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KINGSTON'S TINSEL TRAIL

Come and join the fun on Kingston's Tinsel Trail

The festive season is almost upon us, and so is Kingston's Tinsel Trail.

From the end of November across Kingston, a wonderful glittery trail of activities, local shopping incentives and competitions is spreading across the city and online – and you're encouraged to join in the fun.

City of Kingston CEO Julie Reid said Kingston's Tinsel Trail is a terrific opportunity to support local businesses as they rebuild after a challenging year.

"Featuring pop-up carollers, Santa on a Segway, neon installations and the distribution of shop local bags filled with trader incentives, there will be plenty of opportunities to celebrate the festive season while shopping local for loved ones," Ms Reid said.

The Tinsel Trail will be in Dingley Village shopping precinct on the 19th December from 11 am – 1 pm. Come along to receive free Tinsel Trail bags chock-a-block with fun activities and trader incentives. Santa will be roving and pop-up carollers will be spreading Christmas cheer too!

Send a letter to Santa. While you're out and about on this year's Tinsel Trail, why not drop off a letter to Santa? There'll be special Santa mailboxes outside shops in all of our participating Tinsel Trail shopping precincts from 23 November 2020 where letters can be posted.

Take part in the Tinsel Trail colouring competition. Get your pencils and crayons poised for Kingston's Tinsel Trail colouring competition. Enter the competition by downloading and colouring one of the colouring pages available at www.kingston.vic.gov.au/Places-and-Events/Council-Festivals-and-Events/Tinsel-Trail, or using the page provided in the latest edition of Kingston Your City (KYC).

Post (for free) your finished colouring sheet in one of the sixteen specially-marked Santa mailboxes located around Kingston. Mailboxes will be available from 23 November 2020. Entries close 19 December 2020.

"Kingston Council had to make the difficult decision to cancel its much-loved annual 'Carols by Kingston' event this year due to COVID-19 and the restrictions on mass gatherings but in its place, we've

launched Kingston's Tinsel Trail to bring the community together and help spread festive cheer."

Tinsel Trail will also feature virtual activities including Christmas-themed Storytime sessions hosted by Kingston Libraries and fun workshops to participate in.

"Kingston businesses have been hard hit by the lockdowns and retail restrictions in recent months and we hope the Tinsel Trail will help encourage our community to shop locally and support our traders," said Ms Reid.

Residents can share their purchases on social media with the hashtag #kingstonstinseltrail for the chance to win great prizes.

For more information on local activities and opportunities to get involved, visit Kingston.vic.gov.au/tinseltrail.

Editor Note: Last month's front page article acknowledgement was missing. The information for NAIDOC Week 2020 was provided by the NAIDOC organisation.

FARMERS' MARKET 19th DEC 8.30 am – 1 pm

COMMUNITY

DON'T FORGET TO SHOP & DO BUSINESS LOCALLY

CITY OF KINGSTON COUNCIL ELECTION- CARUANA WARD

Congratulations to Cr George Hua who has been elected as our representative for Caruana ward in the recent City of Kingston council elections. See a list of all elected Councillors in Our Council article.



CHRISTMAS MARKET

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READING ROCKETS

Reading Rockets is a one-hour class for children attending 4 year old Kinder. The focus at Reading Rockets is on early

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Contact Nikki on 0409 348 818 about 2021 classes.

DINGLEY VILLAGE LIBRARY RE-OPENS

Kingston Libraries is pleased to announce that our Dingley Village branch is reopening from Monday 30 November. We look forward to welcoming you to your local library during the following times:

Monday	10am - 5pm
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	2 pm - 6pm
Thursday	10am - 1pm
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Hello everyone. The Dingley Dossier has kindly given us some space to keep you up to date on what your Village Charity is doing.

Thanks to our volunteers, staff and our ongoing very generous donors, during the COVID -19 lockdown, we have continued our uninterrupted financial support for our less well-off residents.

The demand on our services has increased, over 300% and currently we are supporting over **400 families** per month.

We have also moved our offices to Christ Church, Dingley Village.
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changes to accommodate current physical distancing and gathering limits as well as ensuring safe hygiene practices. A booking is required to attend the branch. Please call 1300 135 668 to arrange a time to visit.

As our branches cautiously reopen and services start to resume, we appreciate that visiting a branch may not be possible or advisable for some community members during this time.

