



## The Tablecloth

Helen Hall

A new Pastor and his wife, newly assigned to their first ministry to reopen a church, arrived excited about the new opportunity.

When they arrived they found the church very run down and needing much repair. They set about to have everything ready for their first service on Christmas Eve, and by much hard work, the repairs were just about finished by December 18th.

On December 19th, a driving rainstorm hit the area lasting for two days. The Pastor's heart sank when he discovered that the roof of the church had leaked causing a large area of plaster to leave a huge gap in the front wall of the Sanctuary and behind the pulpit. The Pastor cleaned up the mess and on his way home he noticed a local charity sale and he stopped by.

One of the items was a beautiful, handmade ivory-coloured crocheted tablecloth with exquisite work and a cross embroidered in the centre. He bought it and hurried back to the church and, as it began to snow, he noticed a woman running from the opposite direction to catch a bus. The bus passed so he invited her to wait in the church for the next bus.

As he was putting up the tablecloth as a wall tapestry, the Pastor noticed the woman slowly walking down the aisle. "Pastor," she asked, "where did you get that tablecloth?"

When he explained, she asked him if the initials EBC were crocheted in the corner. They were. She explained that before the war, they were well-to-do people in Austria and that when the Nazis came she was forced to leave her husband, who was sent to a prison camp, and she never saw him again. The Pastor drove her home and what a wonderful service they had on Christmas Eve!

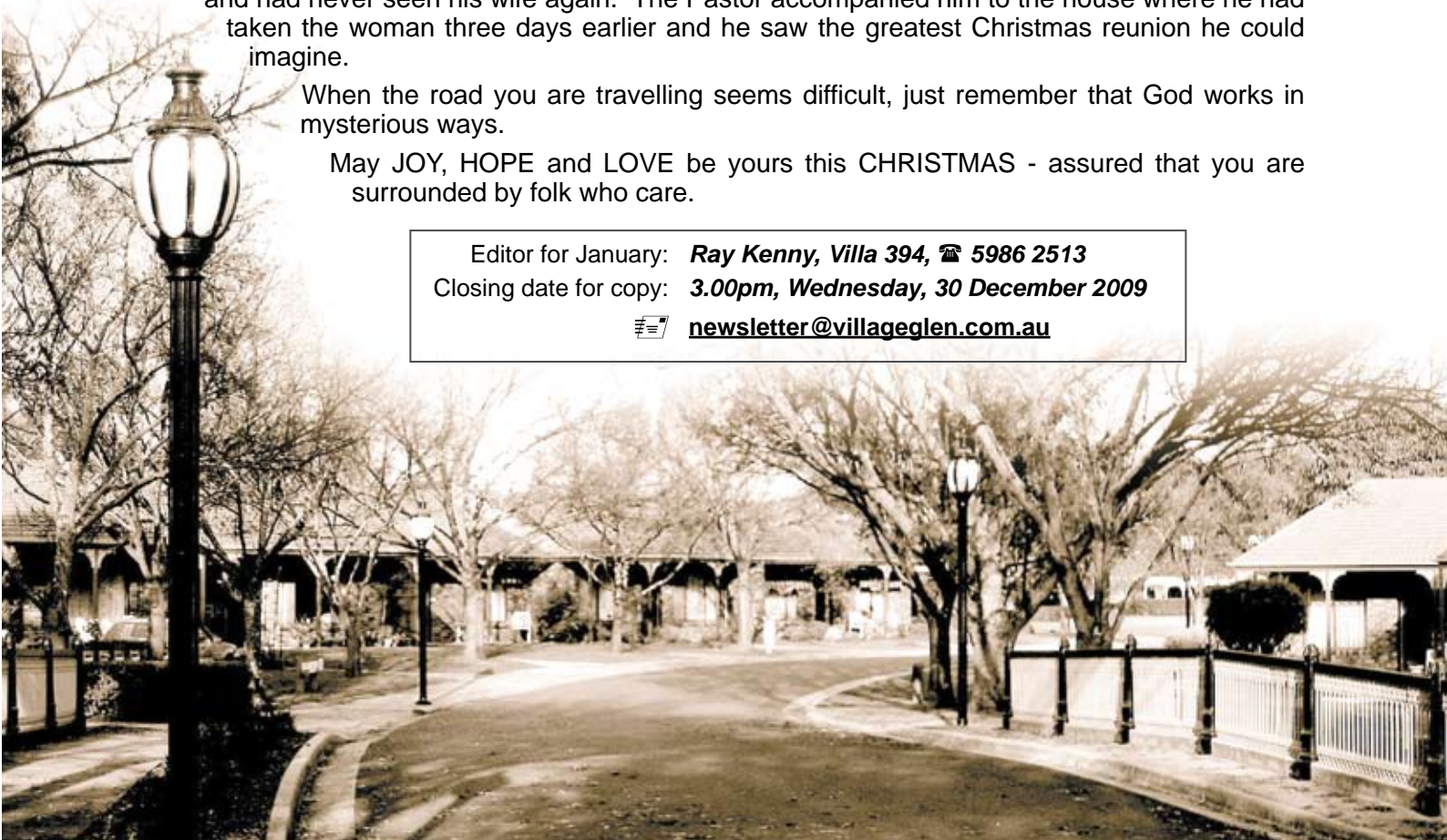
After the service the Pastor noticed an old man, whom he recognised from his neighbourhood, sitting staring at the tablecloth.

