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COVER: Scouts on VicJam Page 6



FROM THE EDITOR

The Bulletin is very pleased to welcome Lucy D'Amico as our new Treasurer. We look forward to a long and happy association with Lucy who is already familiar with BB as she assists her husband in delivering issues in the Glen Iris area.

We have a new eco-friendly column by committee member Yoshanthi Wellawa. Yoshi and her husband have relocated to rural Silvan.

Issue #163 is dedicated to Australian women, past and present; in particular, our nurses. Check out articles for International Women's Day, Women's History Month and Women's Suffrage.

Something no doubt of interest to our readers: on p.5, Neil Angus MP explains the new electoral boundaries taking effect on 26 November 2022.

A reminder that our cover 'banner' ad is available to businesses and community groups. Do you have an event or something you'd like our readers to know about? Our cover is the perfect place for it! Email advertise@burwoodbulletin.org

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What's changing at the next State Election?

YOU may have heard that things are changing at the next State Election – well here's the lowdown on what's changing and why!

New State electoral boundaries will take effect at the Victorian State Election, which is on Saturday 26 November 2022.

What this means is that the state electorate you have previously voted in may have changed, despite you not changing your address.

Here's why this is happening...

The Electoral Boundaries Commission (EBC), an independent, neutral statutory body regularly conducts reviews of Victoria's electoral boundaries and adjusts them, making sure that each electorate has approximately the same number of enrolled voters – this is called a quota. To calculate the quota, the total number of enrolled voters in Victoria is divided by the number of districts in the state, that is 88. To ensure equal representation in Parliament, the number of enrolled voters in each district and region must not vary by more than 10% (up or down) from the quota.

You may have heard this process referred to as a 'redivision'?

By law a 'redivision' must take place, after every second state general election OR, if voter enrolment significantly changes from the average by 10% for more than two months OR, if the number of districts or regions changes.

The 2020-21 State electoral boundary redivision concluded in October 2021 and the final boundaries have now been released. You can view the new boundaries on the EBC's website: www.ebc.vic.gov.au

State-wide, 10 existing districts are to be abolished to make way for the creation of 10 new districts. Abolished existing districts include Altona, Burwood, Ferntree Gully, Forest Hill, Gembrook, Keysborough, Mill Park, Mount Waverley, Wendouree and Yuroke.

Proposed new districts include Ashwood, Berwick, Eureka, Glen Waverley, Greenvale, Kalkallo, Laverton, Morang, Pakenham and Point Cook.

As a result of this review, there will be some significant changes to state seats locally, effective for the Victorian State Election later this year.

The three current state seats of **Burwood**, **Forest Hill** and **Mount Waverley** are being abolished and will be divided into two new State Districts, namely **Ashwood** and **Glen Waverley**. Effectively, the western half of the Mount Waverley district is being included in the new seat of Ashwood and the eastern half of the Mount Waverley district is being included in the new seat of Glen Waverley, with Blackburn Road being the new boundary.

Images: Victorian Electoral Commission: www.vec.vic.gov.au



The new seat of Glen Waverley will include the majority of the existing Forest Hill district, most of the suburbs of Forest Hill and Burwood East, all of the suburbs of Vermont South and Glen Waverley and part of the suburbs of Vermont and Wheelers Hill.

The surrounding seats of **Box Hill** and **Ringwood** have undergone minor boundary changes, mainly to their southern and eastern boundaries, but have retained their current District names.

I look forward to continuing to serve our local community.

NEIL ANGUS MP State Member for Forest Hill



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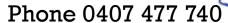


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VicJam!

FTER two years of restrictions, 1st Bennettswood Scouts, along with 1st Ferntree Gully and Mont Albert North, have experienced one of the greatest times in Scouting – with thousands of their fellow Scouts.

They attended VicJam – an 11-day Victorian Jamboree from 29 December 2021 to 8 January 2022 – and a welcome event after almost two years of mostly on-line Scouting programs. While many organisations paused during Covid, Scouts Victoria actually grew, topping off a 15th consecutive year of membership growth.

1st Bennettswood Scouts went to Elmore, near Bendigo, on 29 December 2021 to tackle activities ranging from abseiling, a wet ninja circuit, robotics, escape rooms and a day at Whittlesea's 'Funfields Water Park'. A highlight was overnight expeditions including Caving Adventure, Paddle Away (canoeing on the Goulburn River), Ski, Skim and Swim (on Lake Nagambie) and Amazing Race (scouts followed clues making their way around Victoria).

The scouts made new friends at VicJam among more than 3000 Scouts (aged 11-14), 500 Venturer Scouts (aged 14-17), 100 Rover Scouts (aged 18-25), and 1200 volunteer Leaders and Adult Helpers.

VicJam is a \$7 million event. One of the big budget items is food, with a shopping list including 1165 kg





of lettuce, 1744 cucumbers, and 23 different fruits and vegetables.

With child safety being paramount during the event, VicJam's medical team included doctors, nurses and a dentist, plus current and former police, and a 24-hour fire station. Almost all are volunteers.

1st Bennettswood Scout Leader, Carrie Simmons says the Scouts have been looking forward to VicJam for the past two years. That the event continued despite the ongoing Covid pandemic is a testament to the resilience that scouting and VicJam instils in the Bennettswood Scouts. "The hot and dry weather conditions at VicJam stretched all the youth members and the leaders, but we not only survived, we thrived and all of the scouts in our unit had a fantastic time", Carrie said.

"Some of our scouts were selected to speak live to the International Space Station and ask them questions about space and being an astronaut. Scouts used 3D printers to design and build their own objects and virtual reality headsets to interact. Not everything was about learning though, Scouts had loads of fun with Water World on giant inflatable water slides, Abseiling at Vertical World and playing splatball at Action World", Carrie said.

"After the challenges of the past two years, it is great that 22 of our Scouts were able to experience a Jamboree – a milestone event in their young lives."

Scouting is for everyone, and found everywhere, with 400 local Scout Groups across Victoria. Find your local Scout Group at https://scoutsvictoria.com.au

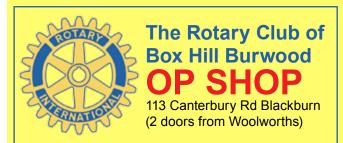
VicJam link: https://www.vicjam.com.au

For more information contact Sue Henley, Group Leader, 1st Bennettswood Scout Group, 9802 0119.

PICTURES (clockwise from top): After the challenges of the past two years our Scouts were able to experience a Jamboree; Paddle Away (canoeing on the Goulburn river); Scouts make and enjoy robotics activities.







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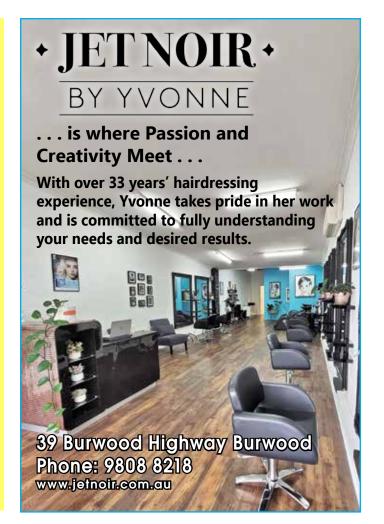
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A place to remember . . .

OUNDED in 1934 as the National War Memorial of Victoria, the Shrine of Remembrance was built to provide a place to grieve and remember Victorians killed in WWI. It now provides a place of remembrance for Australian service and sacrifice in all wars since Australia's Federation in 1901.

Of the 114 000 Victorians who enlisted in WWI, 89 000 served abroad and 19 000 died. As many were buried in graves far from home, the Shrine provided a place where families could remember loved ones.

From 83 submitted from Australian artists and architects, the winning design for the Shrine was by two Melbourne returned-soldier architects, Philip Hudson and James Wardrop. The inspiration for the external outline came from one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World – the mausoleum at Halicarnassus to King Mausolus of Caria, in South West Asia Minor.

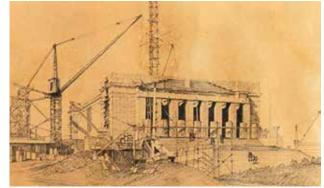
In 1932, when the Great Depression caused the Australian economy to collapse, unemployment reached a peak of 32%. The Victorian and Commonwealth governments made contributions, but so grateful was the public that most of the cost of the Shrine (£160,000 [\$16m today] out of a total of £250,000 [\$25m today]) was raised in less than six months by public contributions, with Sir John Monash as chief fundraiser.

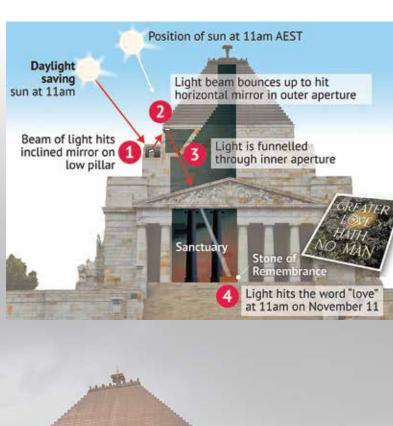
In 1933, a seedling from a pine cone brought from the Lone Pine battlefield on the Gallipoli Peninsula was planted in the Shrine Reserve. The pinecone was brought back by Private Thomas McDowell, 23rd Battalion, Australian Imperial Force on his return to Melbourne after WWI.

On 11 November 1934, Prince Henry, the Duke of Gloucester and son of King George V, officially opened the Shrine before a crowd of 300 000 people. Since then other memorials have been added to mark the service of successive generations, such as the WWII Memorial Forecourt and the post–1945 Memorial.

Through commemoration, exhibitions and public programs, the Shrine continues to honour Victorian service and sacrifice and upholds and reinforces the values we associate with the original ANZACs.

The Shrine has more than one million visitors annually, conducts more than 200 commemorative ceremonies each year, including major Anzac Day and Remembrance Day services. There is also a virtual tour of the Shrine available at shrine.org.au/virtual-tour-shrine

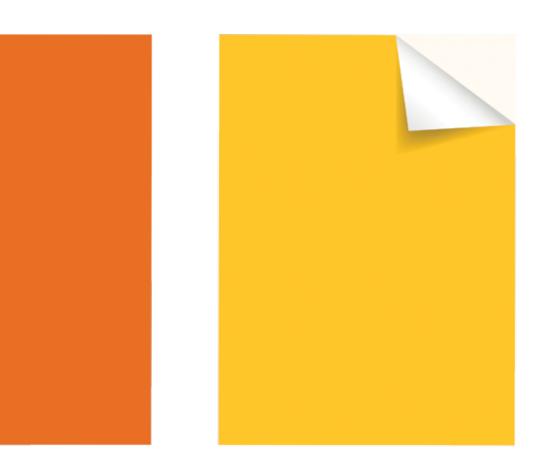




PICTURES: (from top right) Shrine under construction, 1931 by Philip Hudson (Shrine of Remembrance Collection); The Shrine's hidden secret: using the sun.

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Functional fitness exercises are designed to train your muscles to help you perform everyday activities, such as gardening or carrying your shopping bags. This program is designed for over 55s who are new to exercise or haven't exercised for some time and includes the following:

- five functional fitness group exercise classes
- one water-based functional fitness group exercise class
- a presentation on the benefits of physical activity as well as suggestions on things you can do at home to stay active
- an opportunity to measure your progress through simple exercisebased fitness checks at the start and end of the program
- an opportunity to socialise with other participants over a healthy morning tea after each class

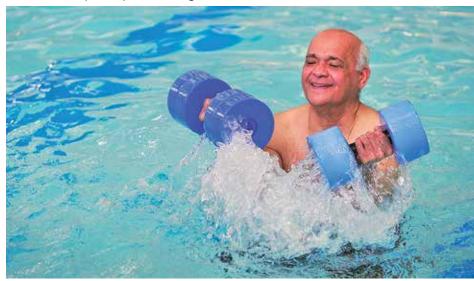
The cost for attending the program is \$25; however, people experiencing financial hardship may apply to have the fee reduced

or waived. If you need assistance with transport and are registered with My Aged Care, you may be eligible for the City of Boroondara's community bus. Please call their Active Ageing team on 9278 4777 for more information.

All participants are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as it will operate in a community facility, as well as provide evidence of their vaccination status upon commencement of the program.

For more information, please call Tom Thompsett, Policy and Projects Officer (Active Ageing) on 9278 4395 or email tom.thompsett@boroondara.vic.gov.au.

(Below): Swimming is one of the best exercises for arthritis.



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The wallet

N celebration of last year's 100 years of Rotary in Australia, all Rotary Clubs in Whitehorse have joined together to partner with Eastern Health Foundation and Bendigo Bank Blackburn South Community Bank, in a significant Rotary Centenary Mental Health Project.

Eastern Health, one of the largest public health services in Victoria, has seven major sites serving over 800 000 people in Melbourne's eastern region from the inner suburbs of Kew and Camberwell to the Yarra Valley and beyond.

Mental illness and suicide are a leading cause of death in Australia and, by extension, Victoria and the eastern region of Melbourne. Tragically, on average, at least one person every week dies by suicide in the region served by Eastern Health.

The Wallet Card Project will assist people in crisis who attend Eastern Health Emergency Departments who may be disorientated, vulnerable and often feeling they have nowhere to go. Navigating the mental health system can be challenging for them, with some having limited access to Internet or a smartphone; many lack financial independence and adequate social support and may, after leaving the Emergency Department, be unable to access the community services available that provide support and healing.

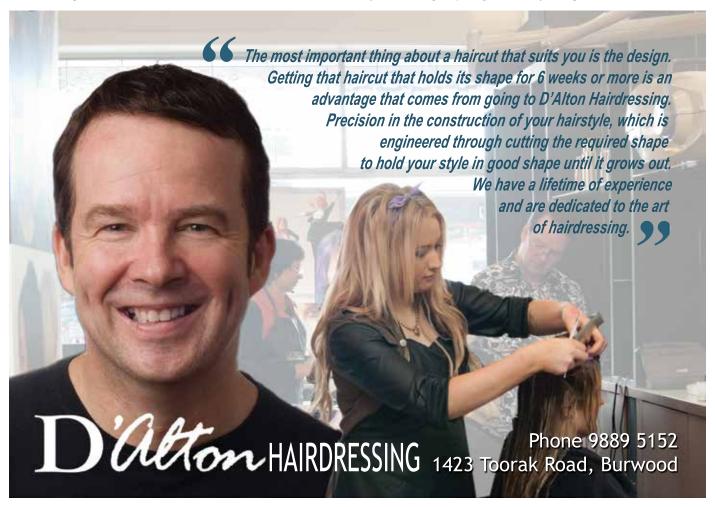
Associate Professor Judy Hope, a Medical Practitioner and Consultant Psychiatrist who holds the Academic Chair for Psychiatry at Eastern Health says:

"Our Wallet Card Project is designed to help people experiencing mental health crisis to understand what services are available to them, not just when they come to the Emergency Department, but more importantly, once they've left.

In our three Emergency Departments across the east of Melbourne, being Angliss, Box Hill, and Maroondah Hospital, we see over 7000 people with mental health issues each year. About half of people that we see in mental health triage, have suicidal thinking. And about 20% of people have actually made a suicide attempt.

In the midst of a personal crisis, of a mental health crisis, it can be really hard to think and to problem solve, and to figure out what to do next.

The idea of the Wallet Card is that once people leave us, that they have a tangible resource they can store in their wallet, to find where they need to be. They don't walk out of the Emergency Department feeling alone."



card project

All Whitehorse Rotary Clubs are proud to support Eastern Health in this important community mental health project. The Rotary Clubs involved are Box Hill, Burwood, Box Hill Central, Nunawading, Mont Albert and Surrey Hills, Forest Hill, Mitcham, the New Gen Rotary Club and the Rotaract Club of Whitehorse.

"I commend the Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of Whitehorse for providing both physical and financial support for this vital mental health project. At a time when Melbourne is experiencing prolonged periods of lockdown and the normal patterns and rhythms of life have been greatly disrupted, issues related to mental health come to prominence. The Wallet Card Project provides a very practical and simple way of providing assistance to those in need and gives a splendid example of Rotary clubs serving to change lives."

- District Governor (D9810) Dr Daryl Moran





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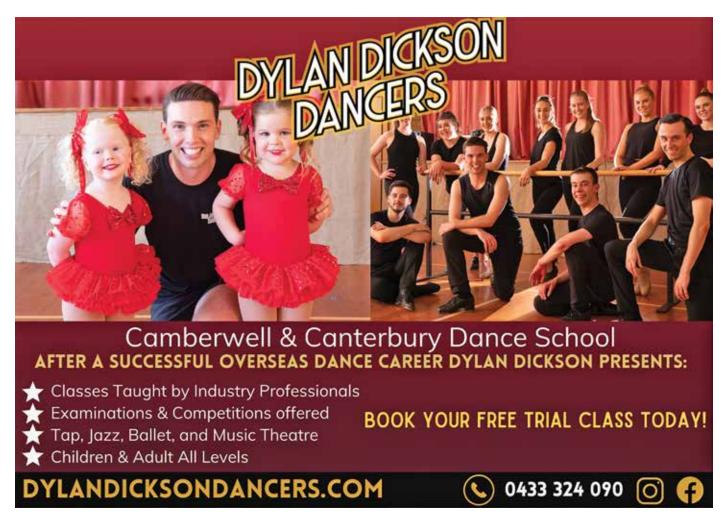
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Facebook Quizzes an Identity Theft risk

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The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has received four reports of Australians scammed by Facebook quizzes, thankfully with no losses recorded.

"Scammers often use fake online quizzes and surveys to obtain personal or banking information," an ACCC spokesperson said. "Never provide personal or financial information including passwords, to anyone you don't know and trust.