The Home Library Service is available to all Kingston Residents who are unable to independently visit the library for various reasons including illness, frailty, or being a full-time carer. In 2020, the list of reasons someone might not be able to visit the library grew to include quarantining, travel bubbles and library closures.

If you find yourself in a situation where you are unable to access your local Kingston Library, be it temporarily or permanently, we invite you to reach out to the Home Library Service.

How does the Home Library Service work?

Once a month, we arrange a free delivery of library items to your door. You let us know what you like to borrow, then each month our friendly librarians select items for you based on your interests.

What can I borrow?

You can loan up to 40 items each month, including books, magazines, DVDs and items in community languages.

Want to know more?

For more information or to discuss if the Home Library Service is the right fit for you, please contact us by telephone 1300 135 668 or email homelibrary@kingston.vic.gov.au

for the players, to get together and train once a week and play games every second Sunday. And it is a great environment for partners and families with many social events held throughout the season. Life-long friendships are made.

Training commences on 15th Nov and continues every Wednesday at 6.30pm at Howard Rd, Dingley. For more information, contact Shannon Hughes 0401 656 061 or Brendan Murphy 0433 131 209

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

The AFL Grand Final public holiday was a non-event with no parade or football in Victoria but I did notice something special – the quiet.

It was a sunny day of about 17 degrees with little to no breeze, and it was a delight to be outside. It was so quiet: no lawn mowers and no planes. In these months of COVID lockdown the absence of flight activity and resultant noise decrease has been, in my opinion, wonderful. I'm sure the activity and the jobs will return soon, but if you are being annoyed by the planes simply get the phone out of your pocket and ring Air Services Australia on 1800 802 584

Regards Stephen G

The Editor,

Thank You for helping us to
"MAKE A DIFFERENCE"

For the last months we have been experiencing COVID-19, and the dramatic effect it has had on us all. Your local charity "Make a Difference Dingley Village" has been making a difference to those feeling vulnerable, disadvantaged, or in crisis.

During this time, we are so thankful that, with the help of volunteers from our community, we have been able to continue to provide Emergency Relief every week, **Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30.**

Every week we have been helping approximately 100 families, providing food vouchers, utility assistance, pharmaceutical assistance, and other financial assistance.

Our Financial Counsellor is inundated with requests for help from those in financial crisis, and she is determined to help every single person who asks for our help.

Our board, staff and volunteers have worked tirelessly to provide help to those knocking on our door... and YOU have helped us. Thank You.

Whether it be the lady knitting scarves and beanies, the church delivering milk or our ambassadors who have advocated for us as we frantically attempt to source funds we need.

We are now at Christ Church Dingley (at the roundabout), our new address is: 387-405 Old Dandenong Road, Dingley Village. Please drop in and see us.

*The Board of Management.
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NEW KINGSTON COUNCIL ANNOUNCED

Results for the 2020 Kingston Council elections have been declared by the Victorian Electoral Commission, with five councillors re-elected and six new faces joining the expanded 11-member Council.

Following the introduction of the Local Government Act 2020, a new ward system came into effect with the City of Kingston's three wards, North, Central and South Wards, replaced with 11 single-member wards.

The Victorian Electoral Commission, which conducted the elections, officially declared the results at 9.30am on Wednesday 11 November.

The successful candidates were:

Banksia ward – Cameron Howe

Bunjil ward – Steve Staikos

Caruana ward – George Hua

Chicquita ward – Tracey Davies

Como ward – Chris Hill

Karkarook ward – Hadi Saab

Longbeach ward – Georgina Oxley

Melaleuca ward – Tim Cochrane

Sandpiper ward – David Eden

Wattle ward – Jenna Davey-Burns

Yammerbook ward – Tamsin Bearsley

City of Kingston CEO Julie Reid congratulated the newly-elected Councillors.

"I want to welcome our new Councillors and congratulate those who have been re-elected to Council," said Ms Reid. "I'm looking forward to working with all of them to do great things for Kingston over the next 4 years."

The new Kingston Council will serve the community for a four-year term until October 2024.

The Councillors were to be sworn in at a Council meeting on Wednesday 18 November at 7.00pm.



