

## Help build a school in Vanuatu

The Woodend winter has many of us getting out the heavy coats and beanies, keeping a watchful eye on the electricity meters and dreaming of a bit of winter sun – maybe in a South Sea island paradise.

For the people of Mwast on the island of Espiritu Santo in Vanuatu, beating the winter chill is the least of their concerns. This small rural community, accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicle, has recently had a significant influx of people evacuated from the island of Ambae, after a catastrophic volcanic eruption. As a result of this relocation, the pressure on local resources has increased dramatically. Of particular concern is the impact on the local school. Designed for fewer than 100 pupils, the school has been stretched beyond capacity, with over 200 students now attending. Students now have less than one square metre of classroom space each.

Over the years, local Rotarians Allan and Shirley Cann have been regular visitors to Vanuatu, offering voluntary training support to local organisations. "We'd always been aware of the lack of resources and poor conditions many students in Vanuatu endure," said Allan. "This is particularly noticeable in the more rural areas, where students often sleep in the schools at the end of the day, due to the travel distances." Being people of action, Allan and Shirley decided to do something about it. Following meetings with the Ministry of Education and Training, it was agreed that Rotary would build additional school buildings in the village of Mwast.

The Rotary Club of Woodend, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Santo, Vanuatu, have developed plans to build a two-classroom school block with a small office. We are currently looking to raise funds for all construction costs. The local villagers from Mwast will build and maintain the school buildings, with oversight from the government architects. In the event that we overshoot the fundraising target, the project will be expanded to improve more amenities at the school site.

### How you can help:

Fundraising for the project is underway and Rotary clubs across Victoria have been approached for financial and practical support; however, you can make a contribution too, by pledging financial or in-kind support. Over the next few months, we will need to have skilled people travelling to Vanuatu to assist with the building of the school. We also need support materials for the students.

There will be an information evening on the project at the Victoria Hotel on **18th July, 6.00-7.00pm**. Refreshments will be provided. We'd love to hear your ideas as to how the Woodend community can support the project. If you'd like to get involved, or want to know more, please come along. Your help in planning and fundraising will be very welcome.

For further information please contact Allan Cann, International Director, Rotary Club of Woodend on 0409 411 168 or [ascann@bigpond.com](mailto:ascann@bigpond.com).



Photo: current classrooms at Mwast school



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— July —

- 2 ..... Walk on Waste, WNH
- 2 ..... Latin dancing Buffalo Stadium
- 3 ..... Magic Show, WNH
- 3 ..... Social Bowls 12.30 pm
- 4 ..... Lego Engineering, WNH
- 4 ..... Probus Club Meeting
- 4 ..... Red Cross Meeting
- 5 ..... Trivia Night at Vic Hotel
- 5 ..... Music & Storytelling, Kynton
- 6 ..... Woodend Farmers' Market
- 6 ..... Rotary Woodend Changeover
- 9 ..... Latin dancing Buffalo Stadium
- 9 ..... Lego Robo Mojo, WNH
- 10 ..... Coding Dojo & VR, WNH
- 11 ..... Waste to WOW! WNH
- 11 ..... ADFAS lecture 6.30 pm
- 12,13,14 ..... One Act Play Festival
- 14 ..... Petanque Bastille Fun Day
- 16 ..... Latin dancing Buffalo Stadium
- 18 ..... Knit and Knatter
- 18 ..... Seniors social media, Library
- 18 ..... Rotary Vanuatu project fundraiser
- 20 ..... Davidson Brothers Concert
- 21 ..... Monthly Jazz Jam, Vic Hotel
- 23 ..... Latin dancing Buffalo Stadium
- 25 ..... Seniors social media, Library
- 27 ..... J.R. Reyne at Newham

— August —

- 1 ..... Seniors social media, Library
- 3 ..... Woodend Farmers' Market
- 3 ..... Woodend Playgroup Bush Dance
- 9 ..... Rock of Ages, Mount Players
- 14 Film Society 'Oranges & Sunshine'
- 25 ..... Film Society 'Babette's Feast'
- 30 ..... Kyneton Antique Fair

— September —

- 1 ..... Father's Day
- 7 ..... Woodend Farmers' Market
- 15 ..... Lion's Sunday Market

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## Woodend's Rain report

Back on track (well almost!) with 114.8mm  
 for May and a year to date of 156.4mm

Month	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	av 5yr
January	61.4	35.3	27.8	80.0	9.8	42.9
February	41.6	14.3	26.5	3.8	12.0	19.6
March	26.0	47.0	23.7	31.7	12.2	28.1
April	39.4	36.2	165.0	31.0	7.6	55.8
May	68.7	101.2	38.6	115.6	114.8	87.8
June	39.5	98.8	10.6	78.2		69.9
July	95.3	186.6	60.0	73.3		98.9
August	50.7	107.0	119.6	91.3		80.3
September	44.0	163.6	55.2	26.2		69.0
October	12.9	91.8	45.8	69.0		53.8
November	41.3	63.2	77.4	55.5		58.1
December	41.7	92.8	77.2	91.0		67.9
<b>Total mm</b>	<b>479.5</b>	<b>1037.8</b>	<b>727.4</b>	<b>746.6</b>	<b>156.4</b>	<b>732.1</b>

SUBMITTED BY PETER AND ANNE YATES

## Film Feast at Macedon Ranges Film Society



At a special Sunday screening on August 25th, Macedon Ranges Film Society will present the much loved film 'Babette's Feast' and celebrate this great film with a lunchtime feast immediately after the screening. Bookings will be required for this event which is free for members (members can bring one guest each to the 'Feast' at a cost of \$20. Numbers are limited, visit [www.mrfilmsociety.org](http://www.mrfilmsociety.org) for more details. Bookings open on July 10.

Earlier, on Wednesday August 14, the regular screening night will feature 'Oranges and Sunshine' starring Emily Watson and Hugo Weaving.

Macedon Ranges Film Society meets on the second Wednesday each month at Woodend Community Centre. Film notes and an informal supper are part of the evening.

MRFS is a membership-based club. Enquiries by email to [mrfilmsociety@gmail.com](mailto:mrfilmsociety@gmail.com) or call Lorraine 5427 0921 or Christine 5429 5452 [www.mrfilmsociety.org](http://www.mrfilmsociety.org)

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# DAVIDSON BROTHERS

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

## Davidson Brothers coming to Woodend

Saturday July 20 @ St Ambrose Hall Woodend

The Davidson Brothers are celebrating the 20th anniversary of their first album release, 'Blue Spruce,' and will be performing a one-off show in Woodend to mark the milestone year.