"Be wary if you come across a social media post, claiming that you have been selected to receive or have the chance to win a prize, even if it claims to be from a well-known company," the ACCC spokesperson said.

Scammers may use posts such as this to retrieve personal information.

Phishing scams are an attempt to gather your personal information such as bank account numbers, passwords and credit card numbers.

Source: www.9news.com.au/

DO YOU REMEMBER YOUR



FIRST GRADE TEACHER'S NAME?

Scammers may use posts such as this to retrieve personal information. (Facebook)

"Phishing messages are designed to look genuine, and often copy the format used by the organisation the scammer is pretending to represent, including their branding and logo," ACCC's Scamwatch said.

"As with many legitimate offers and online posts, you might be asked to complete a survey or pass on an offer to others before you can claim the prize", Scamwatch says. "After completing a quiz or survey, you may be prompted to provide personal information such as your phone number, address and bank account details - you may receive a fake gift voucher or receive nothing at all."

The ACCC advises social media users to verify the webpage the quiz originated, be alert to unsolicited offers, avoid clicking suspicious links and to take your time when considering what information to provide.

"While some offers may be legitimate, often they are scams and can be very difficult to identify - it's always best to check independently every time", ACCC said. "Always check whether an offer is genuine, even those passed on from people you know. Don't rely on links or phone numbers appearing in an offer, these can direct you to fake websites or download malware."

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TreadLightly, a new national recycling initiative powered by the Australian Sporting Goods Association (ASGA) and recycler Save Our Soles (SOS), works closely with Australia's sporting and active lifestyle brands including Nike, Platypus, Rebel Sport, SportsPower, Globe, and many more.

TreadLightly takes unwanted sports and active lifestyle shoes and recycles them into mats and flooring for retail stores, gyms and playgrounds. They are calling on Australians to help reach their goal of recycling more than one million pairs of shoes by 2023 – and save more than 400 tonnes of shoes going to landfill.

All you need to do is find your unwanted sports or active lifestyle shoes – sneakers, trainers, golf shoes – and take them into one of the more than 400 participating retailers to be recycled.

New research reveals the average Australian owns about five pairs of shoes they don't wear – the shocking equivalent

of 100 million unused shoes that could end up as landfill.

Nearly a quarter of Aussies keep their old shoes, while half of respondents confess to simply throwing their unwanted shoes in the garbage. The survey also reveals women are more likely to keep shoes they don't wear, hoarding an average of seven pairs of shoes they don't use while men keep on average of three pairs. More than half of female participants admitted to buying shoes every six months or more – with most owning an average of 11 pairs of shoes at any one time.

This research highlights just how many shoes are collecting dust at home, and how many shoes end up in the rubbish because we don't know what else to do with them. When footwear is thrown out, not only do we miss the chance to divert tonnes of landfill, we miss out on the valuable opportunity to reclaim, recycle, repurpose and reuse.

The TreadLightly initiative demonstrates the many benefits of the circular economy. Customers just need to drop off their shoes in store, they are then sent to an Australian recycling plant for sorting, breakdown and processing. Reusable components are extracted at the recycling facility and the reclaimed materials are used to manufacture new products such as gym mats, floors and playgrounds.

By giving consumers, retailers and manufacturers the means to take real action, TreadLightly provides a local solution to the global waste problem and make it easier for us all to tread lightly.

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fter a difficult two years, where we had to cancel a majority of the concerts, Camberwell Music Society is now optimistic and excited about the year ahead. In 2022, our 59th year, we will resume presenting the finest music at a very reasonable cost, at the Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Road. The intimacy of our concerts enables audiences to immerse themselves in the performances and to interact with the artists over refreshments provided after each event.

Our first two concerts feature pianists. The first one commences at 10:30am on Tuesday 15 March and showcases Adelaide-born Brian Luo. After studies at England's renowned Purcell School, Brian is now based in Melbourne and has gained many recent awards and prizes. In this recital, Brian will play works by three giants of Romantic piano music -Chopin, Liszt and Brahms.

On Saturday 9 April, commencing at 7:30pm, the internationally acclaimed Finnish virtuoso pianist, Paavali Jumppanen, is our artist. This recital will present compositions by Sibelius and Schumann.

For further details of these and our other five concerts planned for 2022, or to book tickets, please consult www.camberwellmusic.org.au

If you have a query, or would like to receive the season's brochure, please contact Eric McKay on 9882 4560 or Brian Wilkinson on 0419 395 842.





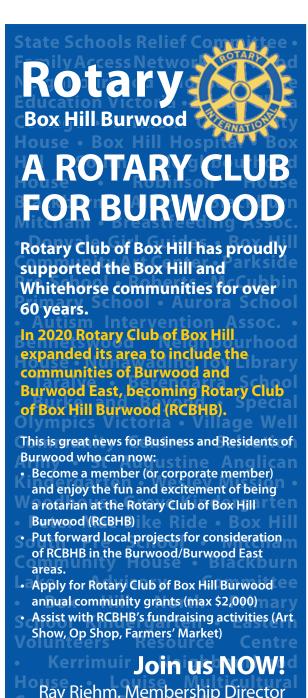
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BURWOOD WALKS

HIS is our 34th Burwood Walk, and we will pass several parks (small and large) finishing in familiar territory – namely Burwood. As with our previous walk, we will start at the shops/station in Mount Waverley. Also, you may wish to visit these shops or use the public toilet there.

Bring your Myki with you, for a short bus ride at the end of this walk. This walk is entirely covered by Map 61 in the Melway street directory, if you can access one.

E start on the northern side of Mount Waverley station, (there is an underpass from the southern side of the station to the northern side if you need it.) From the bus stop you will see a park directly across the road. The park features several plaques which, at the moment, are affected by some improvement works. (Hopefully, these will be finished soon.) However, you could explore the area near the Community Centre and see if you can find a sundial which will tell you the time of day. (It was quite accurate when I used it.) Now take the footpath past the Community Centre, the Youth Centre and the Library.

Walking east, pass the Library and turn right (north) into Wadham Parade, then shortly left (north-east) into Holskamp Street, observing the "Bottle Tree" at the bend in this street.

Shortly, turn left into Farquharson Street, walking north, gently downhill. Where Bowman Street joins Farquharson Street, you will see a linear park on the eastern side of Bowman Street. Walk down Bowman Street in a north-west direction passing a delightful park.

Continuing downhill, pass a playground and seating. At the end of this street (corner of Bowman and Brolga Streets), there is a linear park following a creek. To your left (west), walk along a gravel path, past the Bowling Club, until you reach a road, then continue west on a concrete path for approximately 200m to Alvie Road. You can explore this heavily treed reserve (an extension of the well-known Damper Creek Reserve), and return to Alvie Road, walking north to High Street Road, passing Alvie Hall (meeting room) and a huge Eucalypt near the corner. This reserve also is bounded by Golf Avenue, which we also pass. (These instructions are much easier to follow from the Melway map.)

We now turn left and stroll east along the southern side of High Street Road and navigation is much simpler! The tall fence indicates that we have reached Riversdale Golf Course (and some tennis courts) all the way to Huntingdale Road. This stroll, with glimpses of the golf course, will take about 15 minutes, and is quite relaxing.

Cross Huntingdale Road (traffic lights) and continue along the northern edge of a very different park, Electra Lesser-known P Mount Waverley

Reserve. There is an excellent playground, drinking water and treed areas. As you come to the western end of this reserve, you will see, on the other side of the road, a large street sign denoting Raymond Street, which climbs to the north, beside a small group of shops.

Cross the road and take Raymond Street, which also has a delightful leafy start. We continue north until we reach its end and turn right into Parkhill Drive. Soon on the right is a small unnamed park, with a shady seat and playground. Go to the end of the street and turn right into Moore Street and then left into Rocklands Road. This street takes us to traffic lights to cross Huntingdale Road, where we enter another very attractive reserve, Essex Heights Reserve. Take a left circuit – there is a small group of shops at the start of this road. Look out for fine views of the city and northerly suburbs. What can you identify? Do not circuit the whole reserve, but exit into Essex Road which heads easterly.

As we enjoy the easy walking along Essex Road, we pass a primary school, another small group of shops (one of which is a milk bar!!), and on one corner (Essex Road and Derham Street), there is a great little park with shady seats. There is also another one between two fences a little further along. When we reach St Luke's Uniting Church, turn left into Purse Street. At the end of this street you will find the beautiful entrance into our final park - Federal Reserve, with some shady seats. There are toilets near the tennis courts, which are sometimes open. It is worthwhile to "circuit" this park and gradually "aim" for its north-west corner into Andrew Street. (There is a signpost, but it can be a little difficult to find.). Again, there are good views from this location to the north in particular. Andrew Street goes north and downhill, leading to a group of shops including an IGA.

Once you reach Highbury Road, you have reached Burwood!

In order to return to our starting point of Mount Waverley, cross Highbury Road, walk (uphill) for about 15 minutes to the corner of Highbury and Middleborough Roads, cross Middleborough Road, turn left (north) to the bus stop just a few metres away, where a 733 bus will deliver you back to Mount Waverley Shopping Centre.

MARK LEARMONTH





(from top): Riversdale Golf Course (through the fence); Electra Reserve, with playground in the distance; View of shops from the Electra Reserve.

A day for women

🕻 👅 nternational Women's Day' (IWD), celebrated annually on 8 March, aims to forge a gender-equal world. March is also 'Women's History Month'.

Women have come a long way since the below article of 6 August 1873 titled 'Suffrage'. The Herald reported that the member's motion to extend suffrage to females was 'absurd'. Had the motion been moved, Australia, instead of New Zealand (from 19 September 1893), would have been the first self-governing country in the world in which all women had the right to vote in parliamentary elections. The colony of South Australia allowed women to both vote and stand for election in 1894.



SUFFRAGE.

MANY members of the Assembly waxed amusing last night, over Mr. Higinbotham's proposition to extend the suffrage to females. It was pointed out how absurdities would be piled one upon another by the presence of lady members in the House, and the picture was too much for hon. members. The proposition was rejected by a large majority.

There would, however, be some advantages in having female members as well as male ones, especially during the continuance of payment of members. For instance, it would be very pleasant for an hon, member to use his influence for the return of his wife, and £600 a year would make a very comfortable joint increase. There would most likely be a very strong objection to this on the part of some hon. members. Their ladies would insist on remaining in the Legislative Chambers while their spouses did, and having to see one's wife home every night would be a sad blow to little enjoyments that are now possible of achieve-

Seriously, though, Mr. Higinbotham's motion is absurd, not because the ladies are unfitted mentally for legislative duties, but because they labor under physical incapacities, and because to give them political power would be to take from them the great, and, indeed, overwhelming, social influence which they now possess. The game would not be worth the candle.

The Australian Commonwealth Franchise Act 1902 enabled women to vote at federal elections and also permitted women to stand for election to the Australian Parliament, making the newly-federated country the first in the modern world to do so, although some states excluded Indigenous Australians.

Contribution of Women Through the Years

400BC Greece: Agnodice courageously practised medicine in Greece when women faced the death penalty for doing so. Eventually caught, she was allowed to continue when patients came to her defence.

1691 Mexico: Writer and nun, Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz defended women's rights to education stating "one can perfectly well philosophise while cooking supper". She appears on Mexican currency.

1860 Russia: Women's rights activist and Russian philanthropist Anna Filosofova, co-founded a society to provide affordable housing and decent work for women.

1893 New Zealand: With fellow suffragists, Kate Sheppard presented a petition of nearly 32 000 signatures to Parliament demanding women's suffrage, leading to New Zealand becoming the first self-governing country to grant national voting rights to women.

1911 Japan: Japanese editor, writer and political activist, Raichō Hiratsuka co-founded Japan's first all-women-run literary journal Seitō in 1911.

1951 Egypt: Doria Shafik with 1500 other women, stormed parliament demanding full political rights, pay equality and reforms to personal status laws, leading to women's right to vote in 1956.

1951 England: Chemist Rosalind Franklin, paved the way for the discovery of DNA's double-helix structure through the revolutionary use of X-ray diffraction. She captured the critical photo evidence through 100 hours of extremely fine beam X-ray exposure from a machine she'd refined.

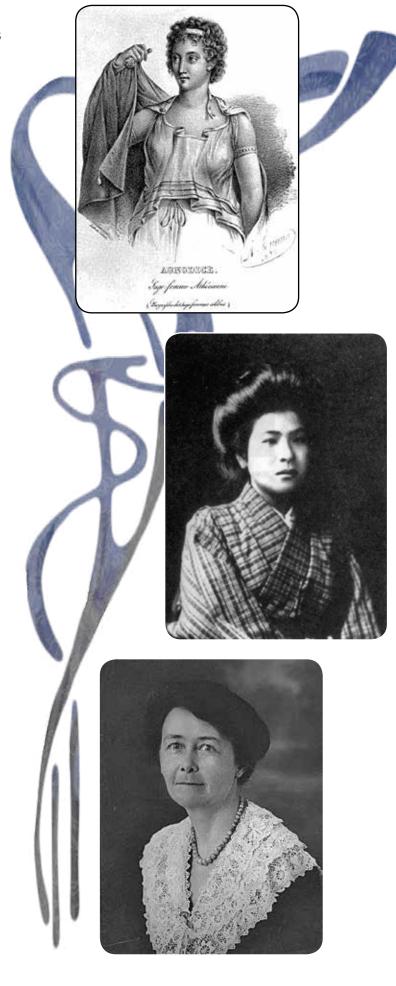
2016 Zimbabwe: Former child brides Loveness Mudzuru and Ruvimbo Tsopodzi made history when Zimbabwe's Constitutional Court ruled that nobody in the country may enter into marriage, including customary law unions, before the age of 18.

And closer to home:

Edith Cowan: First woman Member of Parliament in 1921, she worked to advocate women's rights and was committed to the betterment of education, health and justice issues. In 1894, she was involved in the suffragette movement that campaigned for women to gain degrees, jobs and roles equal to males.

Miles Franklin: Australian author and feminist, best known for her novel 'My Brilliant Career', was involved in the early Australian feminist movement. In her will she funded the 'Miles Franklin' literary prize for the 'advancement, improvement and betterment of Australian Literature'.

Elizabeth Blackburn: 2009's Nobel Prize winner for her study on the molecular nature of telomeres (chromosome ends which act as a protective tip to preserve genetic information) which found that those of an unusually short nature can indicate illness and sometimes allow prevention.



PICTURES (from top): Agnodice (engraver unknown); Portrait of Raichō Hiratsuka in 1911; Portrait of Miles Franklin, circa 1940s.

Clock tower for Canterbury?

In June 1914, the *Camberwell & Hawthorn Advertiser* reported about a proposed clock tower, with chimes, to be erected at Canterbury's free library at a cost of about £150. The idea was that council should build the tower and the committee provide the clock. Nevertheless, despite the lack of such clock tower 'Beautiful Canterbury' was described three years later as below in that same newspaper.

... For its size there are few cities in the world with a finer suburban area than Melbourne. The city itself has become famous throughout the empire for its broad streets and stately buildings, and has justly been called the 'Queen City'. Some of its suburbs have become popular as watering places, some for their position and elevation; while others are eminent for their stately houses and well-ordered gardens. But for them all, none perhaps stands out so prominently for progressiveness and picturesqueness as does Canterbury.

Named, as it is, after the historical cathedral town in Kent, England, it well upholds such a classical title. Its growth within the last few years has been phenomenally rapid. Lands that were in the early days densely covered with timber and forest undergrowth, have to a very great extent been built upon. In fact, very little 'old' Canterbury is now to be seen, and as for forest growth, let it be said – to use figurative language – just a handful of gum and wattle trees which bear evidence of old growth. ...

It was a great day for Canterbury when the railway was extended from Hawthorn. ... The atmosphere of

Beautiful Canterbury

the district is of a most exhilarating character; the change of air being invariably felt as the train leaves the East Camberwell station. ...

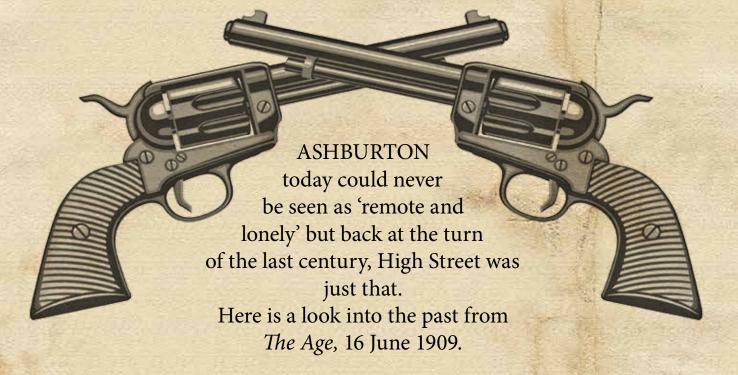
For extensive views the district is unequalled, the most notable being from Canterbury park. It is about a mile from the Canterbury railway station, and is therefore within comfortable walking distance. The outlook from this point is unrivalled in any of the other suburbs. To the north be the Plenty ranges, with a beautiful stretch of cultivated country between. Looking toward the north-west Mt. Macedon, on a clear day, is easily visible, while Hobson's Bay is clearly seen in the west. Directly to the south, the observer has Canterbury itself before him, prettily built as it is on two hills, with the railway station in the valley.

Undoubtedly the greatest improvement, and which was also the first practical move in the way of beautification to the district is the Canterbury gardens. Those residents who have resided in the district long enough will remember when this portion of Canterbury was a conspicuous eye-sore. It was the receptacle for a large amount

of the refuse of the district, and the stench from the old Logan's Creek, as it found its way through the tip, was anything but pleasant. However, all this has long since passed away, and the gardens as they appear today are, for their size, one of the most beautiful within so short a distance of Melbourne. Well-kept lawns and paths are special features, while the crowning glory, in its season, is the rose bed. The gardens have since been augmented by a fountain and a band rotunda ...

