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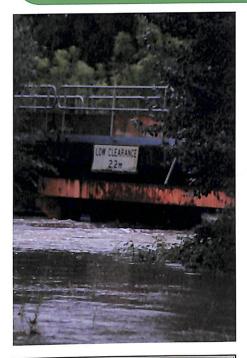
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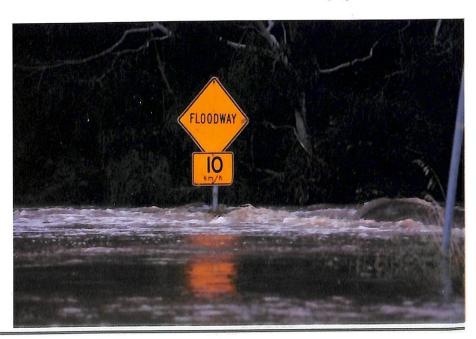
by Nathan Boon

A monsoonal downpour on Friday 4th of February turned many parts of Beaconsfield into lakes and turned roads in to rivers. With 155mm of rain falling in a 24hour period in Beaconsfield from 6pm on Friday to 6pm on Saturday many parts of the town were under water.

It was the highest daily total for Beaconsfield that I have in my records and with only another 5mm we will have the wettest month I have on record. For many residents they have never seen water as high as it reached during this time but sources tell us it has been higher.

With flash flooding hitting many parts of the community, the town was in several areas cut off and roads impassable. While water receded quickly on the Saturday it made for some quite spectacular opportunities beforehand. Many people headed towards the to view the fast Cardinia Creek flowing water after it had breached its banks along the areas where it borders with Berwick. The creek had spilled over into the cattle yards of the Akoonah Park and show grounds as well as the Bob Burgess Reserve.

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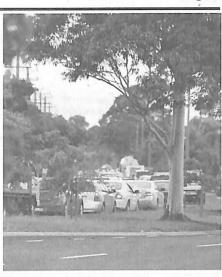
At one point the Haileybury College soccer field looked more like a water polo field with water half way up the goal posts. The creek also swept over Soldiers Road where the road was closed for many hours due to it being completely covered with water.

Due to the flash flooding occurring in the Toomuc Valley Creek and Gum Scrub Creek, Beaconsfield township was congested as traffic came to a standstill after being diverted from the impassable freeway. This caused many residents long slow trips home.

With the waters now gone many parts of the community have started the clean up process and before too long everything will back to normal.

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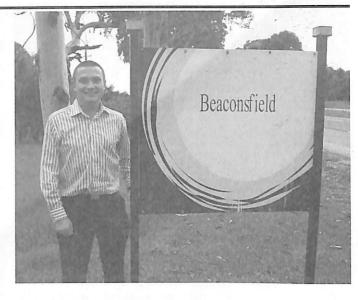
by Councillor Brett Owen, Central Ward

Council is preparing the Beaconsfield Structure Plan that will replace the Beaconsfield existing Township Strategy which was adopted in 2001. There will be a number workshops/ public information sessions where residents will be given the opportunity to contribute the Plan. Regular updates will be reported Beaconsfield the Banner and on council's www.cardinia. website vic.gov.au/Page/Page. aspx?Page\_Id=3039

I have asked council's engineering department

possible investigate improvements that can be made to the traffic management in the parks attached to car the Woolworths and Aldi Supermarkets and from the access way Emerald Beaconsfield Road. Investigations will include if any changes can be implemented to improve pedestrian safety, access and vehicular traffic flows. Results will be presented to council soon.

Recent weather conditions have hampered progress of the reserve in Holm Park Road. However,



major earthworks to shape the ovals; installation of drainage, kerb/channel, irrigation and the cricket pitches are now completed. Grass sprigging, lighting of the main oval and the entrance to the reserve is scheduled to commence in February. Council has been working with the user groups on the design for the pavilion which is expected to be available for tender soon with construction to commence mid year. Construction of the pavilion anticipated to take approximately 12 months.

Council's Mobile Youth Bus visited Beaconsfield during the school holidays and was located in the car park of B Select which is on the corner of Princes Highway and Woods Street. The visit was a success with many young people participating in activities on the bus and it is planned that the bus will visit Beaconsfield every fortnight during term two. I would like to thank Peter from B Select for providing such a central location.

Improvements to the Beaconsfield Park (Princes Hwy/Beaconsfield Emerald Road) are almost complete and have included: removal of environmental weeds, installation of new garden beds, footpaths and stone walls as well as refurbishment of the historic Beaconsfield Park sign. These improvements have transformed corner into an attractive entrance to Beaconsfield Cardinia and Shire.

Council has finalised the design works for the proposed new footpath connecting to the new traffic signals at the Princes Highway/Princes Freeway intersection. The footpath is expected to be installed in March and will provide safe linkages between the Panorama Estate and the Beaconsfield Township.

Congratulations to Beaconsfield resident Gwen Neve who was nominated for Cardinia Shire's Citizen of the Year. The nomination recognises Gwen's volunteer work at several Beaconsfield community groups and committees.

