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Editorial

Hello Community News readers,
 I'm sure you'll agree it's been a busy start to the year! There is so much going on in the City of Knox with so much to experience and many ways to be involved. Many activities revolve around supporting people in and beyond our community.

It is a testament to the generosity of our citizens that they seek to use their time to support initiatives that benefit others, such as the Days For Girls workshop in Boronia, The Aussie Vet's Op Shop, Rotary, View Clubs, Banksia Nursery, Lions Club and many more!

Within our pages you will find news from groups and organisations who support the environment, good health, sport, learning, art and other activities. Many rely on volunteers to keep them going. We acknowledge and celebrate them all. It's a great community we live in!

Janet Claringbold, on behalf of the team.

The team at SWCN would like to thank Wantirna College for providing us with an office and home base. We also thank our contributors, advertisers, sponsors and readers. We are the grateful recipient of funding received through the Knox City Council Community Development Fund



Meet the New Principal at Wantirna College

We were privileged to have a meet and greet session with Kevin Murphy, newly appointed Principal of Wantirna College, and found him to be very generous with his support.

Kevin comes to the College with great enthusiasm and a positive outlook for the next 12 months ahead

His plan is to meet, build and learn from Staff, students, parents and the local community, and particularly neighbourhood primary school principals.

We asked him about his particular interests "outside of school hours", and he was happy to share that he loves to sing and has been involved in producing and performing in many school productions where he has been posted in the past. He is also heavily involved in Community TV

Welcome Kevin, we look forward working alongside you!

The team SWCN



ANZAC Day Service 2018 by Russell Hicken, Secretary Peace & Loyalty Lodge

This is the 103rd anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli by members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, ANZAC Day 25th April, will forever be a very marked as part of Australian history.

The members of the Peace and Loyalty Masonic Lodge will again conduct an ANZAC ceremony at the Knox War Memorial, located at the Tim Neville Arboretum, 98 -106 Dorset road. Corner of Francis Crescent and Dorset Road Ferntree Gully. The ceremony will commence at 10 am, Wednesday 25th April, ANZAC Day 2018.

The Knox War Memorial records the names of all service personnel, men and women from the Knox municipal area who paid the supreme sacrifice and gave their lives in any conflict in which Australia has been involved.

This will be the third year the members of the Peace and Loyalty Masonic Lodge and associates have conducted an ANZAC service on this sacred day and have given an ongoing commitment to conduct a service on ANZAC Day into the future. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend this ANZAC service. Floral tributes are welcome and may be laid.



Knox War Memorial

OUT AND ABOUT

Sorry Day Flag Raising Ceremony by Anne Schmid

TR@K is now planning for the Annual Knox Flag Raising Ceremony Sorry Day on Saturday 26th May.

In 2005 Sorry Day was renamed as National Day of Healing for all Australians. Sorry Day was instituted in 1998 one year after the "Bringing Them Home Report" was tabled in Federal Parliament. This Report was an enquiry into the forced removal of children from their families as a result of government policies.

Sorry Day is an opportunity for all Australians to resolve to stand together in a spirit of appreciation, reconciliation, healing and respect.

TR@K regards the Flag Raising ceremony as a most significant event on the calendar for Knox residents.

We are very proud to be involved in this special occasion. This year 26th May falls on a Saturday and we hope that many families, freed from the usual weekday commitments will take up the opportunity to attend.

The Flag Raising Ceremony is symbolic in that it addresses our hopes for a more just and inclusive future. In the past the ceremony has introduced us to cultural experiences of aboriginal dance and music and smoking ceremony. The official "Welcome to Country" and guest speakers have given us important insights into present situations and ways we can all live together in harmony.

Students from our local schools have shared their studies of Aboriginal culture and history. We congratulate the schools for their outstanding involvement, which has truly been much appreciated by those in attendance.

Each year we received many positive comments from those who attend the Ceremony. Last year an elderly man said with glee, "I have learnt more this morning about Aboriginal history and culture, than in my life before today."

We hope that this year you too can be part of the event.

We are hoping for greater community participation at this year's Flag Raising Ceremony. It is an annual memorial event and well supported by the Knox community.

May 26th will come around very quickly so please mark it on the calendar now. Further information will be available later from the Knox Council website.

Saturday 26th May - 10.30 am

Knox City Council, 511 Burwood Highway Wantirna South



Flag Raising Ceremony 2017 (photo by Barbara Oehring)



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WHAT'S COOL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE?



News from Knox Scouts

by Nicole Klep, District Leader Cub Scouts

On 23rd to the 25th of February, 42 ten year old Cub Scouts went camping under canvas at Bay-Park Joseph Harris Scout Camp, Mt. Martha. The weather was just lovely with the rain holding off. Great fun was had by all Cubs and leaders.

Each morning the Cub Scouts participated in camp gadget making, archery, flying fox and challenge valley. They also screen printed "10 year old camp" on dilly bags, creating a special treasure to take home.



On Saturday afternoon the Cubs turned their hands to cooking sausage stew and golden syrup dumplings for dinner! I certainly enjoyed their gourmet results. Saturday night culminated in a huge campfire, huge in the number of people, not the fire! The City of Knox Cubs were joined by Cubs from both the City of Whitehorse and Sherbrooke Forest and they numbered approximately 140. The Cubs thought it was absolutely marvellous with so many at the campfire - the voices resounded throughout the camp grounds. After the singing and hilarity, the Cubs were ably led in a meditative 'Scouts Own' - 'thank you' Monique and helpers.

After packing up camp on Sunday the Cubs went yabbing at the dam. The yabbies were biting and the Cubs had so much fun, they did not want to return to camp for lunch! The yabbies were not on the lunch menu and will be lurking for the next bunch of Cubs that visit. The weekend finished on a high for everyone and the Cubs loved the blanket badge they all received.

If you are interested in trying Scouting go to: <http://www.vicscouts.com.au/join-us.html>

You can try three nights for free! So come along and join in the fun. Scouting is for youth, from age 6 to 26 years, and after 26 lots of fun is to be had by becoming a leader!

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Our specialist classes include Performing Arts, Indonesian, Physical Education, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and Stephanie Alexander Cooking Classes for all year levels. Our Foundation students also participate in PMP (Perceptual Motor Program) and the "Better Buddies" program.

We run Literacy and Numeracy intervention and extension programs to cater for all learning levels and the needs of individual students. St. Luke's has spacious grounds, two outdoor adventure

playgrounds, a full size indoor basketball court and lots of outdoor and indoor activities and clubs during lunch times for all students to be engaged in.

We have a new "Wellbeing Room" to allow students to always feel safe and happy whilst at St. Luke's. This allows for students to self regulate and control their emotions in a positive and safe environment.

At St Luke's Primary School we have an amazing school community that thrives on the inclusiveness and the value we as a school focus on parent/school and community partnerships.

Foundation 2019 enrolments are open and please call the school office on 9801 6917 to organise a tour. We look forward to seeing you at St. Luke's.



Bayswater West Students Shape Their School

Do you want to become a leader?
Do you care about your learning?
Do you want to help our school be the best it can be?
Do you want to challenge yourself?
Do you want to be a part of a team of dedicated students?

These were the questions we asked students across our school when they were looking to join our Student Representative Council (SRC) at Bayswater West. We four Captains are lucky enough to have a part in shaping our school to make sure it is the best learning experience for all students no matter what their level of understanding is. We made it very clear to all students applying for SRC: "You are applying to be a leader who listens to others, collects student opinions and issues important information to them. You will represent students' voices and work hard to keep improving our school. Our goal for this year is that every student is learning to the best of their ability."

We School Captains are four grade six students, two girls and two boys. We were chosen late last year by students from grades 3 - 6 who listened to our speeches and believed in what we had to offer. Students voted for us democratically and we were ready to go as leaders for 2018. While we run assembly for the whole school every week, our biggest task as Captains is forming the Student Representative Council (SRC). To kick the year off we went to a Student Voice workshop run by Victorian Student Representative Council (VicSRC). At this workshop we met with School Captains from outer Eastern Primary Schools and talked about ways in which we could ask students: what were the important issues to them, how we listen to their

voice, how we act on their requests and how we evaluate ourselves. We left the workshop excited to start the year, listen to students and make changes at our school for the better.

Last year our SRC re-wrote the School Motto to something that was meaningful to all students: "because one size does not fit all". This year we are dedicated to looking at learning in the classroom. Do all students understand what they are doing? Is everyone working hard? Is some work too easy? How do we tell our teacher what we think of the lesson? We can't wait to get the applications back, start the interview process and gather together a team of students who are passionate about making positive change in all students learning.

To contact Bayswater West Primary School call Luke Van Leuven on 9729 3394



Jessica, Ella, Ricoh & Mitch - School Captains at Bayswater West Primary School 2018

Wantirna College Murals

The tradition of the painted murals around the campus started a number of years ago. The first four to be completed were painted by Year 10 'Drawing, Painting and Printmaking' students, working in with groups as part of their assessment.

It continued with another class in the following year and then students in the extra curricular Art Club became involved. The Art Club started in 2014. Initially it was a pottery club but, in 2016 it broadened to encourage wider participation, and it was that year that a small group of students took on the mural painting mantle.

Our newest addition to the mural collection is a large painting of an ice dragon and a flaming phoenix which decorates the middle years locker bay. It was painted in Art Club last year by two then year 10 students, Kerry Lam and Hannah Maclean.



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to organise a walk through of the Centre.



