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BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT

by Les Reader

As the summer months approach we are already facing extreme weather conditions. Everybody has had opportunity to attend bushfire meetings, run by CFA locally for information. Information is also available from the Council. Let us all be prepared.

We are looking forward to erecting a plaque in honour of Tony Rushton, on Saturday 21st of November, at the Beaconsfield Community Centre. 1.30pm. Anyone wishing to remember Tony is welcome to attend.

It was pleasing to see approximately 200 local residents at the public meeting on October 15th, in regard to an application for a Hotel with gaming machines in the May - O'Neil Road site.

Issues discussed and concerns about this development were:

- Location in an area surrounded by residential properties.
- Traffic and parking problems.
- Liquor licence and premises open until 2-3am.

Thanks to the local Primary School Committee and Principal, Gary Methven, for the use of their building for this meeting. The outcome of this application has not yet been decided by Council.

Thanks also to the hardworking Committee

for their work over the last 12 months, keeping up to date on local issues in a now growing precinct, it is important that residents are aware of changes and support us to maintain a liveable neighbourhood, as well as enjoying what progress it brings.

The production of the Banner is a unique and well-regarded publication, takes time and effort by hardworking people, many hands make light work.

Following our AGM in October, Dr Charles Wilson, a local historian, shared his vast research and knowledge of how Beaconsfield and surrounding areas was first developed. Many have asked Dr. Charles Wilson to attend again and we will endeavour to organize this in 2010.

If you have ideas or concerns about a development in your area then the Progress Association is a forum for you to discuss these. Our December meeting will be held on 15th, 7.30pm. at the Community Centre.



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CARDINIA SHIRE REPORT

by Cr Brett Owen, Central Ward

Works on the reserve in Holm Park Road have finally commenced. Council recently awarded a \$2.5 million contract to Streetworks to commence stage 1.

Stage 1 works include:

- Conceptual and detailed design of the pavilions
- Perimeter fencing
- Site preparation and associated earthworks
- Full construction of the two main ovals including drainage and irrigation
- Site services and connections
- Unsealed internal roads and car park.

Further staged development of the reserve, as per the master plan will be completed over the coming years.

Council is about to undertake kerbside hard and green waste collections. If your rubbish bin is collected on a Wednesday morning (bin out Tuesday night) your hard waste collection period is between 30th November and 4th December. Your hard/green waste must be out for collection by the 29th November. For further information or if

your regular bin collection is on a different day, please contact council's customer service on 1300 787 624.

Council's graffiti reduction program has proved successful in reducing graffiti across the shire. The "Report, Remove and Reduce Graffiti" campaign has seen a 55 per cent reduction of graffiti in the 08/09 financial year, compared to the 07/08 period. To sustain these great results, council requests residents to

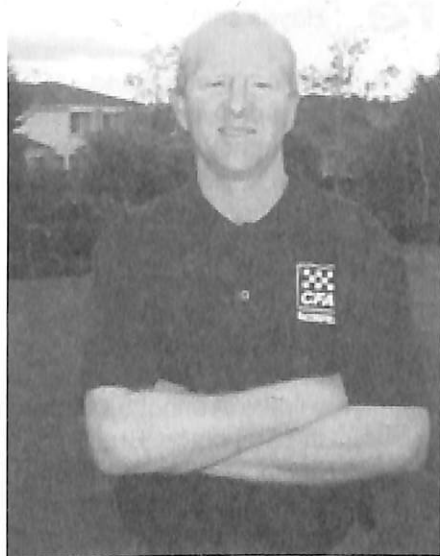
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To report incidents of graffiti or to access the free removal kits/paint vouchers, please contact council on 1300 787 624.



Central Ward Councillors L to R - George Blenkhorn, Collin Ross and Brett Owen.



Hello, my name is Paul Hayes. I am the Captain of the Beaconsfield CFA. I have joined the 'RUN FOR A SAFE CLIMATE' which is a group of police, fire fighters, paramedics, SES and other emergency services who have joined forces to run a relay of 6000km from Far North Queensland to St Kilda, Victoria.

RUN FOR A SAFE CLIMATE!



Why are we going?

Run for a safe climate in November 09 is a project aimed at protecting life, property, and the great natural icons of this great country from a slide towards catastrophic global warming.

I was in the thick of the February 7th Black Saturday fires and have realised that we need to make a stand now to try and stem the global warming, for our sake and the sake of future generations.

Please support me by donating to the run, you can donate by going to the website runforasafeclimate.org or contact me on 0418174522, or hayespower@westnet.com.au

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CFA Calls On All Victorians To Prepare

Residents are being warned they must have a comprehensive understanding of how bushfires start and spread before the coming bushfire season.

CFA Captain of Beaconsfield describes as "crucial" the need to be aware of the dangers around homes and the fuels which help bushfires spread.

"For people living in high risk areas it is crucial to have an understanding of what causes a bushfire," Captain Paul Hayes said.

"We are in a period of extreme drought, and the

worst kinds of bushfires always occur after years of drought. The dryness of fuels – leaves, bark, twigs and grasses – plays a large role in spreading fires."

During summer, there are many days of high fire danger and several days of extreme fire danger. It is important to be alert and prepared for this period as the risk of a bushfire starting and growing quickly is very high.

"As winds get stronger, the speed, size, heat and spotting of a fire increase dramatically," Paul said.

"From the strength of the

wind to the crunch of the grass under your feet as you walk, these are the signs you need to look for."

During the fire is when embers – burning pieces of leaves, twigs and bark – are carried by winds and spot fires occur. There is extreme danger associated with spotfires, they join up quickly and become just as dangerous as the main fire.

"Ember attack is the main cause of house loss in bushfires. You may know there is a large fire in the distance, but you may not know about the new fires starting from embers

landing near you. If they aren't put out, they will destroy your home," Mr Hayes said.

"CFA has around 1200 brigades around the state throughout the summer ready to respond to bushfires. But this doesn't mean residents should be complacent."

"Without doubt the best strategy for surviving a wildfire is to not be there in the first place. But to have the best understanding of the threats around their home, people have to start preparing now."

To find out more information about how bushfires start and to learn more about preparing for the coming fire season, visit <http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/residents/summer/countdownfireseason.htm>.

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1st BEACONSFIELD SCOUT GROUP

by Roger Gordon

We were all very proud to present to one of our Scouts, Alex Gordon, his green cord and Australian Scout Medallion.

The Australian Scout Medallion is the highest possible Award for Scouts and compares with the Queen's Scout Badge for Venturers and the Baden-Powell Award for Rovers.

We had a suitably significant occasion to make the presentation to Alex. Bunyip Scouts, parents, scout leaders and District Leaders were present and a good time was had by all, in particular Alex. Congratulations Alex for a great achievement. Scouts continue to go along smoothly with good camps, hikes, fun activities and fun weekly meetings on a Thursday night.

