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September 21st

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Tammy Lobato, MP Member for Gembrook, recently organized a meeting with the Beaconsfield community to continue to highlight the community's opposition to the introduction of pokies into Beaconsfield. This meeting was convened at the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre after the independent gaming regulator approved 60 gaming machines despite the planning permit for the proposed hotel not yet considered by VCAT.

Tammy is assisting the community to establish an action group. For more information contact Tammy Lobato on 03 9796 1987 or visit her website.

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Les Reader, President.

I was in attendance at a gathering of interested citizens at the local community centre on Monday the 2nd August, and I was thrilled to see so many people (over 100) who took the time to turn up and voice their disapproval to the application to build an hotel and include 60 gaming machines, plus a free childminding facility.

The overwhelming majority were opposed to having more gaming machines in the area and indeed in the proposed location adjacent to our community centre, kindergarten and junior sporting facilities.

We as a concerned group of citizens need to be always on the lookout for inappropriate developments in our area and be ready to speak out against them.

A strategy group is being formed to follow up on this development and to plan how they will oppose it at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) hearing in November this year.

The dates for the VCAT hearing are now set down for 3, 4, 5 & 8 November 2010.

At recent monthly meetings of the Progress Association several community concerns have been raised.

Several letters have been sent to council, politicians and appropriate authorities in regard to the railway station, e.g. insufficient car parking, adequate shelter, etc.

There is a concern about the location of the bus stop on the south side of Beaconsfield Station on the bend.

Council engineers and a representative from the Department of Transport attended at the bus stop site to investigate the concern raised by the BPA. The Department of Transport is responsible for the ultimate location of bus stops. Recommendations are being discussed.

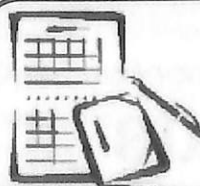
The BPA has organised a "Meet the Candidate" Night for the upcoming election. This is an ideal opportunity to meet the nominated candidates.

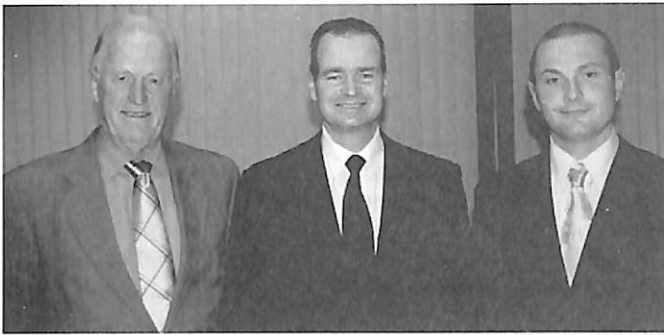
In November we will also be providing the same opportunity to meet the candidates for the seat of Gembrook in the state election.

We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming BPA meeting.

DEADLINE FOR BANNER ARTICLES

Sept 17th 2010





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



Pictured: Residents met at Holm Park Sports Precinct with Tammy Lobato, MP Member for Gembrook (left) and Cardinia Councillors Collin Ross and Brett Owen.

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by Councillor Collin Ross, Central Ward

It is an exciting time on council at the Beaconsfield end of Central ward.

The State Government listened to resident's and council's need for extra funds for the Holm Park Road Sports precinct, with an extra \$500,000 to add to the first \$500,000 taking their help to \$1 million. The Federal Government also gave \$264,000 to the project. Cardinia council will contribute the extra \$9 million to the project.

The State Government also has committed to a new set of traffic lights to

the crossover from the Princes Hwy into the main street of Beaconsfield. This will help with traffic flow and pedestrian access from the Panorama Estate.

The State Government spent \$12.3 million on the new sound barriers on the Pakenham Bypass backing onto Cardinia and Casey residents, thank you from the residents.

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Requests for service can be lodged by calling Council's Customer Service Team on 1300 787 624 or by email to mail@cardinia.vic.gov.au.



Access behind Beaconsfield Hotel

The access has been constructed and a speed hump and height restriction barriers have been installed.



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Council Disappointed At VCGR Decision

MEDIA RELEASE

Cardinia Shire Council has expressed its extreme disappointment at the Victorian Commission for Gambling Regulation's decision to permit 60 gaming machines at the proposed Pink Hill Hotel in Beaconsfield.

Mayor Cr Graeme Legge said Council had strongly opposed the application for 60 EGMs. Council also in December refused to grant a planning permit for the proposed hotel, in May Road.

"We're extremely disappointed, this decision appears to be at odds with the very strong community feeling about the proposal," Cr Legge said.

"The VCGR has said this would not cause significant discontent to a substantial part of the community. We disagree."

Cr Legge said Council's opposition to the gaming machine application was on the basis that it did not comply with Council's policy on responsible gambling practices.

"We were concerned with a number of issues, including aspects of the design," Cr Legge said.

"We also had concerns about the location of the proposed hotel, the potential impact on the community and the number of machines sought."

Cr Legge said Council was now seeking legal advice as to whether to appeal against the VCGR decision.

Council will contest an appeal against its decision to refuse a planning permit for the hotel at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal at a hearing commencing on 3 November.

Cr Legge said it was vital that community attitudes were taken into consideration when it came to these decisions.

"In 2008, we undertook a survey to test public feeling towards development of facilities in the Shire

and electronic gaming machines. The very strong message we received from residents was that they do not support electronic gaming machines and are concerned about the potential social impact.

"Council will continue to take action on this issue and to represent the views of our residents," Cr Legge said



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BEACONSFIELD CFA NEWS

by Matteo Di Carlo



Our biannual bazaar which we held in April was a great success. It was a fine and sunny day and we had a fantastic turn out from the local community. We would like to thank all those generous people who donated goods. This enabled us to raise much needed funds and many, many people went home happy loaded with bargains. We will use the fund to purchase necessary equipment

so that we can continue to provide an ongoing emergency service to the Beaconsfield community.

