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President's Report

Welcome to this Winter edition of the Beaconsfield Banner for 2018. The Banner is available on the BPA website www.beaconsfield.org.au and on mobile phones. In addition printed copies are available at the Post Office, Beaconsfield Community Complex, local businesses and it is displayed on the Community Noticeboard. I hope you enjoy reading the Banner continuing to inform residents on what is happening in Beaconsfield.

The Beaconsfield Anzac Memorial Service conducted by our Association was held on Sunday 22 April and was an outstanding success. Thanks to everyone involved. See separate article for details.

At the April BPA meeting Guest Speaker Lorna LaBlache, Cardinia Shire Senior Town Planner provided an update on the Glismann Road Development Plan and Amendment to rezone the land to allow for residential development. Information was also provided on the Beaconsfield Structure Plan adopted by Council in December 2013 and Amendment C220. At the May General Council meeting Cardinia Shire Council adopted Planning Scheme Amendment C220. Details of these two planning matters can be obtained from Cardinia Shire Council.

The Interactive Touchscreen Project for the Beaconsfield Honour Board and World War I soldiers is nearly completed. There are some matters still to be completed including computer software issues and a base for the Touchscreen Unit. Special thanks to the Committee members and IT consultant Barry Hyde for the work done on the project. When the Touchscreen unit is fully operational there will be an official opening on a date to be advised. The project has been mostly funded by a Grant from the Commonwealth Government Department of Veterans Affairs.

The Beaconsfield Banner is produced by Committee members on a voluntary basis; however we need advertising revenue to cover BPA administration costs and printer's costs. We need to hear from any businesses that would like to advertise in future quarterly editions and also from groups to provide community articles of interest. If you have any enquiries please email banner@beaconsfield.org.au or mail to P.O. Box 217 Beaconsfield Vic 3807.

For more details see the Correspondence section of the Beaconsfield Banner.

Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc. is the voice of the community and is always willing to advocate on township matters to Councils, Government and Government Authorities. Your input would be appreciated.

Meetings are held on 3rd Tuesday each month (excluding January) at 7.30pm at the Beaconsfield Community Complex and all are welcome to attend. We are looking forward to undertaking some exciting new projects subject to Grant applications.

Graeme Taylor

President

Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc.

Ranges Ward Councillors' Report



Cr Jeff Springfield, Cr Leticia Wilmot and Cr Brett Owen

Have Your Say

Council regularly consults with our community to help it make decisions in a range of areas. We encourage you to give us your opinion.

We want you to be informed of council operations and provide input. Seeking community feedback ensures that we know what your priorities and expectations are, so these can be taken into account when we make decisions around planning, service delivery and other areas.

<https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/HaveYourSay>

Glismann Road Development

Council is still waiting for approval from the Minister for Planning to begin exhibition of the planning scheme amendment to guide any future development of Glismann Road and to provide certainty for all.

At the time of publication, council has been given no timeline from the State Government as to when we could expect this.

Council's Community Bus

Did you know that Cardinia Shire Council has a community bus for hire? For only \$8 per hour, community groups can have access to a 9 seater bus or 10 seater if you need to transport someone in a wheelchair.

For more information phone council on 1300 787 624 or visit council's website -

https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/info/20021/supporting_our_community/238/community_bus/#section-1-about-the-bus

Beaconsfield Skate Park

The construction of the skate park at Holm Park Recreational Reserve is now completed and is already being heavily used by our local skaters. Thanks to the many young people who helped to design elements of the park. Check it out!

Lack of Car Parking at Beaconsfield Railway Station

Increased car parking at the Beaconsfield Railway Station is needed to cater for the increase in patronage of the station. Current car parking to support the community and commuters is not sufficient.

The lack of car parking is resulting in overflow into surrounding residential streets, which is affecting the amenity and liveability of residents.

Based on current conditions, the overflow effect of commuters parking in local streets is significantly affecting the congestion, safety and local amenity of the Beaconsfield Township. Residential streets in Beaconsfield such as Woods Street, Railway Avenue, Goff Street, Railway and Beaconsfield Avenue are impacted on a daily basis by overflow parking issues.

At the upcoming state election, a funding commitment from both major parties is essential for the upgrade of Beaconsfield Railway Station car park, utilising the adjacent Vic Track land.

In addition to increased car parking, additional bus services are also needed to improve bus and train connectivity. Such an investment in public transport would reduce the need to drive to the station.

Council will continue to advocate for these vital improvements. If you would like to contact us, please see our contact details below.

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New Skate Park at Holm Park Recreation Reserve

State Member

Brad Battin MP

Car parking at Beaconsfield Railway Station has been one of the most common concerns raised with me during the past couple of years. I too have experienced the frustration of driving around a full car park at 7 in the morning and the struggle to find any parking in neighbouring streets.

The lack of car parking at the train station is not only an issue for commuters – it is also a problem for the nearby residents who face the daily inconveniences of a street full of parked cars.

I have written to the Minister on multiple occasions raising the need to upgrade the station car park, with no success. Every time I have written to the current Minister for Public Transport, the response has been the same: there are no plans to upgrade the car park. It is simply not good enough.