BAYSWATER NEWS

THE MIND IS QUICKER THAN THE PEN

The saying goes that the pen is mightier than the sword. That may or may not be true, but what is certain is that the mind is quicker than the pen.

And this is the problem many people encounter when they try to put together their life story, or memoirs. The mind races ahead of the hand that's holding the pen or tapping the keyboard. You cannot keep up with your recollections.

Then you will go off on a tangent. You'll be writing about a car you once owned, and you'll remember a holiday trip you took four years earlier with a favourite aunt, which makes you think of another relative and their playful dog. And so on it goes.

This is when employing the services of an experienced professional will help, says local award winning writer Alistair Smith, who specialises in helping people write their life stories.

The key to Alistair's system is tape recorded interviews, after establishing basic facts. "Then it doesn't matter if we go off on a tangent, or shoot back and forth, or how fast we go, what language we use. I can sort all of that out later. If necessary we can come back and fill in the gaps.

"If you do think of something else, you don't have to write a whole chapter. Simply note one or two words to jolt the memory, and we can expand on that by talking about it at the next session.

"The other thing is that I've been writing all my life and don't have to struggle to the same extent to find the right words."

For more information, Alistair can be contacted on 0417 118 155, or at writeon@bigpond.net.au

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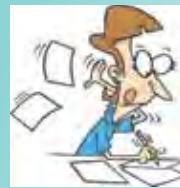
Baptism Preparation: Second Thursday of every month – 7.30pm

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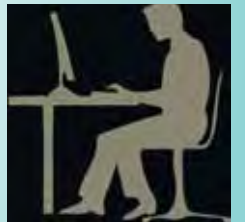
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Bayswater CFA Honours Founding Captain Alan Hodgkin

Article supplied by Bayswater CFA

Within CFA there are a number of traditions and awards that recognise the contribution that members make to the organisation.

Bayswater Fire Brigade permanently recognises and honours outstanding members who have made a significant contribution and impact on the Brigade and the members within it by dedicating an appliance in their name, permanently recognising their contribution.

In October last year the primary appliance at Bayswater CFA, the Bayswater Pumper, was dedicated to their founding Captain Alan Hodgkin.

Alan joined CFA in 1967 at the Boronia Fire Brigade. At that time there were a number of members of Boronia who lived in Bayswater and advocacy began for the formation of a stand-alone brigade in Bayswater. Alan was instrumental in these discussions.

In June of 1969 a public meeting was convened to gather support for the establishment of a brigade in Bayswater. There was no dispute as to the need for local fire protection; however there was much discussion as to whether it should be provided by CFA or MFB.

A second public meeting was held on the 25th of June 1969 which saw the Bayswater Fire Brigade formed. It was not until November of 1969 that the brigade was officially registered with CFA – this was after significant lobbying by Alan Hodgkin.

Alan resigned from Boronia in November 1969 to become Bayswater CFA's Founding Captain. He held this position until December 1973 when he became a Career Firefighter with CFA.

Alan became a Career Officer with CFA from 1973 until 1992, when he retired at the rank of Station Officer III. During his paid CFA Career, Alan remained a committed volunteer at Bayswater.



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Alan used his skills and knowledge, not only for the betterment of Bayswater Brigade, but to the wider CFA. He served a number of terms as Deputy Group Officer (DGO), was a sought after driving instructor - including guest instruction at Fiskville following his retirement, and with many brigades within the district. Alan has remained a dedicated and committed member of the CFA and Bayswater since it's inception.

Alan is in receipt of the following awards and medals:

- CFA Service Awards – 12, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 44 year service medals.
- Bayswater Fire Brigade Life Membership
- National Medal for Service
- CFA Honorary Life Membership
- National Emergency Medal – Victorian 2009 Fires.

Alan's service to the community reaches further than just the Bayswater Fire Brigade. Alan is dedicated to preserving local history through his involvement with the following historical and community groups.

- Fire Services Museum
- Puffing Billy Historic Railway
- Bayswater History (founded by Evelyn Hodgkin)
- Bayswater Op Shop

News from Bayswater Senior Citizens Club by Evelyn Hodgkin

How the year is flying and Bayswater Senior Citizens Club is well and truly back into their weekly and monthly events for the year.

Movie days with morning tea, card playing on Tuesday afternoons and indoor bowls on Friday afternoons sees everyone enjoying themselves.

The main day for the Club is our bingo afternoon on a Thursday. Players are intent on winning a game but still enjoy themselves while catching up with their friends. We also have a raffle in the half time break while enjoying a cuppa. If you feel you would like to join any of these events, phone our Secretary Dot and have a chat with her about joining the Club. Membership is only \$10 per year.

The Club has already supported Knox City Council's Zest 4Life Program with a Sing-a-long Day in the morning followed by a light lunch. We were entertained in the afternoon by the Skylarks, much to the enjoyment of Members and their guests.

Our next Zest 4Life day is on Monday, 28th May at 1.15 pm. when the Club will be holding a Bingo Day. Entry fee is \$6.00 including afternoon tea. There will be prizes of \$20 games, \$50.00 game and the last game for the day, a prize of \$100.00. Cost per book

is \$2.00 each. There will also be a raffle with tickets \$1.00 each ticket, drawn at the half time break. This event is open for everyone.

Phone our Secretary, Dot to speak to her about this Event and book yourself a spot for this great day. A time with your friends and come along together. It is even more fun that way.

If you feel like you would like to join any of these Events, ring Dot and have a chat with her about joining our Club, telephone 0422 107 124 now.

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Bayswater Early Years Hub

Knox Council has welcomed the Victorian Government's announcement of \$1.6 million funding towards the construction of a new early years hub for Bayswater.

Speaking at yesterday's official breaking ground event, the Mayor, Cr John Mortimore, said Council appreciated the Government's support for one of Knox's landmark projects.

"Council welcomes the announcement by the Andrews Government of \$1.6 million funding towards construction of the \$9.5 million Bayswater Early Years Hub," the Mayor said.

"This funding, delivered through the State Government's Children's Facilities Capital Program, will help deliver a first class new early years facility for the benefit of children and families across Knox.

"The hubs in Bayswater and Wantirna South will, once operational, transform the face of early childhood services for the better and set a benchmark for others to follow and we now look forward to delivering a quality early years facility, on-time and on-budget, in early 2019."



Victorian Minister for Families and Children, Jenny Mikakos, and Knox Mayor Cr. John Mortimer

Days For Girls Charity Workshop

by Heather Anderson - Days for Girls volunteer and Rotary Club of Boronia member.

People travelling around Erica Avenue in Boronia recently will have noticed a hive of activity in the former Aussie Disposals store.

Days for Girls Charity Workshop space and Here & There Makers social enterprise shop has set up home in the rear half of 139 Boronia Rd.

Days for Girls is a feminine hygiene program providing quality, sustainable solutions to girls and women in need all over the world. Without access to hygiene products in many countries in the developing world, girls can miss up to eight months of school every three years and much more likely to drop out altogether. Days for Girls help address this issue in three ways. Firstly our local grassroots teams and chapters sew washable sanitary kits designed to last upwards of three years. Secondly we distribute our kits directly into communities in need either ourselves or more often through partner organisations. An essential part of our distributions is the provision of reproductive health education and lastly we support and train overseas communities to start their own self sustaining micro enterprise supplying their local community with DfG kits.

The Ferntree Gully Chapter of Days for Girls was started by Michelle Gates in 2014 with kit sewing days originally held in Michelle's home. As word spread of this worthwhile project more people wanting to improve the lives of others came on board and larger premises had to be found. Glengollan Retirement Village opened their doors

to us for the next 18 months until redevelopment there necessitated another move; this time to the Ferntree Gully Guide Hall. Michelle said "We are really excited to open a permanent workshop space as it will give the opportunity for more people to get involved as we will have workshops 3 days every week as well as one Saturday per month to begin with. The new space will enable us to increase our kit production from 1200 kits per year to our goal of 2000. That is 2000 individual girls and women's lives we can impact with more dignity, education and opportunity."

With Michelle's drive and enthusiasm and the help of family, friends, Days for Girls volunteers and members of The Rotary Club of Boronia (a long-time supporter of Days for Girls) the premises have been transformed into a pleasant bright work area.

Here & There Makers is a social enterprise that will be selling zero waste, upcycled, fair trade and handmade products made both locally and globally.

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All profit for the enterprise will support the work of Days for Girls Ferntree Gully Chapter.

Contact Michelle for further information on 0434 007 743 or michelle@hereandtheremakers.com or ferntreegully@daysforgirls.org

Contact Glen Tippett on 0478 904 929 for information on Rotary Club of Boronia.



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Limited places are still available for 2018. To enquire please visit www.kinderleapreschool.com.au

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Prepare Yourself For The Flu Season

Well the flu season is finally upon us!

Even though the weather is saying otherwise winter is fast approaching and with it comes the dreaded lurgy!

What a lot of us don't realise is that there is a difference between the common cold and the actual flu. For anyone who has actually suffered from the flu, it is something that is definitely best avoided if you can!

The flu is a highly contagious viral infection that can cause severe illness and life-threatening complications, including pneumonia. The flu is spread by contact with fluids from coughs and sneezes.

It is estimated that flu contributes to over 3,000 deaths in Australia each year.

The symptoms of the flu can be similar to symptoms of the common cold however they are much more severe and usually leave people bed bound for days or weeks.

