

The DINGLEY DOSSIER

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THINK LOCAL FIRST

D ingley Village is a great place to live and many locals say that is due to the sense of community and village feel. Our local shops, businesses and services are a vital part of our community.

There are few things that impact our community more than supporting our locally owned businesses. On average, for every dollar spent at a local small business, 42 cents flows back into the local community*. The money is primarily reinvested as salaries to local residents (27%) and payments to local suppliers (12%). The remaining 3% of small business community spend is used to support charities, schools and sponsorships.

A great example of a local business giving to the community is the Dingley International who for five years has donated the food and staff time for the Gun Fire breakfast following the Dawn ANZAC Day Service, with all funds going to ex-servicemen and women.

Local businesses are predominately owned by people who live in the community. They are less likely to leave and are more committed to the community's welfare and future. They have a direct commitment to you as they rely on your support.

Your values and desires are much more influential and important to a local business owner as opposed to managers of large chain stores. You



can also help to mould a local store through your purchasing decisions and feedback. As the success of local business relies on you and your feedback, local business owners are going to be more likely to treat you well and provide you with excellent service and after sales service.

The owners and workers of locally owned businesses can inform you of the benefits of the products and services and can usually recommend products and services in light of the requirements of the local area.

When buying from a local business you are not contributing to CEO

and Executive salary packages and bonuses, you are helping a family.

If we do not use local business that provides a backbone for the local economy, then that business will not hang around. From legal services to retail to health services to restaurants it, all matters.

We understand that price can often be the determining factor when purchasing, so all we are asking is that you "THINK LOCAL FIRST" and contact local business when looking for trades, services or shopping.

*'The Economy of Shopping Small: Keeping it in the Community' report 2017

DINGLEY DOINGS



MY COMMUNITY LIFE

My Community Life is an online directory developed by Council in response to community feedback requesting an online space for local groups to promote and market themselves and their activities. Visit www.mycommunitylife.com.au

The My Community Life website allows you to search for activities, events and

volunteering opportunities that are on offer within the City of Kingston. Listings can be filtered by suburb, date and type to ensure you find the information that interests you. The site also provides resources such as maps, public transport options and the ability to link to Facebook and twitter if you would like to share what you have found with friends.

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS

Recently when parked in the carpark at Marcus Rd reserve, the gearstick of my car became jammed. My sincere thanks go to the kind young man who took the time to look up my car model on his phone for instructions, and then was able to release the gearstick allowing me to drive home.

Thank you again, Jennifer

"NO ACT OF KINDNESS, NO MATTER HOW SMALL, WILL EVER BE WASTED" AESOP

STATEMENTS

FROM THE PUBLISHERS & EDITOR, DINGLEY DOSSIER

The Dingley Dossier seeks to support the local community in their understanding of local issues. The Kingswood Golf Club development has been prominent in editions of the Dingley Dossier, with articles and letters being submitted by community organisations and local residents. Whether you are for or against the development, it is the major issue in the Village and residents need access to all relevant information.

The Dingley Dossier is well aware of the level of opposition to the Kingswood development within the community, yet in the public interest, we need to stay balanced and fair in providing information to residents.

In this edition, there is a 'Letter to the Editor' from Anna Martiniello, the ISPT Senior Development Manager for the redevelopment project.

We acknowledge that sections of the community will not be happy that your Dingley Dossier is giving a platform to the developers, but we will not decide what information you should or should not receive.

STATEMENT FROM THE BOARD, DINGLEY VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE INC.

The Board of the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre understands the ISPT is proposing a financial contribution to Council dedicated to establish playing fields in Dingley and to upgrade the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Community Centre.

The Board has had no discussions with ISPT to upgrade the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre. Any discussions, if they occur, would be with the City of Kingston not the Neighbourhood Centre.





Dear editor,

I write on behalf of the Project Team planning the proposed residential redevelopment of the Kingswood golf course in Dingley Village. By the time the June edition of the Dossier is circulated, we would expect Kingston Council to have our plans on public exhibition.

This is the opportunity provided in the Victorian planning process for all stakeholders to study the plans closely and provide comment to Council.

Some of your readers will be familiar with our proposal, although others may only be aware through second-hand reports. We encourage all individuals, local businesses and other stakeholders to view the plans for themselves, understand the detail, and then submit comments to Council through its published channels. (Which we will include on the Project website http://kingswooddingleyvillage. com.au)

Our Project website also provides a useful summary of the proposal, particularly our downloadable fact sheets which answer many questions from existing community members and those hoping to move into Dingley Village.

Our plans were first submitted to Kingston Council in March 2016 and the Project team has worked with Council planners since then to ensure the proposal meets the various requirements for a planning scheme amendment to take place. The proposal is very detailed and meets best-practice urban design standards for community and place making.

We are proposing:

- A master-planned residential community with 760 individual lots.
- A mixture of low-density and mediumdensity housing (capped at three storeys).
- Almost eight hectares of the site dedicated to public open space.
- Flood retention works for some 62,000m3 of stormwater (more than five times the statutory requirement so it can address existing flood events in Dingley).
- A financial contribution to Council dedicated to establish playing fields in Dingley and to upgrade the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Community centre.
- A dedicated financial contribution towards making affordable housing available to the young, the elderly and the community's essential service workers.

The plans do not include multi-storey developments greater than three storeys. All building will conform to the highest environmental standards in Australia.

Our proposal provides parks and passive recreation areas for the whole community to enjoy freely, wetlands and wildlife habitat for birds and other animals, and the possibility of much-needed community assets such as a child-care and/or aged-care facility. And we have worked closely with VicRoads, the service authorities and Council to resolve any perceived road, traffic and infrastructure service issues.

This is the opportunity for the public to give Council their thoughts about the project. We encourage everybody to join the conversation.

Anna Martiniello

Senior Development Manager ISPT Pty Ltd (on behalf of ASRP1)



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COMMUNITY



BOOMERANG BAGS FOR DINGLEY VILLAGE

As Government legislation bans the supermarkets handing out single use plastic bags at the end of June, a small group of volunteers has been working hard towards this deadline.

This community group run by volunteers creates reusable shopping bags from recycled and donated materials. Sewing groups are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Dingley Community Centre and 4th Saturday of the month at the Scout Hall. If you would like to be involved, there are other jobs such as screen-printing the pockets for the front of the bags, ironing the straps and cutting out of the material as well as sewing.

Boomerang Bags Dingley Village would like to thank everyone who has responded to our plea for sewing material donations including doona covers, sheets or tablecloths. From the generous community support we have received at the Dingley Village Farmers markets where bags are distributed, we have been able to purchase things such as second hand sewing machines, a new over locker, sewing and over locking thread and a new marquee for shelter at the Dingley Farmers Market.

Your continual support ensures the continual running of the group. As a community group, we are supported by our community and therefore we like to give back to our community. Our volunteers assisted the Dingley Village Scout group and a local childcare centre to create bags as mother's day gifts. Before we can begin to provide our local retailers with free reusable shopping bags, we need more volunteers to assist in the creation of bags.