"We're going to play a lot of songs that we haven't played to crowds in a very long time, so it should be a memorable night," Hamish said.

The brothers barely seem old enough to be celebrating 20 years of writing, recording and performing music but coming from a musical family it seemed inevitable that they were born instrument in hand.

"We spent our younger years following our parents around with their pipe band and we discovered bluegrass after travelling to America in 1997. We've had the greatest time touring over the years and we're excited to put on a gig that showcases a lot of our old and new music," Lachlan said.

Together Hamish and Lachlan have released 8 albums, toured the globe and played with some of the biggest names in Australian country music including Melinda Schneider, Troy Cassar-Daley and Lee Kernaghan. More recently the boys have been infusing their bluegrass style with rock, performing with the likes of INXS' Andrew Farriss and Joe Camilleri from The Black Sorrows.

"We've released over 100 songs in the past 20 years so we'll have some fun picking out what to play on the night. We are looking forward to meeting Woodend's music lovers," they said.

It takes a lot of commitment to keep a musical marriage alive for 20 years and with a string of awards under their belt, including 5 Golden Guitar gongs it's safe to say the Davidson Brothers are here to stay.

The Davidson Brothers 20th Anniversary show will be held at **St Ambrose Hall in Woodend on Saturday 20 July**. The Devil Goat Family String Band kick off at 7:00pm, and the Davidson Brothers will play 8:00-10:30pm. \$30 tickets include a reserved seat/table, and it's BYO drink and nibbles. Tickets available at [trybooking.com/BDBJY](http://trybooking.com/BDBJY) Enquiries: Phone Ben 0412 092 189 or email [gbrocklesby@gmail.com](mailto:gbrocklesby@gmail.com)



## Macedon Ranges Music Collective YOUTH IN MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2019

The Macedon Ranges Music Collective (MRMC) was started about 6 years ago by a group of local musicians keen to play together and also to help young musicians get a “leg-up” in learning and performing on their chosen instruments or voice. It is now set up as a not-for-profit organisation.



The group performs regularly at the Jazz Jam at The Victoria Hotel in Woodend on the third Sunday of each month and at “theme” gigs such as the recent Funk night at the Railway Hotel in Macedon. All these gigs give young musos a chance to sit in with adult players, several of whom are music teachers. All proceeds from these performances go to a Grants fund to award Music Scholarships to young music students who live and study in the Macedon Ranges.

MRMC is thrilled to have recently been awarded a Community Investment grant from the Gisborne and District Community Bank to add to its own Scholarship fund. Applications for the 2019 round of scholarships will be open soon and students are urged to keep informed by signing up to our Young Musicians list at <<http://eepurl.com/dtGAwj>>

In the meantime we'd love to see everyone out enjoying live music at our monthly Jazz Jams or at our upcoming Rolling Stones tribute night in August - more details at <[www.macedonrangesmusiccollective.org](http://www.macedonrangesmusiccollective.org)>

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## Fifteenth Woodend Winter Arts Festival wrap up

The Festival weekend of 7-10 June started off with brilliant weather - no doubt the deciding factor for many families on embarking to enjoy the Opening Night Festival Fireworks that have become a tradition over the past 10 years. It was a delight to see families having picnics and setting up rugs to enjoy the evening of fun. Thanks to our fantastic Woodend CFA and the Football Club, local scouts and others who contributed to the evening. The crowd was estimated to be at least 2,500 in number, possibly higher!

A full program of concerts, words & ideas events, including free poetry slam and philosophy events, three official art exhibitions, literary events for children and various food + music events over the weekend gave a great variety. Visiting international performers from Europe were featured in sell-out concerts, a reminder that the Festival's mantra has always been 'concert hall artists without the concert hall prices'.

Local businesses have commented that the festival always brings them increased trade and the Festival Committee is thrilled to have had such enthusiastic responses from High Street businesses.

Locally, new support this year was received from GemLife Woodend, who have come on board as a Major Supporter of the festival. The committee look forward to a long relationship with GemLife.

One of the highlights of the weekend was the celebration of visiting Italian violinist Davide Monti's 50th birthday - celebrated with a fantastic cake contributed by Blackbird Cakes and one that Davide will always remember!



The coming months see the commencement of planning for 2020, and as ever, the organisation will be planning some fundraising events during the second half of the year, to help ensure the ongoing success and sustainability of the yearly event.

Organisations, Foundations, businesses and individuals are encouraged to make a tax deductible donation at any time, through the website <[woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au/donate](http://woodendwinterartsfestival.org.au/donate)> and any foundation, individual or business who wanted to provide sponsorship for 2020 is encouraged to connect with the Festival through the website.

Onwards to 2020!

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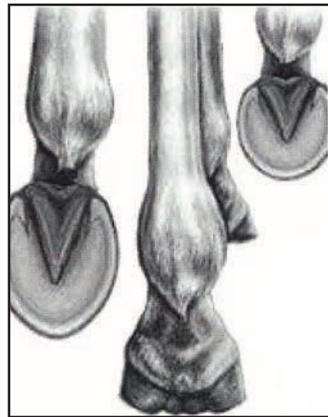
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**Message from your Councillor**

**Cr Jennifer Anderson**

What a great start to Winter! Another successful Woodend Winter Arts Festival, with a full program of performing, creative and visual arts. I congratulate the great team of volunteers who put this annual event together; it seems to grow every year.

Council itself hosted a morning tea at the end of May for our council volunteers, a small gathering, due to so many volunteers being busy.

I hope the community, as well as Council, truly appreciate the efforts of the many volunteers who spend time assisting our sporting clubs, sustainability groups, neighbourhood houses, RSL branches, Landcare groups, Libraries, kindergartens, primary schools, advocacy groups, and many more local organisations.

I am so proud of Macedon Ranges Council, as leaders in our region, for the decision to provide a progressive roll-out of Food Organics and Garden Organics collection (FOGO). This is scheduled to commence on 1 January 2020 in Woodend, where households who already have a garden waste green-lidded bin will receive a kitchen caddy and liner bags, so if you are unable to make use of food scraps on site by home composting, worm farms or feeding to your animals, they can be collected from the kerbside each week and made into products that can be used in our parks and gardens. Of course, the message remains: reduce your waste in the first place by thinking carefully before you purchase products, and buy what you need when you need it, and freeze or share any surplus if possible.

