



Meredith & district News



July 2011

Our Free Community Newsletter since 1972

Doug & Fay Get Off the Bus

Doug Cations

All of the Students, Staff and Parents sincerely wish to extend a big thank you to Doug and Fay McFarlane for all the years of providing a tremendous service to the Meredith Primary School.

They have been long time supporters of our school including, trips to shows, the many excursions to Melbourne, taking the different grades on camp and the many sporting days.

Doug and Fay were a terrific support with school fundraising activities like the country festival, and assisting the school in keeping transport costs to a minimum.

They are leaving very big shoes to be filled and will be missed very much.

Thank you and Good Luck to Doug and Fay.

Editor's Note: Doug started driving the district's kids to school in 1958, as an 18 year old. Too young to hold the contract, it was in his mother's name. You can only wonder how many kid/kilometres, lost lunches, strange show-and-tells, floods and droughts Doug and Fay have driven through. We do know many of his ex charges will have fond memories of Doug's gentle manners and calm disposition. The very person you would want driving a school bus.

How Quickly they Grow!

PHOTO OMITTED FROM ONLINE VERSION

Jovi in the midst of a future forest at the Police Paddocks Planting Day. (See story on page 20)

PHOTO OMITTED FROM ONLINE VERSION

Doug Cations (Meredith School Principal) shakes Doug Mc Farlane's hand and says 'thank you', with help from students Kristen, Andrew and Hamish.

Mapping Meredith's Future

from Media Release

Golden Plains Shire Council has drafted a Meredith Community Facilities Map which sites the preferred location for various facilities, should funding become available.

It is based on the 37 responses received from 250 survey forms distributed earlier this year, which indicated the following priorities:

- **Visitor Information Centre** - 36 submissions, with 25 of these preferring the land west of Wallace Street between Russell Street and Lawler Street.
- **Kindergarten** - 24 submissions, with 19 of them preferring the current primary school / community

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- Water (Prices) Go Uphill
- Red Cross Display Cheesy Photos
- Inside the Lodge
- Mary's Cup of Tea

Just some of 32 Pages of Community and Sports News, Contacts, Regular Columns, Services and much more!

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Community

Meredith and District News

The Meredith and District News is published by a volunteer sub-committee of the Meredith Community House comprising: Jim Elvey, Dawn Macdonald, David Jones and Trudy Mitchell.

NEWS & VIEWS

Subject to the conditions outlined below, contributions accompanied by the contributor's name (which will also be published) and contact details, are most welcome. Please email to

mchnews@netconnect.com.au or deliver to the Meredith Corner Shop.

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Maternal Infant & Childcare Nurse

Call 0409 900 224 to make an appointment at the Meredith Community Centre

14th & 28th July 11th, 25th August

Geelong Regional Library Van

At the Meredith Community Centre

1-3pm 15th, 29th July 12th, 26th August

www.geelonglibraries.vic.gov.au

Senior Citizens

Meet at the Meredith Memorial Hall

Ph. Hope 52861 306

New members are always welcome

11th & 25th July 8th, 22nd August

Justices of the Peace

Mr R Cooke Meredith 52 861 346

Mr H Woerner Meredith 52 861 402

Mrs S W Dynon Steiglitz 52 819 223

Mr G Leslie Bannockburn 52 811 854

Mr P Ryan Elaine 0409 861 296

Next DEADLINE

Thursday 28th July

Earlier submissions appreciated & necessary when our input is required.



Community Contacts

Community Centre-Joan	5286 1348
Primary School-Doug	5286 1313
Kindergarten-Kim	5286 1227
Police Station	5286 1222
Red Cross- Mel	5286 1558
CWA-Joan	5286 1559
Tennis Club-Julie	5286 1211
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M'bool Valley Masters- Mick	0408 545 246
Recreation Reserve- Mick	0408 545 246
Memorial Hall-Lynn	5286 1566
Hall Bookings-Sandra	5286 1545
Golf Club- Denis	5341 5748
Senior Citizens-Hope	5286 1306
Cemetery Trust-Dawn	5286 1274
Motor Cycle Club- Mark	0437 009250
Angling Club- Daryl	53 543 879
Advanced Meredith-Di	5286 1291
CFA- Robert Cooke	5286 1346

Let us know if you want your Community number added or changed, or you know of one that should.

any NEWS or VIEWS?

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(from mobile phone)	000 or 112
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SES Emergency - flood & storm help:	132 500
24 Hour Helpline	1800 629 572
24 Hour Drug & Alcohol Counselling	1800 888 236
Kids Help Line	
24hr 5-18yo	1800 551 800
Golden Plains Shire	1300 363 036
A.H. emergencies	0408 508 635
Ranger	5220 7111 or 0409 830 223
Bannockburn Vet	5281 1221
Injured Wildlife	13000 wildlife

ELAINE NEWS & EVENTS

Elaine CFA Scrap metal collection as equipment fundraiser
Contact David 0418993239
Junior Fire Brigade Training every Monday 5.30 pm
Contact Viv 0428518675

Elaine Mechanics Hall Committee - Jayne 53415596

Hall for Hire Heating and Cooling

Elaine Recreation Reserve Committee Try out the tennis courts, bring your own racquet.