The annual Brigade Dinner and Awards night was held in May at The Fountain Gate Hotel Function Room. Family members enjoyed a tasty meal and members were recognised for their valuable contribution they make as CFA volunteers. Service awards were presented, ranging from 12 months to 25 years service.

The Brigade is delighted to announce they have received a Ford Ranger dual cab ute from CFA Southern District 8 H.Q. This support vehicle will be well-utilised in our ever expanding emergency response area. Together with our 2 tankers we will be able to respond additional brigade members where necessary. Keep an eye out for it in the town.

Cardinia Ratepayers & Residents Association Inc.(CRRRA)

by Gloria O'Connor

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BEACONSFIELD BUSINESS GROUP (BBG) PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I hope you are all well and warm and keeping the winter blues away and enjoying the extended evenings that enable us to have 'quality' time with our loved ones at home.

The past two months has seen great activity in Beaconsfield.

We have had a glimpse at how the BBG's Streetscape Structure plan, put together by myself, Vicki O'Callaghan of RAMS, Carol James of Grumbles and the help of Cardinia Shire Council, Wendy Abbot and Frances Grigourio and Cr Brett Owen, who have assisted our Vision for a Beaconsfield Village to become a reality. You might have noticed, if you are a keen gardener/

green thumb, the Ornamental Pear trees looking radiant with autumn colours along the CBD on the Old Princes Hwy. These were planted last year by Council in line with the BBG Streetscape Plan and I am happy to advise that the second round, consisting of the same trees, but planted along the highway from Cardinia Creek to Woods Street, will be planted within the coming weeks. Again a special thanks to Cr Brett Owen for his support with this initiative/project.

Also, I am happy to report that the incidents within the Plaza that were being reported by the community, which was great, have actually started to reduce and I would like to thank

the business traders and residents alike for taking the initiative to report crime and disturbances within our community, which makes our town again a friendly, safe place to live, work and shop.

I attended a Cardinia Shire Police Service Area public meeting at the Cardinia Cultural Centre in late June whereby the local inspector and officer where trying to establish a committee that would be a 'forum' for all township Progress Associations, Business Groups, Neighbourhood Watch, etc, to be represented and access modern process, initiatives and resources made available through Council, Victoria Police and Governments to make our communities safer. I take this opportunity to encourage other volunteer committee members to take an active interest and contact the Cardinia Council to see if you can also be represented

in this great committee when it is established. As we all know, more hands make the work lighter!

On the Beaconsfield Business Group front, we also have experienced growth in new members joining us due to our pro-active, positive attitude to make Beaconsfield the best place and making a difference. I have great pleasure to welcome Leanne Bywater from the Pet Shop in the Plaza; Adrian & Isobel Worthy from Poolside and Beaconsfield Community Bank both in the Hub and Silvio Pahor & Brad Nichols of Harcourt's Beaconsfield.

If you wish to contact us, you can call our Secretary, Vicki O'Callaghan on 9769 8722 or myself on 9769 9134.

Warmest Regards
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THE VOICE OF THE BAPTIST CHURCH *by David Morland*

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a reminder of the temporary nature of life.

In the bible we read, "Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom" (Ps 90:12). Staying aware of the shortness of life is not meant to be a morbid matter. Being aware that life is limited leads to appreciating how precious and special each day is. It leads to seeking to use each day to the maximum.

It leads to making sure that those who we love are told so today. It leads to getting on with fulfilling our ambitions and dreams today. It means that if we have anyone we need to say sorry to, we say it today. It means if we think something is important we deal with it today.

New Gymnasium for St Francis Xavier College

At the Beaconsfield campus of St Francis Xavier College there has been a hub of activity and re-organisation in preparing a site at the front of the College for the construction of a new gymnasium.

The project, which began in June, involves the construction of a new double-court gymnasium

and also includes a refurbishment of the existing gymnasium into a 450 seat lecture theatre and development of facilities for the "Old Collegians".

At a cost of \$4.5m the project will be undertaken in two stages and the builders "2Construct" estimate the completion date early in 2011.

BNC Website is launched!

On the 8th June the Publicity and Promotions sub-committee launched the NEW website for the Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre.

Designed by Glenn Petrie and assisted by Nicole Kennedy the website contains lots of information regarding the events, activities, courses and general information from the centre.

The launch of the website was attended by both the Committee of Management and Cr. Brett Owen.

The website will be constantly updated and you will be able to find a downloadable copy of the most recent term program.

If you would like a copy of the term program emailed to you as soon as it is available, please leave your details with the office.



Pictured from left: Nicole Kennedy, Glen Petrie and Cr. Brett Owen check out the new website.

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Annual General Meeting

Yes! It's that time again!! All BNC members are asked to think about joining us on the BNC Committee of Management at our AGM which will be held on Tuesday, October 12th at 7pm.

Please keep this date in mind, you can make a difference to the community by helping on our Committee, or perhaps on one of our varied sub-committees.

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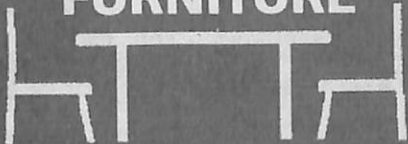
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by GRAEME J. TAYLOR, F.C.A.

INCOME TAX RETURNS 2010

There have been numerous changes affecting personal income tax returns for the year ended 30th June 2010, including the following:

* New income tests will mean test a range of tax concessions and obligations including certain tax offsets, deductions for personal superannuation contributions, medicare levy surcharge, SFSS and HELP repayments.

* It is necessary for the first time to disclose employer superannuation contributions in excess of SGC minimum payments, tax-free government pensions, target foreign income, net financial loss, net rental loss and child support paid. These are now taken into account for the new income tests. This will impact on Dependant Spouse, Senior Australians and Pensioner Tax Offsets.

* A new income test will apply to determine the eligibility for the Entrepreneurs Tax Offset, which reduces by 20 cents for every dollar of non-business income over \$70,000 (singles) and \$120,000 (married couples).

