

# The DINGLEY DOSSIER

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# PERMANENT WATER SAVING RULES APPLY EVERYDAY

#### IT'S EVERYONE'S WATER AND EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

The Victorian Government's permanent water saving (or use) rules are a set of common-sense rules to reduce demand and make sure we use water efficiently across Victoria. Permanent Water Use Rules help all Melburnians to use our drinking water sensibly when watering gardens or lawns or cleaning outside. They apply to everyone in Melbourne – from homeowners and renters, to businesses, councils and schools.



#### Hand-held Hose

Water from a hand-held hose must not be used for any purpose (whether or not the use is subject to a permanent water saving rule) at any time unless the hose is:

- Fitted with a trigger nozzle; and
- Leak-free.

# Residential or commercial gardens and lawns

A residential or commercial garden or lawn cannot be watered except with:

- A hand-held hose, bucket or watering can at any time; and
- A watering system between the hours of 6 p.m. 10 a.m. on any day.

#### Fountains and water features

Water cannot be used in a fountain or a water feature unless the fountain or water feature recirculates the water.



#### **Cleaning of hard surfaces**

Water cannot be used to clean hard surfaces (including, driveways, paths, concrete, tiles and timber decking), except:

- Where cleaning is required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency;
- If staining to the surface has developed, and then only once a season;
- In the course of construction or renovation,

#### And then, only by means of:

- A high pressure water cleaning device; or
- If such a device is not available, a hand-held hose or a bucket.

**Target 155** is a voluntary water efficiency campaign that encourages all Melburnians to keep their water use to 155 litres of water per person, per day. Melburnians average daily current use is 162 litres of water per person, per day.

Melburnians are using 22 per cent less water than we did 10 years ago. But Victoria's hotter and drier climate as well as a population that's predicted to reach 10 million by 2051, means we all need to keep saving water and make every drop count.

We each just need to use seven litres less each day - that's less than a bucket of water. With some simple and easy behaviour changes such as shaving a minute off the shower and watering the garden between dusk and dawn, we can all make. every drop count to reach Target 155.

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# FARMERS' MARKET 15<sup>TH</sup> FEB 8.30 am – 1 pm

#### LIVING IN DINGLEY VILLAGE

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

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# COMMUNITY



#### DINGLEY TENNIS CLUB ANNUAL OPEN DAY SUNDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 12 to 3pm

Rowan Road, Dingley (next to the netball courts)

Come along and join us for a fun afternoon of Tennis. Everyone is welcome.

Lots of fun to be had with FREE Jumping Castle, Face Painting, BBQ, ANZ Hot Shot lessons, Coaching, Social play and Door Prizes.

#### LIBRARY SERVICES

Don't forget, you can drop off and collect library books from the Neighbourhood Centre Office, Mon – Friday 9am - 3pm. Library staff are at the Centre Mondays 2.30 - 3.30pm to assist and answer any questions.

Library books ordered online are available for collection after 2.30pm the following Monday.

#### **REDEVELOPMENT WORKS**

The City of Kingston will take possession late January early February with the Library opening in March with an official opening. The Neighbourhood Centre hopes to resume programs in the hall as soon as possible after handover.

The Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre will open up the hall, art space, foyer and kitchens on the 15th February during the Farmers' Market so that residents can have a look through.



#### THANK YOU

Make A Difference Dingley Village wish to thank all its volunteers, who assisted us with providing Christmas hampers for the 123 families who visited us in the week before Christmas. Putting the hampers together was quite a job, and distributing them on the day, an exhausting effort. We describe our volunteers as "worth their weight in gold" and nothing could be closer to the truth. Our clients also describe our volunteers as "a friendly face" a "shoulder to lean on" and "a friendly ear.

Also thank you to the many generous Dingley families for their donations.

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#### **Dear Residents**

Recently Australian Super staged a display in the Golf Course Club House. Rather than a friendly reaching out to residents about the whole Golf Course Park, it was only about what might happen to the mandatory open space, as required by law.

From conversations and some written word, it appears very likely they will attempt a high-density development application again, if they believe the Government's new Golf Course Committee would allow it. We still have a very good opportunity to object to the first hugely inappropriate step - re-zoning, so keep supporting us!

Also please watch for dubious clearing and felling on the course.

More here: www.dingley1.com or call Kevin on 0435 378 678

Regards, Kevin Poulter, Secretary Save Kingswood Group incorporated

# NOTICE TO THE DINGLEY COMMUNITY



After careful consideration of the many issues involved, the Board of Management has reached the decision to suspend the operations of MADDV(Inc.), effective from Friday 6th Dec until such time, as the Board determines, is appropriate.

The Board has appointed an External Independent Accountant to review the viability of MADDV and present a report on its future. All staff entitlements,

(wages, superannuation, leave etc.), have been paid out in full.

It is unfortunate this decision has been necessary. MADDV faces a number of challenging difficulties in continuing to deliver and fund its charter. The Board believes, on balance, its decision is the appropriate action and is in the long term best interests of all donors to MADDV and all recipients of the support areas offered to community members, in need, by MADDV.

The Board will continue to meet regularly to consider the Independent Advisors reports and evaluate the future direction of MADDV based on this advice. Because of the diverse nature of the activities of MADDV, as the evaluation process unfolds, new and/or surviving activities may be reinstated at differing times.

The Board wishes to sincerely thank the Dingley Village community, MADDV staff and volunteers for their past support.

For & on behalf of the Board of Management MADDV

David Madill - - Chairman

Dated this 16th day of January 2020

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# BUSHFIRE RELIEF: HOW TO HELP

We have all watched the devastating bushfires affecting large areas of Australia, we have also seen communities from local to international reach out and offer help to those affected.