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We will continue working to provide a COVID Safe shopping environment and if we are still required to collect contact details for contact tracing, the information you provide will not be used for any other purpose and will be destroyed after 30 days.



With summer here, our market will have lots of delicious food for outdoor dining from seasonal berries, items for sharing platters, fresh seafood to delicious desserts. Also available will be special items for Christmas, such as scrumptious mince pies and Christmas cakes.



Our stall holders can help you with ingredients for your summer salads. A tasty potato salad, the market has you covered - baby potatoes from Spud Sisters, short cut bacon from Villa Salumi, spring onions from 280 Fresh Veg and maybe some chopped hard boiled eggs from Eggerton Eggs.

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

Everyone's safety is the priority. Please observe all COVID-19 measures whilst attending the market



DINGLEY VILLAGE FARMERS' MARKET

SATURDAY

19th December

8.30AM—1 PM

31 Marcus Rd,
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Free entry & parking
www.dvnc.com.au/farmersmarket

DINGLEY VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The DVCA wishes every Dingley Village resident a happy & safe Christmas.

We hope that the DVCA articles on our local issues have been useful and informative, during our "COVID lockdown year". We will return in February next year, and wish everyone a healthy and prosperous year ahead in 2021.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CARUANA WARD COUNCILLOR - CITY OF KINGSTON

Congratulations to Cr George Hua who was elected to the City of Kingston - Caruana Ward.

Now that Kingston Council has been split into 11 Wards, each with a single Councillor,

Cr. Hua is Dingley Village's new Councillor for the next 4 years.

DVCA wishes to acknowledge and thank the former North Ward Councillors, Cr. Steve Staikos, Cr. Tamara Barth,

and Cr. George Hua who have represented Dingley Village over the past 4 years.

DVCA looks forward to Cr Hua's continued representation at Kingston Council of the important issues facing Dingley Village.

DVCA SUBMISSION TO SENATE INQUIRY INTO GENERAL AVIATION INDUSTRY

A Senate inquiry into the current state of Australia's general aviation industry is currently underway. As an opportunity to effect meaningful change to general aviation and the issues affecting our community related to aircraft noise, DVCA has made a detailed submission to the Inquiry.

DVCA's submission highlights the social impact that continuous circuit training activities have on the amenities of communities that live in close proximity to general aviation airports in Australia.

Our submission details the noise issues related to continuous circuit training

activity at general aviation airports, such as Moorabbin Airport, with training planes flying the same path directly over people's homes who are under the flight paths, on a non-stop basis during the day and into the evenings.

The DVCA submission also includes recommendations to address the noise, safety and environmental issues connected with continuous circuit training activities at urban general aviation airports.

The DVCA submission, together with other information about the inquiry, can be found at the following website.

https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate/Rural_and_Regional_Affairs_and_Transport/GeneralAviation

TAKING CARE OF OUR VILLAGE

Dingley Village is receiving modern upgrades to a number of our community facilities. The first stage of our Community Centre redevelopment in Marcus



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We are currently having upgrades of the Scout Hall, ovals, playgrounds and pavilions at both Souter and Chadwick reserves, which will be terrific.

What a disappointment then to see these valuable new assets (owned by ALL Dingley residents), degraded with rubbish, broken glass, graffiti, structural damage and laziness. There are ample bins for rubbish. How hard is it to walk a few steps?

Where is our Pride in our Village?

Do the people responsible for littering, smash bottles in their own yard or dump rubbish on their own front lawn? The answer is NO, so why do it in our Village?

We are fortunate to live in such a great suburb, our Village is pretty special, so let's each and every one of us look after it.

Things you can do to help

Parents and Grandparents: Talk to your family members about being a responsible member of our community. Ask our schools to stress a responsible attitude to our young people.

Graffiti

Report this to Kingston Council as soon as possible, 1300 653 356. Early removal of this visual pollution provides the best disincentive to vandals. If you actually see the vandals, please ring the Police.

Dumped rubbish

Council will pick up rubbish dumped on nature strips & reserves IF THEY ARE NOTIFIED. (They can't collect it if they

don't know about it!) Ring 1300 653 356 to report and notify.

What Else You Can Do

Why not take a plastic bag with you on your walks or rides around Dingley and pick up loose rubbish as you go. Some caring residents already do this, it really helps keep our streetscapes looking nice.

