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## AUSTRALIANSUPER ABANDONS PLANS TO RE-ZONE AND DEVELOP KINGSWOOD GOLF CLUB SITE AND PUTS IT UP FOR SALE

The nation's biggest super fund, AustralianSuper, bought the Kingswood Golf Course site in 2014 for \$100 million with plans to rezone and develop the existing 53Ha golf course into 800+ 1.2 & 3 storey dwellings.

In 2018 AustralianSuper applied for rezoning, to the City of Kingston, resulting in over 8,000 objections to the application. The City of Kingston voted not to support the proposed planning scheme amendment and AustralianSuper withdrew its planning application.

In November 2020 AustralianSuper submitted a new proposal under the state government's Planning Guidelines for the Conversion of Golf Course Land to Other Purposes in Victoria. On 9 May 2021, the Minister for Planning referred the proposal to the Golf Course Redevelopment Standing Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) for consideration and advice.

The Advisory Committee was to consider and advise the Minister if the proposal satisfied the Planning Guidelines for the Conversion of Golf Course Land to Other Purposes and was consistent with state and local policy.

In March 2022, the advisory committee's report was handed to the Minister of Planning, who requested additional information from the committee and the report has not been made public.

In a media release on the 1st of September 2023 AustralianSuper announced that it had commenced an Expression of Interest (EOI) process to divest the former Kingswood Golf Course site.

A spokesperson for AustralianSuper said the sale was the result of a review by the fund of its property portfolio.

"Our decision to divest has nothing to do with the rezoning application," the spokesperson said. "Regardless of any decision on this application, we would be divesting this asset at this time. It is simply too small and no longer aligns to our property investment strategy."

### What now for the site?

Whilst the sale is a major victory for those opposed to the development, the future of the site is still in limbo. The City of Kingston has continued to oppose AustralianSuper's planned development.

"The site is not needed to provide housing supply, as Kingston already has a positive plan in place to meet our housing supply needs right through to at least 2038, without needing to valuable green open space provided by golf courses," Kingston Mayor Hadi Saab said. "These sites provide valuable tree canopy and reduce heat islands in our suburbs, which are increasing with growing development and climate change."

As both the City of Kingston and the majority of the community of Dingley Village oppose residential redevelopment of the site, any sale of the land will be closely watched.

How AustralianSuper market the sale will be of particular interest, if, as suspected, as a residential development subject to approval. Any potential buyer will be made well aware of the opposition AustralianSuper has experienced by those fighting the development.

Save Kingswood, Dingley Village Community Association and local residents have campaigned tirelessly to stop the overdevelopment and 20% increase in population of Dingley Village with the resultant impact on the villages' green space, infrastructure and village character.

They have continued to monitor the site to protect the green space and the local wildlife from inappropriate tree removals.

*A media release from AustralianSuper and response from Save Kingswood is printed in this edition of the Dingley Dossier*



## FARMERS' MARKET

SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER | 8:30AM - 1:00PM



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we live, and pay our respects to them, their culture, their Elders past, present and future and uphold their relationship to this land and the important role all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people continue to play within Australia.

# WHAT'S ON AT THE NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE?

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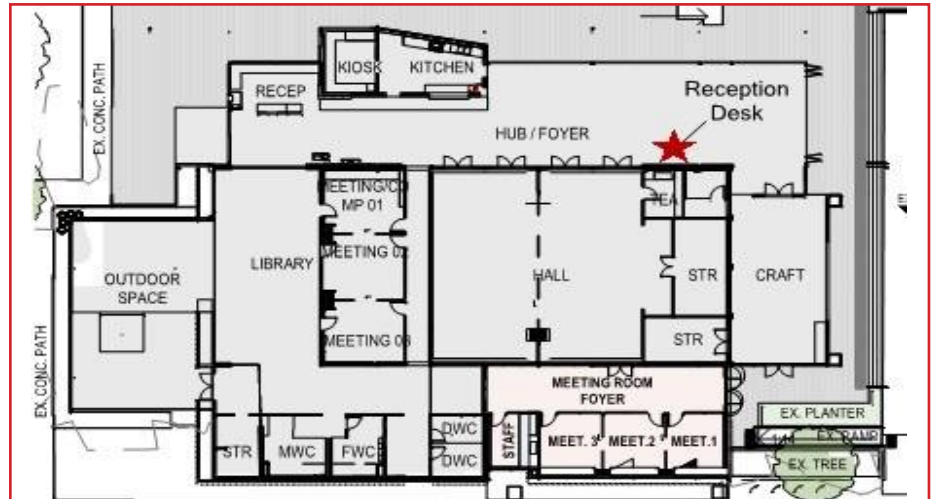
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## WE HAVE MOVED!

Dingley Village Community Precinct, Stage 2 building works have commenced with the relocation of the Neighbourhood Centre and its activities to the Harold Box Hall and Library complex. Little Villagers Childcare has also temporarily relocated to the Westall Community Hub, 35 Fairbank Road, Clayton South, and will return to Marcus Road once building works completed.

The Neighbourhood Centre contact details remain unchanged, phone: **8512 0505**, email: [admin@dvinc.com.au](mailto:admin@dvinc.com.au). The Neighbourhood Centre reception can now be found in the foyer of the Harold Box Hall near Art room. see diagram below.



Whilst many programs and activities will not change some will have to be relocated or rescheduled, please contact the Centre for details. Why has Little Villagers temporarily moved to Clayton South? Little Villagers is a registered, quality, early childhood education provider and must operate from a registered childcare compliant facility to ensure that children in their care are safe and receive quality care.

The closest appropriate space available is in the Westall Community Hub and Carly and her team will continue to provide nurturing, quality care from this facility. Maternal and Child Health has temporarily moved to 21 Jacobs Drive, Clarinda Vic 3169.

The Neighbourhood Centre would like to thank you for your co-operation and understanding during the building works and will endeavour to keep disruption to programs and services to a minimum.

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# COMMUNITY

## Apologies

Last month The Dingley Dossier ran a 2022 advert instead of the 2023 advert from Chabad Dingley Village. Chabad was wishing their friends and the community a Happy and Sweet Jewish New Year and highlighting the significant high holidays of Rosh Hashanan 15- 17th September and Yom Kippur 24th - 25th September. The Dingley Dossier would like to apologise for this error and any offence or problems caused.

## Helping people locally and internationally

The Rotary Club of Noble Park-Dingley recently had the opportunity to host Amy Garlick at one of their meetings and present her with a cheque to go towards her visit as a volunteer teacher in a childcare centre in Arusha, Tanzania. Amy is a grade 5/6 teacher at St Marks Primary School and her goal is to make a positive change to the children in the poorest villages of Tanzania.

Her fundraising will buy books, pencils, basic first aid supplies, musical instruments and other resources that can make a positive impact in enhancing the education of these students. The purchases of these supplies will be made in the villages of Tanzania and will therefore support the local economy of that area. A crowd funding scheme supported by St Marks students and parents, plus friends helped Amy raise the necessary funds. The Rotary Club was very happy to help Amy in her great cause.

## Kingston Communicators Toastmasters Club

Gain valuable skills in Effective Communication & Leadership at all our meetings. Join us at a club meeting as a guest! We meet each 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of the month from 7:15 pm for a 7:30pm start at Mentone Activity Hub, 29 Venice Street, Mentone, VIC, 3194. For details or more information call **0497 839 947** or visit us at <https://kingston.toastmastersclubs.org/>

## Soft plastics recycling

Did you know Kingston residents can now recycle their soft plastics by taking them to

one of our drop-off points? They're located at: Waves Leisure Centre, Clarinda Community Centre, Patterson Lakes Community Centre, Aspendale Gardens Community Centre and the Council offices in Cheltenham.



## Dyslexia Awareness Month

Did you know that 10% of all people are affected by dyslexia? Dyslexia is described as a persistent challenge with acquiring and using written language and is often found to be hereditary. Many people living with dyslexia have been shown to have talented and productive minds. Albert Einstein, Walt Disney and Leonardo da Vinci are some of the many famous people diagnosed with dyslexia.

## Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Australia's Breast Cancer Awareness Month provides an opportunity for us all to focus on breast cancer and its impact on those affected by the disease in our community.

## National Carers Week 16th - 22nd October

Anyone at any time can become a carer. National Carers Week is about recognising and celebrating the outstanding contribution that Australia's 2.7 million unpaid carers make to our nation. Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday, 2nd October also known as Gandhi Jayanti. Mahatma Gandhi's birthday is marked with a prayer for peace, ceremonies and events throughout India. The United Nations has further declared this day the International Day of Non-Violence in honour of Gandhi's philosophy of non-violence (Ahimsa).

## World Smile Day 6th October

Harvey Ball, the artists who created the smiley face, decided to dedicate one day each year to smiles and kind acts throughout the world. Today is a time for random acts of kindness that can bring a smile to the people in your life, and total strangers.

