Macarthur Advancement & Development Association

Notice of AGM
To be held on
Wednesday 10th September.

Venue and time to be advised in next edition of Macarthur News.

Fracking Information Meeting

Fracking has been in the news quite a lot of recent times and no area in the State is exempt from the possibility that mining companies will mount exploration drilling to determine the potential for extracting gas using this method. There will be a public meeting on August 13th at 7.30pm in the Senior Citizens’ Club to inform the local community about what Fracking is and the dangers of this method of mining. Please read the flyer in this paper and consider attending the meeting as this area has been chosen for trial drilling. We need to be informed so that we can better decide whether we want this type of gas extraction on our doorstep or not. Please make an effort to attend the meeting.

MH17 Disaster

The Malaysian Airlines disaster has deeply affected the Australian people. The State Government has made condolence books available for those wishing to pay their respects and show support to the families and friends of those lost in the MH-17 tragedy. There will be a condolence book at the Moyne Shire Council reception areas in Port Fairy and Mortlake. We have been advised that they will be available for a number of weeks. The pages from our condolence books will be sent to Melbourne and become part of an official Victorian condolence book. The condolence books are not just for MSC staff and councilors, they are for everyone.

Memorial Rose Garden

The memorial garden is currently hibernating for winter. The garden was a picture this past season. Many thanks to the volunteers who maintained the garden and special thanks to Joe for his continuing hard work. As you can see work still goes on, Bernie, Joan and Cheryl have just planted 18 new roses, 12 replacement roses and 6 spares, plus a rose for the Red Cross. Gerard from the Shire has started the onerous task of pruning.

Relatives of deceased returned men or women wishing to purchase a plaque contact Cheryl Hill 55761041 or Bernie Warren 55761221
Macarthur Golf Club

The golf club held their championships on 29/6/14. Pictured are the ladies champion Bev Bourke and men's champion Simon Sharrock. (Pictured above with their trophies)
Bev d Jill Millard 4/3, Simon d Greg Carter 6/5 and In the men's B grade final Garry Wyndam d Phil Sandilands.

Macarthur Golf club would welcome new members, ladies play on Tuesdays and the men play on Saturdays. However any ladies wanting to play on Saturdays are most welcome. Usually the ladies start a little earlier than the men which is about noon. Just rock up!

Mobile Library

It currently visits Byaduk every Wednesday fortnight

For a Three month trial
3.30 -4.30pm outside the Shop & old Fire Station

Dates for August are: 6th & 20th


MOUNT ECCLES NEWS

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to apologise to anyone who might have been offended by my candid comments about feral animals in the last edition of the newsletter. I made mention in particular to the upcoming goat control program at Mount Napier and realize that my comments could have been interpreted by some people as insensitive about goats. I would also like to add that I have engaged the services of a professional contractor with many years experience with these types of feral control programs, he will oversee the program at Mount Napier and ensure all relevant ethical standards are observed and maintained.

In other news the introduction of the new on line camping booking system for Mount Eccles and many other Parks in Victoria commenced on July the first. New signs have been placed at the entrance to the Mount Eccles campground and at the office.

There are three new different pricing seasons when camping in Victoria’s parks and reserves. There is a Peak period which applies to busy weekends and holidays, and for quieter periods there are shoulder and off peak seasons.

The new overnight fees will be used to maintain the camping facilities and services; ensuring that these special places are maintained and available into the future.

Mount Eccles National Park Peak Rates
Shoulder season Off peak season

Mt Eccles Campground
Peak Season (Up to 6 persons per campsite) $48.70
Shoulder season (Up to 6 persons per campsite)$46.30
Off peak (Up to 6 persons per campsite) $43.80
Additional Vehicles at a campsite $9.20

There are some discounts for concession card holders and school groups etc. for more information please visit the Parks Victoria website @ www.parks.vic.gov.au.

Gary Bellesini
Ranger at Mount Eccles
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BINGO!!!

Macarthur Senior Citizens will be holding a Bingo afternoon at their clubrooms on the 3rd Wednesday of every month.

Next Bingo day August 20th
Eyes down at 1.30pm.
$3 to play.
Prizes to be won.
All welcome.

