

## Residents' Committee Annual Report 2008 - 2009

It is my pleasure to present this, my first, Annual Report. I hope you agree that this has been an amazing year for all of us here in the Village Glen.

The Residents' Club Committee has, I believe, fulfilled its obligations as per the Constitution "to promote and maintain recreational and social activities for the benefit and enjoyment of members and to act as a means of communication with Management."

The BABBA concert demonstrated how well the Committee and Management work together for the benefit of us all. My thanks must go firstly to Jenny Martin for her dedication to excellence, but most of all to you, our residents for your support of all the social functions Jenny and her team provide, and to Jane and the Management team for their help and support during the year.

It was a huge pleasure to see so many proud ex-service personnel at our Anzac Day Parade, which would not have been possible without the help of all the volunteers, well done everyone. It was another great day.

The Committee has been able to continue, with the financial support from the Shop and fashion parades, to replace equipment for our nursing staff. Tea and coffee is now continuously supplied to all common areas and both the shop and Committee treasurers are now using updated accounting systems on laptop computers. These purchases would not have been possible without the enormous effort of our Shop volunteers, led by Graeme Hindson and the Shop coordinators. Thank you all for your dedication and hard work.

Three of our Committee members are standing down this year. To you, and your partners, my appreciation for all your support and hard work, and especially to Ray Stock, our Treasurer, who retires after seven years. Ray, a job well done, congratulations.

For those remaining, my gratitude for your continued support and efforts. To those joining us for the next year, I welcome you and look forward to working with you.

I cannot end this Report without mentioning the overwhelming effort of everyone in the Village in regard to our Bush Fire Appeal: you really are an amazing group of people. Thank you for the privilege of working with you.

**Elaine Travis**  
**President**

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



## WELCOME

### JUNE

1	Maureen White	Lurline Stock
	Don McKie	Don Little
	Jessie Lugton	Bette Douglas
2	John Brown	Jerry Dyson
	John Craig	Gordon Edwards
3	David Von Bertouch	19 Max Barton
4	Joan Christie	Pat Pratt
6	Ann Summers	Ninne Hansen
	Verna Horsey	Val Jenkin
	Geoff Papworth	20 Leola McColl
	Joan Hughes	Hazel Kennedy
7	Eddy Dodd	21 Eugenie Sylvester
	John Hiscock	Helen Carson
	Maisie Barfoot	22 Marion Morris
8	Mavis Coffey	Graham Beanland
9	Joy Ball	Laurie Burridge
10	Alex Syme	23 Helen Lardner
	Pat McKenzie	24 Willy Bloemhoff
	Don Mitchell	25 Marj Mills
	Maureen Weir	Don Collins
11	John Gilbert	26 Helen Hall
	Ailsa James	Bill Marshall
	Joan Cadd	27 Wynne Moller
	Doug Whawell	Barbara Smith
12	Elsie Evans	28 Shirley Firth
	Sylvia Clark	Ambrose Machin
13	June Thorpe	Joan Hayes
	Audrey Walton	Jeanne Ciastkowski
14	Maurie Oughtred	June Dodds
	Nola Leonard	29 Alan Scott
16	Kath Crouch	Olive Witchell
	June Hearn	John Gazzard
	Janet Coles	30 Mervyn Langford-Jones
18	Alan Green	June King
	Joan Chandler	

Vonda Goddard	Apt 1411
David & Elizabeth Scaife	V 571
Geoff & Gwen Perkin	V 103
Hilda Wishart	V 147
Denis & Alva Chambers	V 42
Alan & Margaret Pritchard	V 584
Myrtle Chalmers	Apt 1406
John & Isabella Corney	Apt 1507

### THANKS

**Russell Page, Villa 497**, would like to thank the Nursing Staff for its concern and for the loan of medical equipment during Joan's illness. The kindness shown by my immediate neighbours before and after her passing was most generous and so appreciated by myself and my family. We also thank all Village Glen residents who sent thoughtful and comforting condolence messages after her passing.

**Bev Glenn, Villa 576**, and family, would like to thank neighbours and friends, for their help and support shown on the sudden passing of George. Thanks also to the nurses for their kind attention given to George over the years. We also extend heartfelt thanks for the messages of sympathy on George's passing. He will be sadly missed.

**Barry Roughton, Villa 68**. I have been overwhelmed with all the concern shown by so many caring residents over my health of late, due to my sudden weight loss (22kg) since January. It was not due to anything more sinister than a doctor leaving me on the wrong medication for far too long. But we are pleased to report things are now under control, and I am feeling much better and have at least put back on a couple of kilos. Thanks to all of you for your kind words of support and best wishes, and let's hope Sue drops my new nickname of "stretch".

**Anzac Day Ceremony**. On behalf of all who marched at the Village Glen Anzac Day commemoration ceremony, **Peg Lindkvist, Villa 261**, would like to congratulate the Residents' Committee, ushers, waiters, and all others who helped, on the excellent way the event was organised. A special thank you for the seating.

### BEREAVEMENTS

John Cope	Former Resident
George Glenn	Villa 576
Colin Durrington	Villa 379
Doug McFarland	Former Resident
Eileen Finnin	Former Resident
Bob Hearn	Villa 122
Lloyd Moulton	Former Resident

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# biggest afternoon tea

## Every Cup Counts

The Village Glen Croquet Club is pleased to advise that members will be organising this event, following on from Helen and Graham Hall who did such an outstanding job over the past few years. It is hoped that residents will continue to support this worthy campaign, which will be held on Sunday, 24 May.



**CANCER COUNCIL**  
**BIGGEST AFTERNOON TEA**  
**SUNDAY, 24 MAY**  
**2.00PM SPORTS BUILDING**



Afternoon Tea and Raffle

Make every cup count to raise money to fund cancer research, educational programs, and provide special services.