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As the Banner goes to press Beaconsfield is in the midst of its own flood crisis. Substantial flooding occurred in the area with some homes close to water courses needing the Beaconsfield assistance Brigade's sandbagging. with Rainfall of up to 140mm has fallen in the district tranquil the turning waters of the Cardinia Creek and its tributaries into a raging torrent.



Photo courtesy J.M.



Unfortunately the outright obvious was not so apparent to one group of foolish youths who thought they might cross the flooded creek at Akoonah The four boys Park. were swept downstream, three were lucky to be able to struggle to safety leaving their mate clinging for his life to a pole.

Passers-by spotted the struggling youth and called services. emergency Beaconsfield CFA units

Tester

Lic Vic Roads Vehicle Tester responded and were supported by Rescue units from Pakenham SES and Nar Nar Goon CFA. Crews from the CFA and SES then had to place their own lives at risk to retrieve the youth before he was swept under the highway bridge and into even more turbulent waters. Things were pretty grim for the youth when the brigade arrived. He was cold, scared and we didn't know how much longer he could hold on. One member was able to make it out to him to secure and reassure him until further equipment arrived. Ropes and harnesses were then set up to safely retrieve him from the current. "He is a very lucky boy," said Beaconsfield CFA Captain Paul Hayes. "Fortunately we were able to get to him before he was swept away. I think he would have drowned had he been dragged under the bridge."

The youth was taken to Casey Hospital suffering mild hypothermia lacerations to his legs.

by M. Ott

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Thanks must be given to the many who gave their time generosity including performers, helpers, committee members and sponsors.





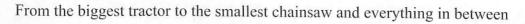
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### BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE NEWS

by Mick Ott, member of Beaconsfield CFA

The volunteers of the Volunteer Beaconsfield Fire Brigade have had some welcome respite this summer with cooler, damper conditions helping to keep the number of fire calls down compared to previous years. We have attended some smaller fires and emergencies such as Motor Vehicle Accidents and burn offs that have gotten out of control.

We are aware however that the current season has contributed to higher than normal levels of growth of grass and shrubs

which lead to heavier bush fire fuel loadings. We have continued to train diligently so we will be prepared should the conditions change and we experience some hot and windy days leading to higher bushfire risk. Home owners should also be diligent by keeping top of their fuel management; it can take only a few days of hot dry winds to turn all that extra growth into a fire hazard. At the time of writing this article fire restrictions in Beaconsfield area the have not yet been declared



although that may change in a few weeks. You should check with your local Council to confirm that you are permitted to do any burning off on your property if you wish to do so.

There is a new Fire Danger Rating sign located on the Beaconsfield-Emerald Road just north of the Holm Park Road intersection. This sign displays the current fire danger in the area. The Fire Danger Rating predicts how a fire would behave if one started, including difficult it would be to put out. The higher the rating, the more dangerous the conditions. The rating is your trigger to act, so to stay safe you need to stay aware of the Fire Danger Rating in your district. information more For look up the CFA website www.cfa.vic.gov.au

the recent flood crisis in the north-west of the State, the CFA, including members of the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade have been utilised to assist the SES with their huge work load. In January Members Beaconsfield Wenczel and Andrew Nolan travelled Janine to Bendigo to staff the Incident Command Centre and give the local teams a chance to get some well earned rest.

Beaconsfield Members Glynn Owen and Janita Smith travelled with a Strike Team from the area to Kerang to assist with the massive clean up operation after the floods impacted on the area. They were involved in mopping up and assessment of properties. This work is ongoing and there is a high likelihood of further deployments by crews from the Beaconsfield Brigade in the months ahead.

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## Attitude

In mid January my wife and I were travelling through central Victoria. We had two of our grandkids on board and were making our way from Adelaide to Shepparton. Queensland was awash but at that point no one had any idea what Victoria was going to face.

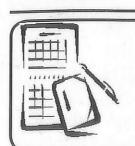
After leaving the town of Donald we hit a stretch of submerged road. No warning and nothing on the news of flooding. We made our way gingerly forward. We soon became confronted with the need to find our way via unknown back roads. But on many of these too, long stretches of water covered the road. This water was not flowing and not deep, nevertheless it was still a little unsettling.

While pulled up at a service station trying to sort out which roads were our best option we got talking to a chap, who it turned out, was heading in the same direction as us. He said, "Let's travel together." And then when he saw that we

had kids on board he said, "Let me travel in front and test any water we come to." We were to come to lot more water before we finally made Shepparton.

His was a kindly gesture. The response of a person who wanted to be helpful and supportive. This is a tiny story. The stories of heroism that have come out of both Queensland and then later Victoria have been big and inspiring.

The stories of acts of self sacrifice have been deeply moving. But the attitude that leads to an act of heroism is the attitude of a person who cares, whether the need be big or small. The attitude of someone who gives to the Flood Appeal is the attitude of a person who cares. There is no doubt that these floods have revealed something of the attitude of our nation. And an attitude that cares for the wellbeing of others beautiful to behold.



