

Merrijig Community Newsletter

September 2017

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Quote of the month.

“I believe in ethics, and if everybody believed in ethics we'd have no problems at all. That's the only way out; forget the religious side.”

Noble Peace Prize winner

Sir Nicholas Winton

2015 aged 106

Back issues of the newsletters can be viewed on the web at
http://www.merrijig.com.au/html/local_news.html

Some articles in this newsletter may be picked up by the Mansfield Courier so consider this if you are submitting stories you could be sensitive about sharing with the community wider than Merrijig.

If you're looking for a **Justice of the Peace**,
 Laurie Jacob, Buttercup Rd 0439 280 333
 Catherine McNish, Sawmill Settlement 0429 482 309

Merrijig Defibrillator is located at Merrijig Motor Inn

The procedure in case of an emergency where a person is possibly having a heart attack is to dial **Triple Zero**. The call takers at **Triple Zero** have the location of the Merrijig AED registered and will advise the caller of its location if that is the closest unit to your location. If it is then the Merrijig Motor Inn should be contacted by phone. The motor inn phone number is **5777 5702**.

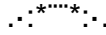
September 2017						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Father's Day	4	5 Trivia at the Pub Muscle Mob meets Women's health week begins	6 Indigenous Literacy Day	7 Rubbish Women's health evening in Mansfield	8 Board games in the Library	9 Mansfield Wedding Fair
10	11	12 Muscle Mob meets	13 Beolite Village open day	14 Rubbish & Recycle Movie night Hospital fundraiser	15 Board games in the Library	16
17 Australian Citizenship Day	18	19 Trivia at the Pub Muscle Mob meets	20	21 International Day of Peace Rubbish	22 Board games in the Library School breaks up	23
24	25 Family and Community Day (ACT)	26 Muscle Mob meets	27	28 Rubbish & Recycle	29 Board games in the Library AFL Grand Final Weekend begins	30 School returns Oct 9th

Loss of life far too early.

It is with sadness that we record that in the last few months we have lost from our little community two young men who grew up in Merrijig.

In July, 36 year old Scott Lovick's life ended. He had grown up in Merrijig being one of the twin boys of John and Joycelyn Lovick. Sympathies go to his brothers and parents as well as his extended family.

Recently 43 year old Mark Brandl, son of the late Celia and Fredl Brandl, and father of Stella passed away suddenly when unexpectedly his heart gave out. Condolences to his family and those who cared for him are also sent.



Look - Spring – Is Just around the corner!



Who's Doing What Lately?

Memorable visit to Canberra by Louise Jacob

A recent two week short break to Canberra provided Merrijig residents, Louise and Laurie Jacob with many memorable experiences. They had both wanted to travel to Canberra for many years and the trip did not disappoint.

Top on the list of must-dos was a visit to Parliament House, which will celebrate its 30th anniversary next year. Who could believe the building is almost 30 years old.

A Behind-the-Scenes tour was fascinating and only available on non-sitting days so we were lucky to squeeze it in on our first day in Canberra as Parliament was due to resume from its winter recess the next day. We didn't cover nearly as much ground as Annabel Crabb in her series *The House*, but it was incredible interesting. We were the only two on the tour with a very knowledgeable Danish/Australian who had been conducting the tours for many years and was as inspired as if it was his first tour.



The spectacular entry foyer to Parliament House featuring 48 columns of marble from Italy, Portugal and Belgium.

The enormous tapestry at the end of the Great Hall. The tapestry took 14 full time weavers two years to complete. It is stunning.



An unusually quiet House of Representatives



And the Senate





From Parliament House to the Old Parliament House in the middle ground, the dome of the Australian War Memorial with Mt Ainsley rising behind

The next day saw us visit our local member, Ms Cathy McGowan, who had organised our Question Time tickets for us. QT was extremely interesting to watch as the 'same sex marriage' issue was the hot topic. The obviously pre-arranged 'Dorothy Dixie' questions asked of various ministers from time to time were a waste of time but overall it was really fascinating. Security was very thorough,

with an extra level applied to go into the public gallery. So no bags or coats, phones or cameras as you'd expect.

Cathy is assisted in her work by four volunteers on a roster and one of these, Claudia was outstanding, escorting us around and guiding us to Cathy's office in the labyrinth which are behind closed doors. We were very grateful for her help which made our visit even better.