## Simchat Torah 7 - 8th October

Simchat Torah is a celebratory Jewish holiday that marks the completion of the annual Torah reading cycle. Simchat Torah means 'Rejoicing in the Law' in Hebrew. Special attention is given to children who join the celebrations with flags and singing.

## National Headspace Day 10th October

Headspace is the national youth mental health foundation providing early intervention mental health services to 12-25 year olds, along with assistance in promoting young peoples' wellbeing.

## Lift the Lid on Mental Illness 10th October

Lift the Lid on Mental Illness is an Australian Rotary Health event for awareness and fundraising. Just pop a hat on your head, organise an event at your workplace, and make a donation. All money raised will go towards mental health research.

## Pink Ribbon Day 13th October

Cancer Council's Pink Ribbon Day helps raise funds in support of the many thousands of Australian women affected by breast and gynaecological cancers.

## Birth of the Báb and Birth of Bahá'u'lláh 16th & 17th October

Two successive holy days that celebrate the births of two central figures in the Baha'i faith. Each day's worth of celebration starts and ends with the setting of the sun.

## Inauguration (Gurgaddi) of Guru Granth Sahib 20th Oct

The Guru Granth Sahib is the sacred text of the Sikh community and the embodiment of the Guru. It is central to the lives of devout Sikhs, both in the sense of being physically present in the gurdwara and as Sikhs' ultimate spiritual authority.

## World Teachers Day 27th October

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# FARMERS MARKET



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At their heart, farmers' markets are a place for food producers and consumers to connect directly in the buying and selling process. Our farmers' market gives you a chance to meet the person who grew or made your food.

If you have not been before, you are missing out; pop in and see why many of Dingley Village residents love to shop at the Farmers' Market. Shop among the gum trees for your fresh seasonal produce. There are over 20 stalls in attendance each market providing both seasonal produce and complimentary produce and products.



DingleyVillageFarmersMarket



Check out our Facebook page on the Friday prior to each market for an updated list of stall holders attending on Saturday. While most of our stall holders are permanent, sometimes they are unable to attend. DingleyVillageFarmersMarket

Let's continue to keep our markets dog-friendly by following some simple rules:

- Keep your dog on a short leash to prevent tripping hazards and tangles.
- Carry poop bags and pick up any doo-dos.
- Prevent your dog jumping on other shoppers or lifting its leg on stalls or shopper's buggies, bags etc.
- Leave your dog at home if they are still learning how to be polite and social.



*The Farmers' Market runs as a community event to provide residents access to fresh Victorian produce and support Victoriaan producers, The Market is an activity of the Dingley village Neighbourhood Centre and does not operate for profit. Customer feedback, concerns and ideas are welcome, look out for Market Manager Liz.*

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## Dingley Village Annual Community Information Meeting 2023

Make sure you don't miss the Annual Community Information meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st November in the Dingley Village Library, Marcus Rd, with refreshments served from 7.00 pm and the Meeting to commence @ 7.30pm.

This is a great opportunity to find out and ask questions about the issues affecting our village. So come along, our local Politicians, Councillors and other Community Leaders will be reporting back to you about our local community here in Dingley Village. Please mark this date in your calendar, the meeting is open to all Dingley Village residents.

### Michael Galea, Member for South Eastern Metropolitan

DVCA was pleased to have Michael Galea, our State Parliament Member for South Eastern Metropolitan Region, attend our monthly DVCA meeting in September.

Mr Galea spoke to DVCA members on a number of local issues in our village, including Kingswood Golf Course, the Kingston Planning Amendment C203, Hawthorn Football Club development and transport / road safety issues.

### Kingswood Golf Course - For Sale

Australian Super has announced it is selling the Kingswood Golf Course, following a review of its investment strategy for the super fund's property portfolio.

#### Background

- Australian Super bought Kingswood Golf Course in 2014, without zoning for residential development.
- Australian Super sought to rezone and develop Kingswood for a large medium to high density 3 storey housing development. Our community, supported by our local politicians, worked long and hard to stop this inappropriate development, resulting in Council abandoning the proposed rezoning of Kingswood in October 2018, following a record number of objections, approximately 8000 objections.
- Australian Super submitted a second rezoning and development proposal to the State Planning Minister in November 2020, which was reviewed by the newly created State Government's Golf Course Redevelopment Standing Advisory Committee, who submitted their report to the Planning Minister in April 2022.

#### The State of Play Now

- The Planning Minister, who is responsible for deciding the outcome of this second rezoning and development proposal, has yet to make the final decision. The proposal is still under consideration, and it is believed that flood mitigation issues are unresolved.

- Kingswood remains zoned 'Special Use Golf Course', which allows the land to be used as a golf course and residential development cannot occur.

### Kingswood Golf Course - The Way Forward

- Now that Kingswood is being re-sold, Council is calling for the Planning Minister and Australian Super to abandon the Kingswood development proposal and so enable potential new owners to start a genuine engagement with the community on Kingswood's future - DVCA fully supports this.
- Australian Super continue to support their rezoning and development proposal for Kingswood, stating in their recent Kingswood Sale Announcement it would provide increased housing diversity and community and social infrastructure that will benefit the local community.

This sounds good, but the reality is that the proposed development does not provide any additional sports facilities, medical, education or other community infrastructure to Dingley Village and would significantly reduce local amenity in our village.

In his recent letter to the AGE Newspaper on future housing provision in Kingston and the Kingswood Golf Course, the Mayor of Kingston states.

### Golf course sale leaves residential zone plan mired in the rough

"Cutting down dozens of trees to build 800-plus homes on the former Kingswood Golf Course site is being framed by many as urgently needed to meet our housing crisis.

But this simply isn't true - there's plenty of better options for housing available right now that don't sacrifice our green, open spaces and impact the climate. Of course, we urgently need more housing stock. Kingston understands it needs to take its fair share of new development and we have developed a plan to meet housing needs through to at least 2038. This plan is awaiting the minister for planning's approval.

We can save our green spaces to help our climate and deliver much-needed housing close to train stations and activity centres.

There are plenty of suitable sites ready and waiting - including at the Victorian Government's Gas Works site (Highett) and Level Crossing Removal Project (Cheltenham), not to mention the huge amount of growth expected in the future connected to the Suburban Rail Loop. Kingswood is not one of these though.

We simply don't need to lose golf course land to achieve this. Once these sites are gone, they are gone forever, and any changes must be carefully considered."

Cr Habi Saab, Mayor City of Kingston, Age Newspaper 5/9/23.

The DVCA is proud to represent a community, which has shown such sustained strength and unity in opposing the proposed rezoning and development of Kingswood Golf Course over the past 9 years.

What a fantastic effort and THANKYOU to everyone for getting involved and fighting hard to protect this important open space and recreational area in the heart of our village.

#### Can We Help?

If you are a resident in Dingley Village and have an issue concerning our Village, you would like addressed - please let us know and we will see if we can help.

#### DVCA Contact Info

Contact us by email at [dvcasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:dvcasecretary@gmail.com) or come to our monthly evening meeting. Meetings are held in the Library, on the second Tuesday each month, February-November, at 7.30pm. located at 31b Marcus Rd. New members are most welcome to attend.

For further information please contact the DVCA Secretary at [dvcasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:dvcasecretary@gmail.com), or visit [www.dvca.info](http://www.dvca.info)

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## Sale of former Kingswood golf course presents ideal opportunity to reconsider its future

(This statement can be attributed to Mayor Hadi Saab):

Kingston Council hopes a potential sale of the former Kingswood golf course site to new owners will be a chance to reset the relationship with the community and offer genuine engagement on the site's future. Current owner Australian Super has announced it intends to sell, nine years after purchasing the site and seeking permission to rezone and develop the land. The proposed development sparked over 8000 community objections, was opposed by Kingston Council and is currently awaiting a decision from the Victorian Planning Minister. We made very clear to the Advisory Committee we have serious concerns about the current proposed development and that it should not go ahead.

Kingston is calling on the Minister for Planning and Australian Super to abandon the application to ensure any new owners can start fresh with the community. Given the potential change of owners, this is an ideal time to start a genuine process to engage with the community on the future of the site.

The Victorian Government's guidelines for converting golf courses for other uses has a strong focus on engagement and the Dingley Village community is keen to play a part in the future of their suburb. The site is not needed to provide housing supply, as Kingston already has a positive plan in place to meet our housing supply needs right through to at least 2038, without needing to develop valuable green open space provided by golf courses.

These sites provide valuable tree canopy and reduce heat islands in our suburbs, that are increasing with growing development and climate change.

