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month,  
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### MEETING DATES:

**JUNE 19th 2012**

**Guest: Chris Major  
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The long awaited promise of increased car parking at the Beaconsfield Railway Station has begun. The extra 157 car spaces will double the existing spaces and address the shortage of car parking.

The increase in commuters using the Beaconsfield station has resulted in a higher demand on the nearby residential streets and parking illegally.

*See page 9 for more details.*



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## BEACONSFIELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC PRESIDENT'S REPORT

*by Graeme Taylor, President*

In the last two months the Association has continued to address significant matters that have an effect on our Beaconsfield Community.

The draft Beaconsfield Structure Plan has been released. The plan prepared by Cardinia Shire Council has been supported by an Issues and Opportunities Paper and public meetings. Council staff have been available to obtain feedback from the community on any relevant matters including commercial and housing development, roads, traffic, parking, infrastructure, heritage, environment, etc. Our Committee has prepared a submission and we await a revised draft of the Structure Plan.

I note that work has commenced on the extra car park spaces at the Beaconsfield Railway Station. The extra car spaces are desperately needed and will double the existing spaces and should be ready in July.

At our May meeting our guest speaker was Cr. Ed Chatwin, Mayor of Cardinia Shire Council. He informed us on the Council's draft budget for 2012/2013 year. The total revenue is \$110 million with an underlying result of \$4million loss. Total Capital Works are over \$35 million. If the budget is accepted the average rate increase is 6.4% which includes 0.5% for the effect of Carbon Tax. Cr. Ed Chatwin gave an interesting insight into the Budget compilation and he answered questions from those present.

The Anzac Memorial Service at Beaconsfield Cenotaph organized by the Association was held on Sunday 22nd April. Thanks to all involved in making the day successful and for those who attended. An enjoyable afternoon tea at the Woods Street Kindergarten gave people an opportunity to talk with current and former residents who served in the forces or have historical links with Beaconsfield.

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# CARDINIA SHIRE REPORT

by Councillor Brett Owen,  
Central Ward

The Beaconsfield Structure Plan Issues and Opportunities paper was recently placed on public exhibition. Broad community consultation was undertaken by council, including two community information sessions held at the Beaconsfield Community Complex. The information sessions gave community members the opportunity to ask questions about the process of developing the Structure Plan and contribute their ideas for the future of Beaconsfield. Together with written responses received during the exhibition period, all the information gathered during this time will contribute to the further development of the draft Beaconsfield Structure Plan. Council will then again seek views of the Beaconsfield community in order to finalise the plan.

The improvement works

at the Village Green Park in Stirling Circuit within the Panorama Estate are now complete. The improvements include new footpaths in exposed aggregate, 70 new trees planted including species of Ornamental Pears, Red Maples, Pin Oaks, Liquidambars and Norfolk Island Pines. Re-mulching of garden beds, installation of three new park benches, a rubbish bin and new lighting under the palm tree has also been included. The \$110,000 improvement package has rejuvenated this park.

Holm Park Recreation Reserve continues to take shape. Works on the netball courts and floodlighting for Oval 2 has commenced and are expected to be completed by July.

For the pavilion, the contractor has installed the sub floor services for water, drainage, sewerage



and power. The concrete slab is nearing completion. Structural steelwork and the concrete wall panels have been ordered. Completion of the pavilion remains scheduled for the end of November 2012.

Council continues to work with the developer of the future subdivision at O'Neil Road and Old Princes Highway, to progress the construction of the footpath along the Old Princes Highway between O'Neil Road and the Traffic Controlled Intersection at Princes Highway/ Old Princes Highway. The works have been tendered and the anticipated start date is the end of June, subject to Vic Roads approval of the plans.

It is pleasing to see the commencement of the construction works for the car park extension at the Beaconsfield Railway Station car park. The additional 157 spaces are being funded by the state government. Council had advocated strongly to the state government for these much needed works. The improvement works also include the installation of CCTV within the entire car park.

## Council's Mobile Youth Bus

will again visit Beaconsfield in Term 3 of the school year. "MY Bus" will be located next to B Select tyres on the corner of Woods Street and Old Princes Highway every Wednesday between 3.30pm – 5.30pm from the 25th July to 19th September.



MY Bus is a converted coach which has on-board internet access, video games, board games, music, sporting equipment, skateboard and scooter hire and everything is free. Young people are also able to access a wealth of information on a whole range of issues and support services. The target age group for the MY Bus is 12-25.



Park improvements in Panorama



# BEACONSFIELD FIRE BRIGADE NEWS

by M. Ott

## CFA Chief Officer visits Beaconsfield



The CFA Chief Officer Euan Ferguson recently paid a visit to the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade.

During his visit he toured the area with Captain Paul Hayes and Lieutenant Matteo DiCarlo who showed him around the town and through the fire station. It was an opportunity for

the Chief to identify the risks and discuss with the team the issues including the pressures currently impacting on the brigade. The Chief later met with the broader membership who were invited to meet and talk directly with the Chief. This was well received by the Chief who was able to respond to an informal open forum type session that discussed many topics.

The Chief thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to see first hand the issues associated with growth in the Beaconsfield community. The Chief appreciated the efforts of all the Beaconsfield members in putting together

the day's activities and congratulates the members of the Beaconsfield brigade for the professional service provided to the Beaconsfield and Victorian communities.

## Bazaar Sale

The Biannual Beaconsfield Fire Brigade Bazaar Sale was held recently and was a wonderful success. As usual the community did not let us down and donated loads of items for the sale. The fire station was full to overflowing with all manner of goods on the day of the sale and we suspect it was our biggest Bazaar Sale ever. I think everyone was able to find a bargain and if they couldn't the BBQ sausages and egg & bacon muffins were a real hit. With the proceeds of the day's sale the brigade will be purchasing important equipment to assist the brigade in its emergency duties.

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Regularly check risk areas, download a home fire safety checklist from the CFA website.

- Make sure you have a working smoke alarm.
- Keep a fire blanket and extinguisher in the kitchen.
- Teach children to be careful around fire.
- Prepare and practise a home fire escape plan.
- Know how to get out of your house if there is a fire.
- Only working smoke alarms save lives.
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## BEACONSFIELD ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

The annual Anzac Day Memorial Service was held on 22nd April at the Beaconsfield cenotaph. Piper, Ian Arrell, lead the march from the fire station to assemble at the cenotaph where Graeme Taylor, President, BPA, welcomed all. The Cranbourne Salvation recorder Band played during the service and singing was lead by Sally Avard.

Anzac Day is a time to remember those who served in wars and conflicts. As part of the Beaconsfield service, focus is given to locals who served. This year Pat Dean

was able to join us and she listened to her story being read by Helen Bryne.

Pat Dean is the daughter of Bob and Mary Adamson. She served in World War II in the Australian Women's Army Service. The whole story was featured in the April 2012 edition of the Beaconsfield Banner.



Pat's framed photo was added to the collection of soldiers photos that were placed at the base of the cenotaph by young leaders from Beaconsfield Primary School, Beaconsfield Scouts and St Francis Xavier College.

Thank you to all who were involved and attended the 2012 service.