Cathy outlined her role and passion for representing the people of Indi and is presently encouraging them to respond to the government's national inquiry into the best way to deal with regional development and decentralisation. She instigated the inquiry and is keen for Indi residents to take the opportunity to express their views.

There were two reasons for travelling to Canberra - one was to attempt to find out about an unusual photo of my grandfather taken in England in World War 1. It is of AIF Senior NCOs personnel and is 110 cms long. There are a mixed bag of uniforms from various country in the Commonwealth. A visit to the Australian War Memorial research department revealed the probable location of where the photo was taken. The staff were passionate about their field and were tenacious in finding the answer. It was most likely at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich in London. They hadn't seen one of these before and were amazed it still existed. It was taken in September 1917. The photo was described as being of the trainers who had been trained to train soldiers in the use of the equipment used in battle.



The second reason was to seek out the military history of my father during World War 11 which was easily dealt with by a visit to the National Archives of Australia. In searching on line I had found they weren't yet available as they hadn't been digitised unlike the records of my grandfather. For those interested in the war history of family members these can be obtained even if not yet digitised by paying \$75. They then locate and scan the documents requested and email them. It makes for very interesting reading.

It's worth a search on the National Archives website which can be found at www.naa.gov.au for your family member in case it is already available.

The Australian War Memorial museum is a very moving place and an absolute must see in Canberra. One of the more recent additions is this bronze memorial to animals in war, in bomb disposal teams. For those interested a bit of background to this can be found at:

<http://www.smh.com.au/national/sapper-and-bombsniffer-dog-memorial-contains-layers-of-emotion-20151001-gjysz8.html>



A visit to the National Portrait Gallery revealed a surprise. In one of the rooms was a couple of frames of cricketers. Always interested in cricket we had a closer look to discover Laurie's great, great uncle Albert Trott was on display. He famously hit a cricket ball on the full, over the top of the Lord's Pavilion at the Lord's Ground in London. An achievement which has never been repeated despite large financial incentives to recent players to do it.

He was an all-rounder who played for Australia and England and was one of those named Wisden Cricketer of the Year in 1899. Further information about Albert Trott can be found at:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Albert_Trott.



A somewhat surprised Laurie Jacob to find his great, great uncle Albert Trott

Other places visited and recommended were the Royal Australian Mint, the Museum of Australian Democracy (at Old Parliament House), the National Arboretum incorporating the National Bonsai and Penjing Collection of Australia, Mt Ainsley for wonderful views across Canberra,





and a drive along Lake Burley Griffin to Kurrajong Point where we were again surprised by a moving space in a tranquil setting telling the tragic story of the Siev X.

This was an Indonesian fishing vessel which sank on the way from Sumatra to Christmas Island during the Australian election campaign in October 2001.

On board were asylum seekers. When it sank it killed 146 children, 142 mothers and 65 fathers. The memorial is a shared effort by more than 300 school children, churches and community groups across Australia.

The actual area of the boat which had 400 people crammed into it.





Each pole represents each person lost. The shorter poles for children. Each pole has a name plaque. Some entire families were lost. Some poles were unnamed as the victim's identity is unknown.

Returning to Victoria via Bateman's Bay and Merimbula, Louise was able to meet up with her Tasmanian cousin who lives at Bemboka. They hadn't met for 55 years!! A wonderful reunion. And driving on through Lakes Entrance via Yarram, they met another family friend not seen for many years. A great way to finish a very restful break.

Back from checking out bakeries in Scandinavia



divine selection found at Weiner Caf  et in Stockholm

Henrik and Annie from Merrijig's Bakers Creek Bakery have just returned from a 2-month holiday in Scandinavia.

"We spent most of our time hiking," Annie said, "but managed to fit in a few visits to bakeries and patisseries along the way"

"So we're freshly inspired and raring to go and back to the wood-fired oven next week (24-25 August)." Annie said.

