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Beaconsfield's Holm Park Recreation Reserve Officially Opened



The Beaconsfield Holm Park Recreational Reserve was officially opened on 13th April 2013 and was attended by over 500 people who came to watch the first game at the Beaconsfield Club's new facility. The new pavilion provided an excellent view of the oval for the match between Beaconsfield FC and Berwick FC, with Beaconsfield the convincing winner 102 - 52.



The new home for Beaconsfield Senior and Junior Football and Netball Clubs were officially opened by Cr. Brett Owen, Mayor of Cardinia and Brad Battin, MP, Member for Gembrook.





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Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7.30pm, Beaconsfield Community Complex, O'Neil Rd

MEETING DATES: Tuesday July 16th - Beaconsfield Structure Plan Community Consultation

Tuesday August 20th, September 17th, AGM - October 15th 2013

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by Graeme Taylor, President

The Memorial Service for Anzac Day held on 21 April continues to attract attendees and participants. The march and the service organised by the BPA reflect on our community's gratitude for ex and current service men and women. Mv thanks to the Boon family organising this day and those who assisted in many ways. Thanks also to all associated with the afternoon tea and the Beaconsfield Kinder for allowing us use - their facilities.

It was pleasing to receive advice that BPA was successful in receiving a Victorian Government Restoring Community War Memorial Grant of \$9,870. This will allow the BPA to build a rock wall and erect plaques recording our servicemen in the Great War. The wall and plaques will be located in the Beaconsfield Park entrance overlooking the Avenue of Honour in High Street. Thanks to Brad Battin, member for Gembrook and Department of Veterans Affairs in assisting us with this application.

In connection with the changes required to our Rules and Regulations as an Incorporated Association, I attended a Seminar arranged by the City of Casey presented by Pilch Connect a legal service to Community Organisations. Itwas a very informative Seminar with

excellent notes that will be of great assistance when we attend to amending our Rules and Regulations.

As many people would be aware, there has been a planning permit application by Cardinia Park Hotel. primarily to renovate the building and they have applied for approval for 40 electronic gaming machines. Any person who may be affected by the granting of the permit can object or make other submissions in writing to Cardinia Shire Council. The application reference no. is T130057 and should be lodged as soon as possible if you want your views considered. Beaconsfield approval has already been granted to the new hotel in May Road with 60 electronic gaming machines.

A few recent instances of work done by Cardinia Shire after requests include removal of graffiti, trimming of a street tree and erection of a give way sign. You should report any work you consider needs to be done to the Council by phoning 1300 787 624.

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CARDINIA News From Ranges Ward Councillors:

by Mayor Brett Owen

April we saw the official opening of the outstanding state of the art sport and recreation complex. Holm Park Reserve in Beaconsfield. It has been one of the most significant recreation projects for our shire. Holm Park Reserve consists of three ovals, perimeter parking around the main oval, additional formed car parking, two dedicated netball courts and the main pavilion, which includes change rooms, toilets, two umpires rooms, a first aid room, two canteens, a commercial kitchen and a marvellous social and viewing area. This pavilion also features two meeting rooms and a state government funded community room, which is available for the general community.

had project has The much collaboration and consultation between council and the reserve's groups who user countless spent have boundless hours and on the project. energy

Still to come, a netball pavilion, netball courts,



L To R: Cr. Leticia Wilmott, Mayor Brett Owen and Cr. Tania Baxter

a skate park, four cricket nets, a passive play area and playground.

The total cost of the reserve, when completed will be approximately \$12.26 million, including land purchase made up of \$9.6 million from council, \$2 million from state government and a \$660,000 contribution from the Beaconsfield Football Club.

Council hopes Holm Park Reserve will become an important place in the heart of our local community.

The proposed 2013/14 council budget delivers a number of key projects Beaconsfield. Some highlights of the for Beaconsfield include: A netball pavilion at Holm Park Reserve \$600,000. New footpaths \$100,000. Tennis courts upgrade, Access Disability Improvements **Tennis** Beaconsfield Club and Woods kindergarten. Street For full details on the budget, please visit council's website www.cardinia.vic. gov.au or call 1300 787 624.

The Casey Cardinia Business Group has been launched and is a great opportunity for business people to network with other businesses who wish to connect, grow and build long term relationships across the entire Casey Cardinia Region.

The Casey Cardinia **Business** Group supported by both Cardinia and Casev councils. with the key objective in developing a vibrant and active business community. more information, email ccbg@casey.vic. gov.au or go to facebook. com/caseycardiniabusin essgroup to discover the great benefits of being involved in the newest business network for the Casey Cardinia region and Melbourne's South East.

Cardinia Shire recently celebrated National Volunteer Week. It was an opportunity for council to recognise the amazing contribution that all our volunteers make to our community. Thanks to all our volunteers who make Cardinia Shire such a great place to live.



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2350 Plants Successfully Planted by Volunteers

by J. Smith



The Friends Of Cardinia Creek have been working for over fifteen years in Beaconsfield Fauna and Flora Reserve removing enviromental weeds and replanting indigenous plants. Some of the weeds the Friends are removing

are Sweet Pittosporium, wandering trad, thistles and honey suckle.

The Friends have received their latest grant from Melbourne Water for \$11,000 towards replanting. Seeds were collected

by Green Circle Nursery at Upper Beaconsfield and propogated.

The Friends Of Cardinia Creek finished planting 2350 plants near the creek at the end of Cardinia St., over four planting days. There were up to twenty seven volunteers on these days. Thev enjoyed a BBQ after the planting.

The Friends would like to thank all the volunteers including Landcare and the Cardi Kids.

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C o m m e r c i a l property owners/ managers are requested to register interest in the program as soon as possible to help build the opportunity size for everyone invloved. There is no obligation for you to accept an energy offer by registering your interest in the program.

The BPA group buying scheme is open to all residents and businesses in the Cardinia Shire and City of Casey region. People who haven't registered their interest in the program can do so either online or by phone.

The number to call for enquiries including registrations of interest is 1300 994 579 (9am to 6pm, weekdays excluding public holidays).