The fact that so many of us have been reaching into our pockets during this difficult time is not surprising. Australia is the fourth most generous nation in the world, according to the most recent edition of the World Giving Index and emergency relief is a common cause to which we give.

But it's worth thinking carefully about how to give, to ensure you're not wasting your contribution or inadvertently making things worse.

The best way anyone can help now is via donating money directly to appeals or supporting local fundraisers. Donating money actually provides more benefit than donating material goods.

Goods can quickly become a logistical nightmare for local relief efforts, transportation and storage can cost more than the donated goods, local community infrastructure becomes overwhelmed and space needed by affected communities is soon filled with goods. In some cases it diverts resources away from firefighting.



If specific requests are made for certain goods, however, then you can respond by donating accordingly.

It's important to remember that even once the immediate crisis has passed, rebuilding after a disaster takes a long time and requires considerable resources

One thing to be mindful of during times like these, is that unfortunately some people may seek to prey on the generosity of others, so watch out for scammers and fake appeals. The safest way to donate, is to a registered charity or Bendigo Bank's bushfire appeal fund endorsed by the Victorian government.



The Australia Charities and not-forprofits Commission Charity Register lists all registered charities and their official websites. You can also look for the ACNC registered charity logo on appeal websites and official correspondence.

Consider the community, not the compelling story. There have been an influx of online campaigns crowdfunding for specific individuals, families and businesses and whilst it may seem a kind

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act, it can cause problems in a community. As seen during the drought, families profiled in the media were overwhelmed with donations whilst their friends and neighbours continued to struggle. Many families who benefited, stated that whilst grateful, they felt a sense of guilt that they benefited whilst others did not.

#### Listed are some Bushfire Appeals

#### BENDIGO BANK BUSHFIRE DISASTER APPEAL

Bendigo Bank have partnered with the Victorian Government and The Salvation Army to establish an appeal that will raise funds for fire affected communities including East Gippsland, Hume, southeast New South Wales and Adelaide Hills. 100% of donated funds going directly to communities in need.

You can donate at any branch of the Bendigo bank or https://www.vic.gov.au/ bushfireappeal

#### THE COUNTRY FIRE ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA

Through the Country Fire Authority you can donate to:

- support the wellbeing of the volunteer firefighters
- continue the work the CFA is doing to protect lives and property in Victoria
- support specific CFA Brigades fund their work in the local community

https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/donate1

#### GIPPSLAND EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

Provides immediate short-term funds to Gippslanders' affected by natural disaster events. It is completely funded by donations from businesses, community groups and individuals. Run by volunteers, all donations are returned to the community.

- Donate online via PayPal at gerf.org. au
- Donate at any NAB branch
- Donate by money order or cheque: Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund, PO Box 508 Traralgon 3844.

#### ZOO VICTORIA'S BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY WILDLIFE FUND

You can donate to Zoo Victoria's Bushfire Emergency Wildlife Fund. When donating, your money will go towards emergency veterinary care, and funding scientific intervention, for example, "exploring supplementary feeding for the animals who have survived, but whose habitats have been destroyed by the bushfires". https://www.zoo.org.au/fire-fund/

#### RURAL AID

Rural Aid provides assistance to farmers and their communities in times of drought, flood and fire.

https://www.ruralaid.org.au/Blaze Aid Working alongside rural families,

Blaze Aid volunteers help to rebuild fences and other structures that have been damaged or destroyed. You can donate your time or money https://blazeaid.com.au/

#### VFF DISASTER RELIEF

The Victorian Farmers Federation is coordinating fodder relief for farmers affected by bushfires in Gippsland and the Upper Murray.

http://www.vff.org.au/donations

The list is only a very small sample, there are many appeals and a quick google

search can provide you with a list if you want to donate to a specific area of need or a particular appeal.

Many appeals have surpassed their targets due to peoples' generosity and have started partnering with like organisations in other areas. Wildlife Rescue NSW is now distributing funds to Wildlife rescue organisation in Victoria and South Australia, so donate even if appeal target is reached.

If donating cash isn't possible for you, then consider donating blood. The Red Cross's blood donation service, Lifeblood, says they're going to need more donations - especially as the bushfire crisis worsens. You can find out where to give blood, and if you're eligible to donate. https://www.donateblood.com.au/

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# FARMERS' MARKET

### Our next market on Saturday 15th February is back in the front carpark of the Neighbourhood Centre





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

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



Our February market will definitely be back in the front car park amongst the trees and utilising the deck of the renovated hall and library complex. You will also get a chance to check out the renovated hall and facilities.

#### Feedback from recent happy customers

Fantastic market with great range of produce.

Convenient location  $\cdot$  Knowledgeable staff  $\cdot$  Great selection  $\cdot$  Fresh food

Friendly people, great selection of goodies Convenient location · Great selection





Why not pick up a treat from Eat Freely Cakes, one of our newest stalls. Delicious cupcakes, cookies and sweets will be available and as always, there will be gluten free, dairy free, nut free and vegan options.

Maybe you're not a sweet tooth, then check out Amati Organic Vino, who have boutique organic and vegan wines, plus, just introduced a range of organic and vegan craft beers.

What is better than a delicious potato salad for your BBQ or as a side dish for dinner on those warm nights? Pick up some chat potatoes from Spud Sisters, free range eggs from Egg-erton Eggs and chorizo or bacon from Villa Salumi, then add your favourite dressing and away you go

Don't forget pasta packs from Italian Chef for that quick easy meals, Outback Spirit has a delicious range of sauces and marinades for your BBQ, Joys of Redhill have chutneys, jams and relishes and Brasserie Bread will as usual have a wonderful



range of artisan breads to tempt your tastebuds.

All our regular stallholders will be in attendance.