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*by José Meyer – President*

### Beaconsfield Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will take place at the BNC on Wednesday, September 12th at 12:45pm. This will give more people the chance to attend the meeting and see what the AGM is all about. We are fortunate to have Sub Committees,

who all do wonderful work. If you would like to join one of the Sub Committees, feel free to contact the office in this regard. The Sub Committees are: Children's, Building, Publicity and Promotions, Staff and Fundraising. Come and join the family! We would make you most welcome.

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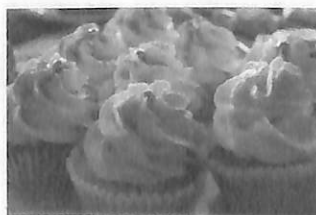
### SCHOOL HOLIDAY CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS

On the 11th of July, we will be having three different workshops for school age children in primary school.  
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**Build A Moving Model Helicar** -  
10:30am till 12 noon.

**Decorating Cup Cakes**  
- 10:30am till 12 noon.



### BEACONSFIELD QUILTERS – QUILT SHOW.

On Saturday September 8th at 10:00am till 4:00pm, the Beaconsfield Quilters Guild are holding their first exhibition, showcasing a wide selection of quilts by members of the guild. The exhibition will feature traditional and contemporary designs. Author, Margaret Rowe will be selling and signing her quilting novel. A superb quilt will be raffled on the day. There will be quilt and craft shop in attendance with lots of hand made items for sale. Trade tables from local businesses will also be present.

This event is for one day only. All profits will go to the Beaconsfield CFA. Entry is only \$5. Where? – Beaconsfield Neighbourhood Centre., O'Neil Road Beaconsfield.

Come along and enjoy a wonderful day.



# 157 New Car Parking Spaces

by Brad Battin, Member for Gembrook

The number of car parks at Beaconsfield Railway Station will soon be doubled, with construction beginning on 157 new car parking spaces.

The new car parks will bring the total number of parking spaces at Beaconsfield Railway Station to 285.

Building more car parking spaces at Beaconsfield Railway Station was a key election commitment and I am pleased the Coalition Government has been able to deliver well beyond the 100 car parking spaces that were promised.

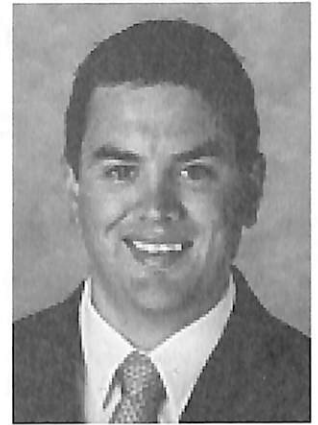
Beaconsfield Railway Station will also get

improved lighting, increased CCTV coverage and landscaping works as part of the upgrade.

The former Labor Government failed to provide the basic infrastructure required for the south-eastern growth corridor. The Coalition is rectifying this with the addition of 157 car parks at Beaconsfield as well as 106 new spaces at Pakenham Railway Station, 138 new spaces at Narre Warren Railway Station, and 450 new spaces at the recently completed Cardinia Road Railway Station – a total of 851 new car parking spaces between Narre Warren and Pakenham.

The car park extension at Beaconsfield Railway Station is due to be completed before the end of the year.

Beaconsfield residents may also be interested



in the progress of two other State Government commitments near them.

The 2012-13 State Budget saw \$6.27 million delivered for the construction of a new 24-hour police station in Emerald – a station that the community has campaigned for since 2003. This will ensure full police coverage of the hills and relieve pressure off existing stations.

The budget also included \$2 million to plan the new Officer Secondary College, which will be co-located with the Officer Specialist School.

If you have any questions about this or any other State Government issue, please feel free to contact me on 9796 1987 or visit [www.bradbattin.com](http://www.bradbattin.com)  
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*Pictured: Celebrating the start of works at Beaconsfield Railway Station, from left: Cr George Blenkhorn, local resident Garry Runge, Cr Brett Owen, local resident Yvonne Cole, Member for Eastern Victoria Region Edward O'Donohue and Member for Gembrook Brad Battin.*

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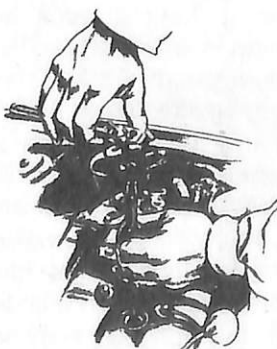
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## Family Maths Night

*by Gary Methven, Principal*

### Family Maths Night

We had sixty families turn out for our Maths Sports night! It was great to see so many families getting into the spirit of things, dressing up in team colours and as their favourite sporting personalities. A group of teachers who comprise the Maths Team, put together a variety of activities to celebrate maths in Education Week. They included:

- \* Mass - estimating, ordering and checking sportsequimentbyweight.
- \* Length - can you jump as far as you are tall?
- \* Area - musical islands game (pictured) seeing how many people we could put on a square metre of carpet as well as various number activities.

This year, our school is making a concerted effort to connect with our families in a meaningful way, ensuring that our children and parents feel ownership and very much a part of this wonderful school. The maths night was a great way for children to share their joy of learning with their parents, it was certainly a most enjoyable and fun filled way to spend a winter's evening.



### Pre-Prep Program

Preparing your child for Prep in 2013 is straight forward at Beaconsfield Primary School. Over eight Fridays, children enrolled with us by the end of Term 2 have the chance to visit for an hour a week and meet their future teachers, learn about life in school and make new friends. It has certainly been an excellent avenue for our children (and their parents) to feel comfortable making the big move. We have forty five children enrolled in the program already and places are limited. Please complete your enrolment as soon as possible to secure your place!



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- Japanese is offered as an elective for those children wishing to challenge themselves with a language and for Yr 6 children off to 15 different Secondary Colleges, there are always some children who wish to pursue this avenue to get ahead with an introduction before they get to Yr 7.

- Claymation is the art of making models in plasticine and using stop-motion movie making to animate

their creations (like Wallace and Grommet). As somewhat slow but interesting process, the children demonstrate a great deal of imagination with their storylines and enjoy sharing the final results.

- Beaconsfield must be a sizzling hotbed for budding Masterchefs because cooking is still one of the most popular electives with two groups running due to popular demand. I guess

that when the fun of making something is combined with the fun of eating it too it just has to be a winning activity! The children have made everything from pizzas to chocolate crackles.

A big thanks to the teachers for creating an elective program with such wide appeal.