Lists for helpers and for scone makers are on the table in the Hub.

You won't want to miss this great day of friendship. If you are unable to attend, your donation will be appreciated.

**Lorraine Macdonell**  
 ☎ 5986 7525

**GET EXCITED – GET THE BOOKS OUT**

**IT'S BACK**

**FAMILY DAY TRIVIA NIGHT 2009**

**Start studying now!**

**Details next newsletter!!**

### 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@villagelen.com.au](mailto:newsletter@villagelen.com.au)

## PHOTOGRAPHER'S CORNER



Jeanette, V527  
 ☎ 5946 0057

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

### Functions & Events

- ANZAC Ceremony
- French Cabaret

## DON'T MISS OUT!

At the end of May many of the booklets on display will be archived. Please check that you have ordered all your photos from 2008 events.

## LOST & FOUND

All lost property currently being held at the Office will be on display from 9.30am until 3.00pm on Tuesday, 26 May. Please take the time to check the items on display. Jewellery and valuable items will be held at Reception for viewing. All items not claimed on the day will be discarded or donated.

**Management**

## dates for your diary ...

Movie	19 May
Buffet Breakfast	31 May
Pride & Prejudice Week	2-4 June
Ploughman's Lunch	6 June

## FIDELITY CLUB

President Bill welcomed 56 members at our April meeting. Nancy Gardner delivered a talk on a WISE DRIVER COURSE and, to her amazement, a lot of the members were not in touch with a number of the new laws. But a good time was had by all. We have an update on the progress of Col Beaumont - he is now in Golf Links Road Rehab, walking well with a walker, but is having speech therapy daily. The signs are looking great for a homecoming sooner than previously thought. I had a very enjoyable installation on 14 April, and was very pleased to see our Secretary and Treasurer in attendance.

*Rupe Halliwell*

### Vale

It is with sorrow that we note the passing of Doug McFarland. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Our gathering on Anzac night was a warm and interesting time, at the end of a sombre and emotional day. We hit on a brighter note by asking all present to tell us what they were doing at the time of the declaration of peace in the Pacific. Some very informative answers came forth. It was voted a very good night by all.

Our next meeting will be held on 23 May. Same time, same place. See you there!

*Elwyn and Ida*

## SATURDAY NIGHT LOUNGE

**Saturday, 16 May, 6.00pm**

**Craft Centre**

Our Saturday Night Lounge theme for May is "Wear Red for Heart" week. Could you set and decorate your table in red or even wear a red hat? Let's put some "heart" into the night.

Tickets will be available for our Heart Day Raffle at \$2 each. There is a beautiful, framed painting by Helen Olsten to be won.

Bring your singing voices along just in case we break into song.

Remember this is just a casual night with friends, BYO drinks and nibbles. Starting time is 6.00pm, and a 20 cents donation per person would be appreciated.

All enquiries this month to **Travis Ellis**  
☎ 5986 8473

## U3A classes @ the Village Glen

### DISCUSSION GROUP -

#### "Words of Wisdom?"

This group is held in the home of Anne Hunt on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10.00am. The topics for discussion are many and varied from current affairs, ethics, contentment to imagination.

For information please phone Anne on ☎ 5982 3197.

### HISTORY LUNCHES

Program for the rest of the year:

**11 June:** Calvin Johnson has a family connection with the First Fleet, and will give us a talk on his family history research. (Craft Centre)

**9 July:** Martin Dixon, MP, our local Member for Nepean, will speak on "The History of Parliament House". (Craft Centre)

**13 August:** Helen D'Riffle will speak to us about her experiences while teaching in Saudi Arabia. She will give us a glimpse of day-to-day life there. (Craft Centre)

**10 September:** Professor Rhys Isaac will speak about the work of his late brother Glyn Isaac, who was an archaeologist, and worked with the well-known Leakie family. (Craft Centre)

**8 October:** Ray McMahan (Antarctic explorer) will speak on the history and discovery of the Antarctic. Ray has travelled to this region with Professor Ian Law on the icebreaker *Nella Dan*, and in 1963 was the Leader of the Ninth Australian Antarctic Research Expedition heading for Mawson Station. (Craft Centre)

**12 November:** Donald Ede has conducted classes in Marine History for U3ASP, and will speak to us on "The Voyage of the Beagle". (Craft Centre)

**20 December:** Ann Summers has an antique lace collection, that is linked to history, and was passed down to her by her mother. Ann is going to show us her collection, and will be our speaker for the final meeting of the year.

This meeting will also be our Christmas Party.

Our History Lunches are always on the second Thursday of the month (except for December), and begin at 12.30pm. Please bring a plate of finger food to share.

Contact Edna on ☎ 5982 3021 if you require further information.

## The Village Glen ANZAC DAY Commemorative Ceremony

The sun shone, the smiles were huge, and our hearts were bursting with pride. Those will be my memories, and I hope yours, of our Anzac Day Parade held on Sunday, 19 April.

On behalf of the Residents' Committee, I would like to thank everyone involved in making this day so very special for us all, but especially for our ex-servicemen and women and our war widows.

You are too numerous to mention individually but you know in your hearts that you played a part in making this day so very special.

We were privileged to once again have a very efficient Catafalque Guard from *HMAS Cerberus*, and our guest speaker Lieutenant Werner Gallina reminded us all of the origins of the Anzacs.

Thank you all for taking the time to make this a very humbling experience.

**Elaine Travis**  
**President**



## BABBA CONCERT

With trepidation we followed the weather forecasts leading up to Saturday, 7 March. Will it be wet, be windy or, as hoped, would it be fine?

Of course, we now know it was fine although a little cool with that breeze blowing across the lake and the Village green.

The concert was preceded by many picnics with folk positioning themselves around the dance floor and stage area.

Then, right on time, the band struck up the first cords and the BABBA foursome arrived on stage to great applause.