Symptoms of the flu include:

- sudden appearance of a high fever (38 °C or more)
- a dry cough
- body aches (especially in the head, lower back and legs)
- feeling extremely weak and tired (and not wanting to get out of bed).

Other symptoms can be:

- chills
- aching behind the eyes
- loss of appetite
- sore throat
- runny or stuffy nose

Symptoms of the flu hit very quickly and may last for several weeks.

A bout of the flu typically follows this pattern:

- Days 1–3: Sudden appearance of fever, headache, muscle pain and weakness, dry cough, sore throat and sometimes a stuffy nose.
- Day 4: Fever and muscle aches decrease. Hoarse, dry or sore throat, cough and possible mild chest discomfort become more noticeable. You may feel tired or flat.
- Day 8: Symptoms decrease. Cough and tiredness may last one to two weeks or more

The best way to arm yourself against the flu is by getting a flu vaccination. The strains of flu will mutate and change every year and so it is advised to get your flu jab annually. Most doctors will recommend that everyone receive a flu vaccination (there are a few exclusions, so check with your doctor or pharmacist) however those groups who are at more risk of contracting the flu virus include:

- pregnant women
- people aged over 65
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- children younger than five, particularly those younger than two years of age
- people with chronic medical conditions
- Diabetics

The exciting thing about this flu season is that our pharmacists at Community Pharmacy Wantirna are able to vaccinate! We will be happily giving all eligible persons their vaccinations this winter starting April 1st.

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Collier Ward News with Cr. Jackson Taylor



Well there's no easy way to say this, but I've been busy and that means a crowded article with lots that's been happening, so apologies in advance.

It's exciting to tell you that work on some local projects are not far off beginning and I think you'll be delighted. These include upgrades to the Templeton, Ainsdale and Tablik local playgrounds and the closing of the missing footpath link on Burwood Hwy opposite the Knox School, as well as the floodlights and pavilion upgrades at Schultz Reserve. We are also well underway in getting our two new Early Years Hubs in both Bayswater and Wantirna South ready for young families right across Knox with both under construction.

It's also been great to see the local wildlife vote with its feet at the recently finished Mint St Wetlands in

Wantirna, it's truly picturesque and I'd encourage you all to give it a look. We've also completed the Stage 1 works at Templeton Reserve which included a new frontage and all abilities access to the pavilions and the reserve is now drought-proof and back up and running.

In other news, I hope you've all recently had a chance to see the 'Knox News' which is a new quarterly community informed publication produced by Knox Council.

What else have I been up to?

- Speaking to young leaders at Wantirna College
- Attended Knox Festival and helped judge the amazing singing talent at Knox Factor
- Celebrated the Chinese Lunar New Year of the dog with the Knox Chinese Elderly Citizens Club
- Saw our Women Melbourne Boomers Basketball team win on the buzzer at the State Basketball Centre in Wantirna South in the finals series.

To all those who take the time to read my column, I say thanks and implore you to get in touch regarding anything discussed or even not discussed, I'd love to hear from you.

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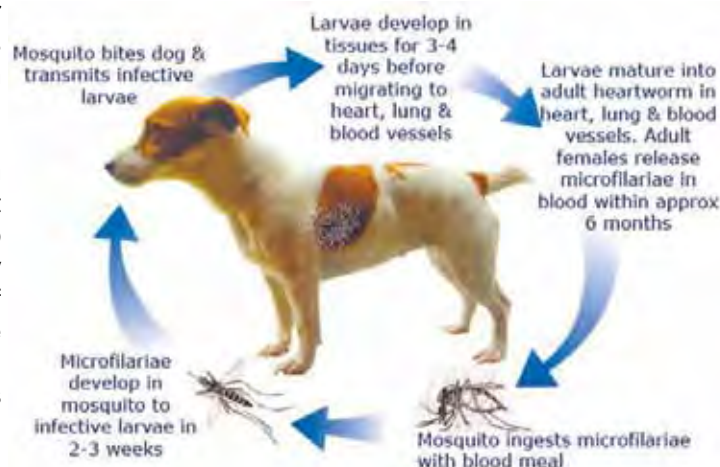
FB - Jackson Taylor - Councillor for Collier Ward

Heartworm Disease - The Silent Killer By Dr. Gloria Dieu

Heartworm has certainly been on the rise with the number of cases of heartworm infestation climbing steadily since 2014, and in particular over the past 18 months. So what actually is heartworm? Heartworm is a large spaghetti like worm that lives in the heart, the lungs and the pulmonary arteries (large vessels leaving the heart to the lungs).

Contrary to popular opinion, infestations occur in every single state in Australia, not just in warmer states such as Queensland. Twenty per cent of dogs are estimated to be infected in certain areas of Australia, with stray dogs, dingoes, and foxes acting as a reservoir of disease for city dogs (more of which are on prevention). Even though many owners feel that they can afford to skip their pet's heartworm prevention, we must stress that this is a misconception, as heartworm disease is serious and potentially deadly. In order for the disease to be transmitted, a mosquito vector must bite a heartworm positive dog and then bite your dog i.e. it only takes one bite! It's also important to understand that mosquitoes are not only common during the warmer months of the year. The heartworm life cycle can be summarised in the figure opposite. Dogs can end up with just one heartworm or hundreds which can each be up to 30cm in length.

The actual signs of heartworm disease will vary depending on the number of adult worms present, their location and the degree



of damage caused. Symptoms might include: breathing difficulties, inappetance, fever, coughing, blood from the nose, lethargy, collapse/ fainting, weight loss and fluid accumulation in the abdomen. The frightening thing is that heartworm can also result in sudden death without any prior symptoms.

Prevention is always the key to keeping our pets safe and given that it is entirely preventable, why wouldn't you? There are a range of effective options including monthly spot-on products or tablets and yearly injections. Heartworm cures are possible, but these are highly complicated and also often dangerous, sometimes taking up to 31 months and requiring multiple medications and even surgery in some cases. If your dog has been off heartworm prevention for more than three months or has not been on prevention previously, we'd strongly recommend that you have a simple heartworm test done prior to commencing them on prevention. For further information on heartworm, please contact us at the Wantirna Vet Clinic on 9729 9908.

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News & Events at Your Library

by Jasminder Ghotra



LIBRARY NEWS

26/52 – Read 26 books in 52 Weeks!

Are you looking for a challenge? Why not sign up for the Eastern Regional Libraries' Reading Challenge?

There are 26 tasks ahead of each challenger, it averages out to be 2 per month over the course of the year.

This is an opportunity to push your reading boundaries and try new genres, topics, and formats. It doesn't matter to us what format you read these items in, whether that's physical books, audiobooks, or eBooks, the choice is yours!

To get started visit erl.beanstack.org and sign up for the challenge. We also have an additional incentive to anyone who completes the challenge, you'll go into the running for a fabulous literary lovers' prize. This challenge concludes on the 28/12/2018 and the winner will be announced after.

Events Calendar

Eastern Regional Libraries has recently launched its new events calendar. If you're interested you can head over to www.events.yourlibrary.com.au and check it out.

This new site has made it easier than ever to book into your events. We can now accept online payments, but you will still have the option of paying over the phone or at your local library.

We're really excited about this, but we'd love to hear what you think of it.

Survey

Thank you to anyone who took part in the Eastern Regional Libraries survey. We received feedback from you, our valuable members. We wanted to gain an insight into the impact our services and programs have on our wider community.

Some fantastic feedback we received stated that: "It provides a safe community space where everyone can feel equal. We all have access to the same things, with no pressure to spend money to be there. There are so few places like that anywhere else."

Nintendo Switch Games

Did you know that some of our libraries have collections of console games for borrowing? If your local branch doesn't have a collection, fear not, you can order them in!

We have games for the following platforms

- XBOX 360
- XBOX ONE
- Playstation 3
- Playstation 4
- Nintendo Wii
- Nintendo Wii U

And we've recently added Nintendo Switch games to our collections!

What's On Booklet

Our new What's On book is out at your local library! Pick up your copy at your library or have a look at a copy online at www.yourlibrary.com.au



School Holiday Program

The school holidays are coming up! If you're looking for some great, fun activities then look no further. You can pick up a copy of our program and your library or have a look at our events online!



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Busch's Weir by Murray Snell of Knox Historical Society

When Dandenong Valley Authority planners and engineers commenced investigating their mitigation works for the Dandenong Creek in the mid 1960s they quickly realized they had been gazumped by Hermann Otto Busch (1880-1960) who had initiated his own modifications to the creek 40 years earlier – not to control flooding but to enhance his recently established “Swiss Alpine Village”

Now remembered only by Waldheim Road opposite the northern end of Stud Road, Bayswater, Busch's



Waldheim Guest House

“village” became known as Waldheim Farm Guest House/Reception Centre. By damming the creek with a concrete wall “Poppa” Busch created a lake for boating, fishing and picturesque picnics.

Evelyn Hodgkin in her compilation “Orchard Days of Yesteryear Vol. 1” remembers that Waldheim had bungalows for holidayers and a large hall for weddings, parties and dinners. An inviting archway marked the entrance off Mountain Highway whence a dirt track led visitors past trees, tables and chairs, a wishing well, the various buildings to the lake, resplendent with water lilies, wildlife including wild ducks and other water birds, trout and eels and the occasional snake.



Site information on Poppa Busch

Heathmont residents could enjoy the tranquility of the lake's northern bank whilst guests and weekend trippers could enjoy Devonshire teas, boating, fishing, a skittle alley, open fires in winter and the chance to chat to the owner decked in lederhosen and a Tyrolean hat, puffing on his pipe and accompanied by his two dachshunds.