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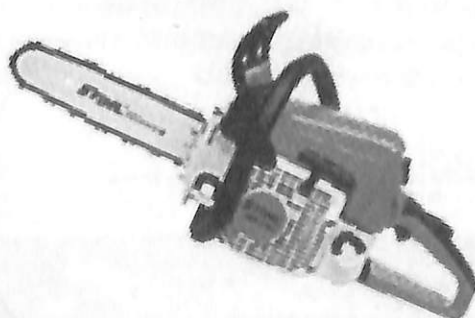
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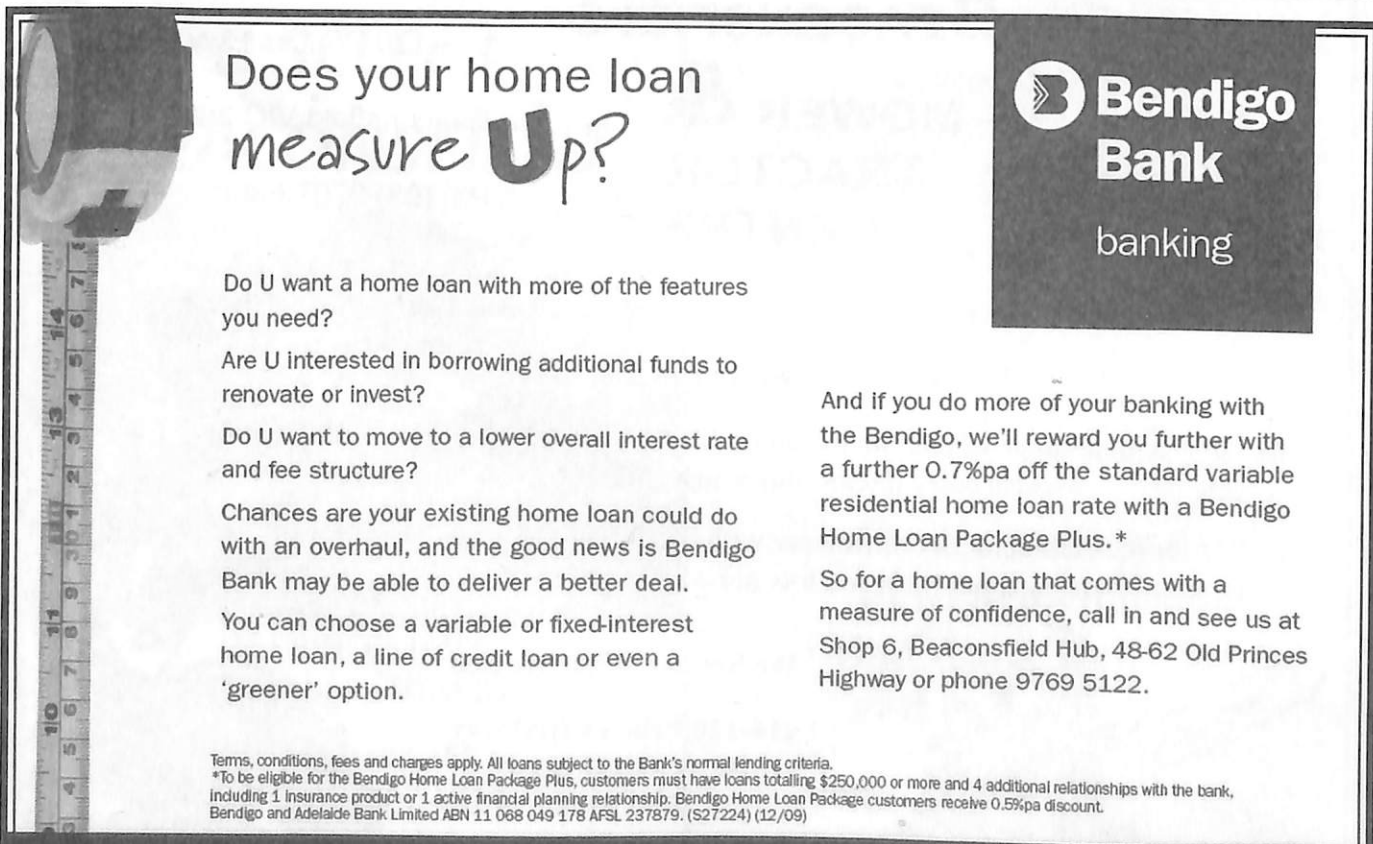
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# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

by Laura Smyth,  
Federal Member for La Trobe

Dear Readers  
I hope you're all managing well and keeping warm as we head into winter. Since the last edition the Federal Government has made some important announcements which will help Beaconsfield residents.

## Support For Pensioners And Families

Pensioners living in Beaconsfield are set to get extra support to help them make ends meet. The Government is providing a \$250 cash payment for single pensioners and a \$380 cash payment for couples.

This means that from the end of May almost 17,000 pensioners across the La Trobe electorate are eligible to receive these payments and will be paid over the following weeks.

Local pensioners will get another boost next year, with an ongoing increase to their fortnightly payments from March. In total, local pensioners will get about \$338 extra a year for singles and \$510 extra a year for couples combined.

The Federal Government is also tripling the tax free threshold to \$18,000. This will make an important difference for many local residents and families. It will mean that some residents, such as part time workers and those on lower incomes, will be taken out of the tax system altogether. For around 47,000 residents, it will mean a tax cut of up to at least \$300.

We are also providing extra support to families who are eligible for family tax benefit payments. This will assist over 12,000 families in our area.

These changes are part of a package of measures that the Federal Government has put in place to help Australians with the costs of living.

## Schoolkids Bonus

I know that for many local families with children at school, it can be difficult to keep up with costs. With uniforms, text books and school excursions to pay for, the costs can pile up pretty quickly.

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Next year, the Federal Government will deliver a new Schoolkids Bonus for many Beaconsfield families with kids in school. At a time when the Victorian Government is



cutting funds in education, it's more important than ever that the Federal Government steps in to give families with children at school some support.

Eligible local families will be able to receive \$410 a year for each child in primary school, and \$820 a year for each child in high school.

The Schoolkids Bonus will be paid in two instalments to families before the start of Term 1 and Term 3 – so families will have a bit of extra support before the costs start rolling in.

I am committed to making sure local families have the support they need to make ends meet. These are just a few of the things that I have supported as your representative in the Federal Parliament. I look forward to providing you with my next update.

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by David Morland

## Catastrophe

The bible gives a picture of a world sustained by God; a world that has all the resources to meet all the needs of mankind. A planet with enough mineral and agricultural wealth to provide a decent standard of living for all of us and ample for generations to come. It is not a picture of a self-sustaining world but of a world sustained by its creator. It is a very reassuring picture.

This picture is quite at odds with so much of the anxiety producing news we hear every day. We have academics making predictions about the end of civilisation, as we know it, by the end of this century!

Such language produces hopelessness. Such language can make us feel frightened and scared about our future.

But belief in a God who actually loves his creation and who has not abandoned it will help inspire the hope that overcomes anxiety. It is fear that paralyses, it is hope that energises. God calls us to be creative and to be inventive and to build and develop. The future is not dark it is bright. Our future and the future of our children is something we should feel excited about.

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by Pete and Inge

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# VACCINATIONS AND YOUR PET

by Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre

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## What can I protect my pet against?

### DOGS

**Distemper:** A highly contagious viral disease that can affect dogs at any age. Symptoms can vary but can include

coughing, fever, muscle tremors, seizures and eventually paralysis.

**Hepatitis:** Like distemper, hepatitis is highly contagious. The virus affects the liver and kidneys. Symptoms can include fever, a painful abdomen and signs of liver disease such as jaundice and vomiting.

**Parvovirus:** A disease that affects dogs of all ages, but is more common in puppies. The virus attacks the intestines causing bloodstained diarrhoea, vomiting and severe abdominal pain. It can be fatal.

**Canine cough (Kennel cough):** Is one of the more common diseases and is highly infectious. Dogs don't necessarily need to be in kennels to contract canine cough. Canine cough is spread through the air by infected dogs sneezing or coughing. Symptoms include a dry hacking cough, and in the worst case if left untreated, can develop into pneumonia.

