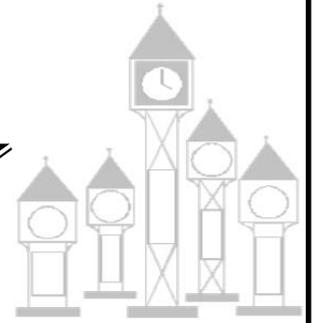


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MAY 2017

## ANZAC DAY KOO WEE RUP 2017



*Despite the rain, a large crowd turned out for this year's Dawn Service.*

### THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Township held its monthly meeting on Wednesday, 5 April. Township Meetings are open to anyone who would like to attend. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 3 May at 7:30 pm at the Community Centre.

Councillor Brown provided an update on progress with the Royal Hotel permit requirements: some of the frosting on the glass enclosing the outdoor area has been removed to increase visibility for both pedestrians and vehicles, other permit conditions are still to be met before it can be used.

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## KRHS LADIES AUXILIARY HELPING DISTRICT NURSES

The KRHS Ladies Auxiliary recently presented a cheque to the Koo Wee Rup District Nurses for \$11,200. The funds were raised at their annual Harewood House Open Day.

The District Nurses will use the funds to enhance their Community Palliative Care work. They are hoping to buy new Niki Syringe Pumps and Home Palliative Care kits with aromatherapy, wound care and comfort needs equipment.



## HEART FOUNDATION DOG WALKING

The Koo Wee Rup K9 Heart Foundation Walking Group has taken full advantage of the lovely Monday evening weather throughout April. Our numbers swelled to twelve humans and nine dogs last week, it was great to see familiar faces return to share a pleasant walk with lots of chatter and happy dogs. As we head into winter our walks shorten to 30 minutes or less and our group is often smaller than usual so if you are apprehensive about introducing a new dog to strangers this is a good time to do it. We meet at the bus interchange carpark at 5pm every Monday including the Queen's Birthday public holiday on 12th June. New members are most welcome, with or without a canine companion. Enquiries to Lyn on 0439 519 859.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to Andrew Slade for organising a screening of Le Ride at Karingal on Sunday 23rd April. It was a most pleasant viewing experience with many residents of Koo Wee Rup and the surrounding area embracing the opportunity to see the film closer to home. Watching Phil Keoghan and his friend Ben Cornell ride the brutal 1928 Tour de France course clearly illustrated the incredible challenge that Percy Osborn, from the flats of the Koo Wee Rup Swamp, and his three Australasian teammates faced almost 90 years ago. Thanks must also go to Andrew and the Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society for providing material for this production.

Lyn

## BAYLES FAUNA PARK

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

Replacement of rubbish bins around Koo Wee Rup – the bin at the Cochrane Park end of the Fire Brigade Track will be replaced other bins were not being used.

Footpath connection from Waterways Estate (Shelton Park) to Charles Street is still being worked through with council officers.

The township committee received a request from Kevin Alexander, Open Space Coordinator, Cardinia Shire after his presentation at the March meeting that the Koo Wee Rup Township Committee provide formal support for the proposal to replace the street trees in Station Street and Rossiter Road. This was approved unopposed. The Secretary will inform Kevin of this decision.

The 2017/18 Budget and Council Plan have been release for public comment. Any feedback must be received by Wednesday 3 May 2017. Some points of interest in the budget include \$40 million in capital works; \$19.4 million spent on roads; Footpaths \$5.5 million; Cardinia Shire relies on state and federal grants to balance budget; Cardinia Cultural Centre upgrade will cost around \$8.55 million; Cardinia Shire operating costs is one of the lowest in the state.

Councillor Brown advised that Koo Wee Rup needs to advocate to council for improvements or new services and developments or they will not be considered.

Councillor Brown again raised the option of Security Cameras around the Community centre and in Cochrane Park and the Swimming Pool car park. There was some spirited discussion regarding this suggestion. The general opinion of the meeting was that it was not this committee's responsibility to provide funding for this type of infrastructure but if a need was identified the Township Committee could advocate to council for the installation of security cameras. The meeting requested more information regarding the specific need for cameras (locations and purpose) and evidence that there is activity occurring in Koo Wee Rup where security cameras could be used as a deterrent or method to apprehend wrong doers, and specification of the types of cameras suggested and their cost before a decision is made on whether to support this proposal.

There is a proposal that is currently being discussed with VicTrack to remove part of the old railway platform and preserve the remainder (approximately half) including adding seating and some sign boards relating the history of rail in the area and its importance in the establishment of Koo Wee Rup. VicTrack are supportive of this idea but have yet to give their agreement.

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

A few issues were raised from the meeting attendees for Councillor Brown's response:

Some trip hazards around town due to uneven footpaths, one outside "Used to Be New" in Station Street and another near the CFA station in Moody Street. It was recommended that Merit requests be made by individuals who identify these issues and only brought to this meeting if no response is received so that our local councillor can follow them up.

A small group from the Township committee met with Greg Hunt MP for Flinders on Friday 7<sup>TH</sup> April. Matters discussed included the NBN and a black spot in the Dalmore area, which Mr Hunt promised to follow up. There was some discussion regarding aged care particularly Supported Care units at the Koo Wee Rup Regional Health Service and the possibility of accessing federal funding to support this. Frank Megens CEO at Koo Wee Rup Regional Health Service reported that the focus is now in keeping people in their homes so generally funding is not available for Supported care beds but is aimed at in home care.