He inquired where the Pastor had got the tablecloth as it was identical to the one his wife had made years ago when they lived in Austria. He explained he was imprisoned during the war and had never seen his wife again. The Pastor accompanied him to the house where he had taken the woman three days earlier and he saw the greatest Christmas reunion he could imagine.

When the road you are travelling seems difficult, just remember that God works in mysterious ways.

May JOY, HOPE and LOVE be yours this CHRISTMAS - assured that you are surrounded by folk who care.

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## JANUARY

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| 1 Marg Smith      | 14 Judy Leith        |
| Ida Clark         | Betty Porter         |
| Dorothy Houghton  | Joyce Noble          |
| 2 Eric Florence   | Mary Elder           |
| Pat Castle        | 15 Frank Reed        |
| Dawn Shephard     | 16 Betty West        |
| John Craine       | Jean Dobson          |
| 3 Harry Hutchins  | 17 Joy Green         |
| Lawrie Lee        | Doreen Garnham       |
| Allen Whitney     | 18 Gordon Long       |
| 4 Maurine Tregear | Gwen Turton          |
| Alvis Webb        | Marie Hogan          |
| John Ware         | 20 James Wood        |
| Kathleen Tully    | Peg Lindkvist        |
| 5 Len Mills       | 21 Ian Horsey        |
| Lorraine Pearce   | Sophie Jack          |
| Maureen McLean    | Vonda Goddard        |
| 6 Dot Birnie      | 22 Shelagh Valentine |
| Alec McKenzie     | 23 Doris Baxter      |
| Geoff Dutneall    | 24 Helen D'riffle    |
| Ian Bickerstaff   | Judy Young           |
| Ken Grime         | Margot Minogue       |
| 7 Lindsay Bell    | 25 Hazel Powell      |
| Jack Butcher      | Des Hodgman          |
| Alan Shell        | 26 Dorothy Walsh     |
| Beryl Morley      | 27 Audrey Vine       |
| 9 Betty Grover    | Barbara Wade         |
| Joan Higgs        | 28 Peter Haythorpe   |
| Laurie Shephard   | Bev Grime            |
| 10 Alison Doyle   | 29 Alan Hester       |
| Maurice Hammond   | Kevin Graham         |
| 11 Ana Padezanin  | 30 Betty Syme        |
| Noel Dobson       | Margaret Bell        |
| 12 Margot Page    | Keith Taylor         |
| 13 Joyce Booker   | 31 Alison Beal       |
| Max Hurren        | Barbara Brooks       |
| Cliff Mansfield   | Don Ockley           |

## WELCOME

Keith Andrews	V287
Kerry & Jennie Luckins	V603
Joan Handley	V307
Joy Punton	V466
Alan Medcalfe	V172
Betty Coombes	V154

## THANKS

**Betty Grover, V196**, would like to thank the two kind residents who returned her lost back door key and much treasured pearl earring.

**Lilian Chalkley** would like to very sincerely say a very big thank you to all her friends and neighbours for their assistance following my knee surgery. Your help and support was much appreciated. A very special thanks to Ann for being my 'postie' and to Diane for delivering the Cluster 19 newsletters on my behalf.


**Ken and Gwen Turton** Many thanks and appreciation to our neighbours, friends, staff and nurses of Village Glen, for their concern and support for Ken's eye problem. Very pleased to say the operation has been successful to date and hopefully the yellow bowls will be on the green ASAP.

**Doug and Sylvia Clark, V477**, would like to thank all the residents who sent good wishes during Doug's recent stay in hospital. Their phone calls, cards and expressions of support were much appreciated.

**Sister Carmel, V257**, is deeply grateful to Management, Nursing Staff, Residents and Devotional Group for their thoughtfulness and kindness following her recent accident.

**Lorna Coulson, V427**. 'Thank you' to all the friends & neighbours who sent cards, letters & messages of sympathy when my husband Alan died at the end of September 2009. Alan lived here in the Village from June 2004 until December 2006. He delighted many of us with his beautiful singing voice at several Village concerts and some special birthday celebrations. My family and I appreciate all your thoughtfulness, it has helped! A special 'thank you' to those who came to the Rosebud Uniting Church to help celebrate Alan's life.

### Newsletter Contributions

 If you write your article by hand please deliver it to either the Editor or the Office.