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A very Special visitor



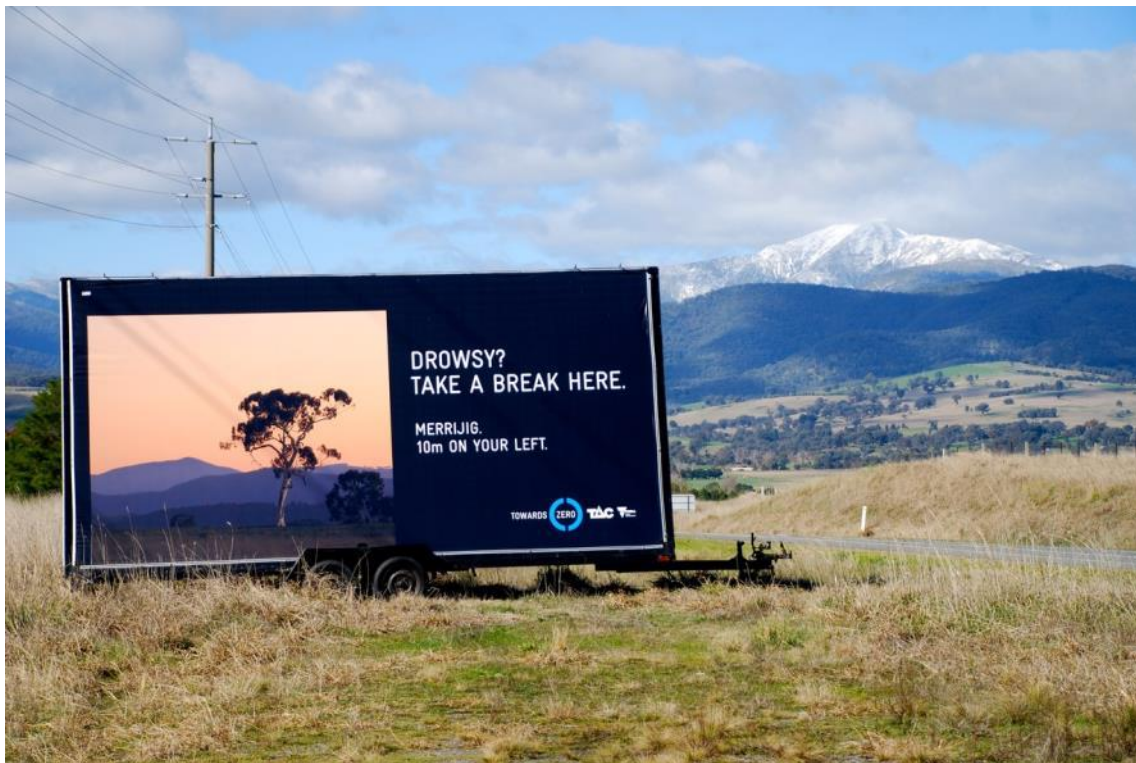
Louise Jacob, who edits the newsletter and prepares it for being posted online on www.merrijig.com said she "thought our readers might like to see this."



She added "In 40 years of living here we've never seen a black swan land on our dam. A very special visitor! He flew in on August 4 and returned the following day."

He tottered around quite happily waddling on the dam bank and back into the water with the wild ducks.

(*•♥••*)



At the top of the Buttercup Rd and Mt Buller Rd intersection people will have noticed this sign. Drivers would be disappointed to stop 10 metres after the sign, opposite double lines, hoping to find Merrijig.

The message is clear, take a break, but hardly in the right location - the stunning view is distracting enough -

but the sign includes incorrect information. Merrijig is about a further three kilometres or so along the road.

That was a C-O-L-D day - A Photo of snow on Mount Timbertop on 8th August, 2017 -
taken from Wild Dog Rise by Marta Wakeling





September Message: Home Fire Safety Heating as a Fire Hazard

No need to mention how cold the Winter has been so far. So our home heaters are working full-time. No matter if your heating is electrical or gas powered, an open fire, slow combustion wood heater, or kerosene, we know that house fires caused by heating increase during the Winter.

Some tips:

- Turn off all portable heating and extinguish open fires before leaving your home
- Drying clothes and other items must be kept at least one metre away from all heating
- Ensure heaters are installed, maintained and operated according to manufacturers' Instructions
- Always use a fire screen in front of an open fire
- Chimneys and flues should be cleaned annually (more often may even make your fire burn more efficiently)
- Keep wood and other combustibles at least one metre from fire
- Children must be supervised near all types of heating. Maintain a safe distance between children and heating.



Wonderful Opportunities offered to any local

The team at Bakers Creek Bakery have come up with some ideas that just may be what someone is looking for. A great opportunity for someone looking for a new project that WILL pay dividends.

After sharing bits of their holiday news Annie said “We also have an opportunity for anyone who might be interested in a bit of market gardening or culinary creativity.” She went on to describe her proposal.

