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Editorial

Hello Community News Readers,
Thinking about volunteering? Here is some relevant information from <https://www.helpguide.org/>.

Volunteering offers vital help to people in need, worthwhile causes, and the community, but the benefits can be even greater for you, the volunteer. The right match can help you to find friends, connect with the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career.

Giving to others can also help protect your mental and physical health. It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose.

Volunteering keeps you in regular contact with others and helps you develop a solid support system, which in turn protects you against depression.

By measuring hormones and brain activity, researchers have discovered that being helpful to others delivers immense pleasure. Human beings are hard-wired to give to others. The more we give, the happier we feel.

The team at Community News would welcome you!

Janet Claringbold, Editor.



Thanks to Orana Neighbourhood House and Knox Library for generously providing a room for our meetings.

Bayswater Electorate Update

Boronia Set to Boom With Station Upgrade

From the office of Jackson Taylor MP,
Member for Bayswater

Crews are laying the groundwork for a revitalised Boronia Station precinct, with geotechnical works underway this week for the station upgrade, which will enhance safety, accessibility, and connectivity for the local community.

As part of the works, boreholes will be drilled along Lupton Way, with traffic controllers in place to make sure locals can get around the area safely during works.

These investigations will pave the way for station upgrade construction to start later this year. The project also includes a new landscaped plaza with seating and lighting, connecting to a new pedestrian crossing for safe and convenient access to the Dorset Road shopping precinct.

Member for Bayswater, Jackson Taylor MP commented, "it's great to have these site investigations underway, paving the way for major works starting later this year for this important upgrade to Boronia's railway station."

New canopies over the station's entrances will be added and an improved pick-up and drop-off area along Lupton Way will be built. Increased lighting and CCTV around the precinct will improve safety.

The station's ticket office and Protective Services office will be relocated to upgrade the station entries and allow the station concourse to be widened, improving access over the rail line.

There will be improvements to the platform including upgrades to station furniture, shelters, and toilets, as well as updates to the passenger waiting room.

The contract for the project has been awarded to an alliance comprising Acciona, WSP, and Metro Trains Melbourne, in partnership with the Level Crossing Removal Project, with works set to start later this year and construction completed in 2026.

The station upgrade follows works completed in Melbourne's outer east last year to make the Lilydale Line level crossing free, and the Belgrave Line boom gate free between Ferntree Gully and the city.

We thank the community for providing their feedback and sharing what's important to them. Feedback will help inform aspects of the final designs for the project, due for release later this year.

"I know the community is looking forward to seeing

the project complete, as it will completely transform the heart of Boronia and improve safety and accessibility for people using the station," said Mr. Taylor.



Jackson Taylor, Member for Bayswater, visited Boronia Station to catch up with the team undertaking geotechnical works".



Jackson Taylor MP
Member for Bayswater
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Elm Street Mission

Care4Carers

A Safe and Supportive Program For Women Who 'Care'

Life's ups-and-downs affect us all, and it is important to know there are people who can walk alongside us when we need a little support.

Since 2019, Elm St Mission in Bayswater has been a safe gathering place for people experiencing mental health challenges or who are socially isolated. In October-November this year, Elm St Mission – along with Women's Health East – will offer a free program for women who provide unpaid care for partners, children, parents and others.

"This new program is for women who need some time out, want to connect with others, enjoy activities, have a chat and feel free to be themselves," said Program Coordinator, Ethne Pfeiffer. "We will continue our open-door program where people can drop in and say hi, but this new opportunity is for women to connect with other carers and share their experiences."

She added, "Caring for others brings rewards and challenges, and it's important that carers can be part of a group where they feel safe to share their thoughts, express themselves and have some fun."

Whether you support someone with a mental health challenge, chronic condition or age-related needs, this group could be for you. Information on local services will be available.

Starting on Thursday, 16 October at 11 am – 12:30 pm, the Care4Carers group will provide weekly sessions (October-November) that include a mix of informal chat and connection; relaxation, fun and wellbeing-focused activities; conversations about food and mood; experiences with like-minded women; and more.

"Women's Health East are really pleased to be working with Elm St Mission to deliver this program directly to women in the Knox community. Care4Carers is completely free, welcoming, and easy to register for—come along and connect with others who understand the challenges of caring," said Vanessa, Women's Health East.

Together, the 2 organisations are working to support women who give their time, care and compassion for other people's wellbeing.

"You don't need to know anyone to come along," said Ethne. "This is a safe, friendly place to be."

Morning tea provided. No referrals needed. Registration essential.

Program details

Date: From Thursday, 16 October 2025

Time: 11 am – 12.30 pm

Venue: Elm St Mission

654 Mountain Highway, Bayswater

The venue is accessible and welcoming for all. There is free parking off Elm Street, only a 10-15 minute walk from Bayswater Station.

Register here:

<https://events.humanitix.com/care4carers-a-safe-and-supportive-environment-for-women-who-care>

If you have any questions, please contact Ethne on 0428 330 873 or email info@elmstmission.org.au



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Bayswater Bowls Club News

Back To (Bowls) School

Bayswater Bowls Club is offering “back to school” with a difference by staging free “Learn to Lawn Bowl” classes on the greens of the club, which is centrally located in Phyllis St, opposite Bayswater West Primary School.

These classes are being run in conjunction with Knox U3A, and registration to participate must be made through that organisation which is currently advertising it to their members. Any other inquiries can be made by emailing club@bayswaterbowlsclub.com.

Classes will be conducted by club coaches and experienced bowlers on Friday afternoons between 2.30 pm and 3.30 pm and will run for eight weeks commencing October 17.

Regardless of these classes, Bayswater Bowls Club is always interested in hearing from people who are thinking about taking up the sport. You're welcome to come in and learn about the game and give it a try and you'll usually find us there on any Friday afternoon.

If that's not suitable, then give us a call on 9729 8312 or email us and make some other arrangement that works for you.

Bowls is a game that is truly accessible and can be played by almost anyone regardless of their age, gender or physical attributes. It provides good, healthy, gentle exercise, and is played in a sportsman-like manner that encourages friendships

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Mayor's Message with Cr. Lisa Cooper



AROUND KNOX

Reflecting on my Mayoral term

This will be my last newspaper column as Mayor of Knox for 2024-25.

Over the past year, I have sought to ground my leadership in respect, civility and genuine listening. I know that how we conduct ourselves in debate matters just as much as the decisions we make. I am deeply grateful to those councillors and community members who share this commitment — those who choose patience over anger, dialogue over division and dignity over disrespect — and our dedicated officers whose professionalism and patience help steady us through challenges. Your example strengthens me, and together we show what leadership can be at its best. Above all, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve our Council and community as Mayor. I will continue to practice these values and foster spaces where every voice can be heard, and every exchange honours our community.

In our first year, this new Council listened to over 1,100 people to develop a four-year plan to address the changing needs and priorities of the community, foster growth and development, and ensure the health and wellbeing of residents are at the forefront of everything we do.

Here for young and old

There's a lot happening across Knox this October, which marks Children's Week and the month-long Knox Seniors Festival.

This is an opportunity for over 55s to stay curious and connected by exploring new or favourite activities like line dancing, Mystery Bus tours, an outdoor drawing workshop and meeting new people.

Run in conjunction with the Victorian Seniors Festival, this year's theme is: Create. Connect. Celebrate.

Find out more at knox.vic.gov.au/SeniorsFestival

Council delivers services for the community at all stages of life. We support older residents to stay connected, active and engaged and we're there for new parents and infants.



Celebrating Knox Seniors Festival

Council is hosting a Knox Children's Week event for babies to preschoolers at Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre on 23 October.

Coinciding with the week, Council is hosting tours of our Children and Family Centres at Bayswater and Wantirna South on 25 October.

Our centres deliver early years services to the local community, including childcare, kindergarten, maternal and child health and supported and community playgroups.

You can find out more about these events and our services on our website: knox.vic.gov.au/events

Have your say

I invite and encourage all residents to stay up to date with what's happening and get involved.

October is a busy month for Council and there are many opportunities to Have your say on Council projects.