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Report by José Meyer

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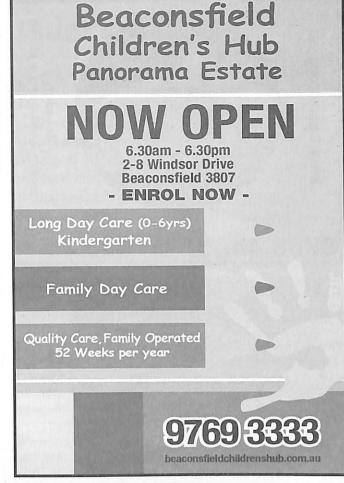
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# **BPS** Corner

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The 2011 School Captains were presented with their badges at the weekly school assembly.

During his address to the whole school community, Principal Gary Methven said "that the captains had shown to be good role models to others students."



Pictured with the Principal Gary Methven are L to R : Georgia V (Vice Captain), Matilda S (Captain), Joel B (Captain) and Josh H (Vice Captain).

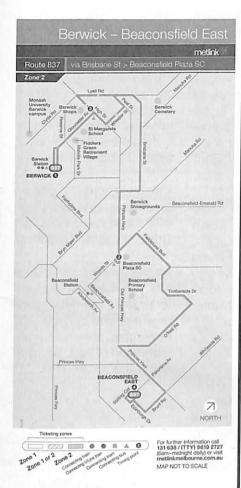
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To show our appreciation for your feedback, one lucky respondent will receive a voucher to the value of \$100 for a special luncheon at the Cardinia Cultural Centre.

The draw will be held Monday 7 March 2011, and the winner will be notified by telephone or email.

Importantly, to be in the running Council must receive your survey by Friday 4 March 2011.

## Road Rude Safety

by P. Collins

Where Peel Street Berwick meets the Princes Highway vehicles must observe drivers coming over the hill at 80kph and give way to them. The left turn from Peel Street is more than 90 degrees so you really have to twist your head to see approaching cars etc.

I made the turn in my van which does not have a rear door or side window. Usually I turn a little up the hill to increase my vision. Yesterday I failed to see a motorcycle and I cut him off. He was enraged and he accompanied me down the hill with all kinds of abuse. I apologised but an apology was not enough to quell the tirade.

Now I know I was at fault but as a former motorcyclist I am offering advice. The said rider on his Harley (with chopper handlebars) could have avoided a collision by veering into the right hand lane. He could also have worn bright piece of clothing or even a bright helmet instead of dark clothing and a matt black helmet. His headlight could have been switch on but I favour visible clothing. Motorcyclists are a disadvantage in size, weight and protection. It is no good pleading that you were within the law if you are injured in a collision.

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# Don't Be Fooled By The Cooler Days

by José M

A few weeks ago, my fivevear-old grand-daughter was playing in the back yard. She came inside all excited that she had spotted a lizard. Happily she went back outside to then find that the lizard was in actual fact a fivefoot lona Copperhead snake. I have never heard scream so loud.

The snake had come out of hiding to catch a glimpse of the sun, as it had been raining quite a bit these weeks. We called in the local snake catcher, but after two days decided to let it be. We were to call him if we saw the snake again.

I was gardening one day and I thought I saw a rat's tail under the ground covers. It got away quickly and I continued to weed away. In actual fact, it was the snake again. The following week, the snake was sighted again, looking for not only a sunny spot, but water as well.

The snake catcher came within minutes, yet it still took him nearly two hours to finally catch it.

We are all very relieved that our reptile has been caught. So much better to have it released in an area where it should be, than to kill it, which is against the law.

Our back yard is just an average suburban block, who would have thought a snake would be living here?

So, don't let the cooler days fool you, keep an eye out for snakes no matter when or where you may be. And remember, they are more frightened of you, than you are of them.



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# **Opportunity To Thank Volunteers**

by Laura Smyth, Federal Member for La Trobe

Dear readers.

I hope that you had a relaxing break over Christmas and that 2011 is treating you well so far.

Since the last edition we have seen the devastating effects of floods from Queensland to Victoria. I would like to express my thanks to everyone locally who has contributed to the flood response through their generous donations and offers of assistance.

The Federal Government will need to invest an estimated \$5.6 billion in flood-affected rebuilding regions, with the vast majority of these funds goingtorebuildingessential infrastructure. Two thirds of that funding will be met spending through and the remaining one third is expected to be met through a temporary levy. The Government has \$2.8 already redirected

billion in spending towards rebuilding effort. the

Australia Day particular, we had a chance to reflect on the effects of the floods, the resilience of flood-affected communities and to show our support.

Australia Day was also an opportunity to thank local volunteers for their contributions to our own community. Many of those who were recognised on Australia Day have helped to improve and protect environment, local



assist those who disadvantaged or disabled and ensure that we live a safe community.

Each of the local councils the La within Trobe electorate held their own Australia Day honours and citizenship ceremonies and I was pleased to be able to attend many of them. also held the inaugural La Trobe Community Australia Day Awards at Burrinja



Thank you to all of recipients award our for their dedication our community. Federal Parliament during sits again coming weeks and will have more to report on in the next edition. All the best in the meantime.