If you would like to participate in any way please contact Tiffany McDonald 0425 222 089 or Tuesday sewing Debbie 9551 6521 or Helen 95511658.



DINGLEY SCOUT GROUP

We meet at Dingley Scout Hall, 65 Centre Dandenong Road, Dingley **Mondays:**

Joeys (5 – 8 years of age): 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Cubs (8 – 11 years of age): 7.00pm-8.30pm

Tuesdays:

Rovers (18-26 years of age): 8.00pm - late

Fridays:

Scouts (11 -14 years of age): 7.30pm-9.30pm

First, we would like to publicly thank and acknowledge the generous support from Rotary Club Dingley Village for providing us with six new camp barbecues. Our camp barbecues were quite old, some were broken, and this donation is truly appreciated.

Our Joeys and Cubs have had some exciting ventures lately with visits to the Oakleigh Fire Station, the Scouts Herit-



age Centre, as well as doing some hiking at Cranbourne Botanic Gardens

For further information please email: gl.dingley@scoutsvictoria.com.au or phone/text 0402 489 773



Boomerang Bags, thank you for attending our Scout night and helping our scouts make Mother's Day items



Jamboree on The Trail. Attended by 243 youth, 60+ leaders. Joeys walked 6km, Cubs walked 9km

JAZZ NIGHT

The Burden Park Bowls Club "Jazz night" is on Friday 13th July at 6.30pm at our clubrooms 880 Heatherton Road, Springvale. Featuring the New Melbourne Jazz Band.

Cost for this night is \$35.00 /head including a 2 course meal.

For bookings contact: Russell Lawton on 433 158 421 or the Bowls Club on 9546 8851.



MAKE YOUR INVESTMENT REALLY WORK

The start of the new financial year is always a good time to review your investment goals & strategies.In this changing market give the team with experience & local expertise a call.

Contact Carole or Mark at Ray White Dingley Village.

Save Kingswood Group Inc. - News Special Edition - June 2018

Save Kingswood Golf Course from Destruction

Reject this ecological and environmental disaster in our midst 760 lots down to 200 sqm, 2000+Population increase, 2000+more Motor Vehicles, 3 Storey Flats. Complete destruction of Green Open Space, Trees and Vegetation, Bird and Animal habitat.

Say NO to Rezoning Say NO to Subdivision Say NO to Residential Over-Development.

By now, every Dingley Village resident should be aware of the looming disaster regarding the sale, rezoning and over development of the Kingswood Golf Course, Dingley's Central Park.

Last month the Dossier included a pro-forma objection submission, which you could use to tell Kingston Council that they should reject the harmful project in its entirety. Kingswood Central Park should remain public or private open space and not destroyed and built out.

Please be aware that technically, until the Minister for Planning approves the Public Exhibition of the proposal, Kingston Council are unable to accept Objection Submissions posted directly to their office. At the time of writing this article, his decision was still pending.

The May Dossier asked those wishing to register their objection to Post or Hand Deliver their Objection/Submission to:-

Michael Benjamin and Associates at 117 Centre Dandenong Road (next to the Dingley Primary) or The Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre (DVNC) 31B Marcus Rd, Dingley Village.

Now you can also scan your completed and signed objection submission and email it to the Save Kingswood Group at savedingley@gmail.com

All Objection/Submission forms received will be held by the Save Kingswood Group and lodged with Kingston Council when the exhibition period opens.

Kingston Council will write to all residents once the exhibition period starts, however, please ensure you follow the instructions above at least until you receive the letter from Council.

If you have misplaced your copy of the form, or require further copies, you can always collect from the two addresses above or you can download a copy from the following link. - www.aaa1.biz/save.html

Please continue with your support of the Save Kingswood Group by ensuring your neighbours and friends have completed a form. Remember there is no age or residency constraints. Everyone in the family can lodge an objection submission.

Save Kingswood Group Inc. Facebook -Save Kingswood Golf Course (Dingley)

VILLAGE REFLECTIONS



outside the back door, also a wide range of native plants, including orchids in the scrub at the back of the house.

Kingston Council endorsed a nomination for the reserve in Wyndarra Crescent, Dingley to be named 'Gartside Reserve', in honour of this pioneer family.

Meg left us with photographs and written stories of her family.

We will keep in touch with this amazing lady.



Dingley Village Historical Society - Settled 1855 -

Members of the Historical Society met with Meg (Margaret) Trebilock (nee Gartside) last week, and what a great afternoon that was!

Meg is now aged 96 and residing in an Aged Care Facility in East Melbourne, but grew up at Westwood in Centre Dandenong Road, Dingley Village, the home of Bonnie & William Gartside.

Meg reminisced about her family and living in Dingley Village, she spoke of the Cannery, established by the family in 1923, for the canning of fruit & vegetables. The unofficial motto of the family was, "sell what you can, and can what you can't."

The Garside's were the only family in the area with a motor buggy, 'fame indeed.'

In 1928, a Post Office was opened in Dingley and Henry Gartside was the first post-master.

Gerald Spence Gartside drove the four-wheeled lorry to the Victoria Market and was fined 2/6d at the Brighton Court for having been found asleep in the cabin.

The children of the Gartside family remember Koalas being in the trees

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DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

KINGSWOOD GOLF COURSE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL - SAVE OUR OPEN SPACE AND PREVENT THIS MASSIVE OVERDEVELOPMENT IN DINGLEY VILLAGE

Currently:

- 1. Kingswood Golf Course is zoned Special Use Golf Course - to protect & preserve the golf course. It is not zoned residential.
- 2. ISPT has applied to rezone Kingswood Golf Course to Residential, in order to subdivide the golf course land.
- Kingston Council has requested authorisation from the Planning Minister to begin a formal planning scheme amendment process to consider ISPT's application.
- 4. When Council receives authorisation from the Planning Minister, Dingley Village residents will then receive a letter from the Council advising how and when submissions/objections can be made directly to Council.

HAVE YOUR SAY - HOW AND WHEN TO MAKE YOUR OBJECTION

1. You Can Write an Objection NOW: Write and sign your objection, **BUT PLEASE DO NOT SEND IT DI-RECTLY TO THE COUNCIL** NOW, as until the Minister for Planning approves the Public Exhibition of the proposal, Kingston Council cannot accept Objection Submissions posted directly to their office.

You can however leave your signed Objection Letter at either:

- Michael Benjamin's Office at 117 Centre Dandenong Rd, Dingley Village
- The Community Centre at 31B Marcus Rd, Dingley Village; or
- Scan your objection and send it to the Save Kingswood Group at savedingley@gmail.com

Your Objection will then be submitted on your behalf to Council at the correct time.

Last Month's Dossier had an example Objection Letter to send to the Council against this massive overdevelopment proposed by ISPT. Further copies of this example Letter can be obtained from Michael Benjamin's Office or the Neighbourhood Centre.

