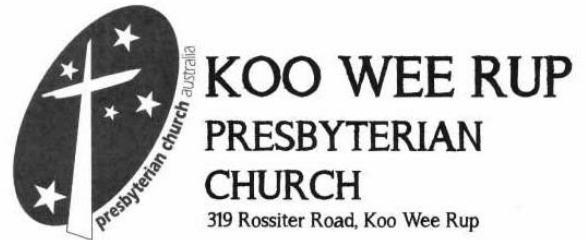
**Bjurstrom**, Gustave Carl (SN 503) I can only find one instance of a Bjurstrom enlisting and it is this one, so even though he is listed in the newspaper article as A. Bjurstrom I believe I have the right soldier. Gustave was 19 when he enlisted on August 27, 1914 and his occupation was sawmill labourer and his next of kin was his father C.G Bjurstrom of Heyfield. Gustave Returned to Australia July 2, 1915. There are reports in various papers that he was wounded but we don't know the full story as we cannot access his service record as it has been combined with his World War Two record as Gustave enlisted at the age of 42 in March 1940. His address at the time was Cora Lynn. In the 1916 Electoral Rolls Charles and Agnes Bjurstrom are listed at Koo-Wee Rup, two years previously they were at Heyfield, so obviously moved after their son enlisted.

**Burns**, Joseph (SN 1399) Joseph enlisted on October 19, 1914 at the age of 33 and then was medically discharged in April 1916 due to receiving a gunshot wound to the 'lower extremities' while fighting at Gallipoli. He rejoined April 27, 1917 and was discharged again in the May. Joseph was the son of Francis and Margaret Burns who are both listed as the next of kin, with an address in Moreland, however there was a Francis, Margaret and Joseph Burns in the Electoral Roll at Koo-Wee-Rup from 1903 to 1913.

**Chippindall**, Robert Arthur (SN 375) Robert was a 23 year old painter when he enlisted on August 15, 1914. His next of kin was his mother, Sarah, of South Yarra. Robert died of wounds on May 17, 1915. What was his connection to the Five Mile region? His father was the grandly named Giles Tatlock Chippindall and his mother was Sarah Isaac Dawson. When Giles died at the age of 57 in 1900 his death notice said that he lived at Bunyip and was employed by the Lands Department. Giles had various government positions in Victoria and Queensland - in 1893 he was appointed as a Crown Land Bailiff and he was also the Lands Department Inspector in the region. Giles and Sarah had fifteen children altogether and she died in 1932 aged 80. Another son of Giles and Sarah's was Thomas and he is listed in the Electoral Roll in 1908 at Garfield, his occupation is also Crown Lands Bailiff. Yet another son, Giles, was the Director General of Post Masters General Department and had also headed the Department of War Organisation of Industry and was knighted in 1950.

**Denham**, Robert Alexander (SN 392) Robert was born in Koo-Wee-Rup and was living in Carlton and was a fireman when he enlisted at the age of 28 on February 17, 1915 (that's the date according to the Embarkation roll and July 17, 1915 is the date according to the Enlistment papers). His next of kin was his friend Annie Ritchie. Robert Returned to Australia July 10 1916 and was discharged on medical grounds due to a form of rheumatism. Robert was the son of John and Janet Denham. John Denham was the Cranbourne Shire Secretary from 1909 to 1911 and the Rate collector for nine years; he also had a store at Yallock and a dairy farm at Koo-Wee-Rup. Janet's father, Alexander Dunlop, had the *Harewood Mains* property at Tooradin and had a successful cheese making business.

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## FIVE MILE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL (*from previous page*)

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

**Emmott**, Robert Edmund (SN 1083) Edmund enlisted at the age of 19 on September 12, 1914. His next of kin was his mother, no name was given, but later papers show it was Alphina Emmott and she was living at Red Hill. Edmund was Killed in Action in France on April 15, 1918. There is a letter in his file from the AIF Base Records Office asking Alphina if her son had 'any nearer blood relations than yourself, for instance, is his father still alive' - he wasn't, his father Joseph had died in April 1914. Alphina and Joseph were listed in the Electoral Roll at Koo-Wee-Rup from 1903 to 1914.

**Garbellini**, George (SN 378) George enlisted on February 3, 1915 aged 23. He was the son of Peter and Jane (nee Crambie) of 'Five Mile Drain', Koo-Wee-Rup. He was Killed in Action in France on May 3 1917.

**Gray**, William Albert (SN 218) William was 22 when he enlisted on January 22, 1915. His occupation was farm hand and his next of kin was his mother, Margaret Gray, of Koo-Wee-Rup. He Returned to Australia April 27, 1919.

**Jenkins**, Thomas Edward (SN 188) Thomas was a bricklayer and 19 years old when he enlisted on January 11, 1915. His next of kin was his mother, Annabel Jenkins, of Boundary Road, Koo-Wee-Rup. Thomas was born in Koo-Wee-Rup. He Returned to Australia on April 5 1918 and was discharged in the July on medical grounds due to a gunshot wound to the right arm, received while fighting in France.

**Johnson**, Charles Tudor (SN 588). Tudor, as he was known, was 19 when he enlisted on November 7, 1914. He was a farmer who lived at Cora Lynn and his next of kin was his mother, Mrs Fanny (nee Bickford) Johnson, of Cora Lynn. Tudor had attended Dookie Agricultural College before he enlisted at Enoggera in Brisbane. His father was Henry George Johnson who for some reason was not listed as the next of kin; generally fathers are more likely to be the official next of kin than mothers. Tudor Returned to Australia on December 23, 1918. Tudor is also on the Cora Lynn War Memorial.