* Previously, foreign earned wages and salaries of

Australian residents were exempt if foreign service was for a continuous period of 91 days or more and subject to tax overseas. These foreign earnings are now assessable income but can be reduced by deductible expenses incurred. A claim can be made for foreign tax paid to the extent of Australian tax payable on net foreign income but any excess foreign tax is not refundable.

* Superannuation co-contribution has been reduced to a maximum \$1 for each \$1 of eligible superannuation contributions up to a maximum of \$1,000 (previously up to \$1,500), subject to an income test.

* Changes have been made to assessing income from employee share plans reducing the maximum time period using the "deferral" method from 10 years to 7 years. Changes have also been made to the frequently used "upfront" method.

When preparing your income tax return for the year ended 30th June 2010, check you are aware of all changes made particularly these relating to additional disclosure requirements. If unsure discuss with your Accountant.

MORE BUS SERVICES FOR BEACONSFIELD

by Tammy Lobato, MP Member for Gembrook

The Minister for Public Transport, Martin Pakula MP, recently visited the local area to deliver the fantastic news that six new bus services will be introduced into the Cardinia/Casey region, plus another ten routes will be improved and expanded thanks to a \$4.8 million injection of funds. These improvements have come about following community feedback as part of bus reviews.

For Beaconsfield residents, these upgrades mean that the three estates of Berwick Views, Bowman's Track and Panorama will now have the benefit of a bus service. The existing Route 837 which connects the northern and southern ends of Berwick via Berwick train station will be restructured and extended to the Panorama estate via Beaconsfield-Emerald Rd, Fieldstone Boulevard, Timberside

Drive and O'Neil Rd.

Route 836, which includes Casey Hospital and both Beaconsfield and Berwick stations on its route, will now extend to Eden Rise Shopping Centre precinct.

The 926 service which connects Pakenham station to Fountain Gate via Lakeside and Beaconsfield will be extended to include Beaconsfield station and additional parts of Lakeside.

New services set to commence include Route 846 which will service Bryn Mawr Boulevard and Fairholme Boulevard in nearby Berwick, and will operate until 9pm, seven days per week.

These improvements are to ensure that the growing communities in this area have adequate access to services, whether in Beaconsfield and Berwick or further to Pakenham



Pictured: Tammy Lobato with Minister Martin Pakula.

and Fountain Gate. These new and improved services mean that all families will now be able to access our local hospitals, shopping centres, pools and recreation facilities such as libraries, and train stations.

All these new and extended services are expected to commence later this year. As soon as they are available, I will place the new bus timetables on my website at www.tammylobato.com.au or you can telephone my office on 9796 1987 to request one to be posted out to you.

In other news, I know there are many keen history buffs in the local area who may be interested in applying for a local heritage grant through their community group. These grants allow for the repair and conservation of heritage places and objects, as well as heritage studies and documentation projects. Information and application forms are available at www.dpcd.vic.gov.au or through my office, and applications close on 24 August.

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Parvovirus in Beaconsfield!!

by Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre

It's been a frightening few days for one new pet owner recently. After adopting their brand new puppy from a pet store they were concerned to find it unwell and vomiting less than 48hrs later. Whilst vomiting is not necessarily uncommon in a newly rehomed puppy when his signs progressed to passing bloody diarrhoea they immediately investigated. To their horror their new family member was diagnosed with Parvovirus, a commonly known killer of young or unvaccinated dogs.

Parvovirus is a virulent and highly infectious virus that attacks rapidly dividing cells in the body. As a result the clinical signs tend to be of gastric and intestinal origin as well as suppression of their immune system as their bone marrow may be overrun. Owners will see marked depression, lethargy, a loss of appetite and generally severe

vomiting combined with watery, foul smelling, bloody diarrhoea. Signs generally start 5 – 10 days after exposure.

Parvovirus is such a prevalent problem due to its toughness in surviving in the environment. It can live for up to 12mths in the correct outdoor conditions and this means that you may be unaware of your dog's exposure. In addition most household disinfectants do not kill the virus.

As a virus there is no specific antidote but supportive care and prevention of secondary bacterial infections is incredibly important and can save the life of your puppy in this instance. Treatments for severe cases that are not caught early usually involve extensive hospitalisation. Without treatment fatalities can be over 90% in infected animals and even with treatment hospitalisation

can extend for up to a week. Due to the serious nature of this disease treatment costs can easily exceed a thousand dollars.

Fortunately for the majority of pets, vaccinations undertaken as puppies and boosted yearly are an excellent method of preventing infection. It is important to note that until the vaccination course is completed their immunity will not be complete. It may take the bone marrow 2 weeks to generate immunity to injected vaccinations.

At Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre despite generally getting a good immune response 2wks after the 12wk vaccination, for safety a 3rd vaccination is delivered at 16wks of age to fully boost your pet's immunity. After this annual boosters are more than sufficient to guard against this disease. Please double check that your pets are up to date with their vaccinations!

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by Gary Methven, Principal

Laptops and Netbooks – Moving from desktops to laptops!

The provision of Laptops and Netbooks (small notebook computers that give quick easy access to the internet) for student use in the classroom represents the biggest growth area in terms of the use of technology and in terms of budget within Beaconsfield Primary School. Up until 2008, the emphasis was upon creating pods of computers, shared between classes, where children could access desktop computers. Desktops were used because they were relatively cheap to purchase when compared with laptop computers. As the price of laptops fell, the school started deploying laptop trolleys. The advantage of the laptops lay in that although the initial purchase price was a little dearer they offered greater flexibility. They were used every moment in the day in one classroom or another and every child in the class could have access!



Innovative practice leads to increased demands!

In 2009, the School Council funded a trial of "Mathletics", aimed at improving automatic response in multiplication, division, addition and subtraction in our children. This led to an increased demand for the laptops as teachers and students responded enthusiastically to the trials. It also demonstrated that given a game style approach, our children did a great job of learning their tables!

Innovative teaching and learning places additional pressure on our resources!