Daniel Mulino MLC for Eastern Victoria and Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer was then welcomed by our President and invited to address the meeting.

Daniel provided a brief rundown of his experience and role in government. And explained that there are five representatives in the Legislative Council for Eastern Victoria and as he is based in Pakenham, his focus is in the Cardinia Shire and surrounds. As background, Daniel mentioned that the government was currently in the process of developing the next budget; budget conditions are pretty good for Victoria but still tight.

He then proceeded to discuss some topics of interest for the Koo Wee Rup Township Committee and community.

- Buses are a priority particularly in rural areas and outer Melbourne suburbs. There is a recognised need for more services but they need to be sustainable. Outer suburbs can't sustain 50 seater buses all the time, maybe smaller vehicles or more flexible services outside peak times.
- The Community Sports Infrastructure fund can assist with developing and improving sporting facilities. \$22million in funding available with up to \$650,000 per project. There is a separate funding arrangement for major facilities and a further funding stream for women's change room facilities. Daniel's office can assist clubs navigate the process to apply for funding. Clubs must be able to support their applications with evidence of growing numbers of participants. He recognised the lack of women's or unisex change rooms with Koo Wee Rup facilities.
- Gippsland line in need of upgrade. Money going in to Latrobe Valley to assist with transition with the closure of Hazelwood and the need for better access to Melbourne and ports for export of regional products, and travel from Eastern Suburbs of Melbourne to Gippsland and vice versa for employment and education. Rail network interdependent with road network, need to remove level crossings before can improve capacity. Currently some level crossings closed up to 70% of the time. Removing level crossings is a long term issue and exacerbated by the flat country around much of Melbourne as this adds to cost of grade separation. The Pakenham train-stabling site will provide 400 jobs during construction and an expected 100 permanent jobs. The area will provide stabling for 30 trains overnight. Regional rail upgrade is not too far off; Victoria is trying to secure federal funding to assist with the upgrade.
- Long-term issue especially in regional areas where roads are harder to maintain. Government receives lots of bids from around the state for improvements to local roads. Packages of roads in outer areas for improvements to rural road networks that include maintenance of existing roads with construction of new roads improve appeal of projects.

A summary of the discussion after these words from Daniel is provided below.

- A commuter service is needed to connect Koo Wee Rup with metro train services in the morning and evening and inclusion of the service in the MYKI system and the metro service area would facilitate greater usage.
- Local government support and apply on behalf of clubs. Funding is constrained spreading funds across many worthy recipients. A second football oval is needed for Koo Wee Rup currently using school ovals to meet needs of both football and cricket clubs. Daniel will follow up and has committed to meet with the local sporting clubs to discuss their needs.
- Supply of gas to some areas on the edge of Koo Wee Rup, notably Boundary Drain Road was raised. Daniel will ask minister what the options are and respond to us.
- Koo Wee Rup – Pakenham Road - Daniel will respond to this issue once he has spoken to the minister.
- This proposed airport is years away. There is momentum behind investigations for the proposal. If it goes ahead it will bring many jobs to the area and will service an estimated 1.5 million people in the east and south east of Melbourne.

All attendees warmly thanked Daniel for his time and forthright discussion of the topics raised.



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After school on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 35 teachers and staff from Kooweerup Secondary College enjoyed a session of Barefoot Bowls at the Kooweerup Bowls Club. Both the weather and competition were hot and laughs were frequent. Everyone had a lot of fun on the green, followed by a sausage sizzle and drinks in the clubrooms. KWRSC Staff Social Club would very much like to thank KWR Bowls Club Secretary, Rex, and all of the club members for the generosity of their time, hospitality, advice and assistance in making it a great afternoon activity.



## WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Free Dress, BBQ and World's Greatest Shave last month. Thanks to all the house group teachers for the collecting the money and particular thanks to Rowan G, Emma S, Claire, Sonia and Mick for their help with the BBQ.

A huge thank you and round of applause for Alice, Brendan, Ben R, Maney, David C and Sam Mascadri for being brave and shaving!



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During the last few weeks leading up to the end of term, Grade Five and Six students were busy practising their roles to perform in our Easter Vigil. The vigil was held in St John's Church on the last day of term, and portrayed the events of Holy Week from Palm Sunday through to Jesus' death and resurrection. Congratulations to the students for their hard work, it was a very moving performance.

Many of our Grade Three students received the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance), for the first time, on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. We were very pleased to see students and their families so involved in preparing for this during the weeks leading up to it. Thanks to Fr Peter and the teachers for their efforts in preparing the students. We also have many of our Gr 6 students preparing to make their Confirmation later in the term.

It is wonderful watching the children grow in their faith as they continue this life-long faith journey.

On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April, Grade Five and Six students were visited by Mr John Camilleri, President of Koo Wee Rup RSL, in preparation and celebration of ANZAC Day. John shared many stories and facts about Australians in war and the students were very intrigued by what he had to say.

Jordan and Joel braved the weather and proudly represented our school at the Dawn Service.