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

# **Mordialloc Freeway Project**



The Mordialloc Freeway will connect the Mornington Peninsula Freeway to the Dingley Bypass, slashing travel times and easing congestion in Melbourne's south east.

The project will take 13,000 trucks off local roads, giving local roads back to residents.

#### Project overview

As part of the new Mordialloc Freeway, Major Road Projects Victoria will:

- build bridges over Springvale, Governor, Lower Dandenong and Centre Dandenong Roads, along with new freeway entry and exit ramps
- build bridges over Old Dandenong Road and the Waterways wetlands
- build a new shared walking and cycling path along the entire Freeway.

#### Construction update

Major Road Projects Victoria have wasted no time starting construction activities. Works so far have included:

- soil tests to understand ground conditions
- building temporary access points so trucks can safely enter, move around and exit the work area
- building a new left-hand turning lane at Boundary Road and Centre Road
- removing trees and vegetation where it is unavoidable
- moving and protecting utilities.

In early 2020 construction will continue to ramp up as these important works continue. Over the coming months works will include:

- bringing in the materials to build the foundations of the Freeway
- building temporary haul roads for trucks delivering materials for the Freeway off local roads
- starting works at the former landfill site at Grange Road, Dingley Village.

Measures are in place to minimise disruption to road users and the local community, including:

- planning truck routes to reduce the distance they'll travel on local roads
- ensuring truck drivers are informed about speed limits
- monitoring traffic volumes and adjusting truck routes as needed.

#### Stay Updated

If you have any questions about the Mordialloc Freeway Project, please call **1800 105 105** or email **contact@roadprojects.vic.gov.au**.

You can also visit Major Road Projects Victoria at the Mordialloc Freeway Information Hub, located at 358 Boundary Road in Dingley Village, during business hours (9am to 5pm).

If you would like more information or to subscribe to email updates on the Mordialloc Freeway project, please visit www.roadprojects.vic.gov.au/projects/mordialloc-freeway





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OUR COUNCIL

#### KINGSTON REJECTS SECOND APPLICATION TO EXTEND INDUSTRIAL WASTE FACILITY IN GREEN WEDGE

Kingston Council has affirmed its decision to refuse an application by company Alex Fraser Group to extend its industrial waste operations in Kingston's Green Wedge.

Alex Fraser's permit is still valid for another four years ending in December 2023 and the company had applied to Council for permission to stay until 2038.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said Council could not ignore the community opposition to Alex Fraser's extension request with more than 900 objections received.

"Kingston's residents have made it clear that they feel they have put up with the waste industry located on their doorstep in the Kingston Green Wedge for far too long," said Cr Oxley.

In 2015 the Victorian Planning Minister explicitly recognised that waste transfer and recycling facilities are not suitable for green wedge areas and prohibited any new operators while allowing existing operators until the end of their permit to move on.

The approval by the Planning Scheme Amendment C143 was a landmark moment in defining the future of the approach Kingston is seeking to take with its Green Wedge.

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"Alex Fraser has known for four years they would need to find a new location, and the Victorian Government has been working with them to find alternatives. They still have another four years to find a suitable site that will ensure both the company's long-term success and an end to waste-related activities in the Green Wedge," Cr Oxley said.

"Council recognises that Alex Fraser plays a significant role in the recycling of Melbourne's glass and construction waste but when its permit expires at its Clarinda site it won't mean Kingston's kerbside recycling ends up in landfill."

"Kingston Council employs a number of different service providers to fulfil its recycling requirements and has been proactive in using recycled products in the construction of our roads," said Cr Oxley.

#### COUNCIL INVESTS IN EXTRA SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY SAFETY ALONG KINGSTON'S FORESHORE

Kingston Council will install additional CCTV surveillance cameras in Chelsea's Victory Park area as part of its ongoing commitment to improve safety for all residents and visitors across the city's foreshore and other areas.

Council has been working closely with Victoria Police to increase surveillance across Kingston to reduce anti-social behaviour and improve community safety.

The two new CCTV surveillance systems will be installed in the Victory Park area in early January after a request from Victoria Police. The extra cameras



bring the total number of CCTV cameras in Chelsea to 13.

In addition to this, new CCTV systems have been installed in and around Mordialloc Life Saving Club and Carrum Life Saving Club and all existing CCTV systems in other foreshore areas have been updated.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said Council takes the safety of our residents very seriously and would continue to work proactively with Victoria Police.

"The summer period sees a significant increase in community use of our foreshore areas, we want to make sure everyone feels safe at all times and can happily enjoy our wonderful beaches and reserves," said Cr Oxley.

Kingston also has a number of 24hour alcohol-free zones, including in Chelsea and Carrum, to enhance public safety and prevent anti-social behaviour and Council has been consulting with the community on a proposal to extend the Mordialloc Alcohol-Free Zone. This is due to be considered by Council in early 2020.

#### KINGSTON COUNCIL STAFF SPREAD SOME CHRISTMAS CHEER TO LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED

Staff at the City of Kingston are helping spread Christmas cheer to local families in need through the annual Toy Drive.

For the past nine years, staff members have donated toys to be handed out by Kingston's Family Support Service.

Kingston Mayor Georgina Oxley said this year more than 90 presents were donated to put a smile on the face of a child at Christmas.

"Throughout the year Kingston's Family Support Service helps around 100 local families in need," Cr Oxley said.

"At Christmas time our staff are happy to donate a child's present to make sure Christmas is a joyous time for all.

"It's a great way to support our community at this special time of the year."



# DINGLEY VILLAGE Community association

#### **DVCA HOPES YOU HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Why not make a New Year resolution to become more involved in looking after our Dingley Village community, as we continue the "never-ending" struggle to improve the quality of life in our unique Village.

