

# The DINGLEY DOSSIER

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### THE MERRY CHRISTMAS VS HAPPY HOLIDAYS DEBATE

The months of December and January are a special time of the year for many people, we have important secular holidays and several major religions observe significant events, extending holiday greetings and wishes for Peace and Happiness for All.

In total, 23\* religions were represented amongst the 6,813\* residents who indicated they held a religious affiliation in the 2016 Dingley Village Census data. Whilst Christianity was the dominant religion we have residents from many other religions, as well, 2,683\* residents indicated they were not a member of any religion. (\*2016 ABS Census Data)

So if someone wishes you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Season's Greetings, Happy Hanukkah, Joyous Solstice, Happy New Year... say **"Thank you!"** 

Whatever your belief or non-belief, don't be offended, accept the intent behind the words and enjoy that someone took the time to wish you well.

Secular & Religious Holidays or celebrations in December 2018 and January 2019

#### CHRISTMAS DAY: 25TH DECEMBER

Christmas is an annual commemoration of the birth of Jesus Christ and a widely

observed holiday, generally celebrated on December 25 by millions of people around the world. It is celebrated by special church services, exchange of gifts, special meals and decoration of the home. Christmas is a civil holiday in many of the world's nations, is celebrated by an increasing number of non-Christians, and is an integral part of the Christmas and holiday season. HANUKKAH: 3RD – 10TH DECEMBER Hanukkah (Chanukah) commemorates the recapture and rededication by the Jewish people of the Jerusalem

Temple. Often called the Festival of Lights, it lasts for eight days and nights, and is celebrated with the lighting of the menorah, traditional foods, games and gifts. Whilst it is not a biblically ordained holiday, in the 21st century it has become a symbol of Jewish identity and is a beloved and joyous holiday within the Jewish community.

#### BODHI DAY: DECEMBER 8TH

Bodhi Day celebrates the day in which Siddhartha Gautama sat un-



derneath the Bodhi tree and attained enlightenment. It is a day on which followers can renew their dedication to Buddhism; reaffirm themselves to enlightenment, compassion, and kindness to other living creatures; and also understand the relevance of this religion as it applies to the modern world.

#### **BOXING DAY 26TH DECEMBER**

Boxing Day is a holiday celebrated on the day after Christmas Day. It originated in the United Kingdom, where, traditionally, on the day after Christmas, churches would open their alms' boxes and distribute the contents to the poor of their parish. In modern Australia it is considered an extension of Christmas celebrations as well as a day for sales and major sporting events.

#### NEW YEAR EVE/ DAY: 31ST DECEMBER/ 1ST JANUARY People celebrate the end of the old



year and welcome in the new year.

CHRISTMAS DAY: ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS, 7TH JANUARY Many Orthodox



Christians annually

celebrate Christmas Day on or near January 7 to remember Jesus Christ's birth, described in the Christian Bible. This date works to the Julian calendar that pre-dates the Gregorian calendar, which is commonly observed.

#### **AUSTRALIA DAY:** 26TH JANUARY Our National day

Our National day where celebrations reflect the diverse so-



ciety and landscape of the nation and are marked by community and family events, reflections on Australian history, official community awards and citizenship ceremonies welcoming new members of the Australian community.

Some religious holidays follow the lunar calendar and may also fall in December & January in certain years

The Dingley Dossier would like to wish everyone happiness and best wishes for whatever you choose to celebrate.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO EDI-TION OF THE DINGLEY DOSSIER IN JANUARY



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#### LIVING IN DINGLEY VILLAGE

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#### **CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT Looking for somewhere local?** Heatherton-Dingley Uniting Church will

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#### SPRING ROAD RESERVE & DOGS

COMMUNITY

Now that the fenced off-leash dog area has been completed, City of Kingston will be erecting sig-



nage around the reserve informing all dog owners that 'Dogs must be on a leash in the reserve unless in designated off-leash area'. So don't risk a fine, use the off-leash area if you want your dog to run free.

#### DINGLEY VILLAGE LIBRARY & HAROLD BOX HALL REDEVELOPMENT

The Library will close on the 14th December and the Harold Box Hall at the end of December.

Building works on the Library and Hall will commence in early 2019 and are expected to take 12 months.

The City of Kingston will provide ongoing updates via the Dingley Dossier in 2019. More detailed information will be provided in the February edition of the Dingley Dossier or you can contact City of Kingston for further information.

#### RELOCATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH SERVICE

Works have commenced at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre to relocate the Maternal and Child Health Service into the old art room and should be completed by the end of the year. The Maternal and Child Health Service in the Library will close 14th December and re-open in the Neighbourhood Centre in early January 2019.



#### **Boomerang Bags**



Library Bags -\$2.50 each

#### BOOMERANG BAGS FOR DINGLEY VILLAGE

We are small group of volunteers creating reusable shopping bags from recycled and donated materials. So far we have made over 900 bags and distributed over 700 to the community for use at the supermarket.

There are three sewing groups one on the 2nd Tuesday of the month sewing, ironing and pinning, the 3rd Tuesday is preparation day – no sewing just cutting out, ironing and screen printing at Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre. If you cannot make the weekday groups, come along on the 4th Sunday we meet at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre 1.30 - 5.00. The bags are distributed at the Dingley Village Farmers Market and there is a stand at the Neighbourhood Centre.

At the next Market we will be selling children's library bags for \$2.50, so come and visit and see our beautiful bags which will appeal to the younger ones in the community. We welcome any one, no skills required, we need more volunteers to assist in the community project of creating reusable bags. Many hands make light work. If you would like to participate in any way please contact us, we are willing to chat and answer any questions.

Sunday - Helen 9551 1658 or Tiffany McDonald 0425 222 089

Tuesday - Debbie 9551 6521 or Helen 9551 1658.



#### MAKERS MARKET

Make A Difference Dingley Village Inc. is bringing a monthly market to Dingley Village.

The Dingley Primary School has kindly offered its grounds for the Make A Difference Makers Market.

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December 9th

9am - 2pm

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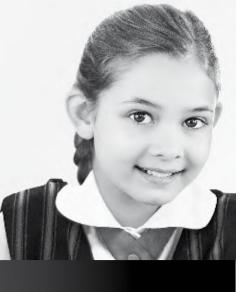
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# Letters to the Editor

#### No More Chicken Tonight?

What has happened to Carl and Grace's 'Chicken Tonight' business? Their business was badly flooded and damaged in heavy rains way, way, way back on Mother's Day 2018.