Information is also available online at www. powergrouppurchasing. com/bpa (The BPA Community Group Buying Scheme)

Services are provided by Power Group Purchasing Pty Ltd and receive a commission sales fee from the energy retailer when you switch to any of the offers.



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It Has Been A Busy Summer

by M. Ott

The Beaconsfield Volunteer Fire Brigade was kept busy over the summer supporting at a number of major fires across Victoria as well as a high number of smaller blazes locally.

Crews from Beaconsfield were sent to fight the Donnelly Creek and Harrietville fires which burnt over several weeks reaching more than 85,000 Ha and 30,000 Ha in size respectively. Over several deployments CFA crews from Beaconsfield and surrounding brigades assisted to control these fires. Crews were tasked in direct attack, as well as asset protection and back burning operations.

In mid-February a grass fire broke out in the Donnybrook area north of Melbourne, this fire grew quickly heading south and impacted on home and businesses in the Epping and Craigieburn area.

Beaconsfield Tanker 1 was deployed to this fire as part of a strike team where our crews where tasked in consolidating control lines and blacking out operations. The crews worked hard in difficult conditions to help contain the fire to around 2000 Ha.

Locally from December through to the end of February the brigade attended 67 calls to various fires and incidents, these included a number of illegal burn-offs and suspicious grass and scrub fires. Police investigations into these fires are still ongoing.

Did You Change Your Smoke Alarm Battery?

Did you remember to change the battery in your Smoke Alarm when daylight savings changed in April? Smoke alarms are not just a life saver, as well as letting you know of a fire so you and your family can escape safely, they also



allow you to notify the fire brigade at an earlier stage of the fire. This gives us a better chance to limit the amount of damage to your home and contents.

30 Years Since Ash Wednesday

The 16th of February this year marked 30 years since the tragic Ash Wednesday Bushfires. On that day 75 people died as fires swept through communities in Victoria and South Australia. One of these fires started around 12 km to the North/ West of Beaconsfield in Belgrave South, with strong hot dry winds pushing it to the South East. This fire impacted heavily on the town of Upper Beaconsfield when a strong wind change turned the fire which

swept rapidly through the township. In Upper Beaconsfield 21 people lost their lives including 12 CFA fire-fighters from Narre Warren and Panton Hill Brigades. 186 homes were destroyed along with community facilities such as, St. John's Church, Hotel, Service Station, general store and Kindergarten.

A service was held at the rebuilt St John's Church to mark the 30th anniversary of these tragic events. This service was attended bv Ash Wednesday survivors. fire-fighters and community members young and old where they were able to reflect on the events of that day, remember and pay tribute to those who lost their lives.

Beaconsfield Captain, Paul Hayes said "It was a moving tribute. It was both sad and inspirational, 30 years on it is good to see we have not forgotten that day and yet the community is stronger from it."

CFA are reminding all residents to continute to be fire safe even though it is Winter. In a recent media artilce on the CFA website - "Just a few simple actions can help prevent fire in your home – such as always keeping an eye on the cooking and keeping at least one metre clear space around heaters and open fires" www.cfa.vic.gov.au



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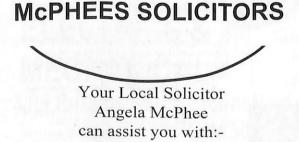
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PROBUS

by Keith Goodman

I have lived in Beaconsfield for over 27 years. Following my retirement and the long illness and subsequent death of my wife Anne some four years ago I realised I had not really connected with the greater community.

What to do? PROBUS was considered but I prevaricated, finally some 9 months ago I became a member. The result.

At first it was difficult, not helped by my inherent inability to remember names. I needn't have worried. Meetings I found to my surprise were more than interesting and I was made welcome (very). Speakers were interesting, in fact fascinating. Organ Transplantation. Under Port Phillip Bay, History of the Maribyrnong River, My Life as a Travel Agent and the Coast Guard of Victoria. Too many others to mention, all had you listening intently or laughing, most importantly all having a human touch.

Lunch after meetings is optional. Monthly we have a choice of Coffee Club, Movie Club, Luncheon Club, Craft Club, 500 Cards, Golf and the occasional trip to somewhere fascinating.

An indication of how our Probus cares for its members is that I missed a recent luncheon and soon after received a call to see if I was ok. These things make a difference.

All of our functions have something for everybody, but it is the friendship which has stood out, people have gone out of their way to make me feel included. Our meetings don't just scrape by on limited numbers, usually 45/55 attend. We must be doing something right.

No doubt a PROBUS with its future assured, run by the "ordinary" members, but all extraordinary in some way.

We meet at 10.00 am on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at The Beaconsfield Community Centre, people don't arrive at 10 ,it's more like 9.40/45, just enough to squeeze in an extra chat.

Come along, don't hesitate like me, you will be made more than welcome.

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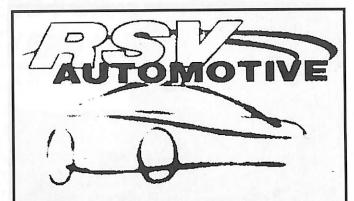
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In addition to this, here's what some top medical researchers had to say about chiropractic...
"Manipulation, with or without exercise, improved symptoms more than best care (medical care) alone after three and 12 months." - British Medical Journal 2004; 329 (7479); 1377-1381.

A scientific study concluded that patients with chronic neck pain showed "clinically important improvements from a course of spinal manipulation.... Manipulative Physiol Ther. 2007 July; 30(6): 473-8.

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Sincerely, Dr. Robbie Hunt

BPS Corner



by Gary Methven, Principal

With the heat of summer behind us, the fresh autumn lend themselves days sport and outdoor Junior Cross activities. Country on the 3rd of May was an early highlight, with every child from Years P-2 participating on the school oval. The senior children sat around the centre of the oval, not only marking the inside of the running track but placing themselves where they could cheer and give encouragement to the little ones. Whilst fastest raced for gold, many of the little ones took the opportunity to give "high fives" to their Yr. 5/6 buddies. It was a fantastic and fun parents. spectacle for and students.