DVCA

Please consider joining the DVCA. The DVCA is open to all residents who genuinely care about our Village. Meetings are currently being held via Zoom during the Coronavirus period. New members are most welcome to attend.

DVCA Contact Details

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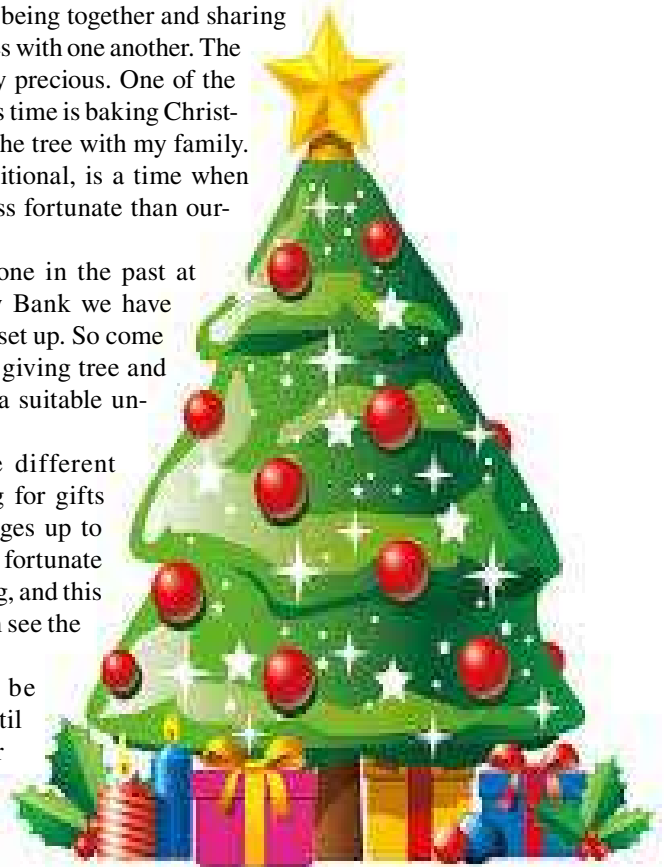
Christmas is about the joy of being together and sharing our love and creating memories with one another. The time we have together is very precious. One of the highlights for me at Christmas time is baking Christmas goodies and decorating the tree with my family.

But Christmas, as is traditional, is a time when many of us think of those less fortunate than ourselves.

This year, as we have done in the past at Dingley Village Community Bank we have our Christmas Wishing Tree set up. So come in and pick a gift tag off our giving tree and return it to the branch with a suitable unwrapped gift.

Each gift tag will have different children's age on it allowing for gifts suitable for children of all ages up to 12. It's important that our less fortunate children learn the joy of giving, and this is a small way that helps them see the importance of community.

The wishing tree will be set up at the branch right until Wednesday 23rd December to ensure all gifts get to the very appreciative children in our community in time for Christmas.



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Christmas Market

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LOOKING AT LOANS



TIME FOR A SMILE

Christmas / New Year is normally a time for a fond farewell to a year, with a tinge of regret another year has passed.

Not 2020!

In the beginning it was the bushfires. That seemed to drag on the Australian psyche interminably, however the reality is a natural disaster like that is generally like a smash and grab robbery: The damage is done relatively quickly, and it is the clean up and reparation that takes time.

Not so with COVID-19. It came soon after and has been all encompassing.

In our world, our society, each one of us has been trapped for most of 2020 in an alternate reality, under siege. We have been at times more confined and constricted, at times given limited freedom, but always in the darkness of a tunnel, under supervision.

In December 2020, I look forward to the Christmas Spirit this time of year brings, like a child in me reborn. It is a beacon of light in the darkness, a time of camaraderie, of community joy, of family.

Family gatherings will be more valued than ever.

A fond embrace has never been more treasured.

Then will come 2021.

New Year resolutions and goal settings are the normal background noise of this time of year, often paid nominal lip-service, but not taken seriously.

This year I encourage you to do more. Set goals: Personal and Financial.

If we dwell too much on what we cannot change, if we look back and not forward, the tunnel will suffocate. Dreams and goals provide oxygen to a suffocating mind.

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Home loan interest rates are at a record low, below 2%. If your job is safe, you are in pole position to set your future path.