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# 'Wheels'

by Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre

On Christmas Eve a stray 12 week old kitten (affectionately named 'Wheels' by the nurses) was brought into the clinic by a Good Samaritan.

The gentleman had seen 'Wheels' get hit by a car in front of him and stopped to check him. He found 'Wheels' lying on the side of the road with damage to his tail so immediately rushed him to the clinic.

'Wheels' was in shock when he arrived at the clinic and was put onto oxygen and given a pain relief straight away. Once he was stabilised he was assessed and was found to have a broken hind leg and extensive

his tail. damage to 'Wheels' had surgery to amputate his tail and his leg the bone to heal. 'Wheels' recovered well from his surgery. His leg remained in the cast for 6 weeks. He has made a full recovery from his injuries and is now looking for a loving home.

He is a very happy and loveable kitten. If anyone is interested in taking 'Wheels' please contact the clinic on 9769 8777 to enquire with one of our friendly staff.



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# COMPUTER TALK **BACK IN BEACY**

written by former Computer Talk owner Andrew Hogan

When I started working at Computer Talk in 1999, what seems so long ago now, I never knew I would enjoy it so much - not only did I love the work, but I enjoyed my time with all the clients that I came to know over the years.

What was meant to be a casual 3 day a week technician's job while I was between training courses turned into so much more and I'm very glad that it did! And so at 10+ years later, it's time to officially say farewell to Computer Talk. I've decided that its time that I go and actually an attempt at finishing my certifications and spend some time on my original IT passion: Software Development.

To all my clients who have made the last 10 years so enjoyable that I didn't want to leave - Thank You.

Many of you may know David who is taking over Computer Talk; he has helped me out and worked with Computer Talk often of the years. I feel confident in handing over to David that his passion for IT service matches mine and David and his team will continue to meet the high standard Computer Talk set for maintaining customer service.

I was told, "It won't be the same without vou!" Perhaps it won't be the same, but it will be better, David is bringing along more services and staff and has made Computer Talk local again.

Again, to my wonderful clients who I have spent so much time with and got to know over the years, thank you for making the last 10 years so much fun. I wish you well in the future.

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I would like to thank you for the opportunity to be your representative in State Parliament.

Over the coming four years the Baillieu Coalition Government is committed to delivering on all our promises and ensuring we have an open and honest Government.

In Beaconsfield, we have committed to expanding the Beaconsfield Railway Station car park to ensure

# **Government Commitments**

by Brad Battin, Member for Gembrook.

everyone has easy access to public transport.

We will also place two VictorianProtectiveOfficers on the railway line, seven nights a week, to make evening trains safe again.

Education was an issue highlighted during the campaign and in this term of Government we will improve access to a better education for all.

The SS4CC (Special School for Casey Cardinia) ran a very effective campaign to ensure a new school for children with special needs was built locally.

Martin Dixon MP,

Minister for Education, visited Pakenham and committed \$10 million to building this new facility.

Children with special needs in Casey-Cardinia will then have a short bus ride to the Officer special school, rather than enduring a commute of more than three hours a day on overcrowded bus services.

The Baillieu Coalition Government is also looking to the future of Beaconsfield and its surrounding suburbs and we are ready for the predicted growth.

Premier Ted Baillieu has committed to build a new Secondary College in Officer, which will relieve pressure on our local schools and ensure we are prepared for the extra students in the not too distant future.

I would like to again thank the community for this opportunity to represent you over the next four years.

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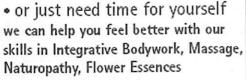
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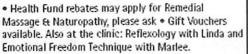
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# MAKE AND MINGLE

by A. Taylor

For friendship and craft in Beaconsfield come along to Make and Mingle any Wednesday from 10am - 12noon during school term.

We will be recommencing Wednesday on 9th February, with lots of craft ideas and time for coffee and a chat. This term we will have Ceramics, Triangle box, Patchwork sewing caddy, Card Knitting projects, making techniques with stamping and punching, opportunities to finish off unfinished those craft projects you have sitting in the cupboard and

more crafts later in the term. There will always be a friendly hand to help you with your craft.

We continue to collect used postage stamps and we also support the work of 4c's food bank in Pakenham. This term we will be raising funds for the flood victims in rural Victoria.

Make and Mingle meets at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, Cnr. Desmond Court and Old Princes Highway (Opposite O'Neil Road) Enquiries Ann Phone 9707 1996.