The federal government is about to release a climate risk report to look carefully at key sites like this, to make sure that climate change is a key factor in any decisions about their future. Once these sites are gone, they are gone forever, and any changes should be carefully considered. Any prospective buyer should be aware that the vast majority of the land is not zoned to allow for residential development as it is in a Golf Course Zone.

## Nominations open for Kingston Women of the Year Awards

Nominations are now open for our annual Kingston Women of the Year Awards that celebrate the outstanding contribution that women in Kingston make to community, society and industry.

Kingston Mayor, Hadi Saab, said the annual Awards, launched in 2019, are all about celebrating those women who are making an outstanding and positive difference in our community. "These will be our sixth Kingston Women of the Year Awards and each year we are blown away with the quality of the nominees," Cr Saab said. "In each case they are women who contribute significantly to the day-to-day lives of our community members, through their dedication and devotion to what they do."

Nominations are now open and close on Tuesday 31 October 2023. The winners of the 2024 Kingston Women of the Year Awards will be announced at Kingston's International Women's Day event on Friday 8 March 2024.

Nominations are open in the following categories:

- **Courageous Commitment:** Women who are dedicated to making a difference to the health, wellbeing, safety and/or sustainability of our community through advocacy, campaigning, fundraising and/or thought-leadership.
- **Excelling in Arts and Sport:** Women using their sporting and/or creative talents to represent, motivate and inspire our community.
- **Inspiring Innovation:** Women who are leaders in business, economics, politics and/or entrepreneurship.
- **Success in STEM:** Women excelling in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Nominations can be made online. For assistance with obtaining a hard copy nomination form or for other enquiries, please contact our Community Capacity Officer on **1300 653 356** or email [community@kingston.vic.gov.au](mailto:community@kingston.vic.gov.au).

Find out more about the Awards and nominate someone you know at [kingston.vic.gov.au/community/awards/women-of-the-year](http://kingston.vic.gov.au/community/awards/women-of-the-year).

In addition to the Women of the Year Awards, Kingston also runs a range of other awards throughout the year, including the Community Awards, Youth Awards and Sustainable Business Awards. Visit [kingston.vic.gov.au/council/awards](http://kingston.vic.gov.au/council/awards) for more details.

## Future of aviation at Moorabbin Airport hangs in the balance

The future of Moorabbin Airport is on a knife edge with aviation businesses kept in the dark and fearing for their survival. Aviation businesses celebrated when a proposed 5-year Masterplan for the site was refused by former Deputy Prime Minister Barnaby Joyce in 2022 due to growing concerns that aviation businesses were being pushed out in favour of factory developments.

These developments have progressively eroded aviation, despite it being the core purpose for the Commonwealth-owned land. The Moorabbin Airport Corporation was sent back to the drawing board but has argued current legislation does not require it to share any details on the updated plans for the site with aviation businesses, residents, or Kingston Council. Kingston Mayor Hadi Saab said it was utterly ridiculous that a Masterplan for a significant airport was not shown to neighbouring residents or tenants on-site particularly when it directly impacts their business survival or allows large warehouses against residents' boundaries.

Moorabbin Airport, located in Melbourne's south-east just 25km from the CBD, is Australia's second busiest airport averaging 295,000 movements per year and is responsible for the training of about 25% of Australia's pilots.

"The Federal Government is due to rule on the Masterplan at any time, yet neighbouring residents have no idea how their homes may be impacted and aviation businesses on the site have been left in the dark about their future," Cr Saab said. "This is clearly unfair. One of the reasons the first draft was refused was due to a lack of consultation. How can anyone say there has been consultation when key stakeholders have not been shown any new designs since the first draft was refused."

Council sought legal advice from one of Australia's top Kings Counsels who has questioned the approach the Airport has taken and disagrees that further consultation is not required after the first draft. Moorabbin Airport Chamber of Commerce President Rob Simpson said the first draft of the Masterplan had large areas of the airport land currently used for aviation set aside for large industrial/commercial uses.

"Australia needs a strong aviation industry, but aviation businesses are being pushed out in favour of warehouses," Mr Simpson said. "There is a global pilot shortage and now is the perfect opportunity to boost strong pilot training services, but businesses have no certainty they will have any room at the airport." Kingston Council, aviation businesses and nearby residents have flagged concerns about growing factory development at the site for a number of years which would result in:

- Reducing space for aviation at the site and increasing safety risks.
- Long-standing aviation businesses that are reliant on being located on the airport may be forced to close.
- Neighbouring homes facing huge factories being over the fence, with no planning protections embedded in the Masterplan which require a Major Development Plan trigger to be used to ensure a robust and prescribed consultation on any such proposals.

- Loss of highly respected pilot training services which provide qualified, safe pilots for the industry.

"We are simply calling for development at Moorabbin Airport to be properly managed in a way that protects aviation at the site, respects neighbouring homes and does not increase safety risks at the site. Buildings should be located away from homes and should leave plenty of open space for emergency landings," Cr Saab said.

Cr Saab said Kingston Council and aviation businesses had taken their concerns directly to the Federal Infrastructure Minister Catherine King, who oversees the department that will provide advice on the Masterplan.

"We have been pleased to meet with Minister King twice to raise concerns and we hope that a Masterplan is not approved until proper consultation occurs and that the plan is safe, sets aside more space for existing and future aviation activities and includes buffer zones between warehouses and neighbouring homes."

Proper strategic planning requires that the site's primary purpose as an airport is prioritised.

"There is a strong history of refusing inappropriate airport development with Anthony Albanese previously refusing masterplans for both Bankstown (2011) and Canberra (2008) airports and blocking plans for inappropriate commercial development here at Moorabbin Airport (2013). An airport and the industries on it are not something you can easily replace," Cr Saab said.



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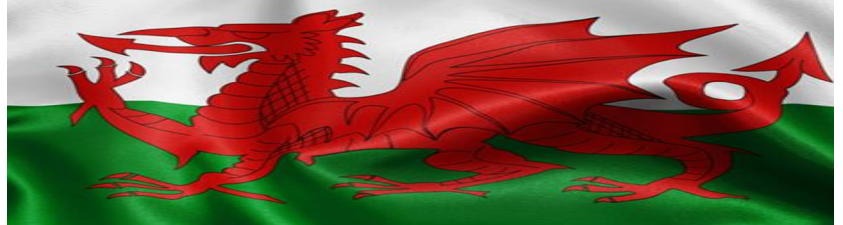
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# DYSLEXIA

## Dyslexia

Dyslexia is not a disease! The word dyslexia comes from the Greek language and means difficulty with words.

### Key facts

- About 1 in 10 people have dyslexia.
- The brains of people with dyslexia work differently to people without dyslexia.
- Dyslexia symptoms can vary from quite mild to quite bad.
- People with dyslexia can be taught to read using a specific teaching strategy called systematic synthetic phonics.
- Coloured glasses and eye exercises don't help people with dyslexia.

Individuals with dyslexia have trouble with reading and spelling despite having the ability to learn. Individuals with dyslexia can learn, they just learn in a different way. Often these individuals, who have talented and productive minds, are said to have a language learning difference.

Dyslexia occurs on a continuum from mild to severe and no two are alike. There is no cure for dyslexia since it is a brain based difference, however with appropriate instruction aimed towards their learning needs, most can overcome their literacy difficulties and lead productive lives.

### What are the symptoms of dyslexia?

Symptoms of dyslexia can vary from quite mild to quite bad. Pre-school aged children with dyslexia may have problems with:

- delayed speech.
- difficulty pronouncing some words.
- learning the alphabet.
- writing their name.

### Primary school aged children may:

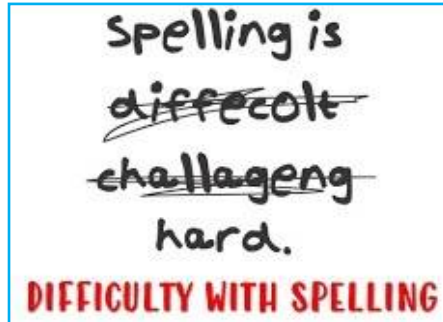
- have lots of errors when reading.
- read slowly and without expression.
- avoid reading — especially aloud.
- struggle to understand what they've read.
- have school anxiety.
- show signs of low self-esteem.

### High school aged children may have:

- many of the same problems as primary aged children.
- a reduced vocabulary.
- Many people with dyslexia are very creative, or gifted in areas such as the arts, computing or sports.

### What causes dyslexia?

Dyslexia often runs in families. A person with dyslexia often has a family member with dyslexia or other reading or spelling problems. We don't yet know which genes cause dyslexia.



Studies show that the brains of people with dyslexia work differently to people without dyslexia.

### Dyslexia can lead to other problems than learning:

- Social problems. Left untreated, dyslexia may lead to low self-esteem, behaviour problems, anxiety, aggression, and withdrawal from friends, parents and teachers.
- Problems as adults. The inability to read and comprehend can prevent children from reaching their potential as they grow up. This can have negative long-term educational, social and economic impacts.