Cub Scouts is going along very well with thirteen members with another one looking to join. Already we

have awarded a number of Achievement Badges including Traveller, Pets, Literature, Cooking, Sports and Musician. They meet on a Tuesday night from 7pm to 8.30pm and return home tired, contented and having enjoyed a new experience. If you have a daughter or son between 7 and 11 years of age who would like to see what we are about, please give me a ring.

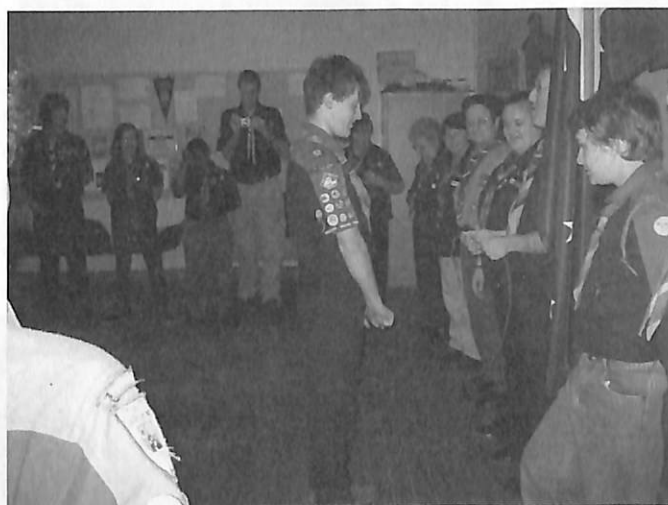
Woolworths Beaconsfield has let us have a sausage sizzle at their front door on the first Saturday of each month. Our previous sausage sizzles have been fundraising for our Scouts going to the Jamboree in Sydney in the New Year. In November we are fundraising for the Cub Scout resources so that our weekly meetings can have a varied and well supplied impact. We would like to thank Woolworths for letting us have these sausage sizzles.

We were also very fortunate to receive a cheque from our local community bank "The Bendigo Bank" on their opening. It is great to have this bank in Beaconsfield and already our family has opened accounts with them. We thank them for their donation and wish them every success for the future.

If you would like your sons

or daughters to come to one of our Scout or Cub Scout meetings please ring Roger Gordon on 97072414 or gordon@cyberspace.net.au to make sure where we meet and get an idea of our programme, costs etc. We have a special offer where they can attend three meetings without any cost to see if they would like to join.

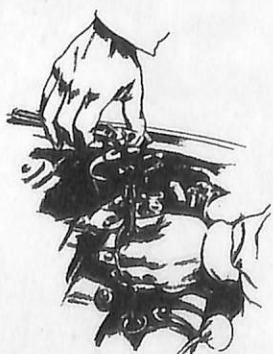
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Pictured: Alex Gordon being presented with his green cord and Australian Scout Medallion

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BEACONSFIELD DISTRICT Community Bank® Branch Opens

by Graeme J Taylor - Director



The Beaconsfield District **Community Bank®** Branch of Bendigo Bank was officially opened on Tuesday 15th September 2009.

The opening day's proceedings included entertainment from

Haileybury College School Choir and Berwick Boot Scooters. The Vice Chairman of Beaconsfield District **Community Bank®** Branch Jim Byrne gave an overview of the work done by Steering Committee Members and by Directors,



Pictured Page 8 Left: Gerald Treasure and Carol Porter together with board members.

Above : children enjoying the sausage sizzle.

Page 9 Above - Berwick Boot Scooters

Below- Michael Lazari, Branch Manager with the bank mascot.

to establish the **Community Bank®** Branch. This process included obtaining pledges of support, completing a feasibility study, formation of a public company, issuing of a prospectus and raising of share capital of \$760,000. The Chairman of the

Beaconsfield District **Community Bank®** Branch Michael Muaremov made the official speech congratulating all involved. Bendigo and Adelaide Bank's Regional Manager Michael Petering and

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Chief General Manager Marnie Baker spoke with passion of the success of the **Community Bank®** model for the communities involved, local company shareholders as well as their strategic importance to Bendigo and Adelaide Bank.

The philosophy of the **Community Bank®** to help local not-for-profit groups was demonstrated on the opening day by providing donations of \$100 each for 20 district kinders, sporting clubs and country fire brigades. There were prizes of bank accounts for the colouring competition for local primary school students.

Directors and long time

residents, Gerald Treasure of Beaconsfield and Carol Porter of Officer, cut the ribbon at the entrance to the bank to mark the official opening. They also cut a giant cake, which had been specially baked to mark the occasion, which was enjoyed by everyone.

The **Community Bank®** opened for business at 2pm.

Branch Manager Michael Lazari and his staff are keen to discuss all your banking needs, so call in and meet them. The bank is located in the new Hub Shopping Centre at Shop 6, 48 Old Princes Highway, Beaconsfield.

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MAKE AND MINGLE

by A. Taylor

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At the time of writing we are preparing for our 11th Annual Craft Fair. This is always a great day out for all the family with Devonshire teas and light lunches, plant stall, craft displays and demonstrations. We have gifts, handmade crafts and craft supplies.

This term at Make and Mingle we will be making lots of different Christmas

cards, decorations, ceramics, Christmas trees and balls and also doing a range of knitted items, along with embroidery and patchwork.

Along with craft we have been supporting people affected earlier this year by the bushfires by sending a range of handmade items, pamper packs and craft materials. We are particularly helping out a craft group that has formed from women who have experienced bushfires in the West Gippsland area. We also help provide hospital packs for children in local hospitals and help out other missions. We also trim postage stamps from envelopes and this raises money for missions.

You are welcome to come along on any Wednesday for a warm welcome.
Enquiries Ann 9707 1996

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



To the Editor,

I am writing to ask all users of Glissmann Road to please moderate their speed.

Glissmann Road is narrow and gravel topped and does not lend itself to excessive speed.

I would ask all users to glance occasionally in their rear view mirrors to see the ball of dust they leave in their wake. In terms of health it is difficult to live with and disappointing to have house, car and garden covered in fine silt.

I thank you in anticipation of your co-operation.

Name and address supplied



LANDCARE NEWS

by Ian Chisholm,
Past President CCLG

Orders for plants from our Upper Beaconsfield Indigenous Nursery have dropped considerably in recent months. Many people prefer not to plant at this time of the year, because of approaching summer heat and water shortages. However, there are also concerns about fire safety issues associated with Australian plants.

We know that the leaves of eucalypts contain volatile oils, although it should be noted that some species of eucalypts, including angophoras and corymbias, are not as flammable as others. Smooth-barked

eucalypts obviously present fewer problems than stringybarks.

Fire ecologist Kevin Tolhurst has also pointed out that a windbreak of trees can reduce fire risk. Blackwoods (*Acacia melanoxylon*) and black wattles (*Acacia mearnsii*) are examples of tall trees that can offer some protection in this regard. In the extreme conditions of Black Saturday, probably no tree – Australian or exotic – can be said to be fire-resistant but some witnesses believe that blackwood trees helped to save Bulga Park and

Tarra Valley from complete devastation on Black Saturday.