During the first half of the performance the audience preferred to just sit and listen with only a small troupe willing to strut their stuff on the dance floor.

The kids had a lovely time dancing with whomever as they sang and swayed to the music.

During the interval it was time for some to quickly dash home for heavier coats and for others to happily fortify themselves!

The second half of the performance saw much more enthusiastic dancing as the "mosh-pit" built up in front of the stage and many of us enjoyed dancing and swaying to the music. The second half songs were all the old favourite ABBA hits, just right for dancing, so it did not matter that a cooler breeze had sprung up! A great concert ended with three encores and many happy smiling faces to conclude a very successful event.

Much has been said to congratulate the organisation and management of the night and to all attending for their enjoyment and participation - simply:

**THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR A GREAT NIGHT.**



# COMPUTER CLUB

It is interesting how the rapid development of the computer has been mirrored in the progress of photography. When I was a keen film man, not so long ago, I was aghast at the suggestion that film would someday be replaced by an electronic image. It seemed so fanciful that I reckoned that it would not happen in my lifetime.

But, it did happen, with a bang! Digital cameras were developed, and improved so rapidly that by the time you bought a camera and got used to it a new model was out, cheaper and better.

The first Canon digital I saw, that was bought for the paper I was working for, cost around \$8000, without the lenses. A better camera can now be purchased, with lenses, for less than \$2000.

The digital camera has become so popular that Kodak no longer manufactures film. There is only one film maker in Europe who makes films, under different names. Even photographic paper is now in limited supply as photos are now printed on inkjet and laser printers.

However, the advent of cheap digital cameras with improving quality has a few drawbacks. The most significant of these is the size of the print file.

The megapixel size of the camera relates to the size of the screen which captures the image; the number of pixels across the top of the screen by the number down the side, so that a 5 megapixel camera is approximately 2.5 thousand pixels across by 2 thousand down the side. The file size of the produced image is about 1.5 megabytes as a compressed JPEG image. As the cameras get bigger in megapixels, the file sizes get bigger. This is not a problem for the computers, as they are all produced with enormous hard-drives. But it is a problem when sharing, such as when sending photos by email, or when inserting a small image if you are selling on Ebay.

When we were on dial-up, a large photo file took longer to send than it took to have breakfast. Now, with broadband, a large file may still take a minute or two, but it often won't fit neatly on the screen. It is more convenient all round to reduce the size of the photo to around 300 to 500KB using Photoshop, or a free program available on the web called IrfanView.

Our next Computer Meeting is on Friday, 15 May, at 10.00am in the Craft Centre.

Our next XP Meeting will be held on Thursday, 4 June, at 10.00am in the Craft Centre.

*Ivan Elvish*



## MAC USERS GROUP (MUG)

**9.30am - 11.30am, Craft Centre**  
**Prospective MAC Users welcome**

### PROGRAM for MAY - JUNE

- Tues, 26 May Mac or PC?
- Tues, 2 June NO CLASS
- Tues, 9 June iFamily
- Tues, 16 June iFamily
- Tues, 23 June iDVD
- Tues, 30 June iDVD

Contacts:

**John Morris, V463, ☎ 5982 3308**  
 or **Jeanette Marshall, V527, ☎ 5946 0057**



## COMPUTER COMPARISON

MAC or PC ?

Desktop or Notebook?

**Tuesday, 26 May, 9.30am Craft Centre**

- What is the difference between a Mac and a PC?
- What should I consider before I buy a new computer?
- Program comparisons and costs?

Get answers to the above questions, and more, and see both types of computers in action.

This session will enable residents to compare the functions and software of both Mac and PC computers.

Please register your interest in attending this session by contacting John Morris or Jeanette Marshall.

**South East Water  
SAVING WATER PRESENTATION**

26 June at 11.00am in the Dining Room

A representative from South East Water Education division will give a presentation on how we can all do our bit to save water and therefore make sure that we have enough water in the future for our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The water situation is becoming more dire by the day so we all need to save water where we can. Definitely there are many areas, of which we are unaware, where we can improve on water consumption, and South East Water will give us some direction in this area.

**NEXT MOVIE**

Tuesday, 19 May, 2.30pm

*"Autumn Hearts"*

Starring Susan Sarandon,

Christopher Plummer and Gabriel Byrne.

The past has cast a long shadow over the present, reaching to the picturesque farm where the now married Melanie (Sarandon) lives unhappily with her husband (Plummer). When Melanie invites fellow Holocaust survivor Jakob (Von Sydow) to her home, he unexpectedly brings Christopher (Byrne), whose love for Melanie has never diminished since their confinement in an internment camp. Old feelings and long suppressed memories are stirred up and revealed at a climactic, life changing feast.



**KAY'S FASHION PARADE  
Autumn Collection**

Ladies, I am delighted to announce that our fashion parade for April 2009 resulted in a fantastic donation to the Village Glen Residents' Club from Kay's Fashions of \$715.00.

According to Kay, this is a record amount that she has been more than happy to hand over.

I would like to thank everyone involved; Avril and the models, the guys who set up the room (and returned it to "normal"), the "tea ladies", Kay and Chris, the Office staff and, of course, everyone who attended and spent up big thus helping to achieve this wonderful result.

Please keep your diary free on Saturday, 27 June 2009, for the WINTER collection from Kay's Fashions.

Thank you again ...

**Maureen McKenzie  
Fashion Parade Coordinator**

*Just One Volunteer*

One song can spark a moment  
 One flower can wake the dream  
 One tree can start a forest  
 One bird can herald spring,  
 One smile begins a friendship  
 One handclasp lifts a soul  
 One star can guide a ship at sea  
 One word can form the goal.  
 One vote can change a nation  
 One sunbeam lights the room  
 One candle wipes out darkness  
 One laugh will conquer the gloom.  
 One step must start each journey  
 One word must start each prayer  
 One hope will raise our spirits  
 One touch can show you care.  
 One voice can speak with wisdom  
 One heart can know what's true  
 One life can make a difference  
 Being a volunteer is up to you.