This December more than ever, as we move into 2021, we at Integrity Finance Australia, hope and wish for a New Year bringing peace, faith, health, and wealth to all: And for a vaccine, the light at the end of the tunnel. Enjoy your holidays!



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Achieving Excellence in Performance at the 2020 Buxton Annual Awards.

Dingley Village - Keysborough are proud to be the recipients of the **Excellence in Performance - Property Management** award at the 2020 Buxton Annual Awards. Congratulations to Kelly and Lisa for their achievement!

We also congratulate Michal Kojdo of Buxton Dingley Village who received an **Excellence in Performance - Sales** award.

If you'd like to know more about the current market, please don't hesitate to contact us today.



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LIFE AFTER LOCKDOWN: FREEDOM AT LAST

Well, the year 2020 has been a year unlike any other. As optometrists, we were all very excited to be ushering in the year 2020, as the term commonly describes “good normal vision.” We have had anything but “normal” this year. And as we emerge from lockdown and start to embrace a new COVID normal, we want to reflect a little on what life during COVID has meant for our eyes.

It has meant, more indoor time, more screen time, more time spent on near tasks and less exercise. Our kids have been hit the hardest, no junior sport, dance or hobbies and activities that they love. School time has been spent staring at screens, and then down time has meant either reading to relax or more screen time playing games. This, unfortunately, has taken its toll and as most of us can attest to, more screen time has meant more strain, fatigue, tired eyes and even headaches.

What this means for the younger eyes, is increased risk factors of short-sightedness (myopia), where seeing in the distance becomes more blurry. But

blurry vision in the distance is only one part of the story, as myopic eyes mean longer eyeballs. Longer eyeballs tend to lead to increased risks of further eye diseases in adult life.

Increased near tasks, less outdoor time and low levels of light exposure are all known factors that contribute to send messages to the eye to continue stretching out and making the retina (back of the eye) thinner. This is abnormal growth of the eye, which is what we want to try and avoid.

Fortunately, we now have some amazing treatments available to counteract the “abnormal” growth of the eye. And aside from regular checkups to monitor the growth of the eye and vision, some simple lifestyle changes such as spending at least two hours of time outside every day will help, having good lighting while reading or even something as simple as the 20/20 rule: Which is having a break from near tasks every 20 minutes and looking at something far away for 20 seconds, can all help. So the take home message is now that we are allowed out more and

the weather is becoming conducive for it, head outdoors, with sunglasses and a hat on and look after your eyes for the longer term.

As the year draws to a close, we want to send a big heartfelt thank you to everyone in the community who has supported us so much over the years and particularly this year. We have all been doing it tough with the challenges that COVID has brought, but the great thing about the community is its spirit. As your local optometrist and a small business, we really appreciate the wonderful relationships that we have with you and look forward to a more positive 2021.

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 you and your children to prevent or reduce the impact of myopia on their quality of life and maintain healthy eyes. We wish you a fantastic festive season, hopefully spent with loved ones, finally, and enjoy a great summer!

Darran Yeow, Dr Hashini Seneviratne and the team @ Dingley Eye Centre

We are your local optometrist

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Decathlon sports warehouse, in Moorabbin, is one of the three Decathlon stores in Melbourne and one of five in Australia. Opened last year on November 15th, Decathlon Moorabbin celebrated its first birthday recently. Our mission is to make sports accessible to everyone in Australia by providing affordable and high quality sporting goods.

In addition to helping the world be better at sports, we're constantly assessing how we can be a better local business and support the community. And that's why we are happy to share that we are supporting The Royal Alfred Hospital with their WardRobe project to help their psychiatry inpatient unit. The aim is to keep the wardrobe stocked with good quality pre-loved clothing, as well as new undergarments and footwear - so they're available to the patients when they need them.

Decathlon Moorabbin is proud to be the drop-off point for Dingley, Moorabbin, Cheltenham and neighbouring suburbs. Please donate your pre-loved adult-sized clothing in good, clean and wearable condition in a tied up/sealed bag during our opening hours. Our front desk team will be happy to assist you! In addition, Decathlon Moorabbin is donating over \$1000 worth of brand new clothing and footwear for the same initiative.

The WardRobe project welcomes donations of:

Shirts and t-shirts

Jackets, jumpers and cardigans

Pants

Shoes - WardRobe project can only accept new shoes.