## DVCA Donates to the Bushfire Relief Fund

On behalf of Dingley Village residents, DVCA has donated \$1000 to the major bush fire relief fund, through our Bendigo Bank community branch. We believe it is important for unaffected communities to help those who have lost a great deal and show them we stand with them and we care.

## MADDV - Make A Difference Dingley Village

We note that Make a Difference Dingley Village Inc., our local community charity group, is undergoing a major structural review (see article on page 4 in this issue) and has temporarily suspended operations, pending a report from an external Accountant. DVCA looks forward to a restructured MADDV recommencing activity in early 2020.

#### **Kingswood Golf Course**

Currently, Australian Super has concluded its limited community consultation and presumably will continue to push for a rezoning and development on the golf course land. Again please remember that Australian Super bought a golf course which was not and is not zoned residential and that no residential development of Kingswood golf course can occur without a change of land zoning from Special Use Golf Course Zone.

However in August last year the State Government established a new Golf Course Redevelopment Advisory Committee. The Committee will:

- Review draft Planning Guidelines for golf course redevelopments, expected to be finalised in early 2020. These guidelines will include a decision making framework for assessing proposals to redevelop golf course land across all of metropolitan Melbourne; and
- Review and advise on any individual golf course redevelopment proposal referred by the Minister for Planning.

We are waiting for the Advisory Committee to finalise its guidelines (Feb/March?) and we expect that a rezoning and redevelopment proposal for Kingswood could be the first application it hears.

It is vital for residents to continue to have their say to resist the adverse impacts of expected overdevelopment. We will advise you regularly of any changes/proposals etc. as soon as possible. The Save Kingswood Group will have a residents' survey out soon and please make sure you reply on this important issue for our Village.

#### Did you enjoy the decorated Christmas trees near the Rotunda?

Thanks go to Marion Harriden, the DV Men's shed and our Kinders, Primary Schools and Play Groups for providing this attractive display. The children do a great job decorating the trees and they have some amazing ideas.

Thanks also to their teachers, directors and supervisors for encouraging our young folk to participate.

## Refurbished Community Centre and Library

Due to open in Feb/March 2020, our revamped community hall and library in Marcus Rd is looking great. It sits in the treed landscape so well, looks clean and modern, complements the memorial and should provide much improved facilities for residents. Well done to Kingston Council and especially to our Ward Councillors, for supporting this development, we look forward to Stage 2 commencing soon.

#### DVCA

PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING the DVCA - The DVCA is open to all residents who genuinely care about our Village.

Meetings are held in the Community Centre, 2nd Tuesday each month (except Dec. and Jan.) at 7.30pm. New members are most welcome to attend.

#### **DVCA Contact Details**

Please note our new DVCA website please check it out: www.dvca.info

For further information: contact the Chairman/Sec by e mail: david@llidam. net



#### Police are out and about for Summersafe in Kingston and Bayside. IF YOU LEAVE IT, YOU LOSE IT

We continue to take calls from residents and visitors to the area who are reporting cars broken into, and their valuable items stolen. This is a costly crime and entirely preventable.

Police from General Duties, Highway Patrol, Crime Investigation and Proactive units are committed to reducing these thefts as a priority, but we need the community to help out with this crime prevention.

Items such as money, handbags, computers, iPads, iPhones, electronic devices and cables should never be left in a car.

Ensure your car is locked, when you walk away from it. This is important when parking in the beach carparks and neighbouring streets.

Report any unusual activity. We know offenders walk the streets and carparks, checking car door handles and looking in car windows. If you see this, call **000** immediately and Police will attend. To report a theft after it has occurred, call **131 444**.



Neighbourhood Watch & Victoria Police would like to remind everyone to always securley lock your vehicle and never leave valuables visible.

Dingley's shining sporting stars will be celebrated after a new junior honour was kick started in December

The Dingley Sports and Recreation Club has launched the Junior Sports Star Awards, which aims to recognise local youngsters' outstanding contributions to their beloved game.

The inaugural awards launch function was attended by 24 junior sports participants covering 8 separate sports teams and 3 primary schools.



The awards were launched by Australian Cricketer Jon Holland. Jon spoke of his journey to become a professional sportsperson and the critical role junior sports clubs and schools played. Juniors can be nominated through our website www.dingleysportsclub.com. au. Conditions for eligibility are also on our website.

The awards are open to children 16 years and younger who live in Dingley Village or play for a Dingley based sports club or attend one of the Dingley primary schools.

The monthly awards will culminate with the naming of annual Dingley Junior Sports Star.



Back: Tess Porter, liv Patterson, Amy Stanton, Jessica Stanton, Jay Henry, Kade Henry, Jon Holland, Balin O'Callagan, Noah Dawson, Patrick Hibbert, Alfie Shand, Rex Martin, Bennett Martin & Mia Axnick. Front: Maddison Rabaut, Evie Lorencak, Max Lorencak, Lachie O'Meara, Macy Harding, Jeremiah Jeanes & Noah Jeanes



Basketball - Dingley Warriors - Thomas Lloyd Smith & Noah Dawson



Above: Dingley Primary School -Lachie O'Meara Right: Southern Taekwondo -Dillon Oakley





Dingley Tennis - Max Lorencak & Evie Lorencak



Dingley Primary School - Macy Harding & Lachie O'Meara



Dingley Dingoes AFL - Rex Martin, Bennett Martin & Mia Axnick



Dingley Baseball - Jay Henry, Balin O'Callagan & Kade Henry



St Mark's Primary School - Patrick Hibbert & Maddison Rabaut



Maroons Netball - Liv Patterson & Tess Porter



Dingley Netball - Amy Stanton & Jessica Stanton



Dingley Cricket - Patrick Hibbert & Alfie Shand



# FRIENDS OF BRAESIDE PARK

Over Christmas and New Year, I joined many other community members walking daily during the early morning along Braeside Park's Howard Road Trail. The cool morning air is refreshing and many small birds flitter through the trees while large groups of sulphur-crested cockatoos and rainbow lorikeets fly about noisily.