**National Volunteer Week**

11 - 17 May

The Village Glen is fortunate to have a very large number of residents who volunteer their time to run our clubs, our Shop, and the many activities and events held each year. Others volunteer their time within the broader community.

In National Volunteer Week, we wish to acknowledge the many hours, freely given, by you all.

*Comfort Shoes*

**Friday, 22 May, 10.30am**

**Dining Room**

Janine Gowdy from **ShoeGoGo** will be displaying a range of Winter shoes for our residents on Friday, 22 May at 10.30am in the Dining Room. All shoes are designed for comfort with a large selection to suit orthotics. Experienced shoe fitters will be available on the day.

Bookings to be made at the Office.

# That's Entertainment



## PRIDE AND PREJUDICE WEEK

**Tuesday, 2 June to Thursday, 4 June**

Re-live the romance and drama of Andrew Davies' lavish adaptation, starring Colin Firth and Jennifer Ehle.

**The Village Glen is holding a 3-day screening of this enjoyable series.**

Each day, two episodes will be screened, commencing at 11.00am, with the first episode of the day. An hour break for lunch, at 12 noon, will be followed by the next episode, finishing around 2.00pm.

All residents are invited to watch "Pride and Prejudice", with free tea and coffee available each day.

If you wish to have the light lunch available, bookings should be made at the Village Reception by 4.00pm the day prior.

### LUNCH MENU

#### Tuesday

Soup with Crusty Roll or Lasagne served with Salad

#### Wednesday

Soup with Crusty Roll or Hot Tasty Pastie served with salad

#### Thursday

Soup with Crusty Roll or Creamy Baked Potato served with Cheese & Coleslaw

**The lunch cost is \$7.00 and is payable on the day.**

## TIM MCKEW TOASTS NOEL COWARD

Tim McKew performs a cabaret tribute to the great Noel Coward – with a twentieth century twist. Piano accompaniment by Peter De Ryk.

Tim tells the story of the Master's life while giving a modern twist to some of his best loved songs, such as "Mad dogs and Englishmen", "Poor little rich girl" and more.

The performance will take place on **Friday, 19 June** at 1.30pm in the Dining Room. The cost will be \$6.00 per person.

If you think you may like to come along, book early to ensure that we have enough numbers to go ahead with the performance.

## DOROTHY BAKER AND FRIENDS

*perform at the Village Glen*

Dorothy Baker, accompanied by Helen Jowsey on piano, Paul Jennings (impressionist) and Kevin Trask as your compere will be performing at the Village Glen on **Friday, 17 July** at 1.30pm.

Dorothy is a well-known singer dating back to the days of "In Melbourne Tonight" and many more live shows of that era, Paul Jennings is well known for his impressions of John Howard, Bob Hawke and many more famous people, Kevin Trask is currently on 3AW of a Sunday evening.

Combine these three entertainers and you have a show of variety, music and comedy.

Book early to ensure we have enough numbers to go ahead with the performance. The cost for this performance is \$7.00 per person. Bookings and payments to be made at the Office.

## COME ALIVE FOLK GROUP

**SUNDAY, 14 JUNE, 2.30PM - DINING ROOM**

A number of you have been to previous performances at the Village Glen by the "Come Alive Folk Group" and have enjoyed their singing very much.

You now have the opportunity to enjoy their singing again on 14 June.

A \$2.00 gold coin donation is all that is required. CD's of the group will also be available for purchase.

# Social Calendar

AFTERNOON MOVIE.....	<b>Tuesday, 19 May</b> - The Hub
APARTMENT RESIDENTS' MEETING.....	Quarterly - Next date to be advised
ART CLASS.....	Every Wednesday - 1.00pm - Craft Centre
AUSTRALIAN HEARING.....	1st Friday & 3rd Wednesday each month - The Hub - ☎ 5982 0799
BOOK CLUB.....	4th Wednesday each month - 1.30pm - Clubhouse
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
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
INDOOR BOWLS .....	Every Thursday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
HOLY COMMUNION.....	1st Friday each month - 9.30am - Upstairs Lounge
LINE DANCING.....	Every Saturday - 2.30pm - The Hub
'MAC' USERS GROUP .....	Refer to newsletter item for dates - 9.30am - Craft Centre
MAHJONG & RUMMIKING.....	Every Monday - 1.00pm - Sports Building
MASSAGE THERAPY.....	Every Wednesday & 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>Thursday, 4 June - 9.30am - Upstairs Lounge</b>
<b>RESIDENTS' MEETING .....</b>	<b>Wednesday, 10 June - 7.30pm - Sports Building</b>
ROSARY.....	Every Friday - 4.30pm - Upstairs Lounge
SATURDAY NIGHT LOUNGE.....	3rd Saturday each month - 6.00pm - 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 from 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
'XP' SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP.....	1st Thursday each month - 10.00am - Craft Centre



## WINDOW CLEANING - BOOK AT OFFICE

Tuesday ..... 16 June, 7 July



## The Roller That Never Was

by Edwin Leane

It has not been a good week. The low point came when I had to hand back the keys of the Rolls Royce Silver Cloud I'd ordered from the dealership in Melbourne. (I road tested the vehicle around our Village in the wee small hours of the morning. Did you hear me? Of course you didn't! That's what makes the Roller so special.)

I ordered the car on the basis of receiving an e-mail from an individual named Michael Duff to the effect I had won 4.5million in a British sweepstakes. Mr Duff advised me to make my particulars known to a company called Dynamic Global Express and Cargo Ltd in Northumberland, England.