2. You Can Write an Objection WHEN YOU RECEIVE A LETTER from the Council advising that authorisation

has been received from the Planning Minister and submissions / objections can be made directly to Council.

When you receive the Council letter, you can then send a written objection directly to the Council yourself during the 6 week period advised in this letter.

Further information will also be released on the development proposal at the Council Offices and on their website at this time.

This is our FINAL chance to Have a Say in stopping this damaging project and keeping the Open Space, Trees and Birds of Kingswood Golf Course in Dingley Village.

REMEMBER YOUR OBJECTION IS

VITAL. So please don't leave this up to your neighbour or the people down the street to lodge an objection. As it is all about numbers, e.g. 890 residents managed to stop the overdevelopment of the Mentone Hotel.

SPRING RD PARK DEVELOPMENT

Council has advised the DVCA that the contract to build the Park's path network has been awarded to Meluca Group Pty Ltd. Gravel paths are being installed during May and should be completed early to mid June, dependant on weather conditions, as work cannot be done during inclement weather.

This is good news, as it will make the park more accessible and user friendly



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particularly over the wetter months of the year.

ROWAN RD RESERVE PARKING PROBLEMS

Parking for competitors and spectators using the Rowan Rd Netball / Tennis Complex on competition days is significantly beyond capacity. Rowan Rd and surrounding streets are extremely congested to the point where the safety of both road users and pedestrians is compromised.

DVCA is concerned that the Kingston Council's proposal to provide angled vehicle parking along Rowan Rd opposite the Net Ball/Tennis Complex, has inherent safety issues regarding cars backing out into traffic and children crossing Rowan Rd along most of its length.

As Sports Ovals will not be placed in the Spring Rd Reserve due to engineering and wind issues, it is now appropriate to revisit a longer term parking solution for the Netball / Tennis Complex.

A member of the DVCA Committee has prepared an alternate plan, which calls for a large carpark to be built inside Spring Rd Park opposite the Complex in Rowan Rd. We believe this has many advantages including:

- 1. Focussing the east entrance to the park into a single area.
- 2. Allowing a safe single pedestrian crossing to be installed from the carpark to the Net Ball/Tennis Complex.
- 3. Permitting safe vehicle exits (2) onto Rowan Rd
- 4. Allowing for future development, on either side of the carpark, for a dedicated BBQ/picnic area and a large

adventure playground safely fenced from the road.



This is the alternate plan for Rowan Rd Parking

FACEBOOK

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

https://www.facebook.com/Dingley-Village-Community-Association-183239365820388/

DVCA MEMBERSHIP

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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COMMUNITY BANK UPDATE

JUNE; it's the start of winter and the end of the financial year. Weathermen are saying this could be a record breaking cold one, so dig out the scarves and gloves, boots and coats and look forward to warming soups and stews. We have to get through to 31st August before we can expect it to change for the better.

I love it, but I am Scottish and it is the nearest I get to the type of weather I was used to and yes I am talking summertime. I look forward to shorter days and longer nights. I like few things better than curling up on the couch with a good book and a hot chocolate or even better a nice glass of red. I take time to plan for spring in my garden and maybe book a holiday for summer.

I also use the time to sort out my receipts for my accountant to prepare my tax return. So to get you started, I have put together a list of what you will need. Start with your INCOME; PAYG summaries, any other income earned from rental properties, interest earned on your savings accounts for the year, pensions or government payments and dividend statements.

Next, your EXPENSES; tools, uniform, further education fees, Motor vehicle expenses, travel expenses, Rental property expenses, charitable donations, accountant's fees for preparing your return. Other GENERAL INFORMA-TION including Private Health Insurance details, your spouse and children's details, records of any purchase or sale of shares or assets. It is also the time when we often think about planning our future and organising our finances.

We are here to help you plan and organise and have a team of experts ready to help. Whether you need to discuss a business loan or a new home loan, a credit card or and education plan to finance your children's future, we have the people here ready to listen and help.

If you have been into our bank in the last few weeks, you will have noticed a few different faces. I am the senior Manager at the branch and we have a new Manager running day-to-day operations; Penelope Leonard, Sally Li is our Customer Relationship Manager for another week or so before commencing maternity leave.

We have three Customer Relationship Officers; Bree, Amanda and Harrinson and 3 Customer Service Officers; Terese, Jonalyn and Natasha. We still have Catriona assisting with Wealth and Financial Planning at the branch a couple of times a week and access to a Business Banking Team

It is probably timely to remind you that we are not one of the faceless big banks, but your local community bank and we operate to build and strengthen our community. We can only do so if you do business with us. We invest our profits back into our community. If you would like to be a part of our success, come and do business with us and help us support our great community, as we start our new financial year.

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YOU---can make a difference!

"Make A Difference Dingley Village" is the name of your local Dingley Village charity, that supports disadvantaged families and those experiencing crisis.

The Food Pantry we manage is open to anyone experiencing difficulties, but is a little like "Mother Hubbard", as fast as the pantry is filled it empties!

Each season the team at Make A Difference conduct an appeal for specific food items and in winter, this appeal is for "soup".

August 1 will be "Make A Difference Day" and we hope you will join our "Crazy Sock day".

You can drop your donation at the Neighbourhood Centre, 31B Marcus Road, where Make A Difference Dingley Village is based and receive a MAD pen in thanks. Watch the Dossier for details or speak to one of the Make A Difference team at 9551 1799. Check our website at www.maddv.com.au



FARMERS' MARKET

Our next market is on Saturday 16th June 8.30am to 1pm

We are an all weather market so that customers can still purchase during the colder months, and we have the option of moving stalls indoors if necessary.

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 have now passed the six month mark of operations and our focus is on quality products sold directly by the farmer or producer. This has meant that, whilst we have many enquiries for sites, they do not all meet the true 'Farmers Market' criteria. The market manager is working to increase the number of stalls and hopes to pick up more over the winter months, as other farmers' markets go into recess.





A Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre Initiative



Brasserie breads has become a very popular stall with a range of artisan bread. The tomato chutney from Outback Spirit is delicious with cheese from Blue Bay Cheese and the homemade jams from Berries Direct go nicely on Anja's scones.



Another new stall is Villa Pelleggi, that has certified organic extra virgin olive oil, vinaigrette and olives.

Who doesn't love pancakes, Rocky Mountain moose stacks will hit the spot this winter and you can pick up mix to take home as well.



Cash Out facility is now available at the Neighbourhood Centre office during the market, if you require extra cash for shopping

Boomerang Bags will once again be onsite supplying recyclable shopping bags.

Did you know that parking in the reserve is free, if you are attending the market and that the parking attendants from the Dingley Village Men's Shed will assist you with parking? Very handy for getting your shopping back to your car.

SAFE COMMUNITY



Only working smoke alarms save lives.

HOUSE FIRES

It is estimated that over 50 deaths a year, in Australia, are caused by accidental house fires. While many house fires are preventable, over 11,000 residential fires occur yearly in Australia and the risk increases during cold weather. Common causes of fires in the home include an unattended stove or heating appliances left on.