This must make me either a Passive or Other User or a Nature Admirer. These are categories of people according to Parks Victoria's 'Braeside Precinct's Key Visitors' Grouping.' [From the people who sanctioned the Mordialloc Freeway, the State's largest men's shed, and a community garden: this is part of the planning by Victorian Government for Braeside Park!] Usually, I meet only one or two Trail Users (visit the park for a physical experience - i.e. running). Later in the day, I may observe Urban Socials (visit for large social gatherings) but who obviously do not favour the Friends' Breakfast with the Bird Feasts.

However, I did see an Illiterate Dog Owner (Following now are my own contributions to Victorian Managerial English!) who ignore all signs regarding no dogs in the Park; also an Urban Litterer (visits the park for large or small social gatherings leaving rubbish trails from carpark to picnic spot). The Elderly to not-so-Elderly Volunteers (assist the Rangers opening the Visitors' Centre, propagating plants, organise community events) are some of the most seen. The Young Families with Prams and Trainer Bikes (visit to see grazing cattle, play on the Playground and practise biking) were there in droves too, but not at 6 am! The Young Explorers (visit in small groups to hair round on bikes) are present but not usually until mid-morning!

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I am sure I left out some other category of people who visit Braeside Park. I am not really into boxing people to "plan how the park is used and its assets protected, including community and visitor access and facilities and conservation of the park's environmental and cultural values" – whatever that may mean.

You see, I think that since the Park has had a 54% increase in visitor numbers since 2000 then it must be doing something right. In addition, I believe that maybe this is because there are no dogs, no horses, no camping, and no cafés – unlike everywhere else between Mornington and Port Melbourne. Maybe people want something different – like natural open spaces!

Trying to identify what makes the Park attractive to the community is difficult. It is a bit like school. Every teacher has a goal. However, each student arrives with a different background and leave the lesson having learnt different things. I feel that the Park's visitors' reasons for visiting vary. I know that I visit for physical exercise, mental well-being and as an ardent naturalist. Sometimes I visit to support the Rangers by opening the Visitors' Centre or to introduce the community to flora and fauna through walks and talks. Other times I take visitors to enjoy the Park and to have a picnic.

I know that I love that there are no dogs nor horses in the Park so I may share the track with an echidna or an ibis. I know that I, and small children on bikes or in prams, are safe from dog or horse

DINGLEY VILLAGE BATHROOM REVIVAL Complete service including: Plumbing • Tiling • Carpentry • Electrical • Plastering All work Guaranteed Mob. 0408 549 697 confrontations. If I and other visitors walk to the wetlands we will see birds feeding, nesting and resting free from dogs and horses' molestation.

Our Park is under review and planning, or precinct planning, for the next 30 years. If you value our indigenous park or have some thoughts on its future, it is best to tell someone before the 31 January 2020

Therefore, I urge members of the public to collect a flyer from the Visitors' Centre to tell Parks Victoria what they like about Braeside Park. Speak to your State Members of Parliament, Martin Pakula, Member for Keysborough, (9547 6262, martin.pakula@parliament.vic.gov.au) or Tim Richardson, Member for Mordialloc, (9772 4544, tim.richardson@Parliament. vic.gov.au) regarding your concerns and valued experiences of the Park.

The flyer's picture is of a father and a child in the playground. You would think that Parks Victoria whose slogan is *"Healthy Parks Healthy People"* would have some reference to nature and exercise such as walking or biking. It is increasingly obvious to me that Parks Victoria has abandoned biodiversity and the environment to cater for the **Passive** or Other User and Urban Socials.

#### If Parks Victoria does not stand up for the environment and biodiversity who will?

On Wednesday 8 January 2020, my morning walk was disturbed by the arrival of earth-laden trucks. The noise and smell of dirt mixed with the smoke of this summer's apocalypse bushfires, and it all brought back the horror of the Mordialloc Freeway. The noise followed me right into the middle of our Park. It is no escape anymore!

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# THE FUTURE FOR 'RETIREMENT'

Research over recent years suggests that the secret to a long and healthy life is to continue working and to stay in control of your finances and life. The nature of work may change – fewer hours, less stress, new career – and with good planning it is possible to have all the good things associated with retirement such as more leisure, time with family, travel and new activities.

No government can afford to support the Baby Boomer generation through retirement. Paying pensions for longer life spans is not sustainable. In 1905 the average life expectancy was 55.2 years for men and 58.8 for women. The age pension was introduced from 1909 and





was available from age 65 so most people did not qualify.

However, a century later the average life expectancy for a 65-year-old is 84.6 years for men and 87.3 for women. To address this the eligible age has been gradually increasing since July 2017 until it reaches 67 from 1 July 2023 for both men and women.

Further measures to encourage older people to keep working include tighter eligibility for income support before age pension age; an incentive payment to employers to hire eligible mature aged workers; tax-free superannuation after age 60; ability to access superannuation as a pension before retirement; and increasing the age when superannuation can be accessed.

Our leaders are also concerned about the shrinking pool of workers in a growing economy. In 2015, there were 4.5 workers for every person over age 65. By 2055 it is projected that this ratio will have halved to just 2.7 workers.

But look on the bright side. There will be a significant opportunity arising from Australians working longer. The 2015 Intergenerational Report predicted that



by 2055, 17.3% of those aged 65+ will be working, an increase from the 12.9% in 2015. This will ensure a positive impact on productivity levels, contributing to a stronger economy.