**Killeen**, Patrick (SN 772) Patrick was a 24 year old farmer when he enlisted on October 1, 1914. His next of kin was his father of Koo-Wee-Rup. Patrick was the son of Thomas and Maria Killeen. Patrick Returned to Australia on July 3, 1919.

**Marshall**, George (SN 1780) George enlisted on January 11, 1915 at the age of 31. He was a carpenter and his address was Cora Lynn and his next of kin was Samuel Marshall who lived at Koo-Wee-Rup (a later paper had the address as Phillips Drain, Five Mile) George sustained two gunshot wounds at Gallipoli - one to the left side under his arm and one in his left arm. He Returned to Australia on October 13, 1915 and was discharged on medical grounds in January 1916. There is a Statuary Declaration in his file from 1942 saying that he lost his discharge papers in the 1934 flood at Cora Lynn.

**M'Gregor**, Robert. I am unsure who this is, there is a John and Josephine McGregor on the Electoral Roll at Koo-Wee-Rup from 1903 to 1905 so they may have had a son the attended the school but I don't know. If you have more information on Robert, I'd love to hear from you.

**Scanlan**, Thomas Patrick (SN 505) Thomas Scanlon - his surname is spelt as both Scanlan and Scanlon on official documents - was the son of William and Ellen Scanlon of Cora Lynn. Thomas was 21 when he enlisted on January 12, 1915. He was a farmer. Thomas was awarded the Military medal and he Returned to Australia April 5, 1919.

**Watson**, Percy. I am not sure who this is - my best bet going on enlistment date, enlistment place, birth place and occupation is that it is Percy Kennedy Watson (SN 926) Percy was 29 and a labourer when he enlisted on December 7, 1914. He Returned to Australia March 11, 1916 and was discharged on medical grounds (Asthma) in the November. Once again, if you can help identify Percy I would love to hear from you.

**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](mailto:harnold@dcsi.net.au) ☎ 0407 521 637.**

### Roll of Honor.

#### FIVE MILE SCHOOL.

The roll of honor of the Five Mile State School, Kooweeup North, discloses the names of eleven young men, imbued with the spirit of high honor, self-sacrifice, and patriotism, who are now serving at the front and who once attended the above-named school. Along with the names of these old boys, we may place the names of some local young men at present in Gallipoli.

#### Old Boys.

Robert A. Chippendall (killed) : Tudor Johnson ; Patrick Killeen ; William Gray ; Thomas Jenkins ; George Marshall ; Robert Denham ; Thomas P. Scanlan : Robert M'Gregor ; Edmund Emmott ; Percy Watson.

#### Residents.

Joseph Burns and A. Bjurstrom, wounded : Bert Backhouse, George Garbellini.

There are boys out there by the western creeks,

Who hurry away to school,  
To climb the sides of the breezy peaks  
Or dive in the shaded pool,  
Who'll stick to their guns when the mountains quake  
To the tread of a mighty war.  
And fight for Right or a grand mistake,  
As men never fought before.

HENRY LILWON,



## GIPPSLAND UNWRAPPED

### KWR CWA Waste-Free Living and Information Night

**Come along to the CWA's waste-free living night. Tammy Logan, from Gippsland Unwrapped, will provide you with not only information about waste-free living, but will also give you some easy strategies that you can use at home.**

### Everyone welcome!

**Date: Monday, 3rd July 2017**

**Time: 7.30pm**

**Location: Koo Wee Rup Primary School, Moody Street.**

**Cost: \$5 per person including a light supper**

#### About Tammy

Tammy Logan is the author of Gippsland Unwrapped, a blog committed to the pursuit of plastic and waste free living. Based in Gippsland, Victoria Tammy combines her experience in conservation biology and community engagement with her dairy farming roots, to deliver a humble and honest approach to plastic and waste free family life. Tammy wants to prove that living sustainably results in a more meaningful life and that as consumers, our buying power can be a strong force for positive change.

### Trivia Night 15th July

KooWeeRup Community Centre  
Rossiter Road KooWeeRup

7.30pm-10.30pm

Non alcoholic night

Please bring your own soft drink and nibbles

Cost is \$10 per head or \$100 per table of ten

Great Community Event

Why not get a table together and come and enjoy a great night of fun and laughs

Entertainment on the night

Prizes for first place and last place

Raffles on the night

All monies raised go towards the children and youth programs that TurningPoint KooWeeRup runs for the community

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## BLACK & WHITE TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2017

7:30pm - 11pm approx.

Koo Wee Rup Community Centre  
(Rossiter Rd, Koo Wee Rup - next to the pool)

To reserve a seat/table please call or text Kat on 0432 427 169  
10 seats to a table, \$10 per person.

All money payable on the night.

Please ensure you reserve your seat/seats to avoid disappointment of missing out on the night.

BYO: Drinks and nibbles.

Tea and Coffee will be available.

GRAB SOME FRIENDS; GET DRESSED IN YOUR BLACK AND WHITE CLOTHING AND COME ALONG FOR A NIGHT FULL OF FUN AND LAUGHTER.

As there will be alcohol, this will be an 18 years + event

The Koo Wee Rup Scout Group is holding this trivia night.  
All money raised will go towards helping us renovate, extend and give the Scout Hall a much needed upgrade.



KOOWEERUP FOOTBALL CLUB

**12K DRAW  
SUNDAY  
9TH JULY  
2017**

KOOWEERUP REC RESERVE  
STARTS 12PM - 4PM  
BEER, WINE, SOFTDRINK & FOOD PROVIDED  
DJ AFTERWARDS  
TICKETS \$150- ADMITS 2 PEOPLE  
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