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Friday 5th May - District CC

Tuesday 9th May - Maths Open Night

Thursday 11th May  
Jnr School Excursion

Thursday 11th & Friday 12th May  
Mother's Day Stall  
Friday 12th May  
Mother's Day Picnic

Wednesday 17th May  
Senior School Excursion

Last Tuesday, the weather was a little kinder to us as we started the term with a bang having AFL Gippsland hold a football clinic for the whole school. We were lucky enough to have 4 Richmond footballers join us. They were Jack Riewoldt, Steven Morris, Ivan Maric and Shae Bolton. The students had a fantastic time participating in drills involving tackling, goal kicking, tricks and the most popular of all, the specky!!! Mr Baltas has claimed he was the inspiration for Jack Riewoldt showing such great form on Monday night (he kicked 6 goals) as he gave him some super 'Mr B' coaching at the clinic. Well done again to our students who were so well mannered and polite with our guests.



## 'Footsteps into Foundation 2018' Parent Information Night 6-7pm Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2017

Please join us on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 6 pm for a brief overview of the wonderful programs in place at our school and take a tour of our facilities.

Our 'Footsteps Into Foundation' program has been established for new Foundation enrolments.

It involves nine planned transition sessions as well as a parent information session.

More information and dates will be available on the night.

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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Revamp of front garden including the installation of raised garden beds.



Before



After



The old chook shed and BBQ area has been transformed into an amazing kitchen/shop !!

Along with these projects we have new community veggie garden beds out the back, the frog bog area has been revamped, family pavers have been relocated and many other areas have been given a much needed facelift. These projects would not have happened without the support of our generous community - donations from KWR Garden Centre and Bunnings Pakenham East, as well as donations of materials, time and hard work from our school community—thank you to you all.

A very special thank you goes to Stacey Rouse for spending most days of the holiday break working at the school. She has organised just about everything, volunteering her time and money to improve the school for our kids. This project would not have happened without the dedication of Stacey and her family.

### **Yakkerboo Festival Fun**

The Yakkerboo festival parade on Sunday was a great success once again. We were awarded an Honourable Mention and a \$50 Coles Voucher for our gorgeous Alice in Wonderland inspired float. Thanks to Katrina Foot and Christine Carpenter for the many hours spent planning, drawing, painting, gluing, taping and tying everything together. I was pleased that our kids went to so much effort to dress up on the day and for decorating the float with their artwork. Well done to all involved.

### **ANZAC Day**

Well done to our school captains Travis B and Shannon H who represented the school at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service at Koo Wee Rup early Tuesday morning. I was very proud of the way these two students conducted themselves – they showed leadership, dedication and a commitment to their community. On such a wet and cold morning it was nice to see so many members of the school community attend the event.

This term we will be celebrating our Mothers' Day Activity Afternoon (May 8) and our Grandparents' Morning Tea (May 19). We love inviting people from our community to visit our school and see all the amazing things our students achieve at Bayles Regional Primary School.

*Mat Anderton  
Principal*

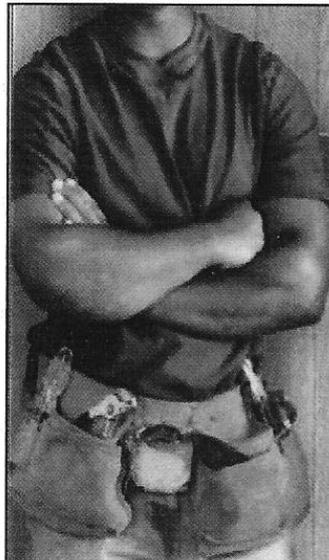
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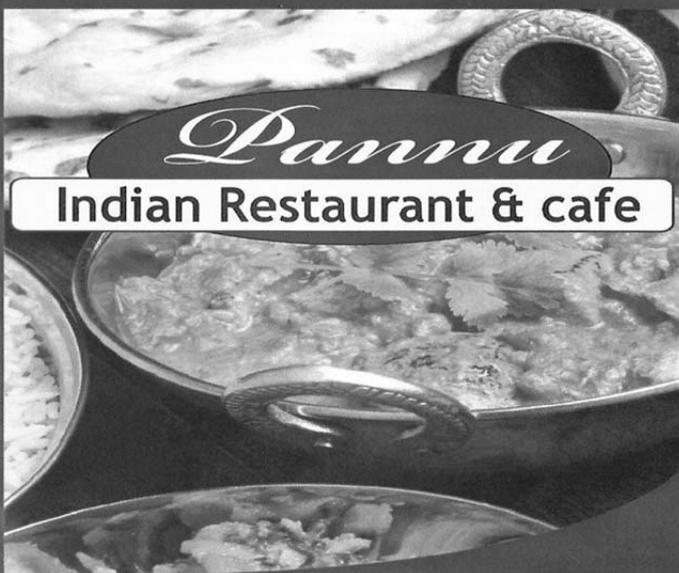
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**Above:** Another Grey Wolf hike under our belts, this one organised by 10 year old Rylan. As you can see it was a great day for walking and the kids all loved being out and about in the great outdoors.



**Left:** Half way to his BP Award (the highest award in scouting) Aaron was presented his St George Award by the Crew, Congratulations Aaron and keep working hard we'd love to see you get your BP award soon.



**Above:** Arrrgggh - Koo Wee Rup was briefly invaded by Joey Scout Pirates from Koo Wee Rup and Lang Lang Joey Scout Mobs. We followed a treasure map around the town and found a treasure chest of goodies buried deep in the ground - it was delicious!



## GOLD FOR KOO WEE RUP SCOUTS!!!

Over The Easter Long weekend KooWeeRup Scouts attended Stradbroke Cup at Bay Park in Mount Martha. Stradbroke is a competition camp that tests camping and cooking skills as well as hygiene and safety standards.