This was not the first time this has occurred to them or a number of other Dingley businesses - why wasn't the roof fixed properly the first time? Six months later! Why hasn't this been fixed yet? Is it the pharmacy dragging its feet as they leased the space from them? Is it the landlord that won't take responsibility for the roof repairs?

All I know is that one of the nicest and friendliest people I know, that have been serving Dingley Village for 23 years, will most likely never re-open for business again. How can they with rain entering the premises for this long?

How could you possible dry the affected area to meet 'Health & Safety' regulations? I'd imagine the mould would be extensive. As a community we should be angry with the state of our Dingley Village shopping strip!!!

We have all seen the under-cover roof leaking, how many businesses need to suffer flood damage and water flowing back up drains? Does the Dingley Village Shopping Management actually have a maintenance programme? If not, does this mean that they have no insurance? Do they care about Dingley Village?

We are often asked to support our local Dingley Village businesses. I believe the owner and management of the Dingley Village Shopping Centre should do the same by supplying businesses with safe and well maintained shops to do business in. After all, isn't that why they pay rent? It is sad to see Dingley lose one of its most iconic businesses -Looks Like No More Chicken Tonight or Ever Again!

> From, Brad - Concerned Citizen

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# OUR COUNCIL

#### COUNCIL REJECTS KINGSWOOD PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT PROPOSAL

Kingston Council has voted to abandon the Planning Scheme Amendment process to rezone Kingswood Golf Course.

Councillors voted unanimously to abandon the process at a Special Council Meeting held recently.

Kingston Mayor Cr Steve Staikos said that the decision comes following a six-week public consultation period which attracted 8,000 public submissions (more than 7,000 individual), the largest number ever received by Council for a Planning proposal.

"The overwhelming majority of submissions opposed the proposed rezoning and construction of hundreds of homes on the former golf course. Councillors want the community to know that we have read their submissions and we have heard them," Cr Staikos said.

Tonight's Special Council Meeting was keenly watched by community



members, who viewed the live stream online or filled the public gallery in the Council Chambers. "Kingston is proud to be fully transparent and accessible. We live-stream every Council Meeting on the internet for the community to access," said Cr Staikos.

The private owner of the Kingswood Peninsula Golf Course site, at Centre Dandenong Road Dingley Village, had lodged an application with Kingston Council to:

- rezone the site from part Special Use Zone (Golf Courses) and part General Residential Zone (Schedule 3) to a General Residential Zone (Schedule 2) to allow for redevelopment of the site for residential purposes.
- subdivide the land into 514 lots including 6 superlots and approval for buildings and works on lots less than 300 square metres.
- apply a new Development Plan Overlay (Schedule 8) to the site to guide the future use and development of the land.
- apply a Vegetation Protection Overlay, Environmental Significance Overlay and Significant Landscape Overlay to protect significant vegetation on the site.
- apply Environmental Significance Overlays to address potential impact of ground water contamination and landfill gas migration.

#### WESTALL EXTENSION URGENTLY NEEDED TO PREVENT TRAFFIC CRISIS IN MELBOURNE'S SOUTH-EAST

Kingston, Glen Eira and Monash Councils have joined forces to call on the Victorian Government to urgently invest in an extension of Westall Road to avert a traffic crisis in the region when the new Mordialloc Freeway is constructed.

The three councils, representing close to 350,000 residents in Melbourne's south-east, have warned that the new

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 For more information contact: Marnie @btbdance.com.au or visit <u>www.bbdance.com.au</u> Mordialloc Freeway will dump thousands of extra cars into the region and clog up local roads.

The Mayors of Glen Eira, Kingston and Monash last week joined together to call for an urgent commitment from the Victorian Government to extend Westall Road to link the Dingley Bypass/new Mordialloc Freeway with the Monash Freeway.

Kingston Mayor Steve Staikos said he welcomed the construction of the Mordialloc Freeway and hoped action could also be taken to prevent it causing local traffic issues. "The region has already experienced increased traffic volumes since the opening of the Dingley Bypass in 2016 with thousands of extra cars now travelling along South Road each day and motorists directed onto roads which were not designed for today's traffic volumes," Cr Staikos said.

"On behalf of our communities we are asking the Victorian Government to urgently commit to extending Westall Road to prevent major problems when the Mordialloc Freeway is built."

The Westall Extension project is also supported by South East Melbourne SEM Group, which represents communities, business leaders and Casey, Frankston, Greater Dandenong, Casey, Cardinia, Mornington Peninsula, Monash, Glen Eira and Kingston Councils.

#### KINGSTON DECLARED A 'TERMITE-PRONE' AREA

Kingston has been declared a 'termiteprone' area, with extra protection now required on new homes.

Kingston Councillors voted to declare Kingston a termite prone area, at the Monday 22 October Ordinary Council meeting.

Mayor Steve Staikos said that this decision, which comes into effect on 1 January 2019, aims to increase community awareness about the risks of termites at properties and to increase measures to prevent them.

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"CSIRO reports have revealed that termites are prevalent across Victoria. Being declared a termite prone area will ensure that developers put in measures to protect new properties against infestations," said Cr Staikos.

Of the 31 Melbourne Councils, 15 are designated as termite areas, including neighbouring Councils Frankston, Monash and Glen Eira.

According to Archicentre Australia, some of the warning signs of termites to look out for include:

- discarded wings from swarmers.
- bubbling paint.
- strange bits of mud in plasterwork, or
- disintegrating wood.

"Homeowners with existing properties who have any concerns, are encouraged to invite an expert to their property to assess their risk," said Cr Staikos.



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We hope our monthly DVCA Dossier articles over 2018 have kept you well informed about our local issues. We wish every Dingley Village resident a happy and safe Christmas and New Year and we look forward to continuing to work hard for our community in 2019.

#### THANKYOU - DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY Kingswood Golf Course Rezoning

and Development Abandonment To each and every objector who made a submission to Council about the Kingswood development proposal WE THANK YOU for getting involved, taking the time and ensuring that your opinion was placed on the record.

Every one of the record breaking number of objections received by Council were vital and on 17 October 2018 when the Council voted unanimously to abandon the rezoning of Kingswood, you can be proud that you and your community achieved this.

The Save Kingswood group, together with many members of our community, and supported by our local politicians, have worked countless hours to stop this inappropriate development.

The DVCA is proud to represent a community, which has shown such sustained strength and unity in opposing the proposed rezoning and development of Kingswood Golf Course over the past 4 years.