This doesn't mean Australians have to work harder during their later years. Technology has made many jobs much easier, and most of us struggle to even imagine what it will be doing for us in 40 years' time.

The reality is that many people who retire to a life of leisure too early end up disillusioned. This resentment can create ill-health and ironically, the years they were hoping to spend enjoying life, can be unexpectedly cut short.

Research shows being active and engaged in life leads to a healthier and longer life. This doesn't have to be paid employment but for some of us it is what provides the challenge and excitement. Many people who could retire today choose to keep working for the love of it, or if money is no longer an issue, offering their experience and knowledge in volunteer roles.

Maybe there will soon come a time when the word "retirement" will disappear from our vocabularies because more people will want to keep on keeping on.

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### MEN, PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOUR EYES

Vision is one of the key senses that we use all day, every day, yet so many of us take our vision for granted, especially men it seems. Based on 2019 Medicare billing data, men between the ages of 35 and 44 across Australia are nearly half as likely to seek eye care compared with women.

In the vast majority of cases, conditions resulting in vision loss are treatable. However, successful outcomes often depend on early intervention and failure to do so can result in lifelong impairment.

In a report commissioned by Vision 2020 Australia in 2009, those with vision loss are three times more likely to develop depression.

Sight loss can limit independence, especially if the loss of a driving license occurs. For men to live long, healthy and independent lives, it's clear the frequency with which they receive eye care could stand to be higher.

Another area in which there is opportunity for improvement is eye safety. In 2016, men made up 83% of the 11,078 of cases registered on the Medicare database in which optometrists removed a foreign body embedded in the eye. Australian standard safety glasses are a must if you are going to be working in an environment, or with equipment, that generates debris such as wood cutting, carpentry, grinding, hammering, mowing or pruning. Safety glasses are available in clear, sunglass and prescription options for those who need to wear glasses for clear distance or near vision.

Please don't overlook eye health as an important factor to overall health and wellbeing, have your eyes tested at least biennially or annually if over the age of 65.

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 to continue to enjoy a long, fruitful and happy life.

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### SCOMO TAKES SOME PRESSURE OFF MUM & DAD

The Federal Government has moved to help first home buyers (and their parents!).

Housing affordability, particularly for first home buyers, is always an issue. A major part of that problem is saving a deposit of 20% of the purchase price plus purchase costs. Not that you HAVE to have that large a deposit, but it means you avoid paying the extra cost of loan mortgage insurance (LMI).

#### **HELP IS AT HAND!**

A new benefit from the Federal Government commenced as at January 1st 2020, the "First Home Loan Deposit Scheme" (FHLDS). This was adopted as policy by the Morrison Government in the lead up to the Federal election in 2019, and is now in effect.

Unfortunately for prospective buyers it is not a cash handout, rather it replicates a parent guarantee situation with the Federal Government being guarantor instead of Mum & Dad. Which saves the LMI expense. And takes pressure off Mum and Dad.

This scheme is in an introductory trial stage currently limited to a maximum 10,000 in the calendar year, with an eligibility checklist on who can use it and how, including that you must have an initial 5% of the purchase price in regular savings.

Note also this scheme is only available through a limited number of banks. Previously established government benefits of savings on stamp duty and First Home Owners Grants remain available.

Prospective first home buyers need to speak to their broker to be aware of what is required to enable home ownership. Financial strategy in property purchase can be complicated and is different for every individual in a different situation. Quality advice is paramount. On a general commentary level, first home buyers returned to the property market in force in the second half of 2019 along with a general increase in buyer numbers.

We are seeing Mum and Dad assisting in a large number of purchases via use of parent guarantee assistance, and we expect that to continue. It is important to note that these parent guarantees save the kids money without costing Mum and Dad anything (assuming the kids pay their loans...)

FHLDS has too many limitations to totally replace parent guarantees. But in many instances Mum and Dad are not in a position to be able to assist. This policy helps to fill that gap.

For more information – call your broker! - Integrity Finance Australia– Changing Lives

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# LOCAL SPQRTS





'The Football Club approaches the 2020 season with an air of expectancy and excitement following a decade of unprecedented success. New coaches and support staff, an influx of new talent and a progression of more young players through the junior ranks should mean that we will be able to remain a strength in an increasingly competitive Southern Football League.

Players went through an intensive December running and conditioning program as a basis for the real pre-season which is underway now.

Due to cricket commitments at Souter Oval, that program was undertaken courtesy of Cornish College, at Patterson Lakes and we are grateful for their hospitality.

Player numbers have been great and expectations are high, but like Forrest Gump's box of chocolates, we don't know exactly what we've got until the box is opened.

Good luck to new Senior Coach Danny Ades and to everybody who gives their time and works so hard to make your footy club successful.

As always, the club is looking to boost the number of 'Home Game Day Volunteers'; that small army of people who can help out with a specific task on the nine home games at Souter Oval through the year. It could be 'flipping a burger' in the hamburger tent, putting in an hour on the drinks stand or helping tidy up after game.

If you are able to help, please stick your hand up or have a word to someone at the club and take the load off President Clinton Brooks and his small platoon of soldiers.

The Club recently lost one of its true identities in Steve Fraser, who passed away unexpectedly on 9 January. Steve, a local plumber, was well known in the district, especially in the football fraternities. He was gentle giant with a wry sense of humour and a love for all things Dingley. He will be sadly missed."



DINGLEY TENNIS CLUB ANNUAL OPEN DAY SUNDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 12 to 3pm Rowan Road, Dingley (next to the netball courts)

Come along and join us for a fun afternoon of Tennis. Everyone is welcome.

