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President's Report

Welcome to this Autumn Edition 2020 of the Beaconsfield Banner. I hope you enjoy reading the Banner which continues to inform residents on what is happening. The Banner is available on our BPA Website www.beaconsfield.org.au and printed copies are available from a number of local businesses including the Beaconsfield Post Office.

Carols by the Creek was held on Sunday 22 December at Holm Park Reserve. It was a wonderful evening with perfect weather and probably the largest attendance ever at a new location. The event is presented by Beaconsfield Baptist Church with Beaconsfield Progress Assoc. Inc. and thanks to all those who helped out on the night.

A Christmas Windows Competition was run by Beaconsfield Progress Assoc. Inc. and involved local retailers and the community. Winners were announced at the Carols by the Creek evening. Thanks to the generous shopkeepers for their donations of fabulous prizes and to Bronwyn McCormick for managing the event.

The Outdoor Movie Night and Family Picnic was held at Holm Park Reserve on Australia Day. The location and format for the evening worked well with approx. 200 people attending to see The Castle. Children's activities before the film complemented the Family Picnic atmosphere. Thanks to Cardinia Shire Council for a Grant for this event and to Tania Baxter for managing the event. Thanks also to Kaye Charles Real Estate for providing the sign.

The Anzac Memorial Service will be held on Sunday 19 April. Planning for the event is well underway and you are welcome to assemble at the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade at 1.30pm for the march and the service at the Beaconsfield Cenotaph commencing at 2pm.

It is pleasing to see the progress being made on sealing of Kenilworth Avenue and associated works.

Cardinia Shire Council has proposed recommendations for improvements to the Beaconsfield Shopping Centre Carpark to improve vehicle access and pedestrian safety. This includes Give Way line markings, provision or upgrading of Zebra crossings, improved signage and line markings, pedestrian access paths and repairs to an overhead barrier. Our Association is involved in this process. Cardinia Shire Council has written to the landowners recommending specific improvements to their carparking areas and only one landowner has responded with minimal changes made. Our

Association will continue to pursue this matter as it is of great concern to the community.

Beaconsfield Progress Assoc. Inc. is the voice of the community and is always willing to advocate on township matters to Councils, State and Commonwealth Governments. We welcome visitors to our meetings and to new members to help further the work being undertaken to benefit Beaconsfield. Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Beaconsfield Community Complex commencing at 7.30pm and finishing at 9pm.

Graeme Taylor

President

Beaconsfield Progress Association Inc.

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**BEACONSFIELD ANZAC
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2020
SUNDAY 19TH APRIL
AT THE CENOTAPH
CNR. WOODS STREET & OLD PRINCES HWY.
MARCH COMMENCES 1.50PM.
SERVICE COMMENCES 2PM

ALL INVITED TO MARCH TO THE CENOTAPH

Assemble at Beaconsfield Fire Station
Woods Street at 1.30pm.

All welcome to join us. Afternoon tea.

Further information, attendances & apologies

Contact: Graeme Taylor 0438719960



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Councillors' Report



Cr Jeff Springfield, Cr Leticia Wilmot and Cr Brett Owen

Playground Upgrade- Tantallon Boulevard, Beaconsfield (Panorama Estate)

Work is progressing well on the delivery of the playground renewal at the Tantallon Boulevard retention basin reserve within the Panorama Estate in Beaconsfield.

Two rounds of community consultation were undertaken to determine the final design.

Initially, council officers attended the Beaconsfield Children's Hub to get feedback on the designs from the kindergarten aged children and also emailed the options to community members who had requested to be kept informed in relation to this project (through the first survey) to obtain feedback on the designs. After combining the feedback from the community and Council officer review (as the votes were very close) it was determined that the selected design provided the best play value across all ages.

The installation of the new playground is expected to be completed by April, 2020.

Kenilworth Avenue update

Kenilworth Avenue Stage 2 works have started. The road and drainage works as part of this stage are being carried out by Council and have been designed to continue the first section of sealed road, which is being constructed by developers. Stage 2 extends from the freeway overpass to Coach House Lane, and will include public lighting and a shared path.

Both Stage 1 and 2 are expected to be completed by June 2020.

Safety sign

Have you seen the new sign in Beaconsfield?

Council has installed a new sign in Beaconsfield- Emerald Road that displays vital safety messaging for community members and tourists. During the Fire Danger Period, the sign will alert travellers of the current restrictions in the shire and outside the Fire Danger Period, the sign will be converted to display a combination of road safety and fire safety messages.

The project is a joint initiative of Council, CFA, Victoria Police, Road Safe South East and VicRoads, and was funded by RoadSafe South East, CFA and VicRoads.