The developer (of which Australian Super is an investor) has released a media statement ... "We accept the decision of Kingston Council and understand that the project, in its current form, cannot proceed. We will take time to consider our options, however we don't plan to resubmit our proposal in its current form, or in the near future."

DVCA has written to the Australian Super requesting a meeting to press our



case for the future of Kingswood GC to be Public Open Space, with a number of options available to them, to lead to this result. WE WILL NOT be accepting just a reduced residential plan for Kingswood and Dingley Village.

#### CHAIN OF PARKS - SANDBELT PARKLANDS

DVCA is pleased to receive the progress report from our Mayor Cr. Staikos for the Kingston Green Wedge, "The End of Landfill in Kingston's Green Wedge".

#### Background

The "Chain of Parks" for Kingston was first proposed back in the 1970s, as a means of providing open space in a series of connected parks on land used for sand mining and subsequent landfill in Kingston.

In May 1994, a Sandbelt Open Space Project Development Plan was formally prepared by Melbourne Parks and Waterways (Parks Victoria) for this. The plan proposed a centrally linked park spine stretching from Warrigal Rd Moorabbin to Braeside Park in Dingley Village, with the parks to be connected by pedestrian and bike paths and trails.

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Fast forward to 2006 and Kingston Council prepared a Sandbelt Open Project Policy to implement the Melbourne Water 1994 Plan for land designated for the "Chain of Parks" in the Kingston Green Wedge.

Forward again to 2018, and now, after so many years of tip smells and dust from the adjacent sand mine landfill sites, it is terrific to see the "Chain of Parks" concept really starting to be established as the landfills cease to operate and then are progressively rehabilitated as open space.

With the rapid growth of Melbourne in both size and population, the Kingston Green Wedge "Chain of Parks" will be an extremely valuable and vital open space in SE Melbourne to help provide for passive and active recreation current and future needs.

#### MORDIALLOC BYPASS FREEWAY ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS STATEMENT (EES) -HAVE YOUR SAY

The draft Planning Scheme Amendments and EES for the proposed Mordialloc Bypass (to connect the Mornington Peninsula Freeway to the Dingley bypass)

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You can make a submission about the Mordialloc Bypass on the following website: https://engage.vic.gov.au/ mordialloc-bypass-ees-inquiry

The closing date for your submission to be made is Friday 14 December 2018.

#### Facebook

The DVCA is now on Facebook and you can find us at;

https://www.facebook.com

Type in: Dingley Village Community Association in the top search area to see our page

#### DVCA

Open to all residents who genuinely care about our Village. Meetings are held in the Community Centre, Marcus Rd Dingley Village 2nd Tuesday each month (except Dec. & Jan.) at 7.30pm and new members are most welcome to attend. PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING the DVCA and make a constructive difference in our community.

#### **DVCA Contact Details**

Please contact the Chairman on 9551 5442, 2 Mungari St Dingley Village, or e mail. david@llidam.net

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#### Twelve Safety Tips to stay healthy, safe and happy over the festive season:

**1. Lights & Decorations:** Be careful when putting up lights and decorations, falls from ladders, tables and other raised services are more prevalent during Christmas. Also check lights and other electrical decorations, many fires are triggered by some failure or malfunction in electrical decorations and Christmas lights that are faulty or incorrectly installed.

**2. Alcohol:** Drink responsibly and you'll avoid a whole host of complications that overindulgence can cause, including family arguments, falls and car accidents.

**3. Driving:** Australia's road toll invariably spikes during the Christmas and New Year holidays, when traffic volumes increase dramatically and people travel longer distances on unfamiliar roads. Drive safely and don't drink and drive or drive whilst fatigued.

**4. Shopping:** Never carry large amounts of cash and at ATMs only take out as much money as you need. Cover your pin number and call the police if you believe the machine has been compromised. Do

not leave your shopping bags in the car, as it can become a soft target for thieves. If shopping online, be sure that the site and payment method you're using is secure and that the online business is reputable. You can do a google search of 'business name + complaints'

**5. Food safety:** what would the holidays be without food, but no one wants food poisoning. Take extra care to make sure food is properly refrigerated and remember to separate potentially hazardous foods from cooked or ready-to-eat foods. If you know – or even suspect – that food may have been left out unrefrigerated for four hours or more, it's better to throw it away than risk getting sick. When in doubt, chuck it out!

6. Night out: Tell someone where you are going and when you will be back. Plan how you will go and return and if you change your plans when out, let them know. Keep to locations where other people are and if using your car, park in secure well-lit places. Take care when carrying your handbag, smart- phone or tablet in crowded areas. Keep them in a safe location, within view. Keep handbags zipped and don't put your wallet in your back pocket. Where possible go out with a friend or group.

**7. Heat:** Slip slop slap when outside in the sun and on days of high heat, remember to stay in the shade or cool places, keep your fluids up and check regularly on the wellbeing of babies and older people who

can quickly be effected by high stress. Don't forget your pets who can also suffer in the heat.

**8. Fire:** Be aware of Bushfires alerts, especially when travelling in rural areas. In days of high fire risk have a plan of what to do in case of fires in the area.

**9. Swimming:** do not swim alone or under the effects of alcohol or drugs. If swimming at the beach choose a patrolled beaches and remember to swim between the flags. Do not swim or dive into unfamiliar water, used designated swimming locations where possible.

**10.Home:** Secure all doors and windows of your home and use your alarm when the house is vacant and when home at night. If you're going away for Christmas, make your home look occupied, leave a light on and get a trusted neighbour to check on your property.

**11. Pets:** A busy house full of guests and noise can be very stressful for animals, and all those tempting decorations and foods can pose significant risks. Christmas food and alcohol are among some of the most dangerous for animals to consume, so resist that pleading face. Christmas decorations look like toys and pose a threat if chewed, ingested or played with. Many pets will struggle with the sounds of fireworks, an additional risk is that animals may flee to escape the noise, and become lost.

**12. Wellbeing:** embrace the happiness and best wishes expressed at this time of year. Spend time with family and friends or take the time to reconnect or reach out to others. Laugh loud and often and let those you care about know how important they are to you. Above all relax and enjoy.

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# 7.30pm, December 16th



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MEDIA RELEASE

18 October 2018

#### KINGSWOOD DEVELOPMENT PLANS NOW ON HOLD

Developers of the Kingswood golf course at Dingley Village have put all plans on hold following Kingston Council's decision to abandon seeking an amendment to the planning scheme to re-zone the site.

Councillors voted unanimously to abandon the process at a Special Council Meeting held on 17 October.

Spokesperson for the Kingswood development project team, Anna Martiniello, said the decision was disappointing, but not unexpected.