So far, so good, though the writer's style left something to be desired. Example: "This is to inform you that your claim processing has been completed and your claim file compiled and submitted to the gaming board who has issued the paying bank your payout order for the payment of your winning which you have won in the just concluded lottery award."

Payment of your winning which you have won? Hmmm!

Next came an e-mail from Dynamic Global Express to tell me that a package "believed to be your winning cheque" had arrived safely. It would be sent on to me by courier provided I paid £400.00 administrative charges plus VAT of £200.00. Oh yes, and there was a bit more dodgy English composition: "Acknowledge immediately you confirm it's Receipt".

Despite my misgivings I ordered my test drive (which is a bare-faced lie, but you're enjoying the story, aren't you?) Just to be on the safe side, I also contacted the European Lottery Guild which manages blockbuster lotteries like the British Lotto (up to 4.9 billion awarded annually), Irish Lotto, Spanish Lotto, and the German Lotto.

Sure enough, bless their little socks, a reply came back the following morning that said, among other things, "DO NOT send them any money." And "we confirm that what you received is not from our company and it is a fraud."

Guild employee Christine then invited me to call toll free on 1800 148 813 if I received any further correspondence from an unknown source and I was unsure about. "Our customer service representatives will be able to tell you instantly if what you received is a scam or not."

So there you are folks, NEVER hand over money without checking the bona fides of these get rich quick merchants. It's worth remembering that you cannot win money or a prize in a lottery unless you have entered it yourself, or someone else has entered it on your behalf. Nor can you be chosen as a random winner if you don't have an entry.

As an alternative to doing business with Christine of the European Lottery Guild, you can contact "http://www.scamwatch.gov.au", which is a website run by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).

*(Edwin Leane resides at Rosebud Retirement Village. He thought that Village Glen residents might be interested in this story.)*



*After celebrating a special birthday with family and friends Margaret Bennett was caught, on camera, riding around Dubai on a Harley. Who knows what she'll be doing on her next birthday?*



*"My name was David, but that sounded old fashioned. So I shortened it to DVD!"*

## Special Poem for Senior Citizens by Ruth Walsh

A row of bottles on my shelf

Caused me to analyse myself.

One yellow pill I have to pop

Goes to my heart so it won't stop.

A little white one that I take

Goes to my hands so they won't shake.

The blue ones that I use a lot

Tell me I'm happy when I'm not.

The purple pill goes to my brain

And tells me that I have no pain.

The capsules tell me not to wheeze

Or cough or choke or even sneeze.

The red ones, smallest of them all

Go to my blood so I won't fall.

The orange ones, very big and bright

Prevent my leg cramps in the night.

Such an array of brilliant pills

Helping to cure all kinds of ills.

But what I'd really like to know

Is what tells each one where to go!!

## Haven't Times Changed?

Compare school in 1957 and 2007

### Scenario:

Jack goes rabbit shooting before school, pulls into the school parking lot with rifle in gun rack.

1957: Principal comes over, looks at Jack's rifle, goes to his car and gets his own rifle and chats with Jack about guns.

2007: School goes into lock down, police called, Jack hauled off to gaol, and never sees his school or gun again. Counsellors called in for traumatised students and staff.

### Scenario:

Johnny and Mark get into a fist fight after school.

1957: Crowd gathers. Mark wins. Johnny and Mark shake hands and end up buddies.

2007: Police called, SWAT team arrives, arrests Johnny and Mark. Charge them with assault, both expelled even though Johnny started it.

### Scenario:

Robbie won't be still in class, disrupts other students.

1957: Robbie sent to Office and given six of the best by the Principal. Returns to class, sits still and does not disrupt class again.

2007: Robbie given huge doses of Ritalin. Becomes a zombie. Tested for ADD. School gets extra money from the government because Robbie has a disability.

### Scenario:

Brian gets a headache and takes some aspirin to school.

1957: Brian gets a glass of water from the teacher to take with the aspirin.

2007: Police called. Brian expelled from school for drug violations. Locker, bedroom and house searched for drugs and weapons.

She knows when to weep,  
To wash away her grief.  
To overflow and spill unbound  
On the scarred and sooty ground.  
She knows how to drum her fingers on my roof  
And run her nails through my hair.  
She knows how to find my love again,  
Wet and small in her embrace.  
But stronger now I stand beside her;  
Listening to the whisper of rain on the land,  
Like the great sigh of tension leaving the weary beast ...

Ric Corinaldi

## ☆☆☆ meals ☆☆☆

### TAKE AWAY MEALS

A reminder to all residents that Takeaway Meals are available to purchase from the Dining Room on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings. Takeaway containers are provided by the kitchen. Should you wish to arrange for a takeaway meal you need to phone the Village Reception on ☎ 5986 4455 between 1.00pm and 4.00pm that day. Reception will be able to advise you of the evening's menu when you phone.

Takeaway lunches are also available everyday from the Clubhouse Café. You can phone the Café direct on ☎ 5982 3161, prior to 11.30am each day, to arrange your meal.

### FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS

Friday night dinners have been **transferred back to the Clubhouse**. Dinner booking times are available from 5.30pm onwards.

In order for dinner to take place every week, residents are asked to book as early in the week as possible. If we do not have sufficient numbers by Thursday afternoon, it may be necessary to cancel the dinner due to financial reasons. The weekly Friday Night menu is on display at the front counter. There will be additional special items on the menu each week.