“At our property on Bakers Creek Road, we have four to six fairly substantial raised vegetable beds of around 2 metres by 40 metres each, with irrigation in place and fenced to keep out wombats and other marauders. With the bakery and other commitments keeping us busy, we have sadly neglected these for a few years now, but it would only take a little bit of TLC to get them producing again.”

“We thought there could be someone out there with a green thumb - but lacking a patch of land - who would like to make use of these in some way. They could grow vegetables or herbs or other produce for the farmers' market or nearby restaurants, who are always looking for good-quality, local and seasonal produce. We would also be able to make use of the produce in our commercial kitchen in some way”.

“And speaking of the kitchen, we only fully use it from Tuesday to Friday (and occasionally on the weekend). So if anyone has ever thought they would like to produce food for markets or other outlets but have been constrained by regulations requiring the use of a commercial kitchen, perhaps we can help. It is fully kitted out with everything that you may need, including the use of the wood-fired oven which, when we finish baking on Friday, holds its heat for several days. For example, on Saturdays it is generally around 180 degrees Celsius, which is an ideal temperature for baking.”



“Just a couple of ideas that, if anyone is interested, can be discussed and developed with terms and details to be very flexibly negotiated. Please get in touch with us at bakerscreekbakery@gmail.com.” Annie concluded.

Hello Bread Lovers,

YES, WE'RE BACK !!!

And very happy to be so and looking forward to making up for lost loaves, with perhaps a bit of inspiration from our recent journeying.

Everyone is welcome to join the mail out list of what is being baked each week and have the selection emailed to your in box – you only then need to email or phone back your order to have your personally baked bread made for you on baking days. Email to :- Michael Wahren bakerscreekbakery@gmail.com

Check out the breads baking for Aug 31st and Sept 1.....



Sourdough bread freshly baked on 31st of August & 1st of September

Available	Item	RRP
Thu 31	Bakers Creek Boule <i>A plain sourdough loaf at its most simple. It's great toasted with a knob of butter and some marmalade.</i>	\$ 6.00
Thu 31	Limpa <i>A southern Swedish rye loaf with a hint of sweetness and caraway.</i>	\$ 6.50
Thu 31	Beer Bread <i>A robust session bread that goes with everything from cold cuts and greens to cheese and pickles.</i>	\$ 7.50
Thu 31	Sultana & Currant Loaf <i>Plump Australian sultanas and currants with the added zestiness of orange.</i>	\$ 7.50
Fri 1	Ruisreikäleipä <i>A popular 100% rye loaf found throughout Finland. It's eaten with everything from fresh butter and strong cheese to spicy herring.</i>	\$ 5.00
Fri 1	Seedy Bastard <i>A French-inspired loaf with sesame, poppy and sunflower seed. The 'S' is silent.</i>	\$ 5.00
Fri 1	Merrijig Country Loaf <i>An everyday loaf with a little freshly ground rye and wholemeal wheat. It goes well with anything and everything.</i>	\$ 6.00
Fri 1	Walnut & Pistachio <i>A great combination of King Valley walnuts and premium Australian pistachios. Try this one with a runny brie.</i>	\$ 9.50

A selection of bread will be available from Merrijig Motor Inn, Hoffman's Green Grocer, The Produce Store and Marks IGA. And now also from Deb's Jamieson Café for those up the valley.

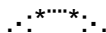
We'll do whatever we can to accommodate any particular requests, such as gluten-free, and we always welcome your comments and suggestions.

Feel free to pass this on to any other bread lovers that you know around the shire.

Best wishes,
Henrik, Annie, Michael and Martina

PS For anyone wanting to collect their bread or other special requests from the motor inn, if you let us know what you'd like by TUESDAY MORNING, we can put them in a bag with your name on it. Orders can also be arranged through Hoffman's and the Prodi Store.

Bakers Creek Bakery
18 Bakers Creek Road
Merrijig VIC 3723 Ph: 5777 5116 Mob (Michael): 0418 210 758





Enrolling in 3 or 4 –year- old kindergarten in 2018?

Mansfield Kindergarten has been offering exceptional educational programs for both 3 and 4 year old children for 65 years.

We are not-for-profit; parent- run; community minded and have outstanding teaching staff. Coupled with this, our gardens, facilities and activities are designed to bring out the best in children and we have an Exceeding the National Standards rating.