"We accept the decision of Kingston Council and understand that the project, in its current form, cannot proceed," Ms Martiniello said. "We will take time to consider our options, however we don't plan to re-submit our proposal in its current form, or in the near future."

Ms Martiniello said the site's owner, ASRP1 (a wholly-owned subsidiary of AustralianSuper), would determine how the project team would proceed, although both the owner and project team genuinely wish to pursue a constructive relationship with Council and with the local community and its representatives.

ASRP1 takes possession of the 54-hectare Kingswood site on 31 January, at which time the gates will be closed and locked. The Peninsula Kingswood Country Golf Club will cease its operations earlier on 1 December 2018.

"We are not golf course operators so the site will be locked for safety reasons," Ms Martiniello said.

More details can be found on the project website <u>www.kingswooddingleyvillage.com.au/fact-sheets/</u>

#### Contact

enquiries@kingswooddingleyvillage.com.au

# FARMERS' MARKET

Our next market is on Saturday 15th December from 8.30am – 1 pm.

All our regular stallholders will be in attendance along with several Christmas specific stalls.

Why not pick up something special for your Christmas celebrations.



Brasserie Bread have delicious mince pies in addition to their wonderful range of breads.



Need a special present for a family member, teacher, neighbour, friend or work colleague. Why not pick up a gift pack from alotofgoodstuff? They also have Christmas cakes in addition to their usual range of products



Eat Sweets is still the sweetest stall at the market, the melt in.your mouth meringue, delightful nougat and golden honeycomb make the perfect gift for someone special (including yourself). The Dingley Village Farmers' Market is a local community event to showcase the best in local and Victorian seasonal produce

All produce, is sold direct to you by the farmer or producer, ensuring you get access to fresh produce as well as the opportunity to talk to the farmer/producer about their produce. Whilst many items are seasonal, this ensures you are buying fresh quality products.

We are frequently asked why certain produce is not available at the market but I can buy it at the shops? If it is not produced in Victoria, you cannot sell it at the market. The produce available in store now may have come from interstate or even overseas.

Cash Out facility is available at the Neighbourhood Centre office during the market, if



you require extra cash for shopping.

Don't forget that parking is free onsite at the market. Dingley Village Men's Shed members will assist you with parking and you will not have far to carry your purchases back to your car.



A Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre Initiative

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The application to re-zone Kingswood Golf Course has been ABANDONED! Dingley Village residents and supporters in neighbouring suburbs The Save Kingswood Group inc. extends our thanks to all

just to achieve the profit motives of others spreading the word that Dingley Village will not allow our Village way of life to be adversely changed In particular our marvellous volunteers who campaigned to save the Kingswood Golf Course by

8,000 objectors and all who turned up to voice their opinion when it counted The Save Kingswood Group could not have achieved this result without the enormous support of the

Thank you Dingley Villagers, you always stand up when called on to protect our Village

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#### Kingswood remains open space.

Residents are all excited at the unanimous abandonment of rezoning by the Kingston council. In time the applicant will make a new design and attempt to apply again. So we are ever vigilant. The Save Kingswood team continues to have meetings with all participants, pushing for open space. Until an open space alternative is locked in, we will never stop representing you.



Children colouring in the Kingswood Eastern Rosella

#### Politics

It's possible the next application may be politically-assisted, but at the time of writing, both the Premier, Daniel Andrews and Matthew Guy have not responded to our multiple requests for comment. All our local politicians have made supportive statements, but they will not be the decision-makers. If they bypass Council, VCAT is not involved; rezoning is a decision for the Minister or a panel.

#### **Planning Minister**

The Planning Minister Wynne said: "The Minister has always encouraged councils to make decisions in line with the expectations of their local communities. The developer has issued a statement saying they accept the decision and do not plan to

resubmit their proposal. As a result, there is nothing before the Minister to consider. Should any type of proposal be put forward in the future, it will need to be considered on its merits at that time." While the above is somewhat encouraging, it relies on (a) The Minister being re-elected, (b) keeping his portfolio and (c) political influences.

#### **New Mayor**

On November 15th, the new Mayor Georgina Oxley was elected and Kevin Poulter was there to congratulate her and had a brief chat about Save Kingswood. We will advise all councillors of new developments and strategies, so their Golf Course policy is not ignored by government.

#### Celebration

The recent Save Kingswood celebration at the Maker's Market was well attended, including by politicians and candidates.

#### The near future

Unless the owners want the Golf Course on display for potential buyers, the course will have long grass. They said they are not Golf Course operators and will be locking the gates "for safety reasons". It's likely they will only cut the grass when required by council for fire control. From time to time it may need residents to remind council that the park is in need of a clean up. The rule is, anything over 10cm (4 inches) must be mowed. Please let us know if (a) the grass exceeds that length or (b) anything undesirable is going on, like cutting down trees. Please also send any interesting photographs, like floods or wildlife. Ph: 0435 378 678 E: savedingley@gmail.com, Web: www.savedingley.com



#### New ideas

The Save Kingswood Group has drafted proposals that would be acceptable to residents and will present them to the owner, Australian Super. We will keep you informed of any developments.

#### The Team

The Save Kingswood Group incorporated has an enthusiastic team, each with unique talents: **Simone Hardham** - runs our Facebook and often the face of our organisation, keeping in touch with politicians and councillors, **Michael Benjamin** - legal and contacts, **Greg and Linda Jones** - Research, distribution of flyers, flyer concepts and ideas, **David Madill** - The voice of Dingley Village, especially via the DVCA, plus strategy, **Kevin Poulter** - Media / PR, Web, brochures and Secretary.

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# **CHRISTMAS JOY**

Christmas is a time for kicking back and enjoying the festivities that come along with it. But it can also be a stressful time for homeowners juggling repayments with the additional costs of Christmas and family holidays.

Luckily you do not have to spend big to enjoy! There are many ways to enjoy the holiday season without breaking the bank. The ASIC money smart website (Australian Government funded, highly recommended) has a list of 12 money tips for Christmas. Here are some ideas to get you started.

#### Make a list and check it twice

Having lists will help you plan your spending and keep you on track, for presents, entertainment supplies and travel. Plan early (now). Look for specials, the competition amongst the retail sector for your dollar is fierce.

#### Skip the credit card

Those bargain gifts quickly become expensive when you're left paying 16% interest on them. Try and pay cash as much as possible. The 'new credit card you have when you do not have a credit card' (buy now, pay later services) are even more dangerous. If you can not afford to pay for something now, can you really afford to buy it?