The KWR patrol, including Aaron from Nar Nar Goon, received a Gold for their efforts!

They also enjoyed coming second in the Easter Egg hunt that saw them reap the reward of more chocolate. Well done Scouts!



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## KBA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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

Don't you just love autumn! Hope you've had some time to enjoy the beautiful weather. Maybe with the kids over the school holidays.

Following up on enquiries regarding the proposed micro brewery at the old PMP site, I had a conversation with a reliable source the other day and was informed that while the micro brewery is indeed still on, at present the developer is involved in other projects. So although it won't go ahead in the foreseeable future I'm confident that it's a development that Koo wee rup can look forward too.

I was standing outside 'used to be new/harmony lane victoria', (great place to pick up a little gift for mum!) the other day at the right moment to see the right choice mortgage girls heading back to the office (degani coffees in hand) dressed in new business attire. Looks great, very eye catching.

Don't know if you've noticed the new poster in the civic sign board! (At the corner of alexandra avenue) It now contains an up to date map of the town with a 'Look Local Buy Local Support Your community' poster attached.

With Mother's Day just around the corner, you may be wondering what to buy and where to go!! Chandelier cafe always provides delicious food with wonderful service and Mother's Day won't disappoint, with Brent as your host (book early). And, if necessary you can always pick up a last minute present for your mum from his lovely range of gift, and other, wares.



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Recently I spoke to a representative from the St Vincent de Paul Society who is involved in the society's 'DO YOU NEED A HELPING HAND?' program. One of their services is providing non-perishable items to families in need. At 'used to be new'/harmony lane victoria there will be a basket provided for non-perishable items to be placed in.

So much for that beautiful weather, oh well, winter was bound to turn up! So ends this report, till next time, stay warm and take care.

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Vicki Charlton

President

Koo wee rup business association

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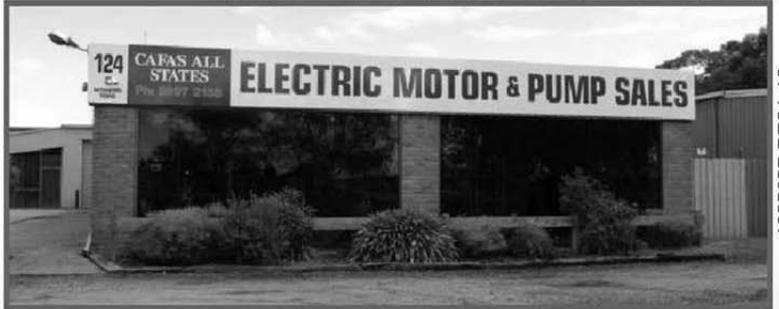
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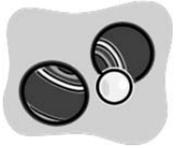
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## KOO WEE RUP BOWLS CLUB NEWS



Our Club conducted the Annual Jason Giaccotto memorial invitation tournament on Sat. March 25 with teams from Berwick, Cardinia Waters, Cranbourne RSL, Dandenong Club, KooWeeRup & Lang Lang involved. The Winning team for the day was Alan Thompson, Cliff Fothergill, Eddie Wilson & Dave Reddy (Berwick) with 3 wins & 32 shots up. The Runners Up with 3 wins & 30 shots up was Paul Wynd, Jim Smith, Dennis Stephenson & Simon Koning (Cardinia Waters) with 3rd place being won by Gary Adams, Doug Harlow, Lois Adams & Jeff Wright (Berwick) with 3 wins & 9 shots up. Best last game was won by Steve Flentjar, Harry Carlin, Len Diss & Gary Stewart (Dandenong Club). The Club would like to thank all business's who donated towards the raffle and the Club members who worked hard during and prior to the day.

Our successful Twilight Bowls season has finished with approx.100 players trying the game on at least 1 night & about 50 playing for 3 nights or more. Thanks to the Club members who assisted during the season. The new season will commence early 2018 so keep an eye out for advertising etc.

The Club has recently conducted 2 mornings' with children from Grades 5 & 6 from St. John's Catholic Primary school attending and taking part in a new program that the Club has begun. All the children, about 55-60, took part and really appreciated the mornings and the Club members who assisted. This program was undertaken by our Membership officer Wendy who deemed it very successful.



The results from the Friday Triples played on 7th April were the Winning rink with 37 pts. was Ken Mynard, John Emmett & Ray Wilson [Lang Lang]. The Runner up rink was Jim Smith [Cardinia Waters], Garry Salomons & Peter Bott [Pakenham] with 36 pts. Best 1st game went to John Williams, Brian Vanina & Nev Kitchen [Lang Lang] with 20 pts & Best 2nd game was won by George Crynes [KWR], Phil Wights [Corinella] & Wes Good man [Garfield] with 21 pts. Due to an inclement weather forecast the final day of the competition was cancelled. The Club would like to thank all players from neighbouring Clubs who played during the season. Thanks also must go to John Hatton & Noel Speight for taking over the task of organizing the competition from Lindsay & Rex. A few teething problems which were sorted as the season progressed. To Helen Brown for her catering in making salad rolls etc. on each day & to Garry Salomons {Pakenham} for supplying morning tea. Last not certainly not least to our sponsors David Bull Funeral Director & One Agency Real Estate for their continued sponsorship of this competition.