Under the former Victorian Government, 157 new car parks were built at Beaconsfield Station. Since then, the current Victorian Government has ignored the growth we have seen in Cardinia over the past four years. We have five families moving to Cardinia every day. That is a lot of extra commuters - and no extra parks.

Car parking is not the only issue at Beaconsfield we have raised with the Minister; it is also the lack of toilet facilities, which a number of residents have contacted me about. The Minister's response to the lack of toilets was for commuters to catch a train to Dandenong Station, get off their train and use the toilet at Dandenong, and then wait for the next train to continue their commute. I don't know about you, but sometimes when you have to go you have to go and a 15 minute train trip to Dandenong Station just doesn't cut it.

The Minister denies Beaconsfield commuters toilets due to Beaconsfield not being a premium station, yet the current Victorian Government built toilet facilities at the non-premium Hallam Station in 2016.

Over the next couple of weeks, I will be heading out to the streets of Beaconsfield to talk to residents and commuters regarding the issues at Beaconsfield Station. If you would like to show your support for new car parking and facilities at Beaconsfield Station

please email me at
brad.battin@parliament.vic.gov.au.

Brad Battin MP

State Member for Gembrook

Federal Member

Jason Wood MP

Over the past months I have received many emails and calls with concerns about the live animal export industry, from people within the La Trobe electorate and across the country.

On the 17th May 2018 the Government announced changes that will allocate greater space to sheep on live export ships to the Middle East and other recommendations. I was pleased to hear this, however, I do not believe these changes are nearly enough to deal with the problem.

This is why I supported a Private Members' Bill on the issue that was introduced in Federal Parliament by Susan Ley MP on 21st May, and co-sponsored by Sarah Henderson MP and myself.



Jason Wood with Susan Ley and Sarah Henderson at a media conference on live animal exports at Parliament House on 21st May 2018

The Bill is entitled the 'Live Sheep Long Haul Export Prohibition Bill 2018', and its intention is to restrict the long haul export of live sheep during June to September each year. The ultimate aim of the Bill is to ensure the phasing out over five years of all long-haul live sheep exports from Australia.

I am also calling for:

- The immediate introduction of independent veterinary experts on the ships instead of vets who are employed by the exporters;
- The process to be managed by another department within the Government instead of the Department of Agriculture, with whom regrettably I have lost faith.

I have listened to the community, and believe the case for continuing long haul sheep exports fails on both animal welfare and economic grounds. I will continue to fight on behalf of the animals until this industry is entirely phased out.

Jason Wood MP

Federal Member for La Trobe

Beaconsfield ANZAC Memorial Service



Mayor Cr Collin Ross, Deputy Mayor Cr Brett Owen & MC Graeme Taylor

Approximately 150 people attended the service held on 22 April 2018. Attendees included returned servicemen and women, descendants of servicemen and women, Federal Member for Latrobe Jason Wood, State Member for Gembrook Brad Battin, Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Collin Ross and Deputy Mayor Cr Brett Owen.

The Service started with a march from the Engine Bay of the Beaconsfield Fire Station along Woods Street to the Cenotaph area. Returned Servicemen and descendants, local school children, scouts and others marched.

The Memorial Service has been held by Beaconsfield Progress Association since 1999 and was instigated by the late Tony Rushton.

The Memorial Address about World War 1 serviceman James Patrick Osborne was researched, written and compiled by Penny Harris Jennings and read by Tania Baxter.

Musical items were presented by Cranbourne Salvation Army Recorder Ensemble and Casey Choir. Andrew Spierings, Piper and Rodney Edwards, Bugler also participated in the Service.

The President of Upper Beaconsfield RSL Eric Chaplin read the names of World War I and World War II Servicemen and women from the Cenotaph and Honour Board. Their photos were placed around the Cenotaph by our young leaders from Beaconsfield Scouts, Beaconsfield Primary School and St Francis Xavier College. Mr Chaplin also led the 'Ode to the Fallen.'

Thanks to the many local organisations and businesses that assisted in the service including Beaconsfield CFA, Computer Talk and Beaconsfield Midway Group. Cardinia Shire Council covered expenses for the day with their Festivals and Event Grant.

At the conclusion of the service, afternoon tea provided by Midway ladies was enjoyed with great conversations between people attending reflecting on the commemoration of Anzac Day.

Graeme Taylor

President

Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc.

Casey Cardinia Mobile Library



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Beaconsfield Community Complex

O'Neil Road, Beaconsfield

Make and Mingle

MAKE AND MINGLE meets every Wednesday during school term from 10am-12noon at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, 7 Desmond Court Beaconsfield.

MAKE AND MINGLE is a good place to come along and meet friends, enjoy coffee and a chat and try out a new craft or finish off some of your own projects.



Ladies at Make and Mingle making greeting cards

Recently some of the group have made greeting cards using all sorts of techniques. You can learn to do these for yourself and there is always someone to help out with craft projects. Friends and family will be delighted to receive one of these handmade cards.