#### Support the local community

Holiday and entertainment does not need to be far away. Attend your local com-

munity Christmas activities, at Dingley Village, at Braeside Park. Holiday in the car, in Victoria. I have been to Philip Island, to Arthurs Seat, to Ballarat, to the 12 Apostles this year. Staying local saves you money, and re-invests your spending back into the local economy.

#### Give to those less fortunate

Spread the Christmas cheer by giving to those who are doing it tough. This does not need to be a large monetary gift, it may be household items, or your time. Such giving can lift another's spirits as well as your own, and can be a family activity.

#### Allocate some time to your own finances

Most of us are guilty of busy lives and look forward to this time of year for some 'me time'. Consider using some of that time to review your household accounts including energy and mortgage. We recently saved a client \$10,000 per annum with a simple loan restructure! Could we do that for you? Our office offers free credit advice, what do you have to lose? Perhaps the best Christmas gift for you would be to allocate some time to saving money on your bills?

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#### FAMILY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION ORDERS (IVO'S)

#### WHAT IS FAMILY VIOLENCE?

Family Violence is behaviour between family members that causes fear to an affected family member or members. The definition of Family Violence is broad and not only includes physical or sexual violence and also includes any behaviour that is used to control, threaten, force or dominate a family member through the use of fear. Therefore, emotional and financial abuse or dominance will also be considered an action of family violence.

The fear that an affected family member experiences need not necessarily be fear to themselves, rather, it can include fear for their property, another person or domestic pet. It is also important to note that a child who sees, hears or is in any way affected by family violence, will also be covered by the law.

#### What is a Family Violence Intervention Order?

A Family Violence Intervention Order (IVO) is a court order that protects an affected family member or members against family violence from a family member. The perpetrator of family violence will be known on the order as the Respondent.

An IVO includes conditions which prohibit the Respondent from using family violence against the affected family member and most commonly includes an order that the Respondent cannot go within a certain distance of the Affected Family Member (or members), and can lead to the Respondents removal from the family home.

If the Respondent breaks any conditions that are outlined on the IVO, the police can charge the Respondent with a criminal offence meaning the Respondent may end up having a criminal record.

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An IVO can also significantly affect arrangements regarding the care any children and the Respondent's time spent with the children, particularly if they are named on the order as affected family members. If you are a Respondent on such an order, and, as such are being prohibited from spending time with your children, you should seek immediate family law advice.

#### How to seek an IVO

An affected family member can seek an intervention order in two ways;:

- 1. By applying to the magistrates court; or
- 2. The police may make an application for IVO if they believe an affected family member is in danger.

#### If an IVO is made against you

Once an application has been made against you, the police will serve on you a copy of the application detailing the allegations made against you and a summons to appear in Court on a scheduled date. It is also likely the the affected family will have been issued with an interim order for their protection. If an interim order has been made you must ensure you follow the conditions even if you plan on defending the order.

You will need to attend court on the date that is listed on the summons, if you do not then the order will proceed undefended and a full IVO will likely be made against you.

As the Respondent there are a number of options for dealing with an IVO;

- 1. Consent to the IVO being made against you without admission;
- 2. Agree to an undertaking not to commit family violence, rather than an order (this will need to be consented to by both parties and the Magistrate); or
- 3. Defend the IVO.

If you choose to consent to the IVO you may also be in a position to negotiate terms such as the removal of the children's names from the order, or access to the property to remove your belongings. Agreeing to an IVO does not give you a criminal record, however, as detailed above if you breach any conditions of the IVO you may be charged with a criminal offence.

If you choose to defend the order the matter will be adjourned and listed for a final hearing at a further date. Prior to the final hearing you must ensure you gather relevant evidence to support your defence and character witnesses to assist with your character determination.

If you are experiencing family violence or you have been issued with a summons for an IVO, we suggest you seek legal advice to further discuss your options.

Please feel free to contact our office on 8555 3895 to make an appointment to see a lawyer or email me on melissa@ lyttletons.com.au.

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Christmas is here. Again. If you're like me and are still convinced we were only just celebrating Christmas 2017 two weeks ago, then you know it can be an incredibly stressful time of the year.

Mindfulness has a lot of attention in mainstream media recently, particularly with the development of adult colouring books and meditation; both of which have been shown to reduce levels of stress and anxiety in people, by encouraging them to focus their attention to whatever is happening in the present moment.

A recent study published by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) has found that intraocular pressure (IOP) in patients with glaucoma could be reduced by incorporating the practice of meditation into their daily routine. Glaucoma currently affects 300,000 Australians, and generally progresses without symptoms until the later stages of the condition (it affects your peripheral vision first, slowly reducing it until you are left with tunnel vision- central vision only); which is why regular eye checks play a vital role in the early detection of the disease. Currently, the only available treatment for glaucoma is lowering IOP with eye drops or surgery.

However, data from the AIIMS study found that there was benefit in the group of glaucoma patients who were managing their glaucoma with eye drops, meditation and breathing exercises for 1 hour a day for 21 days. Intraocular pressure in this group reduced by 6mmHg on average (a significant amount), compared to the group who were only taking eye drops. Not only



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did the meditation group have lower IOP's, they also reported an overall increase in their mood and well-being. It is a promising area of research that will undoubtedly raise the importance of not only treating an eye disease but also a person's general health and mental well-being too.

So, this Christmas, if you find yourself getting overwhelmed by relatives overstaying their welcome; take a few moments to breathe. Not only will you help your sanity, but you'll be on your way to protecting your eyes.

At Dingley Eye Centre, we are passionate about your vision and the health of your families' eyes. Call us to make an appointment, book online or come down for a chat about how we can help with early detection of glaucoma, or any eye disease for that matter. Or, even if you would like a quiet moment to yourself, we can help facilitate that too.

From the team @ Dingley Eye Centre, we wish you and your family a safe and happy festive season.

Dr Hashini Seneviratne, Darran Yeow and the team @ Dingley Eye Centre. Ph: 9551 4244 116 Centre Dandenong Rd, Dingley Village Website: www.dingleyeyecentre.com Email: admin@dingleyeyecentre.com





#### **Open Studio - Art Day South**



#### Friday 14 December 2018, 12-3pm Harold Box Hall 31D Marcus Road, Dingley Village

Arts Access Victoria's Art Day South artists will be opening their studio doors to showcase their visual and performative artworks produced over 2018. Artworks will be on display and for sale in the main hall behind the library at Dingley Neighbourhood Centre. Please join us!