### CATS

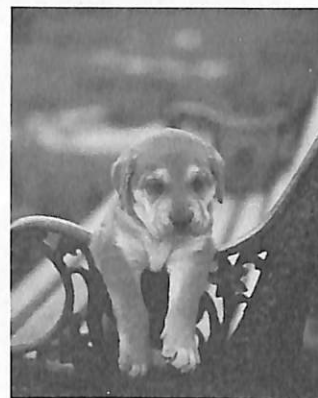
**Feline Enteritis:** A highly contagious viral disease. Onset of this disease is very rapid and can often be fatal. Symptoms include high temperature, loss of appetite, depression, vomiting and diarrhoea.

**Cat Flu:** Cat flu is caused by feline herpes virus or feline calicivirus and is commonly termed 'cat flu'. It can cause long-term problems, including chronic sneezing, nasal discharge, inflamed eyes and severe gum problems.

**Feline Chlamydia:** This is a bacteria that predominantly causes conjunctivitis. Mild upper respiratory symptoms such as a low grade fever; nasal discharge and sneezing may also develop.

### RABBITS

**Calici virus:** A common but untreatable disease. Calici virus causes a disease that damages the rabbit's internal organs such as the liver and gut. It can also cause hemorrhaging or bleeding.



## When should my pet be vaccinated?

We recommend the following vaccination schedule for your puppy or kitten

- 1st vaccination at 6-8 weeks
  - 2nd vaccination at 12-14 weeks
  - 3rd vaccination at 16-18 weeks
- Adult dogs and cats require an annual booster.

If your adult pet is not up to date with vaccinations they will require one vaccination followed by a booster in four weeks. Rabbits under 12 weeks require a course of 2 injections a month apart. Adult rabbits require annual booster.

When your pet comes in for a vaccination, they will receive a full physical check up. This is also a good time to speak to your vet about any general health or behavioural concerns you may have.

It is important to remember that no vaccine is 100% effective in preventing disease. If your pet does unfortunately contract one of these diseases, the side effects and severity of the disease are likely to be reduced.

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# Make and Mingle

by A. Taylor

**AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA** at Make and Mingle was held on Wednesday 23rd May. Around 100 people attended and this was a tribute to our precious friend CAROLYN SMITH who passed away on 18th June 2012. Carolyn had battled cancer for 24 years.



She is remembered for her beautiful flowers and her work as a florist and her gifts of flowers. Carolyn has made the laurel wreath each year for the BPAAnzac Day Memorial Service and floral wreaths as well.

She loved coming to Make and Mingle each week and brought many people along and taught flower arranging classes. She also looked after the children and served cups of coffee in the kitchen. She brought along wonderful bunches of flowers for our craft fairs and has done so many beautiful flower arrangements for the church.

Carolyn worked tirelessly for the St John of God Hospital in Berwick as a volunteer



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and also as President of the Hospital Auxillary. She was fund raising for the new day oncology centre for the hospital. Her faith in Jesus Christ and her love and concern for others right to the end is something we all remember. She will be missed by family and friends and we extend our sympathy to them all.

New faces are welcome any time and you can learn a new craft, bring your own craft to work on or just come along for a chat. We have lots of card making with embroidered cards, punched cards, mesh & ribbon cards, iris folding, and stamping. There is also patchwork and embroidery along with knitting and beading.

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*Carolyn Smith with friends Olga (seated) and Coral (right) at Make and Mingle*

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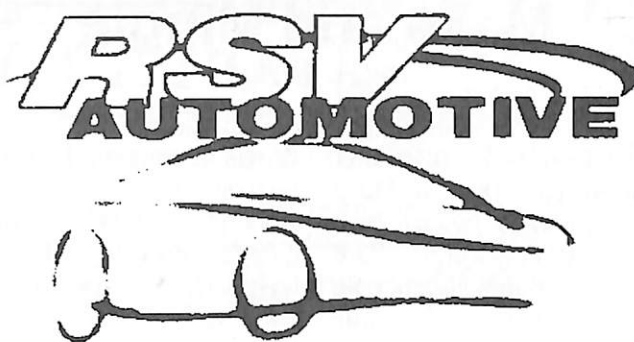
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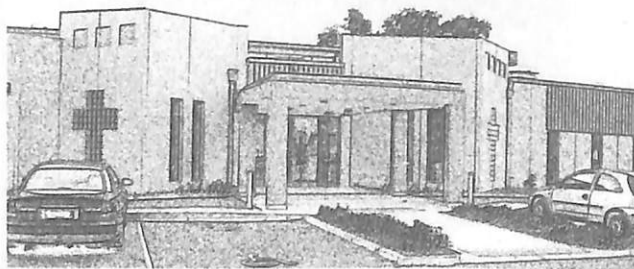
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Up to 30 June 2012 all taxpayers could claim a tax offset of 30% of premiums paid for hospital and ancillary cover irrespective of their income. This was paid as a reduction of premiums or as a refundable tax credit. The new rules reduce the private health insurance rebate as follows:

Incomes	Unchanged	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Families	up to \$168,000	\$168,001-194,000	\$194,001-260,000	\$260,001+
Singles	up to \$84,000	\$84,001- 97,000	\$97,001-130,000	\$130,001+
Premium Rebates				
Ages 70+	40%	30%	20%	0%
Age 65-69	35%	25%	15%	0%
Age under 65	30%	20%	10%	0%

The entitlement to the premium rebate will now be shared by the adults covered by the policy e.g. a policy covering a husband and wife will be deemed to be equally owned by each. However one person of a relationship can choose to claim the private health insurance rebate for their spouse provided they have an agreement.

For those without appropriate level of private hospital cover, the Medicare levy surcharge continues to apply to incomes tested to include fringe benefits and investment losses for level 1 income over \$168,000 for families (\$84,000 for individuals) at 1%. The rate increases to 1.25% for level 2 income and 1.5% for level 3 income.

These new measures are directed at higher income earners and rebates and premiums paid by some tax payers and will increase the Medicare Levy surcharge payable for some taxpayers.

You should discuss these changes with your Accountant. If you pay private Health insurance premiums in advance no later than 30 June 2012 then the current premium rebates of 30%, 35% and 40% should apply irrespective of your income but check with your Health Fund.

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# Innovation and Invention Seminar

by Heather Arnold, Local History Librarian, Casey Cardinia Library Corporation

April 30, 2012.

As part of the National Trust Heritage Festival, some of the heritage groups of the City of Casey and Cardinia Shire presented short talks on the subject of Innovation and invention, the Festival's theme. It was held at the National Trust Rooms at Pioneers Park in Berwick.

Rob Pritchard, the Vice President of the Casey Cardinia Branch of the National Trust, welcomed us all. The theme was introduced by Heather Arnold, the Casey Cardinia Local History Librarian, whose great grandfather, Horatio Weatherhead, had applied for two patents in 1890 and 1891 for his inventions. Horatio passed on his love of machines and innovating to many of his descendents who were typical of many farmers, tradesmen etc in the early days who would make or adapt or invent a machine or implement to help them in their work.

The next speaker was Cr Graeme Legge of the Cardinia Shire who demonstrated, in a very amusing manner, a child's toy made by his grandfather, over 60 years ago. It consisted of a tapered piece of wood, with notches cut along one side and a propeller on the end. The propeller turned when a pencil or a finger was rubbed along the notches and it could be made to turn either way. No doubt there is some scientific explanation but if you were a child (or even a young at

heart adult) you could well think it was magic and it was a very impressive demonstration. This is a great example of an innovative home-made toy.