Our nursery will be producing more groundcovers and low shrubs in future, partly as a response to fire concerns, but also because suburban gardeners often do not have room for larger specimens. We will still be able to meet the demand from farmers for the traditional mix of landcare trees.

The Cardinia Catchment Landcare Group's Indigenous Nursery is located in Halford Street, Upper Beaconsfield and is managed by Anita Meister. The nursery is open on Fridays from 9.00am to 5.00pm, or at other times, by appointment.

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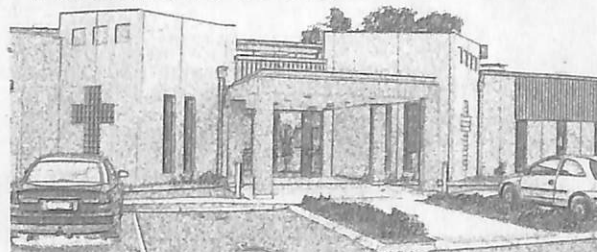
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SNIPPETS FROM THE ACCOUNTANT'S DESK

by Graeme J Taylor, C.A.

Everybody should be constantly aware of changes to income tax legislation, tax rulings, determinations and interpretative decisions in order to prepare compliant income tax returns. Some recent changes affecting income tax include the following:

- The business tax break providing an additional tax deduction of up to 50% of the cost of new depreciable assets only applies to items ordered by 31st December 2009 and installed ready for use by 31st December 2010. Time is running out if you want to obtain the benefit of this deduction. The business use of motor vehicles must exceed 50% for a business vehicle to be eligible for this deduction.

- Reasonable allowance expense claims have been released (TD 2009/15) for 2009/2010. Examples of reasonable expense claims without supporting documentation include award overtime meal allowance (\$24.95) and travel whilst away from home of \$289.80 per day if the trip is to Sydney (Accommodation \$183, Meals, Food and Drinks \$90.30 and Incidentals \$16.50) but only if an allowance is received.

- Donations made under salary sacrifice arrangements to tax deductible gift recipients will not result in the employer incurring a FBT liability. As

many employees made donations in the 2008/09 year particularly in respect of the Bushfire Relief Appeals then common sense prevails and there will not be any FBT.

- Australian Taxation Office Benchmarks now includes plasterboard installers who work directly with household customers. The Benchmarks provides a minimum gross income based on work done charged at piece rates for labour and materials. This information should be used to avert a possible tax audit.

- A Bill is before Parliament to provide Capital Gains Tax relief for policy holders of Friendly Societies that demutualise to Companies. This Capital Gains Tax relief and deemed cost base would be similar to life assurance Companies that demutualise.

- The tax bonus paid of up to \$900 based on 2008/09 income tax returns has contributed to over 250,000 people lodging outstanding income tax returns. However, the Child Support Agency was able to recoup \$32.4 million in outstanding Child Support payments.

Discuss your business and personal income tax matters with your Accountant to ensure that you claim tax deductions you are entitled to.

Visit by State Cabinet

by Tammy Lobato, MP Member for Gembrook

Beaconsfield has been a hive of activity with the arrival of the spring weather and it is terrific to see so many residents in their gardens making preparations for the fire season by keeping properties well-maintained and free of debris. I have distributed a bushfire preparation poster which includes important information plus emergency contact numbers in the event of a fire. If you have not received one in your letterbox, please contact

my office so one can be mailed out to you.

A recent visit by the Minister for Roads, Tim Pallas MP, brought the fantastic news that the State Government is investing \$5.2 million for local road upgrades to improve safety. This funding will include major works to construct run-off treatment on Beaconsfield-Emerald Rd between the Princes Highway in Beaconsfield and up to Station Ave in Emerald.



Above: Minister Tim Pallas with Tammy on Beaconsfield-Emerald Rd for road upgrade announcement.

Works will include high-skid resistance surfacing, shoulder sealing, the installation of guard rail and wire rope safety barriers, additional guide posts, high intensity linemarking and raised reflective pavement markers.

Minister Pallas also turned the first sod of works to construct noise walls along the freeway in Beaconsfield and Berwick. These works are progressing at a rapid pace and when complete these walls will greatly reduce the noise levels experienced by local residents emanating from freeway traffic.

October saw the entire State Cabinet, headed by Premier John Brumby, come to the Gembrook electorate to discuss a variety of issues with local residents, including bushfire preparation, neighbourhood house funding and water. Held at Emerald Secondary College, I was pleased to see many people take the opportunity to sit down and talk with Ministers in an informal setting.

School principals and school council

representatives, including from Beaconsfield Primary School and Berwick Secondary College, also had the chance to join a roundtable discussion with Education Minister Bronwyn Pike. With the upcoming summer, the topic of dealing with bushfires was high on the agenda and I urge all parents to familiarise themselves with their school's arrangements in the event of a bushfire. In high risk areas, all government schools will be closed in the event of a Code Red fire day—the website at www.education.vic.gov.au will include daily updates for parents.

The visit by the State Cabinet also brought news of important funding initiatives, including \$500,000 for the redevelopment of Pakenham Community Hall which will include a community kitchen space and large meeting rooms. Minister Batchelor highlighted that with the February bushfires, there is a need for community facilities that can be utilised in times of crisis as well as being important community assets and this hall will be able to serve that purpose.

On another note, I would like to advise residents that my office has been relocated from Gloucester Ave to Suite 5, 6-8 Langmore Lane, in Berwick. Telephone and fax numbers remain the same.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for assistance with any state government issues.

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by David Morland

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St Brigid of Ireland was born in 451 and she lived to reach the age of 75. According to tradition her father was the local chieftain and her mother became a Christian after hearing the Christian story from Saint Patrick. Brigid followed her mother and became a Christian at age 17. From that point on she was determined to live as a nun. In time she did enter a convent and went on to found a number of others.

Brigid was, by all accounts, remarkably attractive. To put it bluntly she was stunningly good looking. Such beauty meant that she was not without many admirers, so much so that she prayed, 'O Lord, take away my beauty'. This is not the sort of prayer we hear very often. Most people I know prize beauty and would do almost

anything to increase their attractiveness.

Now there are in fact two types of beauty. There is the beauty of a pretty face and there is the beauty of a mature and kindly personality. There are some people we are attracted to and it has nothing to do with physical looks, it is their winsome personality. And there are others who although good looking are without an attractive nature. We live in a culture that, I think, puts too much store on physical beauty and not nearly enough on the beauty of a lovely personality. And for me the exciting thing is that although I can do nothing about my physical looks there is much I can do to improve my levels of courtesy and kindness. I can become a more and more beautiful person even while I age and the wrinkles increase.



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For example, items scheduled for collection during the week 16 – 20 November should be placed out on 15 November.