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Thursday the 9th and Friday the 10th of May saw 18 keen senior netballers take on surrounding schools in the annual St Margaret's Tournament. Congratulations to mixednetballteamwhoafter 10 games was undefeated in the tournament; winning

the Grand Final against Berwick Lodge 10 - 5.

The children can be proud of their team play and sportsmanship; they were a credit to themselves and to our school. (The Mixed Netball team pictured above)

chimes was completed last week. At 6 metres long and with chimes up to 1.9 metres in length, we think that Beaconsfield Primary now has the largest musical instrument in any Primary School in the country! The chimes are the centrepiece and first of our outdoor instruments to be placed in our Music Garden; they are a fully chromatics. four octave set. Our Music Teacher, Mrs. Irene Carroll is looking forward to incorporating the chimes into her music program performances, at the moment, we are encouraging play! During recess and lunchtime, we place chime mallets out by the instrument with which the children can experiment. On the first day of operation. over 200 children took turns on the chimes goodness knows what the neighbours made of that! If you want to hear the chimes yourself, go to our website to learn more about our beautiful school: http:// www.beaconsfield.vic.edu. au/ or click on the QR code.

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by GRAEME J TAYLOR, F.C.A.

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Some matters for businesses to consider at year-end include:

-prepay expenses where possible e.g. Rent, interest on loans

-pay employer superannuation contributions by 30 June to obtain a deduction

-businesses can now claim an immediate deduction for new items of plant and equipment etc. of up to \$6,500

-an upgrade of a business vehicle with a new or used vehicle is eligible for an immediate deduction of \$5,000 with the balance subject to normal depreciation claims

-for businesses declaring income on a "cash" basis delay invoicing and receipt of monies through Bank Account.

- Superannuation contributions by self-employed persons of up to \$25,000 p.a. must be received by the superannuation fund by 30 June

-if you have capital gains in the current year, review for capital gains losses broughtforward or consider selling assets by 30 June at a loss to offset gains

-review stock and write-off if obsolete

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Dear Readers,
Local Sporting
Champions Grants

Congratulations to young baseballers from our area, Jake March and Aaron Ouwehand for each receiving \$500 in funding as part of the Government's Federal Local Sporting Champions Grants. The grant is a way that a bit of additional support can be given to local athletes competing sports at state. national or international championships.

Jake, from Guys Hill, and Aaron, from Beaconsfield Upper, will represent Victoria in the upcoming national youth championships, and the funding will be used to cover a portion of the costs on their way to achieving future sporting success.

Mental Health Initiatives In Our Area

by Laura Smyth, MP Federal Member for La Trobe

I encourage other local residents to keep an eye out for the next round of sporting grants. To apply for future rounds of the Local Sporting Champions Grants you can visit www.ausport.gov.au for more information.

Mental Health Initiatives in our area

During recent weeks there have been a number of important initiatives that the Federal Government has supported in the area of mental health. These are programs and services which will be of benefit to residents in the Casey and Cardinia regions.

One of these important initiatives is an investment services support people for carers of facing mental health Australia issues. Mind received \$615,600

Federal Government funding for its Cardinia and Casey programs.

This increased funding will allow Mind Australia to offer carers short breaks and allow them to participate in community and social activities, engage in peer support groups and education, or receive counselling and advice, all contributing to their own health and wellbeing.

The Federal Government's record commitment of \$2.2 billion to mental health services around the country has also enabled a local headspace youth mental health centre to be opened to support the Cardinia and Casey regions. Headspace is a service available to young people of between 12 and 25 years of age who may face mental health issues. I was very pleased to ioin Federal Minister for Mental Health, Mark Butler at the recent opening of this important new service which will assist residents in Casey and Cardinia and which also offers support to schools.

Finally, I was very pleased to have the Minister for Health, Tanya Plibersek, visit our area this week to announce additional funding to enable local young people to have more access to **GPs** and counsellors from the Berwick GP Super Clinic, which operates from the site of Monash in University Berwick.

For more information about headspace, please visit www.headspace.org. au or call 9027 0100. For more information about Mind Australia, please visit www.mindaustralia.org. au or call 1300 286 463.

These are just a few of the things that I thought readers may like an update about. If you would like information or assistance, please contact my office on 9796 1788 or email me at laura. smyth.mp@aph.gov.au.

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Located in the Community Complex , 8 O'Neil Road

by Mim Gillespie, Centre Co-ordinator

We have had a great response to our term 2 classes and after a very busy term 2, we are looking forward to adding holiday program activities and new courses in term 3. We are trying to introduce courses and activities that the local community wants, so please let us know if you have ideas about classes you would like us to provide.

School Holiday Activities

We will be running school holiday activities on Wednesday July 10th. Please watch out for fliers about Beginner's Make up for Years 7 - 12; a workshop for parents and children to make Soy Candles together; and a kid's cartooning workshop.



New Term 3 Courses

New classes for children will include a children's drama course and an animal cookies workshop, and for the adults, as well as our regular classes – a new relaxation class, making bliss balls, tarot reading, new patchwork classes and exciting new computer classes. Pleaseringtheofficeph8768

4400 or check our program booklet for class details

Children's Activities Busy

Our children's room is working at capacity, and we need to move into the hall for some activities. For tiny tots we have some places available in our Wednesday afternoon and Toddler playgroups, so please ring the Centre for details.

Goodbye to Janine and Elma

We are sad to lose two wonderful tutors – Janine, who has taken our acrylic painting and mosaics classes for many years, and Elma, who has been our long time patchwork tutor. Many students have appreciated their classes and we wish Janine and Elmaallthebestinthefuture.

...and Welcome To Our New Tutors

Our new patchwork tutors will be Faye, Sue and Julie, who bring their own style and lots of experience to their classes. Acrylic painting will be taught by Leanne, and Mosaics will be taught by Cheryl. New and existing members are invited to come along and try the new classes.