Children who have dyslexia are at increased risk of having attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), and vice versa. ADHD can cause difficulty keeping attention. It can also cause hyperactivity and impulsive behaviour, which can make dyslexia harder to treat.



### Diagnosis

There's no single test that can diagnose dyslexia, and before seeking specialist support, you should talk with your child's teacher. They will help identify any areas of concern with your child's learning. You should also arrange to have your child's hearing and vision checked. This is to rule out problems with their hearing or eyesight. An educational psychologist usually diagnoses dyslexia.

### The psychologist will:

- Take a history, covering medical, developmental, education and family aspects.
- Investigate your child's learning strengths and weaknesses.
- Consider what the teacher says, as well as test scores supplied by your child's school.
- See how your child has responded to academic intervention.

A child must get at least 6 months of special teaching to improve their reading skills before dyslexia is diagnosed.

### How is dyslexia treated?

People with dyslexia can improve their reading and spelling skills. A child with dyslexia will benefit from being taught explicit and structured phonemic awareness and phonics (systematic, synthetic phonics). A child with dyslexia needs to practise their reading and spelling.

This might be by: Completing a systematic synthetic phonics intervention program, working with learning support teachers, working with an experienced tutor, working with a speech pathologist. Decodable readers also help children with dyslexia learn to read. These books introduce letter-sound knowledge. You should make sure that any intervention program you consider for your child is evidence-based. Check that independent reviews support its effectiveness — not reviews provided by the program manufacturer.



With the right intervention, most people with dyslexia will improve. However, this will take a lot of time and work targeting their specific area of weakness.

### Appropriate adjustments

People with dyslexia can benefit from appropriate adjustments made at school or work. An adjustment is an action that allows you to take part in the same way as other people. At school this might look like:

- Using an audio book.
- Not reading aloud.
- Having extra time to finish tasks.
- Not copying from the board.
- Use of assistive technology.

Adjustments are specific to the person and will change over time.

### Resources and support

Auspeld supports children and adults with specific learning disorders in Australia. They provide useful resources that include:

- Understanding Learning Difficulties: A practical guide for parents.
- Next Steps Screening Tool.

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# THE VOICE REFERENDUM

## THE CONVERSATION

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### Voting at the referendum, what do you need to know?

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Australians will go to the polls on October 14 to vote in a referendum on an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. We have not voted in a federal referendum since 1999. So, what do you need to know?

#### How is a referendum run?

A referendum is run by the Australian Electoral Commission in the same way as they do elections. That means most people will vote in a polling booth on Saturday October 14 at a local school or community centre. There will probably be a barbecue, with a democracy sausage or two, and a cake stall if you are lucky.

But there will also be pre-poll voting and postal voting, just like in an ordinary election. Voting in a referendum, like an election, is compulsory. One difference will be that there will only be one ballot paper, and it will be short and easy to fill out. So, the queues at polling booths should move quickly.

#### What will I be voting on?

A referendum is used to ask the Australian people whether they approve of a change being made to Commonwealth Constitution, which is Australia's ultimate law. In this case, the amendment doesn't change existing words, but instead adds new words to the Constitution. If passed, the amendment would insert a new Chapter IX at the end of the Constitution, saying:

*Chapter IX — Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples*

*129 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice*

*In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia:*

*(i) there shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice;*

*(ii) the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to the Parliament and the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;*

*(iii) the Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to matters relating to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, including its composition, functions, powers and procedures.*

Despite the rather confusing public debate about other issues, all that voters are being asked to do in a referendum is decide whether or not the above words should be inserted in the Constitution.

#### What is the question and how do I fill in the ballot paper correctly?

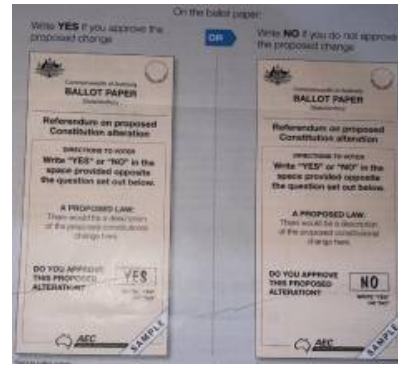
The ballot paper does not contain the words of the amendment you will be voting on, as in many cases the amendment would be far too long. Instead, voters are asked to approve the amendment as set out in the proposed law that has been already passed by parliament. That proposed law is identified by its 'long title', which gives a brief description of its nature. In this case, voters will be asked:

*A Proposed Law: to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.*

#### Do you approve this proposed alteration?

A single box is then provided, and you fill in your ballot paper by either writing "yes" or "no" in that box.

While there are some "savings provisions" that allow votes in other forms to be counted if the voter's intention is clear, it is best not to risk it. Just follow the directions and vote "yes" or "no" to ensure your vote counts. If you want to see a copy of the amendment when you are voting, you could bring with you the pamphlet outlining the "yes" and "no" cases that the Australian Electoral Commission is currently sending to each household. It sets out the amendment and the arguments either way.



Giving an informed vote is important.

The people who wrote the Constitution entrusted us with the final say about changes to Australia's most important law, in the expectation that we would perform our constitutional duty responsibly. We should not betray that trust.

#### How is the outcome of the referendum determined and when will we know?

All the votes given in polling booths will be counted by hand on the night, so the results should come in pretty quickly, as it is a single ballot paper with a simple "yes" or "no" choice. Pre-poll votes and those postal votes that have already been received will also be counted on the night. That means we should get a good idea of the result on the night, but if it is very close, we would have to wait some days until the rest of the postal votes arrive and are counted. All votes go through two counts to double-check results and the counting process can be watched by scrutineers.

Unlike an election, there is a special double majority that has to be met for a referendum to pass. First, a majority of formal votes across the country (including in the territories) would need to be "yes" votes. Second, there would have to be a majority of "yes" votes in at least four out of six states (for which territory votes do not count). This means, for example, that 60% of voters in the country could vote "yes", but the referendum could still fail if a majority of voters in three of the less populous states voted "no".

#### What happens if the referendum passes or fails?

If the referendum passes, it is then sent to the governor-general, who gives assent to it. Once that happens, the amendment to the Constitution is made. The amendment says, "there shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice". But it also says legislation is needed to determine the composition of the Voice and how it operates. The next step would be consultation about such matters before legislation is enacted to give effect to the Voice.

If the referendum fails, no change to the Constitution is made.

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# LOOKING AT LOANS



## Back to basics

**Our society needs more long-term rental properties available for tenants. Are you able to assist?**

For those who 'believe in property' (probably every reader I think!), the journey is firstly to buy the residential home, secondly to buy the first investment property, and then (fill in your own space!) Yet statistics show that around 50% of all property investors sell up in the first five years, and of those that stay in the market, 92% never get past their first or second investment property.

Those numbers indicate the 'average investor' is not very successful! - despite general consensus of how profitable and rewarding property investment can be. Often this can be due to investors not paying sufficient attention to their investments. People can be their own worst enemy. If this is you, it is time to do something about it! To be a successful investor, you need to make it happen.

However, it can often be due to the lack of education for these things in the public domain. Unfortunately, education about 'money management matters' in schools is virtually non-existent. Many basic principles of investment are simply not known or understood.

Your investment journey should include regular searching out of what you do not know. I have been reminded this month of just how important it is for investors to get the basics right, and of how important it is for me to continue to educate. Twice this month,

whilst assisting investors refinance to lower interest rates, I have discovered investment properties with no depreciation being claimed. It is easy to blame accountants for that, but any investor wanting to be successful needs to take responsibility for their own position.

Do you review your tax return when the accountant sends it to you for sign off? Some years ago, when I sent an investor client back to his accountant with a list of questions, there was an amended tax return subsequently submitted. It resulted in a tax refund of over \$10,000.

Buying the right property for investment purposes is critical. A major part of the decision-making process (all too often ignored) is cash flow. Assessment of cash flow needs to consider rent returns, property expenses, interest costs, depreciation, and tax effects.

You need to be able to afford to keep the property long term! For the benefit of the tenants and the investor. Compounding capital growth is achieved in long term ownership.

Correct structuring and continual review of your property, loans and finances is critical in ensuring long term sustainability of investment. This is where your broker comes in. Interest rates are critical, but what we do for you is far more than just finding the best rate! Many investors are finding it tough following the interest rate rises. We have recently assisted multiple investors who thought they were in 'mortgage prison', who have been told 'no' to refinance requests, but

who we have been able to refinance into a position enabling them to keep their property. Property investing can be very rewarding, and it is not rocket science. But do you know what you do not know?