You can stay up-to-date with local projects through Council's engagement platform: knox.vic.gov.au/HaveYourSay

You can check out our website and subscribe to our weekly eNews at knox.vic.gov.au/enews

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Thomas Williams and Family

by Ray Peace of Knox Historical Society

In the story of Ferntree Gully the names of Thomas and George Williams appear prominently in the early years. They played cricket and football: they also played a major role in the development of the area as a farming community in the days when Ferntree Gully was synonymous with agriculture rather than a suburb.

The date of Thomas Williams senior's birth is sketchy, probably due to the commonality of the surname. It appears likely that Thomas was born in Great Elm, Somerset, sometime between 1819 and 1825. The records give his birth as being in 1805, but this seems improbable. It's more certain that Thomas emigrated to Victoria in 1851. He was married to Hannah Strickland at the west coast port of Bristol in June 1850. Hannah was born in nearby Witham Friary; the date is more precise, 8 June 1824. They had nine children in all, starting with three daughters, Anne (March 1851) Jane (July 1852) and Elizabeth (March 1855).

The Williams's had left Somerset for lands afar for fabulous discoveries of gold had been made in the newly proclaimed colony of Victoria; all three births were recorded in the inner Melbourne suburb of Collingwood.

Their first son, Henry Williams, was born in about 1856, also in Collingwood; sadly, he only lived to the age of seven years. Hannah had five more children, all sons, between 1859 and 1865. All five births were recorded in Mulgrave; Thomas was listed as a local store-keeper.

Farm life was sufficiently profitable that Thomas Williams was able to purchase outright his own

property, at that time Ferntree Gully, today, Knoxfield, in 1868. Crown Allotment 46 by today's standards was huge, slightly over 299 acres. This was the entire area fronting Ferntree Gully and Scoresby Roads between Kent Street and Kathryn Road. This would become the family home for more than a generation.

Thomas secured title to this property in June 1872. In the oldest surviving rate books for the Scoresby riding of the Shire of Berwick, for 1875, his occupation is listed as Farmer. As his sons grew to adulthood they were able to make some extra income working on roads contracts for the shire council.

But Thomas himself had only a few years left. He died of apoplexy on his farm in 1878 and was buried at the cemetery in Oakleigh. This was at the time the nearest cemetery: a cemetery was gazetted in Ferntree Gully in 1872 but was not yet accepting interments.

Hannah Williams lived as a widow for 15 years until her death, aged 69 years, in October 1893. An obituary in the Oakleigh & Ferntree Gully Times recorded that she was carried to her last resting place by four of her sons. It also credited her with having no less than sixteen children; this also seems improbable.

Of the second generation of the Williams family to live in the district the two that claimed most public attention were the fourth son, Thomas Henry Williams (born August 1865) and his older brother, Oliver Samuel Williams (born May 1860). As the tiny local community slowly expanded, residents

started taking an interest in sporting activities. Ferntree Gully cricket club was established in 1886: Oliver Williams was for many years a star cricket player, playing at various times for Scoresby, Ferntree Gully and Springvale. He also worked as a road's contractor in Malvern helping to build the first concrete bridge over Gardiners Creek at Burke Road, which in altered form survives today. Oliver married Emily Crane in 1885; their daughter, Olive Emily ('Minnie') Williams, was for many years a teacher at Scoresby state school. Oliver purchased a property on Ferntree Gully Road near Cathies Lane, building a house named 'Redcourt' which survived for many years.

Henry Thomas Williams and his brother, George James Williams, both married into local families. Henry married Caroline Eliza Head in 1894. The Head family operated the Talaskia tea rooms in Upper Ferntree Gully, also owning property in Boronia. George married Marian Lording in 1896; Edward 'Teddy' Lording was the licensee of the Ferntree Gully Hotel.

Both lived into their eighties and were interred in the Methodist section at Ferntree Gully cemetery. One of their brothers, Thomas Henry Williams, was less fortunate. In 1892, the dray he was using for carting was upset in Prahran. Thomas was thrown off and died of his injuries; he was only 26 years old.

In the 20th century, the family property was gradually sub-divided, finally changing from farmland to suburb in the 1960s. But there is a Williams Lane in Ferntree Gully, high on the hill overlooking the village shopping centre, and the cemetery beyond.



The photo is of the pavilion at Scoresby cricket ground around 1920. Second from left is Mrs Olive Emily ('Minnie') Williams. Second from right is Mr. Thomas Williams, not the elder, one of the sons.



What's Happening At Community Pharmacy?

with Peter,
Pharmacy Manager



We want to thank everyone who donated to our breast cancer fundraiser over August.

Through your generous donations and the raffle giveaway, we raised \$720. We are truly lucky to have such a giving community, and we hope the winner of the raffle, The Howards, enjoy their amazing prize.

Throughout September, we celebrated together as we cherished our final weeks with Sue. A massive thank you to everyone who left heartfelt messages in our book and joined us for morning tea to give Sue a warm send-off. Your kindness and support made her farewell truly special.

Skin Health

As we head into the warmer months, it is the perfect time to consider your skin health. Protecting yourself from sunburn and managing your exposure to the sun is especially important.

Pop in for advice on the best sunscreens, after-sun care, and ways to keep your skin hydrated and healthy all summer long.

Our team is always happy to chat about skin checks, sensitive skin solutions, and products to soothe rashes or irritation. Swing by for a friendly chat and let us help you stay sun safe and glowing this summer!



Major Giveaway

It's back! This October, our second massive Major Win Giveaway this year is happening!

There have been plenty of lucky winners in the past with thousands of dollars given away, and this time it could be your turn!

All you have to do is sign up as a member and pop in store to check out the details on how to enter.

Do not miss your chance to score some fantastic prizes. Swing by and get amongst the excitement! Who knows, your name might be drawn!

Christmas Giftware

We are looking forward to our favourite time of the year! This October, we are unveiling a large range of exclusive Giftware just in time for Christmas!

From stylish homewares and beautifully scented candles & diffusers to fun Disney Madmia socks, a variety of kids' gifts, and more, there is something for everyone on your list.

Be quick though, stock is limited, so once they're gone, that is it! Pop in and discover the perfect presents while they last.

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VIP Night

Get ready to mark your calendars for our highly anticipated annual VIP Night, coming up in early December! We are busy behind the scenes planning an unforgettable evening just for our valued members.

This year, you can look forward to even greater discounts exclusive to members, plenty of exciting prizes to be won, complimentary gift wrapping to make your Christmas shopping a breeze, and delightful light refreshments to enjoy while you browse.

The atmosphere is always buzzing, with a fantastic crowd and a friendly, festive vibe. We will be sharing more information about our VIP Night closer to the date, so keep your eyes peeled for updates!

Do not miss out on this special night. It is the perfect way to kick off the holiday season and snap up the best deals in town!



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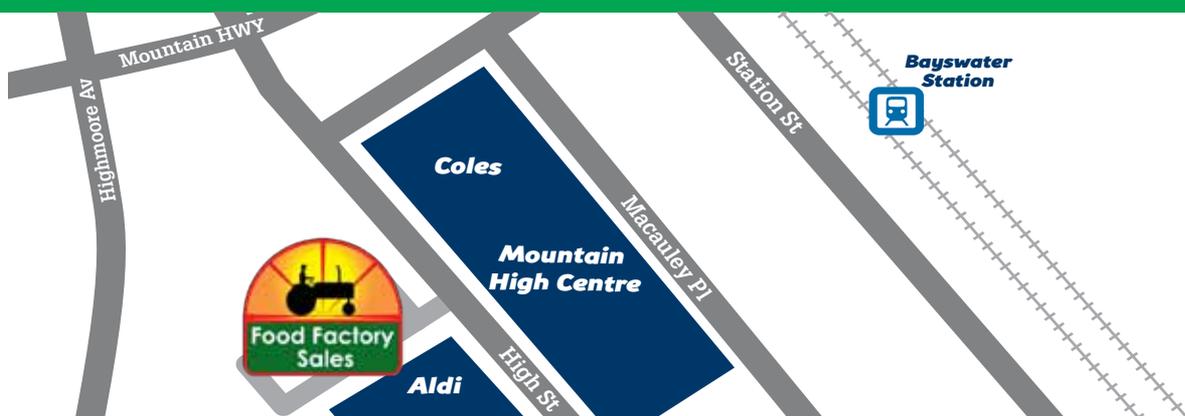


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Wantirna Heights Guides Go Camping!