 If you compose your article on a computer please email it to: [newsletter@villageglen.com.au](mailto:newsletter@villageglen.com.au)

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# CAROLS BY THE LAKE

TUESDAY, 22 DECEMBER, 7.30PM

Cranbourne Chorale Group will be performing Christmas Carols by the Lake on Tuesday, 22 December. The Residents' Committee will be providing a sausage sizzle from 7.00pm and sausages can be purchased for \$1.00 each.

Carols will run from approximately an hour and a half commencing at 7.30pm.

Please notify the Office if you will be purchasing sausages on the night to help us with catering.

Don't forget to bring a torch, your chairs, rugs and a coat in case it gets a little chilly. Residents are welcome to invite family and friends to relax under the stars and enjoy a lovely evening of Christmas Celebrations with fellow residents.

In the event of inclement weather the carols will be transferred to either the Sports Building or the Dining Room.



## Family Day Thank you

A huge thank you to Amanda, members of the Family Day Committee and all the volunteers who made Family Day such a huge success. It is a mammoth event to organise but worth every minute of it when you see the delight on the face of each and every child. So from all kids - big and small - thank you for a really great day.



## PHOTOGRAPHER'S CORNER



Jeanette, V527  
☎ 5946 0057

Photographs taken at the following functions are now on display and available to order.

- Golf Presentation Evening
- Bowls Christmas Dinner

**New DVD now available**

Life in the Village Glen 2009

The following photographs will be available shortly

- Family Day (incl. Santa)
- Fidelity Dinner

### dates for your diary ...

Carols by Candlelight	22 Dec
Christmas Day Lunch	25 Dec
Movie	19 Jan
Australia Day BBQ	26 Jan
Movie	16 Feb



### BOOKLETS TO BE ARCHIVED

Booklets of photos of functions from January to October 2009 will be archived early in the New Year.

Please take some time to browse through the booklets and order any photographs you may have missed.

A very Merry Christmas to all who have so willingly allowed me to point a camera in their direction throughout 2009.



## MAC USERS GROUP (MUG)

Every Tuesday

EXCEPT the FIRST Tuesday in the month  
9.30am - 11.30am, Craft Centre

Welcome to our new MUG members.

Throughout January classes will be held according to demand.

Please ensure Jeanette and John have your email address so contact can be made if the need arises.

Happy Christmas and New Year to all 'Village People' from the Mac Users Group.

Contacts: *Jeanette* ☎ 5947 0057  
or *John* ☎ 5982 3308

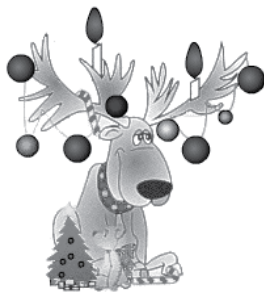
## FIDELITY CLUB

Forty-three members were in attendance for our 200th meeting. After all of the business was transacted, President Bill called on our speaker for the day, Don Walton, who gave a very interesting talk on various adventures throughout his life.

President Bill made the usual presentation to Don. Bruce reminded all about our December Christmas dinner, with some fine feasting and entertainment.

Travis Ellis was presented with a very nice plaque by the Governor at Government House, in gratitude for his untiring work for the Heart Foundation. Congratulations Travis for a job well done.

*Rupe Halliwell*



## FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Our Club is for people living on their own who wish to meet like-minded folk and enjoy sharing a couple of hours of brainteasers, quizzes and fun.

We all bring a small plate and a drink (whatever takes your fancy!) to share. Tea and coffee is available, so please come along and enjoy the company of friends who also attend various functions at the Glen and share surprise outings together.

We meet the 4th Saturday in the month at 5pm in the Craft Centre and the next meeting will be on 23 January 2010.

We welcome all new members and wish our friends all the joys of the Christmas Season.

*Ida* ☎ 5982 2890

*Elwyn* ☎ 5982 3370

## WEIGHT BEARING EXERCISE

Monday 11.00am Strength/Weight Bearing Exercise – last class for 2009 was on Monday, 14 December. Classes are to resume on Monday, 18 January 2010.

*Marjorie*



## MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Residents' Committee would like to wish all our Residents a Very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year.

Please be advised there will not be a meeting in January. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, 10 February 2010 at 7.30pm in the Sports Building.

*Elaine Travis*  
President

## 'Welcome to New Residents' Meeting

Management would like to extend an invitation to all residents who have moved into the Village Glen since December 2008 to an informal morning tea in the Dining Room on **Thursday, 28 January, at 10.00am**. Management is hoping these gatherings will be beneficial to new residents, assisting them to meet with others and to discuss any relevant issues they may have.

We look forward to seeing as many residents as possible in **January**.

*Management*

## More Medals



Our swimming champion Trudy, V254, recently won 3 individual Gold Medals and a Silver Medal and 2 Gold and a Bronze Medal in the team events at the World Masters Games in Sydney in October.