As a centre like Canterbury becomes populated, and advancements are made in many avenues, then such an institution as a public library and reading room becomes a necessity to its citizens. Of such an institution Canterbury can boast. When first inaugurated it was carried on, in a comparatively small way, in one of the local shops, but ... with the help of the council, the present building was erected at a total cost of £800. It commands a prominent situation at the entrance to the gardens, and its progress has been of a very marked character. There are over 3900 books on the shelves ...





REVOLVERS DRAWN. AFFAIR AT ASHBURTON.

ALL the elements of a sensational outrage, with the exception of the all-important one of violence, were present in an exciting incident that occurred late last Saturday night at the remote and lonely suburban hamlet of Ashburton. The affair took place at the residence of Mr. Charles Timms, a partner in the firm of McFarland and Timms, produce merchants, of Fitzroy and other suburbs. The residence is situated near the Ashburton station, at the southern terminus of the Outer Circle line, in High-street, which runs from Prahran through Glen Iris to Burwood. On Saturday Mr. Timms and his family were absent at Yering, and the house was left in charge of a young man named Bert Smith, who is a member of the local troop of Light Horse.

According to his version of the affair, it appears that he was away from the place on Saturday evening, and returned at about 11 o'clock. On his arrival he set about preparing some supper. Having occasion to go into the yard he noticed a man, and thought at first he was Mr. Timms. He discovered however that the man was a stranger, and becoming suspicious. he challenged him. The man responded by asking the way to Glen Iris. Smith directed him to go along the road for about a mile, and then returned to the house. He apparently then became uneasy about the presence of the stranger, and taking an empty rusty revolver, returned to the vard and found two men there. He was then convinced that there was mischief brewing, and again he challenged them, and attempted to

frighten them away by presenting the revolver. In reply to this argument one of the strangers said, "Oh, two can play at that game". Then each of them drew a revolver and covered Smith.

At this turn in the state of affairs Smith was naturally scared, and, recognising his impotence, said he would call Mr. Timms to his assistance. "Oh, that's all right," said one of the men, "we know that Mr. Timms is away from home". During the brief altercation that ensued Smith succeeded in returning to the house where he secured his service rifle and slipped three cartridges into the magazine. He, however, found it unnecessary to use the weapon, as the men, considering at this stage that discretion was the better part of valor, departed without any further trouble. They joined two companions who were sitting in a cart outside the grounds, and as the party drove off Smith overheard one of the men remark, "It wasn't worth it".

It is patent that the men were bent on robbery, and it is considered that they had designs on some valuable harness that Mr. Timms was known to possess. The harness, however, was kept inside the house, and it is probable that the two men were looking for it in one of the outbuildings when they were disturbed by Smith. After their departure, Smith spent an anxious time and sat up reading until daylight. He says he would be able to identify one of the men if he saw him again, but although it is apparent that the men were familiar with the circumstances and surroundings of the place, and are therefore likely to live somewhere in the neighborhood, the chances of securing them are considered remote.



NTERNATIONAL Nurses Day, celebrated annually on 12 May, is a global celebration that acknowledges and celebrates the commitment and bravery of nurses around the world. This event is coordinated by the International Council of Nurses (ICN) to ensure that the invaluable contributions of nurses to the health of people globally are recognised.

The ICN has set the theme for International Nurses Day 2022 as 'nursing the world back to health', with a focus on the 'true value of nurses to the people of the world'. Annette Kennedy, the ICN President, has said that "This global COVID-19 pandemic has shown the world the important role that nurses play in keeping people healthy across the lifespan" and so the day will focus on the future of healthcare.

International Nurses Day has been celebrated by the ICN since 1965. However, it wasn't until 1974 that 12 May was chosen to celebrate this day to coincide with Florence Nightingale's birth on 12 May 1820 in Florence, Italy. At the end of the 19th century, "The Lady with the Lamp" as

Spectator & Methodist Chronicle, 23 January 1918

Brave British Nurse, Edith Cavell

M. Gaston de Leval, in a lecture delivered on the anniversary of Miss Cavell's death, said that a message was sent from German headquarters to the prison where Edith Cavell was confined, on October 11th, that the sentence on Nurse Cavell would be carried out at 2 o'clock in the morning, instead of 7 a.m., as was at first intended, and Nurse Cavell was allowed to see the English priest. Miss Cavell wrote out a cheque for her mother: 'To my mother' and signed it, 'Edith Cavell, she was shot'. Just before the end she wrote in her Bible: 'Died 7 o'clock, October 12th. With love to my mother. Edith Cavell'. She died standing before her enemies, straight of carriage and straight of eye, fearless to the very last.

Edith Louisa Cavell, (4 December 1865 -12 October 1915), was a British nurse. She is celebrated for saving the lives of soldiers from both sides without discrimination and for helping some 200 Allied soldiers escape from German-occupied Belgium during WWI, for which she was arrested. She was accused of treason, found guilty by a court-martial and sentenced to death. Despite international pressure for mercy, she was shot by a German firing squad. Her execution received worldwide condemnation and extensive press coverage.

The night before her execution, she said, "Patriotism is not enough. I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone". These words were later inscribed on a memorial to her near Trafalgar Square. Her strong Anglican beliefs propelled her to help all those who needed it, both German and Allied soldiers. She was quoted as saying, "I can't stop while there are lives to be saved". The Church of England commemorates her in its Calendar of Saints on 12 October.

Cavell, 49 at the time of her execution, was already notable as a pioneer of modern nursing in Belgium.

Angels of mercy

she was known, believed that strict use of hand-washing and hygiene practices while caring for wounded soldiers in the Crimean War would prompt better healing. Nightingale and her colleagues helped reduce the death rate from 42% to 2% and her work ushered in nursing as we know it today.

Countries around the world celebrate this occasion in their own ways. For example, in the UK, there is a service held each year in Westminster Abbey in London where a symbolic lamp is passed between nurses until it reaches the Nurses' Chapel in the Abbey where it is then placed on the High Altar. This symbolises the passing of knowledge from one nurse to another.





FOUR years after the birth of Edith Cavell, Margaret Anne Lyons, known as Gretta, was born in 1869 in Kyneton, Victoria. She was a nurse, private hospital owner and trade unionist. She trained as a nurse at the Alfred Hospital, transferred to Brisbane's Hospital for Sick Children, and was later Matron at Williamstown hospital. From many overseas trips to England, she learned chiropody and went on to establish a practice in Collins Street and the US.

Ms Lyons was vocal about nurses being exploited by some employers; poor conditions, and no standard award for pay, were her main criticisms. She helped establish many institutions for the support and welfare of nurses such as the Trained Nurses Guild as an industrial organisation; prior to this, nursing was not considered industrial work.

In her spare time, she was a supporter of the Women's Citizens Movement and helped found the Society for the Health of Women and Children in her early years as a nurse. She died in 1923.

PICTURES (Left): Nurse Edith Cavell; (Above) Margaret Anne "Gretta" Lyons.

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The Argus, Wednesday, 30 November 1955

Ashwood Freak Crash

Car dives 30ft to creek bed

A car somersaulted into Gardiners Creek last night after a freak smash in High Street. Ashwood.

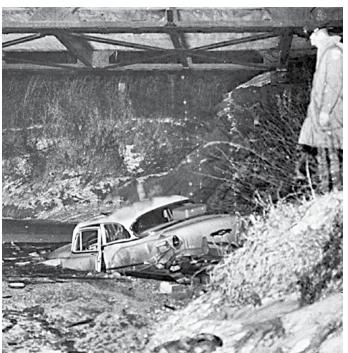
The driver, Robert Ferguson, 41, of High Street Road, Ashburton, suffered severe facial lacerations and probable fractured ribs.

He was admitted to Alfred Hospital after the car:

- Crashed into the back of another car turning out of a side street
- Careered on and skidded in loose gravel
- Left the road, side-swiping a telegraph pole
- Rolled over twice
- Nose-dived into a concrete slab, and
- Ended upright in Gardiners Creek, 30ft below road level.

Mr Ferguson said in Alfred Hospital last night: "I thought it was curtains. Everything happened so fast".

The three men in the other car escaped with a shaking.



History in the Community

O mark the centenary of the end of WWI in 2018, Whitehorse Historical Society held a small Ceremony of Remembrance at Schwerkolt Cottage. To help illustrate the enormity of local community sacrifice, each local enlistee (including nurses) was represented by a knitted, crocheted or fabric poppy 'planted' in a field of similar poppies, each a reminder of a young man or woman.

Stored away at the end of the event were nearly 300 poppies, which had taken about an hour each to create by hand. WHS members were inspired by images of Great Britain's tribute to those who served in WWI - ceramic poppies spilling from the Tower of London into the dry moat below.

For Mitcham Rotary's 2018 Anzac Day Services, WHS members made a similar cascade from fabric poppies with each poppy tied onto garden netting - a long and laborious process. As each poppy represents a WWI soldier or nurse from our local area, the display is now part of our Anzac Day remembrances.

Whitehorse Historical Society

PICTURES (from left): Ceramic poppies spill from the Tower of London; WHS crocheted poppies mirror that image at a local Anzac service:





fix it don't nix it!



Coffee makers are one of the products visitors bring to the Repair Café most often.

EPAIR Café has Tips and Tricks to assist the public repair items themselves. Rather than toss; repair! https://repaircafe.org/en/community/tips-tricks

Repairable items listed: Coffee makers; furniture; camping equipment; toys; kitchen appliances; clothes and textiles; audio and visual equipment. Also sharpening knives and scissors, and fixes for broken smartphone screens.

There is also iFixit, an international online movement at www.ifixit.com where fixers help each other fixing their broken stuff. iFixit step-by-step guides (www.ifixit. com/Guide) with detailed photos can help find workable solutions for devices. They can also serve as a good reference for first-time repairers.

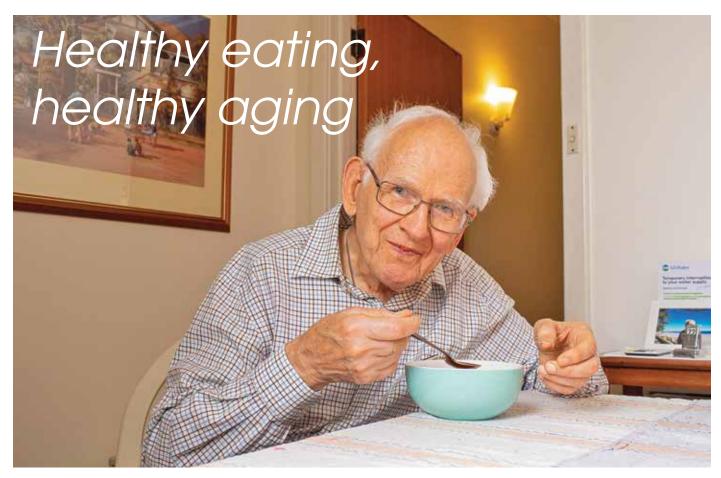
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HROUGHOUT the different stages of our lives, our nutritional requirements change and what we eat has a direct impact on our health, wellbeing and quality of life. It can be difficult for older Australians to meet these specific nutrient requirements, due to limitations such as an impaired ability to prepare food or a decrease in appetite.

Malnutrition is very common in the ageing population. Those who become malnourished often take longer to recover from illness and commonly become dependent on support from the healthcare system.

According to research by Dietitians Australia, it is estimated that about 10% of older adults living at home are likely to be malnourished, with 35% at risk of malnutrition. The best way to prevent malnutrition is to eat nutrient-rich foods from the core food groups every day. If we eat enough, we're more likely to maintain a healthy weight and improve our chances of a quick recovery from stress or illness.

As we age, our protein requirements increase significantly and we need to consume high quality sources of protein, such as lean meats, poultry, fish, eggs, and dairy. Tofu, legumes, lentils and pulses also contain protein.

The need for certain micronutrients, such as calcium and vitamin D also increases, to help support our bone health and reduce the risk of osteoporosis or brittle bones. Dairy products are our greatest source of calcium and should be included at every meal. Foods like cows' milk, cheese and yoghurt are excellent sources of calcium.

With a plethora of home-delivered, convenient, premade and calorie-targeted meals available, it is easy to be overwhelmed when deciding which types of meals will support your health, wellbeing, and desire to live independently at home for longer. And with a saturated market of meals, fresh or frozen, choosing the right one matters – in fact, your health depends on it!

A major barrier to healthy eating and healthy ageing is the reduced ability for the older population to purchase and prepare nutrient-rich meals – this is a particular concern for those living alone. A meal delivery service such as Meals on Wheels, provides ready-made meals that are nutritionally adequate for the elderly population. Meals on Wheels can provide a significant portion of an elderly person's daily nutrient requirements, helping to support independent living through health promotion.

The rising prevalence of malnutrition in the older population also highlights the need for stronger nutrition intervention in this group. Statistics show that our intake of the five core food groups decreases the more we age, emphasising the need for interventions such as Meals on Wheels to support the healthy ageing of Australians.

To find out more about Meals on Wheels in your community and how it can support your health, and independence goals, visit mealsonwheelsvictoria.org.au/

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Sources: https://nutritionaustralia.org; cclhd.health.nsw.gov.au; nrv.gov.au; bmj.com; independenceaustralia.com.au; dhhs.tas.gov.au



Looking out for the locals

HE other day I spotted an echidna foraging for food right next to the greywater pit.

Greywater systems redirect domestic waste water from the kitchen, bathroom and laundry into an irrigation system. This means, any chemical contaminants in that water can directly impact the soil of the garden, the health of the plants and animals consuming those plants.

Although I have always been conscious of harmful effects of chemicals, at the farm I'm doubly mindful of looking for alternatives. As there's no sewer system for greywater, it's released into my own land. While I may not be able to relinquish everything, such as laundry powder, dishwashing soap and body wash, I'm actively looking to reduce utilising noxious chemicals; thereby reducing the accumulated effects of persistent pollutants.

I actively search for products that are rated as environmentally friendly, albeit them costing more. I'm substituting water for disinfectant products where possible; as there is an abundance of lemons, I squeeze some lemon juice to get that citrus-scent. I have also discovered that vinegar, baking soda and tea tree oil are very effective as cleaning agents. I have ditched air fresheners for a vase with some of the many fragrant flowers and leaves around.

Subsequently, it is my aim to make my own nature friendly detergents. I know it's much less convenient than buying store bought products, but I want to endeavour to provide that echidna, and the many other creatures around, with a toxin-free environment, where we can all coexist in harmony.

YOSHANTHI WELLAWA





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Welcoming

The numbers 888 soon adorned many union buildings around Australia.

In 1593, Spain was the first country to introduce the 8-hour workday for factory workers. However, the modern movement dates back to the Industrial Revolution in Britain. At that time, the working day could range from 10-16 hours, the work week was typically six days and the use of child labour was common.

Working hours in the UK are currently limited by week, not days, as first set by the Working Time Regulations of 1998, which introduced a limit of 40 hours per week for workers under 18, and 48 hours per week for over 18s. A general 8-hour working day has never been achieved in the UK.

Around the world, Mexicans work the most hours (an average of 43.19 per week and 64% more than Germans); followed by: Costa Rica, South Korea, Greece, Chile, Russia Federation, Poland, Iceland, Portugal and Israel. It wasn't until the 1960s that Canada adopted the 40-hour work week.

Germany leads the world in the least number of hours worked (an average of 26.37 per week); followed by Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, Switzerland, Sweden and Austria. Businesses in these countries offer alternative working options that limit interactions with employees after hours, shorten the work week and encourage leave to be taken; workers generally report higher levels of overall happiness and engagement.

N 21 April 1856, stonemasons building the University of Melbourne ceased work and marched to Parliament House, gathering fellow stonemasons on the way. Their demand was for the eighthour day – eight hours labour, eight hours recreation and eight hours rest. This led to an agreement whereby stonemasons worked no more than an eight-hour day. After a long, hard-fought series of victories, by the early 20th century Australia had one of the most progressive labour environments in the world.

The Stonemasons celebrated with a holiday and procession held on Monday 12 May, known as the Whit-Monday holiday. Inspiring all who benefited from the new law, the parade saw almost 700 people take part in the march, with backgrounds in as many as 19 trades.

Travelling from the Carlton Gardens to the Cremorne Gardens in Richmond, the march was a festive event with workers with decorative banners, proudly marching alongside floats with bands performing. The celebration march in Melbourne continued until 1951 before being replaced by the first Moomba Festival on Labour Day 1955.

The famous Zelmans: an appeal to readers

AS any *Bulletin* reader heard of the famous Zelman family? That great musical and artistic family who lived in Hawthorn and Canterbury well over 100 years ago and who dominated Melbourne's musical life for several decades?

One member of that family, Alberto, founded the Melbourne Philharmonic Orchestra, while another, Victor, a piano teacher and viola player, eventually also became a successful landscape painter. It is Victor who is of special interest to the undersigned. Victor painted all over Victoria, yet only very few of his paintings carry a specific title relating to the area where he grew up and lived until 1931. Now to the point of this appeal. Do any readers know anything about

the Eight-hour Day

(Below): An eight-hour day parade in Bourke Street, Melbourne, 1907.

State Library of Victoria



Labour ministries in Germany have banned managers from calling or emailing staff after work hours, except in an emergency, enforcing the idea that employees leave work at work when they go home.

The USA does not guarantee workers any paid annual leave, and nearly one in four Americans has no paid time

off, they are also not obliged to give paid maternity leave to their employees. In Chile, Portugal and Italy, paternity leave is compulsory.

Sources

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the Zelmans, and even more importantly, do any have any pictures by Victor?