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## Breast Cancer



### Key facts

- Breast cancer occurs when cells in the breast grow abnormally and form a tumour.
- Symptoms may include a lump in the breast, discharge from the nipple, and changes in the appearance or texture of the breast or nipple.
- Breast screening is a safe and helpful way to detect breast cancer early, especially in women aged 50 to 74.
- Treatment for breast cancer depends on which stage the cancer is at, and may include surgery, radiotherapy or chemotherapy.
- With prompt detection and treatment, 9 in 10 women with breast cancer survive at least 5 years, and many live much longer.

### What is breast cancer?

Breast cancer is a disease where cells in the breast grow abnormally and in an uncontrolled way to form a lump, known as a tumour. If left untreated, lumps may spread from breast tissue to other parts of the body, such as the bones, liver or lungs. Breast cancer affects both men and women, although it is less common in men.

### What are the symptoms of breast cancer?

Symptoms of breast cancer can include:

- a lump or area of thickened tissue in the breast (especially if only on one side).
- a change in the size or shape of one or both breasts.
- a change in the shape or appearance of the nipple, such as crusting, sores, redness or inversion (where the nipple turns in instead of pointing out).
- changes to the skin of the breasts, such as dimpling (looking like an orange peel), rash, or redness.
- discomfort or swelling in either armpit.
- Symptoms of breast cancer in men are similar to those that women experience.

If you have any unusual symptoms, such as the above, you should see your doctor to get them checked.

### What causes breast cancer?

While there is no specific cause for breast cancer, some lifestyle factors are associated with a higher risk of developing the condition:

- Drinking alcohol.
- Unhealthy weight.
- Smoking.

Other factors that can't be changed also impact your likelihood of getting breast cancer:

- Your age — The older you get, the more likely it is your cells become damaged and progress to cancer.
- Your family history — Women with a first-degree relative with breast cancer are twice as likely to get it themselves than women without one.
- Having BRCA1, BRCA2 or other gene mutations.
- Dense breasts — Women with more dense tissue in their breasts (visible only using an X-ray or mammogram) may have a higher risk of breast cancer.
- Previous radiation exposure — Women who were exposed to radiation therapy in the chest region (for example, for childhood cancers) may have 5 times the risk of breast cancer as women who were not.

### When should I see my doctor?

See your doctor or healthcare professional if you notice symptoms of possible breast cancer, such as a lump, pain, itch, nipple discharge or dimpling, or if you have any concerns about your breast cancer risk.



### Can I be screened for breast cancer?

BreastScreen Australia offers a free screening program for women at risk of breast cancer:

- If you're aged between 50 and 74 years, you'll be invited to access a free mammograms every 2 years. This is because nearly 4 in 5 breast cancers occur in women aged over 50.
- If you're aged between 40 and 49 years or over 75 years, you are also eligible but won't be contacted about it.
- Women under 40 years of age are usually not offered breast screening because the density of their breast tissue makes it harder to detect cancers on mammograms.

Younger women with a strong family history of breast or ovarian cancer, or women with breast cancer diagnosed in the last 5 years may also benefit from breast screening. For more details, call BreastScreen Australia on **13 20 50** or visit their website.

### How is breast cancer treated?

Depending on the features of the breast cancer, there are several treatment options.

#### Surgery

This treatment involves removing localised cancer from the breast. A lumpectomy ("breast conserving surgery") involves removing the cancer and some healthy tissue but keeping the breast intact. A mastectomy involves removing the whole breast affected by cancer. During breast surgery, lymph nodes under the arm may also be removed.

#### Radiation therapy

Radiotherapy is often used to destroy any breast cancer cells left following a lumpectomy or lymph node removal. It is sometimes used after a mastectomy if there is a risk of cancer recurring in the chest area.

#### Chemotherapy

Chemotherapy involves using anti-cancer drugs to kill the remaining cancer cells in the body. It may be used before or after surgery or radiation therapy, or together with radiation therapy.

#### Hormone therapy

Hormone therapy involves drugs that reduce your body's oestrogen and progesterone levels, to stop or slow hormone receptor positive cancer cells.

#### Palliative care

In some cases, the medical team will talk to a patient about palliative care. Palliative care aims to improve your quality of life by alleviating symptoms of cancer.

#### Resources and support

For more information and support, try these resources: Call **13 20 50** to make an appointment with Breast Screen Australia, the national breast cancer screening program.



Visit the Breast Cancer Network Australia's website for more details on breast cancer or call their information line on **1800 500 258**.

# MENS SHED



## DVMS Goes M.A.D. for Local Needy - by Geoff Hergt

Volunteer members of the Dingley Village Men's Shed combined with volunteers at the council owned Make A Difference house spending many hours installing six vegetable propagation beds. Each week the M.A.D. organisation assists needy locals. The purpose of the veggie patch-es is to actually grow their own produce which can then be made available for those who need it most.

With a large secure backyard to work with and enthusiastic skilled volunteers the DVMS en-sured that the layout, timber, cultivation and irrigation systems were implemented rapidly. It is intended that future care and maintenance of the veggie patches will involve those who bene-fit from the produce grown. This is just another way in which our community helps each other and truly emphasises the "Village" aspect in our name Dingley Village.



## Dingley Dozen sees in 30 Shed Years

Despite the previous day featuring pretty ordinary weather, Wednesday August 23 turned out to be a cracker. So, our Dingley Dozen descended upon the Safety Beach Dromana Men's Shed (SBDMS) to sample all that a 30th Anniversary of the Men's Shed movement in Australia has to offer.

It is estimated that there are more Men's Sheds operating in Australia today than there are McDonalds outlets. That stat alone grabbed our attention.

We were not disappointed with interesting and clever ways to do things along with information and assistance from knowledgeable experts. It really was something of an eye opener. Chief amongst the organisers of the morning was our very own IT wiz Den McKeegan who is the current Secretary of the

ISBDMS as well as an active member of our own shed. Den was heavily involved in the organisation and running of the event.

It was a wonderful surprise to see so many of our members there soaking up the various as-pects of other Men's Sheds all of which are relatively close to home. I would venture to suggest that apart from the host Shed our Shed was the best represented on the day. I felt proud to see the DVMS regalia dotted amongst the crowd. Well done to our own Dingley Dozen.

Apart from the many exhibits of what men do in their spare time along with helpful advice and new variations on familiar themes we enjoyed a variety of entertainment and listened to several dignitaries not the least of whom was David Parkin. David has a passion for many things, AFL being one. But Men's Health and Well Being is something he lives rather than just talks about.

A most interesting and inspiring address which justified the trip down the freeway. All the rest was a bonus. In broad sunshine, blue skies, and pleasant company it was a terrific day out and a very worthwhile sojourn south to Dromana. We were even offered the opportuni-ty in the future, of hosting a similar occasion.

# LOCAL SPORTS



## Dingley Football Netball Club



The final two Rounds of the senior football season were a mixed bag with a loss to St Pauls McKinnon at McKinnon, followed by a strong last game win over Bentleigh at home. That win saw Dingley finish in third place behind Cheltenham and last year's premiers Cranbourne and ahead of Springvale Districts and Port Melbourne Colts in a final five system.

That third place meant that we had secured a double chance as we encountered Cranbourne in a Qualifying Final, where we fell agonisingly short of victory by just two points, the scores being 9-7-61 to 9-5-59.

Tom Morecroft helped himself to three goals in a good performance, but it just wasn't our day. That double chance was needed the following week, our opponents being Port Melbourne Colts

who were finishing their season in good nick. Despite a six goal final quarter the senior team's season ended with a twenty three goal loss. As the club approached Round One in mid-April, most of our rivals gave us little chance of achieving much, but twelve wins, a draw, just five losses and a third place finish was an outstanding result, all things considered.

At the time of this report, our Reserves are preparing to take on Bentleigh in their Preliminary Final, having already overcome Port Colts and Cheltenham in their first two Finals.

Stef Lamble's Under 19s also enter the Preliminary Final taking on Cheltenham. A future report will sum up those results, along with individual club award winners. Dingley Netballers also had terrific results all year, highlighted by finals appearances and wins in recent weeks. Like the football arm of the club, they

also battled through 2023 without club and social facilities as the rebuild of the Sports complex labours on. Readers can get all the upcoming results on the DFNC or the SFNL websites at any time.

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## Colour Vision Deficiency

Colour vision deficiency or "colour blindness" is a common vision condition that affects roughly 500,000 Australians or approximately 2.5% of the population. Of this group, males are disproportionately represented, with 8% of men affected compared to 0.5% of women. The primary reason for this is the genetic nature of colour vision deficiency, as it is mostly an inherited condition passed down on the X chromosome from the affected patient's mother. Conversely, issues with colour vision can also be acquired or as a consequence of other ocular conditions such as stroke, diabetes or multiple sclerosis.