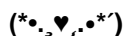
Our off-site, Earth Kinder program for our 4 year olds promotes sustainability, community engagement and is pure fun!

Make a time for a tour by ringing 5775-2445, or simply download an enrolment form and bring it in.

We have a waiting list this year – DON'T MISS OUT IN 2018.

www.mansfieldkindergarten.com.au
 64 Ailsa Street, Mansfield.

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Where's the Keep Australia Beautiful Campaign gone?



Who would have thought this collection of rubbish could be found along Buttercup Rd in August. But it was and only over a distance of 2.7 kms. This rubbish filled more than three supermarket bags. We can only imagine how much more there is on the full length of the road!

Louise and Laurie Jacob collected all these in what turned out to be the start of Keep Australia Beautiful week without even being aware of it.

Keep ★
Australia
Beautiful
Week

Have you checked your roadsides lately? Not our responsibility maybe, but non-one else is going to do it. So if you have pride in your community maybe go for a stroll with twice as many bags as you think you'll need!!

As Jack Thompson,
who played Clancy in The Man from
Snowy River in 1981, said in an advert –
Keep Australia Beautiful Hey!



<https://www.facebook.com/classicOzTV/videos/vb.1017927791595539/1426354424086205/?type=2&theater>

. * * * * . Shake off winter - Plan a holiday

As spring is fast approaching, many of us are ready to shake off the winter chill – and what better way, than to start planning an amazing holiday to look forward to!

September sees the start of our Travel Expo season – this is when most airlines and tour companies offer fantastic promotions for travel for the upcoming year (primarily for Europe and Canada / US).

The concept behind these Earlybird specials is that you need to be organised – so you book and pay in advance for your arrangements, in order to take advantage of the discounts being offered. By securing these promotional prices, you also have a wider range of date availability and choice when selecting the right airfare or tour to suit your requirements.

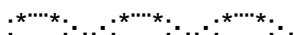


With over 13 years of experience as a travel consultant, I can offer you the widest range of travel options available that will take the stress out of planning your next trip.

Please feel free to pop in or ring me to make an appointment time to discuss your travel thoughts with me – I am available Monday to Friday during school hours at my office in Mansfield Shopping Village, or by appointment at other times.

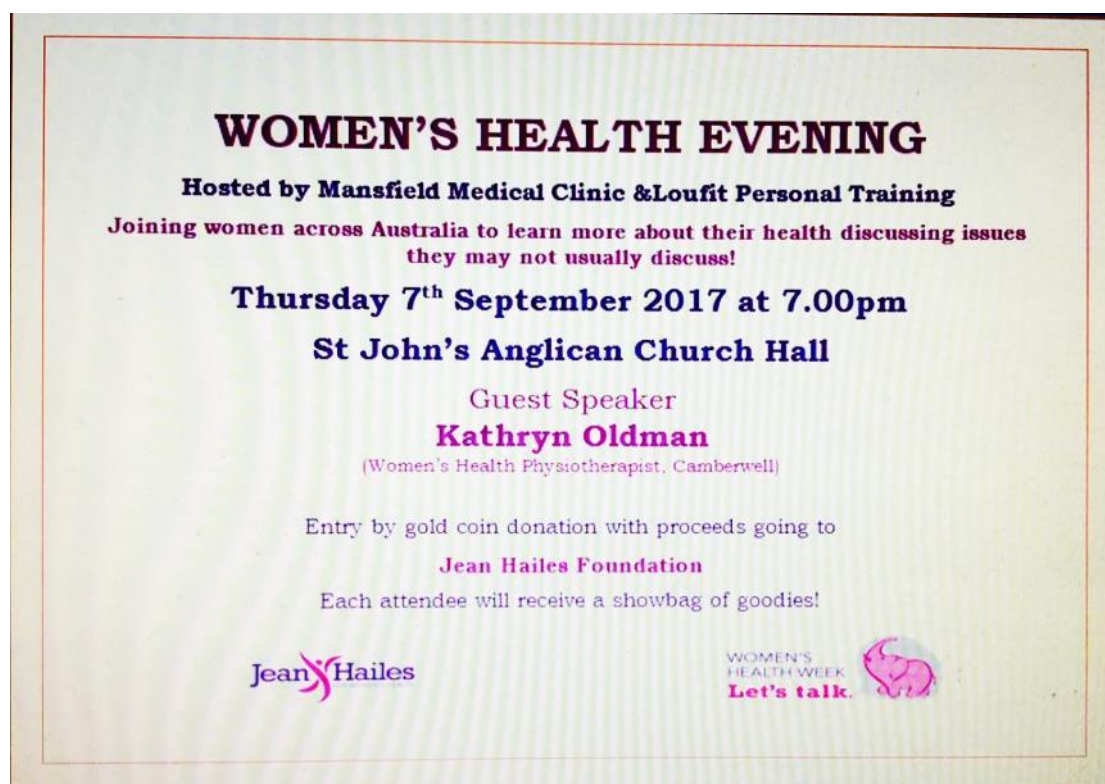
My love of travel has led to my own amazing collection of memorable experiences – and I look forward to assisting you with creating yours...