I am working on an article about this artist that tries to link his work with Boroondara and neighbouring districts. Unfortunately, I know of only four paintings that are set in this area: one depicts a little church in Surrey Hills (as shown), one shows a rural idyll near Burwood, one is entitled 'Ashburton', and a fourth is called 'View of Canterbury'. Does any reader own or know of works by this artist that depict the local district? I would love to hear from them.

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Victor Zelman. Untititled painting of St Brigid's Catholic Church, Surrey Hills c1900. (Photographed courtesy Surrey Hills Neighbourhood Centre Heritage Collection)

Camberwell.

The rejoicings were here celebrated by a display of foliage at the hotels, and also at some of the private houses, A whole sheep was roasted and partaken of by a goodly number of the residents of this suburban retreat. At night large detachments of the good folks went to Melbourne; but a sufficient number were left behind to make a respectable illumination. The Camberwell Inn was very tastefully decorated, and exhibited a large number of lights. The Great Eastern Hotel was also brilliantly lighted up, and from a distance the effect was very good. A few bonfires were lighted by private individuals on the neighbouring hills but nothing of a public nature was attempted.

South Bourke Standard. 22 May 1863



HE 'rejoicings' in Camberwell related to the nuptials of Albert, Prince of Wales to Alexandra, Princess of the House of Denmark. In contrast to the *South Bourke Standard* article, *The Argus*, 25 May 1853 'The Royal Marriage Rejoicings' was somewhat longer - over 38 900 words in a four-page supplement, with seven narrow columns of small print on every page!

It began: "In no portion of Her Majesty's dominions was the news of the marriage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to a Princess of the House of Denmark received with more joy than in this colony. Nowhere has it been celebrated with more enthusiasm and thorough loyalty. Although amongst the most distant of the colonies from the mother country over which the sway of Victoria extends – although half the world stretches between, and to many amongst us the mother country is but a distant recollection, and to others, the beneficial results of Her Majesty's long and virtuous reign are but

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rejoicing locally

as a tale – there were no differences of opinion as to the manner in which an event so important to the welfare of the kingdom and the happiness of the Royal Family should be celebrated here."

The *Argus* then recounted events from the time of receiving the news and subsequent 'rejoicings' all over Victoria. It included all speeches, all attendees, and on and on it went. Every town was listed, with all their preparations and events. There were processions, triumphal arches, and displays of flags and mottoes.

"Immediately after the arrival of the mail, on the 10th instant, it was resolved that a general holiday should be declared in honour of the Royal marriage. ... It was originally proposed that Thursday, the 14th instant, should be the day, but it was found that the interval was far too short to permit of adequate preparations. Of enthusiasm and money there was abundance, but there are limits beyond which even those powerful auxiliaries cannot go. In a community so young, and with a people so scattered, there were difficulties of a practical chameter [poss. matter] which could not be overcome. ..."

However, the weather was not cooperative. Telegraphic messages had been sent to Kyneton, to learn from that

elevated township what prospect there was of the weather clearing up. "At an early hour, a smart soaking rain set in, with a north-east breeze, and as the morning advanced into day the rain seemed to increase in severity. The roads became a puddle, the grass unfit for dancing and games, and it seemed as if the whole demonstration must be postponed. At midday, however, in a slight lull, the great procession started, though somewhat shorn of the proportions it was originally intended to fill. ... Nothing could ... damp an enthusiasm which was so genuine and heartfelt."

The streets were decorated from end to end with flags, banners, streamers, and trophies. "Floating from the house-tops, waving from the windows, and, spread over buildings above and below, were the national flags of Britain and Denmark." There were laughing children, 'whose joyous anticipations of the treats to come nothing could damp, were to be noted wending to the many gathering points, and after a time, as the rain began to fall off, the streets gradually became busy with pedestrians and vehicles" and "at night the illuminations and bonfires assisted in lighting up the night as was never before done beneath an Australian sky."





The Monster Petition

O gain the right to vote for all Victorian women, a handful of dedicated women took to the streets in 1891 to collect signatures for a petition to present to the Victorian Parliament. The result was a collection of nearly 30 000 signatures from women all over Victoria. Tabled in Parliament in September 1891, with the support of then Premier James Munro, the petition sought that 'Women should Vote on Equal terms with Men'.

That petition is now one of the State's archival treasures. The Women's Suffrage Petition (1891) reflects the dedicated work of those women who went from door to door across Victoria to collect the signatures. Its tremendous length earned it the name of the 'Monster Petition'.

The original petition, approximately 260 metres long and 200mm wide, is made of paper pasted to cotton or linen fabric backing, rolled onto a cardboard spindle which rests on a Perspex stand. It takes three people three hours to unroll the petition from one spool to another – a slow and careful process. The approximate 30 000

signatures vary in quality and colour inks, even pencil.

Signatures at the top of the petition include: Jane Munro, wife of the Premier, who presented the petition to Parliament and Margaret Higinbotham, wife of George Higinbotham, a controversial politician and lawyer.

The petition played an important role in Federation, because in 1901 Australia became the first nation in the world to give women both the right to vote and the right to stand for Parliament.

It is possible for anyone to search the database to find out whether their female ancestors were one of the great women who signed the petition and made a significant contribution to women's rights today. My great grandmother, Eliza Byrne (née Lawford) signed the petition at Casterton – her signature (sans the 'e' in Byrne) is on line 799, #19. Go to: parliament.vic.gov. au/about/the-history-of-parliament/womens-suffrage-petition

RAINE BIANCALT



PICTURES: (Above) The 1891 Women's Suffrage Petition; (Left) Woman suffrage, vanguard of a deputation that waited on the Legislative Council. Photo from *Australasian*, 17 September 1898, p26.



Pobblebonks

T'S been raining here. I lost my early tomatoes due to rot; their brown sloppy leaves were sogged to death. On the bright side – the frogs loved it. We first heard the plonking of the pobblebonk frog in the early evening. The pobblebonk is named for its very distinctive call, not unlike a rubber band being twanged. We rushed outside, only to find they had very smartly shut up and hidden. Five minutes later, they plonked again. No matter how many times we snuck out hoping to see them, we never did, not once. But they left us a gift in one of our water tubs. At first, I ignored it, a bit of scum floating around the top. Then later, I was alarmed to see mozzie larva swimming around. Hang on! They're tiny tadpoles! Yes, they were. Over a hundred of the

little critters. How exciting. We placed bark and bits of plants into the tub and we watched as they nibbled into the stalks and grew into lovely taddies with long, strong tails and big bulgy eyes; watching as we approached and darting under the log that offered them safety.

I didn't want to keep them. One or two pobblebonks is charming. A hundred is a cacophony. I rang a friend and she very happily let me release them into her pond. Now, thanks to nothing more complicated than a rainwater tub, a hundred more Pobbles are happily bonking away in the world. That's how easy conservation can be. Happy Gardening.

SUSZI MANDEVILLE



May 22: a 20th anniversary to remember

HRISTINA Clay (25 Dec. 1887 – 22 May 2002) is recorded as the oldest verified supercentenarian in Australian history. She was aged 114 years, 148 days when she died. Her life spanned the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries.

Christina Clay, born in Gorae, just outside Portland, was the second of 11 children. She was married for almost 73 years to Wilbert Cock whom she married in 1913; Wilbert died in 1986 aged 96.

Up until she broke her hip in a fall when she was 109, Christina lived independently. On 22 May 2002, she died in her sleep, due to a lung infection, at Blackburn's Lake Park nursing home where she was said to lead a full life up until the day she died.

Christina was survived by two children, five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great grandson. She is buried at Burwood Cemetery.





BLACKBURN WANTS WATER EXTENSION

In the verdant suburb of Blackburn, only twelve miles from the city and on the track of a main water service pipe from the mountains, residents are obliged to cart water a long distance to their homes.

They declare that only three-quarters of a mile of piping from the O'Shannessy main in Canterbury road would bring the water right down to the Blackburn railway station, and save them this labor and inconvenience. Being city workers many of the residents find but scant leisure to act as family water-carriers. Several estates have been cut up and populated in Blackburn in recent years, and there are now 1400 persons in the township, occupying 325

houses showing a rateable value of £12,000. There has been much development in two years, but the residents feel that lack of water must hinder progress. They say it would cost only £1000 to put in the 1½ miles of pipes which would reticulate the whole place.

The council has already, promised, to ask the Metropolitan Board to lay the necessary main. It is proposed that the Board should extend its water service area to Mitcham, which is a few miles beyond Blackburn, and is a rapidly-advancing fruit-growing and manufacturing centre. The inhabitants are at present in the position of relying on rain water caught on their roofs, although the board's mains practically pass their doors.



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14 April 15 April 17 April

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460 Riversdale Road Hawthorn East Good Friday 15 Apr 9:30am Service Easter Sunday 17 Apr 10am Service

Glen Iris Road Uniting Church

200 Glen Iris Road Mon-Wed 11-13 Apr 7:30pm reflective service on Zoom Maundy Thurs 14 Apr 7:30pm Service Good Friday 15 Apr 9:30am Service Easter Sunday 17 Apr 10am Service Please visit gleniris.ucavictas.org.au for services location details.

St Faith's Anglican

6-8 Charles St, Glen Iris

Thurs 14 Apr 7:30pm Commemoration of the Last Supper. Good Friday 15 Apr 10am - noon: "At the Foot of the Cross" a Good Friday Liturgy.

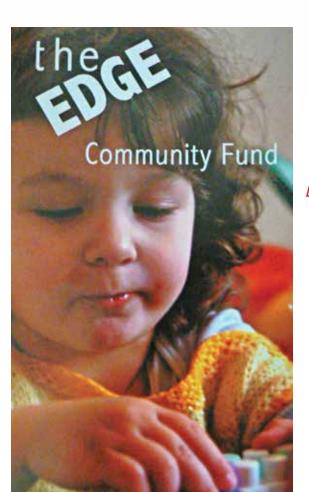
Easter Sunday 17 Apr 6am. Easter Vigil. 9am Sung Eucharist

St Peter's Anglican

1038 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill Thurs 14 Apr 7:30pm Celebration of the Last Supper Good Friday 15 Apr 9:30am Service Easter Sunday 17 Apr 6am First Eucharist of Easter; 9:30am Sung Easter Eucharist; 11:30am Mandarin Easter Celebration

St Thomas's Anglican

44 Station St, Burwood Good Friday 15 Apr 9am Holy Communion service Easter Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 10:30am Cantonese, 2pm Mandarin – Holy Communion Services



HE High Street and Warrigal Road Ashburton traders have again generously supported the Edge Community Fund Easter Raffle. First prize: a basket of goods/vouchers collected from traders; second prize: coffee machine from J&T Electrics; third prize: Camberwell Electrics voucher.

Tickets are available in High Street and online; please take the opportunity to purchase one. All proceeds go to supporting local students who may have difficulty in attending sports events, camps or other school events.

The draw takes place outside the Bendigo Bank (an incredibly generous supporter) on Thursday, 14 April at 1pm. We thank everyone for their support over many years.

LEXOPHILES

"LEXOPHILE" describes those with a love for phrases such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", "to write with a broken pencil is pointless." An annual competition is held by the New York Times for the best original lexophile. Here are some examples.

- I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
- England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
- Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.
- This girl today said she recognised me from the Vegetarians Club, but I'd swear I've never met herbivore.
- I know a guy who's addicted to drinking brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- I got some batteries that were given out free of charge.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- Police were summoned to a day-care centre where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tyred.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine last week is now fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory but it was never fully developed.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.
- I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
- When chemists die, they barium.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.
- Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.





N 2022, Greek Orthodox Easter Sunday falls on 24 April, the non-orthodox Easter Sunday will fall a week earlier on 17 April.

The date on which Easter falls depends on the calendar followed by different Christian churches. Protestant and Catholic churches, use the Gregorian calendar; the standard calendar for much of the world. However, the Orthodox Church follows the older Julian calendar, which often sets Orthodox Easter later than when Western Churches celebrate it.

Holy Week is significant for Orthodox Christians. The week's meditation invites people to prepare themselves to celebrate Jesus Christ's resurrection. Although traditionally people try to abstain from eating meat, these days most young people follow their normal diet.

On the Thursday before Easter or 'Megali Pempti' Greeks dye their eggs red. Unlike Easter eggs in other countries, Greek Easter eggs are only found in red, symbolising the blood of Christ, and they are never made of chocolate. The dyed eggs are not supposed to be consumed until Sunday when an Easter bread called 'Tsoureki' and special Easter cookies 'koulouria' are also baked.

The 'Megali Paraskevi' or Holy Friday, is a sad and quiet day for religious Greeks. Orthodox Church bells ring from the early morning, lamenting Christ's death. There are no parties or happy music playing on Greek radio or television. The use of hammers, nails or needles is also avoided, due to potential references to crucifixion. In the evening, a symbolic funeral procession is held. People are silent and carry candles. This procession is a very special and sombre event to experience.

On Easter Sunday, a luscious feast awaits as extended family gather. A typical dish at Greek Easter is spitroasted lamb, alongside delicious traditional sides.

Each person at the feast chooses a blood-red egg and taps it against someone else's. The eggs symbolise Christ's tomb in this moment, and their cracking symbolises his Resurrection. While clinking each

other's eggs, religious Greeks say, 'Christos Anesti' (Christ has Risen), and reply, 'Alithos Anesti' (He has indeed risen).

The last person holding an uncracked egg is said to enjoy good luck in the following year.

Source: SBS



On Good Thursday, the ceremonies and masses in the church are tied to the Last Supper and Judas's betrayal. A re-enactment of the Crucifixion takes place in the evening

Useful phrases:

Kalo Pascha - Happy Easter Christos Anesti - Christ is risen Alithos Anesti - He has risen, indeed



Darwin Bombed

2022 marks 80 years since Australia faced an unprecedented foreign attack on home soil. Darwin was bombed by enemy forces on 19 February 1942 in the largest single attack ever mounted by a foreign power on Australia. It left hundreds of servicemen and civilians dead and countless others injured. From February 1942 to November 1943, Darwin was the target of more than 64 air raids. The total number of bombs dropped was 2.5 times those dropped at Pearl Harbour.

Put the Lid Down!

Leaving toilet lids open after flushing can disperse contaminated droplets beyond a metre and remain in the air for 30 minutes – a finding revealed in a global review of bacterial and viral transmission in public toilets. ... University of South Australia.

Box Hill Cemetery

Box Hill Cemetery, first gazetted in 1872 held its first funeral in August 1873; to mark its 50th anniversary, a memorial arch and pavilion were erected in 1922. The building at the entrance to the avenue provided shelter and services were held there when necessary. This is where the now defunct Box Hill City Theatre Company held their rehearsals.

Childhood Death Rate, 1880s

The Ballarat Star, 17 Nov. 1888 reported that Rev. W. Burridge "in the course of a sermon gave a startling illustration of the terribly high death rate which prevails amongst the young people of this colony, or at least in Melbourne and suburbs. The rev. gentleman told the congregation that a few days ago he attended the Melbourne Cemetery, and in conversation with the secretary that official told him that there were 200,000 persons buried in the cemetery, and of the number two-thirds were children under 10 years of age."

Spray-on Skin

In 1999, Perth-based plastic surgeon Professor Fiona Wood patented her spray-on skin technique. The innovation involves taking a small patch of the victim's healthy skin and using it to grow new skin cells in a laboratory. New skin cells are then sprayed on the victim's damaged skin significantly reducing recovery time and scarring. Spray-on skin played a key role in treating burns victims from the 2002 Bali bombings, saving the lives of 28 people.

Permaculture

In 1972, Tasmanian-born Bill Mollison developed permaculture, a concept that uses a natural approach to designing self-sufficient human settlements and agricultural systems. Today it is an alternative to chemical-based agriculture which can harm humans and the environment.

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Cochlear implant (bionic ear)

In the 1970s, Professor Graeme Clark invented the first bionic ear at Melbourne University – the first prototype was implanted in 1978. Cochlear implants in the head electronically stimulate the auditory nerve. Clark's father had inadequate hearing. The Cochlear implant has brought hearing to over 180 000 deaf and partially deaf people worldwide.

Elvis: Direct from Graceland comes to Bendigo in March 2022

Bendigo Art Gallery presents *Elvis: Direct from Graceland* from 19 Mar–17 Jul, featuring 300 artefacts including his military uniforms and jumpsuits and explores Elvis's career and lesser-known aspects of his early years. Exhibition supported by Victorian Government's Major Events Fund. Tickets: www.bendigoartgallery.com.au

Transported Convicts

Only 12% of transported convicts were Irish. Between 1788-1921 about half a million Irish people came to Australia and today, Australia is the most Irish country in the world outside Ireland.

Oldest rock painting in Australia - Kangaroo

A six-ft tall mural found in a Kimberley region rock shelter is 17 500 years old based on the ages of wasp shelters found there. Officially the oldest known in-situ painting ever found anywhere in the nation, it is similar to cave paintings found on southeast Asian islands, some 40 000 years old.

Scamwatch Says

Beware of 'recovery firms' who request up-front payment to 'help get your money back'. If you've lost money to a scam, contact your bank or financial institution ASAP; don't seek help from these firms.





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Short Courses and Activities 2022 TERM 1

"COME & TRY" YOUR FIRST CLASS WITH US for FREE (Bookings Essential)

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES Bookings essential!



ST PATRICKS DAY LUNCH

Thurs 17 March 12:30pm

Come along, meet new friends. Enjoy in the festivities of the day. Remember to wear something green. Bookings essential 9808 6292

WEIGHT LOSS GROUP

Tuesdays 1:00-2:30pm

Small group support to help you achieve your goal weekly.

MyGov/Service Vic app

Friday 10:30-11:30am \$40

Come along, learn how to set up these apps on your phone. It's a MUST these days with COVID procedures.