By Madison Broder, Unit Helper, 1st Wantirna Heights Brownie Guides

This term, Wantirna Heights Brownie Guides had an amazing time on camp at Alcheringa. Our whole unit spent a weekend connecting with nature, exploring the bush and playing lots of fun games.

Our camp theme was 'Performing Arts' so we had a great time crafting clapper boards and microphones, creating skits to perform to one another and playing charades! We also had a toasty campfire and sung all our favourite campfire songs while, of course, toasting marshmallows.

We learnt a lot about the Girl Guide World Centres this term. We played games, did crafts and cooked meals from the 5 different countries our world centres are in. We also completed the Friendship Badge. This involved even more games, crafts and working together as Patrols.

We are looking forward to an exciting Term 4! We have a day trip to the Aquarium and a themed sleepover at the Guide Hall to follow. Lots of fishy fun!

We'd love to have some new friends join us on Monday nights. If you're interested, you can find out more about Guides in your area. You can email guides@guidesvic.org.au or visit www.guidesvic.org.au/be-a-guide.



Wantirna Primary Students Shine Beyond The Classroom

At Wantirna Primary School, creativity and confidence are not just encouraged they're celebrated. Recently, our talented students had the exciting opportunity to perform in front of more than 900 people at the JB Hi-Fi Leadership Conference at Melbourne Park, helping launch The Song Room's Don't Miss a Beat program.

In an unforgettable moment, our students took the stage immediately after Australian rock legends The Living End and earned a huge round of applause! It was a fantastic opportunity for them to showcase their music, dance, and drama skills, capturing the joy and energy of the arts. This milestone highlights the many opportunities available at Wantirna Primary School, where creativity, confidence, and community thrive.

Through our partnership with The Song Room, every student takes part in high-quality music and performing arts education that builds resilience, teamwork, and a lifelong love of learning. Alongside specialist programs in STEM, Art, Auslan, and PE, the performing arts are a vibrant part of school life at Wantirna Primary.

With small class sizes, dedicated teachers, and a strong sense of community, Wantirna Primary



offers a welcoming environment where every child is supported to thrive. Enrolments are now open for our 2026 Foundation year.

Families are invited to book a personalised tour to see firsthand the engaging learning spaces, specialist programs, and vibrant community that make our school unique.

For more information or to arrange a tour, please contact our office on 9801 1938 or email wantirna.ps@education.vic.gov.au.

Come Along to St Luke's Community Fete

The St Luke's Community Fete will be held on Sunday 19th October from 11am - 4pm, 25 Stokes Road in Wantirna.

Come along and enjoy a fun day out with family and friends. There will be games, food, music, and stalls for everyone to enjoy. It's a great way to meet new people, have loads of fun and help raise money for our wonderful school. Most of all, it's a celebration that brings everyone together and makes our community stronger.

Try your luck in our amazing hamper raffles! Packed with goodies and treats, these hampers are bursting with surprises you won't want to miss. Our Silent auction is bursting with vouchers to provide endless fun for your family.

We have rides, proactivity fun, and ponies!

You can come down to the school office at 25 Stokes Road and pick up your pre-fete wristband for \$35 (\$45 on the day).

Our food is BBQ, Indian Cuisine, Pulled Pork Rolls, Hot Chips, Poffertjes, Donuts, Devonshire Tea and Cakes. There will also be plants, toys, preloved clothes, luck dips, face painting, hair braiding, tattoos, chocolate and bottle toss! A day of endless fun!

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What's new at Your Library? by Karla Simon

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- Until the red leaves fall / Alli Parker
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Until the Red Leaves Fall: Meet the Author - Alli Parker

THU 9 OCTOBER, 6PM-7PM

Bayswater Library, Mountain High Shopping Centre, Bayswater

Join author Alli Parker to discuss her compelling novel, *Until the Red Leaves Fall*. Filled with secrets, betrayals and lies, *Until the Red Leaves Fall* asks the question, what happens when you let the truth get in the way of a good story? Books available for purchase and signing. Bookings required (FREE)

Checkmate & Celebrate!

SAT 11 OCTOBER, 10:30AM-4:30PM

Knox Library | Ngarrgoo, 425 Burwood Hwy, Westfield Knox - Above Rebel Sport, Wantirna South

Celebrate the Victorian Seniors Festival with the Knox Community Chess Enthusiasts (KCCE)! Join us for friendly games, a simul exhibition, and fun on our giant chessboard—great for beginners and families. All ages and abilities are welcome! Light refreshments provided. Please RSVP by 9 October (Contact Eddie on 0409 417 719). FREE

A Train to Japan: The Essential Rail Guide to Japan with the authors, Steve Wide & Michelle Mackintosh

SAT 11 OCTOBER, 11AM-12PM

Rowville Library, Stud Park Shopping Centre, Rowville
Steve Wide and Michelle Mackintosh bring you their expert advice on the best way to get around this country, including day trips, multi-day train journeys and even themed itineraries for crafty folk, foodies or pop culture fanatics on 'joyful' trains. Bookings required (FREE)



How To Grow Dahlias with Harvest Homestead

WED 15 OCTOBER, 10:30AM-12:30PM

Miller's Homestead, Dorrigo Dr & Melrose Ct, Boronia

Join us for an inspiring workshop dedicated to the art of growing dahlias, brought to you by Azalea from Harvest Homestead Flower Farm. Gather the knowledge you need to cultivate these beloved and vibrant flowers. Bookings required (FREE)



Therapeutic Movement with Mei Mei

MON 20 OCTOBER, 10AM-11AM

Knox Library | Ngarrgoo, 425 Burwood Hwy, Westfield Knox - Above Rebel Sport, Wantirna South

Join us to discover how small movements lead to big changes! Our accessible chair-based classes are perfect for everyone, with no mat work required. Enjoy simple, fun coordination exercises that boost mental wellness and help you connect with others. Bookings required (FREE)

Decluttering Step By Step

MON 20 OCTOBER, 11AM-12PM

Boronia Library, Park Crescent, Boronia

Do you want to declutter your space, but you're not sure where to start, or you're feeling overwhelmed? Join Veronica from 'A Hand To Help - Professional Organising & Decluttering' to learn some practical steps you can use to declutter and organise your space. Bookings required (FREE)

Princess for a day: the wedding dress in Victoria, 1840-2024

WED 22 OCTOBER, 2PM - 3:15PM

Rowville Library, Stud Park Shopping Centre, Rowville

Join Margaret Anderson, Director of The Old Treasury Building, for a look at the history of weddings and the wedding dress in Victoria, with some surprising results. Attendees are welcome to bring either an old wedding dress or a photo of a wedding dress to the talk. Bookings required (FREE)

Spring, Synesthesia, and Sleepless Nights: Kylie Orr on The Eleventh Floor

THU 20 NOVEMBER, 6:30PM-7:30PM

Knox Library | Ngarrgoo, 425 Burwood Hwy, Westfield Knox - Above Rebel Sport, Wantirna South

Join us as we discuss the inspiration behind Kylie Orr's suspense novel *The Eleventh Floor*. Kylie draws from her fascination with synesthesia and the raw realities of motherhood—shaped by her own experience raising four sleepless babies. Bookings required (FREE)



ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Introducing....

Knox Concert Band

Community musicians and music enthusiasts in the Wantirna area have been provided a new and exciting opportunity to engage with music, through Knox Wind Symphony's expansion into a second ensemble; Knox Concert Band.

Knox Wind Symphony, under the baton and direction of Daniel van Bergen, has been operating in the Knox area since 2017, filling a gap felt by many musicians after graduating from their school or university ensembles. The high-level ensemble performs regularly in state and national competitions, as well as in concerts with other bands and choirs, and at community events around the Knox area.

It was noted that more could be done for developing musicians and current students, which is where Knox Concert Band was born. The new offering provides myriad opportunities for the community to participate in music. Aimed at an AMEB Grade 3+ level, the group is perfect for those currently playing or who played at school, musicians picking up or refining skills on a new instrument, or those returning to playing after an absence. The ensemble is led by Si n Boomsma, who taught and directed ensembles at Ringwood Secondary College, and conducted numerous musical theatre bands and the Monash Jazz Orchestra.

Both ensembles recently received 1st place in their respective grades at the State Band Championships held in August 2025; Knox Wind Symphony in Open B Grade and Knox Concert Band in Open C



Grade. Knox Wind Symphony are looking forward to competing at the Australian National Band Championships in Brisbane during Easter 2026.