Colour vision is made possible by cone cells in the retina, which is a thin wall of tissue at the back of our eyes. The cone cells are sensitive to red, green or blue light, which they combine to give us the wide range of colours we normally see. If one or more of these cone cells is faulty, it affects the colours we perceive and results in a colour vision deficiency.

The most common type of colour vision deficiency makes it hard to tell the difference between red and green.

There are 4 types of red-green colour vision deficiency:

- Deuteranomaly is the most common type of red-green colour vision deficiency. It makes certain shades of green look more red. This type is mild and doesn't usually get in the way of normal activities.
- Protanomaly makes certain shades of red look more green and less bright. This type is mild and usually doesn't get in the way of normal activities.
- Protanopia and deuteranopia both make someone unable to tell the difference between red and green at all.

Blue-yellow colour vision deficiency makes it hard to tell the difference between several different colour combinations and is less common.

There are 2 types of blue-yellow colour vision deficiency:

- Tritanomaly makes it hard to tell the difference between blue and green and between yellow and red.
- Tritanopia makes someone unable to tell the difference between blue and green, purple and red, and yellow and pink. It also makes colours look less bright.

If you have complete colour vision deficiency, you can't see colours at all. This is also called monochromacy or achromatopsia, and it's rare. Almost half of all colour blind people are unaware of their condition. This can create a number of problems, especially for children.

Many daily activities, such as choosing food, playing sports or reading involve colour. It's important to remember that 'Colour-blind' people still see colours, but certain colours appear washed out or are confused with other colours.

If you have difficulty distinguishing between blue and yellow, or red and green, have difficulty seeing light colours, or if you are frequently told by others that the colour you think you are seeing is wrong, it is important to book an appointment with your optometrist to get your colour vision assessed.

This can be tested with several different techniques, all of which are non-invasive and quick. These include Ishihara number-dot plates, Hue test or by using an Anomaloscope test.

Currently, there is no cure for colour "blindness". As colour vision deficiencies are usually inherited, if you are born with it it won't get any better, or worse. There are tools such as speciality glasses or contact lenses that can help enhance the difference between red and green colours to aid distinction but it is important to note these options have widely varying results depending on the type and extent of a person's colour vision deficiency.

Accessibility options have also become more commonplace in the past several years: for example, Playstation games such as Hogwarts Legacy (2023) has an option to skew the colour scheme to cater for protanopia, deuteranopia, and tritanopia.

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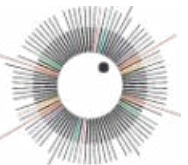
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### How do you feel about your local community of customers in Dingley Village?

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During my time at Strange Servant we've had massive support from our local customers in particular during the lock-downs. It goes to show that if you do good by the community, they support you back.

### What are some of your favourite items on the menu at Strange Servant?

Good question! I'd say the Lamb Benny as it's a nice hardy meal; lamb, bread, eggs.

Another nice staple dish is our Moroccan Eggs, that dish is always a crowd favourite.

### What are some things that you are personally passionate about, outside of your work at Strange Servant?

Travel and family. I'm from a Greek background and part of a big family! We are a family of Dingley Village locals actually, including Alyssa my sister who is also part of the Strange Servant Team.

I'm looking forward to travelling back to Europe soon, to reconnect with my heritage and enjoy the European Summer.

It's also worth mentioning that me and my family are mad Collingwood supporters! Go Pies.



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# SAVE KINGSWOOD GROUP

## Save Kingswood's response to the announcement that Kingswood is for sale

After fighting and deceiving residents for nine years, AustralianSuper wants to make a big profit, leaving a new buyer to flood out Dingley Village and downstream Kingston. Who is going to buy houseboats for Social Housing? Or if by a shocking Government directive, dwellings were built, it's impossible to insure houses on a flood plain. Who can the residents sue, when they are flooded out?

AustralianSuper covered their mistakes, like not doing due diligence and not consulting residents and Council - by deceiving and fighting us. For example, by declaring in the Media "There will be no multi-storey buildings on Kingswood".

Fact: Their last plans had nearly 700 three storey units! They are so ashamed of their development; they still produce anonymous advertising and flyers. So much so, a recent anonymous flyer from them was declared fake by many residents. AustralianSuper is a \$274 billion company and could easily be good corporate citizens and recover their damaged brand, by selling Kingswood to Kingston Council for \$1.

### Rezoning

Early in September 2023, a resident contacted our local member, Meng Heang Tak MP about reports on 3AW that Kingswood was rezoned. Heang said no, the Planning Minister was waiting for responses to questions asked by the panel. I suspect 3AW was "baited" by a stirrer or were just plain wrong.

Save Kingswood expects the main report requested will be Melbourne Water asking how AustralianSuper, in their wildest dreams, can control floods. Certainly, Melbourne Water said they were awaiting a response from about a

year ago. Thank you, Cr Hadi Saab, Mayor, City of Kingston for your support of Kingswood Golf Course. (ABC radio and AGE letters 7th Sept).

The people of Melbourne should not pick out one Golf Course as the answer to housing, before checking that it is suitable. There are 50 reasons why Kingswood should not be built on, including lack of infrastructure, loss of valuable green space, plus lack of public transport and services.

But there's one reason why Kingswood cannot be built on. Dingley Village has suffered floods from Kingswood for a very long time. But the floods that will come will be massively greater, if developers seal over.

- Kingswood's grass soak,
- Aquifer,
- hundreds of kilometres of drains,
- pumping stations,
- sprinklers and
- existing dams, with rain collectors like roads. A representative of AustralianSuper even admitted their roads would make suitable rivers! They will make our regular previous floods look small by comparison.

We have hundreds of flood photos from around Dingley Village.

*"Social housing that cannot be above water and is uninsurable is not the answer."*

Not seen any floods lately? It's a record dry, that as always in Australia, will break with a vengeance. Have they not learnt from disasters like the Maribyrnong River? Social housing that cannot be above water and is uninsurable is not the answer, especially when Kingston has provided plans for the number of houses demanded by the government until at least 2038.

Besides, government is forcing 200, three storey units on Dingley Village near the shops.

The developer underestimated over 100 million litres of floods for just one 25mm precipitation of 1 to 7 days. Their knowledge of the floods, including from the Kingswood retarding basin is so woeful, at first, they denied floods. Then - cornered by my research document - and numerous photographs, they said "we will build an \$18 million dam!".

Not good enough. When that mega dam also fills - and it will - the downstream pipes are not large enough, so more of Kingston will flood as well. Nature cannot be fought in a Flood Plain.

Kevin Poulter, President,  
Save Kingswood Group incorporated.  
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## Dingley Scouts

Well, here we are at the beginning of Term 4 – where have those 3 terms gone?

All our sections had a great end to term 3, all celebrating in their own way. Our cubs had a fun games and party night. Scout went bowling and our venturers tried their luck at an escape room. Needless to say, it was a good end to the term.

Over the school holidays we had Cuboree. This is a massive camp held over 5 days and 4 nights. Cuboree is held once every 3 years and sees Cubs from all over Victoria meet at Gilwell Park for an amazing time of fun and adventure.

Activities included Outback Adventure, Theatre Adventure, Vertical Adventure, Safari Adventure, Jungle Adventure and Neon Adventure. Each and every one a hit with the cubs. And just to add to the excitement, there were nighttime activities too.

With all that excitement over, our sections are now turning their attention to finalizing plans for term 4.



Stay tuned. It's bound to be a fun one.

Joeys 5 – 7yrs	Please contact our Group Leader below.
Cubs 8 – 10yrs	Monday 6:45pm – 8:15pm
Scouts 11 – 14yrs	Thursday 7:00pm – 9:00pm
Venturers 15 – 17yrs	Friday 7:30pm – 9:30pm
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For more information contact Vanessa on **0402 489 773** or email [dingleyscoutgroup@gmail.com](mailto:dingleyscoutgroup@gmail.com)



# WRITERS CORNER



## 3 o'clock in the Morning

Using the lyric 'It's three O'clock in the morning and I'm on the streets again' from 'Dancing In the Moonlight' by Thin Lizzy as a writing prompt. It's 3 o'clock in the morning and I'm on the streets again. Anything for some relief from the intense heat in my tiny non air conditioned flat. It is in great need of upgrading but why should the landlord trouble himself by making it liveable? He doesn't have to try and sleep there in the searing temperatures.

I figure I can't sleep anyway so I may as well walk the streets. Stepping out into the heat in a pitch-black night, I can feel the hot temperature hit me in the face. It may be three in the morning, but it isn't much cooler out here. In fact, I would predict it's only a degree or two cooler. Oh well, out here there is a breeze, a scorching breeze maybe, but a breeze, nevertheless.