Neighbour Day

Neighbour Day is being held on Sunday 29 March. Council encourages all residents to get to know their neighbours – knowing your neighbours can help build friendships, welcome new people to the area, provide support in times of need, help reduce social isolation and promote tolerance and respect. Learn more at www.neighbourday.org

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State Member

Brad Battin MP

2020 has seen a challenging start for many families affected by the devastating bushfires. But in times of crisis, we see the best in our community and what a generous community we have.

Thank you to all the local CFA members who assisted their fellow CFA's during this time not just in Victoria but also heading interstate to help our neighbours.

It has been heartwarming to see how generous our community is, with many who rallied to donate items, offer their businesses as collection points, volunteers who have put together essential packs, cared for injured wildlife and donated in any capacity they are able. We are still in the midst of the bushfire season, so please remain vigilant and ensure you have a bushfire plan in place.

On April 2nd I hope you can join the community and me at the 'Thank Your Emergency Services' Race Night at Pakenham Racing Club. This is a special event to thank our emergency services workers who constantly go out of their way to protect us. It will be a night of celebration and thanks with kids entertainment, live music, a BBQ and a night of great racing. The night is free for all first responders and their families and only \$15 for adults for the rest of the community with all proceeds going back to the event to ensure our emergency workers have a great night.

For tickets and more information, please head to www.country.racing.com/pakenham. I hope you can all join me on this special night.

I also want to congratulate the Beaconsfield Progress Association on a hugely successful Australia Day Movie Event early this year. The Castle is a great Aussie classic and was the perfect choice for the day. We are very fortunate to have amazing community members who put in the time and effort to create free community events for all of us to enjoy.

Brad Battin MP

Liberal State Member for Gembrook

Beaconsfield CFA



This has been a challenging time for the CFA and our brigade and as always we have met that challenge to protect our community and those far afield.

I thought I would detail the equipment and our deployments at time of writing.

Firstly the brigade has the following trucks:

- CFA supplied 20 year old Isuzu 3.4 diesel 4WD 950 Litre per min
- CFA supplied 3 year old Scania pumper 4000 litre per min
- Brigade owned 18 year old Isuzu 2WD pumper tanker 3200 litre per min
- Brigade owned Toyota land cruiser Forward control vehicle and Field command unit

This fire power is essential to deliver our service commitment to our town and support other communities.

Since the 18th December our brigade has been deployed to Mt Hotham, Omeo, Swan Reach, Orbost and Sarsfield. A total of 15 strike teams for a total of 49 days, 22 members were deployed with several completing 3 or more deployments. An incredible commitment and one we proudly share with our community.

Also whilst this was occurring the brigade was called to 53 incidents locally. One significant fire within the Cardinia group was a fire in Mintern Rd, Tynong. The brigade utilised its surge capacity and sent one pumper tanker and the forward command vehicle. All units were in attendance for 6 hours. The brigade has received excellent support from the community and local businesses and we would like to thank everyone for their support and contributions.

Please stay safe and we will continue to protect you.

By Tony Lukas

Bob Burgess



The Bob Burgess Reserve was named in recognition of local identity Bob Burgess who faithfully served the Beaconsfield Fire Brigade for over 30 years. The reserve is a public recognition to remember Bob's outstanding and selfless service to the community. The reserve is located by the Cardinia Creek at the intersection of Princes Highway and Beaconsfield Emerald Road, Beaconsfield.

Robert James (Bob) Burgess was born in Berwick in 1938. His family home was "Fairwood Park" in Beaconsfield/ Officer. Bob and his 6 siblings grew up on the family property, he attended Officer Primary School and Dandenong High School.

Bob joined the fire brigade as a teenager and would ride his bicycle to attend meetings. Bob gradually worked his way through the ranks, communication officer, lieutenant, apparatus officer and 20 years as Captain. He represented the brigade on the Regional Council as delegate from the Berwick Pakenham Group becoming the 1st Deputy Group Officer. His extended involvement included the Fire Prevention Committee, Regional Training Committee, and President of the Region 8 Victorian Fire Brigades Association.

Bob received Life Membership from the Victorian Rural Fire Brigade Association, Pakenham Group, Beaconsfield Fire Brigade and it was his great delight to receive the National Medal in 1987.

Bob married Bev in 1960, and were blessed with four children, Leonie, Glenys, Judith and Gregory. In 1986 Bob and Bev were awarded the Telecom Award for Community Service, recognising their involvement in children's activities.

Bob was employed in numerous occupations before working for the State Electricity Commission of Victoria for 31 years. He was then employed at St Francis Xavier College as a bus driver and maintenance man. The staff and students all appreciated Bob's wonderful contribution to the school community and in recognition they have retained his memory by planting a tree and naming a school house after him, "Burgess".

Bob and Bev gave to the community in numerous ways, Bev was a base operator and communications operator for the Beaconsfield Brigade. She teaches line dancing at the Beaconsfield Community Complex and has contributed to the Beaconsfield/ Officer panel of the Cardinia Embroidery canvas work which includes "Fairwood Park" the Burgess family home.