Rehearsals are on Monday evenings at Wantirna College during school term.

Knox Concert Band, rehearsing 6:30pm-8pm, is welcoming all players of woodwind, brass and percussion. Knox Wind Symphony, rehearsing 8pm-9:30pm, has limited positions available, with AMEB Grade 6+ ability.

Do you have an instrument in the back of the cupboard that's begging to be played again?

Fill in the Expression of Interest form available on our website, www.knoxwindsymphony.com

Don't play an instrument? You can experience both bands at their end-of-year concert in conjunction with Wantirna College on Thursday December 4th. Follow Knox Wind Symphony on Facebook and Instagram to keep up with performance announcements and see what the bands are up to.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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Don't hold it in — get your tickets today!

SEASON DATES:

Friday 17 October 8:00pm Opening Night
Saturday 18 October 5pm Early Evening
Sunday 19 October 2pm Matinee
Wednesday 22 October 8pm Evening Show
Thursday 23 October 8pm Evening Show
Friday 24 October 8pm Closing Night

TICKET PRICES:

Adult: \$45
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PERFORMANCE VENUE:

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Robert has also submitted articles regularly to our community newspaper on behalf of the radio station.

He has kept our local area well informed of news and current affairs, pertaining to our community.

He is well respected for his interviews with local identities, keeping them well at ease ensuring a successful discussion coming across the air waves.

Robert leaves his stint on air to take time to travel abroad for some time before his next adventure.

We are grateful for his contribution and thank him for his support.

Every good wish for the future, Robert!!



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Jazz on Sundays

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- Sunday 12 Oct
- Sunday 9 Nov
- Sunday 7 Dec

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12:30pm

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

News from the Australian Jazz Museum

Preserving Australian Jazz for Current and Future Generations

Open Day At The Museum *by Ken Simpson-Bull OAM*

Although the Australian Jazz Museum is nationally accredited, the only source of income it gets from the government is in the form of occasional small grants for specific projects. To keep operating it depends on a wholly volunteer staff, on funds from group visits, memberships, and the sale of its "rare collectable jazz" series of CDs.

Since it is important to maintain the preservation and dissemination of Australia's jazz history and associated culture, occasional fund-raising activity is also required.

On October 25 from 11.00am to 4.00pm the Museum will be hosting an open day with a variety of activities. There will be five different bands performing during the day (with well-known vocalists), guided tours of the Museum, and the sale of surplus books, CDs, and LPs. Inner FM 96.3 will be performing an outside broadcast. There will also be a sausage sizzle and soft drinks and coffee available.



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KNOXFIELD & SCORESBY NEWS



Hello from Knoxfield Ladies PROBUS Club by Bev Bishop

In spite of dire predictions of inclement weather, members of the Knoxfield Ladies Probud and one lovely lady from the Boronia Ladies Probud Club defied the forecast and enjoyed the bus ride to the Old Gippsdown Heritage Park to "step back in time and discover the rich history of Gippsland". Situated in Lloyd Street Moe, this collection of original buildings dating from the 1840s to the 1930s, covers 8 acres, and also features an amazing collection of horse drawn vehicles and farm equipment.



Carol, Eira and Lynda

There are 47 sites on the map and fascinating information in the booklet provided. Surprisingly we did not get wet and even saw the sun as we wandered the Park and entered the various homes, the school, the church, the fire station, the lock up and so much more. The day we visited, there was a group of school children doing the tour, so there were a few staff and volunteers including a blacksmith, dressed in costumes of the period which added to the atmosphere. We were warmly welcomed and thoroughly enjoyed our walk-through history. Our day continued with a filling and tasty lunch at the Moe Racing Club.

Our next Sunday Brunch is at Catalina Kitchen in Wantirna South, and our next Evening Dinner is at Kingland Chinese Restaurant in Boronia. We



Morning Tea at Gippsdown



Phyllis, Amy, Barbara and Dawn

thoroughly enjoyed the pizza and pasta at Las Casa Woodfired Restaurant in Boronia last month. These outings are proving very popular.

Semi or fully retired ladies are welcome to join our Club. Our meeting begins at 10.30 am (arrive at 10.15) on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Road, Wantirna. Please call Val Poll our membership officer on 0425 705 053 for more details.

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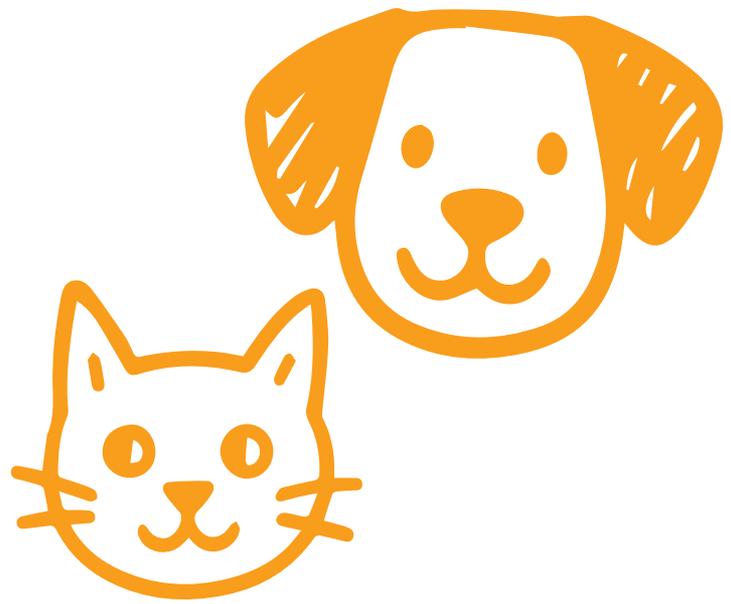
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ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS



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

Our group enjoys, monthly speakers, weekend outings and twice a year week ends away. The outings and weekends away are usually conducted by our own members. We acknowledge volunteers work in providing these opportunities for us to not only enjoy the Australian bush and its contents, but also to learn so much from each other.

We are now meeting at the Ringwood East Senior Citizens Hall. Lawrence Ave, East Ringwood. Plenty of parking and easy access to the hall.

July excursion: Leaders Inta & Roger N Bacchus Marsh area

For this excursion we went to an area that was rich in geological history. We met at Melton Reservoir where we were briefed on the area. Mention was made of the formation of the basement Ordovician sedimentary rocks of over 400million years ago and other more recent sedimentary deposits. Intrusion of magma into these sediments has resulted in the You Yang Ranges. Relatively recent lava flows, 7 to 1 million years ago, over southern western Victoria and the rejuvenation of rivers over the last 2.5million years have led to the formation of gorges along most streams in the region. Other areas of interest were Council Trench Reserve, Mackenzies Flat Picnic Area, Lerderderg Gorge and Merrimu Reservoir.

It was an excursion with a different focus to most we have had and members said that they enjoyed the outing. We thank Roger and Inta for the 'ground work' and showing their expertise on this excursion.

August Speaker: David Hewitt "Queensland Dinosaurs"

David had prepared a presentation on a guided bird tour he and wife Eeva had taken. It included as part of the itinerary a visit to various dinosaur locations in south-west Queensland. They visited Boulia, Winton, Hughenden, Opalton and Richmond. In his talk David spoke briefly about the age of dinosaurs before showing examples of dinosaur digs, recovered bone fossils on display and reconstructed skeletons. He raised the question "How do we know what they looked like?" In most cases it is an educated guess, at other times an almost complete skeleton is available.



Blue Caladenia - Photo by Jack Airey

August weekday excursion: "Annemieke Mein: Nature revealed" Leader Shirley S

This exhibition was amazing and we were so lucky to have it so close in Box Hill. Annemieke Mein OAM, is one of Australia's most celebrated textile artists, she captures in great detail exquisite Australian fauna and flora with great detail and skill. She includes three-dimensional textiles, her preparatory drawings, and samplers that reveal the artist's in-depth creative process. How Talented is she? If you missed this exhibition, you can travel to Sale in Victoria to see her whole collection.