The Games started with the spectacular Opening Ceremony and it was a very moving moment when the raising of the International Masters Games Association flag took place followed by the parade of flags from every country. It was a very special privilege to compete against 90-year-old Noel Morrow, a graceful Canadian swimmer who competed in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin. It was exciting to watch ex-Olympians Daniel Kowalski, Adam Pine and Chris Fydler winning their events, while Geoff Heugill was busy chatting to Prince Fredrik on the pool deck!

Trudy would like to thank Gwen Kick who became her swimming "buddy" and gave generously of her time while she practised in the pool each Monday for one hour. Her assistance contributed significantly to her success, and to the three pool friends who graciously agreed to change their pool time to accommodate her when Gwen left for holidays - she is most grateful.

*Helen Hall*

## SUDOKU

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS

FROM JENNY

VILLAGE GLEN

### HAIRDRESSING SALON

Merry Christmas to all Village Glen Residents. I would also like to thank my many wonderful clients for your continued support throughout the year.

Please note the salon hours for the Christmas - New Year period:

<b>CLOSED</b>	Friday, 25 December
<b>CLOSED</b>	Monday, 28 December
<b>OPEN</b>	Tuesday, 29 December
<b>OPEN</b>	Wednesday, 30 December
<b>OPEN</b>	Thursday, 31 December
<b>CLOSED</b>	Friday, 1 January 2010

## VISIT TO EASTBOURNE PRIMARY SCHOOL



On Thursday, 3 December, more than thirty residents visited the school and were escorted by the students to share in a delightful morning tea which had been prepared by them for this special occasion. The Headmaster welcomed us, and after morning tea we were taken on a tour of the vegetable garden – the pride and joy of the students.

We proceeded to the Assembly Hall where we were entertained by three bands and carol singing by the school choir, ably led by Chris, the Music Teacher.

This was a most enjoyable day, and we were most impressed by the hospitality and the enthusiasm of the students and the dedication of the Teaching Staff.

# ☆☆ eat, drink and be merry ☆☆

## CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

Thursday, 24 Dec	* Dining Room closed
Friday, 25 Dec	* Café closed (Christmas Day)
	* Dining Room open for Christmas lunch - bookings only
Saturday, 26 Dec	* Café closed (Boxing Day)
Sunday, 27 Dec	* Café open
Monday, 28 Dec	* Café open – Coffee and cake, light lunch
Thursday, 31 Dec	* Dining Room closed



## Australia Day BBQ

26 January, 12 noon

To be held in the Dining Room/Courtyard. Entertainment to be provided by Will Brooks.

Cost \$32.00 pp BYO

Bookings open Wednesday, 6 January.

Book and pay at the Village Glen Reception.



### SUGGESTED DICTIONARY ADDITIONS

ADULT:	A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.
BEAUTY PARLOR:	A place where women curl up and dye.
CANNIBAL:	Someone who is fed up with people.
CHICKENS:	The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.
COMMITTEE:	A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.
DUST:	Mud with the juice squeezed out.
EGOTIST:	Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.
HANDKERCHIEF:	Cold Storage.
INFLATION:	Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.
RAISIN:	Grape with a sunburn.
TOOTHACHE:	The pain that drives you to extraction.
TOMORROW:	One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.
YAWN:	An honest opinion openly expressed.

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter.

**"What are you doing?"**

"Hunting flies."

**"Oh. ! Killing any?"**

"Yep, 3 males, 2 Females."

Intrigued, she asked. **"How can you tell them apart?"**

"3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."



### PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no movies screened during December.

### AFTERNOON

### TEA MOVIE

Tuesday, 19 January, 2.00pm

*"High Society"*

Starring: Bing Crosby, Grace Kelly and Frank Sinatra

Christmas Cake, Tea and Coffee

will be served at 2.00pm

Movie commences at 2.30pm

### NEXT MOVIE

Tuesday, 16 February, 2.30pm

*"The Proposal"*

Comedy Starring: Sandra Bullock

# Social Calendar

AFTERNOON MOVIE.....	<b>Tuesday, 19 Jan &amp; 16 Feb</b> - The Hub
APARTMENT RESIDENTS' MEETING.....	Quarterly, TBA
ART CLASS.....	Every Wednesday - 1.00pm - Craft Centre
AUSTRALIAN HEARING.....	1st Friday & 3rd Wednesday each month - The Hub - ☎ 5982 0799
BEAUTY THERAPY .....	Every Monday - Bookings ☎ 5986 4400
BOOK CLUB.....	4th Wednesday each month - 1.30pm - Dining Room
BOWLS .....	See Noticeboard in Sports Building
BRIDGE.....	Every Friday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
BRIDGE, EVENING .....	Every Tuesday - 7.00pm - Sports Building
CAFE - BUFFET BREAKFAST .....	Last Sunday of month - Clubhouse Cafe
CAFE - PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH .....	1st Saturday each month - 12noon - Clubhouse Cafe
CIRCUIT TRAINING.....	See Noticeboard in The Hub
COMPUTER CLUB.....	3rd Friday each month - 10.00am - Craft Centre
CONCENTRATION.....	Every Saturday - 7.15pm - The Hub
CRAFT.....	Every Monday - 1.30pm - Craft Centre
CRAZY WHIST.....	Every Wednesday - 1.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
CROQUET .....	Played six days per week - ☎ 5982 1045
DEVOTION.....	Every Tuesday - 9.30am - The Hub
FAMILY HISTORY GROUP .....	Every Tuesday ( <b>except</b> the 1st in the month) - 1.30pm - Craft Centre
FIDELITY CLUB MEETING.....	1st Tuesday each month - 9.30am - Craft Centre
FRIENDSHIP CLUB.....	4th Saturday each month - 5.00 to 7.00pm - Craft Centre
GOLF COMPETITIONS (Shot Gun Start).....	Monday - 1.30pm, Wednesday - 2.30pm, Friday - 2.30pm
HOLY COMMUNION.....	1st Friday each month - 9.30am - Upstairs Lounge
LINE DANCING.....	Every Saturday - 2.30pm - The Hub
'MAC' USERS GROUP .....	Every Tuesday ( <b>except</b> the 1st in the month) - 9.30am - Craft Centre
MAHJONG & RUMMIKING.....	Every Monday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
MASSAGE THERAPY.....	Every Thursday - Clubhouse - ☎ 5975 4037
MEDICAL TAXI.....	Mondays 2.00 to 6.00pm. Confirm appointment with Office
NEW RESIDENTS' MEETING .....	Last Thursday of odd-numbered months - 10.00am - The Hub
PETANQUE.....	Every Monday - 9.30am - near the Lake
POTTERY.....	Every Monday - 9.30am - Craft Centre, kiln firing Thursday
<b>RESIDENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING .....</b>	<b>No meeting in January</b>
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ROSARY.....	Every Friday - 4.30pm - Upstairs Lounge
SATURDAY NIGHT LOUNGE.....	3rd Saturday each month - 6.30pm - Craft Centre
SNOOKER - MEN'S.....	Every Monday, Wednesday & Saturday - 12 noon
SOCIAL GATHERING & AFTERNOON TEA...	Every Thursday - 2.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
SOLO.....	Every Tuesday - 1.00pm - Upstairs Lounge
STRENGTH BALL TRAINING.....	Every Friday - 11.00am - Sports Building
SWIMMING LESSONS - BEGINNERS.....	Every Tuesday, 11.00am - Pool closed until 12 noon
TABLE TENNIS.....	Wednesday & Friday - 8.30am - Sports Building
TAI CHI CLASS.....	Every Monday - 9.15am - Sports Building
TAI CHI EXERCISE.....	Wednesday, 7.00am, & Friday, 7.30pm, Sports Building
U3A - WORDS OF WISDOM.....	1st & 3rd Wednesday each month - Anne ☎ 5982 3197
U3A - HISTORY LUNCHESES.....	2nd Thursday each month - 12.30pm - Craft Centre
WATER AEROBICS.....	Monday & Thursday - See Noticeboard in the Hub
WEIGHT-BEARING EXERCISE.....	Every Monday - 11.00am - Sports Building
WORKSHOP.....	Every Monday - 9.00 to 11.00am - Workshop



## WINDOW CLEANING - BOOK AT OFFICE

Tuesdays ..... 5, 12 & 19 January



## Massage Therapy

I would like to wish all my devoted clients a wonderful and healthy Christmas. Thank you so much for your ongoing support throughout the year.

I encourage any new clients to begin 2010 by taking care of yourself. Massage Therapy is available at the Hub every Thursday. Appointments are available in the New Year but bookings are essential as places fill up fast. One hour and half hour massages are available at very reasonable rates. I am a qualified therapist with an aim to help you relax and unwind.

Enquiries can be made by calling ☎ 5975 4037 or ☎ 0413 316 079.

All the best for the season. Regards,

*Deanne*

## CROQUET



On Friday, 27 November, a number of croquet players, resplendent in their whites, attended the official opening of the magnificent new shelters on the green. Peter Nilsson, representing Management, had the privilege of cutting the ribbon, along with the President of the Croquet Club, Peter Doyle. A delicious BBQ lunch was prepared by popular members Ken and Bev along with their team of willing helpers. Peter Nilsson was most impressed with the organisation, enthusiasm and friendship which exists within the Club.

*Helen Hall*



## The Bra Lady

Friday, 5 February from 10.30am, The Hub

With more than 20 years experience, the Bra Lady will give you the old-fashioned service that you deserve.

- A large range of brand name bras
- Non Underwire
- Sport
- Sizes range from 10A - 24G
- The comfort Bra (with no hooks/fastenings)
- Underwire
- Front Fastening
- Fashion
- Prosthesis Bra Fittings

Appointments are necessary and can be made at Village Glen Reception.

Cash or Cheque payable on the day.  
No Exchanges or Refunds.



## CHRISTMAS PICK UP

The gardeners will be doing their green waste collection before lunch time on Thursday, 24 December.