Don't forget also, that the State Government E-waste ban is now in place: items with a plug, battery or cord waste can no longer be placed in a landfill bin and must be deposited at a designated collection point, free of charge, in the Shire. Please see our website for more information on either of these changes to services. Change can be difficult at first but together we can achieve a reduction in overall cost to ratepayers and an improvement in environmental outcomes.

Best wishes, *Jennifer*

**July Woodend Community Farmers' Market**

**Saturday, 6 July, 9am-1pm, corner High & Forest Streets, Woodend**

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The House is offering an action-packed holiday program this Winter to keep kids entertained in the cold weather. This will include two full day LEGO workshops, giving children the chance to explore engineering principles and design their own working LEGO robots. If your child is into computers, we are offering an introduction to coding and a virtual reality session hosted by Patrick, and if the performing arts are more your thing local magical maestro Adam is hosting a magic show and workshop. The House will also be supporting Plastic Free July with a 'Walk on Waste' on 2nd July - join our walking group and clean up Woodend at the same time; as well as a 'Waste to Wow' workshop on Thursday 11th July, where we will transform waste fabric into water bombs and jewelry with the help of Lisa Richards from the Waste Action Group. For more information and to book in visit [www.woodendnh.org.au](http://www.woodendnh.org.au) or call us on 5427 1845.

We are also excited to launch our Term 3 brochure, which includes some fantastic new art classes with local artist Michael Berry, as well as great personal development opportunities with our 'Find Your Calling Through Art' class and a half day Mindfulness Workshop, hosted by Jen Henderson. Finally, we are proud to announce our collaboration with Remy and Bonnie at the Fox and Chamber on a new 'Hospitality 101' training course. This three-week program is aimed at 15-25 year olds in the region looking to gain the skills to get their first jobs in the industry. For more information and to enrol please visit [www.woodendnh.org.au](http://www.woodendnh.org.au) or call us on 5427 1845.

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## Council seeks national solutions at major forum

Mayor Cr Janet Pearce and Chief Executive Officer Margot Stork attended the Australian Local Government Association National Assembly 2019 in Canberra in June.

Both of Council's proposed motions have been accepted by the association and will be considered by the assembly. The outcomes form the basis of the ALGA's advocacy work on behalf of local government to the federal government in the next year.

Council's 2019 motion on waste follows on from its successful motion on the same topic which was adopted at the 2018 Assembly. It asks the ALGA to seek an Australian Government commitment to a tripartite approach to the management of the emerging waste crisis with the full engagement of both state and local tiers of government.

The motion also asks for an urgent round table meeting with appropriate federal and state government representation to discuss the establishment of a joint taskforce to explore innovative mid- term and long-term solutions to Australia's current and emerging waste crisis. It also seeks a commitment from roundtable participants to an equitable financial commitment to the management of current waste crisis issues and research and development of mid to long-term solutions.

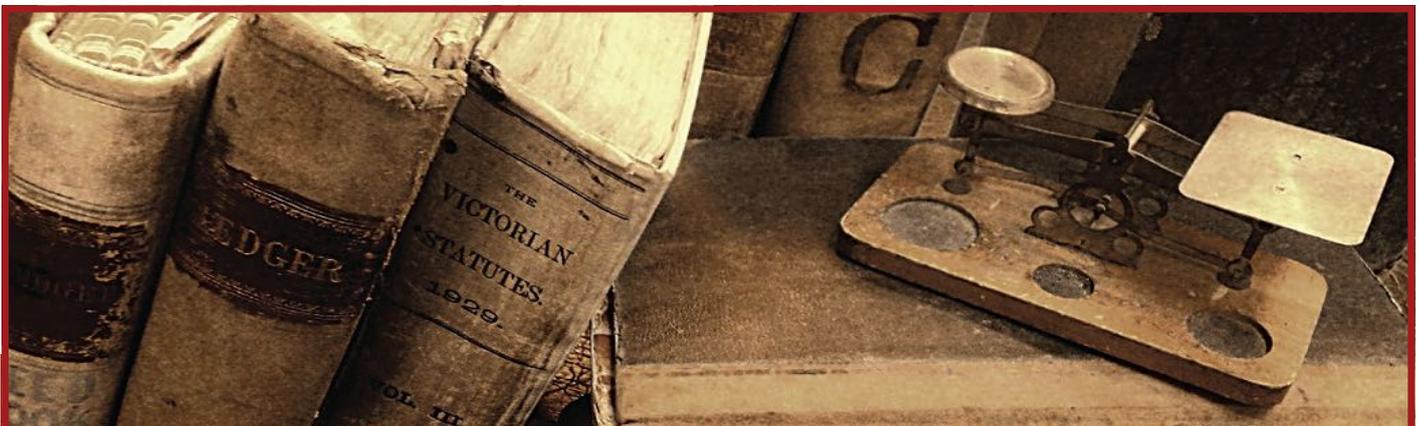
Regarding the National Broadband Network (NBN), Council asks that the ALGA advocates for the Australian Government to work with rural and regional councils to:

- Develop innovative solutions for the placement of telecommunication infrastructure that takes account of both the challenges of black spot locations and the protection of unique and distinctive natural landscapes and environs
- Research and trial viable alternatives to tower infrastructure that address black spot challenges whilst protecting unique and distinctive natural landscapes and environs.

Convened annually by the Australian Local Government Association, the National General Assembly of Local Government is the peak annual event for local government.

Mayor Cr Janet Pearce said the event attracted more than 800 Councillors each year and allowed local government to engage directly with the federal government on issues of national importance.

"The conference is a chance for local governments to influence the future directions of our councils and our communities, by taking our concerns directly to the federal arena," Cr Pearce said. "Our motions to the assembly concern important issues which require a whole-of-government response and we call on our fellow councils across the country to join with us to seek national solutions to these problems."



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## Red Cross Winter notes

Come to our July meeting to be cosy and welcome! Thursday 4th, 1.30 at the Bowls Club. Visitors and prospective new members are always a great pleasure to add to the group.

We will be finalising details for our SAUSAGE SIZZLE on July 20th, at Coles Woodend (thank you).

Members! Next diary entry is for our AGM on Thursday August 1st at 12.30pm. Please bring a contribution for lunch, which is at the Bowls Club, and another thank you to them for allowing us the use of their rooms.

Enjoy the cool nights, snuggling up with your Trauma Teddy knitting, we can never have enough!