Sadly, Bob died in 1993, aged 55. The Country Fire Authority in recognition of Bob's outstanding and significant contribution have two awards in his honour, "Bob Burgess Fire Fighter of the Year Award" and Region 8 "Bob Burgess Memorial Award". The criteria for both awards is very high, with the stipulation that it only be presented if a person is considered highly deserving and worthy.



1969 - The group of volunteers on the morning the old fire station was repositioned in readiness to build the current station. Pictured L to R: Barry Chester, Alan Burgess, Arthur Adamson, Bob Burgess, Kane Harris, George Boulds, David Hoare, Bruce Adamson, Peter Aurisch, Graham Aurisch and Bruce Stranger.

Bob is remembered as a humble, respectful and quiet man with a great sense of humour. The reserve is a wonderful space to enjoy as Bob loved the outdoors and particularly the Cardinia Creek.

Researched and Written by Penny Harris Jennings and Ann Taylor 2020.

“It’s the culture. The place is full of culture”... Australia Day Movie Night in Beaconsfield!



It all started 3 years ago when Graeme, President of the Beaconsfield Progress Association, dropped an idea that he had thought of at their monthly meeting, re a community outdoor movie event in Beaconsfield. **He’s an ideas man. That’s what we call him... The Ideas Man!** We were all so excited we just sang, over and over again... **“We’re goin’ to Bea-cons-field. We’re goin’ to Bea-cons-field. We’re goin’ to Bea-cons-field...”**



After all the singing settled down, Bronwyn was heard to rally the group with important words of wisdom. She reckoned community event planning is **10% brains and 95% muscle, the rest is just good luck!** And we all agreed... and so began the Australia Day Movie Night event!



Setting up for the evening went efficiently. Rick from Movies on The Move arrived, set up and plugged in. Ann, the Treasurer of B.P.A. **reckoned powerlines were a reminder of man’s ability to generate electricity.** We all nodded and went to help Natalie with the jumping castle and giant games on the oval.



The night started off really well. Parking was well organised. **We got Andrew to move the Camira, so Colin could get the Torana out, and then Suzanne could get out the Commodore.**

Some people brought their own picnic. I saw one family had **RISSOLES!** And a conversation was overheard between Matt, the DJ, and his partner re their delicious food... **“What’ do you call this?...” he said. “Chicken” she replied, followed by him with “...and it’s got something sprinkled on it” “...Seasoning” says she! To which he smiled and responded enthusiastically, “Seasoning!... Looks like everybody’s kicked a goal.”**



The movie was a hit and the end of the night came all too quickly so everyone did their bit to help pack up because it's OUR Holm Park Reserve, and **it's not just an oval, it's a community gathering place; just like a man's home is his castle!**

Once the place was empty and Josh had packed up the FREE popcorn and slushy stall, he smiled at his friendly assistant, Ellie, and said **"How's the serenity?... So much serenity."**

But if there is one thing Bob, our much appreciated First Aid Committee Member, **loved more than serenity it was a noisy engine on full throttle!** So, we were all grateful that the Beaconsfield C.F.A. came down to join in the fun and show the local children through their fire engine...



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the CFA donation bucket at the Australia Day Movie Night

Gold coin community donations on the night raised \$150 for Beacy Fire Brigade. They were wrapped to receive the cheque almost immediately, and suggested a photo be made at the time of the handover. When Cr Brett, the M.C. of the successful event, saw the photo he exclaimed... **"That photo is going straight to the pool room!"**



The Beaconsfield Progress Association handed over a cheque for \$150 to say thank you to the Beaconsfield CFA.

A big thank you also goes to Cardinia Shire Council who have supported this event for two years in a row despite the massive demand on community funds. B.P.A. managed to put the event on despite reduced Grant funding and we just wanted to say to them and on behalf of the local community that **you haven't let anyone down. I don't know what the opposite of lettin' someone down is... but Cardinia Shire Council... you done the opposite!**

Now begins the discussions of what to do in 2021...? When the committee mentioned to Tania about doing it all again next year she replied... **"Tell 'em they're dreamin'!"** They just laughed and said **"Suffer in your jocks!"**

Finally, we would like to thank everyone that helped out to make the night possible. Especially the B.P.A. committee, Cardinia Shire Council, Cr Brett Owen, the volunteers, vendors and the community that attended. The event is successful because of you.

In summing up... **It's the constitution; It's Mabo; It's justice; It's law; It's the vibe!!!**



Carols by the Creek



This year marked the 30th anniversary of Carols by the Creek and this time it was at Holm Park Reserve but still nearby the creek. The weather was perfect and a large crowd, maybe the largest so far enjoyed a wonderful evening. There were songs from Beaconsfield Primary school, a performance by eleven88 Dancers and the announcement of the winners of the Beaconsfield Christmas Windows Competition.