Judith Dwyer spoke next on behalf of the Edrington History Research Group on Lord Casey's invention of a navigation aide. Both Lord and Lady Casey flew their own planes and Casey was trained as an engineer. Judith also showed some of the aeronautical books from the Berwick Mechanics' Institute Casey Collection.

Ann Taylor of the Beaconsfield Progress Committee spoke about two innovative Beaconsfield women, Janet Bowman and Ada Armytage. Janet Bowman (1811-1904) took over the running of the Gippsland Hotel after her husband died and was responsible for financing Bowman's track, which went from her hotel to the Upper Yarra gold fields. In 1888, as a bi-centenary project the Shire of Pakenham put up signs along the track to mark its location\*. Ada Armytage (1858-1939) of the Como Armytages, lived at Holm Park and started her own Scout Group, was responsible for planting the Beaconsfield Avenue of Honour (along the Princes Highway) and was a generous philanthropist.

Polly Freeman and Helen Lowery of the Cranbourne Shire Historical Society had a great display of 'homemade' tools and utensils with such items as

a toasting fork made out of wire and a soap 'sudser' made out of an old tin. These items reminded us that in the days before there was a Bunnings on every corner and a car in every garage that people frequently needed to innovate or invent a tool or utensil to do a job, often using recycled material.

Finally, Heather Arnold spoke about the Lubecker Dredge, the first machine used on the long running project to drain the Koo-Wee-Rup Swamp. It was imported in 1912 by the Public Works Department Engineer, Carlo Catani. It began work in 1913 to turn the Lang Lang River from a 'wandering creek' to a functional (in historical eyes) drain. It later worked on the Main Drain and other Swamp drains. At the time the German made, articulated ladder type steam dredge was considered to be the finest in the world.

We had a small and enthusiastic attendance of twenty people including

three Councillors - Cr Legge and Cr Judy Owen and Cr Bev Hastie, both from the City of Casey. They are very enthusiastic about the history of the area and it is great to have their support. I would also like to thank Rob and Chris Pritchard of the Casey Cardinia Branch of the National Trust, who stepped in to help at the last minute as the President, Ruth Crofts, was unable to make it. And a big thank you to our great presenters whose presentations made the morning not only interesting but educational.

\* Incidentally the Bowman track project was opened by Cr Jeune Matthews who was innovative in her own way as in 1979 she was the first female Shire President of the Shire of Pakenham, and its predecessor, the Shire of Berwick. The City of Berwick's first female Shire President/Mayor was Cr Jan Bateman in 1980 and for the Shire of Cranbourne it was Cr Judy Elso in 1988.



1920c Holm Park, Residence of Mrs. C. Armitage



*Beaconsfield's presentation by Ann Taylor*

## Beaconsfield Has Two Very Innovative Women, Janet Bowman And Ada Armytage

**JANET BOWMAN**  
Boulevard is in Beaconsfield and close to the original Bowmans track.

Janet Bowman left her home in Scotland to come to Victoria in 1840 with her husband David and then to Beaconsfield in the early 1850's. In 1855 David took up the lease for the title to 200 acres on the Panty Gurn Gurn lease, covering what is now the township of Beaconsfield. Later in the year he was granted a licence for the "Gippsland Hotel" which was known as 'Bowman's Inn'. David and Janet had 6 children and built a homestead believed to be where Villa Mar now is on O'Neil road.

Life was not easy for this lady and sadly her son drowned in Cardinia Creek whilst shepherding sheep and later her husband died in 1860. This enterprising woman became the licensee for the Hotel, a remarkable achievement for a woman of her time. Even more remarkable and innovative was her achievement of having a track cut through rugged

terrain from Beaconsfield into the Yarra Valley linking to the Jordan goldfields. Her 4 sons and some other men worked on the track. It started behind the Hotel and then travelled east ward to where O'Neil Road is today and then north, the track now has the present day names of Hughenden Road, Telegraph, Split Rock Road, Downey, Bourke's Creek Road, Paternoster Road and Mt Burnett to Boyd Road, East Beenak to Basan's corner

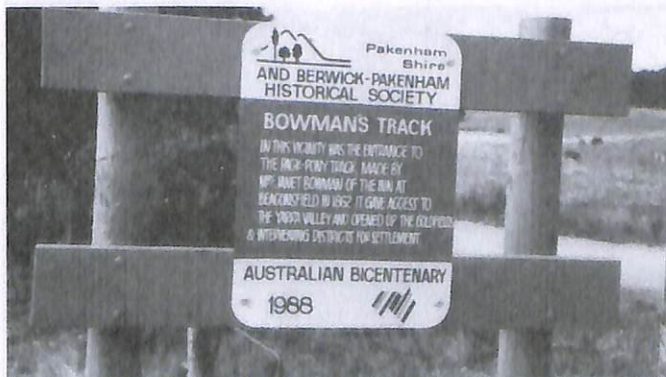
The government wanted to encourage miners and said they would compensate the expenses of those people who had opened up the country to the goldfields. The track cost 1500 pounds and Janet applied to the government for payment for the work and after 20 years, compensation was paid of 300 pounds.

In the April of Victoria's bicentenary year, 1988, Pakenham Shire honoured this visionary lady with the marking of the site of Bowman's track with a plaque and 14 signs along the track. The



**Mrs Janet Bowman**

*Photo of Janet Bowman. It is taken from Reminiscences of Early Dandenong by "GFR" ist published 1935*



*Photo courtesy of Charles Wilson*

Shire President Cr Jeune Matthews unveiled the plaque at the corner of O'Neil Road and Old Princes Highway along with other local dignitaries and more than 150 descendants of the Bowman family who had come to a family reunion that day. Unfortunately the O'Neil Road Sign has vanished with the development and many of the other signs are in disrepair, but the track can still be followed today.

An article and photos describing this historic day appeared in the Pakenham Gazette 20th April 1988

If you read Heather Arnold's blog at <http://cas.eycardinalinkstoourpast.blogspot.com> she tells us of the Royal Connection with Beaconsfield and the Gippsland Hotel in 1869 when the Souter family were then the licensees and Princes Albert stayed at the Hotel for 3 days.



## ADA ARMYTAGE OF HOLM PARK BEACONSFIELD

Ada Armytage was the daughter of Charles and Caroline Armytage and her family owned Como House in Melbourne. After Charles died Caroline and the family continued to live at Como and she purchased Holm Park in Beaconsfield as their country residence.

After Ada's mother died in 1909, Ada moved to Holm Park and lived there until her death in 1939.

Ada was extremely community minded. She was very involved with the scout movement and held many scout camps at Holm Park. She is noted for being responsible for the Dandenong Scout Hall and it is still standing today. It can be seen on the Princes Highway and is very distinctive as it looks like a castle and has the words "Armytage Own" on the front.

She invited people to hold their wedding receptions at Holm Park and was involved in many other community events such as the Berwick Show, local schools and charitable committees.