HEALTH & WELLBEING CLASSES

Yoga (<i>Hatha Style</i>)	Monday	9:05am – 10:05am
Yoga (<i>New class</i>)	Monday	7:00pm – 8:00pm
Meditation	Monday	10:15am – 11:15am
Strength Training - Men	Tuesday	11:15am – 12:15pm
Balance & Flexibility - Men	Tuesday	2:00pm – 3:00pm
Social Walking	Wednesday	10:30am – 11:30am
Social Scrabble	Wednesday	10:00am – 1:00pm
Strength Training	Thursday	10:00am – 11:00am
Tai Chi	Thursday	11:30am – 12:30pm
Zumba	Friday	9:30am – 10:30am

Bookings Essential for all activities!

Come along and try one of our free "Come and Try" sessions!



COMMUNITY BUS TRIPS

Monthly Bus trips to various destinations. Bus fills quickly, ring through your booking.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

MOVIE CLUB

11:30am - 2:00pm

Watch a movie on our large screen every 4th Monday Give the office your wish list of movies. Only \$5.00

12:30pm - 2:30pm **SOCIAL CRAFT**

3rd Monday in the month. BYO craft, enjoy new friends.

GARDEN CLUB

Wednesdays

1:00pm - 3:00pm

PLAYGROUP New groups and individuals welcome.

Large room and backyard. Low-cost sessions am/pm. Lots of equipment, covered sandpit and cubby.

*Check the office for any day or time changes. Like us on Facebook & Instagram PHONE: 9808 6292

MEN'S ACTIVITIES Tuesdays

Balance & Flexibility

Improve your balance & flexibility 10:00am - 11:00am

Strength Training

Improveyourbodystrength.Weightsavailable 11:15am-12:15pm

Men's Chat & Lunch Group

BYO lunch, enjoy new company, good discussions 12:30pm Bookings essential

OUR COMMUNITY PROJECT



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"Communities Helping Women" Like us on Facebook & Instagram FREE 100% cotton prosthesis available.

COMPUTERS & I.T.

Seniors come get tech savvy and learn the clever things you can do with your iPad, iPhone and Android Smartphone. You can also update your computer skills in Microsoft Word or Excel on your laptop or our computers.

10:00am - noon INTRODUCTION TO WORD 8 March

 INTRO INTO EXCEL **Fridays** 10:00am - noon

EBAY / GUMTREE WORKSHOP

Wednesday 16 March 1:00pm - 3:00pm Create an account to advertise for sale and earn some extra cash for

yourself or buy gifts for family and friends.

FOOD BANK

We have pre-cooked frozen meals, located in our Freezer and we also have, out the front, non-perishable foods. Please call the office to pick up a frozen meal.

As there are more people suffering in the community, donations to the Foodbank/pantry are needed.

*Is there anything you would like or do at the community house? Have you got a skill or activity to teach to the community?

1 Church Street Burwood. Office Hours 10:00am-3:00pm Monday-Friday

Community Centres & Activities

Alamein N'hood & Learning Centre

49 Ashburn Gr, Ashburton. Marketing, Event Mgt, English & literacy classes, Yoga, Pilates, Meditation, Mosaics, iPads, Computers, MS Office, Career/ Employment, Volunteering. Men's Shed Tues & Thurs. Shopping bus & seniors excursions. e: admin@alameinnlc.com.au w: alameinnlc.com.au Ph. 9885 9401.

Amaroo Neighbourhood Centre

34 Amaroo St, Chadstone. Room Hire, **ACV GARDS Metro Support Group for** Asbestos, Art Therapy, Indian Dance, Board Games, Scrapbooking, Young Women's Arthritis Support, Seniors Strength, Circle for Natural Aid. Free Fruit, Veg & Bread, Haircuts, Comm. Lunch, Op Shop. Volunteers Welcome. Ph. 9807 2625 e: coordinator@amaroonc.org.au

Ashburton Community Centre

160 High Street. Ph. 9885 7952. Our modern centre offers term-based courses, casual classes & social group activities. Free trials. Room hire for meetings, workshops & training avail. Includes registered kitchen. Details & online enrolments avail. e: marketing@ashburtoncc.org.au w: ashburtoncc.org.au

Avenue N'hood House @ Eley

87 Eley Rd, Blackburn Sth. Activities & classes incl. exercise, crochet, mahjong, writing, yoga, computers, poetry, ukulele, iPads, meditation, line dancing, scrabble, social cards, sketching, bingo, carpet bowls & Pilates. Weekly cafe (Fri), accr. programs for special needs; Refresh for teens. Ph. 9808 2000. e: info@theavenue.org.au w: theavenue.org.au

Balwyn Community Centre, Surrey

Hills 412 Whitehorse Rd. Ph. 9836 7942 Classes/workshops incl. art; crafts, cooking, language (Italian, French, German); fitness & exercise, Pilates, Yoga, Tai Chi, meditation. Special interest groups, monthly Vege Swap and community groups meet at the Centre. Function Centre and small room hire. w: balwyncc.org.au e: reception@balwyncc.org.au

Bennettswood N'hood House

7 Greenwood St, Burwood. Ph. 9888 0234. Welcoming & inclusive; participate in social groups & activities: arts, music (ukulele/singing), Be Connected technology training, gentle exercise, dementia-friendly lunches & venue hire for community groups, children's parties/ classes. e: info@bennettswoodnh.org.au w: bennettswoodnh.org.au

Bowen Street Community Centre

102 Bowen St Camberwell. Activities incl Playgroups, IT help, Italian, Yoga, Sewing & Language Conversation classes. CCS Approv. Childcare 3 & 5 hr Wed & Fri. Party/meeting rooms for hire. Ph. 9889 0791. e: info@bowenstreet.org.au w: bowenstreet.org.au

Box Hill South N'hood House

47 Kitchener Street. Ph. 9898 8270. w: bhsnh.org.au Wide range of programs including fitness (Yoga, Pilates, Strength training), Art/crafts (watercolour, botanical drawing, craft). Languages (Spanish, French, Italian). Group & social activities, computer training. Urban Food Harvest Swap. Umbrella Dementia café. Room hire. e: info@bhsnh.org.au

Camberwell Community Centre

33 Fairholm Grove. Pottery, Watercolour, Drawing, Mandalas, French, German, Spanish, Art History, Yoga, Tai Chi, Pilates, Strength & Stretching, Walking Group, Book Club, Bridge, Solo, Mahjong, Youth Art. Ph. 9882 2611; e: contact@camberwellcc.org.au;

w: camberwellcc.org.au

Canterbury Neighbourhood Centre 2 Rochester Road. Offering a range of social classes for all ages incl. painting, upholstery, literature, writing, history, yoga, Pilates, walking groups, book clubs & languages French, Italian & Spanish. Ph. 9830 4214. w: canterburynh.org.au e: office@canterburynh.org.au.

Clota Cottage Neighbourhood House

31 Clota Ave, Box Hill. Ph. 9899 0062. Computer Courses; Horticulture; Office Skills; English for Work & Personal Presentation. Funded childcare service; exercise classes; social groups & activities; activities for seniors; community events. e: admin@clotacottage.org.au w: clotacottage.org.au

Craig Community Centre

7 Samarinda Ave, Ashburton Ph. 9885 7789. w: craigfc.org.au Occ. Care & Kinder programs, Cultural Support Groups, Disability & Youth empowerment programs, Yoga, Facilitated Playgroups, Primary & Secondary homework support, Seniors Activities, Volunteer Opportunities, Hall Hire. e: enquires@craigfc.org.au

Kerrimuir Neighbourhood House

57 Linda Ave Box Hill Nth. We provide a range of classes & activities to suit all ages. From Art Classes to Strength & Fitness Classes. See our website for more details: Ph. 9899 7660. w: kerrimuirhouse.org.au

Koonung Cottage Community House

109 Koonung Rd, Blackburn Nth. Classes & workshops incl. Exercise, Meditation, Botanical Illustration, Craft, Spinning, Mahjong, Book Groups, Childcare, Grandparents' Playgroup, support groups and venue hire. Ph. 9878 6632. e: admin@koonungcottage.org.au w: koonungcottage.org.au

Louise Multicultural Comm. Centre

Suite 8, Town Hall Hub, 27 Bank Street, Box Hill. Ph. 9285 4850. w: louise.org.au, e: info@louise.org.au Classes & activities: EAL/ESL (beginners, inter., advanced), Mandarin, Computer/ iPad, Conversation Groups, Korean Drumming, Knitting, Social interest, Aust. Culture & History, Chinese & Korean Calligraphy; Dancing for Fitness.

Mount Street N'hood House

6 Mount St, Glen Waverley. Ph. 9803 8706. Drawing/Painting, Mosaic, Decoupage, Paper Tole, Patchwork & Quilting, Yoga, Strength Training, Pilates, Gentle Exercise, Meditation, Seniors IT – basic & advanced computer skills, Tablets, Smartphones. e: mountst@msnh.org.au w: msnh.org.au

Phoenix Park N'hood House

22 Rob Roy Rd Malvern East. Walking groups, Pilates, Yoga, Tai Chi, HeartFIT, Zumba gold. iPad /Tablets classes. Art classes adults/children. Writers, Discussion, Film & photography groups. Mahjong, Singers, Art & Craft. Hrs 9-4:30/3pm Fri) Ph. 9530 4397 w: phoenixparknh.org.au

Power Neighbourhood House

54 Power Ave, Ashwood. Ph. 8849 9707. e: office@powernh.org.au English Language, Art for Health & Wellbeing, Gardening, Children's Storytime, Chinese Social Group, Art & Craft, Carer Support, Connecting Teens, Yoga, Crochet & Knitting, Book Group, Homework Club, Asperger's Vic., C'well Salvos, Free Bread Tuesdays, Public Computer Access, Wheelchair access. w: powernh.org.au

Samarinda Community Centre

296 High St Ashburton. Ph. 1300 591 464. Exercise programs include: Gentle exercise, Line dancing, Zumba Gold, Qui Gong. Social activities include: Bus excursions, Table Games, Craft, Art, Entertainers & guest speakers. w: samarinda.org.au

Surrey Hills Neighbourhood Centre

157 Union Road. Ph. 9890 2467. e: enquiries@surreyhillsnc.org.au w: surreyhillsnc.org.au Mon-Thu 9am-3:30pm Fri 9am-2:30pm. Venue hire. Playgroup, drop in m/tea, disc. groups, laughter, painting & drawing, craft, cooking. Active: Tai Chi, bike riding, Pilates, walking, yoga, Qi Gong, strength training, short courses, workshops.

Waverley Community Learning Centre

5 Fleet St, Mt Waverley. Ph. 9807 6011. Programs & activities include: children's art, pottery, creative writing, technology courses, pilates, strength training, yoga, Spanish, calligraphy, yoga, painting, English for migrants & more. w: wclc.org.au e: info@wclc.org.au

Childcare & Activities

Aurora School, Blackburn South

Specialist school for young deaf & deaf blind children. Mon-Fri 9am-3pm. Early intervention staff visit families in homes. 96 Holland Rd. Ph. 8878 9878.

Avenue N'hood House @ Eley, **Blackburn Sth** Occ. care 9am–3pm Mon-Fri (bookings essential). Bubba Beats music group for children 0–4 yrs. Thurs morns. Ph. 9808 2000. w: theavenue.org.au

Blackburn South Playgroup

St. Edwards Church, 59 Edinburgh Rd. Thurs mornings 10am-noon. New members welcome. Ph. 0418 537 955 e: suzanne.marazzato@bigpond.com

Facilitated Grandparents' Playgroup Koonung Cottage Community House 109 Koonung Rd, Blackburn North. Wed. school terms 9:30-11:30am. \$45 per term. Ph. 9878 6632. e: admin@koonungcottage.org.au

French Playgroup in Camberwell "Le jardin des enfants". Camberwell South Anglican Church, 101–103 Bowen St. Wed 10-11:30am. \$5 per family. Ph. 0450 676 537. e: french@csac.org.au

Grandparents/New Families Playgroup, Camberwell Bowen Street Community Centre, 102 Bowen St. Various times.Ph. 9889 0791. e: info@bowenstreet.org.au

Playgroup at Burwood Heights Uniting Church Cnr Burwood Hwy & Blackburn Rd East Burwood. Wed. 10am school terms. Ph. Edith 0410 756 203 or Marg 9955 4532.

Playgroups & Kids' Club St Thomas's Anglican Church, 44 Station St, Burwood. Thurs, 3:30-6:30pm, \$5, dinner incl. School aged, yrs 1-6. Playgroups Tues & Thurs 10-noon. Ph. Joshua 0450 638 890. e: joshuam@sttoms.org.

"Sparkles" Camberwell Baptist Church Meet weekly in Wills Street Hall school terms Mon. 9:30-11:15am. Children 0-4 years welcome. Bookings essential. Ph. Margaret 0412 422 309. \$60 per term.

Community Music & Singing

Blackburn North Sing Australia Group

Thurs 7:30pm. Community Centre Forest Hill Village, 264 Springvale Rd. Sing variety of songs. Perform for comm. orgs. 1st wk free; no auditions.Ph. Mick 0414 484 080.

Celtic Jam, Box Hill Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station St. Ph. Judy 0422 868 680. Wed. 7:45-9:15pm. Easygoing jam session; learn a tune p.w. New members welcome. \$10.

Community Singing at Bennetswood N'hood House 7 Greenwood St, Burwood. Sing & String-along Mon. 11:30am-12:45pm. Fees vary. Book at office or ph. 9888 0234.

Creativity Australia – With One Voice, Ashburton Ph. 8679 6088 Ashburton Baptist Church, 8 Y St. Wed. 6:15-7:30pm. Supper included. Come along and enjoy.

e: withonevoice@creativityaustralia.org.au

Majellan Singers, Ashburton Like to join a small, friendly women's choir? Rehearsals in Ashburton Wed. 7:30-9:30pm. \$450 p.a. For info or audition Ph. Rosemary 0416 267 500.

Open Door Community Singers Habitat Uniting Church, cnr Burke & Mont Albert Rds, Canterbury. Mon 7:30–9:30pm. \$85 pa (admits to all Open Door choirs), \$8 per night. Ph. 0419 894 340.

Open Door Gospel Singers Details as above. Thurs 7:30-9:30pm.

Scotsglen Singers Inc. Ph. Elizabeth 0407 542 680. All-female choir entertains shut-ins, raises money for charity. Rehearse Glen Waverley Thurs pm. Perform regularly in local area. Membership: \$85.

Sing Australia Choir, Camberwell Camberwell Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Rd. Community-based choir. Tues. 10am-noon. Annual sub., plus \$7 per visit. No auditions. Ph. 0439 381 091.

Treble Tones Join ladies who enjoy singing. Rehearsals Wed mornings, Burwood. Membership: \$110 pa. Ability to read or sightread music desirable. Ph. Lorraine Pollard 9807 5936.

Ukulele & Singing (BUGSS) Bennettswood Neighbourhood House, 7 Greenwood St, Burwood. Mon. 11:30am-12:45pm. Ph. 9888 0234. e: info@bennettswoodnh.org.au

Victoria Welsh Male Choir, Blackburn South Wed. 7:30-9:30pm St Edward's, Edinburgh Rd. Ph. David on 0413 077 573. Looking for men who can hold a tune. Great camaraderie. w:vicwelshmenschoir.com.au

Community Shopping

Animal Welfare Op Shop, Camberwell

1355 Toorak Rd. Mon-Sat 11am-5pm. Shop, donate, recycle. Nothing over \$20. Quality new/recycled clothing, books, etc. We can pick up. 9889 9435 shop hours.

Kindilan, Mont Albert

9 Hamilton Street, Ph. 9899 5431. Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 9:30am-1.30 pm. A boutique Op Shop staffed by welcoming volunteers with big hearts.

Lions Club of Boroondara Central Op Shop 1350C Toorak Rd, Camberwell. Ph. 9809 4950. Bric-a-brac, clothes, furn., etc. Mon-Thurs 10:30am-4:30pm (Fri-4pm), Sat 9:30am-12:30pm. Proceeds to community.

Rotary Recycled Treasures Op Shop, Blackburn 113 Canterbury Rd. Ph. 0451 200 237. Books, clothing, jewellery, bric-a-brac. Accept elec. goods. All funds to Charity Projects. Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-1pm.

Rotary Recycle Op Shop, Surrey Hills 1113 Riversdale Rd. Excellent range of books/bric-a-brac/ladies wear. All profits to community projects. Mon-Fri 10am-4pm; Sat 10am–1pm. Volunteers welcome.

Salvation Army Thrift Shop, **Ashburton** 401 High St. Books, toys, clothing, bric-a-brac. Accept elec. goods, not monitors/TVs/scanners. 8:30am-5pm. Mon-Sat. Leave goods at Shop rear bus. hrs. Ph. 9885 4965.

Samarinda The Ashy Op Shop Cnr High St & Welfare Pde. Mon-Fri 10am-4.30pm, Sat. 9:30am-4pm, Sun 11am-3pm. Easy drop off. All proceeds help aged locals. Ph. 9058 6050.

Uniting Op Shop, Forest Hill 333A Canterbury Rd, off-street parking. Tues-Sat 9:30am-1pm. Great value. Volunteer staff; all profits to small charities. Buy, donate or volunteer. Ph. 9878 3222.

Vinnies Mont Albert 24 Hamilton St. Ph. 9898 0720. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. A unique Op-shopping experience with a great range of clothing, homewares, books and more.

YES Op Shop, Forest Hill 53 Mahoneys Rd. Ph. 9894 0992. Youth Education Support Inc. sponsors young disadvantaged people. Shop, donate, volunteer. Books, toys, clothing, bric-a-brac.

Crafts & Hobbies

Abbey Girls of Victoria Phone Margaret on 9886 0232. Bennettswood N'hood House, 7 Greenwood St. Club based on Elsie J. Oxenham's books.