Now the cooler weather is here, the knitting needles are out again and lots of projects are under way- scarves, cushions, beanies, colourful blankets and knee rugs. Needles, patterns and guidance with knitting are always available. All sorts of yarn are used and recently some ladies have made scarves from teabag strings.

Some members of the group will be participating in world knitting in public day and will be at Franks' Café in Beaconsfield knitting, crocheting and enjoying coffee and a chat. Come along and enjoy the day on Saturday 16th June 10am-12 noon.

Make and Mingle's famous craft fair is on again this year on Saturday 10th November 9am-2pm at Beaconsfield Baptist Church. Come along for light refreshments, extensive plants stall, and lots of crafted items including cards, bags, quilts, baby's wear, knitted toys and jewellery; also craft supplies which include beads, egg decorating, paper tole, card making, scrapbooking and patchwork. Ideal for Christmas presents. Save the date, mark it in your diaries. Something for everyone. Free entry.

Make and Mingle meets every Wednesday at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, 7 Desmond Court 10AM-12 NOON during school terms and you can be assured of a warm welcome.

For information contact:

makeandmingle@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au



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- Broccoli
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- Silver beet
- Spinach
- Spring Onions
- Herbs

Your flowering bulbs should be in before the end of May to flower in Spring.



Annual Flowers to plant now

- Pansies
- Polyanthus
- Primula
- Violas
- Stock

Citrus trees are starting to bud up in preparation for fruit over winter and early spring.

This stock is all available at Beaconsfield Home Timber & Hardware.

THE 3 Rs – Roads, Rates & ROCKS....

I'm sure you have noticed the recent road resurfacing around our village lately.

This is part of Council's annual road maintenance program to prevent more extensive and expensive damage in the future by stopping water damage, which can get in under the surface and lead to potholes and damage to the subsurface which is extremely expensive to repair once it sets in.

Resurfacing works are generally required once every twenty years roughly, so we should not be inconvenienced again for a while, we hope.

So even though the roads look perfectly ok from our perspective, the experts know that if we want to keep these roads in great condition and still be able to afford it, then we need to maintain them (a bit like painting your house regularly to prevent the weather from rotting the timbers or rusting the metals).

Now that I have looked further into this I see that these resurfacing works are an annoying but necessary step to maintain our local roads.

If you still have loose stones on your road, then it has received a 'spray seal' as opposed to a full 'asphalt' resurfacing. This is when stones are laid over a layer of bitumen, to provide a hard wearing, skid resistant surface and because more stones are used than stick to the surface, you may notice them tapping the underside of your car as you drive over them.

These extra stones are left on the surface for up to seven days before being swept off then they are recycled. So please be mindful of any loose stones when driving through affected roads and slow down knowing that it is only a temporary issue until they are swept from the roadway by the contractors.



On the upside, we should have great roads to drive on for the next 20 years.

Tania Baxter

(Facts taken from Cardinia Council factsheet on road resurfacing)

Casey Cardinia Heritage Festival 2018

The Casey Cardinia Heritage Festival was held at the Upper Beaconsfield Hall on Sunday, May 6, 2018.

The Festival was part of the National Trust Heritage Festival whose theme was 'My Culture, My Story'.

As our region was celebrating the 150th anniversary of the establishment of the Shire of Cranbourne and Shire of Berwick in 1868, we interpreted this theme as '150 stories of our Past'.



*Heather Arnold and Mayor Cr Collin Ross
Photo courtesy Star News Pakenham Gazette*

The History and Heritage Groups in the region wrote 150 stories that reflected some aspect of the history of the area. We set the story length at 150 words, but if it fitted on an A4 page with a photograph, that was fine.

We had a great variety of stories covering nearly every town in the Casey Cardinia region, different time spans and because we had a variety of writers we covered a range of topics including sport, industry, local government, women, education, religion, farming and the list goes on.

We had the 150 stories on display at the Heritage Festival and we will work with Casey Cardinia Libraries to see if we can get an on-line version of the stories.

These are the Groups who had a display on the day

- Beaconsfield Progress Association
- Berwick Mechanics' Institute
- Berwick Pakenham Historical Society
- Casey Cardinia Branch of the National Trust

- Casey Cardinia Libraries
- Cranbourne Shire Historical Society
- Dandenong High School Ex-students Association
- Edrington History Research Group
- Koo Wee Rup Swamp Historical Society
- Narre Warren & District Family History Group

There were close to 300 people attending over the day, so it was our most successful Heritage Festival ever, which I believe was because the Upper Beaconsfield Community really got behind us and supported us.

The Mayor of the Cardinia Shire, Cr Collin Ross, officially opened the Festival at 11.30am. The Upper Beaconsfield CWA provided the catering and the Billabong Band performed authentic Australian folk music in the afternoon.