During Term 1 of 2009, three or four of them started experimenting with "On-demand testing", which allows teachers to accurately measure student achievement against the curriculum and match the curriculum accurately to their learning needs. The experiment was so successful that by the end of Term 3, 2009, every grade had adopted the process and we are committed to it. Every child uses a laptop to assess their progress in Reading and Mathematics!

Demand increases as our teachers individualise curriculum too. Our teachers find that the laptops and netbooks allow children to work on learning activities that are most appropriate to meet their needs.

The launch of the Ultranet by the Victorian Government places another layer of demand for laptops as our teachers and students scramble to take advantage of this incredible online learning community.

The future

In three years or so, with the price of netbooks and laptops falling, it won't be long before a cheap netbook will be on the booklist, the way calculators were when we were children. At Beaconsfield, we are not waiting for sometime in the future; our children are benefitting right now from our investment in technology.

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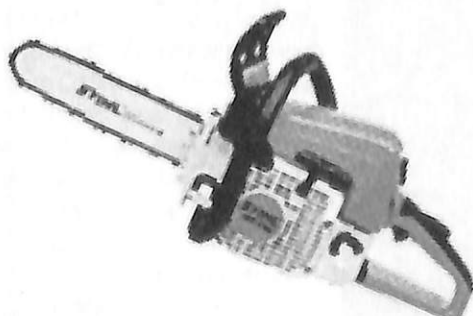
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The Board of Directors was appreciative of the support provided by the community in raising the \$760,000 of share capital required to establish the branch. The majority of shareholders acquired their shares for long-term investment purposes. There may be some circumstances where

shareholders wish to sell their shares. The company is commencing the process of establishing a Low Volume Market Share sale facility administered by the company and responsible to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. In the meantime, the company is maintaining a register of persons interested in buying or disposing of shares and a match of interested parties can be arranged. Any potential buyers or sellers of shares in the Community Bank® Company should speak to Branch Staff or myself, as Company Secretary.

Call into your Beaconsfield Community Bank® Branch and see Manager Mick Lazari, Customer Relationship Officer, Elise Byrne and their friendly staff to discuss your banking needs.

St Francis Xavier College

Class of 1990 School Reunion

Please help us find all our old school buddies to let them know that 2010 marks 20 years since the class of 1990 finished Year 12 at St Francis Xavier College.

For all those in the class from 1985 - 1990 you are invited to join us for a reunion - an afternoon of catching up and reliving old memories.

WHEN: Sunday August 29, 2010

VENUE: Function Room at the Central Hotel – Princes Highway, Beaconsfield

TIME: 2.00pm – 5.00pm

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THOUGHT OF THE MOMENT



"If nothing ever changed,
there'd be no butterflies."

Author Unknown



Brad BATTIN

Liberal for GEMBROOK

Hearing the Concerns

Since becoming the candidate for Gembrook I have heard from many Beaconsfield residents and community groups on what can be done to make Beaconsfield even better.

There are many genuine concerns and great ideas for Beaconsfield that have been repeated to me during my regular listening posts either in the Main Street or at the railway station. I will again be out and about and you can catch me at the Beaconsfield Railway Station on Friday the 13th August from 6am to 9am.

I am regularly hearing concerns relating to a lack of infrastructure

in Beaconsfield due to the area's rapid population growth.

The inadequate infrastructure can be seen at the Beaconsfield Railway Station where commuters are rightfully annoyed that every morning by 8am the car park is full. Patrons are forced to park in residential streets, illegally and dangerously on nature strips or quite a distance from the station. Lack of parking at Beaconsfield Railway Station is not only frustrating for commuters but is a safety concern for those returning home after dark.

After meeting with many Beaconsfield businesses and the local business group there are three key local concerns that have been raised.

The first is the increase in anti-social behaviour in and around the shopping centre car park. In order to reduce this kind of behaviour the Coalition will invest in more police and tougher laws to help make local communities safer places.

Reducing the speed limit through Beaconsfield is the second issue that has been raised with me. Beaconsfield has seen an increase in pedestrian traffic and as a result the Beaconsfield Business Group (BBG) has requested a speed limit reduction. The BBG is continuously looking at ideas to make a safer environment for local shoppers and businesses in Beaconsfield.

The third issue that I have been actively engaged in has been ensuring that public toilets on the northern side of the highway are available to local shoppers. It appears the recent trial has failed as the toilets were closed regularly, whilst a recent article stated they were open and accessible to the public.

This issue needs to be addressed and the council needs to act. I know Cr Brett Owen is also working hard on this and together we are working towards a positive outcome.

If you have any issues that I can assist with please feel free to contact me.

I am looking forward to hearing from you or seeing you at Beaconsfield Railway Station on Friday 13 August from 6am.

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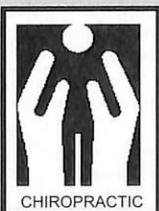
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by A. Taylor

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For Australia's biggest morning tea we raised funds with a cake stall and also with a gift stall of beautiful handmade items.

We have knitted and crocheted rugs along with hats and scarves which have been sent to East Gippsland for a craft group of ladies who have been through the bushfires. Many of them are still living in sheds and temporary housing in this wintery weather. We regularly pack stationery kits suitable for children to use whilst having a stay in local hospitals. These kits help them pass the time whilst creating crafts.

postage stamps from envelopes and the stamps are sold to dealers to raise money for mission work. We are always in need of more stamps and you can drop these at the church on either Wednesday or Sunday mornings. Please do not soak off the stamps; either leave them on the full envelopes or with a very wide margin on all sides.



Pictured above: Carol, Olga and Glenis cutting postage stamps at Make and Mingle

A group of ladies trim



Pictured: Lyla, Yvonne, Weisha and Val with knitting projects

MakeandMingle's beautiful handmade craft items will be available again this year at our famous **CRAFT FAIR** which will be held at the church on Saturday 6th November 9am-2pm. We will have our delicious Devonshire teas and light lunches, craft supplies and a plant stall. Mark this date in your diaries now!