Paul Isworth, Busch's grandson, described to Evelyn Hodgkin how Poppa Busch delighted in teasing him and his brother Bernard by rowing as close to the waterfall/spillway of the lake as he could, despite their fears. The boys enjoyed many holidays with their grand parents despite [or maybe because of] their share of the chores – picking plums, feeding the chooks and milking the cows.

The damming of the creek actually enabled Busch to install a hydrolic ram to pump water to the guest house, dairy and to irrigate the gardens and orchards, supplementing the rainwater tanks.



Site information on the weir



Busch's Weir

“Poppa” Busch was sometimes described as eccentric but he was a talented amateur artist as well as a successful proprietor. The development of Heathmont led to him confronting “newbie” teenagers who vandalized his property, frequently stealing midnight paddles in his boat – then sinking it.

Waldheim continued after Busch's death, hosting weddings, meetings of Bayswater Rotary and Apex, providing motel style accomodation for conventions and holiday makers.

Confounder to discover the unrecorded damming of the creek the Dandenong Valley Authority gelnighted the concrete wall in 1967. Robbed of its major attraction Waldheim withered and finally closed in 1973.



Waldheim Guest House

KNOXFIELD & SCORESBY NEWS

Knoxfield Ladies Probus Club

The Blue Lotus Water Gardens were a delightful venue for our February outing recently for the Knoxfield Ladies Probus Club. The sun was shining, the waterlilies and lotus were in full bloom and the native and exotic plants were similarly in full colour. Our bus driver chose to take the most scenic route to the Gardens from Rowville, as well as a different way home which extended our enjoyment of the day. We were warmly welcomed to the Gardens by Lyn who gave us a short history of the beginning and development of the property, as well as offering specimens of the lotus flowers to handle, as they are attractive in all phases of their lives. We were able to relax by the lake while eating lunch,



and to wander at our own pace around the other lakes enjoying the colour of the various waterlilies and lotus flowers. There are also on display exotic giant lily pads in excellent condition, with friendly staff to answer questions. The well stocked plant nursery and gift shop were eagerly visited with sales being made.

We are now looking forward to visiting the Schwerkolt Pioneer Cottage and Museum in Mitcham with lunch at the Mitcham Hotel.

Any retired or semi-retired ladies would be welcome to visit our meetings and meet our friendly members. For further details please ring Val on 9763 6175 or Bev on 9753 3224. We would love to have you join us.

Scoresby Football and Netball Club

News from the Nest

Scoresby Football and Netball Club begin their finals campaign for the 2018 season. Previously a Division 1 football club in the EFL with an extensive history, we have seen it tough the past few years and have found ourselves in Division 3. Reaching the finals in 2017 after 9 straight wins to round out the year has sparked excitement around the Magpies nest.

We've had a number of our Division 1 stars return to support the dream of chasing a flag. We have also seen our Netballers go from one team to four!

BIG things are happening down at Exner Reserve, all beginning with a focus from the board on culture, player development and community involvement. We've secured some major sponsors already this season with the likes of O'Brien Real Estate, Bank of Queensland, Pinnacle Health Clubs and the Beach Hut Brewery. We are always continuing to seek more support.

We'd like to thank Studfield Community News for giving us the opportunity to keep you updated throughout the season and looking forward to what 2018 will bring.



Rowville Community Kitchen by Christine Smith

No matter how many times employers deny it, discrimination against youth especially those with disabilities does happen. I know I am not alone when I feel frustrated about the lack of opportunities for our disabled youth. I mean given the fact at least a third of our country's young people are unemployed, we can only imagine the struggle our youngsters with intellectual or learning disabilities are experiencing. In fact if you're aged between 15-24 and have a disability, there is a very good chance you won't find a job.

What some people forget. These kids WANT to work and to become independent in all areas of their lives, including financially. Like everyone else, they want to live a fulfilling life working a job they love, earning money, hanging out with friends and just doing what young people do.

Which is why I decided to help 12 students (currently undertaking year 11 or 12); that although currently have a learning or intellectual disability – are ready to work hard for their Certificate II in Food Processing.

It's not about just giving them a certificate when they graduate. It's so much more. I wanted to give them an awesome chance when they transition from school to adulthood.

As employers we can choose to ignore applicants for our advertised positions that appear to be different....OR we can choose to not discriminate

against them, become educated on the facts of hiring someone with a disability and give them a go.

Facts like:

- People with disabilities take fewer days off
- People with disabilities maintain longer tenure
- There are no hidden or additional costs to hiring someone with a disability because of funding available from the government.

I was recently reading a paper on the business benefits of working with these kids and one business owner said "It has benefited the business because with the students they have been so productive since they are so enthusiastic about their training and the work they do so it brings a level of productivity to the whole team."

Reading that makes me SO happy! It's experiences like these we need to share with other employers along with information on what support is available to them so they can stop discriminating against these enthusiastic hard workers we have available to us. Trust me, the gratitude that they and their parents will feel will be an amazing cherry on top to your hiring experience.

Let's put people before profit.

We are keen to collaborate with local employers who will come and talk to our trainees about how to best present themselves for vacancies. Opportunities are also available to sponsor their showcase dinner in July. Give Christine a call on 13003630723



KNOXFIELD & SCORESBY NEWS

News from Tirhatuan Ward with Nicole Seymour

No Ordinary Life – Positive Ageing in Knox

Exercising your most important muscle.....

March is International Brain Awareness month and therefore it seems an appropriate time to talk about brain health as you age.

Often associated with the ageing process is a decline in memory and a slowing down of brain functioning. There is a general perception that these changes are age-related with the brain shrinking and the neurones within our brains either dying off or withering away and not functioning as they used to.

Research suggests that this perception is not correct, that the brain is in fact like a muscle and with regular exercise and good nutrition no matter how old you are you can stave off functional decline.

Exercising the brain isn't the same as exercising your body. To keep the neurons firing there are lots of things you can do to keep your brain active and well exercised. Here are a few suggestions that are easy and affordable –

1. TV Game Shows – Spend time watching game shows on TV such as The Chase, Deal or No Deal, even Millionaire Hot Seat. These type of shows with question and answers encourage you to think and draw on your knowledge. Every time you watch a show like this, you are in fact exercising your brain.
2. Audiobooks – Audiobooks are great exercise for your brain. For those not familiar with Audiobooks

they are books that are read aloud by a narrator. There are 1000's of choices in just about every genre you can think of – fiction, non-fiction, research even cook books. There are a large selection available from all our Knox Libraries and the friendly Librarians can show you how to listen to them.

3. Crosswords, Suduko and Jigsaw puzzles – Keep your mind sharp by regularly pushing your thinking. When you use your brain to problem solve, it releases a chemical called dopamine which is important to memory and learning. Jigsaws have the added benefit of exercising both sides of the brain.
4. Colouring Books – Whilst colouring in used to be child's play, it is now proven to have benefit to all ages. It has become very popular, with adult colouring books available at super markets, newsagents and stores like Kmart. Colouring



exercises both sides of the brain and induces a relaxed state of mind reducing stress and anxiety.

5. Learn a new skill. Whether it be through the U3A or your local community centre there is plenty of opportunity to learn new things. Last week I met 80yo Stuart who has just started learning French while his wife attends a music class at their local U3A. They do it to keep their minds active whilst also enjoying the social side.

The most important message I am trying to leave you with from this month's article is not to be complacent about the health of your brain. You can influence your brain's functioning and stem brain deterioration / memory loss from occurring. Invest the time in yourself – you are worth it!

Keep well.

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In this edition, we're celebrating local community! Thank you one and all for your patronage and support.

This month we mark our second Birthday at Unit 10/603 Boronia Rd. Two years ago, after many

hours of planning, Alison excitedly opened her Boronia Rd clinic in newly fitted premises that were bright, quiet and comfortable. Her loyal clients followed her and as word has spread amongst satisfied people in the area, the business has gone from strength to strength

For those of you who are reading about us for the first time...

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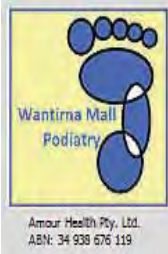
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Pain in the ball of the feet near the 2nd and 3rd toes

Pain in the ball of the feet under the 2nd and 3rd toes is a common problem seen at Wantirna Mall Podiatry. Symptoms experienced by patients maybe shooting pain, ache, the sensation of walking on a pebble. Pain in this area of the foot can be caused by many different reasons but is usually due to continued soft tissue trauma to the small and complex structures found in this part of the foot.

Trauma to this area can occur from walking on hard surfaces such as concrete, inappropriate footwear, due to the shape and position of the feet causing high pressure, walking abnormalities and accidents. The pain in this area may be caused by something simple on the skin such as a callus or corn which can be removed by a Podiatrist within a consultation. However, further investigation is recommended to confirm diagnosis through an ultrasound and/or x-ray if the pain is occurring within the foot. The common pathologies within the foot found due to pain in these areas can be; a tear of the plantar plate, inflammation of the joints or bursa, a neuroma, stress fracture or arthropathies.

Early treatment with pain is always best as persistent problems in this area can lead to continued or increased pain, possible displacement of the toes and the need for surgery. Due to the causation of pain in the ball of the 2nd and 3rd toes is usually mechanical, treatment prescribed by a Podiatrist can help the structures of the traumatised soft tissue to heal. These recommendations involve changes to footwear and activities, offload padding and possible prescription foot orthotics.