The Cardinia Civic Concert Band provided wonderful music and everyone enjoyed joining in singing the Carols with the Beaconsfield Choir.

This a great community event for Beaconsfield with the kids' activities and many people enjoying a picnic dinner.

Thank you to the fabulous team at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, BPA, Cardinia Shire council, all the people who helped out and all the sponsors.

Out and about with the Scouts

The local scouts were given a challenge by their Scout Leader, Shiny, to knock on doors around Beaconsfield and see what they can trade within a short amount of time.

Starting with some pens and Rubix Cubes, they ended up with water ski's, a shovel, an iPhone 6 and much more. Not bad for a couple of hours trading. This activity was designed to build confidence and independence while having a lot of fun. Watch out during the year, they may be back again with another challenge.



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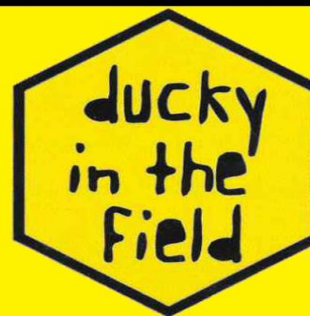
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Neighbourhood Natter

Welcome to another year of fun at BNC! We hope that 2020 is a year of good health and happiness for all our members with a much more positive vibe in the air.

Although it's been a rough start for many people, our community has shone with an amazing outreach of support and donations for those affected by fires and weather events. It is heart warming to see such kindness in the midst of challenging times.

Our Term 1 program is bursting with activities and further information about our programs. Go to www.bncinc.org.au or pick up a free hard copy at reception if you didn't receive one in your letterbox.

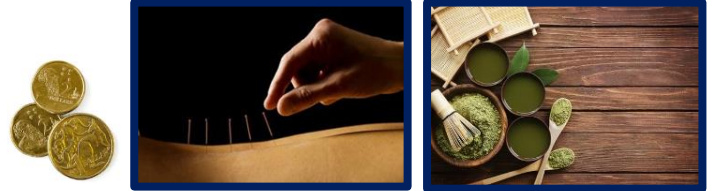
We wonder if everyone made healthy new year's resolutions this year because our exercise classes such as yoga, pilates and strength training have filled quickly. We have even put on some additional sessions to cater for the demand. It's never too late to join in, so have a look at what's happening and contact us for availability.



Another healthy choice is our Meditation class with Sharon. Relieve stress and anxiety with a calming and insightful guided journey on Tuesdays from 11.30am – 12.30pm. Qigong classes with Emma are also on

Tuesdays from 6.00pm – 7.00pm. Qigong (pronounced chi gong) is a form of gentle movement exercises to reduce stress and tension from the mind and body. Improve your sense of wellbeing by joining either (or both) of these beneficial classes.

For a gold coin donation, you can attend a workshop which focuses on Traditional Chinese Medicine for Headaches and Migraines.



In addition to providing this informative and helpful session on Thursday 19 March, Rose Chong is our tutor for Sit Down Exercise classes and generously shares her time and knowledge with the goal of improving people's health and their awareness of self-care.

Rose is also onsite on Mondays at the Centre offering acupuncture at very reasonable rates. Contact Rose directly on 0452 269 180 to find out more or to book an appointment.

Our Wine Club meets once every term and we welcome anyone looking for a friendly, social group to taste and discuss wine. The first gathering for 2020 is Thursday 26th March from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Only \$10 per person which includes wine and nibbles. Booking and prepayment is essential for catering requirements.



A developing area that we're offering classes for is Cooking and Bakery with Pauline. We are intending to build on this previously untapped source of learning and enjoyment at

the Centre and welcome your suggestions for future class ideas. The upcoming class for this month is Gluten-Free Bread making which is offered for a daytime or evening workshop on March 19th.

Floral workshops with our delightful florist tutor, Sharon, have been booking out in record time. Get in early each term to book in for a selection of beautiful opportunities.



The next floral design workshop is scheduled for Thursday 19th March from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. You will make an Easter Basket fresh flower arrangement with Sharon's step-by-step guidance for only \$15 plus \$25 for materials. Bring your own secateurs or scissors and produce a work of art that is yours to take home.

BNC Children's Room

Occasional Care and 3-Year-Old sessions have filled quickly with gorgeous, fresh new faces and familiar little people too. We can now offer fee relief to our members with the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) applicable for these programs.

With limited availability left on Thursdays, only over 3yo spots available on Fridays for Occasional Care, and waiting lists for other sessions, register your interest early to improve your chance of securing your preferred times. There's always some movement in the sessions throughout the year and we contact waiting families in order of receipt of expressions of interest to offer places.