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## LIONS CLUB NEWS

The Club is pleased to give an update on the progress of Koo Wee Rup Secondary College student, Calvin Finch, at the District final of the Youth of the Year competition. Calvin again did an outstanding job winning the public speaking component of the competition, but, unfortunately, was not the overall winner of the final.

We are all extremely proud of this fine young man and wish him every success with his future endeavours.

The Club was again honoured to be able to cook the Gunfire Breakfast on ANZAC Day for the Koo Wee Rup RSL. Even though the weather was unkind there was still a good turnout. Proof that this is a very special day to so many in and around Koo Wee Rup.

In last month's article the poster, below, was inserted to advertise the Club's 'Newcomers & Neighbours Dinner'. Ticket sales for the dinner are going well, so if you are intending to attend, but haven't yet bought your tickets, you'd better hurry.

Tickets are available from Stockdale & Leggo, Koo Wee Rup, Right Choice Mortgage Brokers and One Agency Robert Mure Real Estate. If you have any queries in relation to this exciting event, please call Koo Wee Rup Lion, Ken Blay on 5915 3613 NOW

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## KOO WEE RUP FOOTBALL CLUB UPDATE

The Koo Wee Rup Football Club hosted its annual Anzac Tribute Game against Nar Nar Goon on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and the huge crowd in attendance witnessed some great games of Football and Netball but more importantly to be part of a moving tribute to all Australians who served in the various areas of our armed forces.

The Anzac ceremony prior to the main game, which was conducted by the members of the Koo Wee Rup and Nar Nar Goon RSL, was a moving tribute and the crowd is to be commended for their total respect as the last post echoed across the ground. Special thanks to Breanna Van Dord who is a product of the Claudia Barker School of Musical Excellence AKA, the Koo Wee Rup Secondary College Band, who provided the moving rendition of the Last Post.



*The huge crowd show their respect during the Anzac ceremony*

Koo Wee Rup President Daniel Crowley wishes to thank all the volunteers who worked tirelessly in the lead up to the big night and also the crowd who's behavior was a credit and respectful for the occasion. Daniel also thanked the members of the Koo Wee Rup RSL in particular Ron Ingram and George Fittock and his grandson from the Men's Shed for their help with the PA system.

### PLEASE SIGN OUR PETITION

The Football Club committee would like to highlight the importance of the online petition that is seeking additional sporting facilities for the ever increasing population of Koo Wee Rup. The Cardinia Shire can no longer ignore the need for another sports ground within the Township. This need is immediate as an example two sports, Football and Cricket, presently have over 400 active participants annually, not to mention many other sporting activities such as Netball, Soccer and athletics, which is crying out for an additional oval.

The online petition can be accessed via the Koo Wee Rup Football and Cricket club web sites and on the Koo Wee Rup Community Notice Board.

Small communities such as Koo Wee Rup are no less deserving than the growth areas of the Cardinia Shire, which appears to have an oval on every corner of every new estate. We may be lesser in numbers however the youth of our community equally deserve like type facilities to enjoy an inclusive and healthy lifestyle.



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Members enjoyed our outing on Sunday to see 'Le Ride', a very informative movie. Our May outing is to Healesville RACV Club for lunch by coach.

Our Friday lunch has an average of 50 members attend, followed by Hoy.

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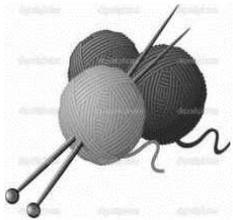
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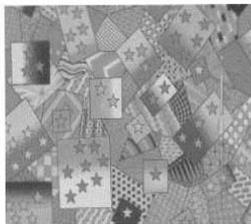
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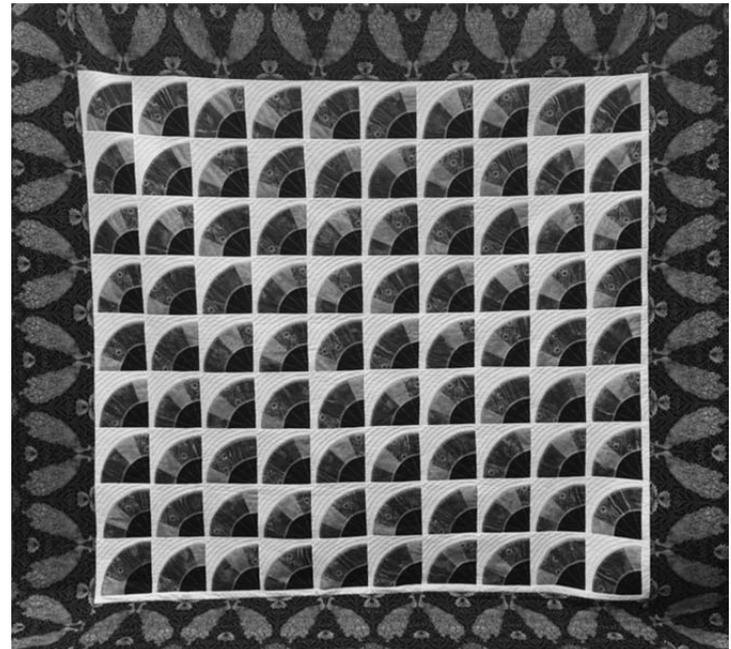
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## REMEMBERING YOUR FOLK FROM THE FIRST WORLD WAR

Following another excellent Anzac Day commemoration at the Koo Wee Rup Community Centre (well done Ron and the team !) I thought that local people might be interested in finding out more about their family members who served in "the Great War" and in keeping their memories alive.