Trucks will not return for material put out late, but will return for missed collections if residents contact WM Waste Management by the Monday

after the scheduled collection dates.

Mayor Cr Bill Pearson said the clean up was an important community service with an extra level of importance this year given the devastation of the last fire season.

"If residents use the collections to reduce flammable materials from their properties as well as clean them up, they will make important contributions towards their fire preparedness," said Cr Pearson.

"The green waste and hard waste collections are opportunities not to be missed, especially this year," he added.

For detailed information about what can be placed out for collection and scheduled collection dates visit www.cardinia.vic.gov.au or telephone 1300 787 624.

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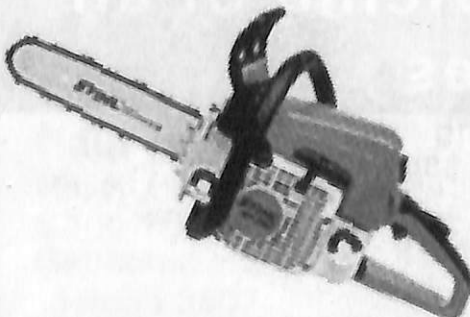
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by Centre Co-ordinator - Miriam Gillespie

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the new committee, the committee has been increased this year by two. A special warm welcome to David Haynes and Jean Hore.

As President, I am looking forward to working with the new committee and together with our competent staff and tutors, this coming year should be a prosperous and fulfilling one.

It's good to see that we have four new volunteers to assist in the office. (Helen, Sue, Valerie and Glenn.)

John Meyer, President



OPEN DAY 2009 21st November 10am- 3pm Free admission

Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre will be holding their Art & Craft Exhibition and Open Day on 21st November 2009 from 10am – 3pm at the Beaconsfield Community Complex, 8 O'Neil Road Beaconsfield.

Inside the complex will be numerous displays of Arts and Crafts along with some fantastic activities for the children, such as free face painting and balloon making.

The toy library will have a hands-on display where

young ones can take their turn to play.

Display stalls will include workshop activities such as Patchwork, Soy Wax Candles, Pergamano Cards, Water Colour Paintings and Mosaics. All pieces will be available for sale.

The walls hold displays from the Children's Creative Painting class and the SLR Photography Classes along with a huge display of Acrylic Paintings. Most items will be for sale.

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WILL POKIES HELP OR HINDER BEACONSFIELD?

by Edward O'Donohue, MLC
Member for Eastern Victoria Region

Beaconsfield is set to become home to electronic gaming machines ("pokies") if an application currently before Council is approved.

Pokies were first introduced into Victoria in 1991 by the then Labor Premier, Joan Kirner, and her Government.

It was argued at the time that Victoria was losing tourism dollars to places like Hobart (where there was a Casino) and the NSW Murray River towns (which had numerous clubs with pokies only three or four hours drive from Melbourne).

It was also contended that community based clubs, such as sporting clubs, RSLs and others would benefit from the revenue that pokies would deliver. We have seen this locally

with the money contributed to the local community by clubs such as the Pakenham Sport Club and the Cardinia Club.

The other main argument in favour of their introduction was the right to freedom of choice, that is, that playing the pokies is a legitimate form of entertainment that most do without addiction or harm.

However, the losses have far exceeded what most anticipated. From a zero base in 1991, the annual losses from pokies in Victoria have grown to \$2.7 Billion in 2008/2009.

These increasing losses deliver huge revenue for the Brumby Labor Government, the gambling sector in Victoria now delivers \$1.7 Billion a year. Victorians can rightly ask what are they receiving in return?

A recent report found that there are up to 170,000 Australians suffering from severe problem gambling with another 350,000 deemed at risk, while the average pokies player in Victoria loses approximately \$2000.00 per annum.

On 19 July 2007 the Liberal Party in the State Parliament attempted to reduce the number of pokies in Victoria from 27,500 to 22,000. The Government used their numbers to vote down that amendment.

Nearly two years ago three applications were made to the Cardinia Shire for the introduction of pokies to both Officer and Beaconsfield. After sustained community opposition, those applications were either withdrawn or shelved. The one that affects



Beaconsfield is now back.

Whilst pokies, particularly those operated by community based clubs, can deliver community benefit, as time has passed since they were introduced by Labor, we have also gained a greater appreciation of the negatives that can also follow, such as problem gambling, social isolation and poverty.

I would encourage all concerned Beaconsfield residents to make their views known to both the Shire of Cardinia and local MPs, the Beaconsfield community needs to be heard on this issue.

Contact details for all your representatives is on page 30.



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Brickbats

To those responsible for taking garden lights and plants from various properties around the town.



BPS Corner

by Gary Methven,
(Principal)

Thank you Beaconsfield!



Our Parents and Friends first "Share Your Wares" - Market Night held on the 22nd of October was a fantastic success outstripping all expectations! Through careful planning and hard work, our P&F created a sensational market atmosphere; vibrant and

exciting! The students and staff at Beaconsfield Primary School are thankful that we have such an enterprising group of parents with the drive to make such a great community event become a reality.

Local businesses

demonstrated their commitment and generosity to our school and our children through their donations and support. The bighearted support of our local businesses in these tough times speaks eloquently of the kindness, goodwill and sense of community that makes Beaconsfield a great community! Thank you.

These donations were used as prizes in the "silent auction" and in raffles throughout the night. Our fabulous stallholders were generous in their donation of gifts and products to raffle and for putting so much effort into creating such interesting

and beautiful displays, thank you. Stallholders reported strong sales and the development of some excellent connections.

Finally, a big thank you to all of you - the friends and community members who turned out to support the school in its first big market night. We really appreciate your backing and encouragement. Thank you. We learned lots about how to run a market night; we know that we can make it even better next year, but most importantly, we learned that we can count on everyone in Beaconsfield to back us, encourage us and cheer us on!

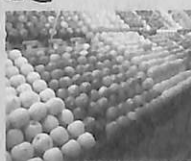
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OVER THE FENCE

By I. Cole

In the July Banner in the article I submitted I mentioned the CIRCLING MONSTER and since I received no angry correspondence from my immediate neighbours I thought I would expand this further. The monster in mind is PROGRESS.

It is a she and I liken her to Medusa from ancient Greek Mythology with her crown of snakes. Each snake represents a new development we the existing community generally do not want. Be it 50 units on a 1000 square metre block or poker machines on every street corner. For the best insight into the damage poker machines and the like inflict on the community at large and specific families in particular one has only to have a quiet discussion with David Morland. David is a good man at the pointy end of the social problems these developments cause and he is a continuous contributor to the Banner.

As each 'development' becomes reality our community is permanently changed sometimes for the better many times for the worse eg. Loss of Scout Hall and Community Centre.