Our Playgroup is continuing to prove popular with families in the area. There are still some vacancies in the Monday morning 9.00am session and the Tuesday 11.30am session. This is a great opportunity for children to learn through play and socialising and an opportunity for parents to meet other families in the community. It also familiarises children with our Children's Room and eases anxiety when it is time for care or 3 Year Old Kinder.

The Children's Room team are working on an exciting art and recycling project in 2020. With plans to create a stunning mural from recycled bottle caps, we're calling for donations.

Please collect your plastic bottle caps and drop off any clean and dry caps to the Children's Room or Office. We can't wait to see what they will produce!



We are running a holiday program of Occasional Care and recommend early enrolment in these sessions. Your child does not have to be enrolled in our regular sessions to attend during the school holidays. Sessions will run on Thursday 2nd and 9th of April from 8.30am – 1.30pm for \$50 each and Friday 3rd of April from 8.30am – 12.30pm for \$40 each. CCS is available for these sessions.

The Children's Room is also a great place to host your child's next birthday party. With rates starting at just \$115 to hire for for 3 hours, it is an affordable alternative to play centres and is age appropriate for 1-7 year olds.

Get in touch with our friendly staff with any questions and like us on Facebook to get more highlights throughout the year. Come and see us soon!

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Beaconsfield Kindergarten

Beaconsfield Kindergarten has welcomed another cohort of children, who are all settling well into their new kindergarten environment.

Our initial orientation program provided an opportunity for educators to support children in their transition to kindergarten, particularly in empowering each child to successfully part from their loved ones and enjoy their time at kinder.



The smaller groups that are offered during the orientation program support children as they begin to build their confidence and develop relationships with kindergarten staff and their peers. During this time, educators work on building trusting relationships with each child as they begin to learn about the children and establish routines and guidelines that are important for everybody to be able to contribute to and feel safe in a large group setting.

All of our kindergarten groups have now completed their orientation program, and we look forward to enjoying the rest of the year with them.

Did you know that some of our Beaconsfield Kindergarten children now participate in a Bush Kinder program?

During Terms 2 and 3, Emerald Group from our Woods St service and Sapphire Group from our O'Neil Rd service spend approximately 3.5 hours each week

at their Bush Kinder location. For Emerald Group, this is at Akoonah Park/Cardinia St Nature Reserve, while Sapphire Group spends time at Wilson Botanic Park.

At both of these locations, children are encouraged to play, explore and learn in a bush or natural environment. Physical activity is encouraged, and we have found that learning in nature invigorates the senses, stimulates the imagination, nourishes wellbeing and fosters stronger relationships amongst the children and educators. By exploring nature, building cubby houses and obstacle courses, climbing trees, splashing in puddles and playing games, the children are learning with their whole bodies.



The Early Years Learning Framework for Australia states that play spaces in natural environments 'invite open-ended interactions, spontaneity, risk-taking, exploration, discovery, and connection with nature. They foster an appreciation of the natural environment, develop environmental awareness and provide a platform for ongoing environmental education', and we are very excited to be able to offer that to our Beaconsfield Kindergarten children.

Please feel free to give us a wave if you see us around at Akoonah Park/Cardinia St Nature Reserve or Wilson Botanic Park – you can't miss the children in their bright red waterproof clothing. We do, however, ask that you respect our space and the children's safety and keep off-lead dogs away from the children.



It takes a team to build a dream!

The start of a new school year is always exciting with children forming new relationships with their new peers and teachers, moving to new classroom environments and experiencing different ways of working together. Preps are especially so as Primary School is so different to their familiar Kinder environment. At Beaconsfield, our Prep teachers work closely with our Kinder teachers to make the transitions as easy as possible!

Whilst our beautiful classrooms and play spaces and wonderful learning resources enhance your child's school life and learning experiences; it is our beliefs and the way that we work together that makes Beaconsfield Primary School unique.

The teacher – student relationship is treasured at Beacy, it underpins our work and our beliefs. We believe that every child:

- should be loved and accepted for who they are – unconditionally.
- is accepted for who they are, and we expect them to accept and show compassion for other children in the same way, welcoming and including them.
- can learn in a safe, positive and supportive environment.
- should be respected, recognised and valued for their diverse needs and abilities.
- should be challenged so that they reach their potential – holding expectations high.
- should have a teacher that understands them and teaches with passion and commitment.
- deserves a teacher who models honesty and ethical behaviour so that they in turn learn the value of truthfulness and accountability.



Ash teaching Ernie how to write

Student voice is encouraged at Beaconsfield Primary School – Every Face has a Place:

- From Prep to Yr. 6, all children have the right to be heard. They have a voice and a turn to speak.
- We have the right to express ourselves and an obligation to listen to others and whilst we may not agree with what someone is saying, we respect their right to hold their views and share them.
- We elevate and praise our children, encouraging them to appreciate the efforts of their peers, building friendships and goodwill through appreciations.
- We encourage teachers and students to protect the weak and speak up for the rights of others.