See you soon! Submitted by Robyn Grant

## Woodend Probus Club News

In June we had a morning of poetry readings. Several members brought along one of their favourite poems. In July the speaker will be Cesare Cataldo.

Our June excursion was to the cinema at Watergardens. Unfortunately, the planned July trip to Longreach had to be cancelled due to insufficient numbers. However, it is anticipated that a wider range of such activities will be able to be offered as the Club membership grows, and also as a result of collaboration with similar clubs in surrounding towns.

Visitors are welcome to attend one of our meetings at no cost. Please contact either Diane (0438 585 664) or Henry (0425 784 597) or email [woodendprobus@hotmail.com](mailto:woodendprobus@hotmail.com) or visit our website <[www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/woodendanddistricts](http://www.probusouthpacific.org/microsites/woodendanddistricts)>

The club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10am, at the Woodend Community Centre.

SUBMITTED BY HENRY ROBERTS

## St Mary's Guild – Knit and natter

The Knit and Natter is held on the third Wednesday of every month (except in December), hosted by St Mary's Guild, with hot beverages, a slice and biscuits and fruit. In the cooler months, there is also hot soup for a donation of \$5.

## The Mount Players

### Happenings

Our 16 annual One Act Play Festival will be held on 13 & 14 July. An assortment of short plays will be staged across the weekend performed by The Mount Players and guest theatre companies. All plays are judged by an adjudicator who will present a variety of awards at the wind up to the festival on Sunday afternoon. Come for a session or make a weekend of it. Tickets at the door. Bar open and food available. Enquiries – Bernadette 0419 348 387.



Our musical for 2019, Rock of Ages opens 9 August and runs till 1 September. Set in 1987 a young hopeful arrives in West Hollywood but soon finds herself in trouble. But coming to her rescue is a bar back at the legendary Bourbon Room at the vibrant heart of the Sunset Strip. This is a tale of Hollywood dreams, and a big, brash, energetic tribute to the classic 80s rock and the gritty glamour and rough energy of the Sunset Strip. Tickets are now available on line at [www.themountplayers.com](http://www.themountplayers.com). Enquiries – 5426 1892.

A big thank you to Bendigo Bank, who, at the Autumn grants evening presented \$4,950 to the theatre to refurbish their foyer. Bendigo Bank has been a major sponsor over the past few years and has contributed to some fantastic projects at the Mountview Theatre. Thank you!

BY KAREN HUNT

## SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Classes are every Thursday 1-3pm at Buffalo Stadium, Forest Road, Woodend, So, what do you need to get started? Just a comfortable pair of flat shoes that you can dance in and wear comfortable clothing.

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For more details contact Linda 0408 476317 or Meg 5427 1100

## Kyneton Antique & Vintage Fair

30 August to 1 September, Kyneton Town Hall

Celebrating the 23rd Fair held annually on the first weekend in September, Friends of the Kyneton Museum will host this special fundraising event on the local calendar.

All the well-known dealers will be there, with collections ranging from a thimble to a grandfather clock and everything in between. If it is the latest vintage trend, be it jewellery, homewares, haberdashery plus much more, you will probably find it there.

There will be a choice of excellent fare for a light lunch, including delectable baked goods and the ever popular home-made soups at the Rotary Club of Kyneton Country Kitchen in the Richardson Room inside the Town Hall.

The Kyneton Antique & Vintage Fair is the major fundraiser for the Friends of the Kyneton Museum, and partnering with the Rotary Club each year makes it a great community event.

All funds raised assist with conservation of the collection, as well as development of new projects at the Kyneton Museum. The Museum on Piper Street is housed in a group of buildings. The imposing two storey bluestone building was built in 1856 for the Bank of New South Wales to service the miners of the region's goldfields.

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## Interest sought for activities that encourage older people to keep moving

Expressions of Interest open on 1 July for funding to help get older residents in the Loddon Mallee Region up and moving. A total of \$1.2 million is up for grabs across 10 participating local government areas.

Sporting groups and recreation providers are among other organisations encouraged to apply for funding to support inactive people aged 65 and over to be more active.

The Loddon Mallee Move It project aims to reach over 70,000 people over the age of 65, offering new and modified sport and recreation activities, strengthening partnerships and workforce capacity, and raising awareness of the benefits of regular physical activity.

The project is funded by the Federal Government Move It AUS Better Ageing Grant.

The Expressions of Interest process will run from 1 July to 26 July. Those interested in applying for funding are encouraged to visit Macedon Ranges Shire Council's website to determine eligibility and to register to attend an information session about the project.

Macedon Ranges Shire Council and Mildura Rural City Council are leading regional implementation of the Loddon Mallee Region Move It project. Participating councils include Macedon Ranges Shire Council, City of Greater Bendigo, Loddon Shire Council, Mount Alexander Shire Council, Central Goldfields Shire Council, Campaspe Shire Council, Mildura Rural City Council, Swan Hill Rural City Council, Gannawarra Shire Council and Buloke Shire Council.

For more information visit [<mrsc.vic.gov.au/moveit>](http://<mrsc.vic.gov.au/moveit>) or email [moveit@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:moveit@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

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**Local MP announces members of youth initiative**

Member for Macedon, Mary-Anne Thomas has announced the 13 members to take part in the inaugural Macedon Youth Advisory Council. Aged between 16 and 21, from 8 different towns, the members are graduates or current students from each secondary college in the electorate.

Ms Thomas made the announcement today in a Members Statement to the State Parliament. The 13 members selected from across the Macedon electorate are:

- Miranda Johnson-Jones of Kyneton
- Maddi Condron of Kyneton
- Tara Kankindji of Kyneton
- Oliver Bagin of Riddells Creek
- Molly Spencer-Stewart of Woodend
- Shaylyn Blyth of Woodend
- Laura Crozier of Woodend
- Sean Doherty of Gisborne
- Kate McIntosh of New Gisborne
- Joel Blanch of Edgecombe
- William Morris of Trentham
- Marlon Toner-McLachlan of Hepburn
- Santino D'Onghia of Hepburn

The first meeting of the Youth Advisory Council was held at Riddells Creek Senior Citizens Centre in May. The Youth Advisory Council will meet five more times over the next twelve months and its aims are to provide a platform for the perspectives and priorities of young people across Macedon, empower young people to take action, show leadership and learn about government and its processes.

Future meetings will take place in other parts of the Macedon electorate including Woodend, Daylesford and Kyneton.