INSIDE THE FENCE

The lovely Ann Taylor has once again put pen to paper in the August Banner (we don't know how Ann finds the time because

of her other community involvement) and delved back into history of 'OLDE BEACONSFIELD' which incidentally has a much nicer ring than 'Olde Berwick' our lesser neighbour over the hill.

When you look at the restoration works of an old house such as our house and to quote Ann "KENNILWORTH COTTAGE" you logically see the outside walls, roof, garden etc.

Internally there are usually many problems that have to be rectified which are never seen and hence many observers think progress is painfully slow. I will offer an insight into three of our now thankfully finished... Yvonne likes finished jobs.

STUMPS

Our house had to be restumped. In the front rooms we had a 150mm bow in the floor as over the years the weight of the house pushed the outside walls down. All stumps were removed and I had the floors levelled before restumping.

To digress the walls are timber laths with solid plaster and as the house was levelled this fell off in large chunks until the house looked like it had been subject to one of those infamous end of year football parties which went for a month.

The other problem was the doors as once the floor was levelled no door would close not even those on the old kitchen cupboards. All this before we actually moved in ... Yvonne cried.

FLOORBOARDS

It is common in old houses to paint "China Black" around the edges of a carpet/rug square on the floor. It was also common for farm or outer houses to have tar floors. Kennilworth Cottage had tar and not "China Black" around the floor. Since tar is thermoplastic I had to hand scrape it off the floor with a broad chisel without damaging the timber and had to remove sufficient so that I could use a floor sander.

Many sander belts later we could proceed to the next step. The nails were handmade probably from England and I had to use an engineer's drift and a large hammer to hit the heads down into 120 year old hardwood.

Thank goodness we have no immediate neighbours (not yet anyway) as I could hammer away until 10pm. Anyway the floor looks a treat.

INSULATION

What an easy job. Hop in the roof cavity and lay the insulation on top of the plaster between the timbers.

In three of our rooms the ceiling had dropped some years ago and rather than fix the ceilings properly some bright spark at the railways decided it would be easier to install new ceilings and since the height was dropping from around 16 ft to 14 ft ... no problems. It took weeks in the cramped filthy dusty roof (remember its age) to pull the original ceilings back up so that I could lay the batts.

Internally our house is finished and we have restored it true to its period and I would give us a nine out of ten for effort. Externally we still have re weatherboard the south side, finish the painting and finalise the garden. To sum up our efforts so far Yvonne tells our friends the following "We are seven years into a twelve month project."

Our final digression ... it was an honour for us to attend the Tony Rushton Concert. The number of people there bought a tear to my eye. It feels like only yesterday that I was talking to Tony. We really miss him and so does Kennilworth Cottage.

Anyway back to the painting



TONY RUSHTON REMEMBERED

Beaconsfield local identity and friend to all Tony Rushton passed away in April 2007 and the local community remembered him in many ways and in particular by planting a Lemon Scented Gum at the Beaconsfield Community Complex at the ANZAC Memorial Service in 2007.



However a plaque to remember Tony needed to be erected and this will be officially unveiled at a ceremony on Saturday 21st November 2009 at 1.30pm at the Beaconsfield Community Complex in O'Neil Road by our local Councillor Brett Owen.

All who wish to remember Tony are welcome to attend and afternoon tea will be served afterwards.

This ceremony will take place on the same day as the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre's open day.

BENEFIT CONCERT SUCCESS



The Tony Rushton Memorial Benefit Concert which was held on September 12th at Akoonah Park Function room was a huge success.

Ian Castles and friends organised the concert to raise money for a wheelchair for Simone, Tony's daughter. Tony was killed in a car accident in April 2007.

As a family Tony, wife Dulcie and Simone had enjoyed many of Ian Castles performances prior to Tony's death.

The large crowd enjoyed a great evening of entertainment and successfully raised enough for the wheelchair.



Pictured above: Ian Castles Left: Ed Walker.

CHARLES TALKS HISTORY



Les Reader, President BPA. chats with Dr. Charles Wilson after his history presentation at the BPA AGM.



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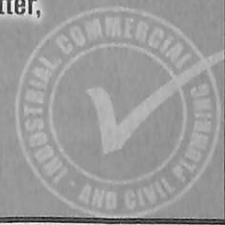
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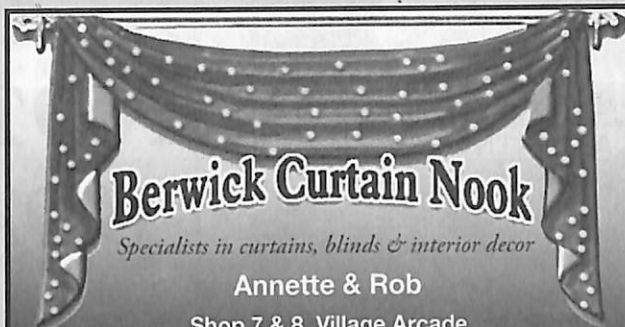
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by Phil Collins

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direction.

The message on the sides about having tools and travelling still holds, the phone number is still 9707 4225 and there is no mobile number. Who wants to be up a ladder with a paint brush when the phone rings?

There should be a mini

course that would earn the title 'Doctor of Doors' – I would certainly qualify – I don't know about the theory but I'd pass the prac. exam. With the weather conditions we have and the odd earthquake the poor old doors don't know whether to jam or slam.

Boats are an interesting study. My friend at Hervey Bay has written an interesting criticism of the boat which sixteen year old Jessica Watson is using for her solo circumnavigation.

He points out that most sail boats have evolved from a book of race rules and therefore are not suited to long distance cruising such as a circumnavigation. What is more these ex-racers place the sailor in unnecessary danger. It would be like buying an old racing car from Janice

Whincup and using it to drive to Broome; far better to use a vehicle designed for cross country driving.

As the old door said, "If you're in a jamb call Phil Collins."



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X- WIRED

by David Griffiths

There is a lot resting on the release of 'The Box'... to be blunt one man's career rests on whether this movie does well. If it flops then director, Richard Kelly will be known as the one-hit wonder who had a hit with the film 'Donnie Darko'; but if it does well then we will all forget about his last film, 'Southland Tales' and just forget that it ever happened. I can only offer my point of view but I seriously think Kelly redeems himself with 'The Box'. Hollywood hasn't produced a film like this for a while, and the only question is how will the audience take the experimental feel to the film.

'The Box' pulls no punches. Norma (Cameron Diaz) and Arthur Lewis (James Marsden), along with their son, Walter (Sam Oz Stone) are a family that live from paycheck-to-paycheck. All

very fine until the day that Norma is told that Walter's school fees will rise sharply and Arthur learns that he isn't getting the promotion he is expected to get. They are then visited by a scarred stranger, Arlington Steward (Frank Langella) who leaves them with a box with a button in it. He then explains to Norma that at any time during a 24 hour period she can press the button and will be instantly given one million dollars... the only catch is that someone they don't know will die at the same time. When Norma and Arthur work out it isn't a hoax they must decide whether their conscience will let them press the button, and what other consequences may arise if they do.