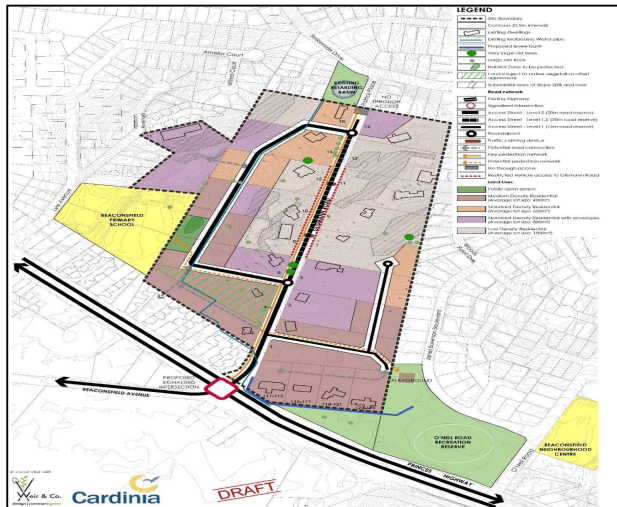


Billabong bush band photo courtesy of Dennis Dwyer

Every group that attended had a great day talking to people, but it's not just the fact that we can tell people about the history of our area, it's that we all learn new information, get new contacts, see new historical photos we haven't seen before. The day is really about sharing our history and it was a total success!

Heather Arnold
Local History Librarian
Casey Cardinia Libraries

Glismann Road Update



Glismann Road Development Plan

Recently Cardinia Shire Council officer, Principal Strategic Planner, Lorna Lablache, came to our monthly BPA meeting to speak about current planning issues in our area. We should also note that Councillor and Deputy Mayor, Brett Owen, attends most Beaconsfield Progress Association meetings to discuss current council issues with his local community. Beaconsfield is very lucky to have such an open and communicative relationship with their local council.

IF YOU HAVE ANY ISSUES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH THEM PLEASE ATTEND ONE OF OUR MEETINGS.

Article below written from the guest speaker's notes by Tania Baxter (Tania was a councillor with Cardinia Shire between 2012 & 2016 and voted for the original 2016 draft. Tania is now Vice President of Beaconsfield Progress Association.)

re: Glismann Road update

In December 2013 the Beaconsfield Structure Plan was adopted by Council. An action of the structure plan is to rezone land in the 'Glismann Road area' from the Rural Living Zone to a residential zone to allow for residential subdivision.

The Glismann Road Development Plan is a planning tool used to help ensure that properties are developed in a cohesive manner. The current title boundaries of the lots do not lend themselves to be developed in isolation of each other.

The amendment will also consider the development's public expenses, within the amendment area, and will allow for development to be bound to an

Infrastructure Contributions Plan (ICP) via a separate planning scheme amendment, so as to minimise the cost to the wider community due to the changes in this area, e.g. road/footpath and intersection development, etc.

Council is requested to seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning for Council to prepare Amendment C238 to the Cardinia Planning Scheme to rezone the land to allow for residential development and implement the Glismann Road Development Plan. This has been delayed at the Minister's request.

The amendment also provides direction for the provision of the road network, public open space and traffic management and that all major planning issues are resolved prior to the commencement of subdivision development.

The Plan also hopes to safeguard our natural features by carefully integrating them into the development of the land to minimise adverse impact on the amenity of the area by balancing the need for new housing against the environmental constraints and opportunities of the area.

Application seeking authorisation from the Minister to prepare an Amendment was lodged with the Minister before Easter. A copy of the Minister's letter has been uploaded onto Council's website, as is further information.

https://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/downloads/download/270/glismann_road_development_plan_draft_-_cardinia_shire_council

If you have any comment to make regarding this development please let Council know by contacting your local Councillor (Brett Owen), the Minister for Planning (Richard Wynne) and/or Lorna Lablache at Cardinia Shire Council.

*** PERSONAL NOTE BY AUTHOR OF THIS ARTICLE ***

Please note that this NEW DRAFT has NO PROVISION for Glismann Rd to go through to the Berwick Views Estate which, in my opinion, would have:

- relieved some of the congestion on O'Neil Rd intersection and

- provided another exit route for these new residents in case of an emergency or road closure in the area;

But instead now they will have a similar situation to that of the existing Lyle Ave street's residents around school drop-off/pick up times.

Guardian Pharmacy Beaconsfield News

Some great local news, our Pharmacy won the Number 1 Guardian Pharmacy in VIC/TAS last year along with the number 1 Guardian Pharmacy Assistant! We then went to the National Awards last month (held at Jupiters Casino Gold Coast, QLD.

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Beaconsfield Kindergarten

Beaconsfield Kindergarten has some exciting plans underway for 2019, with changes to our program models and session times. As a community based, independently managed early childhood service we have the ability to be responsive to our local community and families, while continuing to provide high quality early childhood educational programs. Below is a snapshot of the different programs we will be offering in 2019. Families should enrol at Beaconsfield Kindergarten through Cardinia Shire Council's online portal. After families are enrolled at our service, they will be given the opportunity to express their interest in any of the programs below.