"I was so impressed with the depth of our discussion at our first meeting - we are going to have a very productive time over the course of this program," said Ms Thomas Member for Macedon.

The announcement of the Macedon Youth Advisory Council delivers on an election commitment made by Ms Thomas prior to the 2018 election.

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## New Look for Salvos, Woodend

The beautiful new Woodend Salvos store is up and running. The store recently closed for four days while renovations took place, and reopened with a new look, new management and a huge vision. Denise, Louise, Jordan and Bev would like to thank the Woodend and Macedon Ranges communities for their amazing donations and support. The Salvos converts the generosity of the community into programs that support emergency housing, families affected by domestic violence, combating poverty and providing help to the most vulnerable in our society.

The Salvos is supported by an incredible team of volunteers who offer their expertise, knowledge and endless humour to the store. From visual merchandising to providing an extensive book collection this merry band make each day a new adventure.

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## J.R.Reyne at Newham Hall

Jamie Robbie Reyne, or J.R. as he is better known, has played at festivals in St Kilda and Queenscliff, lived the rock star life in LA, supported Daryl Braithwaite, starred in hit TV Shows, The Secret Daughter and Neighbours, and now he's coming to Newham!

With a new single, Let's Stick Together, J.R. Reyne will be bringing his alt country, along with his guitar and harmonica, to the Newham Mechanics Institute on Saturday July 27.

Son of James Reyne, J.R. never sought to ride on the coat-tails of his famous father, and whilst a fan of his father's work he doesn't do covers of his famous dad's songs and likes to keep his work separate and has admitted "It would get annoying to be constantly asked to belt out old hits like 'Reckless' and 'Boys light up'."

A reviewer recently likened Reyne's music to 'if Creedence Clearwater Revival and Queens of the Stone Age had a baby together'.

J.R. Reyne, supported by Mariah McCarthy, will be playing Newham Mechanics Institute on Saturday 27th July. Doors open at 7pm. Food will be available and the bar will be showcasing local wines and beer. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

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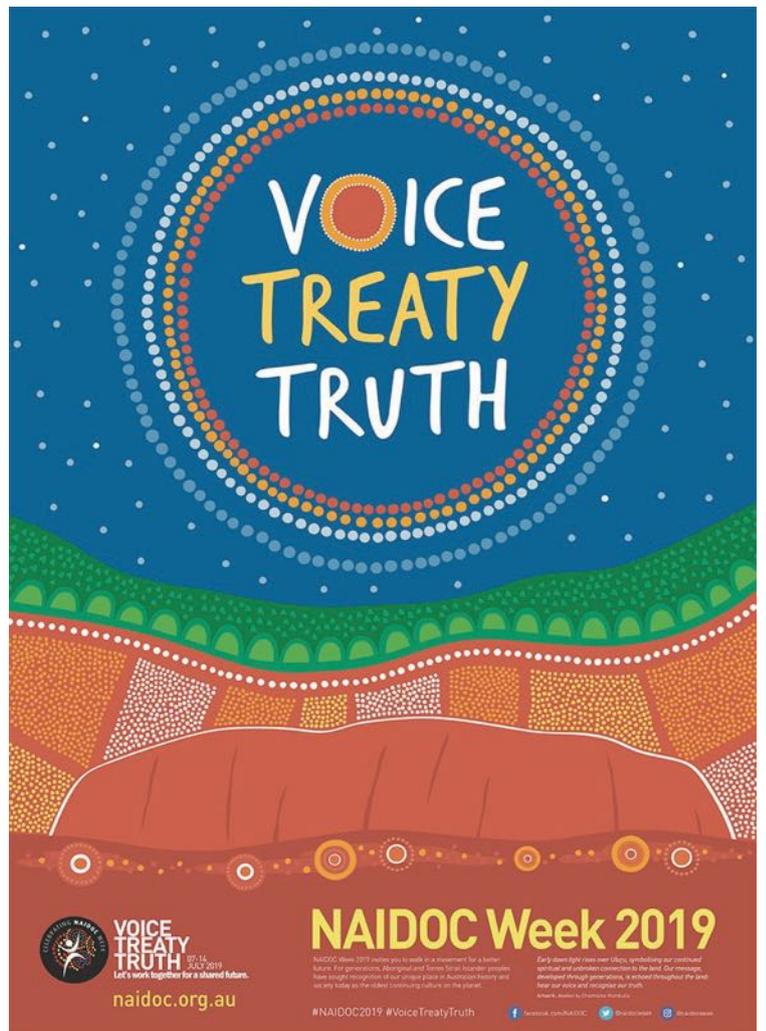
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## Check your ORG regularly to avoid sewer spills, says Western Water

Western Water is urging their customers to regularly check their overflow relief gully (ORG) to prevent a sewer overflow in their property.

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Dean Barnett, Acting General Manager, Customer, Community Relations and Operations, says for an ORG to function effectively it should be clean, clear and installed at the correct height.

“In the case of a sewer blockage the ORG needs to be able to release pressure and the grate lid should ‘pop-off’ easily. To do so, the ORG should be uncovered and free of any weeds, roots, or debris”, he said.

“The ORG should also be lower than any other waste outlet in your home, and needs to be raised-up from the surrounding ground area to prevent stormwater from flowing into it”.

Western Water says that while the sewer mains are

managed and maintained by water corporations, property owners are responsible for ensuring their home is fitted with a properly designed and functioning ORG.

“We’ve seen some customers cover their ORG with stones, plants, or garden beds. In other cases, they have altered the height or location of the ORG to correspond with a new deck or renovation”.

“In the unfortunate event of a blockage in the sewer pipes, this can lead to disastrous and costly consequences,” Mr Barnett said.

Most properties constructed after 1976 have an ORG located near an external wall of the laundry, kitchen, or bathroom.

Buildings connected to the sewer system prior to 1976 may not have an ORG, unless additional work has been undertaken.

For more advice on how to maintain and check your ORG, please visit the Western Water website at [www.westernwater.com.au/ORG](http://www.westernwater.com.au/ORG)

SUBMITTED JESSICA JORQUERA, SENIOR COMMUNICATION ADVISOR WESTERN WATER

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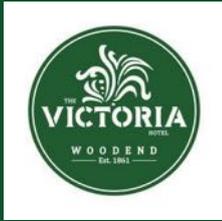
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**Celebrating 7 months at Victoria Hotel**

Macedon Ranges local Emily Blades and business partner chef Carl Middleton, who took over the Victoria Hotel late last year, are excited to report on their progress seven months in. They're so pleased with the welcome from the Woodend and wider community and hope you'll enjoy some of the new events and menus that are coming up!