I soon find I'm not the only one with this idea. Families are walking the streets and couples sit on their front porches enjoying a cold one, watching us all stroll past. Man, this heat is just relentless. None of us will be sleeping tonight. I walk past the tower block. Mostly social housing. I can hear a baby's anguished scream, begging anyone who will listen for some respite from the never-ending discomfort. I hear ya kid. We all feel it too.

I continue on and notice an old fella sitting on a bench by the corner milk bar I sit beside him. "Gee, I reckon Lucifer would feel at home out here." He tells me as he mops the back of his neck with a hanky. "Nah mate. Even he would want to wade in the pool tonight." I reply "Ha Ha! you could be right, Son." He gets up and shuffles away.

I can see my mate, Alex further up walking with a woman, not his wife. She'll be at home trying to console their young children. Maybe not such a mate after all. I'm feeling tired now. I don't want to sleep here but I won't be able to sleep in my flat. The beach is too far from here. I wish this milk bar was open.

Could use a Cola or something. Why is Cola so much more refreshing on the hottest days, well, nights? Probably because the adverts told us so. Clever marketing all that fizzy goodness foaming around ice cubes with condensation on the outside of the glass. Ugh, now I really want a Cola. Ha! The advertising campaigns work.

The servo is about a twenty-minute walk away. If I start now, I can grab a drink for the walk home. I may be tired, but the sugar will bring me too again. Is it too late at night to drink caffeinated beverages? Who cares. The adverts say it's okay.

The ads wouldn't lie to us, would they? Besides, none of us will be sleeping tonight.

J S 2023



### Dingley Village Writers Group

*We need you! We are a small group who have been enjoying creative writing experiences and great casual conversation for a few years now. We meet each Wednesday morning at the DV Neighbourhood Centre - when it's not school holidays. Attend when you like and participate whenever you like, there is no cost. We have all improved our writing from learning from each other and if you want a tip or two, we can offer those too. Call **8512 0505** and leave your details. A member of the Writing Group will call or email. No obligations.*



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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Dear Dossier and residents

If you have been watching C203 planning and wondered what it means for Dingley Village: An "independent" panel endorsed having 200, three storey units in a radius around the Shopping Centre. Resident's objections were ignored.

The only minor win for us was AustralianSuper's attempts to include Kingswood was dismissed, as the Planning Minister controls that overdevelopment.

Now the State Government is trying to establish a rule that developments will generally go ahead with no objections from residents allowed. I believe it will be in place soon, especially as they have the political numbers and did it with a tower in Noble Park.

Kevin Poulter - President of Save Kingswood Group incorporated  
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As the winter season draws near, our CWA members have been working diligently to create knitted beanies, scarves, and jumpers of various sizes to donate to the Longbeach Anglican Parish Winter Warmers. By including our items in hampers, we aim to help hundreds of individuals and families in need stay warm during the colder months.

In addition to our support for the Longbeach Anglican Parish Winter Warmers, we will also be lending a hand to SECASA - South Eastern Centre Against Sexual Assault and Family Violence. Donating women's and children's knits will help these victims of sexual assault and domestic violence combat the cold while helping them feel safe and secure, even during difficult times.

Our CWA branch is dedicated to making a positive difference in our community, and it is only possible with your continued support. We thank you for trusting us with your kind donations and invite you to join us in our mission to improve the lives of those in need.

CWA Dingley Branch meets at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 10am. If you need any further information about CWA or would like to consider becoming a member, please contact Sue **0434 879 875**.

## Dingley 60 Plus Social Group

Our gatherings adjacent to the Sports Bar of the Dingley International Hotel are being held only on the 2nd Thursday of the month so the next one will be on the 12th of October and the November one is on the 9th. Starting time is 7.00 PM and meals and snacks are available if you want to make a night of it. Of course, you have the usual wide choice of beverages being dispensed for your indulgence.

Our regular dinner on the last Saturday of the month is proving popular with members and the next one will be on the 28th of October. Advice of future activities and venues are made at the Thursday gatherings and to facilitate bookings you can indicate which particular events you wish to attend.

Our activities are suitable for those in the 60 plus age group and provide an opportunity to socialise with your peers. Events can be proposed by members and those interested can get on board.

We are more than happy to welcome new members to the Group. Enquiries can be made to Graeme on **9551 3462**. PS - The weather is warming time to get out and about.

## Probus Club Dingley Central



Our Dine Out was enjoyed by all at the Dingley International Hotel. The guest speaker at our September meeting was Lorraine Smith, her topic "Journey of a Lost Manuscript" Lorraine has operated a second hand bookshop in Warrnambool since the year 2000, and in 2013 an old parchment dated 1583, was found by a customer, in a copy of Alice in Wonderland.

Proven to be an authentic Elizabethan Manuscript, it was believed to have been destroyed in a 1930's fire. The parchment was a deed of exchange of land between 2 families in Gildersome, Yorkshire. Lorraine related an intriguing story of the manuscripts travels from Yorkshire in 1583 and being rediscovered in Warrnambool in 2013.

Activities planned for October: Happy Hour, Legs and Morning Coffee, Wine Tasting, Camera Club, Dine Out, Craft Group and Games Day Our meetings are held on the 1st Monday of the month at The Salvation Army Kingston City, 13/12-16 Garden Boulevard, Dingley Village. New members are always welcome. For further information please contact Jean on **0438 272 232**.

## Dingley Village Senior Citizens Club Incorporated

At the time of this writing, we are experiencing some warm sunny days - indicators of Spring surely! Hopefully you are all able to enjoy at least some outdoor activities too.

Club Activities arranged for October are as follows:

- 2nd - Bingo followed by afternoon tea.
- 4th - Bus Trip (note, a Wednesday). Bookings essential.
- 9th - Games and Cards followed by afternoon tea.
- 16th - Bingo followed by afternoon tea.
- 23rd - Games and Cards followed by afternoon tea.
- 30th - Lunch and then a Trivia Afternoon.

Please Note, that on Monday, November the 6th, there will be no Seniors Activities as the Hall will be closed.

For more information, contact our Vice President, Joan, on **0421 736 795**.

## Dingley Village Historical Society

The Society is pleased that many local people visit the Society on Farmers Market Day and have an interest in the Society and Dingley's past. We welcome all to visit with us, and membership forms are available. It is often that our visitors have information to share, regarding the Village, and its past and its present. We are about to publish our book

- Dingley - Journey to the Village - thanks to the generosity of the Bendigo Bank."

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## Dingley Village Men's Shed



Opening Hours and General Activities:

Day of Week	Open Hours	General Activities
Monday	9:00am - 1:00 pm	Metal Work, Wood Work, Art, Bicycle & Car Maintenance
Tuesday	9:00am - 12:00 pm 1:30pm - 3:30pm	A' Team workgroup & Bike Riding Group Photography
Wednesday	9:00am - 12:00 pm	Bike Riding Group & Music Group
Thursday	9:00am - 12:00 pm 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	A' Team workgroup Pool / Snooker
Friday	9:00am - 1:00pm	Members Muster This is our main day!

Every Friday Morning (except holidays as designated). come along, enjoy a cuppa, a chat & meet with your fellow shedders. We also hold a great Raffle (fundraiser) for members & visitors, and also a Golf Putting Comp.

Other Activities from time to time include Golf Days, Special Event Days e.g., Cup Day & Australia Day BBQ's. plus, the occasional outing to places of interest.

The Dingley Village Men's Shed is in Cypress Drive, Braeside Park (near Visitors Centre), Lower Dandenong Road.

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## Lions Club of Dingley Village



If anybody has any of the following items, they can be left at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre. Pre-loved spectacles, sunglasses and hearing aids and used stamps are still needed. Thank you to all who have donated, please keep them coming in.

Our meetings are held on the 4th Monday at 7.00pm at the Dingley Village Neighbourhood Centre, 31B Marcus Road, Dingley Village (Public Holidays excluded). These meetings are informal and friendly.

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## Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club (Voice Interest Education of Women)



New members are most welcome to join our monthly meetings and learn from our guest speakers and enjoy our monthly social outings. VIEW (Voice Interests, and Education of Women) Clubs support The Smith Family and their Learning for Life Programme which provides education for vulnerable Australian children. Australia has over one million children living below the poverty line.

Dingley Cheltenham VIEW Club are currently sponsoring 7 Children with their education. Women from all walks of life are most welcome to join us please contact Fran Thomas for further information. franniet@gmail.com or 0419 309 931. Meeting; Second Tuesday of the month at 10am. Where: Keysborough Golf Club, 55 Hutton Rd Keysborough, easy parking.

## Italian Senior Citizens of Kingston - "La Baracca"

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All are welcome to socialise, play billiards, bocce and cards and once a month Sunday Bingo. The last Sunday of every month we hold a lunch dance at 12pm offering a three course meal with coffee and a live band. Booking essential Giovanna 0421 045 648.