A working smoke alarm provides you with early warning of a fire and gives you time to escape safely.

This winter, check your smoke alarms are working and electric blankets are in good condition with no kinks or exposed wires. You should also regularly service your heaters, to ensure they are in good working order and reduce the risk of CO2 poisoning with gas heaters.

TAX SCAMS

With the end of the financial year fast approaching, Scammers are impersonating the ATO or pretending to be from a government organisation representing the ATO demanding payment for a fake tax debt.

How to spot a Scam

- The Taxation Office does not threaten immediate arrest
- Does not ask you to transfer money into an account with a BSB that is not held with the Reserve Bank of Australia
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STRONG INVESTMENT IN COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN KINGSTON'S DRAFT BUDGET

Kingston Council has released its Draft Budget for 2018-19, which features a host of fantastic new community facilities and quality services while meeting the Victorian Government's rate cap.

Mayor Steve Staikos said the proposed draft budget would continue to invest in high-quality facilities and services to help make Kingston a stronger, fairer and more connected community.

"We're investing heavily to ensure our community has access to well-maintained facilities, that local sports clubs are supported, the environment is protected and that vital infrastructure like roads and footpaths are well maintained," Cr Steve Staikos said. "Council has again worked hard to deliver a financially responsible and balanced Budget. Due to our strong history of sound financial management, Kingston Council is well-placed to respond to the Victorian Government's rate capping policy which will see average rates rise by no more than 2.25%." "Council will continue to drive efficiency improvements to contain and reduce costs without negatively impacting on the high-quality services we provide to the community."

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS:

Investing in high-quality community facilities with a range of projects including the Dingley Village Neighbourhood House and Library improvements (\$3m), creation of a new public piazza in Mentone (\$3.4m), building a new Acacia Avenue Preschool (\$1.5m), new books for our libraries (\$1m) and renovating the Washington Drive Kindergarten (\$460,000).

Caring for our environment including park and open space improvements (\$2.5m) maintaining 90,000 trees in local parks and streets (\$1.8m), planting 2500 new trees (\$900,000), helping maintain Patterson Lakes (\$300,000)





Improving Kingston's Green Wedge with a new park to be developed at Elder Street South (\$1m), new walking and cycling paths (\$1m) plus landscape maintenance (\$200,000).

Promoting an active and healthy community through major investments in local parks and sporting facilities to strengthen local sporting clubs and encourage greater participation. Projects include stage one funding for the Mentone Pavilion redevelopment (\$3.4m), finalising the new Cliff Sambell Pavilion (\$1.3m), completing the Bay Trail shared walking/cycling path (\$2.7m), netball courts at Regent's Park (\$600,000) and upgrades to existing sportsgrounds and lighting (\$1.3m)

Protecting and enhancing the foreshore with projects including the Edithvale Life Saving Club redevelopment (\$2m), the Mentone Coastal Precinct Plan (\$200,000) and foreshore drainage works (\$200,000).

Maintaining vital community infrastructure including road (\$6.6m) and footpath repairs (\$700,000), drainage works (\$2.8m) and investing in a new depot to more effectively roll-out all of Council's parks, home maintenance and depot services and to cease renting multiple facilities(\$5.6m)

WASTE CHARGES

Victoria's recycling industry is facing an uncertain future following China's recent changes, which have raised required environmental standards of recyclables accepted for processing.

As a result, local councils across the state are facing increasing costs with some Councils increasing waste charges by more than \$60. Kingston Council has a new company collecting waste from October 2018 and at this stage, we have been advised that it will be able to accept recyclables at previously expected costs.

Therefore, Kingston property owners will incur only an \$8 increase to cover increased costs from July (the start of the financial year) until the new contract begins in October.

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LIVING YOUR DREAM RETIREMENT

We all have a vision of our perfect retirement. However, whether it's travelling around the country in a luxurious motor home, playing golf every day or spending more time with the grandkids, how do you accumulate enough to pay for your golden years?

How much do I need to live my lifestyle?

Lifestyle is a personal choice. The big question is: How much do you need to save while you're working to pay your preferred retirement lifestyle?

A good place to start is to calculate how much you need to meet basic living costs. You could use your current expenses as a guide, but keep in mind that these may be quite different during retirement.

What about the age pension?

The age pension is designed as a safety net for those who cannot self-fund their retirement. The payment for a single person represents less than 30% of average male weekly earnings. A person receiving the base maximum single-rate age pension will receive \$907.60 each fortnight, or \$23,596.70 annually, while a couple entitled to the full rate will receive a combined amount of \$1,368.20 each fortnight, or \$35,573.32 annually.

This may be enough to cover basic essential expenses, but most retirees want



a better standard of living and are more active in retirement than previous generations. For these people, the age pension will not be enough. Take this for example.

Living a modest lifestyle

The Association of Superannuation Funds of Australia (ASFA) Retirement Standard provides an insight into the cost of different lifestyle options.

First prepared in 2004, it benchmarks on a quarterly basis the annual budget Australians need to fund either a comfortable or a modest standard of living in retirement.

The Standard defines a modest retirement lifestyle as "better than the age pension, but still only able to afford fairly basic activities". The March 2018 ASFA figures suggest that a single person would need \$24,637 a year to achieve this, while couples would need a combined income of \$35,367.

Upgrading to a comfortable lifestyle

The Standard defines a comfortable retirement as one that enables, "an older, healthy retiree to be involved in a broad range of leisure and recreational activities and to have a good standard of living through the purchase of such things as: household goods, private health insurance, a reasonable car, good clothes, a range of electronic equipment, and domestic and occasionally international holiday travel".

The March 2018 ASFA figures suggest that a single person would need \$44,158 a year to have a comfortable

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lifestyle, while couples would need a combined amount of \$60,663.

Obviously, these figures are just a guide, and the actual amount needed to fund your preferred retirement lifestyle will depend on the choices you make about the things you want to do. Your financial adviser can help you more accurately determine the amount needed for your retirement based on your goals, needs and preferences.

How much is enough?

Looking at the figures above, it is clearly apparent that if you want more than a basic lifestyle in retirement, you will need more than the age pension to live on. Your superannuation and non-superannuation savings will need to supplement the difference, and in some cases, fully fund your retirement.

The ASIC MoneySmart Retirement Planner calculator, available at www. moneysmart.gov.au, is a useful tool.

The figures generated suggest that to achieve a comfortable retirement, a single person should have about \$880,000 and a couple should have over \$1,200,000.

These are generic calculations based on a 5% return on investments. Your financial adviser can provide a more detailed calculation, for your specific situation.

What is the best way to save?

Superannuation is the most tax-effective way to save for retirement. You can build your super through employer contributions (including salary sacrifice), your own contributions, spouse contributions and government co-contributions.

There are certain restrictions on superannuation contributions and withdrawals, so you may need to supplement your superannuation with other investments such as managed funds, term deposits or property.