I belong to a group called "The Friends of the 15th. Brigade" and we hold a number of meetings and ceremonies each year in memory of our relations who served and often made the supreme sacrifice almost 100 years ago.

The Friends of the 15th. Brigade (57th., 58th., 59th. and 60th. Battalions) was founded by Lambis Englezos, the man who found the lost diggers who were buried in a couple of mass graves at Fromelles, France. All of these men now have individual graves, and many of them have been identified by using the DNA of their descendants.

Lambis was Guest Speaker at a Koo Wee Rup Swamp Historical Society Luncheon, and having walked over to our Avenue of Honour, made the comment that it included "some 15th. Brigade boys."

I have recently found time to photograph the panel and the following Koo Wee Rup and district boys are listed as serving with the 15th. in World War 1:

Cecil Andrews (59th. Btn.), Jacob Bambury (59th. Btn.), John Patrick Conroy (59th. Btn.), Claude Albert Leeson (60th. Btn.), and Donald Mc Ghee (59th. Btn.)

Anyone connected to those (and there may well be others not listed on this memorial plaque) can contact the Friends of the 15th. Brigade through Maria Barker (03) 9859 8508 or Email <papbaker@bigpond.com>. The society produces a Newsletter, which is available on line (or in hard copy) from Graham Williams (Editor) via <graham.williams4@bigpond.com>.

The Friends hold a number of gatherings during the year (see the Newsletter for details) and also organise trips to the World War 1 battle fields of France and Belgium. There is no official subscription, but donations are welcomed.

I researched my cousin Donald John Burnet of the 60th. Btn. after finding his name and date of death on his parents gravestone in White Hills Cemetery. He was a tough young plumber from Bendigo, who signed up on his 18th. birthday and was killed by a piece of shrapnel at Polygon Wood (near Ypres, Belgium) aged 19 years and 4 months, his life's potential never realised, like thousands of others of his generation.

Don was buried in a shell hole and there he lies to this day. We have visited Polygon Wood and do our best to see that he is not forgotten.

When I was born, Dad wanted his new son to be called Donald - perhaps after the great cricketer, but I believe, also after his cousin Don Burnet, who was killed when Dad was only seven. Two of Dad's older brothers also served, but thankfully came home safely.

The Australian War Memorial in Canberra is a great source of information about these old diggers - I have more than 20 pages of Don Burnet's military record, including four eyewitness reports of his death, preserved by Red Cross.

The centenary of Don's death is in September this year, and he is not forgotten.

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Donald John Burnet

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#### Face-to-face consultations

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**What works best in existing services and supports?**  
**What could be improved and how?**  
**What service gaps are there?**

#### Spread the word

All care relationships are unique. We want to hear from carers in different communities and from diverse backgrounds, including those who don't think of themselves as a 'carer'.

Please spread the word about the survey and consultations among family members and friends who support someone to live independently. Together we can make a huge difference to the lives of carers in our community.

Victorian carers deserve to be acknowledged and recognised for the essential support they provide to others.

[www.carersvictoria.org.au](http://www.carersvictoria.org.au)

# KOOWEERUP REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICE



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**KRHS** is a small 72 bed Public Hospital Servicing outer South East Melbourne and adjacent rural areas. We provide a range of centre and community based services: Acute Care, Early Parenting Unit, Transitional Care Program, Respite and Residential Aged Care, Community Health, District Nurses, Pathology and Allied Health for example: Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Social work. There is also Specialist Medical Services such as Cardiology, a Podiatrist and Diabetes Clinic. KRHS is a member of the 'International Health Promoting Hospitals Network' and 'Global Green and Healthy Hospitals'.

Most of us don't want to think about needing support when we get older, but it's important to know what your options are.

**Ageing well is about being prepared, having choice and flexibility.**

Many people would prefer to stay in their own home, close to their loved ones and connected to their communities.

A **Home Care Package** gives you more options to live independently.

It is a personalised coordinated, ongoing package that allows you to choose how best your funds are used. You, your family or carers understand your needs and goals best, so it makes sense that you choose the support you want in your home.

Kooweerup Regional Health Service is **Government approved** to provide Home Care Packages. We are committed to help you obtain high quality, reliable care with flexible times that suit you, 7 days a week.

**By choosing our service we can offer experienced health professionals to advise and advocate for you.**

**We want you to have the assistance you need to lead a healthier and more independent life in your own home.**

Call a care advisor 5997 9686



There are many volunteering roles at KRHS, we have opportunities within our aged care facility, youth and community programs. Volunteering is enriching and rewarding, offering a sense of responsibility and belonging. Volunteering also provides opportunities for friendships, training, new skills and experiences. If you would like to give the gift of time at KRHS please call Maria Canty on 5997 9792 (Wed & Thurs).



## THE HUB

*Feeling down ? Worried ?  
 Struggling with school ?*



**The Hub is a free, informal and confidential health service available to all young people aged 10 to 25.**

Phone Brian 5997 9687 for more information

**Every Wednesday 12.00 - 4.30pm**

## Pilates Lessons

**Where:** Hewitt Eco House

215 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup.

**When:** 6.00pm Mondays and 12.30pm Fridays

1 hour class with a fully qualified teacher

Casual classes available.