Laughing Through 2018

Hi there. Last edition I shared about Belonging and Usefulness and have heard back it. The word 'belonging' resonated and is important, because as humans there is a basic need to truly feel that we do belong and at the same time, feel ourselves to be useful.

I have some fabulous news to share – it is the Ferntree Gully Laughter Club's 13th birthday on 3rd April. Coincidentally, we celebrated this by starting a new laughter club in Knoxfield on 17th March. This will be monthly at Carrington Park, 10.30am on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Everyone is welcome, this means you! So pop along and give it a go if you can.

Here are suggestions to help bring more laughter into your life (1) Bring joyfulness to mundane chores. You can laugh, sing, dance, clap and in general be playful. It also helps create new brain waves and patterns which can make joy a habit that you practice and develop.



There are many advantages to doing this simple change of mind-set. (2) Open up to and appreciate laughter around you. We can be introverted and want to shut out noise and laughter that surrounds us. How about instead, use the opportunity to let the noise and laughter affect us positively? With discernment, allow yourself to let your emotions be touched and so really experience your own laughter. It can be quiet internal chortling, without a big loud hoo-ha happening, which is nearly as beneficial as the more robust laughter.

We hope you to see you soon and try out the Laughter Yoga. Stay safe, laugh lots and remember, never, ever give up!

Cheerio for now. Love and Laughter, Lynette xo

Lynette Mitchell leads the free community Ferntree Gully + Knoxfield Laughter Clubs. Phone: 0425 799 258 Website: www.laughterforliving.com.au

Disclaimer: Information shared here is intended to be supportive and from my personal understanding and experience. Advice given is general and as I am not a medical doctor, take no responsibility for how it is received.

News from Wantirna Osteopathy by Dr. Jason Stone

Shoulder Pain

Shoulder pain is rapidly becoming an epidemic! It appears that the constant reliance on computers and extensive hours spent behind the steering wheel is now starting to take its toll.

The main cause of shoulder pain, which can range from tight muscles around the neck to impingement and strains of the rotator cuff muscles to the highly painful and impractical frozen shoulder, is the change in posture of the upper back and shoulder girdle.

As people spend more hours bent over a desk, computer, smart phone, steering wheel, sewing machine etc. their chest muscles tighten, upperback becomes more curved and ultimately the shoulder blades start pulling forward. This change in position of the shoulder blade decreases the stability of the shoulder joint and therefore puts greater strain on the 'rotator cuff' muscles (especially supraspinatus) to

support the shoulder joint. Muscles under continual strain are highly likely to become inflamed and potentially torn which is why supraspinatus tendonitis and inflammation of its related bursa (subacromial bursitis) is experienced by many people.

Treating the inflamed muscle through injections and anti-inflammatory medication is often not adequate and may only be short lived as the tight chest muscles, curved upperback and anterior (forward) shoulder blades will ultimately maintain the stress on the rotator cuff muscles.

For tendonitis, bursitis and impingement syndromes we have been seeing great results using Shockwave Therapy in conjunction with osteopathy treatment.

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Here are a few tips to assist with your shoulder pain or reduce the likelihood of it occurring:

- Get advice on workstation ergonomics
- Change position regularly (get out of chair every 45-60mins)
- Lay flat on your back to stretch out the hunching
- Stretch your chest regularly
- Alternate arms when carrying shopping bags, children etc.

The No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS)

from Kim Hubber, EACH Financial Counselling

Safe, fair and affordable loans for people on low incomes.

What is NILS?

NILS is a community focused initiative offered by Good Shepherd Microfinance. The No Interest Loan Scheme provides individuals and families on low incomes the opportunity to apply for a small loan that is manageable and affordable. You can apply for up to \$1,500 for essential goods and services. The funds can assist with -

- Purchasing household e.g. Washing machine, fridge, heating & cooling appliances etc
- Assist with payment of medical and dental services
- Assist with payment of education expenses e.g. Computers, school stationary
- Applications can be considered for other purposes on a case by case basis

Repayments can be deducted from your Centrelink payment; the fortnightly repayments are affordable as the loan amount can be repaid over a 12 to 18 month term.

E.g. Repayments on a loan of \$1,500 over 18 months = \$38.46 per fortnight (approx.).

To be eligible for NILS you must have a health care card/pension card, reside in your current residence for more than 3 months and show capacity to repay the loan.

NILS isn't a payday loan and it's not a bank loan. NILS works through a process called 'circular community credit' this means when a borrower makes a repayment to NILS, the funds are then available to someone else in the community.

NILS is offered by 178 community organisations. The process to apply for a loan is easy, you simply -

- make an enquiry
- attend an interview
- the application is assessed
- then, you will be advised of the outcome

Further information can be obtained from your local NILS provider.

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The Green Thumb Brigade at U3A by John E. Ford

One of the most popular groups at Knox U3A is our Garden Club. Meeting on a Monday morning, and at other times when necessary, this group numbers in excess of fifty members, all under the expert guidance of tutor Pam Donner, and they involve themselves in all aspects of gardening.

The group regularly visits established gardens such as those found in the "Open Garden" scheme, and guest speakers are often a feature of the Monday morning session. Workshops are sometimes held, but mainly the members enjoy discussion groups

where the exchange of ideas, the solving of gardening problems, and the display of individual member's successes are a feature, and eagerly anticipated.

The Garden Club stall is always a popular feature at our annual Art Show, and adds substantially to this event, which is our major fund-raiser. Additionally at each Monday meeting there is often a produce table, where Member's cuttings, produce, seedlings and seeds are available for purchase at extremely reasonable rates, the proceeds of which go to specific projects.



One of our member's garden features.



The Garden Club stall at our recent Art Show. Most items for sale were donated by Garden Club members.

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Having thus whetted your appetite, I have to now say that the Garden Club is so popular that there is a waiting list. Not to worry. While waiting for a space to appear, why not avail yourselves of one of the 160 other activities and courses available at Knox U3A? Membership is still a mere \$60 a year representing great value. Application can be made on-line, and you can also view our Term 1 syllabus at www.u3aknox.org.au or call during normal office hours on 9752 2737.

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THE ARTS IN KNOX

News from the Australian Jazz Museum

Proactively Collecting, Archiving and Disseminating Australian Jazz.

Rare World War II Discs *by Ken Simpson-Bull*

During World War II a series of 12-inch 78 rpm entertainment records were produced by the United States Armed Forces which could be played by US troops and their allies in their camps on domestic-type players. These discs, known as V-Discs (V for Victory), were produced between 1943 and 1949.

At this time the American Musicians Union was involved in a recording ban against major recording companies which was to last for two years. It was during this period that modern jazz was evolving in the form known as rebop (or bop). Since the recording ban did not apply to V-Discs, only these discs were able to provide examples of this developing form of jazz to the armed services.

At the conclusion of the war it was a condition of this permitted contravention of the recording ban that all V-discs had to be destroyed, and most were. Nevertheless, many survived and the Australian Jazz Museum is fortunate to possess 18 of these

rare discs. Most of the popular American Jazz bands of the period are represented on these discs located within the Museum's international collection.

The Australian Jazz Museum
(a nationally accredited museum),
15 Mountain Highway, Wantirna
(Melway Reference 63, C8) is open free
to the public on Tuesdays and Fridays
from 10am to 3pm.

For group visits, which include
refreshments and a live band
performance.

Please ring (03) 9800 5535 or visit the
web site at www.ajm.org.au



THE FERNTREE GULLY ARTS SOCIETY at The Hut Gallery

157 Underwood Road, Ferntree Gully

APRIL EXHIBITIONS

Weekends from Saturday the 7th of April
to Sunday the 29th April

In the Gallery - The member's, Oil, Acrylic, Pastel
and Watercolour Exhibition.

Official opening 2pm Sunday the 8th of April.

This is an exciting exhibition.

WORKS FOR SALE ALL WELCOME FREE ENTRY

MAY EXHIBITIONS

In the Gallery - "FANTASY" and "MINITURES".

In the foyer - Judith O'Donnell's Solo Exhibition (TBC).

Weekends from Sunday the 6th of May
to Sunday the 27th May.

Gallery closed Mother's Day, Sunday the 13th.

Official opening Sunday the 6th of May at 2pm.

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What's been happening at the Ringwood Field Naturalists Club ??

by Alison Rogers

Our program continues to be varied with interesting guest speakers and enjoyable outings.

Speakers

February Speaker - Ed McNabb

"Who is calling?" (a presentation on owls)

Ed gave a wonderful talk on Victorian owls. His presentation was enhanced by photos of each owl along with a recording of their call. In addition he showed a number of other nocturnal creatures found locally as well as in the Dandenong Ranges.

March speaker – Kath Handasyde

"The ecology and behaviour of two of Australia's most extraordinary mammals - the platypus and the echidna"

Kath gave a very informative presentation providing facts from her scientific findings over many years with both the Echidna and the Platypus. Her love of these monotremes (egg laying mammals) was very evident with her enthusiasm and sharing of information of every image she showed. Did you know that the platypus and echidna are only found in Australia and New Guinea? All present learnt something from this impressive talk.