Australian Philatelic Society

Memorial Homes Hall, 152 Canterbury Rd, Canterbury. Meets bi-monthly. Interesting displays at meetings. Visitors/ new members welcome. Ph. John Young 9889 1385.

Box Hill Art Group Inc. NFP. Highly qualified tutors. Flexible classes: beginners/ experienced in watercolour, oils, pastel, acrylics, etc. Ph. Eric 0424 775 540. w: boxhillartgroup.com.au

Box Hill Hand Spinners & Weavers Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station St. NFP group meets weekly to share knowledge in spinning, weaving, etc. Ph. Margaret Dimelow 0400 669 383.

Camberwell Camera Club Rutherford Rm, St John's Anglican Church, 552 Burke Rd. Ph. Wolf 0428 398 446. 7:30pm, 2nd/4th Mon. Speakers, comps, outings. w: camberwellcameraclub.org.au

Camberwell Film Society Old Library 25 Inglesby Rd. 3rd Wed. Feb-Nov (2nd Wed in Dec). 7:30pm. \$50 single, \$95 double; Mini Pass (3 screenings) \$15. Ph. Bill 9347 6969.

Crochet or Knitting for Beginners Mon. 1-2:30pm. Koonung Cottage Community House, 109 Koonung Rd, Blackburn North. Ph. 9878 6632.

Dream Stitches St Aidan's Church Hall, 10 Surrey St, Box Hill Sth. Friday 9:30am–noon school terms. Community-based sewing for migrant & refugee women. w: dreamstitches.org.au

Forest Hill Woodturners New Members Welcome. Mon. 9.30 – 3pm. Sat. 9.30–12.30. Warrawong Centre, 32 Richmond St. Blackburn Sth. Teaching club with quality equipment & ongoing quidance for all members. w: fhwt.org.au

French Book Club in Camberwell Camberwell Sth Anglican Church, 103 Bowen St. Relaxed chat about French books & novels with other French speakers. Sun. 2–3pm. Ph. 0450 676 537 e: French@csac.org.au

Jane Austen Society of Melbourne Inc., Ashburton Purves House, 303 High St. Meet 2pm last Sat. Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Nov. Guest speakers, afternoon tea, raffle. Guests welcome. Charge \$4. Ph. 0407 985 614. w: jasm.org.au

Melbourne Numismatic Society Inc. Box Hill Community Arts Centre, cnr Station/Combarton Sts. 2nd Thurs, exc. Jan. Learn about coins, notes, badges, medallions. Ph. 9725 0945 e: monica.deknecht@bigpond.com

Needlework Tapestry Guild of Victoria Inc. Box Hill Comm. Arts Centre, 470 Station St. Sat 8:30am–3pm 2nd Wed 11am-3pm. Ph. Anne Bryan 0400 644 086 or 9728 3256. e: eannebryan@gmail.com

Nunawading & District Lapidary Club Nunawading Community Hub, 96 Springvale Rd. Club night 2nd Wed. Mineral group 3rd Wed. Juniors (12-16) Sat 1-4. Cut & polish gems & silver work. ndlc@ndlconline.asn.au

Power N'hood House Book Group 54 Power Avenue, Ashwood. Chat about books over a cuppa. Meets 3rd Wed, 10–11:30am with bestsellers from free Monash Library Book Group. All welcome. w: powernh.org.au

Victorian Button Collectors' Club Burwood Hts Uniting Church, cnr Burwood Hwy & Blackburn Rd. 2nd Tues 8pm. Ph. Robyn 9884 5675. w: vicbuttonclub.com.au

Waverley Film Society, Mt Waverley Church hall, St John's Uniting Church Virginia St. 7:45pm 2nd Wed Feb-Dec. Older "classic" films. Ann. m/ship \$30 (1st visit free). Ph. Brett 9807 3426. w: waverleyfilm.org.au

Although space is limited, if you have a suitable Community Notice listing, please email: freenotices@burwoodbulletin.org or phone Chris on 0413 412 844.

Waverley Gem Club Central Reserve, Glen Waverley. Wide range of activities: gem cutting, silver smithing. Training at Mt Waverley. Ph. 9561 4127 w: https://tinyurl.com/y5gp8s4j

Waverley Scale Modelling Club Wadham House, 52 Wadham Pde, Mt Waverley (behind library). Meet 2nd Tues, Feb-Dec, 7:30–10:30pm. NFP for Scale Model builders. Ph. Edward Russell 9857 6891.

Whitehorse Film Society, Willis Rm, Whitehorse Civic Centre, 379 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, 7:45pm, 1st/3rd Sat. 20 Aust./foreign films. Feb—Dec \$55. w: whitehorse.filmsociety.org.au

Dance & Exercise

Box Hill Ballet Association Inc.

NFP. Classical ballet (Cecchetti), Jazz, Tap, Folk, Wu Tao. Students 4yo-adult. Adult beginners. Ph. 0407 524 278. w: boxhillballet.com.au e: boxhillballet@gmail.com

Dance for Fitness Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station St. Mon, 1–2pm. Low impact informal dance class for those who don't like gym. Ph. 9895 8888. w: bhcac.com.au

Dance for Parkinson's, Camberwell Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Road. Fridays 10-11am. \$5 donation. e: quixoticdancetech@gmail.com

English Country Dance Bennettswood N'hood House, 7 Greenwood St, Burwood. Tues 8–10pm. \$5. All dances taught. Partners not nec. Think Pride & Prejudice. Ph. George on 9890 5650.

Hong Kong Club Tai Chi Group Evergreen Centre, 45 Talbot Ave, Balwyn. Tai Chi & Qigong classes – various forms. Sat. 8:30am–1pm. Ph. Sam 0418 101 937 e: hongkongclub.taichigroup@gmail.com

Introduction to Tai Chi, Blackburn Nth Mon. 11:30am–12:30pm. Koonung Cottage Community House, 109 Koonung Rd. Ph. 9878 6632. e: info@koonungcottage.org.au

Melbourne Colonial Dancers Ashburton Uniting Church Hall, 3

Ashburton Uniting Church Hall, 3 Ashburn Gve. 3rd Thurs 7:30–10pm w/ supper. \$6, Members \$5. Ph. Coral 9885 6109. e: coralmary@tpg.com.au

Scottish Country Dancing, Surrey Hills Surrey Hills Uniting Church, 679 Canterbury Rd, Tues Mar–Nov 7:30–10pm. \$7. Beg. & exp. welcome. Flat, soft shoes. Ph. 0425 883 218.

e: boxhillscottish@yahoo.com.au

Surrey Dance St Matthew's Church Hall 334 High St. Ashburton. Friendly & welcoming venue. Ballroom, New Vogue & Latin. Wed 7–10:30pm Ph. Fred 0418 340 111; Debbie. 0412 297 025.

Let's TAP Cardio & Low Impact Tap Dancing Classes Experience not req, enthusiasm & energy essential. \$22 a session, \$100 per 6-class pass. Ph. Lisa 0431 887 697 w: LetsTAP.com.au pass.

Education/Self-improvement

Boroondara Toastmasters Burwood N'hood House, 1 Church St. 1st & 3rd Thurs 7:30pm Communication, leadership and self-confidence skills. e: boroondara.toastmasters@gmail.com Ph. 0408 008 801.

Glen Iris Toastmasters Club Glen Iris Community Centre, 200 Glen Iris Rd. 2nd/4th Wed 7:15pm. Improve leadership, public speaking, self-confidence. Ph. 0420 846 853. e: vidhu1001@gmail.com

MPower Me Homework Club

54 Power Ave, Ashwood. A fun group with qualified tutors supporting primary school children with homework on Tuesdays during school term 3:30–5pm. Ph. 9807 3589.

Speaking Made Easy, Camberwell

Meet at Camberwell Library, 4th Thurs 2pm. Public speaking for women; communicating with confidence; meeting procedures. Ph. 0459 186 670.

w: speakingmadeeasy.com.au

U3A, Box Hill 29 Strabane Ave. Learning & social activities for seniors. Art, exercise, games, history, iPad, languages, literature, meditation. Ph. 9898 3336. w: u3aboxhill.com.au

U3A, Hawthorn 26 Sinclair Ave. Ph. 9821 0282. Educational, creative courses for retirees/semi-retirees. 90 courses/activities. Low annual fee. 10:30am–1:30pm Mon–Fri. w: u3ahawthorn.org.au

U3A, Nunawading Ph. 9878 3898. e: admin@u3anunawading.org.au Semi & Retired people; 250+ classes: IT, languages, art craft, humanities, science, exercise etc. w: u3anunawading.com.au

ESL (English as a Second Language)

Ashburton

Presbyterian Church, 1 High Street Rd. All levels. Tues 10am–noon school terms. e: ashburton.esl@gmail.com

Samarinda Community Centre, 296 High St. ESL for Chinese seniors. Thurs. 9.30am–2pm. Ph. 1300 591 464

Box Hill

St Peter's Anglican Church Hall, 1038 Whitehorse Rd. Focus on pronunciation; incl. grammar. All levels except Beginner; Thurs 6:30-8:30pm. Ph. 0431 025 843. e: dmceverard@gmail.com.

The Salvation Army 17-23 Nelson Rd. Mon 7pm–8.30pm (Beginners to Intermediate). Ph. 9890 2993. e: corps.boxhill@aus.salvationarmy.org

Burwood

St Thomas's Church, 44 Station St. Sat 9:45-11:45am. Improve spoken/written English; small classes. M/tea incl. \$25/ term; \$90 p.a. Ph. 9808 3250. e: info@sttoms.org

Burwood East

Crossway Baptist Church, 2 Vision Dve. Sat 10am-noon. Ph. 9886 3700. e: mtai60@gmail.com

Burwood Heights Uniting Church, Burwood Hwy & Blackburn Rd, Practise English in friendly way. Sun. Ph. Barry 0419 302 334

Forest Hill

St Mark's Anglican Church, 303 Canterbury Rd, Forest Hill. Wed. 1:30-3pm (school terms). Pronunciation, conversation. Ph. 9878 2848. e: office@stmarksfh.org

Glen Waverley

Syndal Baptist Church, cnr Blackburn & High Street Rd, Glen Waverley. Mon/Tues 7:30-9pm; Tues 9:30am-11am; Thurs 1:30-3pm, Sun 3:30-5pm e: admin@sb.org.au

Hawthorn East

Let's Talk English @ Camberwell Baptist Church, cnr Riversdale Rd & Wills St. Free classes Sat 9.30-11.30pm school terms. e. office@camberwellbaptist.org

Mount Waverley

Waverley Community Learning Centre, 5 Fleet St, Mt Waverley. Fri. 9:30-noon. Ph. 9807 6011. e:info@wclc.org.au

Surrey Hills

Balwyn Baptist Church 517 Whitehorse Rd. Fri 6pm-7:30pm. Ph. 0409 214 968.

Environment & Gardening

Ashwood College Permaculture Food Garden Open 10:30am Wed & Sat. New volunteers always welcome First Ashwood High entry off Vannam Dr. (30m on right at end of school drive). Ph. Lynda 0404 083 272 or Facebook.

Australian Plants Society,

Waverley 3rd Thurs 8pm, Wadham House, 52 Wadham Pde, Mt Waverley. Speakers on range of topics re growing Aust. plants, & environment. Garden visits. Virginia Barnett 9803 4502

Bellbird Dell Reserve, Vermont Sth

Ph. 9262 6333. Working bees 1st Sat. 10am-noon, m/tea. Dig and make friends! Check Dell noticeboard, take garden gloves, tools provided. e: info@bellbirddell.org

Box Hill Garden Club Meets at Springfield Park Pavilion (cnr Dorking & Springfield roads) 3rd Tues 10am. Guest speakers. All welcome. Ph. Yvonne Chapman 9874 3293.

Bungalook Nursery, Blackburn Sth Propagate indigenous plants and more with friendly volunteers plus social events. Open Wed 9:30-noon, Fri 9:30am-1pm. e: wcipp@yahoo.com.au

Camberwell Morning Garden Club

Camberwell Petanque Club rms, Wakefields Gr. (Mel. 60F4) 9:45am-noon, 2nd Thurs, Feb-Nov. Plant stall, outings. Visitors welcome Ph. 0413 790 051 e: cmgcvic1979@yahoo.com

The Field Naturalists Club of Victoria Inc. Groups hold monthly meetings 1 Gardenia St, Blackburn. Visitors welcome for small fee. Groups: Botany, Fauna, Geology & more. Special juniors group. w: fncv.org.au

Friends of South Surrey Park 909-911 Riversdale Rd, Surrey Hills. New volunteers welcome to working bees. Last Sun. & every Tues. 10am-noon. w: facebook.com/southsurreypark

Ph. 0437 959 013.

Greenlink Box Hill Indigenous Plant Nursery Indigenous plant nursery run by volunteers in nursery or parklands. Open Tues/Wed 9am-noon. Ph. 0479 121 653 (Tues/Wed) e: greenlinkboxhill@gmail.com

Lighter Footprints – Climate Action Group Guide Hall, Faversham Road, Canterbury. All welcome. Last Wed. 7pm for 7:30-9:30pm. Help keep the planet safe. More info: 0411 115 186. w: lighterfootprints.org

Waverley Bonsai Group 3rd Tues 8pm, St Johns Church Hall, 37 Virginia St, Mt Wav. All levels plus weekend workshops. Annual show in August. New members welcome. Ph. Bruce Wensor 9802 8529.

Waverley Garden Club Mt Waverley Community Centre, 47 Miller Cres. Meets 1st Fri 7:30 for 8pm. Monthly guest speakers. Ph. Gill Read 0409 568 422. E: info@waverleygardenclub.com

Winton Road Food Forest,

Ashburton A community-maintained food forest at Winton Road Reserve growing food organically & sustainably. Working bees 9-11am every 2nd & 4th Sat. morning. 38 Winton Rd. Ph. 0420 961 695.

Flowers & Floral Art Groups

Box Hill Floral Art Inc. The Pavilion, Box Hill Hawks FC cnr Middleborough & Whitehorse roads. 1st Thurs. Workshops 10am, demos by designers 1pm. BYO lunch. All welcome. Ph. 9898 2483.

Camellias Victoria Inc. East Burwood Uniting Church Hall, cnr Burwood Hwy & Blackburn Rd. Meets monthly 8pm 2nd Wed, Mar-Nov inclusive. Visitors welcome. w: camelliasvic.org.au

Chrysanthemum Society of Victoria Inc. Burwood Heights Uniting Church Hall, Cnr Blackburn Rd & Burwood Hwy. 2nd Sat 2:30pm. (excl. June). Cultivation specialist society to

exhibition standards. Ph. 9898 5458.

Early Morn African Violet Group, Alvie Hall, cnr Alvie & High Street rds. Mt Waverley. 1st Mon. at 8pm & 3rd Wed. at 10am. Learn how to grow African violets,

and make new friends. Ph. 5678 8814.

For Teens

Australian Youth Band, Ashwood

Musical standard no lower than AMEB 5th Grade or equiv. Rehearsals Sat. 9amnoon, Parkhill Primary School Recreation Hall. Ashwood. w: ayb.org.au

Bao Lin Teens Meditation Class

94A High St, Glen Iris. Sat 7–9pm fortnightly. Learn lost art of mindfulness & discover happiness through Zen meditation. Classes free! w: chungtai.org.au Ph.9813 8922

Box Hill Jiu Jitsu Self defenceoriented martial arts training held at Aqualink Box Hill. Wed evenings & Sat afternoons. Beginners welcome. e: dan@bhjj.com.au w: bhjj.com.au

Connecting Teens, Ashwood

Social group (13–18 yrs); Power N'hood House, 54 Power Ave. For all teenagers esp. high functioning with Autism, Asperger's, ADHD. Ph. 9807 3589; e: office@powernh.org.au

Cruzin Study Homework Support Program Free homework support during school terms for 12-25 year-olds. Secondary, TAFE, uni subjects. Thurs 4–6pm, Box Hill Library, 1040 Whitehorse Rd. Ph. 9898 9340.

Epee and Sabre Fencing Learn Olympic sport of the sword: Fencing! Beginner classes every term. All equipment provided. Sat. 10-11:30am; Tues. 7:30-9pm. w: whitehorsechevaliers.com Ph. 0450 556 330.

Homework Help Club, Surrey Hills Run by young adults during school term, free tutoring Yrs 7-10: Maths, English, Science. Fri. 5:30-7pm. St Stephen's Presbyterian Church, Canterbury Rd.

Monash Youth Services Info, support, referral, range of programs/ activities for 10-25 y.o. Free service. 14 Bogong Ave, Glen Waverley. 9am-5pm, Mon-Fri. Ph. 9518 3900. w: myfs.org.au

Nunawading & District Lapidary Club Nunawading Community Hub, 96 Springvale Rd. Club night 2nd Wed. Mineral group 3rd Wed. Juniors (12-16) Sat 1-4. Cut & polish gems & silver work. ndlc@ndlconline.asn.au

Scouts Make new friends, expand your world. Offers an exciting & varied program for youth (boys and girls) aged between 6-25. w: scoutsvictoria.com.au

Waverley Gem Club Central Reserve, Glen Waverley. Ages 11 upward. Learn working with gemstones. Join us for field trips with parents & find your own gems. Ph. 9561 4127.

e: waverleygemclub@gmail.com

Youth Education Support Inc.(YES)

Gain work experience in various areas, window display, admin., etc., while assisting disadvantaged young people. Location: Forest Hill. Ph. 9894 0992.