Enquiries call Marlene 0429814410

## Computer Classes

**Where:** Koo Wee Rup Men's Shed, 215 Rossiter Road, Koo Wee Rup.

**When:** Friday mornings suit beginners at 9am more advanced at 10am.

Bookings essential,

places limited to 5 per group.

Please phone Geoff 5997 1974

or Brian 5997 9687



## Art for Adults

Thursdays 4-6pm

all welcome in the Mens Shed

**Tai Chi classes are run every Thursday at 1.00pm for 20 minutes in the Hewitt Eco House. It's free and everyone is welcome to join in.**

**Here at KRHS we recycle batteries, light bulbs, ink cartridges, reading glasses and phones, please drop your items in the dedicated bins at reception**

## LETTERS TO AUNT CONNIE

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

The *Weekly Times* used to have a 'Young Folks' page, edited by 'Aunt Connie' and children would write letters to Aunt Connie and have them published in the paper. The letters are quite descriptive and the children would write about their gardens, the town they lived in, their farms, school life etc. I thought we would find out how these young people described Koo-Wee-Rup and neighbouring towns.

In January 1902, Linda Ellis of Koo-Wee-Rup wrote to Aunt Connie. *The grass is very poor about here, and the grasshoppers are numerous. They eat all the grass up. They ate the leaves off our turnips, and now they have started on the fruit trees. A couple of weeks ago the crows started on the grasshoppers, and they are having such feeds. It is amusing to watch them fight to get the most grasshoppers. There is a lot of work going on here at present, as all the drains are being enlarged. It will be a good thing when they are done, as it will keep the people from being flooded. We are only milking four cows at present; they do not give much milk.*

In September 1903 Linda wrote again, this time a much more poignant letter. *The crops around here are looking splendid. We have a nice lot of cabbages in, but just as soon as they begin to look nice and green the hares come and eat them off. My father is away from home just now, working, and we do miss him so much. Since I last wrote to you we have lost a little sister, and just six weeks before she died one of my aunties died in New South Wales. Mother took my little sister to the Children's Hospital, but the doctors could do nothing for her, and about three months afterwards she died. My father's mother died, too, so you see we had a very bad misfortune last year. Our flower garden looks very nice this year; especially the violets.....Some of my cousins are saying what they would like to do when they grow up. I think I would like to always stay at home. I do not like going from home.*

Linda was the daughter of Henry Ernest and Jemina (nee Milroy) Ellis; she was the eldest of ten children, born in 1890. By 1909 the family is listed in the Electoral Rolls at Abbotsford. Linda married Richard Semmens in 1911 and she died in 1966.

In May 1902, P.Rundle wrote to Aunt Connie about Koo-Wee-Rup *Our township consists of two general stores, a blacksmith's shop, a draper's shop, a bakery and also a butcher's shop. We have a nice Presbyterian Church and a Sunday school combined. The Roman Catholics have recently called for tenders for the erection of a chapel. A few months back some of the leading spirits of our town called a meeting, in view of building a public hall. It has been decided to do so, so we now have the prospect of another building in our small township. The local agent for the Massey-Harris machinery has arranged with my father to hold a field trial of their farm implements in one of our paddocks on Tuesday, the 20<sup>th</sup>. Everybody seems to think that it will be a fair trial, as everything looks very favourable so far. As we live about four miles from the township, we do not see much life, so we expect to have a pleasant day the day of the trial.*

This is Priscilla Rundle, born in 1888 to James and Janet (nee Campbell) Rundle. She is listed in the 1909 Electoral Rolls as a school teacher. She married William Freeman in 1913 and they farmed around Traralgon. She died in 1965.

In July 1904, eight year old Dorothy Gray wrote to Aunt Connie *I have one little sister, Vera Muriel. She is two years old. I am learning to ride. We have a large orchard. Koo Wee Rup is a small place. It is very wet in winter. There is a township and in it there is one butcher, one baker, two grocers, one saddler, one blacksmith, one boot maker and a draper's shop. The people get their living by sowing oats and maize, mostly, and dairying....My father planted 600 fruit trees. I like going to school. I wish there were six school days. We are milking six cows and we also have a separator. We send the cream away once a week now. We used to send it twice a week in the summertime. My little sister is such a chatter box. My pets are a cat, parrot, calf and pup.*

Dorothy was the daughter of Richard and Margaret Mary (nee Browne) Gray. Dorothy was married in 1916 to Albert

Jack. A report in the paper said that she had been in charge of Christies Post Office, Wonyip for the past three years and the couple would be making their home at Daylesford. Wonyip is north of Foster. She died in 1985.

Also in July 1904, Ethel Glover from Caldermeade wrote to Aunt Connie.

### Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp Historical Society Annual Luncheon

The guest speaker is Barry Gracey,  
President of the Pozieres Remembrance Association.

When: May 28 2017 at 12 noon. Venue: Koo-Wee-Rup Community Centre.

Cost: \$25.00 per head, BYO drinks and glasses.

RSVP by May 21 to Heather Arnold [harnold@dcsi.net.au](mailto:harnold@dcsi.net.au)

or Audrey Mills on 5997 1357. Please let us know of any dietary requirements.