Biggest Morning Tea
On 23rd May the Centre
hosted a Biggest Morning
Tea to raise money for
the Cancer Council.
The Tea also raised
awareness about prostate
cancer. Thank you to
everyone who came and
donated time and money.

Book Corner

The book corner and exchange that was introduced by volunteers as a free service for members last year is always expanding. A reminder to all members that they are welcome to browse and borrow.

Tax Help

From July to October the Tax Office is providing skilled and trained volunteers to assist low income earners with their tax returns. If you would like to take advantage of this service at the Centre, please contact the office ph. 8768 4400 to book a time.

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BEACONSFIELD SCOUT REPORT

by Leanne Fraser

Time is flying by in 2013, and our Scout Group continues to be busy, and out and about. With winter approaching, the fire has been lit, and warmth radiates the hall.

Joeys have been to the City, participated in ANZAC services Beaconsfield, Berwick Pakenham, visited the Shrine, wrapped their Mummys as mummies, and worked on their Buddy badge with 1st Berwick Central Joeys. Cubs celebrated Mother's Might with their Mums and made them jewellery boxes and are looking forward to a sleep over including cooking damper. Scouts have been out camping, hiking and building towers. Venturers travelled to Ballarat, went to Dawn Service and hike competitively. Rovers held a trivia night, raised money for charity, helped at community promotion events, and learnt to make cocktails.

Scouting is an opportunity for anyone in our community — whether as a youth member, an adult wanting to be a leader, or just being interested enough to help out through our committee. We have welcomed families into our Group and community who have just moved to the area. There are always vacancies for interested children, youth and young adults to come along and try out Scouting for three weeks.

Our sections are:

Tuesdays 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm

* Cubs
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* Scouts

Thursdays
* Venturers

Fridays 7.30 pm to 10.00pm * Rovers

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The 2013/14 State Budget

by Brad Battin, Member for Gembrook

2013/14 The State Budget delivers a strong investment in infrastructure and ensures Victoria keeps with population growth while maintaining its strong financial position.

This includes several multimillion dollar investments Casey-Cardinia the Growth Corridor, which will improve amenities for local residents and prepare for future growth in the region.

Locally, the budget includes funding for the duplication Cardinia of Road, funding to complete the Berwick Trades Career Centre, funding to rebuild Emerald Primary School, and more than \$20 million to improve services on the Dandenong Railway line.

First home-buyers looking to build a home will also benefit from an increase to the First Home Owners Grant, which is now \$10,000 newly constructed Stamp homes. Dutv concessions of 40 per cent have been brought forward for all first home-buyers.

home owners will benefit from changes to the Fire Services Levy, which will save residents in Cardinia, Casey and Yarra Ranges more than \$100 their insurance bill.

I am pleased the Victorian Coalition Government has delivered a Budget with a strong focus on infrastructure the Gembrook electorate.

In Melbourne, the Victorian Government will deliver stage 1 of the East West Link at a total capital cost of \$6-8 billion. As a nationbuilding piece of major infrastructure, a funding contribution of \$1.5 billion from the Commonwealth Governmentwillberequired to ensure its timely delivery.

The East West Link will provide а **bypass** Melbourne and transform the way people move Victoria around linking Eastern Freeway CityLink, alleviating congestion and ensuring travel-time reliability.

Enabling regional freight to bypass Melbourne will reduce costs for regional exporters. The East West Link will also improve to Melbourne access Airport. ln addition to funding the East West Link, the Victorian Coalition Government will invest more than \$2 billion in other new infrastructure projects.

Families and householders will also benefit from the Coalition Government's reforms to the Fire Services Levy (FSL). The property levy replaces the old levy on insurance premiums. leading to a fairer system with all property owners making а contribution the fire services. rather than just those who take out insurance.

The Coalition Government has removed the unfair taxon-tax, which charged GST and stamp duty on the FSL.

Other regional and statewide initiatives in Victorian **Budget** benefiting Gembrook electorate include:

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\$170 million over three yearsforaroadmaintenance program which includes \$90 million towards deteriorated renewing roads by strengthening the pavement and a further \$80 million for resurfacing works to make roads more resilient to wet weather; * a record \$14.34 billion in health funding state-wide to treat more patients and manage the increasing pressure on the system, \$81.5 including million regional hospitals and health services; * \$11.6 billion in education fundingstatewidetoimprove student outcomes ensure Victorians have the skills needed for the future; \$33.7 million over the next two years to expand the Coalition Government's planned burning program, recommended as Victorian Bushfires the Commission; Royal

million tourism campaign to drive regional tourism. while raising awareness interstate and internationally, of Victoria's destinations regional experiences; and * \$61 million for upgrades replacements fire stations; rural \$4.7 million over two years to help better protect livestock industry serious disease, with a particular focus on preparing for an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease; * \$16 million for grants to landholders and regional organisations to support native vegetation and threatened species; \$2.3 million for Rural Financial Counselling Service providing assistance primary to fishers and producers, rural businesses small suffering financial hardship; \$91 million extra for

out-of-home care across Victoria to continue work the lives improving vulnerable children: * \$42.4 million for continued support for mental health beds across Victoria: \$46.2 million extra to support Victorian children across the State in the vital years before school, including \$7 million to build upgrade children's centres and kindergartens Victoria. across growth corridors and regional areas; * \$8.5 million for a new independent authority to improve game species enforce management, relevant laws and promote responsible hunting; and supporting first home buyers and job creation in the housing construction industry by boosting the First Home Owner Grant \$10,000 for newly constructed properties and reducing stamp

duty from 1 July 2013. Responsible^{*} economic management had delivered an operating surplus in challenging times ensuring that borrowings were kept at prudent levels. This ensures the Coalition Government can invest infrastructure in. critical and better services. If you would like to know more about any initiatives announced in the State Budget, please contact me on (03) 9796 1987 or through my website www.braddattin.com.





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ARTHRITIS

by Beaconsfield Veterinary Centre

in the colder weather, we all find it a little harder to get out of bed in the mornings. Even our pets enjoy sleeping in but have you considered that your furry friend may be struggling to get moving because of sore joints?