No 1 September excursion – Yan Yean & Ironbark Road Leaders Hazel & Alan V

This outing went very well with lovely weather for those who attended. We started by looking over the reservoir where there were lots of Coots and Hardheads. This outing went very well with lovely weather for those who attended. We started by looking over the reservoir where there were lots of Coots and Hardheads along with a few Cormorants. Driving towards the wetlands a Sulphur-crested Cockatoo watched us from a nest hollow and 3 Musk

Lorikeets shot overhead. On the wetlands several other waterbirds were seen including Hoary-headed and Australasian Grebes, Chestnut Teal and a lone Black Swan. Both Crimson and Eastern Rosellas were also seen in this area. A number of Nankeen Night-Herons were roosting in a tree next to the old caretaker's cottage.

Members then drove towards Ironbark Road, calling at Doreen Wetlands on the way. There they had close views of a female Darter and a Great Cormorant as well as seeing a Grey Butcherbird and Rainbow Lorikeets. At Ironbark Road a Fan-tailed Cuckoo was heard and a pair of Wedge-tailed Eagles flew overhead. Inside the reserve was a denbergia. 9 different types of orchids were identified. These included Slaty Helmet Orchids and Blue Caladenias, the latter blooming in profusion. This completed an excellent day in the bush with 44 bird species recorded as well as lots of beautiful flowers. (By Hazel Veevers)

September - AGM - Speaker: President Shirley Smith's Talk. "25 years of nature at Sandy Point"

Shirley and her husband Ron had been visiting Sandy point for many years. They loved this area so much that they bought a holiday home down there. Shirley 'show cased' this area using humour and talking about her experiences in this unique part of Gippsland. Flora, fauna, beach life and geology were all shown, along with tales about many of the walks and surrounding beaches and sand dunes. Being close to beautiful areas such as Wilson's Promontory and Fish Creek also made Sandy Point a desirable place to visit or stay. We could all see why she continues to visit her place on a regular basis.

Future Program - Meetings

October – Tony Robinson - Worth two in the bush – local birds and how they use plants"

November - Speaker: Peter Hanson Local mines (Warrandyte area)

December-. 2 members short talks.

January-. Outdoor meeting TBA

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 always held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7-30pm now at our new venue the Ringwood East Senior Citizens Hall. Lawrence Ave, East Ringwood. All visitors are welcome. For more details phone Alison 0438 6946 00 or Peter on 0409 6946 23 Check out our Website <http://www.rfnc.org.au> for details of our next meetings.

Knox Environment Society

Did you know that there are 16 different frog species living in the Melbourne area? Not all of these occur in Knox, but you can support the local frog populations in your own garden by choosing a frog-friendly design.

First, the pond. The size of the pond doesn't matter, but different water levels do. Tadpoles prefer deeper water for shelter, swimming, foraging and developing. Adult frogs need shallow water so give them shallow areas in the pond, with a gently sloping bank or a log placed into the pool to help them reach solid ground.

At the edges of the pond, place rocks and logs to provide sites for frogs to forage and shelter in, for egg-laying or for calling platforms.

The pond should be in a position to receive some sunlight for part of everyday throughout the year. Place taller or dense vegetation on the south side of the pond for shade later in the day. Tadpoles usually develop faster in warmer water and any underwater plants will grow better with more sunlight.

Habitat Gardening For Frogs by Anne Morton

KES Nursery has a range of wetland plants to choose from. For planting the frog pond, choose from plants that

- will grow under water or on the water (but not ones that cover the whole pond)
- will grow in inundated or moist soils
- small edge plants
- tall edge plants
- and plants that provide habitat away from water



Examples of plants suitable for under water to moist soils include Swamp Stonecrop *Crassula helmsii*, a small (10-30cm), attractive, spreading plant with small white flowers.

Taller plants, including the Water Milfoils and Spike-rushes, grow in full sun in water or damp soils.

Straked Arrowgrass *Triglochin striata* is an example of a small edge plant. Growing up to 40 cm, it has



ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

Warriors 4 Wildlife: Empowering Victoria's Wildlife Rehabilitators

by Natalie Thomson

Warriors 4 Wildlife Inc., a 100% volunteer-run, not-for-profit charity founded in 2015, is a lifeline for Victoria's wildlife rehabilitators. Operating across the state, this dedicated organization focuses on rescuing and transporting sick, injured, orphaned, or abandoned animals while providing vital support to wildlife shelters and carers. Their mission is to build a supportive community and strengthening the efforts of those who rehabilitate wildlife, ensuring Victoria's native species thrive through community action and conservation.

Through their Emergency Hotline (1300 352 923), Warriors 4 Wildlife network with shelters and rescue agencies and connects the public with trained volunteers who respond to wildlife emergencies. From checking pouches for joeys to safely transporting animals like possums, and birds to licensed rehabilitators or veterinarians, their work ensures animals reach expert care as soon as possible. They run regular workshops to train new rescuers, expanding the network of wildlife advocates.



W4W are dedicated to their Support 4 Shelters program, which addresses the resource shortages faced by wildlife rehabilitators. Many shelters and carers operate with minimal funding, yet they are essential for nursing animals back to health for release into the wild. Warriors 4 Wildlife bridges this gap by supplying daily

essentials like medical supplies, pouches, and cleaning materials. They also provide high-cost equipment such as incubators, aviaries, and possum boxes, which are crucial for creating efficient and safe rehabilitation environments. Operating from

their Narre Warren support centre, they distribute these resources to shelters and carers across Victoria, from Gippsland to Melbourne.

Warriors 4 Wildlife are also the main wildlife stockists of Wombaroo and Passwell milk formulas

and supplements in Victoria and Tasmania, they provide specialised milk replacers and nutritional supplements tailored to species like kangaroos, possums, and wombats, meeting the unique needs of wildlife in care.

Their efforts empower rehabilitators to focus on saving wildlife while fostering public awareness about conservation. By donating, volunteering, or spreading the word, the community can support Warriors 4 Wildlife in strengthening Victoria's wildlife rehabilitation network, ensuring a brighter future for the state's native animals.

Visit www.warriors4wildlife.org to donate or get involved.



loose racemes with tiny yellow flowers. It prefers poorly drained soils and is happy in full sun or semi-shade.

Away from the pond, plants that provide habitat for frogs include Carex species, Dianella species, Lomandra species, Gahnia species and Poa species. Many of these plants are also attractive to native bees, butterflies and birds.

Pale Flax Lily Dianella longifolia is a tufted plant, growing over 1 metre tall, with delightful purple flowers followed by purple berries. Happy in full sun or semi-shade, it will grow in well-drained soils.

And it's a good idea to plant a large shrub, such as Silver Wattle, Paperbark or Tea Tree species. These large shrubs will provide shelter, leaf litter and shade when the rest of the pond area is in full sun.

Spring Garden Festival, Saturday 11th October, 10am-4pm

We are planning a day of garden advice, talks and activities. As well, community exhibitors will be on show offering their own skills and advice to add to the celebration.

There will be presentations –

- Wetland Plants: An amateur's journey of discovery
- Rescue, rehabilitation and release: Boobook Wildlife Shelter
- Birds in the Burbs: Improving habitat for birds

There will be exhibitors –

- Knox Community Gardens Society
- Knox Repair Café
- Gardens for Wildlife
- Australian Plant Society (Foothills Group)



The Friends Groups of Knox will also be present to showcase their activities to protect remnant vegetation in reserves and along creeks.

Sarah will sell beautifully designed tote bags, cushion covers and tea towels. Tisha will have activities for children, including colouring, puppets and mask-making. And the Flying Foxes musical group will be there to entertain us.

So there will be something for everyone with the Rotary Club of Knox providing a sausage sizzle – catering to the inner person too. All funds raised by the Rotary Club go to the Cancer Council Daffodil Day.

Come and join us at Knox Environment Society Nursery, just across the carpark from the Library at 1010 Burwood Hwy, Ferntree Gully. For more information please visit our website www.kes.org.au/home/events or www.kes.org.au/home/presentations



Laughter Club News

Passion, Play and Laughter Yoga

The word Passion came to me as being a quality that we all focus on in our everyday lives. I want to share suggestions to embody, working through the mental constructs of what we have heard, observed, been told – our conditioning throughout our lives. I suggest that we may hear this message with our heads, rather than our hearts. We take on suggestions and the words without an inner motivation which can best come from our own heart.

What we do has to have a true meaning for us and when it does, we light up. We look and feel lit up and our whole character embodies passion in what we do, whatever that may be.