Friendship & Activity Groups

Avenue N'hood House @Eley, Blackburn Sth 87 Eley Rd. Social groups meet weekly for interests incl. sketching, scrabble, crochet & cards for social players. Ph. 9808 2000. w: theavenue.org.au

Association of Independent Retirees Ph. 9886 8516. For those who intend or do fully/partly self-fund their retirement. Social meetings in Forest Hill. w: independentretirees.com.au

Boroondara Life Activities Club, Camberwell Mon: mahjong, solo, golf. Tue: scrabble. Wed: p.m. table tennis. Thu: table tennis. Fri: day trips, dine outs. Sat: Ent. Sun: t/tennis. 'Life is better together.' Ph. 9836 8027.

Box Hill Senior Citizens' Club Inc. 79 Carrington Rd. Ph. 9890 4979. Mon 1:30pm cards, bingo. Tues: mahjong. Fri 1:30pm concerts \$10. Lunch noon M–F. Sub \$8.90 pa.

Burwood Ladies Social Group Come meet new people and plan outings over tea or coffee. Monthly first Tues at 1pm, Ph. 9808 6292.

Camberwell Italian Senior Citizens 405 Camberwell Road. Outings, bingo and lunches. For info phone Teresa Donato 0412 840 703.

Coffee Connect @ Camberwell Baptist Friendship time over coffee Wed. morning in Fellowship Centre; enter Riversdale Rd. Weekly during school terms 10am—noon. Share & make new friends. Ph. Margaret on 0412 422 309.

Frenz-in-Deed Don't be lonely Sat nights. FID is an Eating-Out Group mainly for senior singles & couples. Thai, Chinese, Indian, German Viet, Italian, French Rest'ts & hotels. Ph. Robin 0407 548 116.

GOLD (Growing Older Living Dangerously) Friendly, supportive women over 55. Fun, new experiences. 10:35am–12:30pm 2nd Thurs. Craig Centre, 7 Samarinda Ave, Ashburton. Ph. 9885 7789. e: craig.cd@craigfc.org.au

Vietnamese Senior Cultural Assoc. Inc, Ashburton 296 High St. Tues 9am–5pm. Exercises, singing group, lunches, dancing, table tennis. All welcome. Ph. Yen 0412 157 228. w: vietsca.wixsite.com/vsca

Wominjeka Garden, High St Glen Iris St Oswald's Anglican. Med/Prayer 8am Mon Tues Thurs. 7:30am Wed. Night Conv./Shared Meal (bring a plate) fortnightly Wed 6pm. w: stoswaldsgleniris.net.au/events

Health & Support Groups

Anxiety Recovery Centre Victoria (ARCVic) OCD & Anxiety Support Group. 1st/3rd Tues 7:30–9:30pm Hawthorn Community House. 32 Henry St, Hawthorn. Ph. 9830 0566. e: admin@arcvic.org.au

Aphasia Support Group Link Health & Community – Batesford Hub, 94 Batesford Rd, Chadstone. Fortnightly group for Aphasia sufferers & their families. Ph. 1300 552 509. w: linkhc.org.au

Betting On A Better Life!

MonashLink Community Health project. Gambling concerns? Activities. Ph. Judy Avisar 0426 245 897 or 1300 552 509. e: javisar@monashlink.org.au

Blackburn Take Off Weight Naturally Club Avenue N'hood House
@ Eley, Eley Rd. Friendly Weight Loss
Support. NFP weight loss club can help
you. Meets Mon, 9:30–11:30am.
Ph. Rene Gale 9874 4043.

Box Hill Prostate Cancer Support Group 9:30–11:30am, 3rd Tuesdays. Box Hill RSL Upton Room, Nelson Rd. Onsite parking. Ph. Bert Alesich 0418 344 057

Day Respite for People Living with Dementia Samarinda's Elsie Salter House, 11 Marquis St, Ashburton. Day respite for carers of those living with dementia, memory loss or confusion. 4 days p.w. Ph. 1300 591 464

Disability Support & Respite Program Social groups for young people 16 yrs up with intellectual disabilities. Group fitness, cooking, outings. Tues. afternoons & Sat. Ph. Leza, Craig Family Centre, 9885 7789.

Evening Warm Water ExercisesMon/Thurs, Peter James Centre. \$9 per session. Run by physiotherapists. For people with musculoskeletal disease.
Eastern Suburbs Hydrotherapy Inc. Ph. 0467 631 835.

Kara House Outreach Service

Domestic Violence Support Agency. For women experiencing domestic violence. Support to women from diverse cultural & linguistic backgrounds. Ph. 1800 900 520.

Melbourne East Disability Advocacy, Surrey Hills Provides individual/citizen advocacy to those with intellectual disabilities in Boroondara, Monash, Whitehorse. Ph. 9808 8633. e: office@meda.org.au w: meda.org.au

Melbourne Osteoporosis Support Group Inc. Newsletters posted to all members. Phone Janeene 5282 2767. w: melbosg.org.au and Facebook.

Nunawading Take Off Weight Naturally Club Friendly, low cost, support group for men & women. Meets Forest Hill Uniting Church Wed 6:30– 8pm. Ph. Margaret 9894 4942.

Parkinson's Victoria Inc.

Boroondara Camberwell Support Group, Meet last Mon. 10am-noon. Ph. Parkinson's Victoria 1800 644 189.

Personal Helpers & Mentors Program, Monash Lvl 1, 12 Hamilton Pl, Mt Waverley. Ph. 9692 9400. Community-based outreach support for people with mental illness, Referrals/selfreferrals welcome. Free program.

Reconnexion NFP Counselling, group therapy, phone support, anxiety disorders, depression, pills dependency. Ph. 1300 273 266. w: reconnexion.org.au e: info@reconnexion.org.au

Whitehorse Activities Group

Various groups: dancing, sporting activities, cards, walking groups, board games and golf. New members welcome. Joy 0450 977 633/893 3591 or Sue 0427 987 320/9873 2054.

Whitehorse Community Support Register Feel safe and secure at home. Confidential Whitehorse Register designed to help elderly, disabled or isolated. Ph. 8892 3385 (Mon–Fri 10am–noon).

History Groups

Box Hill Historical Society Inc.

Mtg Rm 1, Library, 1022 Whitehorse Rd. 3rd Sun. (Feb-Nov) 2pm. Archives Box Hill Town Hall Tues. 11am 1st Sat. by appt. Ph. 9285 4808. e: boxhillhistory@gmail.com

Camberwell Historical Society Inc.

Meeting Room, Camberwell Library, 340 Camberwell Road, Camberwell. Meets 4th Tuesdays 8pm. New members welcome. w: chs.org.au Ph. 9885 9927.

Family History Connections

1/41 Railway Rd, Blackburn. Ph. 9877 3789. Weekdays, online access, books. Research services, seminars, free beginners' classes. e: info@familyhistoryconnections.org.au w: familyhistoryconnections.org.au

Hawthorn Historical Society

Local History Room, Hawthorn Library, Glenferrie Rd. 2nd & 4th Weds 11am–1pm. Members work & to learn about materials in collection. Ph. 9278 4666. e: hawthornhistoricalsociety@gmail.com

Surrey Hills N'hood Centre Historical Society 157 Union Road, Surrey Hills. Ph. 9890 2467. Third Tues 8pm. All welcome. \$4/session with \$15 centre membership. e: enquiries@surreyhillsnc.org.au

Waverley Historical Society Inc., Above Mt Waverley library, Miller Cres (lift avail.). Have queries about Waverley's history? Visit Wed. pm. Ph. Norma 9802 9332. e: waverleyhsvic@gmail.com

Whitehorse Historical Society Inc. Local History Rm, Schwerkolt Cottage & Museum, Deep Creek Rd, Mitcham. Open for research Wed 10:30am–2:30pm. e: whitehorsehistory@hotmail.com Ph. 9873 4946. All welcome.

Community Notices

Local Markets

Boroondara Farmers' Market

3rd & 5th Sat, 8am–1pm. Patterson Reserve, Auburn Rd, Hawthorn. Entry \$2. Fresh pasta, organic fruit/veg etc. 60 stalls of fresh produce from all over Vic. Ph. 9278 4879.

Hawthorn Makers Market 1st Sun. (Mar-Dec) 10am–3pm. Free. Hawthorn Arts Centre, 360 Burwood Rd. Handmade homewares, jewellery, fashion, pot plants, gourmet food etc.

Mt Waverley Rotary Art & Craft Market Mt Waverley Village car park, Stephensons Rd. 2nd Sun each month 9am–2pm. Usually about 60 stalls of art, craft & food. Proceeds to many local and international causes.

Nunawading Market – Craft & Produce 4th Sun. Feb-Nov 9am-2pm. Dec. 2nd Sun. 1-5pm. Toys, clothing, jewellery, gifts, plants, gourmet foods, fresh produce. Whitehorse Civic Centre, 379 Whitehorse Rd.

Treasures & Tastes@Trinity

3rd Sat, 9am–1pm. Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 177 Union Rd. Surrey Hills Indoor boutique makers' & growers' market. Ph. 9890 2165.

e: treasuresandtastes@gmail.com

Whitehorse Farmers Market

2nd Sundays (8am–1pm) Whitehorse City Council's Civic Centre precinct, 379 Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading. Fresh fruit & vegetables, eggs, meat, fish, game meats, from the grower to you.

Mainly for Men
Not necessarily exclusively men's
clubs, but of interest more to men.

Alamein Men's Shed Alamein N'hood & Learning Centre, 49 Ashburn Grove, Ashburton. Tues/Thurs, 9:15am to noon. \$30 per term. Ph. 9885 9401.

Aviation Historical Society of Australia Meets 4th Wed. 7:30pm at Air Force Association, 24 Camberwell Rd, Hawthorn East. Ph. 0418 530 001. e: membership@ahsa.org.au w: ahsa.org.au

Box Hill Prostate Cancer Support Group 9:30–11:30am, third Tuesdays.
Box Hill RSL Upton Room, Nelson Rd.
Onsite parking. Men diagnosed with prostate cancer welcome. Ph. Frank
Blackwell 0408 366 268.

East Malvern Men's Shed 51A Ivanhoe Grove, Malvern East. Tues & Wed 9am-3pm. Place for active retired men to meet those with similar interests. e: info@eastmalvernmensshed.org.au

Forest Hill Men's Shed Forest Hill College, 178 Mahoneys Rd, Burwood East. Outlet for men to meet, make social connections and positively contribute to local community.

Hand Tool Preservation Association of Aust. Inc. Box Hill Community Arts Centre, 470 Station St. 7:30pm. 3rd Tues of Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov. Visitors welcome. Ph. 9803 9871. e: secretary@htpaa.org.au

The Historical Radio Society of Australia We collect and restore radios. Visit one of our monthly meetings or radio auctions, usually in Ashburton. w: hrsa.asn.au Ph. Kevin 9558 3652.

Koonung Woodturners Guild Friendly group, 4th Sat. 9am–noon. Beginners' tuition Thurs. p.m. Koonung Cottage, 109 Koonung Rd, Nth Blackburn. Ph. 9890 9201 w: koonungwoodturners.com

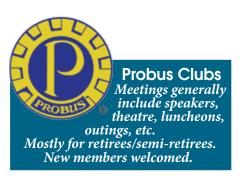
Australian Model Railway Assoc. Vic. Branch Inc. 92 Wills St, Glen Iris. New members welcome. For membership & activities. Ph. 9885 7034. w: armavic.com

Monash Men's Shed 77 Bogong Ave, Bogong Reserve, Glen Waverley. Mon—Sat 9:30am—3pm. Activities for all ages. Drop in for a cuppa. Ph. 9561 8557. e: info@monashshed.org.au

Number Plate Collectors' Club Plate enquiries welcome. All welcome to attend meetings & ask general questions. Contact David West. Ph 0417 993 369. e: davidwest3152@gmail.com

Waverley Woodworkers

2 Windsor Ave, Mt Waverley (opp Jordanville station). Open 7 days, 9am– noon & some afternoons. New members welcome. w: waverleywoodworkers.org.au



Blackburn Lake Ladies Probus Club

Manchester Unity Building, 8 Main St. 1st Thurs. 10am-noon. Ph. President Lyn Newberry 9877 7912.

Box Hill South Ladies Probus Club Bennettswood Bowling Club, 179 Station St., Burwood, 4th Wed. 10am-noon. Easy parking. Lorraine 0423 519 188.

Camberwell Probus Club St Faith's Anglican Church hall, 8 Charles St. 1st Tues 10am—noon. Easy parking. Ph. Richard 0411 612 464.

Chisholm Combined Probus Club Inc.
Mt Waverley Youth Centre, Miller Cres,

3rd Mondays at 10am. Couples welcome. Ph. Val or Graeme 9802 8048.

Combined Probus Club of Blackburn South Horticultural Centre Jolimont Rd, 1st Wed. 10am—noon. Ph. John 9874 2840. e: ailjohn@tpg.com.au

Combined Probus Club of Blackburn Bellbird Blackburn Bowling Club, 65 Pakenham St Blackburn. 2nd Friday 10am-noon Ph. Nell 9899 2458.

Combined Probus Club of Burwood East Inc. Burwood Heights Uniting Church Hall Opp. KMart. 1st Mon. 10am. Easy parking. Ph. Kath 9802 5014.

Combined Probus Club of Glenferrie 3rd Fri 10am-noon, Balwyn Community Centre, 412 Whitehorse Rd, Surrey Hills. Ph. Celia 0403 208 940.

Combined Probus Club of Inala, Blackburn South Inala Village Auditorium, 220 Middleborough Rd. 4th Wed. 1:15–3pm. Ph. Des Trask 9833 3513.

Combined Probus Club of Tunstall Inc. Uniting Church, Cnr 355 Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading. 4th Fridays 10am—noon. Ph Carolyn 9894 8506.

East Malvern Combined Probus Club Inc. Uniting Centre, 54 Serrell St. 1st Wed 9:45am–noon. Ph. 0488 419 314.

Forest Hill Men's Probus Club Horticultural Centre 82 Jolimont Rd. 2nd Tuesdays 10am—noon Ph. Ted 98788040.

Ladies Probus Club of Blackburn South Inc. Avenue Church Fellowship Hall, The Avenue. 3rd Tues. 10am—noon. Ph Margaret 9802 4005.

Men's Probus Club of Balwyn Central Balwyn Baptist Church, cnr Whitehorse & Parring rds 3rd Thurs. 9:30am—noon. Ph. Mike 9830 4650.

Men's Probus Club of Surrey Hills St Aidan's Hall, 17 Duggan St, Nth Balwyn. 1st Thurs, 10am—noon. Phone John on 9857 7088. w: surreyhillsprobus.org.au

North Balwyn Heights Probus Club Mixed club meets 10am 1st Monday. Baptist Church Hall 136 Doncaster Rd. Ph. 9859 2543 or 0418 171 906.

Probus Club of Blackburn Central Blackburn RSL, 2 Diggers Way. 10amnoon 2nd Thurs. Ph. Anne 9894 9565.

Probus Club of Maling Combined Inc.North Balwyn Bowling Club, 60 Buchanan
Ave. Nth Balwyn, 2nd Wed 9:40am.
e: probusmaling@gmail.com

Probus Club of Mont Albert North Inc.Mont Albert Reserve Pavilion, Braemar St,
Mont Albert Nth, 2nd Tues 9:45am-noon
e: montalbertnorthprobus@gmail.com

PLACES OF WORSHIP

ANGLICAN

Camberwell South Anglican

Cnr Toorak Rd & Bowen St. 10am Sunday. Rev David Huynh. Ph: 9889 4813. e: info@csac.org.au

Church of the Ascension, East Burwood Cnr Blackburn Rd &

Witchwood Cres. Sun. 8am, 9:30am; Wed. 10am; Fri. 9:30am. Ph. 9802 4863. w: ascensionchurch.org.au

Holy Trinity, Surrey Hills

Cnr Union Rd & Montrose St. Sun 8am, 9:30am, weekly on Wed 10am. 1st Sun 11.15am Kids' Church; 5pm Choral Evensong. Vicar: Rev. Mark Pearce. Office: 9890 2165. w: holytrinity.sh

St Dunstan's, Camberwell

163 Wattle Valley Rd. Vicar: Fr. Jobby John. Services Sun 9.30 am. Other activities, subject to prevailing COVID restrictions. w: stdunstans.org.au

St Edward's, Blackburn South

59 Edinburgh Rd. Sun. services 8am & 10am. Vicar: Rev. Rob Culhane Ph. 9877 3665 Mb 0412 832 328

St Faith's, Burwood

6-8 Charles St., Glen Iris. e:office@stfaiths.org; w: stfaiths.org; Sun 8 and 10am; Wed 10am; labyrinth open daily. Govt Covid and Vac compliant.

St Matthew's, Ashburton

334 High St (cnr Warrigal Rd). Communion: Sun. 9:15am (English) and 10:30am (Malayalam).

St Oswald's, Glen Iris 100 High St, Glen Iris. Vicar Rev. Glenn Loughrey Ph. 9885 1125. Sun. 8am, 10am,

Wed.10am Holy Communion. e: vicar@stoswaldsgleniris.net.au St Peter's, Box Hill 1030 Whitehorse

Rd. Rev Shane Hubner. Ph. 9890 2721. Services: Sun. 8am, 9.30am, (10am 3rd Sun.), 11:30am, 2pm. Wed. 10:30am, Fri. 7:30am. w: anglicansboxhill.org.au

St Stephen & St Mary, Mt Waverley

383 High Street Road. Vicar: Rev. Dianne Sharrock. Sun. 8am and 10am (esp. for kids). Thurs. 10am.

Ph. 9807 3168; 0407 334 928.

w: stephenandmary.org.au

St Thomas's, Burwood 44 Station St. Vicar: Rev. John Carrick Ph. 9808 3250, 0412 438 021. Sun. Svcs: 8:30am, 10:30am, 10:30am (Cantonese), 2pm (Mandarin), 7pm. e: johnc@sttoms.org



BAPTIST

Ashburton Baptist 8 Y St, Ashburton. Services: Sun 10am (incl. Sunday Club). Ph. 9885 8210 w: ashburtonbaptist.org.au e: info@ashburtonbaptist.org.au

Camberwell Baptist Cnr Riversdale Road and Wills St, Hawthorn East. Sunday Service 10am. Ph. 9813 0538. e: office@camberwellbaptist.org

Crossway Baptist, East Burwood

2 Vision Dr. w: crossway.org.au Eng.: Sat. 5pm; Sun. 8:45/10:15/11:45am. Mandarin: Sat. 5pm; Sun. 10:15am. Cantonese: Sun. 8:45/11:45am. Korean: Sun. 11:45am. Indonesian: Sun. 10:15am.