We strive to ensure each child achieves their potential:

We will do our best to ensure that our children are:

- confident learners; that they try their best and pursue excellence.
- resilient and bounce back when they experience difficulties.
- given the opportunity to develop a strong sense of justice, values and beliefs.
- ambitious, imaginative and academically competent.
- develop a sense of fun and of wonder.
- enthusiastic and optimistic about their futures.

Come and meet us at our Open Day 9th May from 10:00am – 12:00 noon

Cheers, Gary Methven (Principal)



With the 2020 season fast approaching, the Beaconsfield Netball Club is in full pre season motion. The executive committee headed by newly appointed:

President- Wayne Nelson

Vice President- Sarah Ioane

Secretary - Shelley Ziesler

Treasurer - Dean Ziesler

Are heavily supported by a general committee:

Paul Murphy

Claire Van Lambaart

Gerry Caliste

Tracey Treweek

Val Edge

Nicole Nelson

The Senior Coaching panel is strong, not only in experience but depth in knowledge, skill set and most importantly club culture. Our senior division is headed by:

A Grade - John Ioane

B Grade - Chelsea Maher

C Grade - Nicole Nelson & Sue Wren

D Grade - Mel Petelinek

John leads this senior coaching team following his 2019 B grade premiership win. His passion and ability to fine tune his players to get that extra 1% out of them is a noticeable attribute.

The junior coaching panel is comprised of the perfect mix of Old School and Young Guns. Maturity, experience, energy and vision encompasses the characteristics of this coaching team.

Under 17 Blue - Rylee Nelson

Under 17 White - Jordan and Ebony Lang

Under 15 Blue - Nicole Nelson

Under 15 White - Tracey Treweek

Under 13 Blue - Kirsty Spooner

Under 11 White - Kerry Weickhardt

Both senior and junior trial registrations were well beyond expectations with a blend of new players and players from seasons past. This was of great fortune for the coaches but made their role even more

difficult as there are only so many available positions on a team.



The quality of player registrations was a shining light, with so many players associated with teams from VNL, Rep, Academy and Association Leagues. The depth of energy and skills were on show and apparent to the coaching panel.



The club culture and sense of unity was at its best at their season launch on the 15th February. Teams of mixed ages were set on a challenge to complete all tasks in the least amount of time. The smiles, laughter and competitiveness were at its peak. It was the element of a family community.

The Life Members of the Beacy Netball family are the heart and soul of the club. Continually supporting the committee, and passing on their wisdom & experiences to players and families. Having the luxury of Life members involvement in our small hub is priceless and an asset that the club treasures.

The BNC are currently in the process of promoting their club sponsorships and memberships. Any potential club sponsor can contact Wayne Nelson at : president@beaconsfieldnetballclub.com.au for further information.

The Beaconsfield Netball Club are looking in great shape for their season ahead. A proactive committee, strong coaching panel, quality and focused players encompassed by a community culture. All that can be said is "Go Beacy".



The Beaconsfield Football Club is set for another busy year in 2020 and looks forward to the involvement and support of our local community.

The year kicked off with a very successful and well supported Annual family day in February and a big thank you to all who made this a great start to the year. This season our Senior club will again be fielding Seniors, Reserves & U/18's in the Outer East FNL with our Women's team in the South East Div. 2 competition. We welcome any new players across all these teams with training on Tuesday & Thursdays at our great facilities at Holm Park Reserve.

Our practice match schedule sees us playing Cora Lynn on Sat 14th March and Ajax FC on Sat 21st March with both at Holm Park before the season commences with an away game at Cranbourne on Good Friday 10th April. Our first home game is set for Anzac Day 25th April when we play reigning premiers Narre Warren in the traditional clash wearing our Anzacs tribute jumpers.

A couple of our big signings over summer have been 2014 Beacy premiership player in Brandon White who returns after 4 years at St Kilda, and recent Casey VFL captain and Best & Fairest in Jack Hutchins, who we hope to have available for a number of games during the season. Another well known local name to join Beaconsfield is new senior coach Mick Fogarty who has enjoyed coaching success at both Noble Park FC and previously ROC FC. and Mick leads a new look coaching panel.

Memberships in various categories are now available with all details on our Facebook page at Beaconsfield Football Club. Attractive sponsorship packages are also available for locals to promote their businesses to a wide audience including VFL games when Richmond host Williamstown & Port Melbourne at Holm Park in

May and June of this year. For more information please contact our Sponsorship Mgr. Scott Hilton on 0455 963 179.

A highlight of the year will be our Black & Yellow weekend on 20th June when we celebrate our 1980/81 premierships in conjunction with recognition of our 130th year since our first game in June 1890. We are looking forward to getting many 'Old Timers' back to Beacy for these celebrations and attached is a memorable snap of some Beacy greats from our 1980 premiership win over long time rivals Berwick.