Make and Mingle meets every Wednesday 10am-12noon during school term at Beaconsfield Baptist Church Cnr. Desmond Crt. and Old Princes Hwy.

You can come along at any time to try some of our crafts or to bring along your own craft you are working on or a 'UFO' that you may need help finishing off. You can also just come along to meet friends and have a cuppa.

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Glorraine Hardy celebrated her son's (Laurence) brilliant achievement of completing studies as a Forensic Scientist.

continue his career in the Pathology Department of the Geelong Hospital whilst continuing his further studies.

Laurence attributes his success to the support of his mentors in the scouting movement, drama classes, Berwick and Beaconsfield Primary Schools and St. Francis Xavier School. He achieved his Green Cord and Queens Scout awards at Berwick, Beaconsfield and Kooweerup scouting groups.

He left Beaconsfield at aged 17 [after being a local swimming teacher for 2 years] to live in Geelong and will



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Upper Beaconsfield Loses 'Legend'

*Obituary written by Rob Hansen
and photo provided by family*

Upper Beaconsfield has lost one of its legends! If the community had established a Hall of Fame one of its first inductees into 'Legend' status would have been Dr Charles Wilson. This caring and compassionate giant suddenly passed away on Saturday June 5th and Upper Beaconsfield will be the poorer for his loss.

Charles William Wilson was born at East Camberwell on 25 May 1920. Educated at first, Yallourn State School then later Wesley College he subsequently graduated from Melbourne University to kick off his career as a medical practitioner. He met and married Patricia Murray (1944) and the couple welcomed three children Michael, Margaret and Robert over the next eight years.

Unfortunately Charles' beloved Patricia was killed in a car accident in 1962. Ultimately the practising

professional moved his sphere of influence to Murray House Clinic in Dandenong. He brought his family with him after having met and married Yvonne Kerr Russell (an anaesthetist).

It was here that Charles' dedication to the profession was keenly felt by the Dandenong community. Appointed Medical Director of Dandenong and District Hospital Dr. Wilson pioneered the development of this centre of community medicine and introduced the first Coronary Care Unit. Little did he know that he would become one of the unit's first patients as he suffered a heart attack in 1972.

Yet it was the community of Upper Beaconsfield which experienced the full vigour that this individual applied to daily life. Ostensibly in retirement mode in 1978 Charles and Yvonne established their home at

CHARLES WILSON

(25 May 1920 - 5 June 2010)

Charles Wilson was passionate about local history and he was very thorough in his research, relying on source files rather than anecdotal material.

He was the guest speaker at our Beaconsfield Progress Association Annual General Meeting in October last year and he provided a wonderful power point presentation of Beaconsfield History. His passing will be a great loss to the local community and we extend our sympathy to his family and friends.

Our thanks to Rob Hansen for allowing us to publish this obituary.

"Wildfell" on the brow of a hill in St George's Road. Recognising that the village needed a medical practice two rooms were set aside in the family home to welcome patients arriving for treatment as well as humane care. Often those seeking treatment stood on the steps to the house waiting for a kind invitation to enter.

Charles William Wilson's greatest challenge arrived on a tumultuous Ash Wednesday on February 16th 1983 as the village was besieged by an inferno. 'Wildfell' suffered the indignity of utter destruction and the Wilsons sheltered in the swimming pool as the torrent raged about them. Charles himself suffered minor burns but devoted the subsequent days to offering comfort and medical care to those who also endured loss.

The indefatigable effort applied to recovery by Charles led to him being named Upper Beaconsfield's Citizen of the Year in 1984. The good doctor immersed himself in community life and later totally retired in 1988. His involvement in the village was mammoth. A member of the Upper Beaconsfield Association, Charles took ownership of the printing of the Village Bell (the community's newspaper),

was a member of the UBA committee, joined the Quarry Impact Association (Hillview Quarries), became a member of the Conservation Group but still found time to enjoy a plethora of interests including walking, sailing, botany, beekeeping, radio operator for the CFA and a host of other pursuits which make most people gasp in awe. In 1998 Doctor Wilson was named the Shire of Pakenham's Citizen of the Year.

Probably Charles Wilson's most enduring bequest to the community of Upper Beaconsfield will be his passion for history. Over a decade or more he researched the history of his own community accumulating a myriad collection of information which recently was close to publication. Hopefully this exhaustive work will be completed so that those who follow can experience the benefit of his unstinting efforts.

Compassionate, caring, treating all who knew him as being important, Charles Wilson's legacy will live on well after him. Upper Beaconsfield, the wider community and those closest to him will sorely miss this legend but his legacy will last for many years to come.



Akoonah Park Committee recently unveiled a plaque at the BBQ area in recognition of the contribution made by Maurice Bashford. Maurie, 83, retired from the committee of management, after 44 years as Grounds Manager.

Two members of the committee, Jack Rae and Gordon Fyfe spoke about Maurie and his many achievements.

MAURICE 'Maurie' BASHFORD

Maurice Bashford was born in WA in 1926. He came from a large farming

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(Notes supplied)

and timber cutting family and his father was a councillor in Manjanup.

Maurie went to Darwin for work, became a barber and took on driving taxis where he met Joy. He used to see Joy walking to work and eventually asked her if she would like a lift. Joy had been transferred to Darwin by the bank. Joy's parents lived in Malvern.

They returned from Darwin to marry in Melbourne on Australia Day 58 years ago. They started milking cows at Elliminyt and Christine their first child was born during that period.

Following this Maurie and Joy set off from Elliminyt in their little Bedford ute with all their worldly possessions and took over the running of George Wilson's Eastover Dairy farm on Hessel Rd.

On Tuesdays Maurie also worked with the stock agents at the Dandenong market.

About this time Maurie joined the Berwick Show Society. He took over chairmanship of the cattle committee following the retirement of Bill Gamble. Berwick was a large dairy show at this time. Gerald, Cathy, Terry and Brendon were all born during their time in Berwick.