## LETTERS TO AUNT CONNIE *(from previous page)*

*It has been a cold, wet day to-day, but Nellie and I went to school. Bertha has a bad cold, and she has been home from school all the week. My sister gives her lessons at home. We have skipping t school to keep us warm these cold days. I passed in everything except mental arithmetic at our last examination. I am in the higher sixth, and Nellie is in the fourth class. We go to Lang Lang State School. I will tell you a little about Lang Lang. It is becoming quite a flourishing little centre. There are four grocers' shops, two blacksmiths', two drapers', a chemist's, a green grocer's, a saddler's, barber's, baker's, and two dressmakers'; a butcher's, a printing office and butter factory, besides many private residences. So you will see it has made great headway since the railway has been constructed. When my father came to Gippsland first, 15 years' ago, Drouin was the nearest railway station, and he says the roads were in a fearful state then. We have got good roads at Caldermeade. It will soon be twelve months since we came here to live. My little sister Alice is sixteen months old now, and she does torment us sometimes, when we are doing our lessons. She likes to get hold of a pen and if we don't watch her she will make a dive at the ink bottle. She races about all day like a little rabbit, and she can say a few words. We have a nice little pony to ride now. I am very fond of riding, and so are my sisters. When we lived in Lang Lang East we sometimes rode to school over the hills and small creeks, "gullies," we call them. One evening, when crossing the last gully, our pony stumbled, and tipped us over her head, splashing into the water. We were not long in scrambling up the bank, dripping wet, and the pony was quietly waiting for us. It was good of her not to clear off home and leave us.*

Ethel (born 1891) had five sisters and one brother, the children of Samuel and Johanna (nee Bindt) Glover. Ethel married David Scott Donaldson in 1917, they lived in Lang Lang and she died in 1971.

Katie Garbellini, Five Mile, wrote in November 1916 *I will take for my subject a flood that we have just had. It began to rise one Saturday afternoon and we were not able to get out until the following Friday. There were two little boys drowned, one having been swept off his feet from the flow of the water. We had to paddle out in the water to milk our cows, while my brothers had to take the horses away. I have one brother at the front. He has been in the trenches for about six months, but has not been wounded yet. He left home on May 4, 1915, to sail to Egypt. I have five sisters and seven brothers. Four of us go to school, which is about a quarter of a mile away. There are 49 children attending our school. I am 13 years and eight months old, and in the seventh grade at school.*

In March 1917, Catherine Garbellini, as she called herself, wrote again. *I will take for my subject 'Our Farm' There are 110 acres in our farm, of which 65 acres are under potatoes. The potatoes are looking well after this rain. We had about 40 acres sown down with oats and barley, but it is now cut and stacked, and the rest of the land we have sown down with grass for the horses and cows. We have six horses and a little foal, besides seven cows. We separate our milk, and send our cream to the factory, where it is made into butter. My brother at the front has been in hospital for about two months. My age is 14.*

Katie Garbellini wrote again in July 1918, this time about Koo-Wee-Rup. *Koo-Wee- Rup is a large, one sided township. It consists of a large hotel, a coffee palace, a school, a baker's shop, two butcher's shops, three churches, four general stores, a lollie shop and a blacksmith's shop. Large quantities of oats, barley and potatoes are grown, but some of the farmers are talking of growing flax. I have left school and am helping at home. I wish this War was over. I have had one brother killed. Many of the boys from here have gone and some of them have returned.*

Katie was the eighth child of Pietro (Peter) and Jane (nee Crombie) Garbellini. She married David Blackwood from Pakenham South in 1923 and they had four children and lived in the Pakenham area. She died in 1983. Her brother, George, enlisted in February 1915 at the age of 23 and was Killed in Action in France in May 1917.

In May 1919, eleven year old Airlie Ragg from *Lightwood Park* Yannathan wrote *I will take for my subject the district where I live. Our nearest town is Lang Lang, eight miles away. There is a school, hall, church and butter factory here but they are situated in different parts of the district. The chief thing that is done here is dairying. Some of the farmers send their milk to Melbourne, others send their cream to the factory. The country all around here is very flat and is often flooded in the winter. The Lang Lang River flows through Yannathan. Most of the farmers around bore for water, and have windmills to pump the water for the cattle. It is good grass country, mostly rye grass and clover. There is no railway here at present. Our nearest station, Caldermeade, is eight miles from here. There is a branch railway line being made from Koo-Wee-Rup to a place called McDonald's Track and the Yannathan station is going to be on farm where I live. My brother and I go to the Heath Hill School, which is nearer for us than the Yannathan School. I have a little sister, her name is Nancy. She is just four years old, and is going to school next year. I am eleven years and three months old and in the seventh grade at school.*

Airlie was the daughter of Thomas and Rose Amelia (nee Newbound) Ragg. She married Thomas John Collins in 1937 and they lived (according to the Electoral Rolls) in Flowerdale and they had five children.

**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. The next meeting is May 10. 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.**



*Happy  
Mother's  
Day*

*Can you join us at  
Tides Tooradin*

*Time: 10 am*

*Date: 8th May 2017*

*Entry: \$20  
includes 3 raffle tickets*

*RSVP  
1st May 2017  
5997 2227*

*KRHS Ladies Auxiliary*

**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

All enquiries contact  
Jeni 0402316108 or  
Michelle 0408407726

**Koo Wee Rup Anglican & Uniting  
Church are hosting a**

# **GARAGE SALE**

on Saturday, 6 May 2017  
from 8.30am onwards

at the Anglican and Uniting Church,  
Rossiter Road  
Koo Wee Rup

**Loads of Bargains**  
*and a Sausage Sizzle*