What Kelly has managed to produce here is a highly intelligent film. 'The Box' seems to drift between genres with absolute ease.

It has all the elements of a thriller but mixes it with sci-fi in the same way classics such as 'White Noise' and 'The Ring' have in the past. True cinema lovers will see this as an absolute classic while some of the 'popcorn set' may be left scratching their heads as they try to figure out what is happening in front of them. The good thing is though Kelly does a wonderful job spelling the storyline out for the audience without you ever thinking that you are watching a 'how-to' guide.

'The Box' is the film that I have waited all year to see. It's intense drama and good characterisation lifts it above your standard sci-fi-thriller. While it doesn't reach the lofty heights of 'Donnie Darko' it has indeed proven that Richard Kelly is one of the most talented directors going around. 'The Box' is set to become a cult classic.

Happy film going! Get Wired!

You can now check out more of David's review at www.subcultureentertainment.com



I DON'T KNOW

I really don't know just what to write
my brain is suffering drought
El Nino says 'hell me no',
no thoughts are coming out!

'I don't know' - we say this every day
when we actually have the answer.

As a negative response its often a cause of conversation cancer!

When I say 'I don't know' I am frequently telling a lie.

"Go and work it out for yourself,
there's no reason to ask me why!"

With children I am guilty when they ask me why, why, why.

"I don't know" is my answer
then they'll drift off with a sigh!

When asked in court to tell the truth

- 'I honestly don't know' your honour please is it really such a crime, the jury to appease?

I don't know why some lose their cool
when you're only trying to help.

You walk away and turn your back ...
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CROSS CULTURE

by David Griffiths

Could we have finally found one of the best EPs to be released this year? It is a big call but in my opinion Fahrenheit 43 are one of the best pop-rock groups to surface in a long, long time. Sweet melodies mix with some expert songwriting and create 'The 6 Degrees EP'... an album I can (and have) listened to over and over again.

Tracks as sweet as the beautiful 'Angel's Lullaby' are rare to discover so when you do find them you hold onto them. 'Rescue Me' is another sweet love song and with the amazing vocal talents of Richard James at the helm, this is a song that you'll be adding to any mix-tape you make in the near future.

Fahrenheit 43 show what great songwriting capabilities they have with 'The Reason' a beautifully written track that has its acoustic version for all to hear on 'The 6 Degrees EP'. There are also two other acoustic tracks, '25 Down' and 'Dreams In Motion'... both beautiful tracks and the latter sung

with a passion that most bands could dream about.

Fahrenheit 43 are one of the finds of the year... grab the EP and watch as these guys make it big.

Also if you are a fan of alternative music then you simply can't go past Porcupine Tree's new release 'The Incident'. 'The Incident' is an absolutely amazing album. You instantly fall in love with each track and this is the album that should show the world that Porcupine Tree are one of the most talented bands going around.

See you next time and remember Beaconsfield, heed the words of the song 'Blow Up The Pokies'... look up the song if you don't know it!

For more of David's reviews go to www.subcultureentertainment.com



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Snake Bite In Dogs And Cats

by Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre

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How do I know if my animal has been bitten?

The usual signs of snake bite by a tiger or brown snake are:

1. Vomiting once or more.
2. Sudden weakness.
3. Collapse.
4. Shaking or twitching of the muscles.

5. Dilated pupils not responsive to light.

6. In the later stages paralysis may occur and your pet may have blood in his or her urine.

If you suspect your pet has been bitten by a snake you should try to keep him/her as quiet as possible. It is vital that you take your pet to a veterinarian as quickly as possible.

If your pet is bitten do not try to catch or kill the snake. If possible try to identify the snake, or get a description of its colour and approximate size, there are several types of antivenene available and it will assist your veterinarian to determine the correct one.

What can the vet do?

Firstly your veterinarian will examine your pet to determine whether it has been bitten, and will assess your pet to determine the stage of reaction and what treatment is required. If necessary we may use a snake bite detection test, which can determine from a blood or urine sample whether your pet has been bitten and by what type of snake.

Your vet will also do an activated clotting time as snake venom interferes with the body's clotting mechanisms.

Veterinary treatment varies with each individual

case, but usually consists of intravenous fluids and the administration of antivenene to neutralise the snake venom in the pet's body. Snake antivenenes are expensive to produce and have limited shelf life; these factors are reflected in their high costs.

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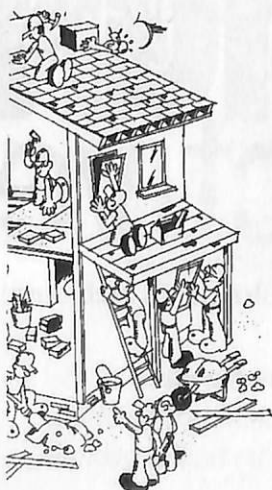
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Julie's story....

My journey with SMA began after my partner and I received the devastating news that our first daughter, Montanna had SMA Type 1 in 2004.

Montanna lost her battle in June 2005, just before her first birthday. She was diagnosed with Type 1 SMA when she was three months old. We were told to just take her home, love and enjoy her; there was nothing they could do.

Through the frustration of very little, to no support here in Australia, my partner Ross and I then founded the Spinal Muscular Atrophy Association of Australia Inc. (SMAAA) to support other families that have been diagnosed.

In early 2006, I became pregnant with our second daughter Zarlee. When I was 13 weeks pregnant, I lost my partner Ross in a car accident. Subsequently, when Zarlee was born in December 2006 it soon became apparent that she also had Type 1 SMA. She finally lost her battle on Christmas Day 2007, just after her first birthday.

So, through these experiences I have made it my mission to continue what Ross and I started together in our lounge room in Heywood (country Vic) 5 years ago. Now we have an office here in Beaconsfield and employ 3 women who are also dedicated to helping families and children affected by SMA in every way possible, everyday.

*by Michelle Brandt
I represent SMAAA.*

Here is some information about SMA. I've tried to make this as brief as possible for you without losing the key points.

Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) is a genetic motor neuron disease that causes the progressive deterioration of motor neurons in the spinal cord. This results in weakness and wasting of the voluntary and involuntary muscles (atrophy). This disease can occur in both children and adults and there are three types SMA Type one, two and three.

SMA type one (infantile SMA or Werdnig-Hoffman disease) is the most severe and always fatal form of SMA, and one we deal with on a daily basis. Most SMA babies appear normal at birth and it isn't, usually, until they are a few months old that symptoms begin to appear. These children are bright, alert and are very interested in people and what is going on around them.

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TALKING WEATHER

by Nathan Boon

Well the rain fell and then the sun came out. That is the story for the last 2 months!

October saw a total of 108mm. This was the highest October total since 1998 when there was 115mm. Rain fell over 12 days and on the 30th October we recorded

the highest daily total of 46mm.