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# IRCLING

DINGLEY **CHELTENHAM VIEW CLUB** (Voice Interests



**Education of Women**)

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club (View, Interests, Education of Women) is looking forward to 2020, again enjoying fun, friendships, and outings, at the same time making the difference to young lives.

Women of VIEW partner with The Smith family in their Learning for Life Programme which enable vulnerable Australian children to receive an education. These programmes provide practical and financial support to the children and young people.

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club is small but we are proud to be supporting six students with their education. We have many fun events throughout the year culminating in our Christmas celebrations.

We partner with other community groups who also are trying to make a difference in our community and are very grateful for support and sponsorship from Baldwin Living Spring Gardens, Keysborough Golf Club, Bunnings Keysborough, Rotary Club of Dingley Village, Bakers Delight Dingley, Melisa Labozzeta (artist), Dindi Naturals and the Dingley Dossier who so kindly makes it possible for the community to know what we do.

Women of all ages are invited to join our monthly meetings which includes a guest speaker followed by morning tea. 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

#### PROBUS CLUB DINGLEY CENTRAL



In December our day tour took us to Australia's largest Hindu temple in Carrum Downs where we were warmly welcomed for morning tea. This was followed by a walk around their beautiful gardens and a tour inside the temple where we learnt about some of their customs. We then moved on to Barmah Park Vineyard in Moorooduc where we enjoyed a Christmas meal.

Our president, Mary, opened our January meeting with heartfelt words about the tragic bushfire events across the nation over the holiday break. The Club unanimously voted to make a contribution to the bushfire relief via the Bendigo Bank. Our guest speaker was the Family Partnership Coordinator, Rachel Overell from The Smith Family. She described how one-in-six children and young people in Australia live in poverty and how The Smith Family is able to help some of them by providing long-term support for their education. About 50,000 students nationally participate in their "Learning for Life" program.

Upcoming activities are:

February: 3rd - Club birthday meeting and entertainment by Jukebox Jonny; 10th - walking group and coffee; 11th iPad group; 14th – "Knickers" at Shirley Burke Theatre: 19th - Day coach tour

Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at "The Salvation Army Kingston City", 12-16 Boulevard Dingley Village. Visitors are always welcome. For further information please contact our secretary, Ruth, on 9587 0432

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# DINGLEY 60 PLUS SOCIAL GROUP

December and January has seen our members enjoying dinner, live music and dancing at our local Night Clubs. The Christmas function at Cheltenham was well attended and enjoyed by all. Some members celebrated New Year's Eve at a local over 50's village where the entertainment was provided by Lone Star.

Our Saturday night dinner dates were at Braeside – Bistro, Moorabbin – Vietnamese and Clayton – Chinese. We also had a BBQ at Dingley and a movies evening at Brighton.

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.

A list of proposed activities over the next month or so is available at these gatherings. Regular activities undertaken by the group include dinners, theatre nights, movies, BBQs, picnics, breakfasts, concerts, holidays, trips, walks and dinner dances.

Our group wishes the Dossier readers 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. For potential members be assured there is room a plenty in 2020

#### DINGLEY VILLAGE SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INCORPORATED

We hope that all of our readers had a restful (even eventful?) holiday season and we would also like to wish all a happy New Year.

At this time, our thoughts are with all of those affected by the Wild Fires affecting much of Southern and Eastern Australia.

# Club activities for February 2020 are as follows:

3rd – Committee Meeting (in particular to confirm outings for the year) followed by cards, games, knitting/crochet group and afternoon tea;

10th – Bingo (eyes down at 1:00 p.m.) followed by afternoon tea;

17th – Cards, games etc., followed by afternoon tea; and

24th – Bingo (eyes down at 1:00 p.m.) followed by afternoon tea;

We would again like to invite you to come and check us out of a Monday arvo.

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.

#### PROBUS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE INC.



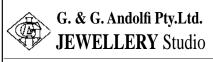
At our December general meeting we were visited by a singing group, the "Hot Flushes", who entertained us with a variety of Christmas songs, accompanied by some amusing stories. We have been visited by this group in the past, and they are always good value.

After the meeting, members proceeded to the Sandown Greyhounds restaurant for our annual Christmas lunch. A most enjoyable meal provided a fitting end to the Club's year.

Our first General Meeting for 2020 will be held on February 6th, and the guest speaker will be Clif Hardy. Clif attended the London Nautical School at the age of 14, and subsequently joined the Merchant Navy, rising to the rank of 2nd Officer Navigator. He also has memories of the London blitz, and rocket attacks, and after the war, joined the Kent County Police.

Other February activities include a movie lunch at the Waverley Cinema on the 13th, coffee morning at The Nest on the 11th, a Dine Out lunch on the 20th, and Morning Melodies at the Waltzing Matilda hotel on the 28th.

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



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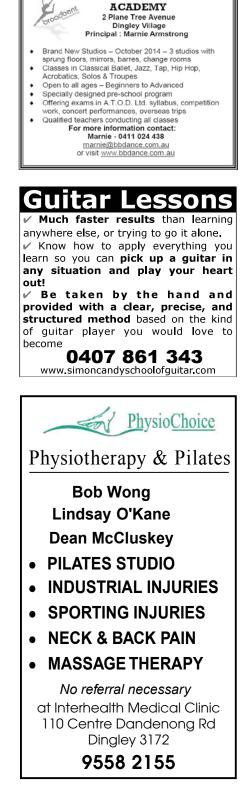
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#### COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION



CWA Dingley Village members are looking forward to enjoying another year of bright ideas, busy fingers, and friendship and we welcome any visitors who would like to join us. The members get together twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday.

CWA first craft day is Wednesday the 12th of February at 10 am. We gather at the home of our craft co-ordinator Irene with her handy helpers, Jan and Kath.