Arthritis is a disease that can sneak up on your pet. Arthritis, also known as degenerative joint disease (DJD), affects the smooth cartilage that covers the ends of the bones of a moveable joint. Normal 'healthy' cartilage covers the ends of the long bones and, in conjunction with synovial fluid, provides an almost frictionless, wear resistant, weight-bearing surface. In arthritis, the cartilage is eroded away and the synovial fluid which lubricates the joint thins out, resulting in a further loss of mobility. Movement is also restricted by swelling of the joints. All of these factors combine to cause your pet discomfort and pain. Arthritis can develop due to a number of different factors. Age is a leading cause as most pets will suffer to some degree from joint problems as they get older. Other factors can include the breed for example large breeds can be more susceptible to joint problems. Extra unnecessary weight places undue stress on joints. Injuries such as trauma from an accident, everyday wear and tear from vigorous activity and other disorders such as hip or elbow dysplasia can also lead to joint problems.

Some of the signs to watch out for which may indicate vour pet is suffering from arthritis can include: Difficulty jumping into the car, up on the furniture or climbing stairs

Stiffness especially in the morning

Difficulty getting up or lying down

Reluctance to walk, play or chase the ball Sleeping or resting more

Less excited to greet you, less interactive

Excessively lickina. chewing or grooming over ioints

Reluctance to move freely in and out of cat flap or even the litter box

Matted or scruffy coat from not grooming well due to pain.

Don't assume that it's just old age or that nothing can be done. Your pet may be in pain and something can be done! If your pet is showing any of these signs, arrange a check up with us. The earlier we detect a problem, the sooner your pet can be helped and the progression of arthritis can be slowed.

There is plenty we can do to slow the progression of arthritis and help your pet live a more comfortable life. It is important we rule out any other problems first so a consultation us is essential. with We can then discuss a suitable treatment plan for your furry friend and if medication is necessarv. Treatment can involve a course of Cartrophen injections. These injections can reduce inflammation and help improve the cartilage and joint fluid quality. Also, depending on the degree of arthritis using anti-inflammatories pain relief with for Cartrophen injections mav be necessary.

in the mean time, here are a few things you can do at home to help make your pet more comfortable:

- Keep your pet at a healthy weight. Weight reduction where appropriate can lesson the stress on damaged joints and increase mobility.
- Provide a warm, dry and comfortable place to sleep in, up off the floor and away from draughts, good padding is essential.
- Reduce the number of stairs your pet must climb, consider installing non slip ramp.
- Exercise your pet in moderation, gentle daily walks for dogs help keep the joints moving and muscles toned, non weight bearing exercise such as swimming can also help.

If you think your pet may be showing signs of arthritis, contact the clinic on 9769 8777 to make an appointment with one of our vets!

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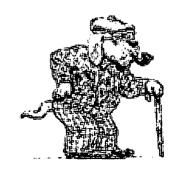
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Make and Mingle

by A. Taylor

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA organized by the Cancer Council raises funds for research, programmes prevention services and support cancer patients for their families. and Make and Minale's At morning tea. remembered our precious friends and family who had been touched by cancer.

Around 95 people came along to enjoy a cuppa and a chat. We had a special display of tea items and a stall and \$521 was donated on the day. Ruth Sharkey from St John of God Hospital, Berwick presented our thinkspot and shared information about the new Oncology department which will be opened later this year.

Our group has been fund raising throughout the year and were able to present a cheque for \$1,182 for the Hospital's Oncology Unit. We are so thankful for the kindness and generosity of our group that has a heart for helping others.

Our group has been sewing Breast Cancer Comfort Cushion packages which are given to women in hospital after surgery. The packs contain carry bags, a special cushion and toiletries. These gifts are both practical and an encouragement to these patients. THANK YOU to all who have contributed to provide these packages. especially thank BEACONSFIELD PHARMACY who have provided toiletries. the



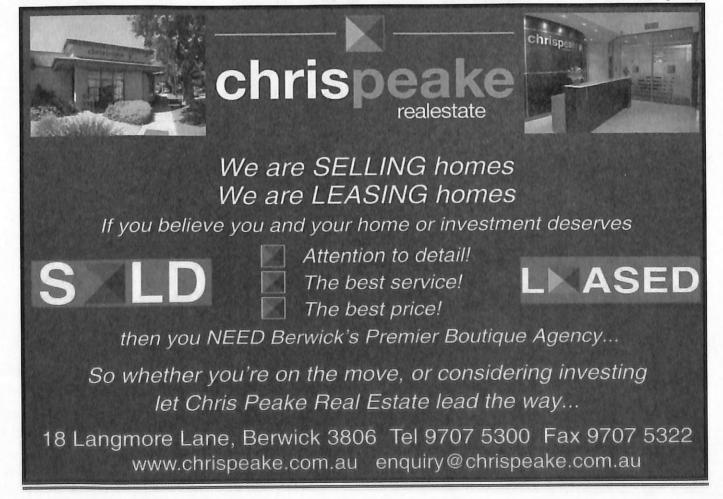
Above: Ann T (right) presenting the Breast Cancer Comfort Cushion packages

This term we have been making beautiful crafts using paper serviettes. We have been delighted to see the amazing range of gorgeous pictures and greeting cards that have been made with the paper serviettes. Now Judy is teaching painted ceramic dolls with serviette bases which look beautiful as a table display.

Knitting is very popular and lots of warm colourful scarves are appearing as well as coathangers

baby items. We and also have patchwork and embroidery groups. A wonderful range of cards have been made using lots of different techniques. Come Wednesday along any during school term to try any of these crafts and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

MAKE AND MINGLE is a friendship and craft group that meets every Wednesday during school term 10am-12 noon at Beaconsfield Baptist Church Cnr. Desmond Court and Old Princes Highway.



OLD BEACONSFIELD HALL AND MECHANICS INSTITUTE

by Ann Taylor

The Old Beaconsfield Public Hall (pictured) was built in 1906 by James Adamson. This hall was the hub of the town and used for weddings and birthdays and all different events and groups. There was also the Beaconsfield Mechanics Institute in the hall.