Photo taken at the Make n Mingle Craft Fair in November '10



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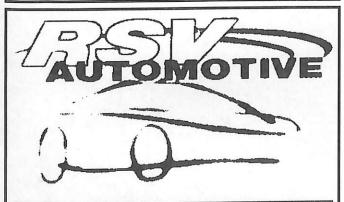


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### DAUGHTERS RAISE THE BAR

by Howard Guscott

The 'DAUGHTERS OF THE KING' CHOIR, along with an extraordinary Tenor Soloist KENHARRIS, were featured at the Pleasant Spring Sunday Afternoon Beaconsfield held at **Baptist** Church 24 2010. October These fantastic local artists wonderful presented a afternoon of Popular, Inspirational, Traditional Music. and Gospel

stimulatingly These enthusiastic young ladies of 'THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING' Choir, showed that they are accomplished choristers, and presented an exceptional programme of songs to the elated Outstanding audience. Soloist. **KEN** Tenor presented HARRIS an selection awesome of songs that were enjoyed immensely by the audience as well. The variety of music and styles satisfied all age groups. Families also came and enjoyed а wonderful musical afternoon.

Everyone joined in and sung heartily some of the Great Hymns of Faith that are not sung so much these days, along with some of the more modern songs that are well loved. Ken was joined by The Daughters Of The King, in singing the final item for the afternoon, 'Whispering Hope'. It was a superb rendition and left everyone spellbound and wanting more!

Our next Pleasant Sunday Afternoon, will be held on March 20 2011, when we will feature a dynamically exuberant group ladies playing violins, viola and cello, known the 'INTERMEZZO as STRING QUARTET'. programme starts The at 2:30pm, there is NO ADMISSION CHARGE, but a donation towards would the expenses be appreciated.

COMPLIMENTARY Α AFTERNOON TEA IS INCLUDED at the end of the program, and wraps up around 4:30pm. Also, there is access to all areas for persons with disabilities. This is A COMMUNITY MUSIC EVENT, and any enquiries may be directed to: Peter Brown 0428 178 413



Beaconsfield Park, on the Corner of Beaconsfield Emerald Road and Old Princes Hwy is really looking wonderful after completion of the stage one works. This park is at the entrance to the Township Beaconsfield and to the Shire of Cardinia and is no longer a shabby corner and virtually unusable space, but a welcoming and beautifully landscaped and planted park area with

# BEACONSFIELD PARK

by A. Taylor

historical original The 'Beaconsfield Park' sign has been restored by Livingston-Flynn Wrought Iron of Berwick and then mounted in stone pillars. It has been enhanced by low stone walls on either side and planting of native and indigenous materials. The stone is a local stone from Hillview Quarry and the work was carried out by McMahonsP/L.Landscape Design by Alexandra Lee of CPG Consultants. The stormwater drain has been reshaped into a natural looking waterway and the surrounds planted with

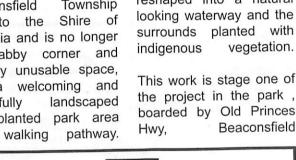
This work is stage one of the project in the park, boarded by Old Princes Beaconsfield Emerald Road, the Tennis club and Cardinia Creek. It is hoped that stage two will have a board walk and post and rail fence.

Details of the funding and the history of the the sign appeared in December of Beaconsfield Banner.











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## THE VIADUCT

## And Floods In Beaconsfield

by A. Taylor

The Viaduct under the Railway line near Beaconsfield Station is a convenient route out to Soldiers Road and Adamson Road. After heavy rains, the road is closed due to flooding and we have to go the long way through the boom gates and level crossing.

Originally there was only the wooden railway bridge with no access. It is believed that in the early 1900's a workman on a project south of the township had to haul loads of heavy equipment out to his job and he noticed that a flood had made a hole in the embankment under the timber railway

bridge. So he scooped out more soil and this enlarged hole gave him a short cut from the pipe works (in a paddock north west of Woods Street-Beaconsfield Avenue corner) to the water pipe being laid between the Beaconsfield Reservoir and Cranbourne.

Another flood swept away more soil and other people began to use this convenient underpass. In those days it was considered safer than the level crossing as the steam trains came down the hill very quietly from Berwick.

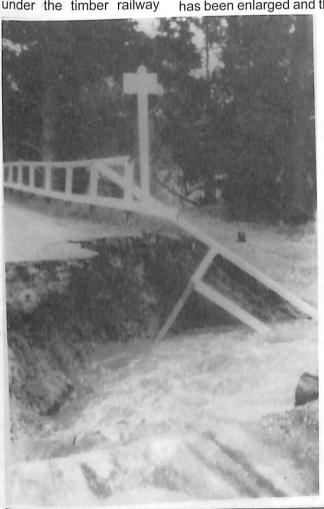
Over time this underpass has been enlarged and the



railway bridge replaced with concrete and the roadway made. It is still a very low bridge and trucks and buses cannot pass underneath and even horse floats are too high and need to go further up the road over the level crossing. However it is still a very convenient route to the Soldiers Road estates in fine weather. We now also have the Bryn Mar Bridge which

takes us out and over the railway line to South Beaconsfield and Berwick.

1934 there was extensive flooding in the area which took out the Wooden Bridge over the Cardinia creek at Princes Beaconsfield Highway near Beaconsfield Park. pictures These two below are featured in the Beaconsfield Primary School history book.