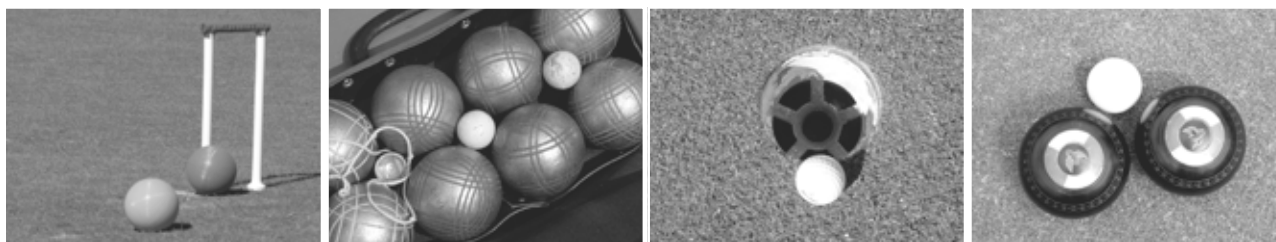
### PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

Saturday, 6 June

12.00noon - 2.00pm

Book now, to avoid disappointment.

< Bet Turner, Villa 441, submitted this poem to the Newsletter. It was written by her grandson-in-law on the day rain fell in Warrandyte and other bushfire areas (early March). Her family endured great fear and anxiety on 7 February as the fires were only a short distance away as the crow flies. A change of wind to the north < could have been catastrophic for them as they live in fairly dense bushland. Many prayers < were sent out that day!



## BOWLS REPORT

### Ladies' and Men's Bowls

The delightful March evening was matched only by the warmth of friendship shared by more than 100 members at the Annual Presentation Night Dinner. We were entertained by "Eclipse Duo" during the meal and for dancing afterwards by the "young at heart".

The awards for season 2008 - 2009 were:

#### Ladies

**Champion:** Julieanne Slattery  
**Runner Up:** Rosa Machin  
**Proportional:** Shirley Rolls  
**Runner Up:** Joy Ball

#### Men

**Champion:** Paul Quinlivan  
**Runner Up:** Ambrose Machin  
**Proportional:** Ambrose Machin  
**Runner Up:** Ken Woodrow  
**Pairs:** Howard Marsh  
 Clarry Webb  
**Runners Up:** Max Barton  
 David Nilsson

### Sister Carmel Day

Our thanks to all who supported Sister Carmel Day, which raised \$3,500.

### Men's Pennant

For the Men's FBA Pennant Season, 2009-10, we remain in Divisions 1, 2 and 4, and continue to enjoy the West Rosebud Bowls Club hospitality. We look forward confidently to this season, during which we will return to our new green. In the meantime we continue to support our sponsors.

### The Office Bearers and Committees

Members for both Ladies' and Men's Bowls for 2009-10 are listed in the Sports Building.

Much enthusiasm was shown at both AGM's when samples of the new bowls shirts were displayed and orders taken. Thirty-seven ladies shared lunch at the Clubhouse following their AGM.

We pay tribute to Mavis Moss who served as Press Correspondent for six years for the Ladies, and we wish her good health and a relaxing retirement.

For those members travelling away for the winter, we wish you a "happy holiday and a safe return".

### Social Bowls

Bendigo Bank Bowls Dinner, Thursday, 16 April

Overall winners: Bruce Anderson, Ruth Quinlivan, Paul Quinlivan

First Game Winners: Ron Jenkinson, Moira Ware, Laurie Rymer

Second Game Winners: Ron Robertson, Bev Stevenson, Max Barton

Charles Lugton has confirmed that the next Dinner will be held on the third Thursday of May and August (5.00pm for 5.15pm). Watch for the Booking Sheets.

Inclement weather led to the cancellation of the Past President's Association Annual Novice Pairs Game at Mornington on 26 April, and our monthly Triples/BBQ on 27 April.

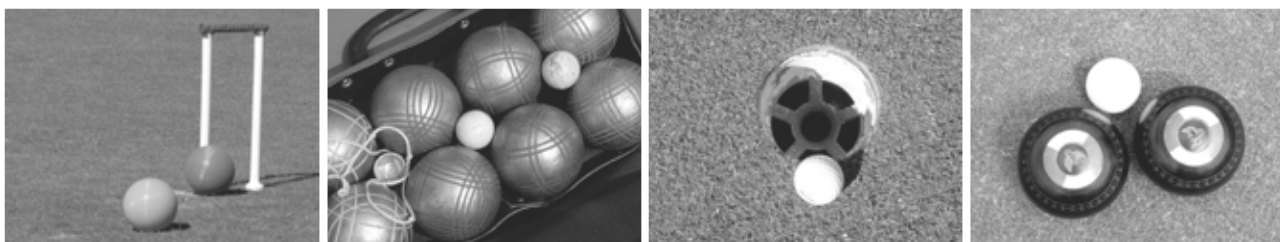
### Indoor Bowls in Sports Building

Derek Chaplin is adding Tuesdays (from 12 May) to this event, then every Tuesday and Thursday for May through to August. Game time is 1.00pm to 3.30pm, plus afternoon tea. The cost is still 50 cents. Put your names on the lists on the Noticeboard.

### Life Membership

At the recent Men's AGM, it was announced that Laurie Rymer has been made a Life Member of the Club for services rendered. Congratulations Laurie.

*Harry Hutchins and Helen Hall*



## GOLF CLUB NEWS

You would all have received the May to October social calendar. This six-monthly table of events made me stop and reflect on the splendid Club we have, with an organising committee that makes great efforts to give us a golfing lifestyle that would be the envy of many grander clubs. Year after year we are blessed with executives and committee people who unselfishly organise for us, all those competitions and social functions that we enjoy so much – let's applaud their efforts!

On Friday, 1 May, a concentrated effort took place to core the greens, and this will ensure superb surfaces for our autumn and winter play. At present, the course is in good condition and some titivating now will be worthwhile in the coming months.

Today, as I write (on 29 April), we have had cheering news from President Barry who has been having a fairly rough passage in hospital. Barry appears to have gotten over the worst and is now improving. Hurry back to your Wednesday competitions. They all miss you and your bubbling wit and sense of humour.