East Camberwell Baptist

Cnr Highfield & Hunter Roads, East Camberwell. Sun. 10:30am. Pastor: Murray Hogg. Ph. 9836 6063.

Syndal Baptist 588 High Street Rd, Glen Waverley (park off Tricks Ct) Sun. 8:30am, 10.30am & 6pm. Ph. 9803 9144, e: admin@sb.org.au w: sb.org.au

CATHOLIC

St Benedict's, Burwood 299 Warrigal Rd. Ph. 9808 2492. Fr Daniel Serratore. Mass 6pm Sat, 10am & 5pm Sun. 9am Tue-Sat, 7:30pm Wed. e: admin@stbenedicts.com.au, burwood@cam.org.au

St Michael's, Ashburton 268 High Street. Parish Priest: Fr Laurence Cortez. Ph. 9401 6345. Mass: Sat 6:30pm, Sun, 9am, 10:30am. Tues/Wed 10am. Thurs 10am, Fri 10am e: ashburton@cam.org.au

St Scholastica's, Bennettswood

348 Burwood Hwy. Father Thanh Tran. Ph. 9808 1006. e: stschpar@bigpond.net.au Tues 9am Wed 11am; Thurs/Fri 9am; Sat 9am, 5:30pm; Sun 9am, 11am, 5:30pm.

Uniting/Presbyterian

Ashburton Presbyterian cnr High St & High Street Rd, Opp. 391 High St. Pastor: Rev. Barry Oakes. Sun. 10am. w: ashburtonpc.org.au e: office@ashburtonpc.org.au

Ashburton Uniting

3 Ashburn Grove. Ph. 9809 1795. Rev. Lavingi Tupou. Sunday Service 10am, 4th Sunday Messy Church 5pm. w: ashburton.unitingchurch.org.au

Burwood Community Presbyterian

Cnr of Greenwood & Tennyson Sts. Sunday worship 11am Rev Dr John Elnatan 0431 662 869 e: john@bcpc.net.au

Burwood Heights Uniting

Cnr Burwood Hwy & Blackburn Rd. Burwood East Ph. 9803 7631. Rev. Keith Dobson. Sunday services: 9:30am and 6pm (informal service).

Burwood Uniting 1 Hyslop St. Worship Sun 10am

Hall Hire: Pam 98092917 e: burwooduc146@gmail.com

http://burwood.ucavictas.org.au Glen Iris Rd Uniting Church &

Community Care 200 Glen Iris Rd. Ph. 9885 8219. Rev. Gareth Darlow. 10am Sun. services. BBQ & Communion 1st Sun of month. w: gleniris.ucavictas.org.au/ e: office@gleniris.victas.uca.org.au

St Luke's Uniting, Mt Waverley

94 Essex Rd. Office: 9807 2656. Sun. 9.30am. Fun at Five: 5pm 3rd Sun: craft, song, soup, shared meal - families. Ph. Amy 9803 4462.

e: jamesdouglas@ozemail.com.au

Surrey Hills Uniting Cnr Canterbury Rd & Valonia Ave, Surrey Hills.Sun. Svc 10am (incl. Sunday School). Rev. Rob Gotch, e: robgotch@optusnet.com.au Ph. 9898 1097 w: surreyhillsuniting.org

OTHER CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

City Edge, Surrey Hills YWAM Base, 19 Middlesex Rd. Pr Ian Gould. Ph. 0490 946 655. Services: Sun. 10:30am. w: cityedgechurch.com.au

Grace Christian Community, Box Hill South 234 Elgar Rd. Sun. Service 11:30am (incl. lunch), activities, children's programs, English conversation Pastor: Tim Grant 0402 295 691. w: gracechristiancommunity.org.au

The Salvation Army, Camberwell

7–11 Bowen St. Sun. worship 10am & 5pm. All welcome. Sun/School 10am school terms. Ph. 9889 2468. w: salvationarmy.org.au/Camberwell

Wattle Park Chapel 234 Elgar Rd, Box Hill South. Pastor: Richard Coombs. Ph. 9808 2728. Sun. 10am. Kids' Club & Seniors' outings, group Bible study. e: office@wpchapel.org

OTHER FAITHS

Bao Lin Chan (Zen) Buddhist Monastery 94A High Street, Glen Iris. Non-profit Buddhist org. Free meditation classes - learn the art of mindfulness. Free but please register. Ph. 9813 8922 w: chungtai.org.au

Shree Shirdi Sai Mandir Melbourne

32 Halley Ave, Camberwell. Glorious Sai Baba Temple. Mon-Sun 9am-1pm; 5pm-9pm. w: shirdisai.net.au

Service Clubs

Blackburn Evening VIEW Club

Supports Smith Family & Learning For Life students. Meets for dinner, Bucatini Rest'nt, 454 Whitehorse Rd Mitcham 2nd Thurs 7 for 7:30pm. Ph. Hazel 0407 845 292.

Box Hill/Mitcham Day VIEW Club Supporting the Smith Family & Learning for Life Students. 11:30am for Lunch 4th Mon Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Rd Mitcham. Visitors Welcome Ph. Elaine 9878 3211.

Burwood Evening VIEW ClubBucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Rd,
Mitcham, 7pm 2nd Wed. Dinner/guest
speaker. Visitors welcome. Ph. 9885 2336.
e: burwoodeveningviewclub@gmail.com

Burwood RSL Sub Branch

Cnr Myrniong & Hyslop Sts. Meets Mon & Thurs 11am–4pm. Activities incl. billiards & snooker. Visitors & new members welcome. Ph. 0412 392099 e: jim@jlfs.com.au

Lions Club of Ashwood-Mt Waverley Lionsville Hall, 100 metres into Lionsville Senior Citizens Village, 88 Winbirra Parade, Ashwood. Meet first Wed, 7:30pm. Ph. Heather Lauder 0407 813 979.

Lions Club of Blackburn

Men/women all ages. Friendly active club. Bus. Meeting: 1st Wed. 7pm Blackburn North Bowls Club. Social Dinner: 3rd Wed. 7pm "The Coach" Ringwood. New members welcome. Ph. Kate 0434 254 607.

Lions Club of Boroondara Central Glenferrie Hotel, 324 Burwood Rd, Hawthorn. Men/women all ages meet 2nd Tues, 6pm for 6:30pm. Friendly dinner/ business mtg. Ph. 9836 0541 or 0409 389 927.

Lions Club of Boroondara Gardiners Creek Bus. Mtgs: Craig Family Centre,
Samarinda Ave, Ashburton, 2nd Mon,
7:30pm. Dinner Mtgs: Glenferrie Hotel,
4th Mon, 7pm. Ph. 9885 2682 or
0419 880 616.

Rotary Club of Box Hill Burwood Meets Upton Room, Box Hill RSL, 26 Nelson Rd, Box Hill, 1st, 3rd & 5th Tues 6pm-7:15pm. Social meetings 2nd & 4th Tues. Ph. Ray 0408 857 924.

Rotary Club of Box Hill Central Prof. women/men who enjoy helping the community/sharing fun times. Breakfast Wed 7:30am – no charge for 1st two visits. Box Hill Golf Club. Contact Liz Stinson. e: info@boxhillcentralrotary.org.au

Rotary Club of Mont Albert and Surrey Hills Box Hill Institute Nelson Campus, Room G32 Nelson Rd. Community service, friendship, interesting guest speakers. Tues 6:45 for 7pm. e: info@rotarymash.org.au

The Country Women's Assoc. of Vic. Inc. CWA Ashburton Branch. Meet 1st Tues 7pm. The Craig Family Centre Inc. Friendly active group.
e. cwa.ashburton@gmail.com

Waverley Day VIEW Club Box Hill Golf Club, 202 Station St. 11:30am 3rd Mon. Part of The Smith Family. Lunch/ speaker. Visitors welcome. Ph. Leonie Clark 0412 626 881 or 9836 1835. e: pjclark50@bigpond.com

Sporting Clubs

Ashburton Bowls Club Enter off Warner Ave. Two grass greens; free coaching. 1st Sun. Barefoot bowls. Oct–April. Indoor winter bowls/cards. Memberships. Ph. 9885 4788. w: ashburtonbowls.com.au

Bennettswood Bowling Club 179 Station St. Burwood. Ph. 9808 4373. 2 Tift Grass Greens. Summer/winter bowls (indoor mats). Barefoot Fri evening. Free coaching. e: benwoodbowls@gmail

Burwood District Bowls ClubBarefoot Friday nights; function catering, fully licensed, Pennant bowls, Tue/Sat New members welcome.

Ph. 9889 5931 w: burwooddistrict.com.au

Camberwell Central Bowls Club

14 Bowen St. Ph. 9889 4813 "Come Bowlin' on Bowen". Bowling all year. Summertime night bowls Free Coaching. New Members welcome.

w: camberwellbowlsclub.com.au

Camberwell Petanque Club

Wakefields Grove. Ph. 0408 700 550. w: onpisteup.com Summer/Fri. pm. Winter/Sat. noon. Funny name, great game. Free coaching, social play &/or comps, home & away.

Camberwell Target Rifle Club

Tuesday nights from 8pm. Coaching and equipment supplied. Ph. Ron 9808 5606, or Loris 0403 346 044. e: camberwelltrc@gmail.com

East Malvern Senior Citizens Bowling Club MECWA Hall, 57 Fisher St. Thurs 1:30–3:30pm. Indoor carpet bowls on two mats. Outings, more than just a bowls club. New members all ages welcome. Ph. 9555 8639.

Monash Croquet Club Electra Community Centre, Electra Ave, Ashwood. Friendly atmosphere. Beginners' lessons. Ph. Ros, 9802 6545. e: monashcroquet@gmail.com w: croquetvic.asn.au

Phoenix Park Table Tennis Club 26 Rob Roy Rd, Malvern East. Mon & Thurs 5.30–9.30pm coaching/comps all ages. 10am–1pm seniors. Ph. Paul Bronstein 0412 804 036.

Unquenchables Rugby Union
Part of Box Hill RUFC. 35yo+. Less
strenuous rugby. Exp. opt. Sat pm &
Thurs eve. Refreshments and laugh after.
w: unquenchables.com

Whitehorse Chevaliers Fencing Club Nunawading, Vermont South. 'All ages' beginners, coaching & equipment provided. Free trial sessions available. Ph. 0450 556 330.

w: whitehorsechevaliers.com

Volunteer

Active Ageing – Wesley Do Care

Volunteers to share interests/social activities/companionship with elderly/disabled people. Ph. 9794 3000.

Burwood Neighbourhood House

IT Coord. for new 'Burwood Connections' website. Ph. 9808 6292.

Plus Knitted Knockers Australia Admin Assist. (supports breast cancer survivors). e: knittedknockersaustralia@gmail.com

Eastern Emergency Relief Network

Inc. Volunteer one morning per week. Drivers, W/house Coordinators & Assistants, Sorting/Pantry Crews, whitegoods servicers, office admin. & qualified electrical testers, Ph. 9874 8433.

Eastern Volunteer Resource Centre

Assist frail, elderly clients to appts. Be reimbursed for travel in your car. e: info@easternvolunteers.org.au Ph. 9870 7822.

Inclusion Melbourne Support adults with intellectual disabilities. Art mentor, friendly visitor, leisure buddy, tutor. Commit 6-12 mth. Ph. 9509 4266 e: volunteer@inclusion.melbourne

MND (Motor Neurone Disease)

Victoria Provide care & support for people with MND. Volunteers undertake range of roles & responsibilities. Ph. 9830 2122.

MS Community Visitors Scheme Volunteers who enjoy older people's company to visit fortnightly. Training/ support provided. Ph. 9845 2729 e: cvsrecruitment@ms.org.au

Neighbourhood Watch Ashburton Volunteer for 'Caring for Communities'. Support local area groups. Ph. Bryan 0415 356 575 e: Bryanporter59@gmail.com

Neighbourhood Watch Whitehorse

Volunteer for 'Caring for Communities'. Support local area groups. Ph. Ray 0418 596 831 e: whitehorse@nhw.com.au

RSPCA Burwood East 3 Burwood Hwy. Ph. 9224 2222. Many volunteer roles: office admin, events, grounds maint. Or attend info session re animal care. Min. age 15.

Samarinda – local for local Mealson-Wheels drivers, Bus excursions, Snrs transport to attend activities. Gardeners, kitchen/café assistants, Ashy Op Shop staff. Ph. 1300 591 464. e: volunteer@saas.org.au

Youth Education Support Inc. (YES)

Help disadvantaged youth gain education. Help in office or Op Shop; make new friends in the process. Police check required. 53 Mahoneys Rd Forest Hill. Ph. 9894 0992.



VENUE KEY:

CFS – Camberwell Film Society, Camberwell Community Centre, 33-35 Fairholm Grove, Camberwell. CMS – Camberwell Music Society, Camberwell Uniting Church, 314 Camberwell Rd PT – Peridot Theatre, Mt Waverley Sec College, Lechte Rd. tickets@peridot.com.au or 0429 115 334 WFS – Whitehorse Film Society, Whitehorse Centre, 379 Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading

MARCH

- **4-6 Mar 9am-5pm** *Tiny Home Expo* Find out why tiny houses are so popular with experts on building, permits, off-grid, plumbing, finance, finding land and much more. Costs, staggered entry times and bookings at: https://tinyhomesexpo.com.au
- **5 Mar 7:45pm** *Fisherman's Friends* UK. Ten fishermen from Cornwall are signed by Universal Records and achieve a top ten hit with their debut album of sea shanties. [WFS]
- **9 Mar 7:45pm** See You Up There France. Nov. 1919. Two soldiers a disfigured but brilliant artist and an ex-accountant start a memorial con. But in the France of the Roaring Twenties, their adventures soon turn dangerous. [WFS]
- **15 Mar 10:30am** *The Great Romantics* Adelaide-born Brian Luo is one of Australia's finest young pianists. After studies at England's renowned Purcell School, Brian is now based in Melbourne. In this recital Brian will feature works by three giants of Romantic piano music Chopin, Liszt and Brahms. [CMS]
- **16 Mar 7:30pm** *RBG Ruth Bader Ginsberg* USA. Aged 85, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg has built a lengthy legal legacy as a pioneer in gender equality. RGB explores the inspiring and unique personal journey of this diminutive quiet warrior's rise to the USA's highest court and her impact along the way. [CFS]
- 25 Mar 9 Apr 8pm / Ought To Be In Pictures by Neil Simon. Herb, a Hollywood scriptwriter is surprised when his forgotten past reappears in the form of Libby, a teenage daughter who's trekked from Brooklyn with dreams of movie stardom. With Steffy, his sometime paramour at his side, Herb decides to take another stab at fatherhood. [PT]

APRIL

2 Apr 7:45pm *Collective* USA. In 2015, a fire at Bucharest's Colectiv Club left 27 dead and 180 injured. Director Alexander Nanau follows a crack team of investigators at the Romanian newspaper Gazeta Sporturilor as they try to uncover a vast health-care fraud that enriched moguls and politicians. [WFS]

- **9 Apr 7:30pm** *Paavali Jumppanen* Internationally-acclaimed Finnish virtuoso pianist. Tonight's recital will feature Sibelius's characterful 10 Pieces Op 58 as well as Schumann's passionate and sublimely lyrical Sonata No 1 in F# minor Op. 11, a work dedicated to his future wife, Clara Wieck. Book early; a recital not to be missed! [CMS]
- **16 Apr 7:45pm** *The Furnace* Aust. To escape the outback, a young Afghan cameleer falls in with a mysterious bushman on the run with stolen Crown gold. Illuminates forgotten history of Australia's 'Ghan' cameleers, who opened up the Nation's desert interior and formed unique bonds with local Aboriginal people. [WFS]
- **20 Apr 7:30pm** *Mrs Miniver* USA. A glowing Greer Garson commands the screen as Mrs Miniver, a middle-class British housewife whose strength holds her family together as WWII literally hits their home. Walter Pidgeon her husband, seems to be the prototype for future TV dads. [CFS]

MAY

- **7 May 7:45pm** *The Way Home* Korea. Sang-woo is left with his grandmother in a remote village while his mother looks for work. Raised in the city, he comes into conflict with his grandmother and the rural area, feeling abandoned. Through his grandmother's boundless patience and devotion, he learns to embrace humility and the importance of family. [WFS]
- **17 May 10:30am** *Bach Cello Suites* Cellist Richard Narroway performs cello suites by J.S. Bach; these suites are a true centrepiece of the cello literature. Richard recorded the Six Suites in 2017 for his debut album, released to international acclaim. [CMS]
- **18 May 7:30pm** *Departures* Japan. Delightful journey into Japan's heartland as well as a look at a sacred part of Japan's cultural heritage. Daigo Kobayashi, a devoted cellist in an orchestra, is suddenly left without a job. The film follows his profound and sometimes comical journey with death. [CFS]
- **21 May 7:45pm** *Minari* USA. Yearning to own land and be more than a chicken sexer, the ambitious, Jacob Yi, relocates his Korean-American family from California to 1980s rural Arkansas, to start afresh and capture the elusive American Dream. However, new beginnings are always challenging. [WFS]

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