Online pizza ordering has just been launched – allowing you to order pizza everyday for lunch or dinner (from 12 noon to 2.30pm and 5.30 to 9 pm). You can then pick up through the drive-through – so you don't even need to get out of your car! Wine and beer can also be ordered online at the same time, giving you the quickest pickup possible.

Visit the new website today to check out the new menus on offer, the function space and events, including Trivia Nights every 1st Friday of the month, Open Mike every 4th Friday.

As members of the new Rock and Ranges beer brewing cooperative, The Victoria Hotel will be offering Rock & Ranges Dark Ale and Victoria Golden Ale on tap. 70% of the wine list is regional, and Emily knows how important it is to feature and support local winemakers.

Besides Tuesday night 'Locals Night' the team has just introduced a special pizza night, each Monday night, with all pizzas \$19 each (eat-in only).

Emily and Carl would love to thank the whole community for welcoming them so warmly. The look forward to your continued support.



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### Wine review

**Introduction**

Winter is well and truly upon us, it's fitting that the two wines for this month come from exceptionally cold sites. One is from Passing Clouds that has one of the highest vineyard sites in the Macedon Ranges, and Domaine Epis that is nestled just outside of Woodend.

**2017 Passing Clouds Fools On The Hill Chardonnay**

The grapes for this wine come from one of the most intimidating yet beautiful sites in the Macedon Ranges; welcoming when bathed in sunshine and foreboding on a cold, wet and windy winter's day. Uncompromising viticulture has produced a wine of elegance and longevity.

A nose of citrus with stone fruits emerging amongst a swathe of vanillin spice impact from new French oak; the wine has fine lines that embraces its cool climate roots and a cold year with a layered palate that starts with a lemony citrus thread but fills out with new season peach. Oak gives spice and breadth with grapefruit like grip to finish.

Watch this wine evolve with time. Rating: 94 | Price: \$47 | When to Drink: 2019-2030

**2017 Domaine Epis Pinot Noir**

This is a beautiful light red in the glass with herbaceous and understated sappy notes to floral red cherry fruit. The wine's subtle complexity is a testament to the cold season in the coldest region in mainland Australia. The palate unfurls with layer upon layer of interest. It seems gentle at first with pristine red cherry fruits, before waves of earth, rhubarb and newly textured spice give breadth. Acidity is well handled and allows the wine to move effortlessly across the mouth and in true Epis style it sets the wine up for a decade or more in the cellar.

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You can find out more about Rotary's activities in Woodend through their website <[www.woodendrotary.org.au](http://www.woodendrotary.org.au)> or follow their Facebook page <[www.facebook.com/rotarywoodend](http://www.facebook.com/rotarywoodend)> for the latest news.

### Woodend Playgroup

Woodend Playgroup is celebrating its 40th birthday with a knee slappin', toe tapping bush dance, and you are invited to join the fun!

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Founding member of the Bushwackers, Jan 'Yarn' Wositzky, with his band 'Trip the Light' will provide the entertainment, and there will be raffle prizes, and a live and silent auction.

So round up your gang, grab a partner and swing into the action!

#### Event details

Saturday 3 August from 7.00pm at Norma Richardson Hall, 15 Buckland Street, Woodend

Tickets include a drink on entry, with grazing platters provided. Drinks at bar prices. For information about tickets email: [woodendplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:woodendplaygroup@gmail.com) or visit their Facebook page.

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In a supportive, small-group environment participants will learn how to:

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- Find and connect with community groups, clubs, social events and activities
- Create short videos to share with friends and family

The Social Seniors program has been designed for participants to bring along their own devices with library staff happily answering any questions that arise during the program.

Woodend Library: Thursday 18, 25 July and 1 Aug from 1-3.30pm. Afternoon tea provided. Bookings via Woodend Library: 5427 2074 or woodend@ncgrl.vic.gov.au

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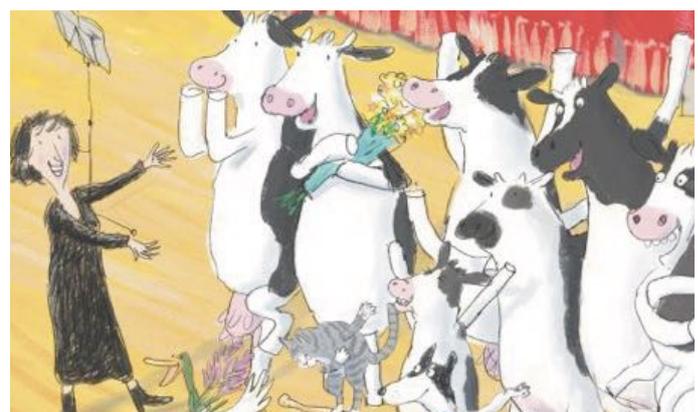
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Join us on Thursday 11 July at 6.30pm at the Kyneton Town Hall when ADFAS Central Victoria will introduce visiting UK lecturer, Rosalind Whyte, for her lecture *The History of The Royal Academy of Arts, London*. In 2018 The Royal Academy of Arts celebrated its 250th anniversary, so it is an opportune time to explore its history and the role it has played in the development of British art. The Academy has been embroiled in intrigue and controversy over the course of its history and no scandal or outrage will remain unexposed as we trace the history of one of Britain's most important cultural bodies.

Rosalind Whyte has a Masters from Birkbeck College, University of London as well as a Masters degree in Art History from Goldsmiths' College, University of London. She is a Guide and Lecturer at Tate Modern, Tate Britain and the Royal Academy and lectures frequently at the Dulwich Picture Gallery, London. Entry fee includes refreshments (7.30-8.30pm). For more information and registration of interest please call Nicky on 0400 958 449.

SUBMITTED BY NICKY PETERS

### Woodend RSL Report



What do bats, bears and Poppies Bistro have in common? They all hibernate in winter! Thanks to everyone who has shared in the Friday night fun at Poppies Bistro with us so far this year! Thanks also to Schatzis Cafe and Restaurant Woodend for catering and All Seasons Jumping Castles for supplying hours of fun.

While the dinner service is taking a break you can still join us for a drink and relax every Friday from 5pm. Poppies Bistro will be back Sunday, September 1 for Father's Day.