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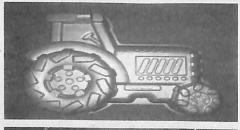
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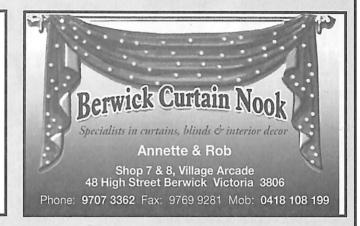
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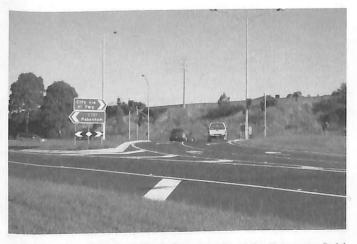


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# BEACONSFIELD'S HANDYMAN

by Phil Collins

As you get older couches and car seats get lower. One sort of falls into the seated position with the worrying prospect of getting up again. It is a similar problem when kneeling — the careful descent and the effort of standing again. No mention of the sore knees which follow.

I made new legs for a lady whose couch was "a long way down". I replaced the existing feet with solid timber items and raised the back legs 40mm to tilt the couch forward a little. I attached the new legs with screws and the lady paid me and I left. Before I left one of the legs became detached and it was as well that she caught me. I replaced the eight screws with longer stouter screws which I had intended to use but a last minute change resulted in embarrassing failure.

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make!

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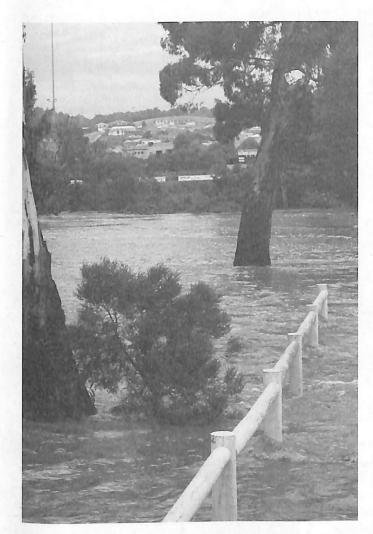
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### TALKING WEATHER

by Nathan Boon



While it has been a wet start to 2011 it was also a very wet year in 2010. Beaconsfield recorded 1072mm of rain for the year. It was the wettest year I have on record. This is about 230mm above average for Beaconsfield.

In 2010 there were 4 months when we recorded over 100mm for the month. These were all in the last half of the year; August, October, November and December, the wettest being October with 167mm.

Decembersawraincontinue to fall with just over 100mm falling in Beaconsfield. This was the highest December rainfall since 2007. And it has not eased off in 2011 with 109mm falling in January. The wettest day in January was on the 14th with 35mm falling.

In the first 7 days of February we saw 168mm fall. This is the wettest start to a month I have ever seen. It also takes the yearly total to 277mm.

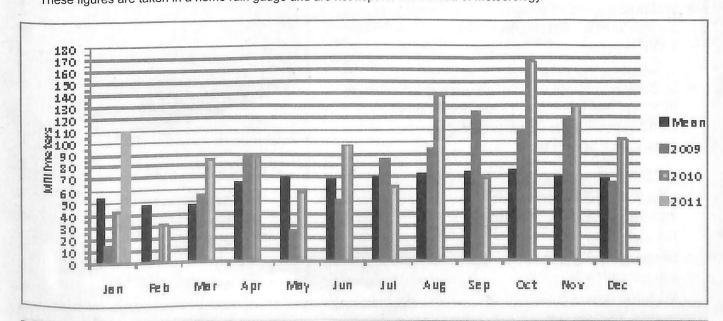
Normally at this time of the year we are talking bushfires and how hot the weather is but at the moment we are talking how cool it is and how much rain there has been.

Melbourne's water storage is currently at 54%. This is as high as it has been since March 2006. With current rains it looks like it may continue to rise.



## BEACONSFIELD RAINFALL

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# Beaconsfield Junior Football Club

by Malcolm McKenzie

# Beaconsfield Junior Football Club continues to grow.

With the start of round one scheduled for the 10th of April planning for season 2011 is well under way at the club and this year sees the mighty eagles continue to grow with the addition of a third Under 10 side. This now takes our number of teams to 18, and player numbers to over 400 making us one of the larger junior football clubs in the area and league.

As a result of our additional

teams and growth we are still seeking coaches for season 2011. If you are interested in becoming a coach at the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club we have vacancies in two of our Under 9 teams our new Under 10 team and one Under 13 team. Applications for these positions are still open and for further information please contact our club Secretary: Sharon Dooley 0401 595 334 or 5944 4565.