Gemma Ferguson – Senior Consultant at Travel Associates
Shop 3, 12-22 Highett St (next to Bangkok Corner)
0407 88 00 55
Gemma_ferguson@travel-associates.com.au



What's coming up in SEPTEMBER DATES -

- Father's Day Weekend - 1-3 September, 2017
- Mansfield Wedding Fair - 9th - 10th September, 2017
- School Holidays - 22nd September, - 9th October, 2017
- AFL Grand final - LONG weekend - Friday 29th Sept - 1st Oct, 2017



It's that time of year again... Women's Health Week

Jean Hailes Women's Health Week
September 5-9.

Following on from last year's huge success we are holding this event again, however we have a bigger venue to cater for everyone.

This is a night not too be missed for women of all ages, guest speaker is Women's Health

physiotherapist- Kathryn Oldman

Kathryn will talk about all things relating to topics that we don't often talk about- women's bladder problems, pelvic floor, prolapses, urinary frequency, pelvic floor and abdominal separation post baby.

So often we hear that leaking when coughing, sneezing or jumping is just normal to having kids or getting older it is NOT normal and can be treated.

Come along to hear exactly how...

Fabulous event last year, don't miss it this year!

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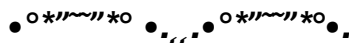


Look for the Marquees

Highett Street Mansfield, Victoria

Tel: 0411 322 230

Email:



mansfield
Wedding
fair

Saturday
9th September
2pm

www.MansfieldWeddingFair.com



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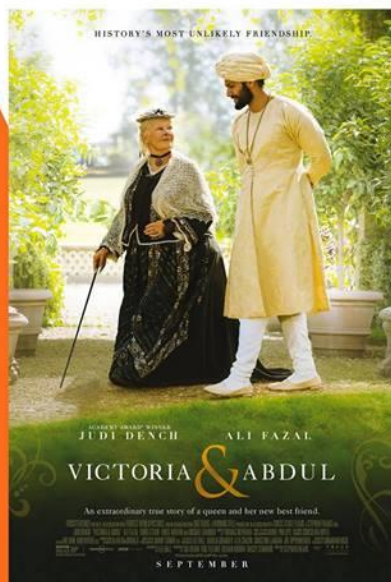


\$25 PER HEAD

INCLUDES LIGHT REFRESHMENTS.
BEVERAGES AT BAR PRICES

FUNDRAISER MOVIE NIGHT

THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER
7.00 PM SHARP



Victoria and Abdul

Abdul Karim arrives from India to participate in Queen Victoria's golden jubilee. The young clerk is surprised to find favor with the queen herself. As Victoria questions the constrictions of her long-held position, the two forge an unlikely and devoted alliance that her household and inner circle try to destroy. As their friendship deepens, the queen begins to see a changing world through new eyes, joyfully reclaiming her humanity.

We all Value our local Hospital

Here is a chance to show support and have a nice night out at the movies on September 14th.

Get your tickets from Wallaby Ritz

Or phone Merrijigger Sue Swan
on 57775608
or Di Burton 5778 9515

Tickets sold at Wallaby Ritz . Enquiries: Sue Swan 5777 5606 or Di Burton 5778 9515

ALL PROCEEDS TO THE MANSFIELD DISTRICT HOSPITAL

Live Music at Tolmie Tavern

John-Luke Shelley with Brett Shelley on 17 September at 19:30–22:30



Alex's Dad Jokes

If a crab worked in a pizza parlor, which station would it work?
The crust station

If I ever saw a cat escape from the zoo...
I'd puma pants

How many dads does it take to replace a 100 watt lightbulb?

Just one if he's bright enough.

Don't spell part backwards.