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The club is also seeking a senior coach so if you have an interest in coaching, it could be a great opportunity.

If you'd like to find out more, contact President and Reserves Coach - Shannon Hughes 0401656061 or Captain -Brendan Murphy 0433131209 www.dingleysupers.com.au

#### MAROONS NETBALL CLUB

Season 2 has come to an end and I would like to congratulate all teams that participated in Finals.



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in either please contact us. Maroons Net-Skills will be up and running next year in Term 1 (February) 2019.

The NetSkills program is for children aged between 7 - 9 years of age. This program is designed to introduce children to netball, in a fun and friendly way, with the vision of joining a Maroons team to play competetion netball. If your child is interested in joining our program, please contact Trudy Pritchard via email haytru@ bigpond.net.au or mobile 0407 334 057.

Our AGM will be held Tuesday 11th December 2018, 7pm at the Dingley Sports and Recreaction Centre, 31E Marcus Road Dingley Village, all positions will be up for nomination and we would love to see some new people join our committee. Thank you all for a great year and we look forward to season 1 in 2019. Go Maroons. Trudy Pritchard, President Maroons Netball Club.

#### DINGLEY TENNIS CLUB

On October 13th we ran our Trivia Night and were so pleased to see so



many new faces from the wider Dingley Community showing their support for our fundraising efforts and testing their grey matter for the evening. Thank you to our main sponsor Buxton's for bringing along two tables of participants. Thank you to all the businesses who donated goods and services for our raffle and silent auction. We raised almost \$2000 to go towards our new 'Book-a-Court' system.

Also as we come to the end of the year we would like to thank the Dingley International for the opportunity to raise funds every month at the Sports Bar Meat raffle.

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# CIRCLING THE CLUBS



Drought Relief Sausage Sizzle - how ironic, there we were standing in the



pouring rain raising money for the farmers' drought relief fund. Poor attendance at the farmers' market naturally reflected on our fund raising however an amount in excess of \$500 was achieved with the help of many donations.

Our Christmas dine out is on Saturday 15th December at the Keysborough Golf Club

One of our shedders is a member of the Aviation Historical Society who had been given the care of two albums of original Royal Air Force photographs taken for the British Air Ministry of WW1. These are bound in such a way that they can only be copied while still bound. To achieve this the engineering section of the DVMS made a camera copy stand for future general use of members for photograph and document copying where a quality copy is





Those park picnic tables keep coming from ParksVic and our team just keep machining them back to a good surface

The Dingley Village Men's Shed is in Cypress Drive, Braeside Park (near Visitors Centre), Lower Dandenong Road. Ph. 9551 5892, E-mail: dvms3172@gmail. com www.dvms.org.au

New members welcome, drop in to the Shed on Friday mornings to find out more about us.

#### PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL

Our speaker for the November meeting was George

Hahhow, Cartoonist. What a talented and unassuming gentleman! Not only did he receive many awards for his work, but in 1953 won the B grade tennis singles. In his last year of school, he intended to take up an apprenticeship in carpentry, but only a few weeks before taking this up, his school Vocation Officer saw some of his drawings and advised him to take Art Courses at Swinburne Tech. His first job was with the Herald working alongside WEG, who funnily enough was his neighbour in Heathmont; amongst others, he also did work for RACV.

Our December activities begin with the General Meeting on 3rd, 10 am. Entertainer, Dave Cathie, Magician, and then Lunch at Dawson's Bistro, Sandown. Morning Coffee at "The Nest", Water-



ways on 10th, 10.30am, Film Day on 12th, Camera Club meet on 13th. Two events on 14th, Morning Melodies - The Dolly Sisters "Christmas Show"10am, then FAC - Denis Walter, World of Christmas 10.30am. On 19th our day tour, Lunch at Parnassus Function Centre, Drouin East at 10am.

This concludes our calendar of events for 2018. We wish all our readers a wonderful Christmas & New Year.

We meet on the 1st Monday of each month at the Salvation Army Hall, 13 Garden Boulevard, Dingley Village and we always welcome new members and visitors.

For further information, please contact Graham on 9551 9582.

#### ROTARY CLUB DINGLEY VILLAGE

The newly appointed Victorian Representative of

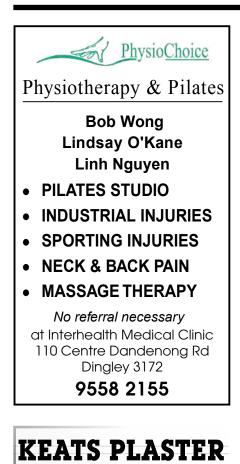


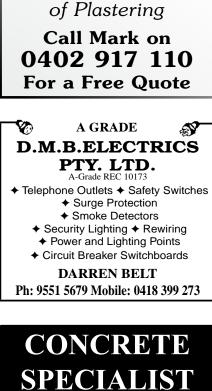
the Destiny Rescue organisation will be addressing your Rotary Club in the near future on the dangerous work they do in rescuing young girls from the sexual slavery of brothels in Cambodia and other places. This is a charity that I personally, and many others in the Rotary family, choose to support. Destiny's 'work would make a great Netflix series but of course it won't. Wheelchairs for kids is another cause that involves Rotary and does an enormous amount of good in our sad world. This is an ongoing commitment for your Club. These are only two of your Club's worthy commitments that tear at our collective hearts. Surely there are many of you out there that would like to be involved in such rewarding work, for as we know, "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph in our troubled world is for good people to do nothing." Do yourselves a favour and come and join us; the feeling is great, the satisfaction is enormous and you will never look back.

And now for our general Club news that keeps us active every day.

Do not forget we are holding a sausage sizzle for Election Day 24th November at Kingswood Primary School between







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This month we had our annual visit by our District Governor Mr. Russell Guerney and his charming wife Shelley. All Clubs undergo inspection once a year to ensure we are living up to what International Rotary expects of us. Dingley can be proud that your Club was roundly praised for 'punching well above its weight' once more for another year. At one of our recent joint meetings with the Rotary Club of Noble Park, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) attendees addressed us on their recent experiences of sharing six days and nights at a RYLA camp at Bacchus Marsh.

During the last busy month, we were also addressed by Mrs. Margaret Cunningham and our own Mrs. Pam Davies on their work with the "Days for girls" organisation.

In so many parts of the world young girls miss days of school, and suffer many more days of acute embarrassment, and in some cultures, shame, due to the unavailability of sanitary products that we take for granted in our society. Several days weekly Margaret converts her home in Donvale into a 'mini factory ', where colourful, reusable sanitary packs are produced for free distribution.