Perhaps it is simple, such as the joy of knitting or crocheting, collecting objects or sport, which any one of us can be totally absorbed in. A lot of us, myself included, adore gardening, or have an urge to go outside and connect with nature, going to a park, meeting other doggie people for a chat.

At times we need to take the time to be quiet, still, contemplative, breathe, meditate perhaps, and reflect upon whether it feels 'right' to move on, as our time can be better spent in turning to an alternative activity.

We have a four-body system, etheric, emotional, mental and spiritual. Our body is intelligent and I have often heard it said many times over the years, that it can heal itself of just about anything, given the chance to do so.

Coming back to the topic of Passion, Play and Laughter Yoga. I believe in living each day with love and enthusiasm and if we lose that, what do we have? Grumpy, disillusioned people walking the earth, projecting negativity and where does that come from? Within. Don't try to fix the world,



Lynette's Painted Rocks

work on feeling love and a lightness, infused with passion, overflowing your cup into the world. The world needs it more than ever before and every person makes a difference.

Laughter Yoga definitely helps to do that. It is very freeing. How we do it at laughter club is fantastic as we are involved in playful activities, allowing our inner children to be released and expressed. We sing, laugh, breathe deeply and include positive affirmations. This all helps our overall wellbeing.

It is life changing for people who come along. I always felt it important to maintain positivity and hope in our lives. Life can beat us around the ears and it takes conscious application to remain in a positive frame of mind at times.

I encourage you to work on your worthiness and monitor your reasons for whatever it is you are doing. You do it for yourself, because you are greatly loved and matter. At present I am passionate about combining my calligraphy, painting, drawing, positive words and affirmations into rock paintings. It feels important to write positive words or sayings

and share them with people, as a reminder to keep your chins up – stay positive at all costs. It is alright to drop in doing so, as in steps forwards and backwards. Keep getting up, marching on, going forward and never, ever give up!!!

With my rock paintings, I feel absorbed, completely and utterly. I often listen to something while doing so and for me, it takes me into another space and time, as I feel very still and absorbed. This is what I am suggesting you may like to do, pick up an old creative hobby or a new one and get it happening.

I would love to hear and encourage you to give yourself a break and become totally absorbed in something which you can feel by the results of doing so, is highly beneficial for your whole body, the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual bodies.

God bless. Sending you love and passion in abundance. Wishing you well.

Laughter and Other Events

The Ferntree Gully Laughter Club meets at 11am on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month behind the library. We are also greatly appreciative of Ajne, Team Leader at the Ferntree Gully Library who loves and believes in what we do, hosting laughter and meditation sessions on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2pm. I also facilitate regular spiritual growth classes and workshops which you may want to hear about at some stage in your life.

First timers, please contact me, Lynette in case of a meeting change, and if you would like to receive updates in my email newsletter or the email reminder when the laughter club is on next. You may like to join the Facebook group (Google it or ask me).

Cheerio for now and be kind to yourself. Lots of Love, Laughter and Blessings. Lynette Mitchell.

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Hands on Myotherapy



Tennis Elbow with Caitlin Jackson

Despite the name, tennis elbow isn't just for tennis players! In fact, most people I see with this condition have never actually picked up a racquet! It usually comes from everyday repetitive movements like typing, lifting boxes, or even long hours on the

computer mouse. The tendons on the outside of the elbow become irritated, leading to that annoying ache or sharp pain that can spread down the forearm and make simple things like gripping a coffee cup tricky and painful!

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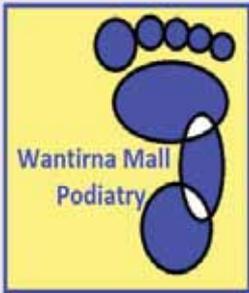
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Life Activities Club Knox

COMMUNITY NEWS

We had our AGM at the end of August and had a ceremony at that meeting to name our Library after our late Lifetime Member, Mr. Ron Smith who contributed greatly to the running of our Club for many years. We also had a memorable dinner at Stamford Homestead plus several other well attended events.



Our Club has a very active last quarter of this year. September 19th. Golf at East Malvern, both 9 and 18 holes. September 20th was our Footy and Fun Day.

Boronia Ladies Probus Club

Our club have had some interesting speakers in the last couple of months. –Sally told us of the Mercy ships and the amazing work these dedicated Doctors and Nurses do for people who otherwise would not have access to specialist treatment. Our members made a generous voluntary donation to Mercy ships on the day.

Also, we had a speaker telling the story of Lavender and how it can be used in so many different ways, there were many products to show and sell on the day.

September at our club is always celebrated with a Footy theme, and the ladies look forward to wearing their 'club colours' one member actually borrows her Grandson's jumper, another Tiger's fan wear her full Tiger uniform, and for morning tea there are party pies and sausages to have with our Tea and Coffee.

October will be our 37th Birthday and the Committee have hired a bus to take the members to celebrate



October 1st during Seniors Week, our President, Peter will be manning an information booth to promote our club from 10.00am to 2.00pm at Carrington Park.

Come visit us at 2.00pm on Wednesday 8th October at Wattle Hall, 160 Underwood Road Ferntree Gully (right next to the Ferntree Gully Railway station) for Seniors Month. We will be having Afternoon Tea, and you will be able to familiarise yourselves with the many activities and events of Life Activities Knox. Entry will be a gold coin which will cover afternoon tea. The Walkers will lead a social amble to the Quarry and back. Convenors from activities will have displays and can talk with you on the ins and outs of our Club and its benefits.

21st November information day at Ferntree Gully Library where we will have displays as well as a talk and demonstration of chair-based exercise class.

To finish up this months' article – once again I will put Lorraine our priceless Club contact. She is only too happy to take your call and answer any questions about LACK. Her number is 0438068334

with lunch at Rose Cottage in the hills. Some members from other clubs will come to celebrate with us on the day.

Members enjoyed a trip to the Footscray Market this month with their friends from Knoxfield Ladies Probus, also on the 26th of August, many members attended the Movie morning at the Boronia Cinema –the film was Mr. Buttons.

Every month we have ladies who attend local Theatre outings at the Bayswater Arts Centre, 2nd September, Burt Bacharach, 2nd December, Christmas Spectacular, most shows are only \$20, and the entertainment is excellent, and then some finish the morning with lunch at the Bayswater Hotel. For more information about our friendly club - we meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Knox Club at 10am, please contact Jan on 0438 059 783 for any more details you may need before making the decision to attend one of our meetings.



Knox Over 50s

At Knox & District Over50s we are a very friendly and sociable group who normally meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month from January to November.

Our next General Meeting will be held at 10.30 am on Tuesday the 28th of October, 2025, at Club Kilsyth, 1-15 Canterbury Road, Bayswater North, followed by lunch for those who wish to stay on.

We provide guest speakers, many day trips and an annual trip, visits to Boronia Cinema, coffee mornings, regular lunches at different locations around Knox and morning melodies.

Our first photo shows members on a recent backstage visit to the Atheneum Theatre in Lilydale. The second photo features the group who went along to see "Cruising with the Grandparents' Club" at The Round, Nunawading.



Earlier this month, some lucky members enjoyed a Community Bus trip to the Alwyn Gardens in Yarra Glen, followed by lunch at the Grand Hotel, Yarra Glen. Also this month, another event enjoyed by quite a few members was "Music of Broadway with Claire Lyon", also at The Round.



We are now looking forward to our usual Cup Day Lunch at the Boronia Hotel and, of course, our Christmas Lunch in early December. Our last meeting for the year will be held on Tuesday, 25th of November, when we will enjoy the music of "The Pleasant Pluckers" – regular favourites of all.

We have a monthly newsletter (Knox Natters Matter) which will keep you up to date with the many fun social activities available.

If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Kerry (on 0419 995 084) for further information. We look forward to hearing from you or, more importantly, seeing you in the near future.



News from Knox District Cub Scouts

by Nicole Klep, District Leader of Cub Scouts.

Knox Cubs Go Vertical!

On Sunday the 31st of August, 97 Cubs representing all of our Knox Cub Units and numerous volunteer Leaders arrived at Gilwell Park Scout Camp in Gembrook early in the morning for a day of vertical adventure. The weather was not as perfect as last year, with a bit of rain on and off this year and just a tad cold, but that didn't stop any of the Cubs!