September was also a wet month with 125mm of rain recorded here in Beaconsfield. The rain fell over 17 days. The highest daily total was on the 26th where there was 25mm recorded. This was the highest September total since 1993.

The total for the year so far is 653mm. This is 94mm more than at the same

point as last year.

November, so far, has seen very little rain fall but the heat has started early with a week of days over 30°C.

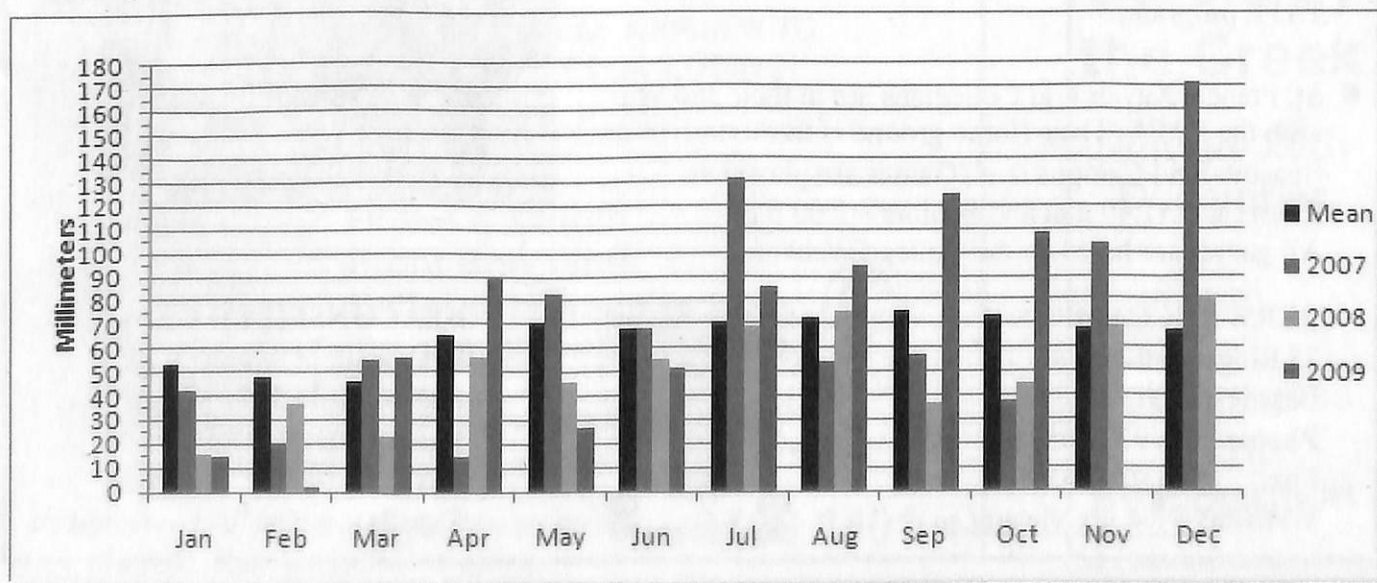
This string of hot days also made water consumption soar. It has been reported that Melbourne's target of 155 litres of water per person per day was smashed in the hot weeks in November where we used 204 litres of water

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The Unveiling of Beaconsfield Primary School's New HPV!

by L. Amos



Kevin Dahlberg of Hardback Industries and John of Hair Movement Beaconsfield with the Beaconsfield HPV team. Many thanks also to Darren of Trans-Action and Mark of Beaconsfield Garden Supplies who could not be at Friday's presentation.

The students have worked hard to obtain some sponsorship in order to buy a new vehicle for this year's Maryborough event in November. Finally all of their efforts paid off when the team was presented with a surprise – their new vehicle.

The children were excited and surprised as the new vehicle was unveiled at the Friday school assembly.

Sponsorship money came in from local businesses. John from Hair Movement in Beaconsfield, Kevin from Hardback Industries, Darren from Trans-Action and Mark from Beaconsfield

Garden Supplies so that they could retire some of the old vehicles and buy a brand new, faster model.

The children would like to thank all of the people from the school community and wider community who have helped the team in many ways over the years. Past and present families, local business, parents and teachers have all contributed in many and varied ways over the many years that the team has operated.



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4C's Christmas Hampers

by Jeni Mathieson, 4C's

Anyoneneedingassistance at Christmas time with a hamper and toys need to register now with 4C's at 1 Main Street, Pakenham. They need to come into the centre with proof of shire address. Hampers will then be available for collection on the 17th and 18th December from our Pakenham office.

The centre will be then closed up to the 6th of January.

Those who may have difficulty paying utility accounts, phone accounts or facing rent arrears can get assistance from our office in regard to these issues. They do not have

to be only on Centrelink payments to get this assistance. People in employment can also be assisted. They must phone and make an appointment with our staff for this service.

In regard to our hampers we would also love it if anyone in the community can assist with donations of items for our hampers or even donations of toys (especially boys aged 8,9,10). Our hampers consist of items for a Christmas lunch and extra food items to last whilst the centre is closed.

Examples of donations would be Christmas cake or pudding, Christmas biscuits, Christmas lollies, long life custard, long life milk, tinned spaghetti, 2 min. noodles, pasta, rice, cereal, tinned fruit etc.



Beaconsfield Cricket Club

News

by Greg Tomamichel

Beaconsfield Cricket Club has made a solid start to the 2009/10 season with good numbers and great enthusiasm through all of the senior and junior grades. On the field the new fixture in the West Gippsland Cricket Association has proven a challenge, with early wins hard to come by. However there are excellent signs and Justin Stanton has proven to be an excellent leader of the club in his new captain / coach role.

Off the field, we have again improved the condition of our grounds at Perc Allison Reserve and Akoonah Park thanks to the ongoing support of many hardy volunteers. We have unfortunately lost the use of the St Francis Xavier oval for our senior grades, but we look forward to the new Holm Park Road development in the coming seasons.

Milo Cricket has started again, and any young boys and girls interested in learning cricketing basics, but too young for the Under 11 competition, are invited to come along.

On a community note, we congratulate everyone involved in getting the new branch of the Bendigo Bank up and running. Beaconsfield Cricket Club is a proud shareholder in the local branch, and we look forward to it being a valuable part of the community.

For information on all the club's activities and contact details, please visit our website at beaconsfield.cricketvictoria.com.au

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TENNIS NEWS

BEAconsfield TENNIS CLUB INC

by C. Briant

Tennis Dinner A Winner

The Beaconsfield Tennis Club raised more than \$5500 for the clubhouse extension at its recent fundraising dinner.

It was a full house at Clover Cottage restaurant as 132 people squeezed in to enjoy the fine food and a great evening.

There were many laughs and much reminiscing with members from the past and present.

A highlight of the evening was when the Peart Perpetual Trophy was awarded to Adrian Walsh. The Peart Trophy recognises members who work tirelessly for the club over many years.