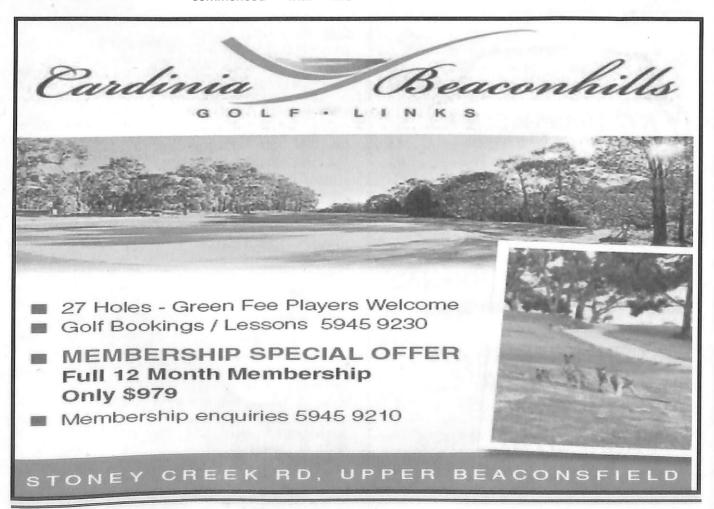
Pre season training for Under 13, 14, 15 and Under 16 teams has already commenced with the remaining teams to begin from the 21st of March 2011. For further information about training and fixtures please check our web site regularly at www. beaconsfieldjfc.com.au

In further developments. 2011 sees us play in the South East Juniors after the DDJFL League board agreed late last year to changing the league name in which we play. Along with the new name comes a new logo which reflects the traditional red and blue of the league. South East Juniors General Manager Shaun Connell said that the new name better reflects League's footprint which currently covers the Shire of Cardinia, City of Greater Dandenong and the City of Casey.

# Wish to play for the Beaconsfield Junior FootballClubin2011?

Vacancies for players are still available in Under 9, Under 10, Under 11, Under 14 and Under 16 age groups. Some of these age groups have limited vacancies and were current at the time of writing. If you wish to play in season 2011 please make contact with our registrar immediately. Players who would like to join the Beaconsfield Junior Football Club should first contact our Registrar Loretta Monagle by email at registrar@beaconsfield ifc.com.au or by phoning Loretta on 0402 655 109 to see whether a current vacancy still exists in that age group or alternatively be placed on our waiting list.

Go Beacy!



# STUMPS ARE HOTTER IN PINK

by Rick Colling

BEACONSFIELD CRICKET CLUB turns pink for McGrath Foundation on February 19th.

Beaconsfield Cricket Club will be one of hundreds of community cricket clubs across Australia to become a part of the Pink Test phenomenon and participate in Pink Stumps Day on 19 February 2011, an initiative by the McGrath Foundation and Cricket Australia.

Off the back of what is anticipated to be a highly successful third annual Pink Test in Sydney, local cricket clubs like Beaconsfield Cricket

Club are being given the opportunity to experience a little of the magic of this national event within their local communities, while raising funds for the McGrath Foundation.

Chairman and Cofounder of the McGrath Foundation Glenn McGrath believes that Pink Stumps Day is a fantastic community initiative that will enable local communities to participate in the spirit, energy and worthwhile cause the Sydney Pink Test. "Every year, we get asked how local communities can get involved in the international phenomenon

that is the Sydney Pink Test. In 2011, Pink Stumps Day is something I am really excited about and looking forward to because we just see so much potential in it. With support like this from local clubs and their communities, we have an amazing opportunity to really "hitasix" and continue to grow the number of our McGrath Breast Care Nurses nationally. always we believe that together, we can make a difference," Glenn said.

The club will receive a free Pink Stumps Day Team Kit that includes McGrath Foundation pink stumps and set of bails, pink training safety cricket balls, pink wicketkeeper pads, pink playing caps and pink sew-on badges, to deck out the players and cricket pitch.

Beaconsfield Cricket Club are inviting friends and family to wear pink on the day, and are arranging fundraising activities such as a ladies afternoon tea, as well as having volunteers roam the field with collection tins for donations. All proceeds from the day will be donated to the McGrath Foundation, to fund McGrath Breast Care Nurses in communities right across Australia and increase breast awareness young women.

Beaconsfield Cricket
Club have also been
entered into the draw
to have a legendary
Australian cricketer the
likes of Glenn McGrath
and Adam Gilchrist
attend Pink Stumps Day.
CEO of Cricket Australia
James Sutherland is highly
supportive of Pink Stumps



Day as an opportunity local for communities help to support worthy national cause. "I urge cricket fans across the country to think pink and make a contribution to the work of the McGrath Foundation by getting involved in the inaugural Pink Stumps Day. This is one simple way cricket fans can help strengthen the friendship between Cricket Australia and the McGrath Foundation and extend the support for Australian families experiencing breast cancer," James said.

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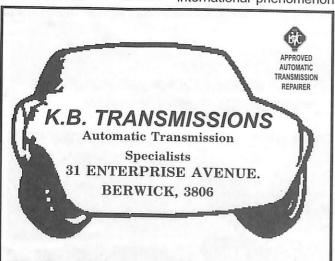
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ABOUT THE MCGRATH FOUNDATION

The McGrath Foundation was co-founded by Jane and Glenn McGrath after Jane's initial recovery from breast cancer. The McGrath Foundation aims to raise money to place McGrath Breast Care Nurses in communities right across Australia as well as educating young women to be breast aware. To find out more about how you can help make a difference, please visit www. mcgrathfoundation.com.au



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# EVERY SIX WILL COUNT FOR CALLUM

by Ryan O'Connor

You may not have heard about a brave little boy named Callum Fox. Callum is the 22 month old son of a respected Frankston Police Detective Brendan Fox and wife Tanya Fox. He has one sibling Bailey who is four years old.