Cubs got to have a go at the rock climbing wall, the abseiling wall, the flying fox, the bouldering park, slack lines and the 'Ascent Academy' – where they covered some of their vertical badge work and learnt to tie two to four new knots. We also had some stilt walking happening which added a different element to the vertical aspect of the day.

With Scouting we always 'Plan, Do and Review', so when we reviewed the day at our final parade, lots of Cubs said that their favourite activity was the flying fox, but all the activities did get a mention. I did get asked by many Cubs when we are holding the next vertical fund day! I answered that I needed to recover from today's fun first.

If you are interested in trying Scouting go to: <https://scoutsvictoria.com.au/locations/all-groups/>

2nd/3rd Bayswater, 1st Wantirna South, 2nd Wantirna, 1st Knoxfield and 4th Knox are the local Scout Groups. You can try three nights for free! So come along and join in the fun. Scouting is for youth from age 5 to 26 years and after 26 lots of fun is to be had by becoming a leader!



Book Launch At Balmoral Gardens Retirement Village

The Covid-19 Lockdowns presented great opportunities to people who were lucky enough to be confined and looked after, and were able to recognize and seize the chance to do something they would normally not have had time to do, like write a book.

The lockdowns in Balmoral Gardens Retirement Village were put to good use by Maree Pennington, a resident of the village in Wantirna South since the end of last century when she moved in at the age of 55.

Having retired from her paid employment at age 76 in 2020, she found it to be a welcoming chance to write her 'Bio.,' about her first fifty years on Planet Earth.

Once Maree's 'Bio' was written, arranging to have it printed, learning the new lingo and finding there is a lot more than you think to just writing a book and having it published. It became quite a learning process.

The village multi-Purpose Room provided a perfect setting for her 'Book Launch' with seating for 100+ people, a stage, microphone and lectern along with its very modern kitchen facilities. The perfect setting for a very enjoyable afternoon tea and chat.



Ferntree Gully View Club

Our monthly luncheon meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month (except December - it is the 3rd Monday) and includes a 2-course lunch menu (meal of your choice to be in by 11.00am), tea/coffee, raffle tickets, cost \$30. 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 support 7 disadvantaged students through the 'Learning for Life' Program with The Smith Family. We also support a refuge for women and children escaping domestic violence.

Lunch Date - Monday 27th October - Speaker from The Smith Family.

Lunch Date - Monday 24th November - Speaker - Hazel Austin - VIEW Club National Councillor
If you want to join a welcoming and fun club, come join us. Visitors are most welcome.

Time: 10.30am for a 11.30am start.

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

Contact: Romaine on 0421 400 549 to book in.

Wantirna Day View Club

Wantirna Day VIEW Club (Voice, Interests, and Education of Women), is a group of friendly women who meet regularly to enjoy social interaction, whilst also raising valuable funds for The Smith Family Learning for Life Program.

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month (except in January) at The Stamford Hotel - Cnr Stud & Wellington Roads, Rowville - 10:30 am for an 11:00 am start. Members contribute a small fee of \$12 per meeting, (which includes morning tea, room hire, and raffle), and lunch is available to order at your own cost. Most meetings also host a guest speaker/entertainment for members' enjoyment.

We would love new members to join. Ladies of any age group, and from any location, would be most welcome.

For more information please call our President - Kate on 0421 650 684

Boronia VIEW Club

VIEW (Voice Interests, education of Women) meets on the third Friday of each month at 11.30am at Eastwood Golf Club, Liverpool Road, Kilsyth with a 2-course lunch costing \$30 followed by a guest speaker.

On the 17th of October our guest will be John Sutcliffe speaking about the history of musical organs. Enquiries to Roz on 9762-6785 (our usual enquiry person, Judy is away).

On Friday the 21st of November our guest will be Hazel Austin speaking about aspects of VIEW. Enquiries to Judith on 9764-8602

At each meeting there will be a raffle, book stall and trading table with all monies raised going to the Smith Family children who need financial help for their education needs through the Learning for Life program. The Club is looking for new members so ladies of all ages and backgrounds come along. You will be warmly welcomed. There are also small groups within the Boronia club eg. card and coffee mornings etc. and some outings.

What's On?

Event	Date & Time	Location	More Information
OLDER MEN : NEW IDEAS	2nd & 4th Fridays each month	Orana NH, 62 Coleman Rd ,Wantirna	Call Orana on 9801 1895
Changing Seasons Cafe	Wed to Fri 10.30am to 3.30pm Sat & Sun 9.00am to 4.00pm	31-34 Elizabeth St, Bayswater Access from the road	8720 1382 Facebook @ChangingSeasonsCafe
Wantirna Day View Club	1st Wednesday each month 10:30 am for 11:00 am start	Stamford Hotel Cnr Stud & Wellington Rds, Rowville	Kate on 0421 650 684
Ferntree Gully View Club	4th Monday of each month 11.30am	The Knox Club. Cnr Stud and Boronia Rd. Wantirna South	Romaine Meadowcroft - 0421 400 549
Boronia View Club	3rd Friday each month 11.30am.	Eastwood Golf Club Liverpool Road Kilsyth	Judith 9764 8602
Boronia Ladies Probus Club	3rd Wednesday of each month	Knox Club, cnr Boronia & Stud Rds Wantirna	Enquiries: Jan on 0438 059 783
Combined Probus Club of Wantirna Heights	First Wednesday of every month at 10am	Knox Boat Fishing Club, Schultz Reserve, Kingloch Pde Wantirna.	Michael 0439 551 209
iShred - Community Shredding Day	Sat. Oct 11 & Nov 15 9am-12pm	5/7 Samantha Crt. Knoxfield	1300 763 688
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
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
Scoresby 55+ Social Circle	Thursdays 10am-12.00noon	Scoresby Football Club, Scoresby Recreation Reserve.	0491 258 657
Knoxfield Ladies Probus	3rd Wed. of the month at 10.30am.	Wantirna Club, 350 Stud Road Wantirna	Jo 0414 914 091
Lions Club of Knox	1st & 3rd Tues of month at 7.00pm	Our Saviours Lutheran Church Knox 646 Burwood Hwy, Knoxfield	Sue 0411 529 293
Probus Club of Wantirna Sth	2nd Wed of the month at 10.30am.	Wantirna Club, Stud Road Wantirna	Lesley Kelly 0409 028 959
Scoresby TOWN Club	Wednesdays 8.30am	Scout Hall behind 91 Lewis Road Wantirna	9761 1875
Boronia Probus Combined Club	2nd Thurs of the month at 10.00am	Boronia Bowls Club, 5 Marie Street, Boronia	Keiran Smith 0404 079 636
Wantirna Cricket Club	Saturday Summer Competition	Schultz Reserve Wantirna	President David Orlandi 0418 147 456
Rotary Club of Knox	Wednesdays 12.45pm	Knox Club, cnr Boronia & Stud Rds Wantirna	Gary Weston - 0409 553 168
Rotary Club of Boronia	Tuesdays 6.30pm	Knox Club, cnr Boronia & Stud Rds Wantirna	Greg Mossop - 0437 599 949
Rotary Club of Bayswater	Wednesdays 6.00pm	Rotary Club Rooms , Marie Wallace Reserve, King Street, Bayswater	Ron Bridges - 0414 843 427
The Boronia branch of CWA	2nd Wednesday of the month Craft Meeting - 4th Wednesday	CWA Hall at 4 Sundew Ave Boronia	Evelyn on 9762 1537 or 0434 722346
Ringwood View Club	2nd Wed of the month 11am	Ringwood Club, Maroondah Hwy	Heather 0411 219 248
KSSSG-Knox Stroke Survivors	2nd & 4th Wed of the month 10.30am	Crave Restaurant, 236 Dorset Road Boronia	Lister 0413095061 Rob 9758 8582 Anna 0414976619
Knox Photographic Society	2nd,3rd,4th Wednesdays 7.30PM	Boronia West Primary School. Tormore Rd Boronia (Enter via Swimming Pool car park).	Rob 0401943354
Studfield Wantirna Probus Club	2nd Tues monthly at 10.30am	Knox Club, 480 Boronia Rd Wantirna	Pauline 0458 003 985
Elm Street Mission	Mon, Wed, Fri 10 am to 2 pm	654 Mountain Highway Bayswater.	Ethne 0428 330 873 or info@elmstmission.org.au .
Knox Masters Athletics	Wed. 7.00pm-9.00pm	Knox Athletics track, Bunjil Way, Knoxfield	Peter - 0427880143, Helen 0425743977

EACH Financial Counselling

by Holley Dumble

Tax Time Trouble:

What to Do If You Owe the ATO

For many of us, the end of the financial year brings with it the familiar ritual of tax returns — digging through receipts, waiting for group certificates, and hoping for a refund. But what happens if your tax return leaves you not with extra cash in your pocket, but with an unexpected bill from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO)?