In conclusion

Regardless of how much you need, it is important to start planning early to ensure you have enough to retire on. We can work with you to develop strategies that suit your individual circumstances and help you to look forward to enjoying your retirement dream.

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EATING FOR YOUR EYE HEALTH

Eating a healthy, well balanced diet, which includes eye health foods, is good for overall wellbeing, as well as eye health.

Lutein and zeaxanthin are particularly essential nutrients for the macula and are present in high concentrations in a healthy macula. They are found in dark green leafy vegetables such as kale, spinach and silver beet. They are also present in other vegies such as peas, pumpkin, Brussels sprouts, broccoli, corn and beans.

Omega-3 fatty acids are important to eye health and contained in all fish and shellfish but higher concentrations are found in the oily variety of fish like salmon, mackerel, anchovies, trout, herring and sardines. Eat fish two or three times a week either fresh, frozen or tinned. Other nutrients that will help support good macular health include zinc (oysters, seafood, nuts and legumes), Vitamin E (nuts and whole grains), Vitamin C (citrus fruit, berries and tomatoes) and selenium (nuts, especially Brazil nuts).

Lower glycemic index (GI) carbohydrates are better than high GI as those people who eat a higher proportion of carbohydrates with low GI compared to high GI, have a lower risk of developing macular degeneration. Lower GI foods also reduce the risk of diabetes and diabetic retinopathy. The glycemic index is a ranking of carbohydrates on a scale of 1 to 100 according to how much they raise blood glucose after eating.

Food facts to be aware of:

• Most of the best lutein rich vegetables also contain high levels of Vitamin K,



DO YOU HAVE A PAINFUL SHOULDER?

Shoulder disorders are a common complaint that can affect two out of three people during their lifetime and can lead to significant pain and reduction of function. Injuries to the shoulder can be either acute injuries, where there is a particular incidence that leads to pain and dysfunction, or chronic injuries, where there is a gradual increase in pain and impaired function without a particular cause. These problems are often left untreated for some time, as people often believe it will get better with time. However, in that time, shoulder function can deteriorate very quickly as the pain often stops someone from moving and this leads to muscle weakness and abnormal movement patterns.

Shoulder disorder can even lead to neck pain, headaches, shoulder and thoracic pain, and even radiating arm pain.

The shoulder joint is a complex joint involving the collarbone joint at the top of the shoulder, the ball and socket joint itself and the shoulder blade or scapular, which sits at the back. There are many muscles that work together to move the shoulder and arm. As we have great 360-degree mobility in the shoulder, the bony and ligament support is minimal to allow movement and therefore the shoulder dependent on the surrounding musculature to support the shoulder and allow movement.

There is a group of small muscles that make up the rotator cuff in the shoulder. These muscles are very important in maintaining good position of the head of the humerus bone in the socket. The muscles that control the shoulder blade are also important as they help to control the position of the shoulder blade to allow socket of the shoulder to be in the optimal position.

Physiotherapists are trained in the diagnosis and management of both acute and chronic shoulder injuries. Often it is simply a case of gently encouraging shoulder movement to improve range of motion whilst strengthening particular muscles. Do not put up with a painful shoulder especially if it is affecting your which can interfere with the function of some medications including warfarin (blood thinner).

- Carrots are a good source of Vitamin A, which is good for night blindness, but only in moderation. Dark green leafy vegetables are the main eye health vegies to consume.
- Frozen or tinned food, such as fish or vegetables are still a good and convenient alternative to fresh.
- A few nuts a day is a good addition to any balanced diet. Raw, unsalted nuts with a mix of almonds, walnuts, Brazil nuts, pine nuts, pecan and pistachio are great choices.

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ELECTRONIC CONVEYANCING

As technology rapidly progresses, we experience a multitude of changes in the way in which we go about our day-today lives. We have seen a vast amount of progress in the ways that we are able to make complex transactions that once upon a time involved manual processing. Similarly, aspects within the law such as conveyancing are catching up and embracing technology to make transactions more seamless.

Conveyancing is a branch of law that deals with the process relating to the transfer (or conveyance) of legal ownership of real property from one person to another and other transactions related to real and personal property. It also covers other areas of the law relating to real and personal property.

A conveyancer is usually a lawyer. Non-lawyers authorised pursuant to the Conveyancers Act 2006 (Vic) to carry out "conveyancing work" as defined in this Act can also act as conveyancers. This Act provides a very precise definition of what work non-lawyers who hold themselves out as conveyancers can do which does not involve any other legal work.

Up until recently, the entire conveyancing process in Victoria was carried out 'physically', especially with settlements, meaning on the date and time a sale or purchase settled documents were exchanged in person. Recently, this process is now changing with the introduction of electronic conveyancing.

Electronic conveyancing aims to streamline the conveyancing process

by allowing the parties to electronically lodge specific conveyancing transactions such as settlements, caveat lodgement and withdrawals, mortgages and discharges and transfers of land. This allows the entire transaction to be settled electronically through an Electronic Lodgement Network Operator, currently a public company called The Property Exchange Australia Limited (PEXA).

The current electronic conveyancing system "is effectively a virtual settlement room that stores the data required for lodgement of dealings at Land Victoria and the transfer of funds upon settlement. At a nominated time, the funds are transferred and data lodged. It is not involved in the other aspects of the conveyancing transaction" ⁱ such as work on the file leading up to the settlement

As is with anything new, there are both advantages and disadvantages to using electronic conveyancing. Some of the advantages include:

- Not having to attend settlements physically;
- Crucial documents such as titles are lodged immediately at settlement;
- Reducing the risk of certain instruments being incorrectly registered and enabling you to avoid delays;
- Reducing risks associated with using cheques for settlement;
- Reducing time spent following up with other incoming parties such as banks as payout figures are available online; and



- Immediate distribution of settlement proceeds of sale following settlement. Alternatively, although this system aims to reduce risks, there are disadvantages and risks, which is inherent in most electronic systems. These include:
- Although unlikely, it may be that a settlement may be affected by variables and technology failure such as your internet connection on the day;
- Issues may arise with the PEXA workspace platform online causing delays in settlement;
- New risks of certifying transactions correctly as under this system clients do not need to sign certain documents which can be done electronically on their behalf by their lawyers or conveyancers;
- Risk of not properly identifying clients before they sign authorisation to use the system; and
- Ensuring funds are in the correct bank account at settlement, as this process requires funds to be in either the lawyers trust account, A PEXA source account or from an earlier electronic settlement.

However, it is important to note that whilst electronic conveyancing aims to streamline the conveyancing processes, as mentioned previously, it does not cover all aspects of the conveyancing transaction. Your lawyer or conveyancer must still manage your settlement and ensure that everything occurs as it should.

Lyttletons Lawyers, as lawyers, can attend to a full range of conveyancing and legal issues related to property matters such applying for probate/letters of administration, commencing legal proceedings and providing legal advice on disputes etc. that non-lawyer conveyancers cannot do.

Should you need assistance with your sale or purchase, or for more information about Electronic Conveyancing please contact our office on (03) 8555 3895.