It's a trap

What do you call a line of men waiting for a haircut?

A barber queue!

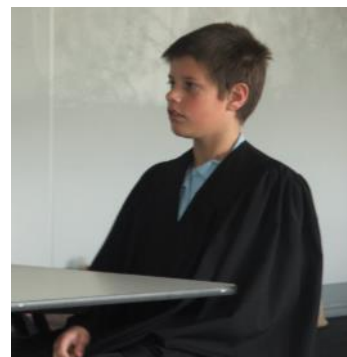
Merrijig Primary School News

Community Engagement Program



Students in Years 4-6 recently attended the Community Engagement Program at the Benalla Performing Arts Centre. Members of the Victorian Electoral Commission came up and taught the children how the Victorian Parliament passed laws. Some of the children got to dress up. Sarah was the Sergeant at Arms and Christian was the Speaker of the House. The children all had roles and debated whether we should have plastic bags or not.

It ran as a full debate and then a vote. The children certainly learnt a lot about Civics and Citizenship on the day.



Hello Everyone,

All the Staff, Parents and Children at Merrijig Primary School would like to sincerely thank Steve & Leslie Mc Mahan, Patrick Purcell along with all of the wonderful staff at Celia's on Mt Buller for setting up a Sausage Sizzle & Drink stall as a fundraiser for Merrijig Primary.

I would like to thank very much the following people who gave their time over the weekend to help out at the stall;

Rhyll Mc Cormack, Rick Mc Farlane, Karen Penya, Shontell Hogan and Meg Hemming.

Merrijig Primary School was able to raise \$1110.00!!!!!!

A great time was had by all even on Sunday in snowy conditions.

I would also like to thank Mr Jim Hughes and Mr Ian Davis who once again happily gave a donation, and a lovely Indian couple, who after having their wheel chains fitted by Mark Tremmel also gave a donation.

Donna Tremmel
School Council President

Pyjama Day



Don't forget

**IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR WORK THIS
WINTER**

and are on Facebook - Check out these sites

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1666266726981565/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1571251216459081/>



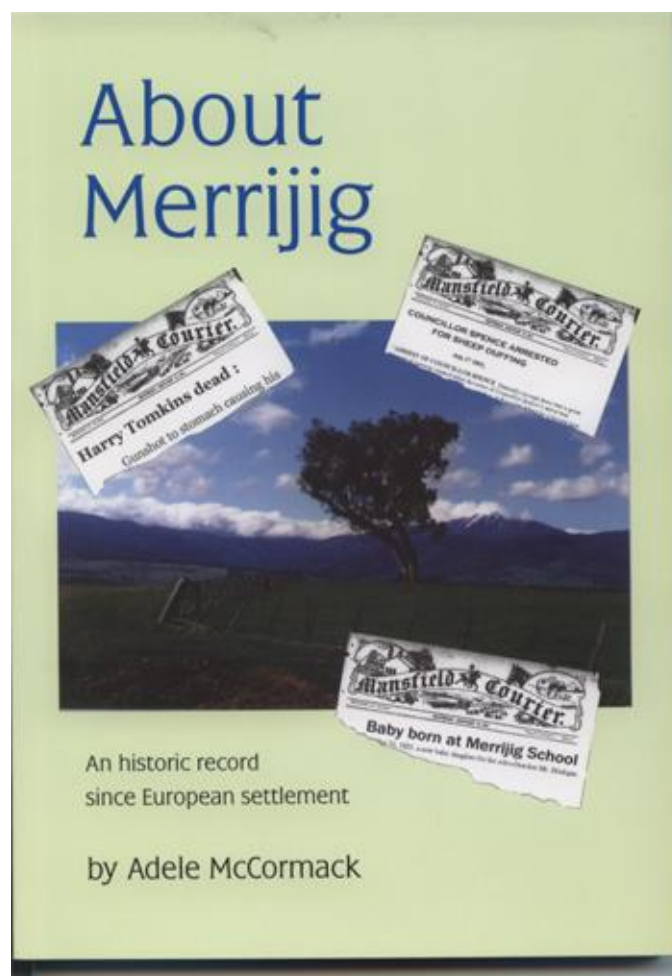
Recent sales of the book About Merrijig

It seems to come in waves, for a while there are no enquiries about where the book can be purchased, and then there may be 5 or 6 people asking about it.