Finally, congratulations to Cody Weightman, who was taken at pick 12 in the 2019 AFL draft. Cody played all his junior footy with Beaconsfield before winning the Best on Ground medal in our Thirds 2018 premiership.

A reminder to keep up with all the news at our Beaconsfield Football & Netball Past Players and Officials Facebook page.

Casey Cardinia Heritage Festival 2020

Find out about the history of our local area or your family at the Casey Cardinia Heritage Festival. Local Historical Societies and the Narre Warren & District Family History Group will have displays.

Sunday, April 26 from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

Officer Public Hall, Tivendale Road. Free entry.

More information: Heather Arnold 0437 047 180



Beaconsfield Tennis Club has run a number of inhouse night tennis social competitions over many years the most popular being unisex competitions. The earliest of these being Tuesday night A&B standard, coordinated for many years by Margaret Chatfield, followed by Lisa Kirkham, Jeff Green, Eric Bulcher and Leanne Bowman.

As this competition grew in popularity in the mid 2000's the competition was split. In summer 2005/06, A grade players continued the Tuesday competition under co-ordination of Lisa Kirkham and a new B grade commenced, playing Wednesday nights under coordinator Anja Potter. The new Wednesday night competition continued to grow in popularity but sadly the Tuesday night competition waned and finally concluded in 2013.

Wednesday night competition is now in its 14th year and over the 28 playing seasons (summer and winter) many players have come and gone. However, two inaugural 2005/06 players continue with the competition and have not missed a season, being Mathie Chandrananth and Emily Kleverlaan (nee Potter). There are other players who remain from the 2006 start up, however have missed one or more seasons.

As the competition grew in popularity, Beaconsfield courts could not accommodate the number of teams involved. Wednesday night remained the favoured night for all players. To overcome this shortage Officer Tennis Club joined with Beaconsfield in the winter 2015 season, taking advantage of underutilised Officer courts. The two clubs remain firmly united in this competition to this day.

From its modest beginning in 2005 with 10 teams involving 40 players, the greatest contingent of players involved was for the summer 2015/16 season involving 16 teams / 88 players and 19 emergencies waiting in the wings. This stretched court usage to one match being played Tuesday nights. The average

number of players today sits at around 60-70 / 12-14 teams. Coordinators who have been at Beaconsfield, Anja Potter 2006-12, Maurice Potter 2012 to date and at Officer, Kate Watt 2015-19 and Karina Clark 2019 to date.

The competition involves players of all standards and ages, those new to tennis to seasoned players. Our current season sees the youngest player in their mid-teens and oldest at 70. Open to both club members and non-members, the ethos is one of fun tennis and getting a bit of exercise over winning, although of course everyone would like to win. Teams comprise five players with one player standing out each week on a rotation basis. A ladder is maintained and finals are played over the last three rounds of the season and involve Major finals, competed by top finishing teams and Minor finals by lower finishing teams, meaning every team competes in finals maintaining the ethos of fun over winning. Cost is \$5 per night for members and \$10 for non-members. If interested in joining, contact coordinators Maurice on 0437 759 793 or Karina on 0422 409 791.

Team compositions and team names are changed each season and while we cannot list all teams here, for the record, premiers from each season are listed following together with photos of our winter 2019 and summer 2018/19 Grand Finalist teams:



Black Panthers & Moon Knights



Stosurs & Woodfords

DANDENONG AND DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION.

The DDTA midweek ladies competition will be celebrating their 45th anniversary are looking for former participants' expression of interest in holding a get together celebration. Should you be interested in such an event, please contact Beaconsfield Midweek Ladies coordinator Kerry McKean on 0419 382 477.

BEACONSFIELD TENNIS CLUB LIFE MEMBER OAM

Beaconsfield Tennis Club congratulates their Life Member Dr Wesley Jame on being awarded Medal (OAM) of the Order of Australia for service to community health. Dr Jame, a stalwart member of our club since 1979, served on Committee of Management 1980 -87 and was our inaugural Public Officer 1985-88.

MIDWEEK LADIES TENNIS

Midweek ladies' tennis is putting the call out for new players for Tuesday or Wednesday sessions. Beginners to experienced are welcome. The Beaconsfield courts are situated on Beaconsfield Emerald Road next to Perc Allison reserve. Games start at 9.45am so arrival time at the court needs to 9.30am. This is great for mums who have just dropped off the kids at school or work part time with flexible hours. There are two seasons, Autumn which is from February to June and Spring which is from July to November. Beaconsfield is in the Dandenong and District Tennis Association, so you don't travel too far for away games. If anyone who is interested in joining, call Kerry on 0419382477. Feel free to text if you require any further details.