Mechanics Institutes had their origins in 19th century Britain and were established for the purpose of assisting in the education of "mechanics" as tradespeople were then known. Until 1872, there



was no free education in Britain and the skills and crafts were taught to tradespeople at their place of employment. The founders of the Mechanics movement decided that their workers would

improve if they understood the nature and properties of the tools that they used.

The Berwick Mechanics Institute and Free Library has operated continuously in Berwick since 1862 and is one of only six Mechanics Institutes which still operate as libraries today. The others are at Prahran, Ballarat, Maldon, Footscray and Melbourne Athenaeum.

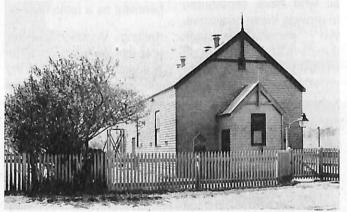
The Adamson family were pioneers in Beaconsfield and James and Agnes came to Australia from England in 1883 and then to Beaconsfield four years later. James and his sons were local builders and built many private and public buildings in the area. The Old Beaconsfield Hall built in 1905 was used by the community till it was demolished in c1970 when the road was to be duplicated Beaconsfield

through A book "If the walls could speak: a social history of the Mechanics institutes of Victoria" sets out histories of around 400 Mechanics Institutes. An expanded reprint is planned for later this year and information about the Beaconsfield Mechanics Institute and the Beaconsfield hall is required. Anyone with information or photographs is requested to contact

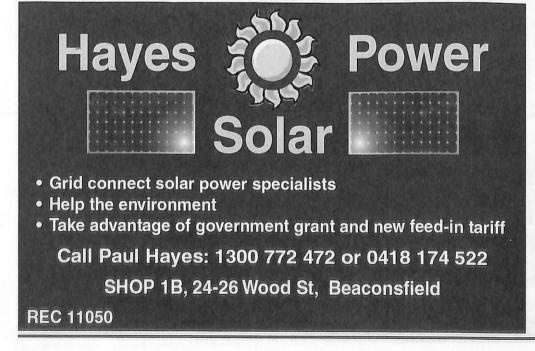
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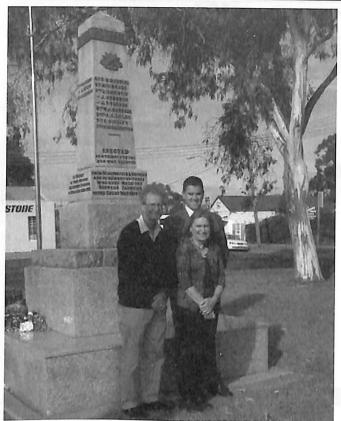
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Pictured: Beaconsfield Public Hall and celebrations of V Day held in the Hall. Courtesy of the Parkes Collection.





Pictured above: Graeme Taylor, Brad Battin and Ann Taylor at the Beaconsfield Cenotaph and some of the original name plates.

Below: The Avenue of Honour looking towards Berwick from the Cardinia Creek.





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Beaconsfield Avenue Of Honour Grant

by A. Taylor

An avenue of Black Poplars was planted in 1929 by Ada Armytage of Holm Park to commemorate the soldiers of this area in the Great War of 1914-1918. Ada was the daughter of Charles and Caroline Armytage of Como House.

These beautiful trees can still be seen along the Old Princes Hwy from the top of the hill in Berwick to the bridge over Cardinia Creek at Beaconsfield.

Sixty-five name plates, one for each serviceman were made, from a light-weight metal and the names were painted on. Due to the deterioration of the plates they cannot be displayed.

The late Tony Rushton and the Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc. have been working towards finding a way these names can be displayed for the public to see. A rock wall will be built in the Beaconsfield Park with a metal plaque listing the 65 soldiers' names. The wall will be positioned with a view to the trees up the highway. The Minister for Veteran Affairs has provided a grant to the BPA of \$9.870 for purchase of the plaques installation erection of the rock wall. This grant was announced by Brad Battin last month and he is pictured with Graeme and Ann Taylor from the BPA who worked on the grant application.

The Beaconsfield war memorial on the corner of Woods Street and Old Princes Hwy has nine Great War servicemen's names listed and the Beaconsfield Honour Board at the Beaconsfield Community Complex has thirty-three Great War servicemen's names listed. The Beaconsfield Park sign was erected as a tribute to the Beaconsfield servicemen in 1939 and was a gift from the Craven sisters who owned the post office in the 1930s.



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Jamie's Ministry of Food Mobile Kitchen

Making home next to the Pakenham Library, Jamie's Ministry of Food Mobile Kitchen, will begin classes on Monday 1st July 2013, delivering a 5-week cooking course to residents of the Cardinia Shire.

As part of Cardinia Shire Council's 'Healthy Together Cardinia Shire' initiative, residents will have the opportunity to access and participate in an innovative; community based cooking program built on Jamie's beliefs about cooking and the associated impact on healthy living.

Mayor Cr Brett Owen said Council was thrilled to be oneof14localgovernments in Victoria to be hosting the Mobile Kitchen.

Classes cost \$10 per session and \$5 per session concession. Bookingsopen to Cardinia Shire residents and can be made at www. jamiesministryoffood.com.

GARDEN & HOME EXPO

by Maureen Versteden

The Baw Baw Garden & Home Expo has been held at Lardner Park field days site for the past 12 years. The venue, which is used for Farm World each year, is situated in the beautiful farming area south of Warragul. The Garden & Home Expo uses two of the HUGE pavilions for the Garden Section and another one for the Home Section. The surrounding flat area outside also has a huge array of beautiful, & interesting excitina plants & products with free parking nearby.

About 50 nurseries display almost every type of plant available, with many rare plants included. The other 60 displays of garden products include garden features, water features, landscaping, pots, spas, hot houses, permaculture, tanks, machinery, tools, mowers, etc. etc. The Home sections' 50 sites include housing finance, housing estates, builders, trades building plans, internal fittings, people, furniture, furnishings, décor,

a great variety of home products, novelties etc. etc.