The book is on sale at the **Mansfield Historical Society** at the old Railway Station as well as **Country Tales** in High St.

The author still has them available too
– 0409 600 655 – this would make a great Father's day gift for the dad who already has everything.

Priced at \$25



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A word from our Pollies

Federal Member for Indi

Cathy McGowan AO MP



Young people encouraged to have a say in #YouthForIndi project

Independent Member for Indi Cathy McGowan is encouraging young people in Indi to submit their ideas about regional development to the NESAY (North East Support and Action for Youth) #YouthForIndi project.

Five submissions from people aged 16-25 will be short-listed for submission to the national Inquiry into Regional Development and Decentralisation.

“Young people have had a consistently strong voice in Indi. They have great ideas about what can be done to strengthen regional Australia,” said Ms McGowan, who is on the inquiry committee.

“During my 2017 budget consultation, young people made clear their keen interest in education, transport, welfare and employment. To them I say: make sure your voice on these matters is heard in the inquiry.”

Ms McGowan commended NESAY on their creative approach, which invites submissions in many forms including story, multi-media and song.

“I am confident this ‘Indi way’ will shine through submissions being developed in the electorate – local people bringing their expertise and connections together to deliver effective results,” Ms McGowan said.

“This is a chance to influence an inquiry that could pave the way for regional Australia. I encourage everyone, and especially young people, to have their say.”

Submissions to the #YouthForIndi project close on 11 September 2017.

- Information about the NESAY #YouthForIndi project can be found here:
<http://www.nesay.com.au/youthforindi/>

Submissions to the Inquiry into Regional Development and Decentralisation close on 15 September.

Information on the Inquiry can be found here:
http://www.cathymcgowan.com.au/federal_inquiry_into_regional_development_and_decentralisation



OPEN DAY

Wednesday 13 Sept, 2017
11.00am - 3.00pm

- Meet our Residents
- View the Community Centre
- Inspect our new and established homes
- View plans for our next stage of development
- Speak with Beolite Village Board Members and Administration
- Enjoy free tea or coffee

Beolite Village Limited
(ABN 76 114 480 625)
Kidston Parade, Mansfield - PO Box 245, Mansfield 3724
(opposite Mansfield Golf Club)
Phone: (03) 5775 1925 or 0419 092 010

We look forward to seeing you!



Protect yourself against Shingles!



A FREE VACCINE
is now available
for people aged
70-79 years old

Shingles can be very painful
and lead to serious, long-term
complications for older people

Talk to your doctor, nurse or healthcare worker
about the FREE Shingles VACCINE

Vaccinations don't
stop at childhood.

 Australian Government
Department of Health

 **IMMUNISE**
AUSTRALIA PROGRAM
An Australian, State and Territory
Government initiative

www.immunise.health.gov.au

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Cr Marg Attley:-Your local representative on Mansfield Shire Council. Available to be contacted on: 5776 2231 or marg.attley@mansfield.vic.gov.au

A WORD FROM THE SHIRE

<http://www.mansfield.vic.gov.au/home.aspx>



Council is committed to improving the lives and wellbeing of all our young people and when the need for a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Others (LGBTQ+) group was identified, the Mansfield and District Pride Alliance Youth Group (MADPA) was formed.

The group now meets fortnightly with a view to providing a safe, confident and inclusive space for young people between 12-25 years who wish to learn and share information related to the LGBTQ+ community.

If you'd like more information about the group or would like to get involved, contact Jodi Bell, Youth Development Officer on 5775 8559.



**THE MANSFIELD LIBRARY
IS HOSTING...**

BOARD GAME AFTERNOONS!

FRIDAYS FROM 3:45

During Term 3 2017
Snacks included
All ages and all skill levels are welcome



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NOW FOR A FINAL GOOD LAUGH!



Teacher Arrested at JFK

A public school teacher was arrested today at John F. Kennedy International Airport this morning as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule and a calculator. At a press conference just before noon today, Attorney General Eric Holder said he believes the man is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement. Although he did not identify the man, he confirmed the man has been charged by the FBI with carrying weapons of math instruction.

'Al-Gebra is a problem for us', the Attorney General said. 'They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values.' They use secret code names like "X" and "Y" and refer to themselves as "unknowns" but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country. As the Greek philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are 3 sides to every triangle." The Attorney General went on to say "Teaching our children sentient thought processes and equipping them to solve problems is dangerous and puts our government at risk."

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