Wonderful to see the community involved in the Woodend Heskett Football and Netball Club inaugural veterans' football match on Saturday 8th June 2019 to celebrate the contribution of military veterans to the service of the country, particularly those involved in recent conflicts and peace keeping operations. The Young Veterans organisation also provided support on the day.

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My CFA is your link to bushfire safety information that's relevant to you. By signing up, you will be kept up to date with local advice and services to help you plan and prepare in advance of fire.

### Well done Woodend Landcare

We would like to acknowledge the excellent work that has been done by Woodend Landcare. As well as making our lovely town more attractive, they are also helping make it much more fire safe.

The clearing work they have done in several key areas has made a real difference, in particular the stretch adjacent to the railway line along Quarry Road.

If you are interested in making a real difference and doing some much-valued work, we strongly suggest you volunteer with the Woodend Landcare group.

To find out more, please visit: <[woodendlandcare.wordpress.com](http://woodendlandcare.wordpress.com)>

For further information contact Captain Mike Dornau on 0409 093 935. On Sundays call the Woodend CFA on 5427 2356 or visit the station in Urquhart Street. Follow us on Facebook, or you can visit our website: <[www.woodendcfa.org](http://www.woodendcfa.org)>

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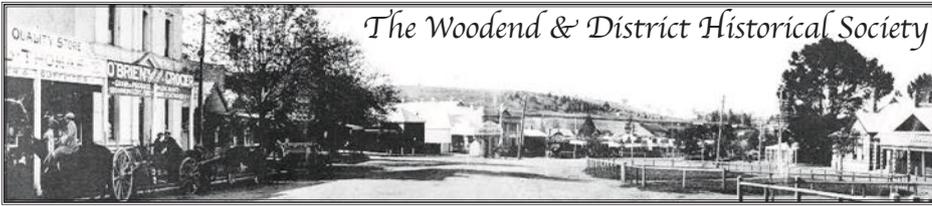
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The Woodend & District Historical Society

## Woodend and District Historic Society

### A Tale of the Mount part 1

From 1860, Edward Robb was working on Mt Macedon, doing trigonometrical work with the Government Astronomer, Thomas Lewis Ellery. In 1890, he recalled the terrain the twelve men in the party had to face at the time, when they were working on the highest point of the range. Giant trees grew to three hundred feet, and were so close together they cut out the sunlight. These trees had to be cleared from the summit to enable observations to be carried out. For this reason some of their party consisted of axemen from Saxon's sawmill at the foot of the Mount. John Adams was a skilled axe-man from the mill, whose work couldn't be faulted, but Edward Robb felt there was an air of mystery about him, as he was reserved and kept to himself. Some of his workmates hinted that he was a son of a Lord and should have a title; it was thought a marriage had something to do with his exile.

John Adams had the misfortune to have lost his wife and was endeavoring to rear their only child alone. Rose, his little golden-haired daughter, was about five years old. He had arranged with Mrs Treacy, a neighbor's wife, to keep an eye on Rose while he was at work. He lived close to Saxon's mill on the northern base of the Mount, somewhere east of Woodend. Each morning he climbed to the summit to work for the surveyors and at the end of the day, he left the camp and trekked down the mountainside to his home and little daughter.

It was late in the evening about a week before Christmas 1860, that Edward Robb recalled a very exhausted and agitated John Adams returning to the camp, asking his workmates for

help to find his little daughter. Rose hadn't been seen since that morning. It appears Mrs Treacy had gone shopping in Woodend, and didn't know the little girl was missing until she returned home later that day. The Treacys roused the Saxon sawmill workers with the news that Rose had strayed away and the search began.

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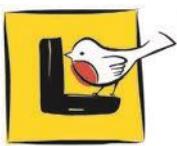
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## Woodend Senior Football Netball Club Update

The club continues to enjoy a good season in 2019. Four of our teams look to be on track to make the finals. On the football side, our reserves team and under 19's team having great seasons with plenty of numbers. Our seniors have been competitive at times but just not able to match it with the teams in the top 6 for a full game. A good win against Broadford hopefully will be the catalyst to bring some wins in the 2nd half of the season and make a late push for the finals.

Our netballers continue to do the club proud. Our under 19s are looking to repeat last years Grand Final performance. C-Grade looking to join them in the finals this year. Our higher grades continue to develop, closing the gap to the teams above them. A-Grade especially have had some great results recording a strong win over Broadford on the weekend. Hopefully a couple of big wins in the 2nd half of the year will continue the march up the ladder.

Off the field the club had a very successful Veterans Day. Thank you to the Woodend RSL, RSL Victoria, Matthew Keene and Young Verterans, Central Highlands Vietnam Veterans Association, Melton RSL Active, Councillor Janet Pearce - Mayor and Councillor Jennifer Anderson, Macedon Ranges Shire and of course the Woodend Warblers for not one but two wonderful performances.

### Junior Hawks

The Woodend Junior Football Netball Club continues to do well in both football and netball this season. We have seen great success at each team level as well individual success in a variety of representative teams. Auskick is proving again to be a driving force behind our numbers coming through in the younger age groups. Thanks to Peter McBride who has taken on the daunting task of the organisation of Auskick after Gary 'Joel' Dwyer handed over the reins last year. We have over 80 girls and boys participating, along with a fantastic parent group and a number of players from the U15 football team, helping out.

Our netballers continue to have a great season. The U17 team continues to dominate the competition and the younger age groups are developing strongly and achieving success.

Our girls are having a ball in their first opportunity to play football this season. They are improving every game and developing their skills, but most importantly, they are



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really having fun and enjoying the game. The boys are all having great seasons, from U9's through to the U15's. There may not always be a win on the board, but the improvement each week in skill and team work is evident.

Our players in both football and netball are showing individual success as well:

Hawks netball representative selections for 2019 are:

Alison Cumming 17 and under: RDFNL Interleague team

Jess Martin 15 and under: Sunbury Sonics

Charlee Duff-Tytler 13 and under MRNA

Hayley Alexander 11 and under MRNA

The girls recently played in the Netball Victoria Association Championships where they have the opportunity to have their talent identified.

Hawks Girls Interleague selections for 2019:

U/18 team: Bridget Bourke

U/16 team: Paige Koliba and Maisy Crowther.