It's a reality facing more people than ever, and for those already struggling with the rising cost of living, an ATO debt can feel overwhelming.

Why You Might Owe the ATO

- Tax debt often catches people off guard. Common reasons include:
- Multiple income sources (like casual work, gig jobs, or Centrelink payments) where not enough tax was withheld.
- HECS-HELP debts that become payable once income passes the repayment threshold.
- Incorrect deductions or over-claiming in previous years.
- Unexpected business or investment income.

What feels like a small oversight during the year can quickly snowball into a debt notice once tax time rolls around.

The Impact of ATO Debt

Unlike some debts, ATO debts can't be ignored. If left unpaid, they may attract interest charges (GIC – General Interest Charge) and collection action. In serious cases, the ATO can recover debts directly from bank accounts, wages, or future refunds.

For many, the stress isn't just about what might be owed — it's about the fear of dealing with a government agency. This is where financial counselling plays an important role.

How Financial Counsellors Can Help

Financial counsellors provide free, confidential support for people experiencing financial stress, including ATO debts. They can:

- Review the debt to check it is correct and explain the client's rights.
- Negotiate payment plans with the ATO that are affordable and sustainable.
- Apply for interest or penalty remissions in cases of genuine hardship.
- Advocate on behalf of the client, reducing the stress of direct contact with the ATO.

Connect clients with tax help clinics and services or community legal centres if disputes arise.

Most importantly, financial counsellors look beyond the debt itself — helping people stabilise their overall finances and regain a sense of control.

Options for Managing ATO Debt

If you've received a tax bill you can't afford, there are several pathways:

- Payment Plans – The ATO allows flexible payment arrangements, sometimes as little as \$20 per week, depending on circumstances.
- Hardship Support – In cases of serious financial difficulty, interest and penalties may be reduced or waived.
- Tax Help Volunteers – A free ATO program run through community organisations to assist low-



income earners with lodging returns.

- Financial Counselling Services – Available through organisations such as the National Debt Helpline (1800 007 007) or EACH Financial Counselling (03 9871 1817)

Taking Back Control

Owing money to the ATO doesn't make you an irresponsible taxpayer, nor does it mean you're alone. Many Australians, especially those juggling casual work, small businesses, or cost-of-living pressures, find themselves in the same position.

With the right support — whether through financial counselling, tax help, or flexible payment plans — it's possible to manage the debt without it spiralling into long-term hardship.

This tax season, if you're facing more stress than refund joy, remember: help is available, and early action makes all the difference.

Gully Market Update

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The Gully Market, operating from the Upper FTG station Carpark is making a donation of \$3000 to the Upper FTG CFA. This brings to \$7800 we have donated to them since September 2023. As you are aware, the CFA members are all volunteers. They rely on their members and families to fundraise, generous big organisations, smaller organisations such as us, and community minded individuals for donations. Every dollar counts and it allows them to serve the community by not only attending fires, but also search and rescues, accidents etc. They are a vital community service. On Saturday the 24th of October we will be holding a special market, and once again the CFA will be in attendance with truck, crew, and information stand and hopefully with a sausage sizzle. I invite the public to come along and support the market and CFA so that we both can continue to support the community. To date, we have given back to various community organisations \$35,000 since Sept 2023.

Ian Rice President - Gully Market, Tracy Pate - Treasurer, Rachael O'Connor - Social Media.



Victorian Racket Club Junior Program

Article sourced from <https://victorianracketclub.com.au/>

The Victorian Racket Club is the first public sports centre in Melbourne to have 6 new Squash and Racquetball courts built in over 25 years, (yes, the last place was MSAC in 1998) and we are sure after you visit and play at our sports centre, you will understand why we are so proud of them.

Together, with the City of Knox and the Knoxfield Pickleball and Tennis Club, we have now created the best and biggest public sports racket facility in the Knox area, complete with access to 4 brand-new Pickleball courts, 5 Tennis courts, interactive Squash courts, a bar and of course, a fully stocked pro shop.

The Club currently has multiple teams across all skill levels competing in local and competitive leagues for all sports. If you are interested in joining a social or competitive team, please call or email us.

We hold high intensity skills sessions and social nights available for all guests not just for members. Private and Group coaching is also available for all sports.

The Victorian Racket Club is proud to launch an exciting new Junior Coaching Program, led by none other than Cassie Thomas, former Women's World No. 1 and current Head Coach of the Victorian Junior Team.

This program is perfect for young players of all skill levels, whether they're just starting out or already chasing state-level goals. With Cassie's elite experience and passion for the game, kids will not only develop their squash skills but also build confidence, friendships, and a love for sport.

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Urgent care is when you need medical attention for an illness or injury that

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This includes things like minor fractures, sprains, minor infections, respiratory illnesses, mild burns, severe stomach pains, or urinary tract infections.

Medicare Urgent Care Clinics are helping take pressure off hospital emergency departments.

Information provided by Mary Doyle MP, Federal Labor Member for Aston

Templeton Tennis Club

by Neil Houlston, Secretary

Winter Competition Success and Junior Convenor Retiring After 23 Years

Junior Convenor Retired End of Winter Season

Pam Stewart (pictured) has completed her final day as our club's junior convenor after 23 years in the role.

We couldn't be any more grateful, for her time and effort to run our weekend junior competitions for Saturday and Sunday mornings for all these years!

Winter 2025 Competition Success

Out of the 16 weekend competitions teams we had across juniors and adult competition, 9 teams qualified for finals which is a massive achievement for our club in recent years.

7 of these teams reached their respective grand finals and we managed to secure the winners flag for 2 Sunday Juniors teams (B1 Singles/Doubles and D Special 4 Triples) and 2 adult teams (A Reserve 3 & 4).

Congratulations to all players on their wins and a successful season for our club.

New Planter Boxes with Wantirna Connect Crew

As part of a recent state government grant, our club acquired new planter boxes to have around the courts.



We had some students from Wantirna College as part of our clubs Wantirna Connect Crew program, fill out our new planter boxes with soil and plants, plus some additional garden work.

Our club appreciates these students helping brighten our club a little more!

Straight Sets Professional Tennis Coaching

Kelly and the coaching team at Templeton are available to provide their services for all ages and experience levels, from very beginners to those trying to perfect their backhand.

Details on all coaching programs available at our club, including group coaching and private lessons are available on our club website under the Coaching tab.

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To stay up to date with events and everything else happening at Templeton Tennis Club, make sure to follow our Facebook and Instagram pages (@templetontennisclub). Our active page has the blue tennis ball icon for the profile picture.

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Wantirna Cricket Club

Cricket season is finally here!

A new Ringwood & District Cricket Association (RDCA) season begins for the Wantirna Cricket Club on Saturday October 4.

A series of well-attended pre-season training sessions and a practice match has the Wantirna CC - based 600m from Wantirna Mall at Schultz Reserve - ready to go for yet another season.

Wantirna CC was established in 1920 and fields three teams that play on Saturday afternoons, and new players and volunteers are always welcomed.

Whether you're new to the area and looking for a game, want to return to cricket

after a break, wish to play sport with a son or family member or just want to try a new sport, we can always accommodate you.

Please contact President David Orlandi (0418 147 456) for more information, and for regular club updates follow Wantirna CC on Facebook and Instagram.




NEW PLAYERS WANTED









WANT TO PLAY CRICKET THIS SUMMER?

The Wantirna Cricket Club are looking for new players for the upcoming 2025/26 season

Wantirna CC competes in the Ringwood & District Cricket Association (RDCA) and fields three teams that play on Saturdays in summer.

A family-oriented club established in 1920, we are based at Wantirna's Schultz Reserve and have spots available for players of all abilities.

We also cater for players who cannot commit to training or playing every week and offer **FREE** membership to first-year players.

If this sounds interesting, please call or text President David Orlandi (0418 147 456) for more information.

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