The next collection will be on Wednesday, 30 December. The collections will then return to normal in January.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the Gardening Staff.

## DEADLINES - Village Glen Newsletter

- Contributors are asked to submit newsletter articles as early as possible.
- Any articles received **after** the Newsletter deadline will **not** be published.
- The deadline for the next Newsletter is **3.00pm, Wednesday, 30 December.**
- Please don't submit after this time as we don't wish to disappoint.

# U3A classes

@ the Village Glen

## History Lunches

History lunches are held on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Craft Centre, except during the month of January.

New Members welcome!

For further information please ring Edna Salisbury on 5982 3021

## Program for 2010

- 11 Feb Peter Day (ex Navy) has made a study of George Bass, and his explorations, and will speak to us on this subject.
- 11 Mar Prof. Rhys Isacc has agreed to come to us again, and he has chosen to speak about "The American Revolution, as experienced by an amazing storyteller" ("I will be working out of a book I wrote about an extraordinary old Diarist" – his words).
- 8 Apr Ray McMahon – (Antarctic Explorer) will once again come to us, and his subject this year will be "My Year in Antarctica". He tells the story of his dog sled expedition which covered over 1750 kilometers over a 3 month period. This journey took him onto the Amery Ice Shelf (the largest glacier in Antarctica).
- 13 May Ian McCaskill is a retired Port Phillip Bay Pilot Service Officer, and will give us an illustrated talk on his duties.
- 10 Jun Pat Sharples is a U3A tutor, and will come again to speak to us about the "The Suharto Era in Indonesia". This period is of great historical interest.
- 8 Jul Wes Barton's great grandfather arrived in Australia in 1840, and moved to Victoria in 1866 to take up land in East Gippsland. His family history study gives us an insight in to the Development and early days of living conditions in Victoria.

### Residents of Retirement Villages Victoria Inc.

Representing Residents

#### MEETING of VILLAGE GLEN MEMBERS of RRVV

The first of what are planned to be quarterly meetings of members will be held in the Craft Centre at 10.00am on Thursday, 28 January 2010.

The activities of RRVV will be reported and objectives of the local Support Group outlined. All members and intending members are welcome to attend and participate.

Graham Beanland, V478, will be pleased to answer enquiries concerning the January meeting and RRVV membership. ☎ 5986 8544.

# DAYTRIPPER

& Village Glen, Rosebud

## LOTUS, WATERLILLIES & 'STONE-FRUIT' ORCHARD

Tuesday, 23 February 2010 ... \$36.00 pp

- ☼ Departs the Village at 9.00am
- ☼ Your first stop is situated in the foothills of Mt Donna Buang and is a magnificent 14-acre display garden
- ☼ 'Bring your own' lunch and enjoy it in the wonderful grounds, but there is also a small café with light meals available
- ☼ We then travel a short distance to experience a working 'stone-fruit' orchard. The orchard will offer tastings of some of their magnificent stone-fruits and a guided tour of the working packing shed where it 'all happens'.
- ☼ There is an opportunity to buy fresh fruit 'picked right here' along with home-made jams, chutneys and a wide variety of goodies.
- ☼ We then head for home and arrive back in Rosebud around 4.30pm.
- ☼ Tour includes morning tea, Garden's entry, Rayner's samples and tour.

**Book and pay for all Daytripper tours  
at Village Glen Office.**

### Free Legal Advice and Seminar

Peninsula Community Legal Centre is a non-profit organisation that provides free legal advice on most areas of law, with ongoing assistance targeted to help people who are disadvantaged. The Centre also operates Programs in Family Law, Family Violence, Child Support, Tenant and Consumer Advocacy and a range of special projects.

The Centre's Rosebud Branch is open three days and one evening per week. For more information about free legal services, or to make an appointment, please call ☎ 5981 2422 or visit [www.pclc.org.au](http://www.pclc.org.au).

If you are more than 18, it is important that you consider making a Will and Powers of Attorney. A free seminar about Wills and Powers of Attorney is being offered by Peninsula Community Legal Centre at the Village Glen.

Date: Tuesday, 2 February, 2010

Time: 2.00pm – 3.30pm

RSVP: Friday, 29 January

Village Glen Reception



## SNOOKER SNIPPETS

First Saturday of the month players enjoy a "Social Day" by bringing a plate of food and a nice "cold one", so the relaxed atmosphere becomes even more enjoyable. BUT- players be warned, bring a bigger plate next year as new player Jim Hynes will be there again and we know what happened last time - he had his own private setting and ate the lot!

### Player profile: Big John Greener

This man mountain arrives, dwarfs all other players and casts a huge shadow over the tables.

Big John's cue looks like a tooth pick in his hand and the balls look as big as marbles when he picks them up. He is a hard hitting, hard living player, but lacks concentration, especially when the Line Dancers walk through on a Saturday!

Time to rack the cue.

**John Gazzard**

## GOLF REPORT

How often do we say it? Where did the year go?