I have to report that our irrepressible Peter Castle returned a net 49 strokes from a 5 handicap to take care of the April monthly medal – a dedicated golfer and deserving of this win – well done mate!

Another hole-in-one was performed by Paul McCallum on (would you believe?) the 7th hole. A remarkable achievement on this lengthy hole – must have been a real boomer. Well done Paul.

Finishing on a more serious note. I have been asked for your cooperation in repairing plug marks on the greens and divots on the tees and fairways. We should replace the divot, if possible, spread sand over it and stamp it down. This makes it easier for the mower to repair the scar.

See you on the first tee.

*John Craig*

## CROQUET NEWS

Hello Croqueteers

We have a very busy time in May with the presentation dinner on 19 May, AGM on 20 May and the Biggest Cuppa for cancer on 24 May.

April tournament winners were Arnold Moore and Ivon Wilson with Nola Leonard and Reiner Krause runners up. PBL awards to Trudi Krause and Brian Cracknell.

The inaugural WCF doubles tournament was an enjoyable day with 16 players. Congratulations to the winners Mary Cahill and Margaret Fuller, with Arnold Moore and Stan Dipple runners up.

Our crazy croquet was a wash out, but this was more than compensated by Ken's carvery dinner. Thanks to him and Bev for their tireless efforts in making it such an enjoyable night for members.

*Regards Peter*

## SUDOKU

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**KENKEN**



**Solution page 15**

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Each 4x4 puzzle must contain the numbers 1, 2, 3 & 4 in each row and each column. The other rule is that in each 'block', which has a thick line around it, the target number in the top left-hand square of the block is calculated from the numbers in all the squares of that block, using addition, subtraction multiplication or division.

## NEW ZEALAND COACH TOUR PRESENTATION

Village Glen Hub  
Friday, 29 May, at 10.30am

Grand Pacific Tours are the market leaders in luxury coach holidays to New Zealand.

They offer an extensive range of luxury coach and rail tours, as well as special interest tours to New Zealand.

Grand Pacific Tours offer an "all inclusive" style of touring that represents the best value for money, and includes the highest quality standard of product.

Different tours offer different standards of accommodation, ranging from 3 star standard hotels to 5 star deluxe hotels.

Mark Windsor will outline the advantages of travelling with Grand Pacific Tours, such as Senior card discounts, included airfares, cost savings for solo travellers, free regional transfers on selected departures, and no hidden extras!

If you would like to hear more about how Grand Pacific can offer an experience where everything is taken care of please RSVP to Harvey World Travel, Rosebud, on ☎ 5981 1888, and reserve your seat for this exciting presentation!



## LIBRARY

Due to very kind donations we now have the following books available for loan:

**"Flak ... Fighters and Fliers"** Keith Stevens  
**"Pillars of the Earth"** Ken Follett

These books may be borrowed by calling either Anne or Maree.

Unfortunately, only one of the missing books listed in last month's newsletter has been found.

Please check your bookshelves for the following titles:

<b>The Kite Runner</b>	<b>Khaled Hosseini</b>
<b>The Other Boleyn Girl</b>	<b>Philippa Gregory</b>
<b>The Boleyn Inheritance</b>	<b>Philippa Gregory</b>
<b>The Virgin Lover</b>	<b>Philippa Gregory</b>
<b>The Other Queen</b>	<b>Philippa Gregory</b>
<b>Silver Wattle</b>	<b>Belinda Alexander</b>

If you have a copy of any of the above books that you no longer require we would really appreciate it being donated to our library.



**Anne Byrne** ☎ 5986 5579  
**Maree Whelan** ☎ 5982 3435

## DAYTRIPPER & Village Glen, Rosebud

### THE CARMELITE MONASTERY and MELBOURNE EXPLORER

Tuesday, June 23 ... \$22.00 pp

- ☼ The Daytripper will depart the Village Glen at 9.00am and set out on our adventure for the day.
- ☼ Morning Tea will be served at the Carmelite Monastery.
- ☼ Your hosts will take you on a journey that this Order has been experiencing for more than 800 years. Stories of their history, "way of life", and future are explained in quiet, sweet voices.
- ☼ Visit the Chapel with ornate and interesting features and feel free to ask questions about their monastic vocation (which calls them to live apart from the world, but nevertheless, love life).
- ☼ Lunch is BYO, which we can enjoy in the lovely surrounds of the Fitzroy Gardens. If you prefer, you can purchase something at the kiosk.
- ☼ After lunch, we board the Melbourne Explorer Bus Shuttle to re-discover what has changed (and what hasn't!) around our beautiful State capital. Relax in comfort as the driver provides information and interesting commentary. A great way to see Melbourne.

### MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL CRAFT AND QUILT FAIR

Friday, July 24 ... \$36.00 pp

- ☼ The daytripper will depart the Village Glen at 9.00am.
- ☼ Learn from Craft experts in a variety of fields, from designing contemporary jewellery pieces to re-discovering traditional art forms.
- ☼ See inspirational displays of quilts and other crafts, such as embroidery, beading, scrapbooking, patchwork, knitting, sewing, doll making and much, much more.
- ☼ Shop! In the largest specialist craft retail centre you will find all year, filled with hard-to-find items and enough unique supplies to keep you busy until the next fair.
- ☼ Trip includes morning tea, Craft and Quilt Fair entry.

**Bookings and payment for all  
Daytripper tours at Village Glen Office.**

# NEW RESIDENTS

**John Mulder, A1402**, moved from Frankston to the Glen to be closer to his two sons. He was born into a farming family in Queensland, and spent his early years in that State going to boarding school in Brisbane and then to Gatton to do a course in agriculture. John's early work was with farm machinery with Ford, and later he went into the poultry industry in NSW and Victoria. He plans to revive his interest in golf and take up bowls. He enjoys his computer, Rugby on Foxtel, and is an avid reader. John also has a daughter in Auckland and seven grandchildren.