## Keysborough & District Multicultural Senior Citizens Inc.

This over 55s club is located at 352 Cheltenham Road Keysborough and the following activities are available for members and visitors:

**Tuesdays** - Bingo on the 1st, 2nd and 4th of the month 1pm to 3pm. \$3.00 entry and \$1.50 book. Concerts with professional entertainers on the 3rd Tues of the month 1pm to 3pm. \$3 entry

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Tea and coffee are supplied for all activities. Entertainment schedules arranged are 17 October - Brandon Burn & 21 November

- Sandi Dodd.

Club membership for F/Y 23/24 is \$10.00. Contact is Jo on 0409 944 133.

## Spring Park YWCA Golf Club

A friendly welcoming group of ladies of varying standards meet at 7.45am for an 8.00am start on Monday mornings at Dingley's Spring Park Golf Course. Cup of tea & biscuit is shared after the round.

We play 9 holes & provide an excellent starting point for those who have completed golf lessons & are ready to hit the fairways. Further information: Jillian Sanders 0419 501 365 (Captain), Julie Westcott 0438 269 622. (President), Jan Boyes 0497 096 377 (Secretary)

## Mentone Hub Activity Group

We are a group of seniors who get together every Tuesday to play cards and various other games at the Mentone Hub in 29 Venice St, Mentone. We play Bingo very few weeks (for chocolates as prizes, not sheep stations), also Crazy Whist for similar prizes.

We don't take it too seriously; the point is to enjoy ourselves. We are under the auspices of Kingston U3A, so if you are a member there, you are already paid up.

We start at 10am, BYO lunch, we supply tea, coffee, milk and biscuits and finish at 3pm. If you are registered with the Kingston Council for Home Help or other services, you can arrange to be picked up and brought home, we are happy to welcome new members.

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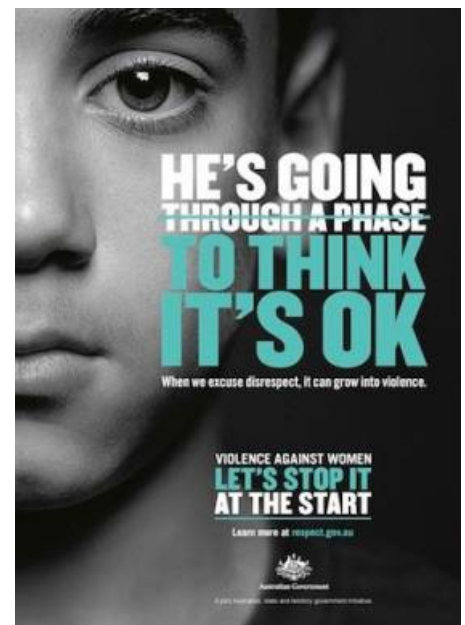
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### Young Marrieds – Matched, Hitched & Hatched!

At Kingston City Church we strongly value and support our young families, especially for couples to have wonderful marriages and to parent well.

The purpose of this vibrant group – Young Marrieds – is to help young couples to navigate successfully through the life-stages of engagement ("matched"), marriage ("hitched") and early parenthood ("hatched"). Our heart is to support couples going through these life-stages, encouraging and helping them to be God-centred as spouses and parents so that they can enjoy love-filled, healthy marriages and happy families. This helps provide their children with strong foundations for life.

Couples in this group are at exciting times in their lives. Some are recently engaged and planning weddings or are in the first few years of married life together, while others are starting to have children and are beginning to see new family dynamics unfold while learning how best to parent and realising that this can be challenging and also needs to change as your children grow.

Meeting fortnightly on Tuesday evenings, the group enjoys fellowship and Scripture-based learning, as well as Spirit-led insights, guidance, prayer and support. There is a natural emphasis on marriage, parenting and raising children. Within a safe environment, couples discuss and share about pertinent issues, and support each other to deal with relationship, parenting and work challenges, as well as life generally.

If you are interested in being a part of this enriching group, please feel free to contact our church office. Grant and

Kerry Scott-Hayward

## Heatherton-Dingley Uniting Church



Cnr. Kingston and Old Dandenong Roads, Heatherton

Sunday services at 10.00 a.m.  
Sacrament of Holy Communion second Sunday of the month at 10.00 a.m.

All enquiries phone **0431 244 561**  
[www.heathertondingleyuca.org.au](http://www.heathertondingleyuca.org.au)

### Our Vision and our Mission

To seek to connect people to God and each other.

Heatherton-Dingley Uniting Church - Meeting U at the Crossroads of Life

### What's On:

#### Home Produce And Craft Market

Our annual Home Produce and Craft Market will be held on Saturday, 14th October from 10 am to 1.30 p.m. Lots of stalls of hand made items and produce. Devonshire tea and cuppa and sausage sizzle available. Come along either before or after voting and start your Christmas shopping early.

#### Second Tuesday Of Each Month

Queer Allies - A Peer Support Group for family and friends of LGBTQIA+ people to share the journey of growing in understanding, acceptance and support. Meets at 7.00 p.m. Questions: Andrea Mayes **0408 65 939** or [heathertondingleyunitingchurch@gmail.com](mailto:heathertondingleyunitingchurch@gmail.com)

**Wednesdays** - Prayer meeting at the church 9.00 – 9.30 a.m. If you have a concern that you would like prayed about ring Margaret on **0401 392 772**.

#### 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**.

#### Second And Fourth Thursdays Of The Month

Unleash the Music in You – 8.00 p.m. at the Church. For further information contact Bob Lorraine on **0418 998 714**.

#### First Friday Of Each Month

Indoor Carpet Bowls – 2.00 p.m. in the Church Hall followed by a cuppa.

## Third Saturday On Odd Months Of The Year

A special service for dog owners and lovers to which you can bring your dog. For further information contact Margaret on **0401 392 772** or Rev Deacon Andrea Mayes on **0408 65 93**.

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## Village Church Inc.



"Inspiring People to Discover and Develop Life in Christ"

Church Office: 7–9 Fiveways Blvd, Keysborough. 3173  
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[www.villagechurch.org.au](http://www.villagechurch.org.au)

Our Church offers a range of ministries as follows:

### Sundays

10.00 a.m. Worship Service at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough and via livestream through <https://www.villagechurch.org.au> Kids Church at 7 Fiveways Boulevard, Keysborough - 10.30am for 4-year-olds through to Grade 6. All welcome.

### Prayer Time

Weekly - Wednesdays 10-11am at the church. Monthly - This month is Saturday 21st October; 9-10am at the church and Monday 22nd October; 7.30-8.30pm via Zoom Only.

### Bible Studies

We have different fortnightly groups that run throughout the week.

### Monthly Ladies Group

Once a month 2nd Saturday of the month at 1.30pm.

### Monthly Men's Group

Once a month on the 4th Sunday of the month at 4.30pm (BBQ and study)

### Young Adults' Life Groups

Fortnightly on Wednesday evenings 7.00pm.

### Youth Group

Every Friday night during school term 7pm till 9pm. Youth group not held during school holidays. Please contact the office for further details.

## Marriage & Family Support

For nearly 90 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. Please feel free to call Helen or Lesley on **8712 8254** with any enquiries you might have and leave a message if the office is unattended. Our Pastor is Rodney Hole who may be contacted through the Church Office.

## Christ Church - Anglican Church Dingley Village



**Vision:** "From within you shall flow rivers of living waters" CCD celebrated 150 years in September. Thank you to those who joined us for our drop-in Devonshire Tea and visited the Heritage Church to launch our month of celebrations.

### This Month at CCD:

Australian Men's Welsh Choir will be performing at CCD on Sunday 29th. Men's Breakfast on Saturday 21st. Please contact the office for details.

### Sunday Services

8.30 AM (Heritage Church) Holy Communion Service 10.30 AM (Auditorium) Worship Service with Kids' Church.

### Connect Groups for Bible Study

For more information, please contact our office.

### Youth Group Friday

Drop off 6:30 pm, pick up 9 pm (sign-in essential) Lots of fun and engaging activities for ages 11 to 17 years. Contact our office for details.

## 2nd Tuesday Monthly Service

2pm Pleasant Tuesday Traditional Holy Communion with favourite hymns in the Heritage Church followed by social afternoon tea. Please contact our office for transport **if** needed.

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## St. Mark's Catholic Church

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[www.salvationarmy.org.au/kingstoncity/](http://www.salvationarmy.org.au/kingstoncity/)

Corps Officers (Ministers): Major Jennifer Cloke and Major Andrea Elkington.

## Hours of operation

10:00am – 4:00pm Monday to Friday or by appointment.

## Our Mission

The Salvation Army Australia is a Christian movement dedicated to sharing the love of Jesus, by caring for people, creating faith pathways, building healthy communities, & working for justice.

## Our Vision

Wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight alongside others to transform Australia, one life at a time, with the love of Jesus.

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