Climbing Trees

Bush Kinder

We are very excited to be offering Bush Kindergarten in specific programs from 2019. Bush Kinder provides outdoor learning experiences not typically available in a traditional kindergarten setting. Children are encouraged to play, explore and learn in a bush or natural environment. Current research indicates the benefits for children participating in nature-based play experiences are many and varied. The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia states that play spaces in natural environments 'invite open-ended

interactions, spontaneity, risk-taking, exploration, discovery, and connection with nature. They foster an appreciation of the natural environment, develop environmental awareness and provide a platform for ongoing environmental education.' Bush Kinder recognises the place the bush has in Australian folklore and the significance of the land in aboriginal culture. Beaconsfield Kindergarten's Bush Kinder program will run at both Wilson Botanic Park and Akoonah Park. Children will attend one Bush Kinder session each week during terms 2 and 3.



Story time – creating a story made out of natural elements

Two-day Program

Family centred practice is integral to our service delivery at Beaconsfield Kindergarten. We recognise that working families require choice and flexibility when seeking enrolment in sessional kindergarten. In 2019 families will have the opportunity to enrol their child in two 7.5-hour sessions per week. Our educators are highly qualified and experienced in providing educational programs which balance the learning needs of individual children with regular food and rest breaks.

Three-day Program

Beaconsfield Kindergarten's three-day program model will continue to be offered in 2019. Groups will attend either two longer sessions (5.5 to 6 hours) and one shorter session, or three sessions of similar length. Three-day programs provide children with consistent learning environments and experiences throughout each week.

Kinder Readiness Program

Beaconsfield Kindergarten's Kinder Readiness Program:

- caters specifically for children who turn four between 1 January and 30 April
- provides two 2.5-hour sessions per week
- is run by a Bachelor-qualified teacher and Diploma-qualified co-teacher
- meets the specific needs of children seeking stimulating learning opportunities alongside 4-year-old peers, although they may not be ready for a 15 hour per week 4yo kindergarten program
- provides opportunities to develop social skills and engage with peers of a similar age
- helps children to develop a sense of connectedness and belonging in a large group setting.

Children who attend our Kinder Readiness Program generally attend funded (4yo) kinder the following year, and begin school in the year they turn six. To enrol in our Kinder Readiness Program, please contact our office on 8768 4444 or email admin@beaconsfieldkinder.com.au

Three-year-old kindergarten

Beaconsfield Kindergarten will be offering a 3yo kindergarten program in 2019. Enrolments should be done through Cardinia Shire Council's online portal, and offers will go out towards the beginning of August.



Getting our values right!

In everyday life, the values we hold determine our everyday beliefs and behaviours, yet often the only time we discuss values or give them a thought is when a situation confronts us that challenges and tests our thinking. In recent times, we have heard endless commentary about ball tampering; a lapse of judgement which has not only cost three cricketers

their reputation, but has cost them and their team losses of more than \$20m in sponsorship. Australians love to win their cricket, but we don't want to win at all costs.

In politics we have witnessed the unedifying spectacle of some politicians and business people, whose actions do not faithfully mirror the words they speak...and don't get me started on the Banking Royal Commission!

When values are askew, out the window goes the ethical behaviour.

In Government schools, there are strong values based policies, but more importantly, the actions and behaviours of the school reflects the values we espouse.

- We are compassionate and care for others and ourselves.
- We are sincere and honest with others.
- Our actions should match our words.
- We value diversity and accept other's beliefs and values. We include and welcome everyone we meet.
- We act in a moral and ethical way as we are accountable for our own actions.
- We resolve differences in constructive, peaceful ways.

Congratulations to our mixed netball teams!

Beaconsfield sent two teams to play at the St Margaret's Netball Tournament last week. Some great skills, sportsmanship and team work was seen throughout the competition and we were extremely proud of the attitude of these children.



Team 1, who played in Division 1, had some great success winning their first 6 matches, but unfortunately lost their last game by 2 goals.

Team 2, who played in Division 2, only lost 1 game out of their 7 matches and that was enough for them to make the grand final. They played Berwick Fields, who

was the team they had their only loss to, but through determination and effort they were victorious, winning the grand final 7 to 6. Shayla was also awarded MVP for the match, an outstanding effort.



Beacy Bats Brilliant First Competition

Congratulations to the BEACY BATS who performed in their very first Aerobics competition on Saturday the 28th of April. We were lucky enough to see them perform at Assembly two weeks ago and were astounded by the energy, joy and pizzazz of this enchanting team! Their hard work paid off when they came 1st place, which was a tremendous effort for their first competition. They will be performing in the State Competition and we congratulate them on their magnificent effort. A big thank you to their amazing coach, our performance teacher Emma Jennion for her professional preparation of the team. Well done girls!



The Beacy Bats

There is a saying that “Winners are Grinners” but in the Primary School setting we have to work to cultivate the environment that there are “Winners AND Grinners”. It is fun to experience success, but we must celebrate the fact that we were there, giving it our personal best, enjoying the social, physical and mental benefits of participating together with friends!

Gary Methven
Principal

Beaconsfield & Officer Scout Group

We cannot believe how quickly time goes – the beginning of the school year only seems like yesterday; however, Beaconsfield Officer Scout Group have been extremely busy during this time with several large-scale activities already under their belts and more to come later this year.