**Barbara Wade, V313**, has spent most of her life in New South Wales where she worked for the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Health Insurance Commission. After short spells in Meeniyan and Leongatha, Barbara has moved to the Glen to be closer to one of her sisters. She has two sons, a daughter and one grandson. She has a computer, plays bridge and enjoys television and gardening. Barbara is hoping to join the gym to embark on a "get fit" campaign.

**Dick Hutchison, A1519**. Dick recently moved here from Dromana following the death of his wife, Kate, in 2008. They were both well known to many residents of the Glen, having been golfers at Rosebud Country Club since 1972 when Dick retired from the British Foreign Service. Irish born, Dick saw WW2 service in the Royal Inniskillen Fusiliers and the Indian Army in Burma. After a stint in Germany, demobilisation and post-war studies at Dublin University, Dick joined the British Colonial Service, later transferring to the Foreign Office, and worked in the Pacific territories as Administrator and Magistrate, eventually retiring to the Mornington Peninsula. He has just published his autobiography, written at the age of 86. He has three sons, two daughters and three grandchildren.

## 'Welcome to New Residents' Meeting

- Management would like to extend an invitation to all residents who have moved into the Village Glen since December 2007 to an informal morning tea in the Dining Room on **Thursday, 28 May**, 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 May.

*Management*

## STOP PRESS

As you can see from the photos a great time was had by all who attended the French Cabaret Theme Night.

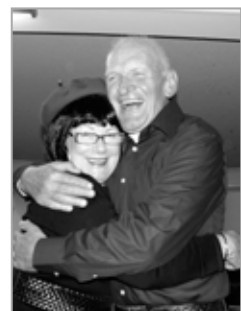
Many thanks to the Social Group for organising such an enjoyable evening.



**KENKEN** solution

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# French Cabaret Evening



## BACKPAGE—MAY, 2009

It is very difficult to believe that May is upon us and winter is fast approaching. Hopefully some rain with it! As in other years, we have just experienced yet another wonderful Anzac Day commemoration. I understand from Peter and Jane who attended on my behalf that it was once again a moving and memorable day. It was very well organised and our wholehearted thanks and congratulations to Elaine Travis, her wonderful Committee and large band of helpers. It is truly one of the highlights on the Village calendar and everyone's efforts are very much appreciated. We are certainly extremely proud of our Village Glen service men and women.

A reminder to residents to please remember to pack a hospital bag and to leave it in your wardrobe in case of an emergency. This is extremely helpful to the nurses if such a bag with appropriate clothing and some toiletries was readily accessible in the event of residents needing to go to hospital.

You may have noticed that an additional mini skip has been delivered to the vacant area next to Earl's workshop and the Resident's Workshop. All three mini skips are now clearly signed. One is for builders use only and two are for resident use (recycling and rubbish). We thank you for your co-operation.

For those enquiring as to the completion of the illuminated street signs in Stage 5, I advise that these signs have been ordered and Geoff Tunks has been made aware that the installation of the signs is required in the not too distant future.

I wish to advise residents again of the nurses mobile number, which should only be used in the case of an emergency in the event of the slow response of the nurse call system. Unfortunately, some time ago a number of Resident Information Packs were inadvertently given to residents with the wrong nurses mobile number recorded. This has since been rectified. What has unfortunately eventuated is a gentleman, at times is receiving very distressing phone calls from residents and family members, which of course is upsetting for all concerned. Your first call should be via the nurse call button and if there is no response within a reasonably short period of time, you can phone the nurses' mobile. If there is a need for your family to contact the nurses after hours, please ensure that they are aware of the correct phone number. Could you all please note that the **nurses' mobile number is 0419 579 062**. All of the nurse call phones should also have a sticker on the handset noting this number. If your phone does not have this sticker, please contact the office.

Please find below the water consumption for April. You will see that for Stages 1, 2 and 3 water consumption is at 169.8 litres per person per day and in Stages 4 and 5, consumption is 191.4 litres per person per day.

	December	January 09	February 09	March 09	April 09
<b>Clusters 1—23</b>	191.9	228.2	219.4	220.1	169.8
<b>Clusters 24—42</b>	237.0	294.7	248.5	251.0	191.4

We remind all residents who have had or are applying for Broadband that it is compulsory that an additional filter needs to be installed on the telephone line. The installation of this filter is vital. If it is not installed it means that the nurse call system is compromised and will not function as it is intended. The cost of the filter is \$130.00 and it needs to be installed by our electricians who have a good understanding of the nurse call system and what is required. Please contact the office for information if required.

During last weekend we experienced some minor security issues within the Village. Whilst we are relatively sheltered from the outside community, unfortunately we are not immune to it. We are addressing these disturbances and are acting appropriately but we all should be mindful of our own security at all times.

Last Thursday the settlement of Ti Tree Lodge took place. A great deal of work has occurred in the months leading up to settlement and of course the hard work really begins now. We are committed to renovating the building in a contemporary and workable design and that the care, which is currently very good, is at a level of which we can all be proud. It is an exciting, albeit busy time and we look forward to a bright future for Ti Tree Lodge.

Finally, I would like to thank those members of the Committee who are not continuing next year. Your involvement and diligence have been greatly appreciated. All of the Management team really do value your feedback and input in the many varied and wide ranging issues that arise throughout the year. As has been expressed in previous years, the relationship between Management and the Committee, and by extension the residents they represent, is extremely important to us. Thank you to Elaine Travis for her advice and guidance throughout her first year as President and also to the spouses of our Committee members. A very special mention and thank you to Ray Stock who is departing as Treasurer after seven years. You have done a wonderful job Ray and your dedication and wit will be missed. We would of course like to wish the remaining and incoming members of the Committee all the best for the coming twelve months.

Until next month—Chas