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YOUR HOME LOAN APPLICATION

There are two sets of numbers to run when you apply for a home loan. First on everyone's mind is their borrowing capacity, that is, how much the bank will lend to them.

More important though is the other set of numbers, how much YOU think you can afford to repay. Sounds simple, yet many people seem not to give this serious consideration. There seems to be an assumption that if the bank will lend it to you then it 'must be OK'.

In truth the largest unknown variable is your ability to budget, and your personal cost of living.

I have seen examples of families living so frugally that they could afford repayments much greater than any bank would ever allow.

I have also seen those who earn what most would consider large incomes, yet never seem to be able to make ends meet due to their spending habits.

The largest variables are motor vehicle / travel expenses, entertainment

(including alcohol and tobacco), food, and childcare / schooling.

It is up to you to choose how to spend your money; what is important is that you make a conscious choice. Track what you spend, and then do a budget. Consider in that budget separating basic (nonnegotiable) expenses from discretionary. Think about what your minimum living expenses would be in the event of interest rate rises causing higher loan repayments.

Increasingly banks are looking at what your actual living expenses have been in the three months leading up to your application. If you intend to give up smoking to put that \$100 / week towards loan repayments then do it now!

All loan applicants are now expected to present an estimate of their basic living expenses as part of an approach to a bank / mortgage broker. Be ready.

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DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED

Members of the Men's Shed attended both the Community and



Dawn ANZAC day organised by the Rotary Club of Dingley Village. (See above) There are three events, one for the Dingley kindergarten children, the community event on the day prior as shown in the photos and the dawn service on ANZAC Day. President John and Geoff laid our wreath, then Geoff, Robert & King Billy started a two up school. DVMS members went the Dawn Service on what was a beautiful morning, followed by breakfast provided by the Dingley International and hosted by the Dingley Football and Netball Club.

The Dingley Village Men's Shed facilities are located in Braeside Park near the visitors centre. We have two sheds, one is set up as the workshop and the other is where members meet, socialize and undertake non-workshop activities. Braeside Park provides a wonderful setting for our sheds and the local wildlife make great neighbours.

Why not drop in on Friday mornings and find out what is going on or call 9551 5892.

DINGLEY CHELTENHAM VIEW CLUB



Despite howling wind

and pouring rain, the women from Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club had a fun and highly successful day running the sausage sizzle at Keysborough Bunnings. It was successful on so many levels, meeting the friendly and supportive Bunnings patrons, the laughter we all shared amid the pouring rain and the money raised, \$747 towards supporting another Smith Family Learning for Life student. Thank you very much to Bakers Delight who sponsored the bread.



Our speaker in May was the extremely interesting Juliet Hayday, President of the Mordialloc Community Theatre. We were all fascinated to hear the work and commitment involved, all by volunteers, in creating a production, and we certainly look forward to joining them at their next play in July.

The Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club meets monthly on the second Tuesday of the month at Aces Sporting Club, Corner Springvale Rd and Hutton Rd, Keysborough

Time 10 to approx. 1145.

Women of all ages welcome to share learning, friendship and fun as we work together to make a difference to young lives.

ROTARY CLUB DINGLEY VILLAGE

Good afternoon fellow Dingleyites, on a cold and winter Wednesday afternoon. The wind is cold, dark clouds are gathering in the skies and imminent rain is threatening. Not weather we have been accustomed to in recent months, but no one will begrudge heavy rains if they fall, certainly not your scribe whose water tanks are empty, in common with most others.

Fortunately, the rain kept its distance at dawn on the 25th of April as we gathered around our own Anzac Memorial to once more remember, and solemnise in thanks, those brave men who landed on the far off shores of Gallipoli so many years ago. It was wonderful once more to see so many people prepared to leave their warm beds to remember the total sacrifice that was required from those men and the selfless response they gave. If there are any still who would denigrate this solemn observance as an act of glorification of war, then they were not present at our Anzac observance. Nothing could be further from the point. "Lest we forget" commemorates the selfless sacrifice of these men so WE could have a better life. None of us is so foolish as to glorify the total carnage of war, and may it always remain so. Stand tall fellow Dingleyites and congratulate yourselves. Each year our numbers have swelled at our commemoration. We must never forget that "NO GREATER LOVE HAS ANY MAN THAN HE GIVE UP HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIEND." Now to lesser things.

Also in the month of April, in company with the Rotary Club of Noble Park, the members of your Club attended a sumptuous dinner at the Keysborough Golf Club to hear an address by Mr. John O'Callaghan, the Magistrate at the Heidelberg Court, on the rigors of a magistrate required to judge and sentence those unfortunates brought before the Bench. His address was both fascinating and challenging, for who of us are qualified to "throw the first stone" in judgement against our fellow man, and yet, in the interest of an ordered society, it must be done. He was able to categorise, from his lengthy experience, those who are brought before him into three classes, the bad, the mad and the sad. In its simplest form, the mad should really not be before a legal court at all, for they know not what they do. The really bad, by definition, are beyond help, for they prefer that way of life and really should be segregated from other law-abiding citizens on whom they wilfully prey. The sad, are those poor unfortunates who, through no real fault of their own, do not have the mental, the educational, or just the general wherewithal to not run afoul of the law. It was clear from his knowledgeable address that we have not here a perfect society, but I imagine it was ever thus and probably, sadly, ever will be so.

Progressing to other matters concerning your ever-active Rotary Club, the clever, competent ladies of our Jewellery section, (read enjoyable sweatshop) have been continuously active in their endeavours. They present their jewellery to the various conferences, clubs and other outlets where they are in great demand to feature and sell the very high quality jewellery for which they have become famous. Over the last month or so, they have attended our own District Conference in Bendigo, the Inner Wheel International Conference at the Melbourne Conference Centre (Jeff's Shed) and the District Conference 9790 at the Mulwala Club in Yarrawonga, Northern Victoria. These women are relentless and indefatigable in their skilful endeavours to raise money for our many worthy causes, and, apart from the International causes they support, our local district of Dingley Village would be much the poorer without them. They are a dedicated group who shun the limelight they richly deserve, but continue in their selfless efforts to provide the money to make their world a better place. They are worthy of your applause.

In two night's time, again in company with the Rotary Club of Noble Park, we will all meet at the Cilantro Training Restaurant to enjoy a sumptuous meal prepared by the Holmesglen College Catering trainees. Your Rotary Club supports this College with a number of scholarships. This is always a very enjoyable and rewarding night and something to be looked forward to.

As always, any and all my readers are always welcome to spend a night with the Club to see what we do and hopefully find a common purpose with us. Your Rotary Club needs you. Contact us and see why we exist. You too can have that wonderful furry feeling one derives by helping those who need a hand, and the pay is in the best currency of all; the knowledge that YOU are making a difference.

> Your Rotary Scribe, Dudley Podbury.

PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL

Our speaker for the May meeting was, Don Cullen, telling us about the people of Tibet; these beautiful, but very poor people, really live their religion. With the help of this true



philanthropist and his friends in Tibet, they have built schools & medical clinics and have taught them to make handicrafts to sell to tourists giving them some income. We also saw many slides of the countryside and the people and animals dressed in their colourful attire.

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DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

May has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night Clubs.

We started the month with a great night out at the Rocking Stampede in Springvale. Our Saturday night dinner dates have been at Chelsea –Thai, Carnegie – Asian/Western and back to Chelsea for an International menu.

Our Sunday special was a Brunch at Beaumaris. Our members who attend the Wednesday Line Dancing at Keysborough celebrated the fourth birthday of that venue.

The wandering gypsies of the group are either planning, going or been and back from their adventures to all points of the compass.

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 meet from 7.30 pm at the Dingley International Hotel (DIH) in the newly renovated Bistro, or sometimes just inside the Gaming Room door. Seek and you shall find. 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.

It is expected that the highlight for June will be a Greek dinner at Oakleigh.

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.

Come join our scene in 2018.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



With extra heating on during the winter months, we were reminded at our last meeting by the CFA about checking fire alarms, and replacement of units over 10 years old

The Mother's Day Stall at Woolworths raised over a \$1000 with the gifts and other yummies sold for MUMS to enjoy on their special day. CWA Dingley thank you all for your support

CWA Victoria is celebrating 90 years of age, and our theme this year is ALL WOMEN,

ALL AGES, ALL PLACES, and at the CWA Victoria Annual General Meeting to be held at Williamstown Town Hall in June, members from Dingley Village will be there to show their support along with CWA members from all over Victoria.

At our craft meeting in May, the ladies enjoyed making something for themselves and we all went home with a colourful necklace to brighten our day. Welcome to Lesley who came along to visit us and we hope to see her at our meeting later in the month.

Our next craft day is Wednesday June 13th at 10 am. Our Secretary Diana, on 9580 1650, will advise any ladies who would like to come along, where it is to be held.

Our "first evening meeting" will be held at the DVNC on Wednesday June 27th at 7.30 pm.

Other Wednesday evening meetings are to be held in August 22nd and October 24th.

Visitors are welcome to come along to join us in our endeavours to help the community.

PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.

At our May meeting, our guest speaker was

Alan Gray, a Volunteer, Head Conductor and Trainer at the Puffing Billy Railway. Alan presented a detailed and comprehensive history of the famous railway, from its inception as a line built to assist the local farming and timber communities in the carriage of produce. He covered the period when landslides and government indifference threatened the existence of the line, followed by the formation of the Puffing Billy Preservation Society, which was instrumental in the rebuilding of the tracks, enabling restoration of operations in 1962.

Since then the railway has enjoyed continuing success, having carried more than eleven million passengers.

Alan is one of many volunteers, without whom the railway would be unable to continue.

The guest speaker at our next meeting on June 7th will be Carolyn Pethick, a retired policewoman and author, who will speak on "Workplace bullying and gender equality" based on more than 30 years' experience with Victoria Police.

Other June activities will include coffee morning on the 12th at The Nest, a movie lunch at the Waverley Cinema on the 14th, a dine out on the 21st (venue TBA) and Morning Melodies at the Waltzing Matilda Hotel, on the 29th (The Johnny Cash Story). 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

DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INCORPORATED

Wot! Almost half of the year 2018 gone! Where has it gone? How time flies when you are busy and/or having fun. The Committee was very pleased to award a "Certificate of Merit" to Bill and Pat Canning for their long period of service to the Club. Members who went to the Morning Melodies "Abba Session" and lunch at the Sandbelt Hotel had a fun day.

Arranged activities for June include:

Monday the 4th – Committee Meeting followed by games and afternoon tea;

Monday the 11th – Queen's Birthday Holiday – no activities at the Club- those wishing to have Morning Tea or Brunch at the Nest Café (Waterways) are to meet up there at 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Monday the 18th – Games followed by afternoon tea.

Monday the 25th – Jackpot Bingo, eyes down at 1:00 p.m. followed by a special afternoon tea.

July, Monday the 2nd – Committee Meeting followed by games and afternoon tea.

Our friendly group meets 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.





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

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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 EACH MONTH Indoor Carpet Bowls – 7.30 p.m. in the Church Hall followed by supper

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Our Church program for JUNE is as follows:

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.

Guest speaker: Nelson Attwood, Sunday 24th June

Monthly Ladies And Mens Groups: * Homemakers - 1st Monday of each month. 4th June, 7.45pm, 23 St. Mark's Close, Dingley. Men's Group – Tuesday 12th June. 6-9pm. BBQ, fellowship and sharing. 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

Life Groups:

*Youth – Fortnightly Tuesdays 12th and 26th June. 6.30pm. 10 Lando Place, Springvale South.

*Wednesday nights – Fortnightly 7-8.30pm. 6th and 20th June. 4 Jane Court, Dingley.

Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays, 7-8.30pm. 3rd and 17th June. 98 Stanley Road, Keysborough.

Praver Time:

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am at church office. Tea/coffee afterwards.

Monthly – Saturday 16th June 7-8am and 9-10am at church office.

Bible Study:

*Women's – Thursday 7th and 21st June. Precept Ministries study on the book of Ruth. Fortnightly at the church office 10-11.30am.

Open – Thursday 7th and 21st June. Fortnightly at church office 2pm. "Trusting God".

*Not held during school holidays.

Women's Breakfast

Saturday 23rd June 8-10am at the Salt Café, Heatherton Christian College, 316-322 Kingston Road, Clarinda. Guest speaker Susan Bradshaw. Cost \$25. Bookings open Sunday, June 10th and close Monday, June 18th. Contact Faye Hardman 0409 400 106 for tickets and any questions.

Marriage & Family Support:

For nearly 80 years, Village Church has served the people of Dingley Village and its surrounding suburbs. We greatly value the involvement that we have always had in our community and desire to make a difference for the greater good of all. As a caring church, our heart is to serve the community, by having an impact in and amongst its families. In today's climate, families and marriages are under attack; many relationships are strained and are at breaking point. Many don't know where to turn, who to trust and as a result become despondent and disillusioned with life.

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

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Our Vision: To be a Thriving, Need-Meeting and Life-Transforming Community with Jesus at the Centre.

SUNDAY SERVICES:

8:30am: Traditional Service in the Church. 10:30am: Contemporary Service in the Auditorium.

'Trans4m' and 'Xplore'

(Children's Ministry during the 10.30 service)

Regular Ministries

Healing Prayer Ministry (Inner Healing) Mondays & Thursdays 9:30am or 11:30am (during school term) by appointment: 9551 7871

Healing Rooms (Physical Healing) Wednesday Mornings: come between10:30am and 11.30am

Professional Christian Counselling Appointments: 9551 7871

Medical Mission Aid Stall First Sunday of every month, (3 June this month) 8am until 1pm (before and after morning services). Beautiful homemade goods, new items, and yummy cakes, jams and relishes. Funding provides medical supplies to six hospitals in Tanzania, Kenya and Rwanda.