The Expo also features celebrity quest speaker Andrew Laidlaw, an ABC radio presenter, and other guest speakers, children's activities, including free potting of a plant and entertainment. A wide range of food is available. including Devonshire teas, which is nearly all supplied by many other service clubs. The Expo is a great day out for the whole family with the very affordable entry being; adults \$7 and children under 16 free.

The thirteenth Expo, which is organized by the Drouin Lions Club with all voluntary labour will be held on the second weekend in October - the 12th & 13th, from 9am. to 4pm. The Expo is the second largest, of it's kind, in Victoria, second only to the Melbourne International Flower Show and is only 40 minutes drive into beautiful а area for a great day out.

Enquiries Maureen 0356254589 www.drouin. org.au/gardenexpo



by Jeni Mathieson 4C's CEO

Pakenham's 10th
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9.00am – 4.00pm Admission \$5 adult, \$4 conc Children free.

42 Stall holders undercover selling a huge variety of antiques at bargain prices. Items for sale will include glassware, china, pottery, linen&lace, books, dolls, bric a brac, small furniture, jewellery, etc. Valuations by David Freeman will be done at 1.00pm at a cost of \$5 per item. (no Jewellery, coins, stamps and please bring photo of larger items). Come grab a bargain. Refreshments available on the day. Enquiries 59 411327. All Profits go to 4C's Crisis Relief Centre, Pakenham.

4C's Charity Store now open at 6/114 Princes Highway, Pakenham (behind La Porchetta's). Great bargains. Clothing at \$3. Cheap furniture. Open 9.30 - 4.00pm Friday and Mon Saturday 9.30 - 12.00. Profits go to 4C's Crisis Relief Centre.

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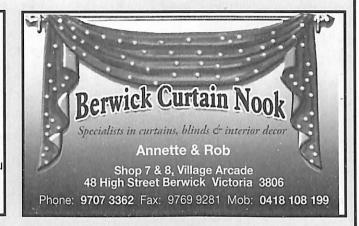
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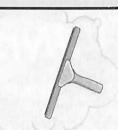
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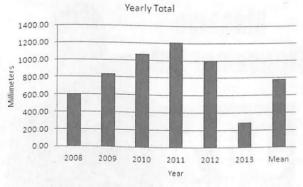
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TALKING WEATHER

by Nathan Boon

With us heading into winter and the days getting colder the rain has finally started to fall.

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The good thing though is that while we had only 292mm for this time there was 139mm in May the second highest I have on record and in the early part of June we have also had plenty of rain. The rain fell over 14 days with the highest daily total on the 31st with a total of 50mm falling for the day. Most of this rain on the 31st fell over night with a large storm moving across

Melbourne after 6pm. This was the highest May total since 2000 when there was 142mm. Back in 2000 the highest daily total in May was 61mm and this also came right at the end of the month on the 28th.

In April there was not much rain to speak of with only 19mm falling in Beaconsfield. This is the second lowest April total. The lowest being 15mm which was recorded in 2007.

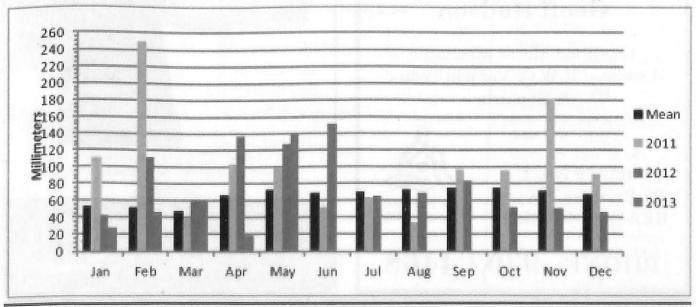
Melbourne's water storage has dropped since the start of the year by 10%. It is currently 70%. It is still higher than at the same time last year when it was only at 65%.

With hopefully plenty of rain over the next couple of months we should start to see this climb.



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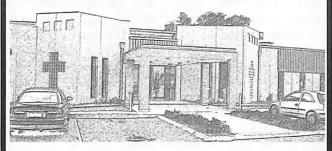
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MORE BREEDING SUCCESS FOR CARDINIA CREEK PLATYPUS

by Geoff Williams, Australian Platypus Conservancy

Three juvenile platypus (two males and a female) recorded during the Australian Platypus autumn Conservancy's trapping survey along Cardinia Creek. Breeding reintroduced this population first occurred in 2006 (the earliest date that the young animals translocated in 2004 were old enough to reproduce) over twenty and well have been iuveniles since then. confirmed Accordingly, it can reasonably concluded that successful breeding is now occurring routinely - a key objective in the strategy to bring back platypus to this small isolated catchment.

Platypus were wiped out in Cardinia Creek by the 1983 "Ash Wednesday" Live-trapping bushfires. surveys carried out by the APC from 1999 to 2003 confirmed that platypus did not occupy Cardinia Creek, despite the fact that

the habitat had by then recovered completely from the effects of the inferno. There appeared to be only a very slim chance that platypus would naturally recolonise Cardinia Creek by travelling from nearby catchments. stream Accordingly, the Australian Platypus Conservancy working (then partnership with Melbourne Water) decided to try to rea population establish by translocating surplus mainly from juveniles, the nearby Tarago River - the first time that such a project had ever been attempted with platypus.

successful The establishment of the original group of animals and the achievement of routine breeding suggests reintroduction that the process provides a model that can be used if we need to re-establish populations in other isolated waterways where the platypus has

become locally extinct.

However, the Cardinia Creek reintroduction itself still has some remaining

challenges.

Many juveniles are not reaching maturity, primarily as a result of human impact on the creek - for example some platypus are known to have been killed in illegal opera house yabby traps, while others may have died as a result of injuries caused by litter. Consequently, the population has not yet become resident along the lower reaches of the creek around Beaconsfield township - and mainly is confined to the original release area downstream Reservoir Cardinia

How you can help:

1) report all sightings of platypus in Cardinia Creek (including any finding of a dead platypus) to the Australian Platypus Conservancy (email: platypus.apc@westnet. com.au; on-line: www.