Maurie first came on to the Akoonah Park Committee 44 years ago and became the Grounds Manager in charge of hiring all the buildings and the first point of call for all users of the grounds.

The committee meetings in those early years were pretty rough and ready, we would sit on a log to discuss the business of Akoonah Park. As we progressed to more formal meetings supper was provided and Maurie was in charge of preparing the supper and Joy took on the role of providing the cake for the committee which was nearly always a home made sponge to celebrate someone's birthday.

Following farming at Peter Lawton's Maurie and Joy purchased a house and land at Narre Warren North and Maurie went to work for the Board of Works on the Thompson dam and the Carrum Downs treatment plant. During their time in Narre Warren North Maurie was a member of the Hall committee.

Maurie enjoyed his shed full of tools and made many items like the horse yard pipe closures that he entered in the Royal Melbourne Show Gadget section. Making all

the market trestle tables are another of Maurie's projects.

Maurie became the father figure at Akoonah Park. Everybody knew Maurie and he was always there to help with the BBQ, school cross country runs, pony club and riding club, scouts, pinto society, Dandenong Valley Car Club, Highland Gathering, and the many caravanners.

Rubbish on the ground was always Maurie's prime concern and he modified his famous little Datsun ute so that it could carry and drag up to 10 rubbish bins. This little ute was recognised everywhere but following a bingle with a directional sign near the Beacy pub, Maurie decided she needed to be taken off the road. He sold 'the old girl' to a collector.

Maurie's commitment to the market was from the very beginning, there at 4.30am every Sunday until the end helping set up, pack up and keeping the toilets cleaned. Now we have Maurie's daughter Cathy running the information desk.

Maurie is also a long-time member of the Berwick and District Agricultural and Horticultural Show Society. He was chairman of the cattle committee and president of the society in 1967-68.

Maurie is also a celebrated axeman, but never found the time to show off his skills at Berwick as he was usually too busy running the show. In earlier days he competed at the Darwin show in the wood chop and won an event. He always chopped with bare feet (gave him a good toe hold).

He was made a life member of the society in 1979 and Joy joined him in 1985.

Maurie is modest of his community achievements.

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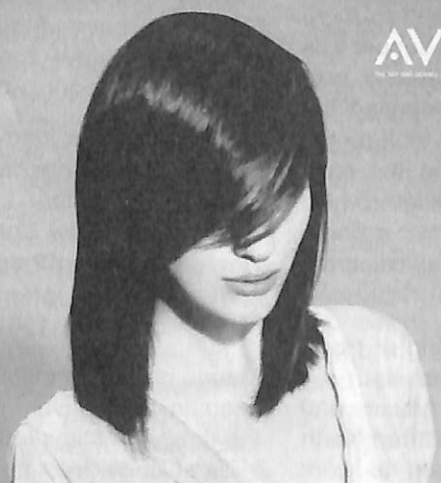
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The transformation is a fitting milestone for store owner Peter Barton, who has been running the business for ten years. And, with more than 27 years in the industry, it's safe to say he's a man with experience and expertise.

"Bridgestone Select is an excellent concept and the new store looks fantastic. We're now much more up-to-date across all areas of the business - from technology and services through to simply providing a more welcoming environment for our customers," Peter said.

Peter is passionate about doing business in Beaconsfield and his commitment spreads far beyond his own store. He sits on the district Bendigo Community Bank Board of Directors and is also involved in the Beaconsfield Business Group.

"As a local resident and business owner, I think it's really important to give something back and support our local business community," he said. "We're really pleased with the new-look store and can't wait for all of our customers to experience the difference for themselves."

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Jessie is an experienced florist and specialises in all occasions but has a strong passion for weddings. She strives to make sure the bride has a stress free day when it comes to her flowers.

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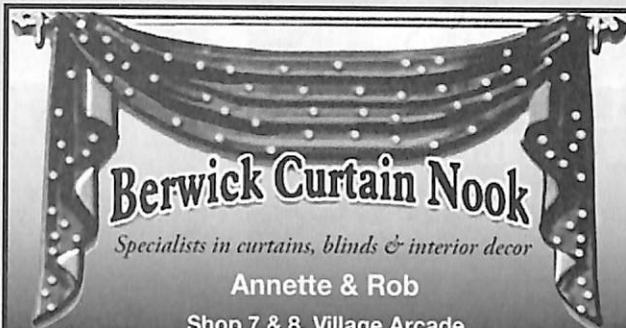
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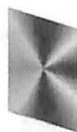
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I came by a big plank, one of those pieces of building material which would otherwise go to the tip. It is 16 feet long, a foot wide. My grandsons were coming to visit and they have scooters and BMX bikes. I made a seesaw using the big plank.

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by Peter Hansen

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During this time she touched no port, depending entirely on supplies of provisions and coal upon her raiding ability and speed to escape warships bent upon her destruction.

She sank 14 steamers and seized vast supplies of fine white flour, millions of pounds of fresh beef, plus pork, hams and bacon, sugar cakes, potatoes, coffee, sugar and condensed milk.

This diet was regarded as the finest food available and when the sailors started getting sick with all sorts of strange symptoms the ship's doctor was at a loss to

explain it. They developed increasing pallor, dilation of the pupils and shortness of breath. They further developed swollen ankles, pains in the arms and legs and loss of energy. It only became worse as time went on with symptoms of paralysis, dilated heart, atrophy of muscles, severe nerve pain, anemia and constipation. Fifty of the men could not stand by this time and they were dropping at the rate of 2 every day.

On April 11th, she made a dash into James River and anchored off Newport News, Virginia, a floating hospital with 500 men on board and most of the crew bedridden or falling at the rate of 4 every day.