Undergarments - for hygiene purposes WardRobe project can only accept new undergarments.

Sport has given us so much. We want to give back to this amazing community and promise to be there for it through thick and thin.



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The WardRobe Project

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At Decathlon Moorabbin, we're helping Alfred Hospital by collecting donations of clean, pre-loved clothing for their psychiatric ward.

If you would like to donate, please drop off a tied up/sealed bag with your donations at Decathlon Moorabbin during opening hours.

DOLLARS & SENSE



A DIFFERENT WAY TO HELP THE GRANDKIDS

Many grandparents want to give their grandchildren a head start in life, and a common way to do so is to help by paying some (or all) of their school fees. This can, of course, simply be done by making a contribution at the time the fees are payable. However, it's not unusual for grandparents to plan ahead by setting funds aside in a specific account. That is one option, but there might be a better one.

Plan A

Donna and Simon are a typical example. They decide to put \$50,000 into a term deposit to help pay the school fees of their granddaughter Ellie when she starts secondary school in 10 years' time. With an interest rate of 2.6% per annum (pa) and interest paid annually, their initial deposit will grow to \$64,631 – a nice boost to Ellie's future education.

But is there a better way to use that \$50,000?

While it's nice to have a specific account with its special status and easy to see growth, the important thing is the overall pool of money available to the family when the time comes to stump up the school fees.

Plan B

Ellie's parents, Sara and Shane, are five years into paying off their mortgage. Their interest rate is 5% pa, the remaining balance is \$530,000, and their monthly repayments are \$3,500. If interest rates and payments remain steady, in 10 years' time their mortgage balance will be down to around \$329,427.

What if, instead of setting up the term deposit, Donna and Simon gift the \$50,000 to Sara and Shane who then deposit it in their mortgage account? This sees them effectively servicing a smaller loan. Maintaining their usual monthly repayments will now reduce the amount they owe on their mortgage in 10 years to approxi-

mately \$247,077, giving them more equity in their home to draw on for school fees.

Difference

Plan A turned \$50,000 into \$64,631, a net benefit of \$14,631. But plan B more than doubled that benefit to \$32,350!

Of course, Donna and Simon will need to feel confident that they can trust Sara and Shane to use the gift in the way they intend, and not to redraw it for holidays or other purposes. And if they are receiving any age pension, or intending to apply for one in the next five years, Donna and Simon will also need to be aware of the gifting rules and how this gift could impact their pension payments.

Get advice first

This is just one example of how intergenerational planning can significantly grow the wealth of the extended family unit.

If you're seeking the most effective way to assist your children and grandchildren financially, talk to your financial planner first.

Richard Vaughan

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Interested in what's happening at the former golf course site at Centre Dandenong Road in Dingley Village?

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CIRCLING THE CLUBS



As restrictions alter please check with individual clubs for any changes or updates

PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL



On Monday 1 October 2020 we, along with many other Probud clubs, celebrated the Inaugural National Probud Day. With the current COVID lockdown regulations in Victoria we held a virtual party.

It was great to see 35 members and friends join our live video chat. We had a cake with a sparkler, balloons, singing, one game and two speakers from within our own membership. They each shared their stories telling us of the friendships they have made and the enjoyment they have received from our club. Many video chat attendees dressed up and President Greg had the chance to wear his Chain of Office for only the second time since March.

We recently held our first online general meeting with 46 members who

listened to our guest speaker, Tiffany Johnson, a survivor of the Swiss canyoning disaster and an inspirational author.

When we resume, our meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at 9:30am for 10:00am start at "The Salvation Army Kingston City", 12-16 Boulevard, Dingley Village. For more information about Dingley Central Probud please contact our secretary, Ruth, on 9587 0432.