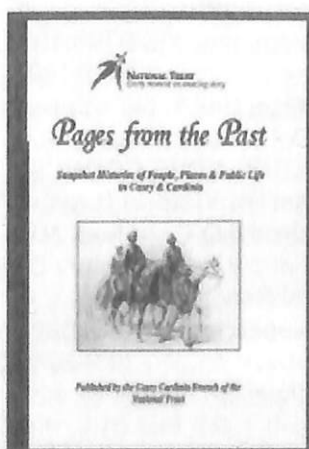
Ada is remembered most significantly for the planting of the Beaconsfield Avenue of Honour along the Princes Highway from Beaconsfield to Berwick. 123 black popular trees were planted in 1929 as a tribute to the Beaconsfield serviceman. This Beautiful Avenue of trees can still be seen today along Old



*Pictured is Ada Armytage at the official opening of the Dandenong scout hall  
Photo courtesy Heather Arnold*

princes Highway from  
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You can read more about Ada Armytage in the National Trust's book *Pages from the Past* available from the National Trust Shop in Pioneers Park Berwick.



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## **Council Committed To All Areas Of Shire In Draft Budget**

Cardinia Shire Council is committed to all areas in the Shire through its 2012-13 draft budget released last month.

The draft budget provides for a total of approximately \$82.6 million to be spent on a vast range of operating services, asset upgrades, program initiatives and improvements to community facilities and infrastructure across the Shire. This is an increase of \$6.7 million or 9 per cent on the previous financial year.

With such a large and diverse municipality, Council is mindful when framing its budget to ensure the needs and expectations of all residents are taken into account, not just some. But, there are community expectations that cannot be fulfilled which are addressed in the forward strategy that forms part of the budget process.

Cardinia Shire Mayor Cr Ed Chatwin said the budget focused on an equitable distribution of Council spending across the Shire.

"Much community comment is made about a perceived disparity between the capital spending in the growth area of Pakenham, Beaconsfield and Officer, and other parts of the Shire. In fact, the majority of Council-funded capital works spending goes outside the growth area.

"Similarly, the operating budget is shirewide expenditure, such as, road and drainage maintenance, social services, buildings and facilities and many others," Cr Chatwin said.

Shirewide projects include:

- significant increase in asset renewal and upgrades around Cardinia Shire, including

roads, bridges and buildings, footpaths and drainage replacement, plant and plant replacement, recreation reserves and sporting facilities (\$14.51m), highlighted by:

- bridge replacement and upgrades (\$500k) and new footpaths (\$400k)
- capital works grants of \$468k
- upgrades to buildings and facilities throughout the Shire (\$460k)
- funding of projects relating to townships strategies (\$200k).

Growth area projects include:

- funding for the last year of the flood mitigation program which totalled \$2.5m over the two years. Additional \$4m set aside for reinstatement of flood damaged assets.
- continued development of

Cardinia Road Community Centre (\$4.8m) and Heatherbrae Recreation

Reserve (\$1.52m)

- Cardinia Road Developer Contributions Plan (DCP) projects. This includes Henry Road and Mulcahy Road extension (\$2.6m)
- further development of Holm Park Road Recreation Reserve (\$600k) and Henry Road soccer facility (\$1.1m)
- continued funding for the duplication of McGregor Road, Pakenham, north of the railway line (\$500k).

Submissions for the draft budget have closed.

All submissions will be heard at a special Council meeting starting at 7pm on Tuesday 12 June and considered in accordance with section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989

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## Group Receives Grant from Melbourne Water

*by J. Smith*

The Friends of Cardinia Creek Sanctuary have received a community grant of \$11,000 from Melbourne Water to go towards weed removal and revegetation of a small parcel of land on the western boundary of the Cardinia Creek in Berwick.

Work will commence shortly removing weed species including Winter Cheery, Hawthorn, Pittosporum, Blackberries, Honeysuckle and Spear Thistle. Weeds outcompete native plants for space and resources and this in turn depletes the quality of wildlife habitat.

The Friends of Cardinia Creek Sanctuary formed in March 1998 to assist in the conservation of Beaconsfield Flora and Fauna Reserve, an area of approximately 38 hectares along the eastern boundary

of Cardinia Creek just north of Beaconsfield township.

Weeds currently proliferating on the western bank of Cardinia Creek affect weed control work already completed on the eastern side by the spread of seed via water, wind and birds.

Infill planting of local indigenous plants at the site is scheduled for autumn next year over several tree planting days, dates are yet to be fixed. If anyone is interested in coming along to these days or would like to be involved on a more regular basis, the Friends hold working bees on the fourth Saturday of each month and meet on the corner of Holm Park Road and Beaconsfield Emerald Road, Beaconsfield, at 9am. All most welcome.

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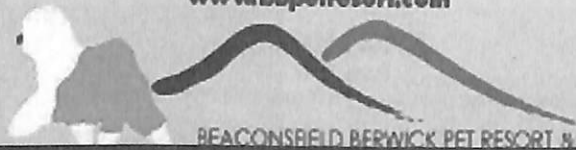
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by Roger Gordon

By the time you read this Beacy Banner we will have had our Interest Meeting on Tuesday 5th June to start a Joey Scouts Mob. We look forward to it commencing every Tuesday during School Term from 4.30pm to 5.30pm at the Scout Hall at the Starling Road Officer Recreational Reserve. Joey Scouts are for girls and boys aged 5 to 7 and we will provide them with a sound programme. This programme will develop a sense of sharing; personal identity through exploration of surrounds and nature and responsibility for one's self and one's actions through playing games, craft activities and exciting outings.

We are very fortunate to have Darleene Miles as our Joey Scout Leader under the guidance of Kym Mason, a Wood Badge Leader. Darleene is very enthusiastic about starting our Joey Mob and has had heaps of experience in providing a great time for the Joeys. For any enquiries or further information you can contact Darleene on 5941990 or email [miles.darleene.d@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:miles.darleene.d@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Our Cubs in the last three weeks have been bowling, obtaining their First Aid Badge and having an International Cooking Night where they have cooked food originating in India, Mexico, America and Italy. Scouts have had a great time this term with a couple of weekend

camps, an overnight hike and a very busy Thursday night. Half of our Scouts are going to the Jamboree at the end of this year in Queensland along with our three Scout Leaders. We have been fundraising to meet some of the cost of the Jamboree and if you see us outside Woolworths Beaconsfield please say "Hello" and buy a sausage.

If you are near the Beaconsfield Community Centre you should drop in and check out the Beaconsfield Scout Display. This has been arranged by Margaret Turner, a well known Beaconsfield resident and Scouter for many years. It is worth a look!

All communities are richer for the help and assistance that Service Clubs such as Lions contribute. We were very appreciative of receiving a donation from the Lions Club of Berwick which will help towards the cost of our Scout Leaders going to the Jamboree. Thank you very much.

If you have any enquiries or need further information on our programmes for Joeys, Cubs or Scouts; or are interested in becoming an Adult Leader please contact Roger Gordon on 97072414 [gordon@cyberspace.net.au](mailto:gordon@cyberspace.net.au) or Leanne Fraser on 97072417 [leanne\\_fraser@live.com.au](mailto:leanne_fraser@live.com.au).

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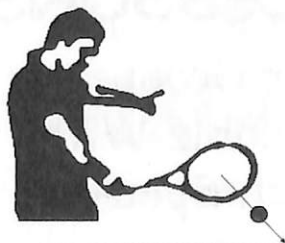
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-- Bob Dylan

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## TALKING WEATHER

by Nathan Boon

The last 2 months have seen it extremely wet. The rain has yet to ease and as we head into winter Melbourne's water storage continues to rise.