The American doctors could find no reason for the mysterious illness that plagued the crew believing as the ship's officers did, that the diet they were on was not to blame. Finally a representative of the New York Globe, a man called Alfred McCann, appeared on the scene and being a

nature student as well, he immediately diagnosed the problem without even having to examine them. He knew the men suffered from the wrong diet, because they had lived on "dead" foods without raw fruits and vegetables over a long period of time. The "disease" he also knew was not contagious.

The ship's surgeon, Dr. Perrenon, because he had tried all else, and science had failed, agreed on a simple diet of natural foods, excluding the foods they had eaten on board.

The results were immediate and within days dozens of crew members were discharged from sick bay and resumed duties. The rest followed quickly and no more came down with the "disease".

There were many cases of pleurisy, pneumonia, hemorrhage, fractures and dislocations, plus wounds of various sorts due to the weakness of the skin. All this suffering was caused by too much of the wrong foods, and tells us very clearly that an absence of fresh foods is disastrous. Eat fresh!



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AND PLANNED TO
MARRY WILL
BUT AFTER TELLING
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HE SAID "THERE'S
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"YOU CAN'T MARRY
WILL MY GAL
AND PLEASE DON'T
TELL YOUR MOTHER..
...BUT WILL AND JOE
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BUT MAMA KNEW AND
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JUST DO WHAT MAKES
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VISIT THE CHARMING CORNER POST CAFE

(Editorial submitted)

Like a gust of fresh air, Julia Lawson swept into The Corner Post Cafe with an impressive agenda for breathing new life into the entire complex.

A highly qualified and celebrated nutritionist who has soared to the top of her field, Julia established an iconic healthfood and nutrition centre in Albert Park that kept her busy for 14 years.

Previously "a local gal", Julia returned to the area to direct her considerable business acumen, energy and enthusiasm into the charming local landmark. Her new venture, the unique Corner Post Cafe had the potential to showcase Julia's amazing flair for design, development and eye-catching presentation. First cab off the rank to be revamped, the fully licensed gourmet cafe was closely followed by the delightful boutique garden centre, gift shop, larder and homewares and the stunning outdoor eating area.

The old cottage atmosphere of the cafe, which was once the Beaconsfield Post Office, is ideal for a relaxing coffee, a delicious gourmet lunch accompanied by some great local wines.

Julia's new spring/summer and autumn/winter menus incorporate her expertise in nutrition to create and present tasty gourmet dishes using only fresh, seasonal produce, organic meats and chemical-free chicken.

In the stunning brick-paved courtyard, the decor is stylish yet so comfortable. Under huge umbrellas you can sit back and absorb the tranquility of the surrounding garden setting while experiencing full table service, a glass of chilled crisp wine, great coffee and delicious food freshly prepared on the premises. Beautiful potted plants, roses, the unique and the interesting feature



in the boutique garden centre while the gift shop and gourmet larder inside display a select range of gifts, local wines and enticing food items, many of which are home made in the cafe kitchen.

Also on the agenda at The Corner Post Cafe is jazz in the garden court yard at weekends, an enticing tapas menu with matching wines on one or two evenings after work, special events menus for Mother's Day, Father's Day and to celebrate the Spring Racing carnival and gourmet gift baskets at Christmas.

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TALKING WEATHER

by Nathan Boon

With the rain still falling, the ground soaking wet, the days are colder - it must be winter!

The last 2 months have seen 159mm of rain fall in Beaconsfield, 97mm in June and 62mm in July. This is the highest 2 month total in June and July since 2007 when there was 199mm. The average for these 2 months is 139mm.

June saw 97mm fall in Beaconsfield. It fell over 13 days. This was the highest June total since 2004 when there was 132mm of rain. The highest daily total was on the 25th June when 21mm of rain fell.

We recorded 62mm of rain in July over only 9 days. The highest daily total was 14mm which fell on the 14th July.

The last 2 months have been quite wet this and this has taken the yearly total to 462mm.

It is the wettest start to the year since 1998 when there was 499mm of rain fall in Beaconsfield to the end of July. That year we ended up with a yearly total of 876mm.

Melbourne water storage continues to rise at the moment with it currently at 36.4% full. This percentage is up from 32.7% in June.