JUNIOR: 13 YEARS AND UNDER ON RACE DAY
Teams of 6 pedallers and 2 pit crew
Entry/Registration $50 per team
Prizes  1st $500  2nd $250  3rd $150

SENIOR: 13 YEARS AND UNDER ON RACE DAY
Teams of 4 pedallers and 2 pit crew
Entry/Registration $50 per team
Prizes  1st $500  2nd $250  3rd $150

OPEN: Teams of 4 pedallers and 2 pit crew
Entry/Registration $100 per team
Prizes  1st $1500  2nd $1000  3rd $500

Teams are requested to seek sponsorship (donations) for Coleraine District Health Service, Blue Ribbon Foundation and Coleraine Community Projects.
Prizes will be awarded for the highest sponsorship raiser, and for the best presented car as judged by the public.

Entries close on 31ST AUGUST 2013 and entry forms, pictures of previous races, car specifications and other information is available on the website.

wwwpedalcargp.com.au
Parfrey Plumbing at Macarthur has the following Bushman Tank Specials

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All prices include GST and can include delivery to site.

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HORSES RIDDEN WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP.

Still, after last month’s article regarding the riding of horses on roads, I am receiving complaints about people riding their horses in dangerous situations. If you are riding on a public road, you must observe the road rules as if you are driving a car. Also if riding in or near darkness, PLEASE ensure you are visible to others. It would be far, far safer NOT to ride in the dark or in gloomy light at all and I will be speaking to those I find riding in dangerous situations.

FIREARM SECURITY

I recently ran an article in the Warrnambool Standard about firearm security and the need to ensure your firearms are securely locked up. A recent burglary here in which the crooks took someone’s guns after breaking open the storage receptacle, highlighted the need to have good strong storage. Some people are still using flimsy clothing lockers which without beefing up will not pass as acceptable storage. Prop them up with a good strong lock, fix them to the wall and/or floor of the room and add some extra thickening to the walls (of the locker not the room). If you get burgled and your firearms are stolen because your gun storage was not good enough, you could face action by the firearms registry for not having adequate storage. ASK ME IF YOU'RE NOT SURE.

CONTACTING THE POLICE

As you may already be aware, the Macarthur Police station is not a 24 hour police station and is not always open. Even so police will respond to any requests for assistance at any time should you need us. However, some people are still ‘ringing around’ trying to contact local police, sometimes without success. If you require police assistance at any time, simply ring 000. Of course you wouldn’t ring 000 if the matter was routine or not immediately important so if that’s the case you could call the nearest 24 hour police station at either, Hamilton (555191000), Warrnambool (55601100) or Portland (55231999).

David Rook
Leading senior Constable
Macarthur Police Station
55761122 or 0429807962

Nancy’s garden is close to heaven

One sun shiny day Nancy invited me into her garden. What a glorious sight it was with beautiful lush vegetables growing with a backdrop of trees.

I felt like I was in an oasis hidden amongst the houses of Macarthur. There were treasures of all sizes, colours and shapes growing in the clearing of the grass, hanging from trees, dangling from vines.

When I looked at Nancy I noticed she had a sense of calm about her and a look of contentment in her eyes. Then I realised I did too, for we were both sharing nature and this amazing view.

Nancy moved at a pace that seemed to belong to nature; not in a hurry but definitely with purpose. She claims to be 88 but with her beautiful glow I think she is as timeless as the figs ripening on her tree.

I watch in delight as she digs up a dozen or more potatoes for me to take home. Oh! And a handful of cherry tomatoes and a snap of parsley.

Nancy’s garden is her entire world and for the moment it is mine too. Oh how we should all have a world like this. Where nature and its beauty can teach us wisdom and keep us young and strong. How we should all change and grow and close down as Nancy’s garden does and return again with the seasons. Enjoy meals that are flavoured by our labour, our own soil and some magic.

All her life Nancy has put her trust in nature and it’s guided her along a wholesome and happy path.

Maree Cowan
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Leonie (President) 55764251

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Macarthur Hall and precincts.
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Membership only $50:00 per year.

All new members will have a free induction to the equipment with our local fitness instructor Jodie Nicholls to get you started. You can then choose to participate in Jodie’s twice weekly circuit classes which are only $5:00 per class, and/or secure a key from the health centre so you can go whenever you like.

Membership forms are available from Macarthur Community Health, Enquiries 55522000
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