- 2) immediately report any evidence of use of illegal yabby traps (e.g. "operahouse" or similar enclosed traps which can drown platypus) or unattended fishing nets/lines to DPI Fisheries (Tel: 13FISH).
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by Debbie McManus

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Ladies Luncheon for **Pink Ladies Day**

Celebrating Pink the Footy and Netball Day for all competitions around the State, Beaconsfield Football Club held its annual Ladies Day Luncheon for the first time at the new Beaconsfield Community Sporting Club, which is upstairs from the Football Club. Over 100 ladies enjoyed the afternoon in the superbly decorated room while enjoying a 3 course lunch and lovely Taylors Wines. Our guests for the day were wonderful role models from our junior

girl's football team. With thanks going to all those who attended we managed to raise over \$1,000 for the **Breast Cancer Foundation** and our Junior Youth Girls team also raised in excess of \$1000.00 for the cause. That's over \$2000.00 so thank you and well done to all who contributed. -

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On the game day front – All teams are travelling along nicely as of week 5 of competition. We have

fielded a second U/15 team and have made good use of Court 2 on home game days. What a bonus!!! Looking forward to more clubs being able to put a second U/15 team on court each week. Netball is very much alive and well!

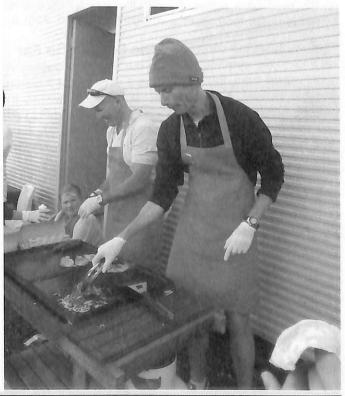


We recently celebrated "PINK" - Breast Cancer Awareness - and our court was aglow with all things pink. Tooradin and Beacy girls all wore ribbons for the cause and a great day of competitive sport was played in the best of spirits, while honouring all women who have faced a battle against Cancer. Canteen provided wonderful baked treats. BBQ Boys were resplendent in their PINK Aprons and a donation of \$500 was raised for the Appeal. Thankyou to our Tooradin friends for assisting us with raffle ticket purchases and also for your patronage of the canteen and raffle on the Jim Devine and his girls were most worthy winners of the Mother's Day Raffle, as the girls had helped out all day with the BBQ and were very excited when the announcement was made. Great family, great result.



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Thankyou to the hard working band at the "Banner" who prepare and publish these informative and valuable information booklets for our community.

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Media Release

Council Partners With Department Of Justice To Clean Up Graffiti In Our Shire

Shire Council and the State Government's Department of Justice are partnering to deliver an innovative new measure that will significantly reduce graffiti in Cardinia Shire.

n the program, supervised teams program participants will remove large displays of graffiti across the Shire part of their community service orders. The scheduled clean-ups happen forthightly.

Cardinia Shire Councillor and Chair of the Cardinia Graffiti Reference Group Cr Jodie Owen welcomed the program, saying it will result in "a cleaner and more pleasant environment for those who live and work here, making us all feel safer and more secure."

"The program means we can now get rid of graffiti much more quickly, and in a far more cost effective way than ever before," Cr Owen said.

Program participants will work out of a purpose-built trailer, using high pressure water systems and 'painting out' to completely remove graffiti, or render gang tags unreadable.

Council's Resilience Relief and Recovery Coordinator Chris Carter also introduced Council's streamlined new process by which residents and traders can report and remove graffiti. This includes a new graffiti removal kit or 'citizen's pack', which will arrive to most areas of the Shire the day after an incidence of graffiti is reported to Council.

Cr Owen said getting rid of graffiti quickly "is crucial to discouraging offenders from striking in the same area again.

"Our thanks go to the Department of Justice for funding this outstanding initiative."

"This program is a great partnership between local communities and the State Government," said Minister McIntosh.

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So when the rocks were soft, Yvonne and I owned an old farm house in Toora in Gippsland. One of the reasons we purchased in Beaky was the fact that the commute dropped to one and a half hours.

However we had bitten off more than we could chew because now we had two houses to restore so we reluctantly sold Toora.

The window hoods on Railway House were copied from the older old house. When we relocated everything we had two galvanized water tanks which we connected to the garage. Very old houses such as ours did not have storm water they simply channelled the water away from the house. After storm water was installed we purchased several more tanks until my baby an 11,000 litre Baileys arrived and we connected it to the garage Tank's are great too. and the water is virtually free, once it rains that is. If we consider one square meter of collection area and we get 1mm of rain, we collect a litre of water... simple enough. If we consider a small 140 square metre house with eaves and a gable roof for 1mm of rain we collect 185 litres and if we have 10mm rain it goes to 1850 litres - a goodly sum of water.

This all brings me to Nathan Boon. Nathan is one of the unsung heroes of Beacy because in every Banner we get - TALKING WEATHER, which is submitted by Nathan and we read it so thankyou Nathan for your ongoing effort.

I tried to keep my own records but it became all too hard and gave up. Nathan on the other hand has been doing this since he was a 'little tacker' and I am sure that these days he has many more things on his mind than rainfall and temperature. Yet every banner come rain or shine the article appears.

In summer it did my heart good to water the garden with 'our water'. This took about two hours and I could feel the stress leaving my body as the mozzie bites started to itch. I am no gardener that credit goes to my wife but I think good gardens are magical places. To me watering the garden on a pleasant evening is the next best thing to walking a dog.

My last dog was a Heeler/ Kelpie Cross called Rex and was my mate. Rex was fond of a coffee with two sugars, rum and coke a good lager and of course munching on the odd cat but that's for another time. Just kidding on the cat, Rex weighed 50 kg was very well fed and could not be bothered chasing anything.

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by Graeme J Taylor Chairman

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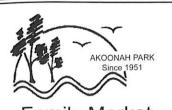
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