Weather Joke Of The Month

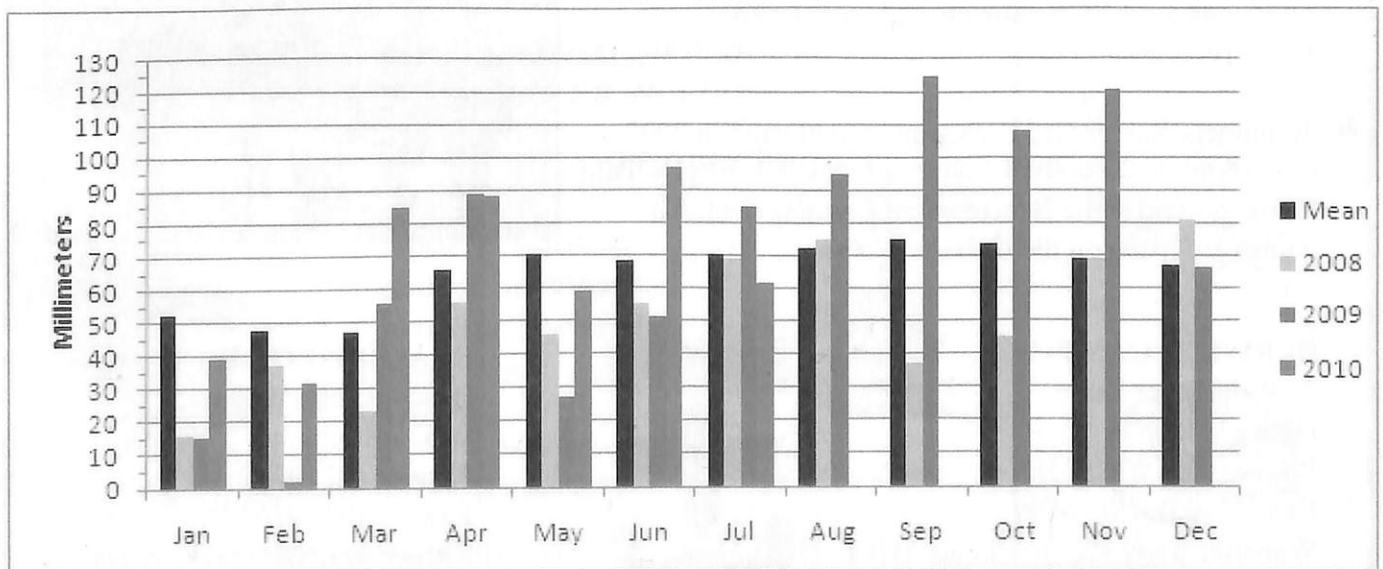


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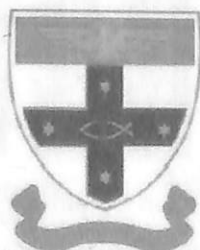
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Beaconsfield Junior Football Club

by Malcolm McKenzie

Beaconsfield JFC was again proud to be a part of the "Call to Arms" campaign during Round 10

In season 2009 the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club supported a very important and worthwhile cause, the Cancer Council 'Call to Arms', and continued with this tradition in season 2010. July was the official month for this year's Call To Arms campaign, and as such, all of our players wore yellow armbands at all home and away games played during Round 10

on Sunday the 11th of July, in a show of support and to raise awareness for cancer in men.

Moreover the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club again raised much needed funds to assist in the tackling of cancer with all proceeds from our awards night BBQ food sales and collection tins being donated to this very worthwhile cause.

In total we raised in excess of \$500 for the Cancer Council. Call To Arms started in 2006, when Essendon Football Club showed



their support for teammate Adam Ramanauskas, who was diagnosed with cancer, by wearing yellow armbands in the first Clash For Cancer against the Melbourne Football Club.

Since then, many sporting clubs across Australia have joined the cause and wear yellow for one game to help in the fight against cancer and the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club is again very proud to have been one of those many clubs assisting in tackling cancer.

Paddy brings with him a wealth of football knowledge, passion for our club and various experiences in sporting roles. Paddy himself began his football days with the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club playing in the Under 10's right thru to the under 16's and played another two years of senior football for Beaconsfield.

The McKenna family name is renowned with our club, Paddy's father Des was a founder of the Junior club and life member whilst his nine brothers (yes 9) all played football for the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club. One of his brothers Michael continued his football after Beaconsfield playing over 100 games with Footscray and the Richmond Football Clubs in the AFL-VFL competition. Paddy continues his family's tradition at our club with three of his own children playing whilst coaching one of his sons' teams, the Under 11 Blue side.

Moreover with three years experience as senior club President with the St Xavier Old Collegians extend further our reasons that Paddy McKenna will be an asset to our club in the role of President.



Beaconsfield Junior Football Club welcomes our new President

The Beaconsfield Junior Football Club committee would like to introduce and welcome our new club President Paddy McKenna.

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PISTOL SHOOTING - TRI STATE COMPETITION 2010

by Richard Tindall, Secretary, Beaconsfield Pistol Club

Three members of Beaconsfield Pistol Club competed in the annual Junior Tri-State Pistol competition between Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia.

The competition was held in Victoria over the recent Queen's Birthday weekend and hosted by Oakleigh Pistol Club.

Thirty competitors from NSW, Victoria and SA attended this friendly but fiercely competitive weekend.

Representing Victoria: Nathan Jackson (Diamond Valley), Chelsea Mullens (Castlemaine), Marlo Wilson (Diamond Valley) (Back row), Paul Jenner (Beaconsfield), Ben Lees (Beaconsfield) (Back row), Brody Wons (Yarra), Janek Janski (Oakleigh), Nicholas Egan (Bendigo)

Absent: Cody Walsh (Beaconsfield) and Joshua Janski (Oakleigh)

The Tri-state has been run for many years and some of our current top international shooters started at these events. The competition is an opportunity for top Victorian junior shooters to compete against others their own age from within Australia. It has become an occasion to make new friends and catch up with old friends from interstate.

The SA team arrived early Saturday morning. After driving through the night many were anxious to catch a quick bite and a nap before the NSW and

Victorian teams arrived.

This year was the first time in 8 years all three states had full teams of 10 competitors.

After training and coaching sessions on Saturday the kids had a chance to put their new skills to the test in competition on Sunday.

Sunday was a day of lots of activity. Extra volunteer helpers and officials from various clubs helped to run the day. For many who attended and helped, this was their first Tri-State and even their

first official competition. Everyone benefitted from the experience. There were many good scores and a few personal best scores were broken.

The weekend results were announced before a BBQ tea on Sunday.

NSW won again, with Victoria in second place and SA third.

Graeme Roberts, President of Victorian Amateur Pistol Association (VAPA) presented certificates to all who shot over the weekend.



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For more information on Pistol Shooting visit; Pistol Australia:

<http://www.pistol.org.au/>
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The matches shot in the Tri-State are 10m Air Pistol and 25m Pistol.

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by Rick Colling, President

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We aim to field 6 senior sides and approximately 11 junior sides as well as an over 35's side led by Joe Mc Master. With the reappointment of captain coach Justin Stanton and the welcome return of Luke Sibley and his family, the club also welcomes the addition of Cam Henry, Nick Eurell & Wayne Staniforth and there families. Madison Andrews, Ryan

O'Connor, Kris Fletcher & Kevin Rankin are also welcome returns back to the Tigers. With the new additions and loyal existing servants of the club we look forward to the year ahead.

The club welcomes all new senior and junior cricketers that want to be a part of the local community and we encourage and support all families that want to be a part of our club. Senior outdoor training starts on the 28th August and junior registration day is on the 27th August. For any senior, junior or social membership enquiries you can contact me anytime on 0418 351613.

PISTOL SHOOTING - TRI STATE COMPETITION 2010 (Continued)

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