The 2018 year started with us all settling back in after the summer holidays, and then suddenly we were welcoming so many new members of the Beaconsfield and Officer communities. Our Group now has over 90 youth members and 18 adult volunteer leaders making the Group the largest Scout Group in Cardinia.

Our Scouts started the year with BAYJAM, a 5-night camp at Mt Martha with activities at the beach as well as in Melbourne, a time to prepare for the year ahead.



Joeys heading to camp

Our involvement at both the Pakenham and Berwick shows this year was exciting, with our Joey Mob winning first prize at the Pakenham Shows group/schools/ kinder art entry competition in “Greens our theme”. The Mob were extremely excited with their trophy, as well as other youth members walking away with ribbons.

The same weekend as Pakenham show, 15 of our Joeys headed for their first BIG Scouting event at Lardener Park Drouin, Kangaroo. This was a one-night sleepover with approximately 1500 Joeys and Leaders jamming as much fun into a weekend as possible. Our Joeys came back full of beans and excited for their next big event.

Our Cub Pack have seen some Grey Wolf Awards being awarded to our older Cubs – congratulations on their efforts. The Cubs have also been on a district

bike hike to the State Coal Mine at Wonthaggi. Cubs set off from Kilcunda and rode along the rail trail to the State Mine, where they camped the night and then did a tour of the Mine, on Sunday. Their little legs were tired, but all Cubs and Leaders had an awesome time.

Scouts have competed at Stradbroke Cup, a competition camp also at Bay Park, Mt Martha over the Easter break, and came home winners with a Gold pennant - congratulations to these Scouts on a fantastic job. They have also had a back to basics camp at the hall for the newer Scouts. We have also awarded another Scout with the Australian Scout Medallion, the highest award a Scout can achieve, in the Scout section.

Venturers have been busy with a day in Melbourne on Moomba Monday, with two of the youth members being invested at the Shrine as well as on the Eureka Skydeck. They have attended training for completion of their badgework, as well as travelling around the world on a Monday night. They have also had international cooking night on camp stoves, which was a culinary delight! There are also two Venturers that are participating in Whitehorse Showtime, which is a Scout and Guide Show. Visit <http://whitehorseshowtime.org> for more information if you would like to purchase tickets.

Rovers started off the 100 years of Rovers well this year and were successful in the Pakenham Show with their 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in the Home Brew pavilion section. This has encouraged the Rovers to perhaps brew ginger beer for next year's show. The Crew are also looking for new members to join them on a Thursday night. They have a great program in place and enjoy camping.

The group has participated in the Beaconsfield ANZAC Memorial March and Service as well as the ANZAC Dawn Service at Officer, where the Joey, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers along with their Leaders and some parents, had their yearly sleepover at the hall. This night was run by the Venturer section, with games and activities, centred around ANZAC Day. Most youth members earned their – Their Service, Our Heritage badge.

Section	Age & Suggested School Level	Meeting Night
Joey's	5 – 8 years (Prep – Year 1)	Tuesday 5–6 pm

Cubs	7 – 10 years (Year 2 – Year 4)	Tuesday 7–8.30 pm
Scouts	10 – 14 years (Year 5 – Year 8)	Thursday 7–9 pm
Venturers	14 – 17 years (Year 9 – Year 12)	Monday 7.30–9.30 pm
Rovers	18 – 26 years	Thursday 7.30–9.30 pm

If you or your child is interested in joining our fast-paced Group please contact us via email gl.beaconsfieldofficer@scoutsvictoria.com.au and we will organise a time for you to come along and try out Scouting – you get to have lots of fun, adventure and make new friends.



Neighbourhood Natter

Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre has begun 2018 Term 2 is a long term, but with the way time is flying, it will all be over in a blink!

There's still plenty of time to do some workshops or start a new class at Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre though, as we take new enrolments at any time throughout the year.

Our next Floral Design workshop is running on Friday, 15th of June. You will enjoy learning from a floral art judge as she guides you through the construction of a masterpiece to take home. At only \$15 plus \$20 for the materials, it's fantastic value!



The beautiful result of a past workshop



Knitting from the heart ♥

Our amazing knitting group just held their recent handover to the 4Cs, the Bless Collective and the Beaconsfield Ambulance station with a total of 333 knitted products donated.

As the weather turns colder, those less fortunate than many of us have been extremely grateful for the blankets, beanies, scarves and mittens that our generous knitters have produced. These ladies are volunteering their time and resources to help where they can. Unfortunately, the wool and stuffing for toys is not cheap so we are asking for donations to support this worthy cause.

Please bring in those bags of wool taking up room in your cupboards or even cash donations of any amount to purchase supplies will be very gratefully received.

A selection of items is also available for purchase to assist in raising funds.

New knitters are welcome to join the group on Mondays from 1.00pm until 3.00pm.



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Acupuncture is now available at Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre to assist with your health and wellbeing.

Qualified acupuncturist, Rose Chong, is offering a free consultation to discuss how she can help you. Bookings are essential and Rose can be contacted directly on 0452 269 180.