Excursions

January excursion - Jells Park

Our Leaders Eleanor and Warrick took twenty members for a day at Jells Park. They walked



Royal spoonbill.
Photo Eleanor Dilley

around the lake in the morning, and after lunch headed into the woodland at the western end of the park. Highlights of the day included nesting Australian Darters, Cormorants (both Little Black and Little Pied), Australian White Ibis, Royal spoonbills and an Australian Reed-Warbler on its nest among the reeds. The group saw a total of 44 different birds for the day.

February excursion - Mushroom Reef Flinders

Our Leader Jack took us to Mushroom Reef, located at Flinders down on the Mornington Peninsula. Named for the distinctive shape of its large intertidal platform, it is a Marine Sanctuary with a great diversity of marine invertebrates. Strong winds and the forecast of rain didn't deter us and we spent the morning on the reef. Checking out the pools, we turned over rocks to investigate the inhabitants, then relaced them carefully, so as not to disturb the little critters. We found numerous Brittle Sea Stars (Ophiuroidea species) in the pools, along with chitons, cushion sea stars, elephant snails, flat worms, crabs, and an especially beautiful *Meridiastra gunnii* (Purple Sea Star).



Meridiastra gunnii (Purple Sea Star) underside.
Photo Jack Airey

Weekend Away to Kilcunda

Hazel and Alan were the leaders of our weekend away to Kilcunda. They had a well prepared itinerary

planned for us with a variety of excursions. Time was spent walking on the beach, rock pooling, looking at invertebrates, birds and rock formations. We enjoyed a trip into the surrounding countryside where magnificent views of the farmland, ocean and bays were observed. At a reservoir a lot of birdlife were also seen. All who attended agreed it was a great three days away with a great group of people.



Members rock pooling.
Photo Alan Veevers

In the next months our Presentations will be:

April Speaker – Sapphire McMullan-Fisher

"Fabulous fungi & what they are doing in our bushlands"

May speaker - Dr Ken Walker

"Is citizen science the new force of biodiversity data?" As you can see we have a very varied program and members enjoy learning a little about nature and this wonderful country we live in.

Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7-30pm in Room 4 at Maroondah Federation Estate, Greenwood Ave, Ringwood (Melway 49 H10). All visitors are welcome. For more details phone Alison or Peter on 9801-6946.

Check out our Website <http://www.rfnc.org.au> there is so much more to see and find out.

Knox Environment Society

by Zoe Peltakis

Start 2018 by volunteering your time being involved with K.E.S. supporting the nursery, joining the many environmentally caring groups activities and projects it is committed in supporting. Like minded environmentally dedicated volunteers are unified at K.E.S. through the value of wanting to care for the flora and fauna that is part of our environment.

The uniqueness of K.E.S. is again demonstrated by the development of its "Seed Bank". The current collection consists of over 3,400 specimen jars of over 270 species of indigenous native plants.

Did you know that there are over 23 species of Eucalyptus tree in the Knox region alone!

The importance of having a seed bank cannot be underestimated for the survival of our many endangered and rare, indigenous plants from the Knox area. The hard work of volunteering teams known as the "Seedy Ladies" and "Hunter and Gatherers" (HAGS), has resulted in K.E.S.'s 'Seed Bank', that aims at being able to regenerate some of these unique and rare native plants. Come and visit the nursery and chat to our volunteers. We are located in the parkland opposite the Ferntree Gully Library, entry off Burwood Highway, Melway reference 74 A5

Volunteering with K.E.S., and planting native plants will assure your knowledge of native indigenous plants, including some of the rarer native plants is developed.

Watch how your own garden flourishes supporting our beautiful native wildlife.



Goodenia Ovata (Hop Goodenia).

Knox Environmental Society is your local volunteer run nursery located in the Municipality of Knox.

The Nursery's opening times are
Thursdays, 10:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday & Sunday, 10:00am - 1.00pm.

info@kes.org.au will provide further information on our plants available and current projects.



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Got a pile of tyres?

Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) is warning businesses and landholders of the hazards of keeping piles of waste tyres.

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See www.epa.vic.gov.au for advice on what's legal, and if you suspect someone is illegally stockpiling, dumping or burning old tyres, call EPA's 24-hour hotline on 1300 EPA VIC (1300 372 842).



ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

Composting. It's not hard,
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Composting your food waste is an easy way to reduce waste in landfill, and fertilise your garden at the same time.

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Plant your blues - See what grows

Garden Releaf Day, Saturday April 14, 2018

Much is written about the colour blue; it is said to be a peaceful, tranquil colour that upon sight encourages the body to produce calming chemicals which promote physical and mental relaxation. When you look out at the vastness of a calm blue ocean or tilt your head to look up at an endless bright blue sky it is easy to understand how you can find inner peace, confidence and a sense of optimism in the colour blue.

In a garden the role of blue is tireless. Blue can be a favourite colour for bees, bringing them to the edible garden to help pollinate and produce an abundance of healthy fresh home-grown fruits and vegetables and fabulous, antioxidant rich blueberries can be grown easily in any garden patch or pot.

Garden Releaf is a program developed to connect people and communities with the health and wellness benefits of plants, gardens and gardening.

Garden Releaf Day is also proudly supporting the work of beyondblue with fund raising events and activities.

Banksia Nursery is taking donations for Beyond Blue as part of Garden Releaf on Sunday, April 14th (See below for details).

Photos displayed for Banksia below are provided by Garden Releaf.

Facebook www.facebook.com/gardenreleafaustralia

Banksia Garden Centre

530 Burwood Hwy
Wantirna South
9801 1637



Banksia Nursery are holding two events during the month of April as follows:

April 14th Garden Releaf

- a National Campaign raising money for Beyond Blue.

April 21st at 10.00am there will be a Sausage Sizzle and a Potting Vegetables and Seeds Demonstration.

These can be donated to Wantirna South Primary School or taken home for your own use

- **At 11.00am Wantirna South Primary School choir will perform**
- **At 1.00pm Mike from Better Growers will give a gardening talk**

The above activities will attract a gold coin donation which will be donated to the school to purchase vegetable garden supplies with the produce being used in the school community kitchen.



Aussie Veterans Op Shop by Michael Quinn

After highlighting the work our Volunteers' are doing with advocacy and welfare for the veteran community, food bank for the entire community and cheap affordable options for the general community and I would like to share our plan of where to for the future. As an organisation we see a real need for injured veterans to have social interaction and work opportunities made available within their restrictions.

Our current efforts are being focused towards raising funds to purchase a factory to set up a gymnasium in our local district. The gymnasium will be free for use by all Veterans and our many volunteers.

Located within the factory will be the offices for advocates and welfare officers. Veterans that are still physically capable will be assisted with training to become physical trainers and build up their client base using the gym facility for free. We have a number of members who have run successful businesses to mentor this program.

Whilst this is being pursued a business has been established which is selling high quality coffee under the brand of "Aussie Veterans Coffee". The business is already employing disabled veterans to pack and distribute the product. We hope to provide the opportunity for our veterans to meet their full potential despite problems of physical and psychological barriers.

The Aussie Veterans Opportunity Shop continues to grow and we have found that our Hilux, which is regularly seen doing pick-ups and deliveries, is no longer big enough. We are in the process of purchasing a larger covered van with a hydraulic lift. This will give us wet weather capability; greater load capacity and will save the physical strain on our many volunteers. We continue to enjoy and appreciate the support that has come from our local community and it makes our whole venture more achievable.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Enjoy Adventure With A New Supportive Group

Providing an exciting opportunity to meet with fellow retirees and join together in stimulating activities, the new Probus Club of Wantirna South is on the hunt for members. The new club was formed in February and joins the fray with over 1,700 clubs with more than 125,000 members all over Australia and New Zealand.

With an exciting program you'll get to hear interesting guest speakers, attend monthly meetings, take part in a wide range of pursuits, travel locally or around the world, enjoy exclusive discounts through the Probus Member Benefits Scheme, have access to exclusive Probus Travel Insurance plans, develop new interests and stay active.

The Probus Club of Wantirna South meets at the Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Rd, Wantirna from 10:00 am on the 2nd Wednesday of every month.

FRIENDSHIP, FELLOWSHIP AND FUN IN RETIREMENT
What are you waiting for? Come and join PROBUS!

Meet fellow retirees and join together in activities as members of an exciting social club while enjoying the company of new friends.



A new Probus Clubs has been formed and is looking for new members!



PROBUS CLUB OF WANTIRNA SOUTH

Venue: Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Rd, Wantirna
 Date/Time: 10:00 am on the 2nd Wednesday of every month

To register your interest contact:

Secretary Helen Dewar Ph: 0418 333 022 E: oes54@hotmail.com OR
 President Chris Day M: 0418 315 902 E: chrisday@outlook.com

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Wantirna Heights Probus Club

On a glorious morning a number of members headed to the hills to enjoy a very beautiful garden at Ferny Creek. They inspected the exhibits of a huge variety of plants arranged to draw the eye to their special features. There were leaves in all their Autumnal hues, flowers in a huge variety of colours and shapes and winning entries which bedazzled.

After stopping for the inevitable coffee/tea break accompanied by divine scones with jam and cream, they were off on a tour of the graceful gardens where much information about the history of the early plantings was provided. Some of the trees are very old and huge. Those with their leaves turning gold were glowing in the sunshine.

An enjoyable visit to this most attractive part of outer Melbourne.

The club can be contacted at PO Box 6010 Wantirna Vic 3152



Knox & District Over 50s

We would love to invite you to come and visit Knox Over 50's Club. We are a large friendly group of male and female seniors who enjoy getting together for a regular monthly meeting and numerous social activities.