ROTARY CLUB NOBLE PARK – DINGLEY



One of the few positives this year has been the very successful merging of the Rotary Club of Dingley with the Rotary Club of Noble Park giving us a much larger membership base and the ability to provide programs in a larger geographical area. Little did we know when we started

the year assisting communities affected by bushfire what the future would bring. However, we Rotarians are pretty resilient and we have managed to still meet each Thursday night by Zoom with a great variety of guest speakers. We have been able to maintain the financial support we provide to many charities both local and international and have found alternative ways to raise the money for these projects. When we had to cancel our ANZAC Services we did not anticipate that our Remembrance Service would also have to be cancelled. We found a way to still have our Public Speaking Competition and were humbled by the many local Dingley people who still laid wreaths on the memorial for both these significant days. Undeniably, we are looking forward to seeing each other again at meetings as soon as possible. Friendship is one of the joys of being a Rotarian – enjoying each others' company, having a social and fun time together, all whilst making the world a better place through our volunteering efforts. Maybe this year has been lonely for you and you may have thought that once lockdown is over, you might like to try something new. Our club meets 7.30pm on Thursday evenings, and will be held on Zoom until such time as we can meet

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again at the Keysborough Golf Club. If you would like more information, please phone Peter Behm on 0411 026287.

DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INCORPORATED

Still little to report this month.

We hope that you are all still keeping well, safe and happy!

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.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION DINGLEY VILLAGE



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It has been difficult to plan too far ahead, but we hope that we will be able to meet again soon. Our meetings are normally held on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 10 a.m. at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre and on the 2nd Wednesday morning of the month at a member's home for craft.

In the meantime we hope Dossier readers and their families keep well and stay safe.

If you would like more information about the CWA or would like to become a member, you can contact Secretary Diana Muir on 0409 031 942.

DINGLEY CHELTENHAM VIEW CLUB



(Voice Interests Education of Women) Women of all ages are invited to join our monthly meetings, which include a guest speaker followed by morning tea, once restrictions are lifted.

Where: Keysborough Golf Club, 55 Hutton Rd Keysborough.

When: Second Tuesday of the month.

Time: 10am till 11.30am approx.

Please contact Fran Thomas for further information. franniet@gmail.com or call 0419 309 931

LIONS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE



We are in need of new members. This is a great opportunity to help your community.

Once again we are selling Lions Christmas Cakes, you can pick up from Dingley Village Farmers' Market or contact Lynne. The money raised will go towards ongoing Lions projects.

For any enquiries please contact Lynne - 9551 3770 /0488 004 809. dingleylions@gmail.com

PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.



We will meet on the first Thursday of the month at the Dingley Sports and Social Club at Souter Oval, from 10.00am once restrictions are lifted. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome at our meetings, and for further information, or to join one of our activities, please contact President Vi on 9551 1076.

DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

After 8 months of lockdown, November has seen our first outing with members enjoying dinner at the Dingley International Hotel (DIH). The next item on the agenda will be to work out activities in the months ahead.

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 Dingley International Hotel (DIH) in the Sports Bar. Proposed activities over the next month or so are advertised at these gatherings.

Regular activities undertaken by the group include dinners, theatre nights,

movies, BBQs, picnics, breakfasts, concerts, holidays, trips, walks and dinner dances.

Where has the year gone? Once again it is time to wish our members, the Dossier staff and readers to have a great Christmas and all the best for the coming new year.

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 0410 625 731.

BOOMERANG BAGS, DINGLEY VILLAGE



Our aim is to REDUCE waste, REUSE quality shopping bags and RECYCLE fabric.

Boomerang Bags Dingley Village is a community group who create reusable shopping bags from donated recycled fabrics. You can help yourself to one of our FREE bags at the Dingley Village Farmers market or pick one up at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre reception.

The group meets each Thursday morning, once restrictions are lifted, at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 9:30-12pm and the 4th Sunday of the month 2-5pm. If you have clean sheets or fabrics you would like to donate then please contact Debbie 0411 058 804 or Helen 0425 862 718.


DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED



The Shed reopened on the 16th November and is operating under a COVID Safe Plan.

Member's Morning Muster: Friday, 9am till 2pm.

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



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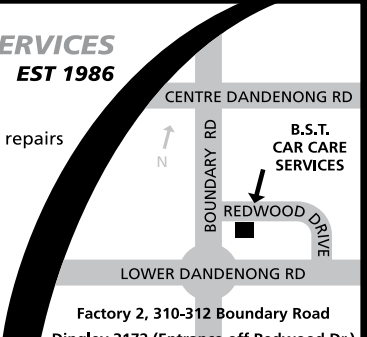
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Church Service Live Streamed on Sunday mornings at 10am.

Senior Pastor: Dan Parker Senior Associate Pastor: Dave Harrison

Sunday Services: 10am Service has Children's Ministry.