Our first CWA monthly meeting is Wednesday the 26th of February, at 10am in the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre in Marcus Road.

For any inquiries regarding CWA Dingley Village you may call President Carmel on 0408 302 536, or Secretary Diana on 9580 6150. They will only be too happy to answer any quires you have.

At the AGM last October, the members voted to raise monies for "Blaze Aid", our project of 2020.

It is very appropriate that we shall be endeavouring to raise as much as we can during the next 12 months to help our country CWA friends, farmers and their families and all the fire fighters through the terrible times they have all endured these past months.

#### **ROTARY CLUB** DINGLEY VILLAGE

The Rotary Club Dingley Village, meets Thursday 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start: Dinner meeting (First three Thursdays of the month)



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#### **DINGLEY VILLAGE MEN'S SHED**

Members 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: dvms3172@gmail. com www.dvms.org.au



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

#### FRIENDS OF BRAESIDE PARK

The Friends Group works closely with the Parks Victoria Rangers and is actively involved in:



- park planning and development
- tree planting
- ٠ funding of tree carvings
- seed collection and plant propagation
- bird counting •
- salinity monitoring
- water quality testing, and
- monitoring bats and possums

Friends of Braeside Park have many events throughout the year as well as activity groups. New members for these groups are always very welcome. Contact Bev Bancroft on 9551 4578

There is a modern plant nursery at Braeside Park where Friends produce more than 20,000 plants each year. All the seed stock and cuttings come from within the park or the immediate vicinity. This ensures the integrity of the stock. The plants are used for the revegetation of the park. Excess plants are made available to other local groups.

The Propagation group meets on the 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday each month from 10am to 12pm. The Nursery is also open for plant sales on the 3rd Sunday. New members are always welcome.

The walking group meets every Tuesday and Friday morning at the Visitors Centre at 9.30am. This is an informal group where people walk at their own pace. Most stay for morning tea after the walk has been completed. Anyone can attend without prior notice

The Friends of Braeside Bird Group was established over 25 years ago. The group meets the 4th Friday of the month at 8am till 11am at either the Robin Car Park or The Park Office alternating.

Contact: 8427 2027 (Park Office)

#### LIONS CLUB OF DINGLEY VILLAGE



Our meetings are held on the

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

Contact - President Lynne 9551 3770 dingleylions@gmail.com



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hands also create mesh produce bags, library bags and small toddler size carry bags - for some of these items we charge a small fee to assist with the operating costs of the group.

The group meets each Thursday morning 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.







#### VILLAGE CHURCH DINGLEY

"Inspiring People to Discover and Develop Life in Christ" Church Office: 7–9 Fiveways Blvd., Keysborough. 3173 Phone number: 8712 8254 Email: admin@villagechurch.org.au www.villagechurch.org.au

#### New Church Service Location

We are now in our new premises at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough for all church services and Kids Church. Our official opening will take place in March.

# Our Church program for FEBRUARY is as follows:

SUNDAYS

10.00 a.m. Worship Service at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough.

\*Kids Church at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough.- 10.30am to 12 noon, children from birth to Grade 6. All welcome.

# MONTHLY LADIES AND MENS GROUPS:

\* Homemakers – 1st Monday of each month, 7.45pm Dingley, 3rd February "Sisters in Christ" Ladies Group – 7-9pm. Fellowship and sharing. Tuesday 4th February, 7 Fiveways Boulevard. Men's Group – 7-9pm. Fellowship, teaching and sharing. Tuesday 11th February, 7 Fiveways Boulevard.

#### LIFE GROUPS:

**\*Wednesday nights** – Fortnightly 7-8.30pm, Dingley. 12th, 26th February.



Sunday nights – 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month 7-8.30pm. Keysborough. 2nd and 16th February.

#### PRAYER TIME:

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am at church office. Tea/coffee afterwards. Monthly – Monday 10th February 7.30-8.30pm; Saturday 15th February; 7-8am and 9-10am at church office.

#### **BIBLE STUDY:**

\*Women's – Precept Ministries study on Genesis. Fortnightly at the church office 10-11.30am. Thursday 6th, 20th February. \*Open – Thursday 6th, 20th February on the Gospel of Luke. Fortnightly at church office 2pm.

\*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, 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.

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

#### ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

511 Lower Dandenong Road, Dingley Village 3172

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

Parish Priest: Fr. Joseph Truong Nguyen OFM Conv.

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 February

- 1st St Brigid of Ireland
- 2nd Presentation of the Lord 8th St Josephine Bakhita
- 8th St Josephine Bakhita 11th Our Lady of Lourdes
- 14th Sts Cyrill & Methodius
- 20th Sts Jacinta & Francisco Marto
- (Seers of Fatima)
- 22nd Chair of St Peter
- 26th Ash Wednesday Start of Lent



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

**MOPS** (Mothers of Preschoolers) at Kingston City Church is a friendly group of like- minded mums from all walks of life. We meet fortnightly during school terms on a Monday from 10am – 12pm.

While the children are cared for by volunteer carers, the mums enjoy an interesting program. A typical morning includes an informative relevant talk, discussion groups and a creative activity.

The theme this year from MOPS Australia, is "To the Full". In order to live life to the full this year; we will have more fun, fear less and find our people. John 10:10 (NIV) says "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full." Other MOPS groups around Melbourne and Australia can be found at MOPS.ORG.AU.

New mums are most welcome. It is a great way to make new friends and not feel as alone in your mothering journey. The team at Kingston MOPS, led by Eve, would love to get to know you in 2020.

> Sallyanne Patten Mentor Mum, Kingston MOPS



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#### SUNDAY SERVICES:

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(Children's Ministry during the 10.30am service)

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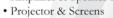
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