This is only one of the many worthy causes which involves your Club. Apart from the men out there to whom I appeal, there are many women, no doubt, looking for a cause. Look no further, come and join your Rotary Club, or just become a helper, you will be amazed at what you can do, if you so decide.

We meet the first three Thursdays of the month at 6.30 pm at the Mentone RSL. For Club contacts, reference the Rotary Club website. Take a step you



will never regret, we will be so pleased to welcome you.

Your Rotary Scribe, Dudley Podbury.



and Education of Women) Club

Club members have enjoyed a busy few months as we continue to have fun, enjoying outings, learn from our monthly speakers and support disadvantaged Australian children via our partnership with The Smith Family, Learning for Life Programme.

Members visited the stunning Point Leo Estate, enjoyed the brilliant CLOC production of Jekyll and Hyde. We visited the Immigration Museum and the featured "Mao's Last Dancer" Exhibition and to top off the month spent a relaxing weekend at Millgrove.

In November our Guest Speakers will be Dingley Rotary Bead Ladies and our outing on November 30th will be to Williamstown Botanic Gardens where we will be given a guided tour.

Our last meeting for the 2018 year will also be our Xmas Party on Tuesday 11th December 11.30 at Keysborough Golf Club. We resume our meetings for 2019 Tuesday 12th February at 1000am.

VIEW Club welcomes women of all ages. We meet the second Tuesday of the month, 10am to approx. 11.30 at Keysborough Golf Club, 55 Hutton Rd Keysborough. Easy Parking.

Please note we do not meet in January. For further information contact Fran Thomas. 0419 309 931 or franniet@gmail.com

#### DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

November has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night Clubs. Our night dinner dates for November started with a well attended Group function on a Thursday evening at the Dingley International Hotel (DIH). Saturday night venues were at Cheltenham – International menu and at Parkdale with Italian fare. Other activities included a play at Parkdale preceded by a Mexican dinner and there was also a Sunday trip via ferry to Williamstown. Cup Day celebrations were enjoyed by some of our members at Keysborough but the major sweep prizes managed to avoid them. Our members continue to explore Australia and the world in their travels.

If you are in the 60 Plus age group and are at a bit of a loose end any Thursday night come along and join the group for a casual chat and your preferred beverage. We now meet from 7.30 pm at the DIH in the Sports Bar. A list of proposed activities over the next month or so is available at these gatherings.

Regular activities undertaken by the group include dinners, theatre nights, movies, BBQs, picnics, breakfasts, concerts, holidays, trips, walks and dinner dances.

Our highlights for December are expected to be our Christmas breakup which includes a Kris Kringle exchange of presents.

We are always happy to welcome new members to the Group. Any enquiries about the group may be directed to Graeme on 9551 3462 or Shirley on 9551 1398.

We thank the Dingley Dossier conveners for their support in 2018 and wish all their readers a most happy Christmas and an enjoyable New Year.

Be an early starter to join our scene 2019.

#### LIONS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE

As 2018 is drawing to a close, it is time to reflect on the achievements of the Dingley Lions Club, we have donated to Lions Prostate Cancer Research and Treatment Project, Monash Health Foundation, School Sport Victoria - supporting local student and donated towards a Hart Walker to support a young child. Dingley Lions in conjunction with Clarinda Lions Club donated a much needed Cough Assist Machine to the Monash Children's Hospital, book awards, awarded to students at local schools, bears for the Monash Children's Hospital, donated to "Need for Feed" drought relief, Australian Hearing Dogs and the Lions Cord Blood Foundation.

Dingley Village Lions club is sponsoring a local resident to get a "hearing dog" – these Hearing Dogs are trained to physically alert their owners to everyday household sounds such as a door knock, telephone, baby cry and smoke alarms just to name a few. They can also get help with one simple command.

Our current fund raiser is the selling of Christmas Cakes, which are on sale at the Bendigo Bank Dingley Village and Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre.

We are in need of new members to help to continue these projects, if you are interested please would you call Lynne 9551 3770.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31B Marcus Road, Dingley Village (Public Holidays excluded). These meetings are informal and friendly.

If anybody has any of the following items they can be left at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre.

Pre loved spectacles, sunglasses and hearing aids and used stamps are still needed. Thank you to all who have donated, please keep them coming in.

Please help us make a difference to our community – our members are our greatest asset.

Contact – President Lynne 9551 3770 dingleylions@gmail.com

#### PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.



At our November meeting,

our guest speaker was Freya Vickery, the Waste Education Officer from Kingston Council. Freya gave a most interesting and informative talk on the importance of recycling, and presented a visual display explaining the latest developments in the disposal of household and general waste,





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together with some new ideas still on the drawing board regarding "green waste".

At the time of writing we are looking forward to our Mystery trip, on November 15th.

Our Christmas meeting on December 6th will include entertainment by the "Hot Flushes", a group of singers who we have had the pleasure of hearing in previous years. Following our meeting, we will go to the Sandown Greyhounds restaurant for an enjoyable lunch.

Other December activities include a coffee morning at The Nest on the 11th, and Morning Melodies at the Waltzing Matilda on the 14th featuring "The Dolly Sisters Christmas Show".

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Dingley Sports and Social Club at Souter Oval, from 10.00am. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome at our meetings, and for further information, or to join one of our activities, please contact either President Ursula on 9547 2580, or Secretary Davina on 9551 1217

#### COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



At our meeting in October,

the members thanked outgoing President Lindy for her

time and support as our President, and welcomed incoming President Carmel for taking over the reins.

The members are looking forward to an interesting year with projects that will help our Dingley Village community. CWA Dingley's last get-together for 2018 is a luncheon with the McDonald Members Group from the surrounding suburbs of Brighton, Bentleigh, Hampton and Murrumbeena.

As it is the busy time of the year when most of us are getting into gear for the Christmas rush, Dingley CWA would like you to start off with a visit to our Christmas table full of ideas for Christmas gifts at the Dingley Village Woolworths Store, on the 7th of December between 9.30 am and 2.pm.

Our November meeting was our last meeting for 2018, and after the Christmas stall at Woolworths the members are looking forward to holiday time with their family and friends.

CWA Dingley Villages' first meeting for 2019, will be held at the Neighbourhood Centre in Marcus Road on the 23rd of January at 10 am. Our President Carmel on 9551 1874 or our Secretary Diane on 9580 6150 will pass on any information you require about the CWA Ladies and what they would like to achieve for the their community.