Conversational English Classes for Adult Students, Saturdays from 10am -12noon during School terms. Beginners to Advanced catered for.

For Youth and Young Adults:

Reverge (Youth) every Friday (in school term) from 7:00pm. All Years 7-12 welcome!

Dare: Tertiary students / Young Adults meet 7.30 pm Tuesday evenings.

Church Office:

For all enquiries, contact Kellie at the office: 9551 7871

Ministers:

Vicar: Rev. Wayne Walters: 0425 163 730



Associate Minister: Tanya Cummings 0408 912 412

Children, Youth & Young Adults' Minister: Andrew Capon



KINGSTON CITY CHURCH

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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.

KINGDOM KIDS – KINGSTON CITY CHURCH

Our Children's Ministry program at Kingston City Church runs from 10am every Sunday. A nanny looks after all our babies in the creche with the assistance of the youth helpers. The toddlers begin at 10am and we have a dedicated team of teachers who nurture our young ones; while kinder to grade 6 join the kid's ministry after the communion. Our children take part in serving communion and the collection of the offering. We encourage our children to draw from the wealth of our seniors in our congregation. The more faith centred adults that our kids have contact with will encourage their personal walk with our Mighty God.

We are currently looking at new curriculums to further connect our children to God. On special days such as Mother's Day and Father's Day, our kids get involved with special items or video presentations during the service. At Christmas, our children perform their own production.

The Kingdom Kids ministry also support our Emergency Resources Department during the annual Christmas production for our clients. We present the gospel to the children of our clients and have them participate in games and other activities.

We are planning a Kid's Camp for the grade 3-6 children during the July school break. We will have our youth and past students of our school assisting with this event. We intend this camp to be an enriching time for our kids and their friends.

We encourage all families to bring their children to Kingston City Church. We also encourage our children to develop their own strong relationship with our Almighty God!

> Salome Rajaratnam – Children's Ministry

ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

511 Lower Dandenong Road, Dingley Village 3172

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

Parish Priest: Fr. Benedict M. La Volpe. **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)

Some important dates for the month of June

- 1st Saint Justin Martyr
- 3rd Corpus Christi
- 8th Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 9th Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 11th Saint Barnabas Apostle
- 13th Saint Anthony of Padua
- 21st Saint Aloysius Gonzaga
- 22nd Saints John Fisher & Thomas Moore - Martyrs
- 24th Nativity of John the Baptist
- 29th Saints Peter & Paul Apostles
- 30th First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church



SCANNING THE SCHOOLS





KILLESTER COLLEGE Killester Stage Band - First Place In Generations In Jazz

The Stage Band from Killester College has been rehearsing since last November for the "Generations in Jazz" Stage Band competition in Mt Gambier, South Australia. This was the first time Killester had entered a competition like this.

The Generation In Jazz competition has been running for thirty years under the guidance of James Morrison, jazz trumpeter extraordinaire. Mr Bernie Hickey, the conductor and teacher of the band, said he "had taken a band to the competition 25 years age and there were 300 students. There are now over 5000."

The audience were given a taste of jazz royalty on the Friday night concert when Patti Austin sang in front of an all-star







Left: Thaveesha Basnayake on drums

stage band made up of professional players and some of the adjudicators for the weekend. Students from all over Australia were introduced to musicians such as Shannon Barnett, a female trombone player who now resides and performs in Germany, Matt Jodrell who lectures at the Julliard School of Music in New York, as well as Patti herself, who has recorded with a lot of the great jazz musicians from America.

Saturday night concert was a celebration for all students at competition. The jazz /fusion /party band, The Cat Empire, performed.

Sunday saw the awards ceremony. Killester College placed first in its division. The Principal of Killester, Ms Leanne Di Stefano, who also attended the weekend, said "the girls are really starting to realise how big the world of music is and how much fun it is to participate at such a high level. We are all very proud of their efforts."



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If these Open Days do not suit you, please do not hesitate to drop in to the

school at 316- 322 Kingston Road, (cnr Old Boundary Road), Clarinda or contact the office on 8551 6650 to organise a tour of the school. There are limited places still available for 2018 and 2019. We regularly update our web site, check it out at www.hcc.vic.edu.au

A great example of what make this such a great school is the recent Year 7/8 Camp at Trafalgar (See left). The students are presented with a number of physical challenges that must be overcome as a team. Senior students also attend as mentors and to support the activities. The pictures attached go some way in capturing the whole camp experience. Well done to all who participated.

FOUNDATION FOR SUCCESS

It saddens us to

announce that our

Principal Rosemary

Cosentino has been

appointed as the in-

augural principal of

South Melbourne

KINGSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL



Park Primary School. The school is situated on Albert Road Drive, Albert Park. This state of the art school opens its doors on the first day of school in 2019.

Rosemary Cosentino has had a long association with the Kingswood community, over 14 years, although she is excited about her new job and the challenges that lay ahead, it is with heavy heart that she makes this announcement. The Kingswood students, teachers and parents are all amazing and she would like to say that every day has been a joy laying the foundations of success and making a positive difference to the lives of all our students. She has lead the school well and will be leaving the school in good hands, the Kingswood team are all outstanding educators and will continue her great work here at Kingswood.

She wishes to thank everyone staff, parents and students, for making Kingswood an enjoyable place to come to every day. In particularly the students, who have always made her so proud.

ST MARK'S PRIMARY SCHOOL Year 6 Camp

From Monday 7th May to Friday 11th May, 57 students and 8 staff went to Coonawarra Farm Resort, Bairnsdale, for a 5 day camp. The weather had been



perfect for the children to enjoy the range of outdoor activities. The camp is a really bonding experience for the children as well as the opportunity to experience a range of activities some of which can be challenging and require them to support and encourage each other. They have been involved in horse riding, high ropes course, flying fox, giant swing, canoeing, raft making, simple orienteering, team rescue which involves problem solving, climbing wall, hut building and damper making. At night, the activities have been a night walk, campfire & story telling with toasted marshmallows, trivia, film night and a friendship paraliturgy. The facilities and food were fantastic and this helped to make the camp so successful. (Insert picture)

Reconciliation

On Thursday 17th May, we had 62 children receive the Sacrament of Penance for the first time. Over the last 7 weeks, the children have been preparing for this sacrament. It was a wonderful service and the children walked away from the night knowing they have a deeper relationship with God and that God will always be there for them.

Anzac Day

On Tuesday 24th April all the Year 5/6's walked down to the Dingley memorial to be part of the pre - Anzac Day service. It was a wonderful service with Crystal Hui presenting a reading and our two school captains Emily Bannon and Christian Lam placing a wreath at the front of the memorial. The children were extremely respectful throughout the whole service.

Foundation 2019 Tours

We have run four very successful tours of the school for interested Foundation parents. These tours have been a great opportunity for parents to view the facilities of the school and to hear about the exciting programs and events that are occurring in our classrooms.

All 2019 Foundation applications close on Friday 1st June.



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