We are very happy to share that the State Government announced a funding increase of \$21.8 million dollars to support Victoria's Neighbourhood House Sector as part of the 2018-19 State Budget. We thank those of you who completed postcards to show your support for the sector. Our local MP, Brad Battin was also very supportive of the campaign. The announcement serves to recognise the vital role that Neighbourhood Houses play within local communities both now and into the future. Neighbourhood Houses really are the heart of community.

Children's Room

Colourful, adventurous, fun times are being had in the Children's Room at Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre. Different themes keep the children engaged and learning about new things.



Our 3-Year-Old Kinder, Occasional Care sessions and Playgroups are thriving as our community experiences a boom of younger members. We love seeing the familiar faces of returning parents with younger siblings and also welcoming new families.

We are accepting enrolments throughout the year for all our fabulous children's programs. Although some of the session times are full and have a waiting list, other places are available for an immediate start.

We are currently planning a working bee to be held in the next school holidays to fill up the new garden beds in our playground. Volunteers are warmly invited to come and help transform the area.

We have been lucky to have Gagani Warnakulasooriya from Cardinia Catchment Landcare design a beautiful layout with indigenous plants. It will grow to be a wonderful visual and sensory experience for the kids (and parents/carers). We can source the plants cheaply from Green Circle Plant Nursery in Upper Beaconsfield. Hopefully there will be some rain on the way soon to ensure the new garden can get established before Summer.



Our Children's Room Holiday Program is currently scheduled to run on six days during the mid-year break. Running Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in both weeks, the fun will start on 3rd of July from 10.00am – 2.00pm.

Children from 18 months to 6 years old are invited to attend a session of fun activities including art and crafts, party games, outside play, stories and songs.

Children will bring their own packed lunch to enjoy together and receive a special party bag to take home. Supervised care from qualified and experienced staff is offered at only \$30 per child.



Did you know our Children's Room is available for private party hire at very reasonable rates?

Contact us for more details.

The Beaconsfield Community Complex Hall is also available to hire for your special events.

With something here for all ages and abilities, we hope you have a chance to visit Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre soon.

Members are invited to come and relax with a cuppa and a bickie as you browse the books available in our book corner. There's a variety of books to borrow for free and new book donations are always welcome. There are even a few jigsaw puzzles if you're so inclined.

If you don't know much about the Centre, please check out our great selection of courses and activities running each school term. Our Term 2 program is currently up on our website www.bncinc.org.au or hard copies are free at reception if you don't receive one in your letterbox.

If there is a course or program that you would love to see offered here at the Centre that we don't currently have, or you are a skilled member of our community looking to share your knowledge as a tutor, please get in touch for a chat!



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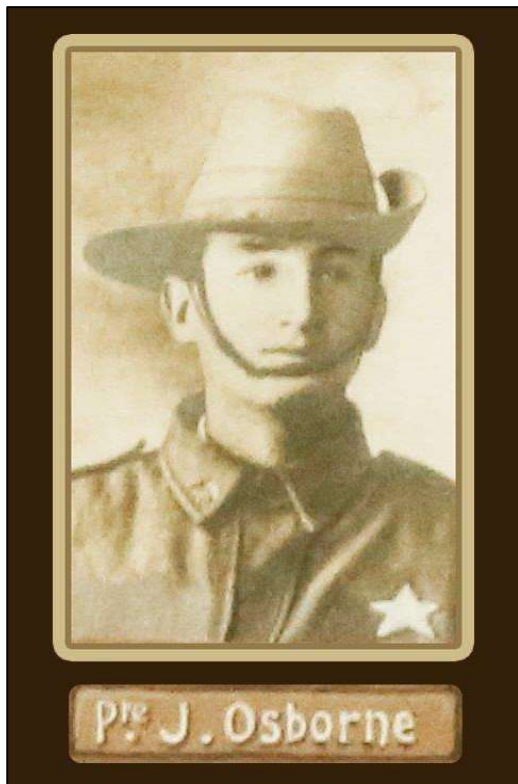
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James Patrick Osborne

Jim Osborne was born in 1879, the son of Irish immigrants who had settled in the mining town of Walhalla. His was a traditional upbringing of the time, numerous siblings and attending school. Through his teenage years he enjoyed the local cricket ground, playing both cricket and football. Jim saw the introduction of electricity and the telephone in his formative years. Reaching employment age, he went to work as a battery hand at the mine in Walhalla.

Ellen Osborne, Jim's sister married William Keating from "Fairwood Park", Beaconsfield. The family had experienced sadness with the loss of a sibling but the death of Ellen's husband at Beaconsfield was life changing for Jim.



Honour Board photo

For him responsibility and duty called, he moved to Beaconsfield in support of his pregnant sister to manage the property she now owned, "Fairwood Park". Jim went on to grow crops and assist his sister, immersing himself in the Beaconsfield community.