Our meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month starting at 10:30 am sharp in the Boronia Progress Hall, the green weatherboard building at 134 Boronia Rd. Boronia (can be entered via the Library car park.) Our next meeting will be Tuesday 24th April. Cost is a mere \$3 for morning tea and hall hire and also a lucky door prize. You are welcome to attend 3 meetings before deciding to join.

Our meetings start with general business followed by morning tea and a chance to have a chat and meet up with or make new friends and perhaps borrow a free DVD from the table. This is followed by a presentation by a variety of guest speakers, who are always very interesting and informative.

Each month there are numerous fun social activities that you are more than welcome to attend if you wish. These include; book club, visits to Boronia Cinema, coffee mornings at Myers coffee lounge, regular lunches at different locations in Knox and morning melodies. Other activities include; bus day trips to different places of interest and include lunch, visits to the theatre, and much more. These activities are thoroughly enjoyed by those attending.

This month's big event is our annual holiday, which this year is a 3 day trip to the Silos Art exhibition and includes lots of other attractions and fun things to see and do.

If you are feeling a little shy just make yourself known as a "newbie" to the "greeters" at the door or anyone of our friendly members, who will make you feel most welcome.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Please contact Jill for any further information on 9801 4363

COMMUNITY NEWS

Lions Wantirna Supports The Smith Family

The Lions Club Wantirna conducted a Comedy For A Cause Fundraising Event to support The Smith Family Learning For Life Program.

This was a very successful event with \$10,368 raised which will sponsor 3 disadvantaged children for 3 years.

At a recent presentation a cheque was presented by Paul Thorneycroft (Club President) and Wes Gleeson (Project Leader) to Rachel Petchesky, Manager Gifts Victoria The Smith Family.

The Lions Club would like to thank sponsors ZircoDATA, Wantirna Community Bendigo Bank, OBRIEN Real Estate and Yea Beer Cider & Wine Company, local businesses and the community for supporting this event.

If you would like to know more about the Lions Clubs activities please see www.wantirna.vic.lions.org.au or contact Paul Garvey Secretary on 0400823441.



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Wantirna Evening VIEW Club

Wantirna Evening View club is made up of a group of friendly women all there to enjoy a social environment whilst knowing we are raising valuable funds for The Smith Family Learning For Life Program

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at The Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Road, Wantirna 3152 (opposite Villa Maria) - 7 pm for a 7.30 pm start.

The Wantirna Club have a newly installed lift to the meeting room to make access easier.

We enjoy a delicious 2 course meal plus tea and coffee for \$30.00 and each meeting we have an interesting and varied guest speaker.

We would love new members to join - so come along to meet and chat with us before you need to decide if our friendship is what is missing from your life!

We have a newly elected Committee who are all energised and eager to welcome new members.

For our guest speaker for the April meeting we welcome Linda Black who is a Clinical Hypnotherapist and will be talking on The Power of Positive Ageing.

For our May meeting we will welcome Adrian Dickens from Circa AD. Adrian is a jeweler and his topic will be Diana Princess of Wales - Jewels of a Modern Day Princess.

For more information please call our President - Judy on 9729 7327.

Ferntree Gully VIEW Club

Our monthly luncheon meetings are held on the 4th Monday (except in December) of each month and includes a 2 course lunch, tea/coffee at a cost of \$25. We have a meeting then a speaker or entertainment. We support The Smith Family and raise money through our luncheons and in-house functions. We also support 6 students through the 'Learning for Life Program' with The Smith Family. We also support a refuge for women and children escaping domestic violence.

Monday 23rd April, 2018 Speaker - Carolyn Morrissey - Topic will be on Badges produced during WW1 to raise funds, also on Australia Day Badges.

Monday 28th May, 2018 Speaker - Mary Bawden - topic 'Organ Donation'.

If you want to join a club that is both welcoming and fun, come and join us. Visitors are most welcome.

Time - 11.30am for a 12.00 noon start

Where - The Knox Club, corner Stud & Boronia Roads, Wantirna South

To book ring our President - Anne McPherson on 9801 2771

Boronia VIEW Club

Boronia VIEW Club meets on the 3rd Friday of the month at the Eastwood Golf Club, Kilsyth at 11.30am. A two course meal is enjoyed at a cost of \$25.00. The next meeting will be held on Friday, 20th April, 2018.

Our speaker for April will be Clif Hardy from the Merchant Navy. This should be a most interesting topic.

Boronia VIEW Club is a vibrant, happy and friendly Club and we would make you feel most welcome.

The club holds several outings and activities and has smaller groups of ladies who meet monthly to play cards, meet for coffee or discuss books they have read.

The club's aim is to support hardship students, therefore, we proudly sponsor eight students through the Smith Families Learning for Life program.

Contact Ann 9 729 1171 or Judith 9 764 8602



Logo from Smith Family website

What's On?

Event	Date & Time	Location	More Information
Sorry Day Flag Raising Ceremony	Sat. 26 May 10.30am	Knox City Council	http://www.knox.vic.gov.au/
Anzac Day Service	Wed. April 25th 10.00am	Tim Neville Arboretum 98-106 Dorset Rd, Ferntree Gully	See page 3
Anzac Day Service	Sun. 22nd April at 10.30am Wed. 25th April at 5.40am	Bayswater RSL	See page 7
Scoresby 55+ Social Circle	Thursdays 10am-12.00noon	Scoresby Football Club, Scoresby Recreation Reserve.	Phone Pricilla on 9764 1166
Ringwood Field Naturalists Club	2nd Wednesday each month at 7.30pm	Room 4, Maroondah Federation Estate, Greenwood Ave, Ringwood	Alison or Peter on 9801-6946 http://www.rfnc.org.au
National Seniors	Fourth Wednesday of month 10.15am for 10.30am start	The Knox Club, corner of Stud and Boronia Roads, Wantirna.	President John on 9778 6784 or Rhondda on 0407 1045 70 for any further information or just turn up
Sunday Fun Day	Sunday May 27 10.00am to 1.00pm	3 Coleman Rd, Wantirna South	See page 4
Lions Club of Wantirna	1st & 3rd Wednesday each month at 7.00pm	Lions Club room, Bayswater Community Centre, 739 Mountain Hwy. Bayswater	Paul 0400 823 441
Ferntree Gully Art Society	April and May	157 Underwood Rd, Ferntree Gully	See page 19
Banksia Nursery - Garden Releaf - Beyond Blue donations Talk & WSPS performance	April 14 (Garden releaf) April 21 from 10.00am	530 Burwood Hwy, Wantirna South	See page 21
Knoxfield 55+ Club Inc	See page 14 of this issue	Carrington Park Activity Centre 20 O'Connor Road, Knoxfield	Phone: 9763 7944
Probus Club of Wantirna South	2nd Wednesday of the month at 10.00am	Wantirna Club, Stud Road Wantirna	Helen: 0418 333 022

Devils Return to Templeton Base by Kevin Van Grondelle

In 2018 the Wantirna South Junior Football Club celebrates its 35th anniversary. As the Knox area has developed and grown over that time, the club has been an integral part of the community providing many Knox children a place to develop their football skills and form friendships, some of which remain to this day. It's also fantastic to see that some of our fledgling players are now returning to the club as parents with their own children taking to the field. Over the 35 years we have had a number of fantastic locals volunteer their time and efforts. From the vision and drive of the pioneers, through the numerous committee members and volunteers over the years, the club has grown from an idea to a vibrant and important part of the EFL and the wider Knox community.

This year the club returns to its main base at Templeton Reserve which has undergone resurfacing work thanks to the contributions of the Federal Government through local Federal Member Alan Tudge's commitment and the Knox Council. The ground is in great condition and will be appreciated not just by the sporting clubs but also the local community. In addition, we have finalised the build of a new storage shed (co-funded with Knox Council) which houses a new electronic scoreboard (funded by the Knox Council). The build of the facility was due to the hard work of dedicated club members who we are extremely appreciative of and thankful to. There has also been a refurbishment of the rooms and outdoor area and pathways. In coming years council will be doing further work as part of the Templeton Masterplan to make the reserve a prominent place for the community and sporting clubs to engage with and be a part of. The commitment of Cr Jackson Taylor to this work also cannot go unthanked. So it truly is a great time to



be involved with the Devils and join a club that works hard to be inclusive and create a culture that embraces everyone.

On field the season commenced April 15th and after the pre-season grind, everyone was excited to be handed their jumpers at our season launch and get into the fun part of playing. We have sides from Under 8 through to Under 17 and an experienced and dedicated team of coaches and assistants ready to teach the fundamentals of the game and improvement throughout the year and creating an environment that enables all players to develop friendships and have fun. We have invested in the off season in restructuring our coaching program to have a dedicated coaches coordinator who brings a wealth of experience from across different sports to help our coaches be as prepared and supported as they can be. In addition we reviewed our approach to medical and injury management and have put in place a framework that will ensure all players are treated when necessary in the most appropriate way and parents are fully informed on our policies and procedures.