And it has been a good one. With a Committee of ten plus many willing helpers it has been a busy and thoroughly enjoyable year of golf to say nothing of the many social events. The Presentation Dinner Dance, held on 20 November, was one to be remembered! The music, champagne, the food - all combined for a great night.

Happy faces everywhere and happy feet on the dance floor.

Presentations were made by President Barry and Captain Paul for the Club Championships and the most consistent golfer for the year.

Ladies:	Gross: Maggie Hancock	Net: Margaret O'Halloran
Men:	Gross: Ivan Cross	Net: Doug Garnham

Margaret O'Halloran had a very good year indeed, also scoring the most consistent golfer Chas Jacobsen Trophy. Well done to all winners.

The foursomes played in early November over two weeks had some very interesting moments. Surviving two weeks of match play is what this event takes and we are very happy to report that Val Worthington and Isobel Crane were the overall winners. On the second day, from the seventh tee, Isobel played the ball into the first bunker: with her usual calm demeanour, Val played the ball out of the bunker on to the green - a fair shot at any time. Isobel putted well for both days and they had a well deserved win.

Runners up for this event were Ron Hancock and Peter Cook. A very good effort.

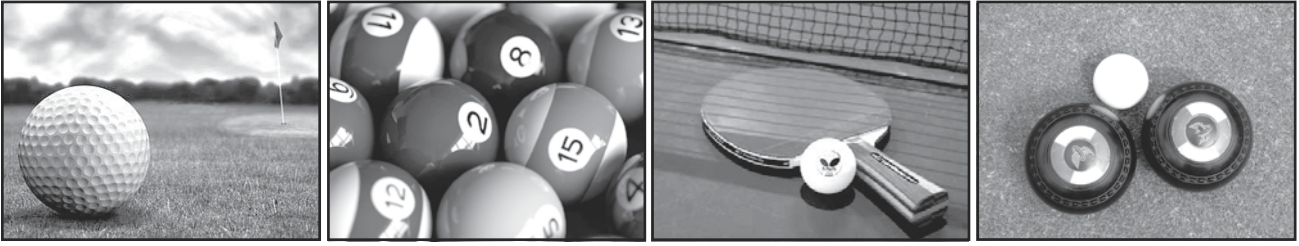
Our sponsors, Vince and John (Wealth Management, Financial Planning) played the event and then assisted in the prize giving. Much appreciated.

And, yes, we had another hole in one. Paul McCallum, playing in the foursomes, had an ace on Hole one. Well done Paul.

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Glen Golf Club is on 15 January 2010. Some Committee members have indicated their retirement whilst most are standing for election, which is good to know as it has not only been an excellent working Committee but a very happy group.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with good health and good golfing.

**Lurline Stock**



## BOWLS REPORTS

### MEN'S BOWLS

After Pennant Round 9 the ladder shows Div 1 - 7th, Div 2 - 9th and Div 4 on the bottom. At this point Div 1 has won 2 games, Div 2 nil and Div 4 1 game. Pennant bowls breaks for Christmas on 19 December and resumes on 16 January 2010.

Pennant practice is on 5 January followed by Pie & Chips in the Sports Building.

Social Bowls, with January 2010 in mind, we need to check the noticeboard in conjunction with the fixture book for our regular monthly Mixed Events - Pick a Box, Chas Jacobsen Trophy and Bendigo Bank bowls dinner. Also Skills Clinic on 14 January, and Mens Triples and BBQ on 25 January. We hope these games will be played at home.

We are certainly looking forward to the Official Opening of the new green on 31 January for members and invited guests followed by Mixed Fours. Christmas and New Year Greetings to all our members.

**Harry Hutchins**

### GREEN UPDATE

Over the past two weeks the green has been scarified, cored and top dressed. Greenkeeper Aaron is very confident that the grass will flourish and bare patches will quickly fill. It is certainly looking very good as I write this report.

The bore work has now been completed and is operational. Aaron indicates that there is excellent pressure ensuring that our green will be well watered during the anticipated hot weather that is to come.

We thank Management for this facility which has been necessary to save the green.

Over the next few weeks the ditches will be filled with sand and covered with a layer of carpet. The green will then be lined and ready for play in January.

**Laurie Rymer, Green Director**

### LADIES' BOWLS

During the last month some of our ladies attended Special Bowling Days at Rye, Sorrento, Main Ridge, Dromana and West Rosebud. On Friday 27 November, Moira Ware, Ray Kenny and Marj Jarman (one of the Foundation Members of Main Ridge Bowling Club) were invited to the Main Ridge 50th Birthday celebrations and a game of mixed bowls. It was an excellent day.

Our Social Bowlers, who play each Tuesday, have been playing at Main Ridge, Rosebud Country Club, Rosebud and Balnarring, and have enjoyed these days, especially meeting with friends they have made over the years

To date, Ladies' Pennant has been going very well, with 6 wins and 1 drawn game (due to rain) from 8 games and are presently on top of the ladder.