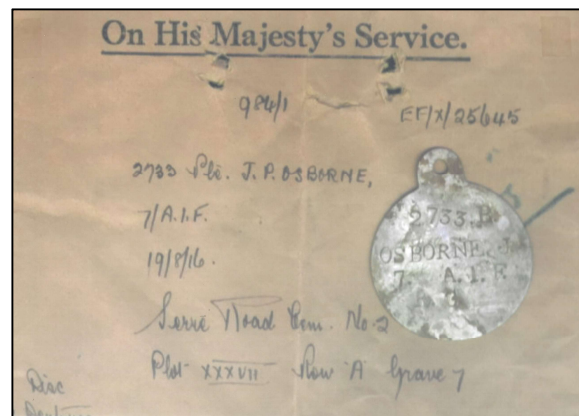
Fairwood Park

On Friday 28 July 1915 duty called again, Jim set off to Melbourne to enlist for World War One; as described the fresh faced, blue eyed, dark hair, physically fit man was accepted, and returned to Beaconsfield that day to farewell his family and friends.

The following article describes Sunday 2 August 1915:

"The accommodation of the Beaconsfield station was taxed on Sunday evening last, when the relatives, sweethearts and friends of "our recruits" assembled

to give the boys an encouraging farewell on the occasion of their going into camp. The recruits who left were Messrs Arthur Bragg, Jim Osborne, Alec May, James Rix, Leslie Paternoster and John Tucker. Other recruits are already in camp. Mr Ray Thompson delivered a short address and on behalf of Mrs Paternoster, presented each soldier with a flag. The recruits were greeted with musical honours sung with zest and feeling and this was followed by the hearty singing of the National Anthem. Touching scenes marked the fare-wells, but one could not feel but impressed by the spirit of noble, unselfish devotion that dominated all present. Hearty cheers were raised as the train moved out, and hats, flags and handkerchiefs were waved until the train was out of sight".



War medallion

As we stand here today we can all imagine the heartache and overwhelming sadness the families of Beaconsfield felt waving good bye to their young men some of which were never to return.

On the 19 August 1916 "in the field", James Patrick Osborne, Service Number 2733, Rank Private, from the 24th Infantry Battalion 1 to 8 Reinforcements was killed in action close to the frontline in Northern France.

Jim was never to return to his life in Beaconsfield, he paid the ultimate price, a man of commitment and duty forever loyal to his family and to his country; Australia.

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Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7.30pm at the Beaconsfield Community Complex, O'Neil Rd. We encourage and welcome all Beaconsfield residents to come and attend these meetings.

Come and air your concerns, raise issues or just come for some information.

The next three meeting dates will be:

- June 19th
- July 17th
- August 21st

Articles Welcome

Have your say on local issues, submit anecdotes about Beaconsfield past/present, letters to the editor or articles of general interest are welcomed.

These can be emailed to the editor at banner@beaconsfield.org.au

All articles must contain the contributor's name and contact details for verification purposes.

Advertising

The Beaconsfield Banner is published by the Beaconsfield Progress Association (BPA) in early March, June, September and December.

The Banner is distributed via a combination of black and white hard copy, available at specific businesses in the Beaconsfield Township and colour online via the BPA website. The website Banner is also cross promoted using posts with links from the BPA Facebook page.

All advertising enquiries to Suzanne Brewer - email: banner@beaconsfield.org.au Advertisements to be submitted as a JPG or Word document email attachment. Advertising must be paid prior to printing deadlines.

Next Issue of the Banner

The Spring issue of the Beaconsfield Banner will be published in September 2018. The deadline for contributing articles and advertising is 21st August 2018.

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The new website has relevant information on things like the Beaconsfield Progress Association's members, meetings and minutes; as well as interesting information on our beautiful town including our war legacy, government contacts (at all three levels), historical places of interest in Beaconsfield as well as local community assets and services...

Some of the popular community topics include Beaconsfield's:

- emergency services
- schools and kindergartens
- our community centre complex & local parks
- sporting clubs & community groups
- and the local Notice Board

The website is the place to go for online copies of the Beaconsfield Banner, the Avenue of Honour Book and the WWII Honour Board awardees history booklet.

BPA have also set up a Local Business Guide to assist the community to find local goods and services, as well as promote local business via this directory.

The newly revamped Beaconsfield Banner will be working very closely with the new website to achieve this, so if you are interested in getting onto this online directory please see the Banner advertising information.

Please feel free to email the BPA at secretary@beaconsfield.org.au if you would like to contribute to the factual information contained on the site or if you have a comment to make about its existing content. BPA is keen for this to become a highly useful local go-to tool for Beaconsfield information.

It is a website FOR LOCALS, BY LOCALS.

Tania Baxter

Editor's Note

The Winter Edition of the Banner has seen a big jump in support from local businesses. **There is no clearer illustration of community spirit, than advertising in the Banner so please get behind our advertisers and show your support.**

Once again, a sincere thank you to everyone involved in taking the time to prepare and submit articles.

Perhaps, it goes without saying but all of us have a deep attachment to and love for Beaconsfield. The articles by Tania Baxter on Glismann Rd and Road Resurfacing are a taste of the types of topics discussed at our meetings.

If you feel the same way, get involved by:

- attending our monthly BPA meetings
- submitting an article to be published in the Banner
- or advertising in the Banner

Pricing per edition for advertising in the Beaconsfield Banner is as follows:

	B&W	Colour
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