Our Anzac round on April 22nd will be another important commemoration of the history of Anzac Day as our older teams get to wear a special designed jumper and we partner with the RSL to raise funds and awareness. It's a significant part of our calendar and we are honoured to be able to be involved. Our Auskick program on Friday nights kicked off on April 13th and it is a great family environment to come down and start to become involved at our great club. We'd love to see members of the Knox community come down on a Sunday to enjoy local junior football, alternatively stay up to date by following us throughout the season on either Facebook, Instagram ([wsjfc_official](#)) or Team App ([wsjfc](#)) or [www.wsjfc.org.au](#)

At the younger non-competitive age groups (U8-U10) it is not too late to come down, see what it's all about and join up. If you would like to find out more about what it means to be a Devil, go to our website [www.wsjfc.org.au](#) or email us at enquiries@wsjfc.org.au or for Auskick Auskick_coordinator@wsjfc.org.au We'd love to have you join the 2017 Best Conducted EFL Junior Club and join a community who are continuing to build a club everyone can call home.



Rotary 50th Anniversary Charity Golf Day



The Rotary Club of Boronia has for many years conducted this major fundraising event in late February each year. Funds raised have benefited both local and international projects to assist those that are not as fortunate as ourselves.

This year will be different as the event will be held on Monday April 30 as part of the Club's 50th anniversary celebrations. The format of the golf played is Ambrose and the entry fee is \$60 per player which includes golf, lunch and trophies.

With the support of many generous sponsors, about 100 players will tee off at 8am at the Eastwood Golf Club in Liverpool Rd, Kilsyth and enjoy a great fun day out. After the golf, a buffet lunch is enjoyed as the fun and fellowship continues in the clubhouse and many players go home with trophies and prizes.

There are a number of sponsorship packages still available that include for example - golf for 4 players, lunch, tee signage, clubhouse display, recognition during the day and more, for a very reasonable \$500.

For more information on how you or your business could benefit from being involved in this great charity day, please contact either of the following golf day organisers.

Players - Ken Barrett – (M) 0408 682 244.

Email – barrek@bigpond.net.au

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Victorian Bocce Team Head to Special Olympics in Adelaide by Michael Migliaccio

The last 6 months have been possibly my most rewarding months with SOA, after a few of my Melbourne Eastern Ranges Bocce athletes were selected for the SOA National Games in Adelaide this April 2018. I soon received the best news in being selected Victoria Head Coach to the National games where I will take 17 Athletes from different clubs in Victoria to the Adelaide games.

The Victoria Bocce team (pictured) have been selected for the SOA National Games to be held in Adelaide from April 16th to April 20th. Bocce athletes from Melbourne Eastern Ranges, Melbourne Southern, Melbourne Inner East and North, Dandenong-Casey Titans, Echuca and Ovens-Murray clubs attended a weekend camp in January for team bonding, in preparation for the National games and for all sports Vic Teams uniforms measurements.



It's All About Finals!!

Bayswater Bowls Club has had a stellar season.

Bayswater had two out of three sides competing for this seasons Saturday Pennant Sectional flags. Bayswater's Division 2 & Division 3 teams finished on top of their respective Sectional ladders, both achieving 14 wins and 3 losses.

Bayswater, because of their ladder position were afforded a home final and home green knowledge is deemed an advantage. Bayswater met Berwick in Division 2 and Eastwood Golf in Division 3.

Bayswater's performance against Berwick at home in Round 12 had been pleasing and a repeat of that performance would see the team advance to the Sectional final the following day. Bayswater's Division 3 team has had the measure of Eastwood Golf this season with two commendable victories, so progression into the final was predicted.

So how did the finals play out?

The match against Berwick was a close encounter all day. Bayswater had a one shot lead (38-37) as the teams adjourned for the break and the match maintained its tightness until Berwick slowly edged away late in the match.

With three teams having completed their matches Bayswater trailed by 8 shots with two ends left to play and a win looked forlorn. But in true Bayswater spirit, the team rallied to score 4 shots, but still trailed by 4 shots leading into the last end. All vantage spots by spectators were taken for the final end and in an exciting finale Bayswater picked up a further 3 shots, to be narrowly defeated by Berwick (71-72), thus eliminating Bayswater.

But the Division 3 team was in command of their match against Eastwood Golf all day and comfortably defeated their opponent (100-54) to advance to their Sectional final.

Bayswater knew their Sectional Final opponent Healesville would be a challenging encounter, as Healesville had been the only team to defeat Bayswater twice this season.

Unfortunately, Healesville jumped Bayswater early to build a 15 shot lead, and Bayswater could not decrease the margin despite strong urgings from Bayswater spectators and were defeated, but not disgraced 76-92.




Bayswater Bowls Club will be looking to build their membership for next season and if you have a desire to join a progressive and sociable club Bayswater could be the club for you.



Bayswater Division 3 members after winning their Semi Final match against Eastwood Golf

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Templeton Tennis Club News by Don McCracken , President

Welcome to TTC news for Easter 2018.

Our summer competitions recommenced over the weekend of the 3rd February and will have been completed over the weekend 27th/28th March . We had 14 of our 19 junior teams and 1 of our 5 senior teams in finals. At the time of writing games are still to be played but we are hopeful of several premierships. Our only senior team was successful congratulations to them, 2 others missed by small margins, to make the grand final.

The Couper Award, best player for the juniors, will be conducted on Saturday the 21st April in conjunction with a Parent/Child Fast 4 competition commencing at 10.00am, lunch provided.

The average ladder position, on which the WDTA Premier Club award is calculated, was 4.23 which placed us 14th out of all the WDTA entered teams. If we take into account clubs with more than 20 teams we are in fact 7th. This was a wonderful effort from all players, coaches and support personnel.

The next Saturday season (winter) will be upon us very shortly, commencing 28th April. We have entered 19 junior teams over Saturday/Sunday and 5 senior teams for the ensuing season.

We have a single ladies teams in Wednesday Ferntree Gully competition and the new season has just started again after the Xmas break. Our Tuesday ladies have just finished the current season and were finalists, a job well done

Night competitions; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights are back in full swing and are progressing well. Come for a look and maybe join us. If you are interested in any level of competition be it day, night, social or just looking for some exercise give us a call on 9800 3316.

Our coach, Kelly Cooper, runs a highly successful coaching program at the club for all levels. Give her a ring! Straight Sets 0414 874 482.

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Wantirna Tennis Club News by Alison Rogers



When last writing the Australian Open was coming to an end. Although our Aussies didn't make the singles finals, they sure put in a good effort.

Congratulations to Women's singles winner Caroline Wozniacki and Men's singles winner Roger Federer. What great players and great role models for all our young players.

On the home front, our night teams have just started a new season. Teams are playing in two Associations on most nights during the week. Come down and watch them play. Teams always welcome new players and emergency players if you can't commit to a team each week. Check out our website or email the Club.

An experience of a Life Time

Wantirna Tennis Club's very own Sam L was nominated for the ANZ Tennis Hot Shot Player of the Year award for 2017. As part of his VIP Australian Open prize, he spent 4 days at 'Pullman on the Park' Hotel as a guest of Tennis Australia, receiving a stack of Australian Open merchandise and attended with the other nominees the Giraffe Encounter and dinner at Melbourne Zoo. He also had the incredible honour of playing on Rod Laver Arena with Alicia Molik.

The nominees walked through the 'walk of champions' and were able to watch Maria Sharapova warm up on Rod Laver Arena from just a few metres away! Sam was then interviewed by three time Australian Open wheelchair mens singles champion Dylan Alcott for Channel 7, and he got to play some tennis as Dylan's doubles partner!

What an experience! Although not the overall winner, Sam had an amazing time. Congratulations Sam.

Juniors

We are currently coming to the end of a season. With many teams in the final, come down and watch some good levels of play. We are proud of all our teams and Junior players and wish the teams in the finals all the best. It is a great achievement to get there, so just have fun.

Many of our Juniors play tennis on the weekend,

have Coaching through the week and also find time to play tournaments. We are very proud of their achievements whether they win or lose. Participation and having fun is the main thing.

Social tennis

If you don't feel you can commit to competition, or are not sure if you are good enough to play tennis, come on down on a Tuesday morning and have a Social hit with some of the ladies at the Club. You don't know till you have a go. All standards are welcome. Enclosed grounds keep young children safe and while they enjoy the playground you can have a hit. Play starts at 9-30am and it is only \$2. Men of course are welcome.

Midweek Ladies

We are always looking for new players down at the Club. If you would like to play midweek ladies competition contact Helen wantimatennis@gmail.com.



Sam and Dylan Alcott interviewed for Channel 7

com The Club currently has ladies teams on a Thursday. Come and join a team or bring a few friends and start your own team.

Coaching

At Wantirna, we cater for all age groups and standards. Our Coaches Mike and Troy's (details are at the end of this article). Give them a call - all will be welcome.

For the Adults, the Coaches can guide them into Comp by starting with Cardio tennis, group coaching or 'one on one' coaching. The new 'Fast Tennis' for those that are 'time poor' is an exciting venture in the Tennis World. A new ladies and men's 'in house' night is available with something similar to be organised for men on another night.

The Coaches now have group and private lessons and also squads. There is more tennis being played at school now and I'm sure if you asked your children, they would say they would like to have a go.

Contact or visit us, we have excellent facilities, including a new BBQ area, with a recently installed shade sail. We have 9 en tout cas tennis courts and a Coaching area in the terrific setting of Wantirna Reserve. We offer a range of competitive tennis and social tennis for both adults and juniors with an excellent coaching programme, plus Hot Shots and Cardio tennis. With safe access into the complex and beautiful grounds set in the peaceful Wantirna Reserve with the Knox/East link bike track going right past our front door. Give us a call to get more details and information on membership or tennis coaching.

At Wantirna you can always see what is happening by checking out our website or face book page.

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