In April there was rain on 10 days; totaling 136mm. this was the highest April total since April 2001 when there was 146mm. This is also the highest total I have in my records. The April average is only 67mm. The highest daily total I had for April was recorded on Tuesday 24th when there was 48mm.

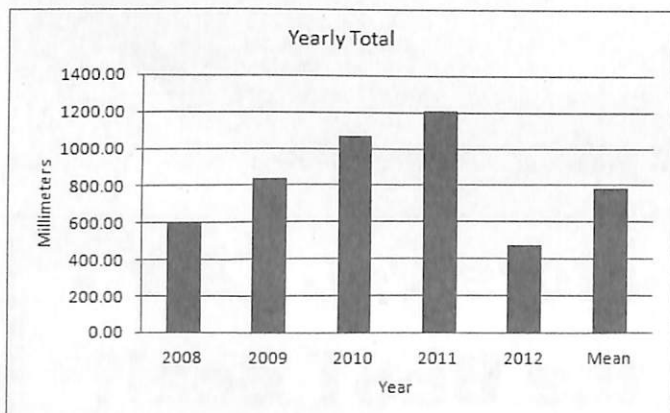
May saw very similar numbers to April. There was 133mm of rain that fell over 13 days. This was the highest monthly total since 2000 when there was 142mm. Thursday 3rd saw 42mm and this was the highest daily total for May.

The yearly total is now at 472mm. This is 126mm

less than last year. This is 180mm above the average to the same point.

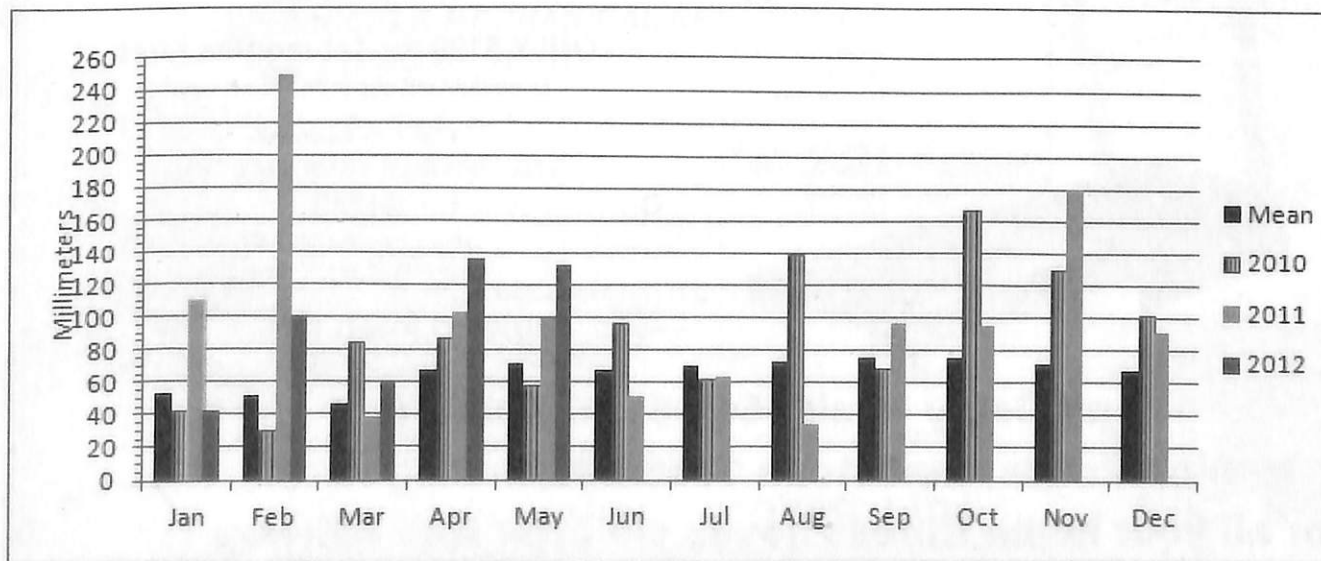
With all the rain over the last 2 months the ground has now become extremely wet in our catchment areas. With all this rain Melbourne's water storage is now up to 66.5%. This is up from 55% at the same time last year. Back in June 2009 Melbourne water storage was at the 25% the lowest it ever got to.

With the rain continuing to fall at the start of June it looks like we are in for a cold wet winter.



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# BEACONSFIELD NETBALL CLUB

by H. Studham

Beacy Netballers have enjoyed being 'back on court' for the first 5 rounds against some very tough opposition in Narre Warren, Pakenham, Berwick, Tooradin and Keysborough so far. All teams have tasted success during these five rounds and we look forward to following up on these successes for the remainder of the season.

The Juniors have improved weekly under their respective coaches and we applaud the time and effort expended by these coaches to further the netball knowledge of the younger brigade, who hopefully, will take their places in senior teams of the future. Coaching Junior teams at any level is a very worthy and rewarding position and to see improvement weekly is great.

## CONGRATULATIONS

to Jasmine Maddocks, Jacinta Goldsack and Bianca Sanzano who have been chosen in the MPNFL Casey Cardinia Netball Intra-League Squad. Well done to you all - we are extremely proud of you. Jacinta is also playing in the game before the Vixens on 3rd June and we will have a large group courtside to cheer her along.

Socially, we have Mini Tatts up and running and also Pineapples on game day. We have also been able to raffle a fantastic Meat Tray compliments

of the Gourmet Butcher in Beaconsfield Plaza on each of our home games. Thankyou so much. Local sporting Clubs are finding it more and more difficult to raise money in this tough economic climate and we do appreciate your most generous donation.

The Life Members ran a very successful TRIVIA NIGHT at Slippery Jacks recently and we would like to thank our sponsors for the evening, Taylors Wines, Pryor family, Terry White Chemist, Individual Flower Gallery and Slippery Jacks who were most generous with beautiful gourmet finger food and a stunning venue in the European Deli Room. Terry and Linda Lock provided the Trivia and ran the event with the absolute professionalism we have come to expect from them. Altogether a super fundraiser and one which we will be sure to repeat again next season.

**COMING UP - Thursday 21st June - Auction at Georgio's.** All welcome. The theme for this evening - run by Steve Pallas - will be the **UNSUNG HEROES** of the Club over a period of many years. We have lots of great items to be auctioned off during the evening and are looking forward to a super night. Bookings - Heather 0419 707 623 or Maree 0417 129 663

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## Poetry Workshops For Poetry Slammers

Cardinia Shire Council is holding two poetry workshops this coming school holidays in preparation for a poetry slam on Thursday 26 July at Pakenham Library.

The first 'poetry jam' workshop is on Friday 6 July at Emerald Library from 2pm-3.30pm. The second is on Friday 13 July at Pakenham Library from 2pm-3.30pm.

Council's Youth Participation Officer Samantha Kosky said the workshops would help young people develop skills and make friends in a space where they could express themselves in a safe environment before the upcoming slam.

"The April slam was jam-packed so we thought it would be great to bring it back again for the school holidays. It's a family fun event with awesome prizes to be won," Ms Kosky said.