General Enquiry

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Make and Mingle

MAKE AND MINGLE FRIENDSHIP AND CRAFT GROUP has resumed for 2020 with lots of craft ideas and friendships renewed.

Some people are working on their own special craft projects, while others are making beautiful die cut cards. As always there are lots of greeting card ideas to try with stamping and punching and always someone to guide you.



Janine's Noah's Ark

There is embroidery and quilt making as well as different knitting ideas.

Some people just come for coffee and a chat and there is always morning tea.

The group likes to support others too and have been sending items to support Bless collective food van and children's hospital activity packs as well as making donations to food parcels.



Elaine with her cushion

Make and Mingle meets every Wednesday at Beaconsfield Baptist Church, 7 Desmond Court, during school term from 10am-12 noon and you can be sure of a warm welcome

Details from:

makeandmingle@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au

By Ann Taylor

BPA Christmas Competition

Congratulations to the 2019 BPA Christmas Competition retailer winner, The Cake Stop, Shop 1, 46-50 Princes Highway in Beaconsfield.

Jo and Melissa, a mother/daughter team went to extraordinary efforts to bring Christmas cheer to the Beaconsfield retail strip. Melissa, described by her mother Jo as Christmas mad, filled the shop with beautiful Christmas décor including a massive blow up Santa out front. Local families who entered the competition needed to find a 'Childs name' within the shop as well as vote for their favourite decorations.

The Cake Stop received the most votes with The Secret Headquarters Comic Emporium and the Beaconsfield Community Centre coming equal second.

Not long after opening their doors in January, Jo and Melissa expressed the desire to hold a fundraiser to somehow give back to those amazing people already helping with bushfire relief. With only 5 days to plan and support from Beaconsfield retailers, Berwick Ford, the Cardinia Highway Patrol, Beaconsfield Fire Brigade as well as some beautiful custom cars, Beaconsfield locals came out and donated a whopping \$3,500 which went to the local Beaconsfield CFA.



The Cake Stop has been a feature within Beaconsfield for many years. The current owner, Melissa Tucci started working at The Cake Stop with the previous owner Sarah Eduati on Saturdays when she was only 16 years old. At the same time Melissa was working her way towards becoming a Pastry Chef and running her own home-based business. After Melissa obtained her qualifications she jumped at the chance in 2017 to buy the Cake Stop when the previous owner, Sarah, decided to sell after becoming a new mother.



Three years later the business is thriving. The Cake Stop sells specialty cakes, cupcakes, Macarons and cookies. They also supply home bakers with the products they need to create their own yummy masterpieces. A local favourite is Mud Cake Pre-Mixes, as well as a very popular Gluten Free Chocolate Mud Mix which is vegan and allergy friendly. Feel free to pop down for a coffee and cupcake and check out what's been baking that day.

Art Show- Pakenham Moves to Cardinia Cultural Centre

Art Show- Pakenham moves to the New Gallery at the Cardinia Cultural Centre.

Now over two weekends this year's art show is embracing digital art as the special category.



This years raffle prize Hunter's Gaze by Elena Kolotusha

"The state of the art facility with the latest digital capabilities is an exciting venue to hold this year's exhibition and sale of traditional and fine art". Event coordinator Jillian Ronald said. If you haven't seen the new gallery, this is the perfect opportunity to come and have a look. Open for 10 days there are opportunities to engage in workshops and demonstrations . There will be something for everyone.

The event will also have all the usual attractions including the Wearable Art Parade at Opening Night on Friday 29th May 2020. The gift shop will be open on weekends and is a great place to purchase a unique gift. All products are priced under \$40.

We are very excited to see the Art Show step it up a notch.

Tickets to Opening are \$20 purchased at the door.

General viewing entry is only \$2.

Two evening viewings are set for Thursday 4th and Friday 5th. A great opportunity for a night out .

For further details email:

artshowpakenham@gmail.com

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

The next three meeting dates will be:

- March 17th
- April 21st
- May 19th

Articles Welcome

Articles can be emailed to the editor at banner@beaconsfield.org.au

All articles must contain the contributor's name and contact details for verification purposes.

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Berwick Bowling Club welcomes new members of all ages and experience.

Located within the Edwin Flack Reserve on Manuka Road in Berwick, we are the largest and most modern Bowling Club in Casey, with magnificent grounds and excellent all weather greens (3 grass and 1 synthetic).

Pennant, Social or Indoor Bias Bowls is offered to all members. Free coaching is available.

A superb Club House with extensively stocked bar, well equipped large kitchen, spacious dining area and dance floor. Our facilities are available for all types of functions. We also have an active Social Committee and many events are organised throughout the year for all members to enjoy.

MYTH: bowls is for older people

FACT: Bowls is for all ages.

For further information and/or enquiries contact John Lillie 9707 4804

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