Details of the Official Opening of the new green on 31 January will be in next months Newsletter.

The End of Season Bus Trip to Mildura will leave the Village on Monday, 17 May, 2010, at 6.30am and will return Friday, 21 May at approx 6.30pm, the total cost will be \$430 - singles extra \$140. There are currently 45 names on the list, the bus will seat 50 members. Members are asked to confirm their booking by paying a deposit of \$80 per person by Friday, 29 January 2010. Don and Val Collins will be in the foyer of the Hub on Friday, 29 January, from 9.00am to 11.00am to take deposits from interested members. Any enquiries can be made to them on ☎ 5982 1013.

Our thanks to the Committees who organised the Christmas Dinner on 1 December. 112 members attended the evening with Lloyd Poole providing the entertainment for this festive occasion. Carol singing was led by Ken Turton (great to see him back in action), Lance and his team served drinks, and Shirley once again provided the seven Christmas hampers for the raffle, with Joy and Joyce again in charge of ticket selling. Presidents Moira and Ray presented Jenny Martin with a gift expressing thanks for her organising of the meal with her team. All present shared in a most enjoyable evening of dancing and friendship.

Christmas Greetings to you all.

**Helen Hall**

Congratulations to all those concerned who had a hand in the success of Family Day this year. It was the perfect day in every way and I am given to understand it was one of the best Family Days we have had. It was truly a wonderful day and much fun was had by all those attending. We have had many residents write to us or come to the office to tell us how much they and their visitors thoroughly enjoyed the day. Well done to Amanda and to the Family Day Committee for their hard work and their tireless efforts. It is a large undertaking by all but well worth it when residents and visitors alike enjoy the day so much. Well done also to the many, many volunteers who assisted on the day. Also a timely thanks and job well done to the Social Committee, catering staff, and Jenny Martin in particular, for their hard work in putting together the many functions that we have had, and continue to have, throughout the Christmas period. I am sure their hard work and efforts are much appreciated by all.

The replacement insulation program is progressing very well with approximately one quarter of the villas completed. Residents who were away when the forms were delivered need to contact Amanda or Jane in the office to advise that they are accepting of having the insulation installed.

A reminder to residents that if you require transport with the taxi on Monday afternoons between 2.00 p.m. and 6.00 p.m. to a medical appointment other than at South Coast Medical, you need to advise the office so we can place you on the Taxi list. Please be aware that we are only advised of appointments with doctors at South Coast. We are happy to transport residents in the taxi when they have appointments at other medical facilities adjacent to South Coast Medical.

Last week we had a major blockage in the sewerage system from stages 1, 2 and 3 which in turn damaged the pumping station. This blockage was caused by placing rubber gloves down the system. There were also tops from deodorant bottles etc. found to be causing a major problem. Please dispose of these items via the rubbish bins in the correct manner and we would ask that you advise visiting nursing services, carers etc of these requirements.

We recently had a situation in the Apartments building wherein the fire alarm was activated, which fortunately turned out to be a false alarm. As you are aware, our fire system is now directly linked to the Fire Brigade where a fire truck is called immediately the alarm is activated, whether it is a false alarm or not. It happened that Amanda was on site and handled the situation, however we do seek resident co-operation that when the alarm is activated all residents stay well clear of the Administration/Apartments building. Office staff and the nurses will be in attendance and are able to manage the situation.

It was very pleasing to see so many residents attend the Fire Safety Information sessions last Wednesday. The information that was given was extremely beneficial and I believe put a lot of minds at rest as to the risks if the Village Glen is ever threatened. Jane has included an insert in this month's newsletter which should be of interest. There is also an information booklet on the front counter which was handed out at the meeting which every resident should also have. It is very important that the information we are giving you is read and acted upon in the event of a fire.

We will be closing the office at 12 midday on Thursday the 24th December for the Christmas period, so please assist us in trying to finalise any payments or issues you have well prior to this time. It would be much appreciated if your hard working staff were able to leave at a reasonable time to begin the Christmas holiday period with their families. Sonya will be in attendance for sales enquires between 12.00 midday and 5.00pm on Monday December 28th and Friday 1st January. Should you have any urgent requests please contact Sonya during these times. Alternatively the nurses will be on duty as per normal and should be contacted if you have any urgent concerns. The office will re-open again on Tuesday the 29th December at 9.00 a.m.

Please find below the water consumption for November. Water consumption across the Village has increased during the warmer weather. For Stages 1, 2 & 3 the water consumption for November was 202.4 and for Stages 4 and 5 the water consumption for November was 232.1 litres per person per day.

	July 09	August 09	September 09	October 09	November 09
<b>Clusters 1–23</b>	Not available	147.4	160.1	187.8	202.4
<b>Clusters 24–42</b>	145.8	164.3	171.5	206.8	232.1

Finally, I would like to wish all residents and their families a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2010.

Until next year - Chas