To register for one of the poetry workshops, email [youth@cardinia.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@cardinia.vic.gov.au) or call Youth Services on 1300 787 624.

"We are also taking expression of interests now for the slam via email [youth@cardinia.vic.gov.au](mailto:youth@cardinia.vic.gov.au)," Ms Kosky added.

For more information on the poetry jam workshops or the upcoming poetry slam visit [www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/youth](http://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au/youth)

## Have Your Say On Council Communication And Customer Service

Cardinia Shire Council is seeking feedback from residents about the quality and accessibility of its customer service and the way in which Council communicates with its community.

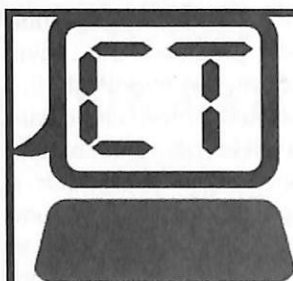
The 2012 Council communication and customer service survey was launched today and residents are invited to share their views.

Council's Customer Service Manager Rob Petreski said it was envisaged that this research would help to shape the future focus for communications and customer service delivery for Council.

"We want to know what is working for people and what needs to be improved," Mr Petreski said.

The survey asks residents how they currently get information about Council and its services, and how they would prefer to get the same information. It also seeks feedback on residents' satisfaction with Council's customer service centre and asks for suggestions as to how customer service can be improved.

The survey will be conducted via telephone and is also available online at [www.cardinia.vic.gov.au](http://www.cardinia.vic.gov.au). Residents have until Saturday 30 June to complete the survey and provide their feedback. For more information, contact Council's Communications Manager on 1300 787 624.



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## Beaconsfield Cricket Club News

by N. Boon

Beaconsfield Cricket Club recently held its AGM. The committee would like to thank Russell Vincent, President for 2011/12 season, for his time in-charge at the club.

Returning to the club in 2012/13 will be Steve Keam. Steve was elected as Club President for this forthcoming year. Steve is no stranger to the position of Club President, holding office between 1995-2001 and again for the 2005-2006 seasons. During his time as President, Beaconsfield was able to win two senior premierships in 1991/92 and again in 05/06.

Steve aims to continue on from the previous work that Russell and the committee had started. Steve has a committed committee to work with to ensure the club continues to grow. We wish Steve all the best for the season ahead.

Also returning to the club in 2012 will be a Coach that took the club to a Premiership at the same time, as Steve Keam was President in 05/06. Glenn Marinic has been appointed Senior Coach for the club and will look to rebuild the club back to where it belongs at the top of the West Gippsland Cricket Association. We welcome Glenn and wish him well for the season ahead.

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If you are interested in becoming a sponsor of the club or any information regarding training and playing at the club contact committee member, Nathan Boon 0419 859 018.

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## 9th Annual Antique Fair 21st July

Pakenhams 9th Annual Antique Fair, to be held 21st July at Pakenham Racecourse, Racecourse Road, Pakenham between the hours of 9am to 4pm.

40 Stallholders all under cover selling a variety of goods from glassware, china, Australian Pottery, dolls, linen & lace, books, small furniture, jewellery, bric a brac etc. Many bargains available on the day.

Valuations will be done at 1.00pm by top valuer David Freeman at a cost of \$5 per item. Admission on the day is \$5 adults, \$4 conc and children free. Café facilities will be available so you can enjoy the whole day out. Monies are going to our charity which is the Crisis Relief Centre for the Cardinia Shire. All enquiries 03 59 411327.

4C's is also looking for volunteers who would like to work at our centre in Pakenham assisting clientele in receiving food and helping to keep food rooms stocked.

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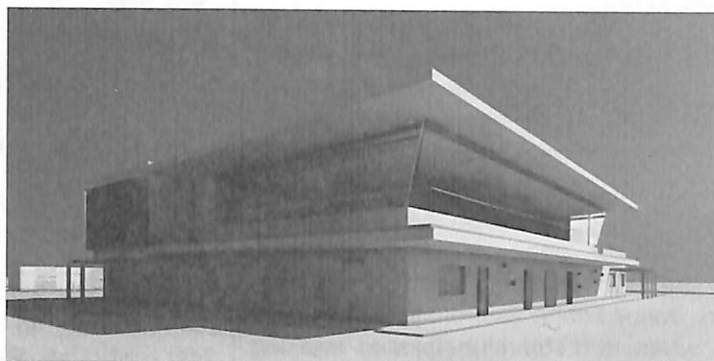
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# BEACONSFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

by Debbie McManus



Well footy season is about half way through now and another footy year will be over before we know it. This is our last year at the Perc Allison Oval and although we are really excited about moving to our new home we will miss our old clubrooms as they hold fond memories for many, many people.

So time moves on and Beaconsfield's new community sports complex is under construction with a completion date of October 2012

Situated on the Cnr of Emerald-Beaconsfield & Holm Park Rds, this new complex will be state of the art and as well as being the new home for the Beaconsfield Football & Netball Clubs it will also serve as a community & recreational complex for all the local residents to enjoy. This is an exciting time for the community as we've waited many, many years for this to come to fruition. We are grateful for the help received from Local & State

governments, however, we have to raise a significant amount of money to be able to fit out the building so it can be successfully put into service for the use of the various sporting clubs and the community as a whole.

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Round 3 saw us go head to head with Berwick to fight it out for the "Battle of the Creek" trophy. These games have evolved into a tradition between our two clubs and celebrates the healthy and long standing rivalry that exists between neighbours. Beaconsfield came out on top this time with a healthy score of 17.7.109 against Berwick's 8.5.53. The clubrooms were packed after the game as Beaconsfield and Berwick joined together to both celebrate and commiserate their respective teams' results on the day. As is always the case great sportsmanship on both sides is always the winner. Our next "Battle of the Creek" will be at Berwick's home ground in Round 12 and everyone is looking forward to another great game.

### **Upcoming Home Games**

Round 8	Saturday	16th June	Beaconsfield	Vs	Hampton Park
Round 11	Saturday	14th July	Beaconsfield	Vs	Pakenham
Round 13	Saturday	4th August	Beaconsfield	Vs	Tooradin-Dalmore
Round 15	Saturday	18th August	Beaconsfield	Vs	Doveton

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Here's a few words from Aussie (our senior coach) about how he felt on the day for this particular game.

Sunday was an enormous day for our club – on and off the field. This would be the last time playing our arch rival Berwick at Perc Allison Reserve before a move in 2013 to our new facility at Holm Park Road. Obviously the result in the senior game was ideal for our players and club, but I want to highlight just how much time and effort goes into a big Sunday fixture. When I walk into our rooms after a game, it is an honour that the committee, life members, volunteers and supporters make an effort to congratulate me on the effort, although, it is the players that put their bodies and mind on the line. All clubs have tireless volunteers that ensure such a day goes along without a hitch, as it did this week. After such a win at home, it becomes

apparent just how much it means to the people who do work the long hours to allow players to have such an opportunity.

Personally, I wish to thank all volunteers in footy for their dedication to the game and let them know their work is respected and appreciated. To our crew, John, Terry, LeeAnne, Geoff and Jenny, together with all who play their role without seeking any limelight, your efforts are rewarded by the way our club presented itself on Sunday, brilliantly!

Aussie

(source Pakenham Gazette)



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