Among many other tasks, Adrian has done a fantastic job for several years, running the very busy junior competition on Saturday mornings.

The trophy was presented to Adrian by Jim and

Winifred Peart who had made a special trip back to Beaconsfield for this occasion.

Also in fine form that evening was Les Donaldson, of Les Donaldson Real Estate, who took to the stage to auction the many items generously donated by local businesses.

Let's Unwine Cheese & Wine Tasting of Berwick donated a wine and cheese tasting event for up to 70 guests, valued at \$1000. After heated bidding, Les finally knocked it down to Greg Menzel, a keen tennis player who will soon also be a connoisseur of fine wine and cheese.

Another great auction item was a Kinchrome Toolbox valued at \$959. This was generously donated by Andrew McKenzie-Smith. Les used his well-developed auctioneering skills to draw out the bidders, finally knocking it down to Alistair Abbott.

More than 50 businesses and individuals donated items for the evening. The Beaconsfield Tennis Club would like to say a big thank you to all those who supported the club on the night. This includes:

Cell to Cell, Berwick; Harry's Menswear, Berwick; Beaconsfield Home Timber and Hardware; Berwick Family Butcher; Beacy Flake; Dan Murphy's Cranbourne; Berwick Potteries, Officer; Berwick Driving Range; Lennard's Poultry, Berwick; Beaconsfield Foodwise; Bunnings, Fountain Gate; Tulip Thai Restaurant Bar; Russell James Carpets; Let's Un Wine, Berwick; Sheedy Muirs, Fountain Gate; Georgio's Seafood & Steakhouse; Stylemakers, Berwick and Pakenham; Prime River; Peter Oliver, Narre Warren Dentist; Ajani Apples, D'Angelo Estate Wines; Shinnors Plumbing, Dandenong; Robert Gordon Potteries, Pakenham; Coles; Suri Indian Restaurant, Beaconsfield; Integrated Tennis Management; Mitre 10, Pakenham; Peter Oliver; Jade Princess; Drysdale Jewellers; Andrew McKenzie-Smith; Eighty One Fine Food & Wine Restaurant; Retravision, Narre Warren; Barry Bourke Motors, Berwick; Casey Osteopathic Health Services, Beaconsfield; Gerald Williams; Les Donaldson; Nush Cafe Sportsbar Restaurant, Guys Hill; Shanika's Restaurant, Berwick; Barry Fletcher; Central Hotel, Beaconsfield; Sven Mannfolk.

Lorraine Macreadie was the lucky winning bidder for a beautiful large chocolate floor rug donated by Russell James Carpets at Narre Warren, while a gorgeous ladies gold watch, donated by Drysdale Jeweller in Berwick, was bought by Judith Dwyer.

An AL-CO International water pressure pump valued at \$250 was knocked down to Dr Wes James.

And for something 'a bit special', Clover Cottage donated a five-course dining experience for two in its beautiful Strawberry Terrace. Russell James was the one lucky enough to be the winning bidder.

Special mention should also go to Mick Ajani from Ajani Apples. Mick donated two boxes of the best tasting Pink Lady apples. Everyone was treated to these delicious apples as they were invited to take a few apples with them as they left. It was a lovely end to what had been a great night.

Tennis Clubhouse Ready For Play

Beaconsfield Tennis Club's newly extended clubhouse is now open for use. The clubhouse looks great and the Committee would like to thank Greg Stone from Keystone Design for donating his time and that of his staff to this project. In particular, a big thanks to Steven Brough and Michael Turner who spent many nights working on the design and drawings.

The new clubhouse has a modern kitchen and separate kiosk; new toilet facilities, a storeroom and an office.

The Committee would also like to thank members for being so patient while the building works were underway.

Thanks also go to Cardinia Shire Council for its role in supplying grant funding and helping to oversee the construction.



Club Contacts

General Enquiry

President: 5940 1186 Secretary: 9707 4287
Treasurer: 9707 2575

Night Tennis

Tuesday Mixed A Grade: 9707 2909
Wednesday Mixed B Grade: 9707 4287
Thursday Men A & B: 9707 4507
Mid Week Ladies: 9704 6852

Other Competition

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HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT SENDING LOCAL CHRISTMAS CARDS THIS YEAR?

The Friends of the Cardinian Embroidery have cards with photo reproduction of each of the Panels of the Cardinian Embroidery. There are 8 different cards in all depicting the features of the towns of Cardinia.

A reproduction of the Beaconsfield/ROC panel is on permanent display at the Beaconsfield Community Complex.

The cards are blank inside and you can write whatever you like and as much as you like and they are always appreciated as they are so very different from the usual Christmas card.

If you have a business in Beaconsfield you could have your business details printed inside by a local printer.

They come packaged as sets of 8 cards, either one panel or 8 of the same panel for \$10 as well as single cards for \$1.50 each. You can choose to send only the Beaconsfield Panel or choose from the other 7 panels.

Every cent raised from the sale of the cards will go towards costs of fabrics, threads, framing and hanging of our latest project which is the Flora and Fauna of Cardinia.

Cards can be obtained from the Beaconsfield Community Complex during office hours or the Cardinia Cultural Centre in Pakenham or by phoning Ann Taylor on 9707 1996.

Cardinia Ranges

Farmers' Market

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On the second Saturday of each month the community of Cardinia Shire hosts their farmers' market at the Pakenham Racecourse.

The market is open from 8am to 12 noon.

It offers direct from the farm gate to the plate, just picked or farm origin, handmade, delicious food to hungry shoppers who want to taste food that brings back great childhood memories of eating sun- ripened warm peaches and cherry earrings!

This authentic farmers' market received a highly recommended 2008 Vogue Entertainment Award as a fresh food market.

The Cardinia Ranges Farmers' Market operates on the second Saturday of each month at Pakenham Racecourse, Racecourse Road Pakenham.

The market is held from 8am until midday.

Contact Farmers Market Coordinator, Suzzi (03) 59450400

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MONDAY - FRIDAY 8AM - 7PM

SATURDAY 8.30AM - 4.30PM

ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Shanya one of our nurses who just recently got engaged to her partner Patric. On behalf of all the staff at the clinic we would like to wish them all the happiness together

November means 'Movember' at the clinic

Movember (the month formerly known as November) is a moustache growing charity event that raises funds and awareness for men's health issues. The boys here at the clinic are participating in this worthy cause. Steve, Khaled and Josh who will be known as the 'BVC Boys' will all be growing some form of a Mo over the month (some of which will need the entire month). If you would like to donate to this great cause please drop in or contact the clinic.



Christmas Pet Portraits

Christmas is fast approaching so at the clinic we have organised a professional pet photographer to take your pet's adorable Christmas portrait. The sittings are booked and held at the clinic; dates will be Friday 27th and Saturday 28th November. Sitting and one 5x7 photo is \$20.00, viewing and purchases of extra photos can also be arranged on the day. Please phone the clinic to make a time.

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