In April 2010, Callum was diagnosed with a brain tumour that was aggressive and fast growing. Callum underwent several invasive emergency operations to remove the tumour. The skilled surgeons at the Royal Children's Hospital removed what they could and then relied on chemo therapy to destroy the rest of the tumour with the hope of curing Callum.

Callum underwent 8 months of intensive chemotherapy during which at times he was gravely ill. The final chemo treatment was in December 2010. This was followed up with an MRI scan to determine the success of the chemo treatment.

On January 7, 2011 Brendan and Tanya received soul destroying The chemo treatment did shrink the remnants of the tumour in Callum's brain but what was left was inoperable. Worse news however was that a second tumour had developed in his spine. Brendan and Tanya were told there was little else

that could be done and that they should go and enjoy what time they could with their son. Some further treatment may be possible in the future, depending on further scans or any changes in the tumours, but it is limited and may be the case of small doses of regular chemo to maintain & prolong quality of life.

Brendan has exhausted his leave entitlements and is looking at taking leave without pay to spend time with his family at this important period. Tanya has had to leave work all together to be there for her son.

Brendan and Tanya wish to seek a further opinion from renowned Neurosurgeon Charlie TEO who has a highly regarded international reputation in the treatment of paediatric brain tumours and complex spinal surgery.

Beaconsfield Cricket Club would like to support Callum and the Fox family by organising a fund raising event at their local community cricket club. The "Cops vs. Robbers" 20/20 cricket match will see a team of serving

Police Officers donate their time to play against a team made up of Beaconsfield Cricketers. The day will be held on Sunday 20th of Feb starting at 10:30am and followed by a tasty BBQ and cold drinks. Fund raising will include gold coin entry, umpire bribing, raffles and we were hoping to find a number of private or business sponsors to donate a monetary donation for every 6 that is hit on the day (the boundaries will shortened. expect a few 6's to be hit, even as little as \$1 per 6 would be great).

All money raised will be given to the family to seek alternative treatment and to provide financial comfort for the family during any extended period of absence without paidle ave.

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# **Family Tennis Fun at** Open Day by C. Briant

Beaconsfield The **Tennis** Club's Annual Open Day attracted a great crowd of tennis enthusiasts again this year.

Players and non-players from around the area took the opportunity to have a free tennis lesson and check their tennis serve speed on radar.

Courts were full throughout the afternoon as serious and not-so-serious social matches were also played.

A highlight of the day was the KIA Motors at Berwick, "Guess the number of balls" competition. An upside down bucket in the middle of the ball-filled container make guessing the correct number a little more difficult.

Berwick On Behalf of Kia, Richard Kenny, Sales Manager, Wilson kindly donated bags as prizes. tennis

First prize went to Rosie

Augl who guessed 350 balls, 10 off the correct number of 360. Second prizewentto Jonah Rosario, who guessed 343 balls.

Club Adrian Walsh, Les President. and Donaldson. Club Committee Person. thanked Berwick Kia for its support of the Beaconsfield Tennis Club.

With KIA Motors sponsoring the Australian Open, it was a good opportunity KIA Berwick and Beaconsfield Tennis Club to promote tennis at a more local level, they said.

Held to coincide with the Australian Open Women's Final, the evening format, from 4.00-8.00pm, once again proved a winner. The free sausage sizzle and cordial also proved popular.

Victoria **Tennis** also supported the Open Day providing wrist bands. erasers, hats and drink



bottles to be given out as prizes. The coaches had plenty of fun handing out prizes to the children taking part in the tennis games and activities.

The day finished "Fastest with the Serve Competition".

The junior competition was tightly fought and after several serves there were five players all vying for fastest serve, all within a few km/ph of each other.

Following a "top five serve off", Gabriel Adelojy finished with the fastest serve of the day at 130km per hour. Gabriel received a large blowup tennis ball for his win. Second place went to Millie Shone with 122km/ Fraser Dale-Walsh and Matthew Peart both finished with 113km/ hr while Felina Adelojy with finished 111km/hr.

Well done to all the junior servers. Everyone who competed received chocolate Freddo frog. and these went down just as fast as the serves.

The adults then lined up for their "Fastest Serve Competition". Ben van der Koogh took out top prize for the second year in a row with a booming 164km/hr serve. While Rowbottom (club Paul coach), and Andrew Newsome were equal second with 162km/hr.

It was good to see the women also lining up for Congratulations go. Lisa McNamara. Karen Dale. Jane Shone and Cathy Briant.

Unfortunately, the adults didn't get a chocolate frog!

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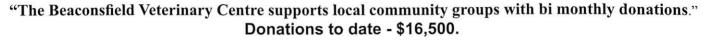
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