Hawks Boys Interleague selections for 2019:

13B team: Charlie Paton

14A team: Lachie Bianco and Finn Hanegraaf

14B team: Harrison Duff

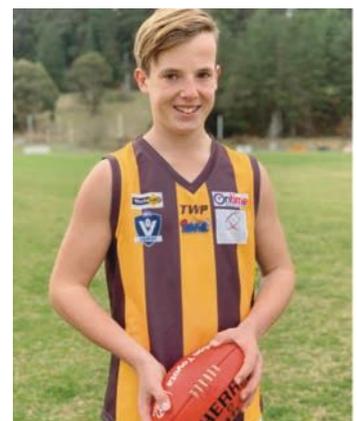
15B team: Austin Lidgerwood (injured and unable to play)

Congratulations also to Willem Hanegraaf (pictured below) who plays in the Hawks U13B team. He has been selected in the Team Vic 12 and Under Australian Football State Team to play at Mandurah, WA in August. Willem has been through a number of country and metro selections to be selected in this team. We wish him all the best for what will be an amazing experience.

We are well into the season now and enjoying every minute of it.

Go Hawks!

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SUBMITTED PAUL PODBURY





**New Committee Elected for 2019-20**



The Woodend Bowling Club recently held its Annual General Meeting. The new committee was elected: President: Mike Dornau, Vice-President: Clarrie Brett, Secretary: Robert Read, Treasurer: Anne Dornau, Committee Members: Trevor Sturt, Rosalie Campbell, Pat Morgan. Saturday Selectors: Norm Bickerdyke, Graham Muir, Trevor Sturt. Midweek Selectors: Anne Dornau and Rosalie Campbell.

**Norm Bickerdyke – Life Member**

At the recent AGM of the Woodend Bowling Club, Norm Bickerdyke was elected a Life Member. Norm joined the Club in 1999 and in the last 20 years has made a significant contribution. He has been a board member for several years and served as Vice-President 2017-18. He has also been a Selector for many seasons, for both Midweek and Saturday Pennant competitions.

Norm won the Mens Singles Championship in 2019 having been runner-up in both 2017 and 2018. He won the Club Championship Pairs this year with Mike Dornau, having also won with grandson Lee Wesley in 2009-10. He won the Mixed Pairs for three consecutive years in 2016-17-18 with Arlene Johnstone and the O'Brien Memorial Pairs in 2001 with Laurie Thomason. Norm and wife Marg have been the key organisers of the club's successful Wednesday Social Bowls for many years, and he is heavily involved in helping at functions and Barefoot Bowls as well as regular working bees. Congratulations Norm, an honour well deserved.

**Social Bowls every Wednesday through Winter**

We have an organised Social Bowls every Wednesday on our all-weather green, starting at 12.30pm. The cost is only \$6 which includes several games, afternoon tea and entry into the raffle.

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**Woodend Hanging Rock Pentaque Club**

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Bastille Day celebrates the storming of the Bastille on 14 July in 1789 during the French Revolution.

The day starts with confirmed registration at 9.30am, with play starting at 10am. Includes hot soup and cooked to order lunch. Pre-booking is essential.

**Acting President and club initiatives**

Chinka Steel has stepped into the role of Acting President during Helen Cottew's leave of absence, until the AGM in September, when he will stand for the position.

Chinka is keen to announce various initiatives being undertaken by the Club, saying, "The Club will be developing a Strategic Plan initially for three years but looking forward to 2030. Funding has been sought from the State Government, and Mike Rowland of Newham Consultants will be lead consultant on the Project."

"Further, the Club has applied to Shire of Macedon Ranges for a grant to assist with the development of a suite of suitable Policies Procedures and Processes which will complement the development of the Strategic Plan."

"Our Club will be a modern dynamic club within the Macedon Ranges community and within the Pétanque community of Australia."

The Club is actively seeking to play in the Township of Woodend and hopes to make a further announcement in July.

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## Kids in the kitchen for the 2019 Sacred Heart College Junior Chef Competition

The 2019 Sacred Heart College Junior Chef Competition was held recently involving students in Grade 4 representing six Catholic Primary Schools from the region. The first round of the competition was held early in June in the College's Frayne Hospitality Centre, where the primary students were challenged to prepare a stack of three pancakes with a mixed berry sauce. The teams then participated in the final on 19 June where they made fettuccine pasta with a napolitana sauce.

The Junior Chef competition aims to provide Grade 4 students with an opportunity to experience the secondary environment, while building on their culinary and teamwork skills. This competition also provided an opportunity for students at Sacred Heart College to act as mentors to these primary students. The primary schools used their own methods for selecting the students for their teams, some asking them to provide a written response

on why they would like to be involved and others challenging students to a pancake cook-off to secure their place. As this was the second year of the competition all schools had large numbers of students eager to be involved.

Well-respected local food identities (Tansy Good - Tansy's Kitchen, Kyneton and Damian Sandercock - Piper Street Food Co.) were joined by the Sacred Heart College staff member and chef, Troy Christmas - The Caterers of Kyneton in the judging of this event. MC for the final was College Captain Keely Rankin.

"It was fantastic to see the young people so excited and engaged in cooking. They worked extremely well as a team and had practiced their recipes several times in advance. A big thank-you to the staff of the primary schools who supported them in their preparation and to the parents and families who joined us in the Arthurson Atrium for Junior Chef," said College Principal Dr Darren Egberts.

The winners on the night were the team from Our Lady of the Rosary Kyneton, with the St Ambrose team finishing in second place by just one point. The winning school received a \$250 gift nursery voucher to allow them to purchase plants for the school's kitchen garden and all competitors received a gift of kitchen items from supporting local business Mort & Pestle - the Kitchen Shop Woodend.

All at Sacred Heart College hope that this experience will be the start of an interest in cooking for

the students involved for years to come.

SHC Junior Chef was supported by Mort & Pestle, Woodend and Woolworths Kyneton.

JENNIFER BALDWIN SHC



St Ambrose students in action during the Grand Final



The winning team from Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton proudly display their first prize awards with their coach/parent helper Jennifer Beachey.

## Sacred Heart College Kyneton Principal's Morning Tea



Prospective parents are invited to meet with Dr Darren Egberts at our Principal's Morning Tea to learn more about the educational offerings and future plans of Sacred Heart College.

**Principal's Morning Tea, Thursday 18 July from 9:15am - 10am**

The next student led College tours will be held on:

**Tuesday 16 July & Wednesday 14 August at 9:15am**

**Bookings essential**

**Enrolments for Year 7, 2021 close 26 July 2019**  
(students currently in Grade 5)

Morning tea and tour bookings can be made via the College website. Contact our College Registrar for enrolment enquiries.

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