The President, along with the members of Dingley CWA, wish the staff and readers of the

Dingley Dossier 'A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and A HAPPY NEW YEAR'

#### DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INCORPORATED

This year's end is closing in on us fast! A nice time of the year, although most



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of us are very busy (socialising) indeed. Numbers attending were relatively small but we recently enjoyed a very nice outing to Mont de Lancey Homestead. We are now looking forward to our Christmastime activities.

#### Arranged activities for December are:

3rd – Games followed by afternoon tea; (Wednesday) the 5th - Christmas Lunch at the Pig and Whistle Restaurant in Olinda (bookings are essential for this function); 10th – our Christmas Breakup at the Club with lunch and entertainment.

Our first meeting for 2019 will be held towards the end of January.

We would like to especially thank our Members who contributed towards our afternoon teas and trade tables held during 2018.

We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all of our readers a happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

If you would like to come and join our friendly group, we meet in the Harold Box Hall, Marcus Road, Dingley, mostly of a Monday (unless otherwise indicated) from 12:30 p.m. If you have a query, or for any further information, please contact our President, Lyn, on 9585 5039 or our Vice President, Maureen, on 9551 8425.

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#### HEATHERTON-DINGLEY UNITING CHURCH



Cnr. Kingston and Old Dandenong Roads, Heatherton Sunday services at 10.00 a.m. Sacrament of Holy Communion second Sunday of the month at 10.30 a.m. All enquiries phone 9544 5324 www.heathertondingley.unitingchurch. org.au

#### What's On

Wednesdays – Prayer meeting at the church 9.00 – 9.30 a.m. If you have a concern that you would like prayed about, ring Margaret on 9551 9494

**Know Your Bible**, 9.30 – 11.00 a.m. An interdenominational study for women of the Bible. For further information contact Jennifer on 0419 115 811

First Friday of the Month: **Indoor Carpet Bowls** – 7.30 p.m. in the Church Hall followed by supper

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**Carols by Candlelight** – Sunday, 16th December at 7.30 p.m. followed by supper. Live band.

#### Christmas Day – 9.00 a.m.

Our Church Office is at 7-9 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough, and is open from Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 12pm - Phone Number 8712 8254. Please feel free to call Lesley with any enquiries you may have.

#### ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

511 Lower Dandenong Road, Dingley Village 3172

Office open Tuesdays 8:30am to 11:30am Phone / Fax: 9551 6930

**Baptism:** Bookings through the St. Joseph's Parish Office, Springvale (9547 4877). Baptisms will be held at St Joseph's Springvale and St Mark's Dingley on alternate months- contact the church offices **Weddings:** By appointment only Confession: 5:30pm prior to Saturday Vigil Holy Mass, or by appointment Holy Mass Times: Monday to Friday: 7:00am in the Friary Chapel Saturday: 6:00pm Vigil in the Church Sundays: 9:30 AM Sunday Mass (NB. only one Mass on Sunday) **Christmas Mass times:** Christmas Eve - 24 December 2018 6.00pm Family Mass 11:30pm - Carols commence - Mass 12.00 midnight Christmas Day: 25th December 2018 Morning Mass 9.30am Some important dates for the month of December 2nd 1st Sunday in Advent 3rd St Francis Xavier 8th Immaculate Conception of Mary 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe 14th St John of the Cross - priest & doctor 25th Birth of Our Lord - Christmas 26th St Stephen - First Martyr of the church 27th St John Apostle & evangelist 28th The Holy Innocents 30th The Holy Family January 1st Mary Mother of God 3rd The Most Holy Name of Jesus 7th Epiphany of the Lord The Baptism of Our Lord 8th 25th Conversion of St Paul the Apostle KINGSTON NGSTON CITY

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Ph: 8551 6600, Fax: 8551 6690. Web: www.kingstoncitychurch.com.au E: admin@kingstoncitychurch.com.au Senior Pastor: Dan Parker Senior Associate Pastor: Dave Harrison Sunday Services: 10am Service has Children's Ministry.

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#### VILLAGE CHURCH DINGLEY

Church Office: 7–9 Fiveways Blvd., Keysborough. 3173

Note new Phone number: 8712 8254 Email: admin@villagechurch.org.au www.villagechurch.org.au

#### Our Church program for DECEMBER is as follows:

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE – Tuesday 25th December.** 9.00 a.m. Worship Service at the Harold Box Hall, 31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village.

**SUNDAYS.** 10.00 a.m. Worship Service at the Harold Box Hall, 31 Marcus Road, Dingley Village.

\*Kids Church in the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre - 10.30am to 12 noon, children from birth to Grade 6. All welcome.

#### MONTHLY LADIES AND MENS GROUPS:

\* **Homemakers** – 1st Monday of each month. 3rd December, 7.45pm, Dingley.

**Men's Group** – Tuesday 11th December. 6-9pm. BBQ, fellowship and sharing. 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

#### LIFE GROUPS:

**\*Youth** – Fortnightly Tuesdays 11th December. 6.30pm. Springvale South.

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Monthly – Saturday 15th December; 7-8am and 9-10am at church office.

**BIBLE STUDY:** \*Women's – Thursday 6th December. Precept Ministries study on Philippians. Fortnightly at the church office 10-11.30am.

\*Open – Thursday 6th, 20th December. Fortnightly at church office 2pm. \*Not held during school holidays.

#### CHRIST CHURCH DINGLEY



387 Old Dandenong Road, Dingley (at the roundabout) Contact: admin@ccd.org.au or ring on 9551 7871

#### Web:www.ccd.org.au

**SUNDAY SERVICES:** 8:30am: Traditional Service in the Church.

10:30am: Contemporary Service in the Auditorium.

Kingdom Kids' and 'Xplore' (Children's Ministry during the 10.30 service) COMING EVENTS at CCD

Walk at Braeside Park-Every Monday 6-7pm, meeting at Car Park No 10 near sculptures.

#### Pleasant Tuesday Communion Serv-

**ice** – 11 December, 2pm in the Church. Service includes Holy Communion and Favourite Hymns and Carols, followed by a sumptuous afternoon tea. Transport available on request: 9551 7871.

Artist & Storyteller -Lynton Allan back by popular demand, Sun 16 Dec 8.30-10.30am

#### **Christmas Services**

Sunday 23 Dec 10am – 'Carols & Lessons' **Christmas Eve** 5pm - Children and Families service with Nativity,

Sausage sizzle and jumping castles afterwards;

11pm – Late night Service of Communion & Carols

**Christmas Day** 9am - Service of Communion and Carols in the Church

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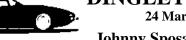
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