Christmas 2020 – A Time of Reflection

2020 has been a particularly challenging year for most people. COVID has impacted everyone in some way or another. We have learnt to 'stay safe', 'isolate', 'social distance' and adjust to wearing masks. Zoom meetings have become a 'norm'; children and parents have had to adapt to online schooling while Metropolitan Melbourne was locked in a 'ring of steel'.

Here at Kingston City Church we learnt to stream our church services online. It was important for us to continue to connect with our congregation and wider community.

In December we take time out to reflect on the meaning of Christmas and

celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We are grateful for the peace that knowing Jesus brings and how He changes lives. Jesus can bring hope when discouragement is widespread.

KCC plans to hold a COVID safe Christmas twilight service on Sunday 20th December. What that will look like is still waiting to be outworked.

As we prepare for this festive season, we will appreciate time with our family and loved ones like no other year. On behalf of Kingston City Church, may you all have a lovely Christmas, enjoy the food and have a blessed New Year. Keep safe during the holiday season.

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. Joseph Truong Nguyen OFM Conv.

Church services are heavily restricted due to the social distancing regulations, but if you have any enquiries, please contact the Friars at St Mark's or St Joseph's.

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

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Some important dates for December & January

December

3rd St Francis Xavier
7th St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor
8th Immaculate Conception of Virgin 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
28th Holy Innocents
29th St Thomas Beckett, Bishop & Martyr

January 2021

1st Mary, Mother of God
3rd The Most Holy Name of Jesus



VILLAGE CHURCH DINGLEY

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CHRISTMAS SERVICE

25th December - 9.00 a.m. Worship Service using livestream link: <https://villagechurchau.faithlivesites.com/live>

SUNDAYS

10.00 a.m. Worship Service using livestream link: <https://villagechurchau.faithlivesites.com/live>

LIFE GROUPS:

*Tuesday nights – Fortnightly 7.30-9.00pm. 8th December. Contact office for Zoom link.

*Wednesday nights – Fortnightly 7.30-9.00pm. 2nd December. Contact office for Zoom link.

Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 7-8.30pm. 6th and 20th December. Contact office for Zoom link.

PRAYER TIME:

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am via Zoom link. Contact office for link.

Monthly –Saturday 19th December; 9-10am and Monday 21st December 7.30-8.30pm via Zoom link. Contact office for links.

BIBLE STUDY:

*Women’s –Precept Ministries study on Genesis. Thursdays fortnightly 10-11.30am and 2.30-4pm via Zoom, 10th December. Contact office for Zoom link.

*Open – Fortnightly Thursdays 3rd December on the Gospel of Luke via Zoom. Contact office for Zoom link.

*Not held during school holidays.

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.

We believe that now more than ever, Village Church can play a pivotal role in strengthening and encouraging families, as we commit to giving our all to help you out. We have many gifted, equipped and willing members who would love to listen, encourage and give sound advice to you. Village Church desires to help and would love to present practical solutions to any and every area that brings tension, pain and confusion. Please give us a call on 0481 352 404, we’d love to be able to encourage, support and strengthen you.

Our Church Office is at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough, but contact is recommended by phone on 8712 8254 until the current restrictions are lifted. Please feel free to call Lesley with any enquiries you may have and leave a message if the office is unattended.

Our Pastor is Rodney Hole who may be contacted through the Church Office.



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Church Office:

For all enquiries contact the office: 9551 7871

Ministers:

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Associate Minister: Rev. Tanya Cummings 0408 912 412

Youth & Children's Minister: Baden Harvey



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

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In Week 3 of Term 4 we celebrated all things creative at Heatherton Christian College with a week of "Heatherton Creates". There were three major

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The Virtual Concerts series showcased our students' musical talents in three categories: The Primary Concert which contained many items of primary students singing and/or performing on a

number of instruments; the Secondary Concert which showcased the efforts of the College bands' program as well as individual students' accomplishments; and the VCE Concert which demonstrated the culmination of many years of commitment to their instruments and the resulting performances were commendable. We congratulate all students on their achievements in performance.

The Virtual Art Gallery was an exciting and modern way to present the students' art and to showcase a wonderful selection of the work that has been made during this very unusual year. The exhibition contained a wide diversity of media and style, and all students are to be congratulated on their creative work.

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