Room with facilities for Hire Ideal for meetings Contact Ron 53415703

Elaine Tennis Club
Contact Shane 0448 291 074



"Progress might have been all right once, but it has gone on too long."

Ogden Nash

Wisey Muster

The organizers of the Wisey Muster report that \$18,870 was raised on Friday May 27 for the Andrew Love Cancer Centre.

The Muster is held annually at the Sawyers Arms Tavern in Newtown, Geelong and organized by friends of Steve Wiseman in his honour.

This year they auctioned 9 items and had 40 prizes in the raffle.

"The Wisey Shears" a perpetual item that stays on display at Clats, donated by Mick Allardyce as a replica of the ones he organized in the Shearers Hall of Fame in Hay, NSW made \$2500 at the auction and this year were purchased by a syndicate of Campbell Brumby, Andy Worland, Jon Baker, Mark Inglis and Peter Lindeman.

A Massey Ferguson ride on mower generously donated by AGCO made \$2900 at auction, also.

The organizers would like to thank all supporters of the event and look forward to seeing everyone next year on May 25th. Congratulations to all concerned!

Community Planning at Maude

Lex Stray

More than 50 people attended a Community Meeting at the Maude tennis Pavilion on Monday 29th June to vote on future priorities for the community of Maude, Steiglitz, Sheoaks and Sutherlands Creek. The evening was facilitated by Neil Noelken for the Golden Plains Shire who had helped the local community committee organise and publicize the event. Those present were able to vote on the various suggestions put forward over the preceding weeks by community members. The results of the vote will be used to help determine priorities for the District Community Plan.

All present enjoyed catching up with friends over supper supplied by the Maude Fire Brigade.

Pet Registration Amnesty During July

Golden Plains Shire Council is offering residents with unregistered pets an amnesty during the month of July in an effort to encourage responsible pet ownership. For the month of July, Council is offering residents the opportunity to register their pets with 'no questions asked'.

Under state law, all dogs and cats over the age of three months are required to be registered with the local Council.

Registering your pet can be the difference between Council officers returning your pet to you when it is found or delivering it to the pound which can be inconvenient and costly for owners and stressful for the lost pet.

From the end of July, residents detected with unregistered pets may be issued with a \$244 penalty infringement notice for each unregistered pet on their property.

Owners who intend to register their currently unregistered pets with Council are reminded their pets must be microchipped before Council can accept the registration application.

For further information regarding pet registration, please contact Customer Service on 5220 7111 or visit Council's website www.goldenplains.vic.gov.au.

Thank You

I want to thank everyone who has sent messages and those who came to celebrate my AM award last Sunday at St Joseph's Parish Centre. It was a lovely catch up time and some had not seen each other for years, and we really enjoyed. Thanks so much to all who made the day so special, and at risk of missing someone, June Cameron, Diane Ritchie, Marg Cooper, Izy Emmlin, and Jessie Osborne for their work behind the scenes.

This award belongs to many people who have made this journey with us over these 15 years since Chris's massive life change. People of Meredith and district have been so much part of that and we can never express how much your friendship and support means for John, Chris and I. Thank you all.

My hope is that you appreciate and continue to foster community in the district - with all the ups and down that are part of it! Believe me, we cannot take it for granted.

Gratefully,
Mary Nolan

Thank You

Dot Hearn and her family would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards, phone calls and for attending Keith's funeral. Your kind thoughts have helped enormously.

Dot would like to especially thank Doug McFarlane for mowing the Cemetery and having it look pristine for the grave side service for Keith.

Happy Birthday to daughter Susie who celebrated her 40th birthday on June 23. Keith would have celebrated his 73rd birthday on June 24.

Meredith Senior Citizens

The AGM of the Meredith Senior Citizens will be held in the Meredith Memorial Hall on the 25th July 2011 at 1pm.
New members will be made most welcome.

The Meredith Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

We will be holding an AGM at the Meredith Community Centre on Tuesday 23rd August 2011 at 7pm

Classifieds

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Church News

MEREDITH ANGLICAN CHURCH

2nd Sunday 11am with & at Uniting Church

4th Sunday 11am Uniting at Anglican Church of the Epiphany Parish Office, Byron St. Bannockburn open Wednesdays, call in for a coffee and a chat. Enquiries Fay McFarlane 52861283.

UNITING CHURCH TIMES

Monthly Service Times: 2nd Sunday Meredith 11am Uniting Church; 4th Sunday, Meredith 11am Church of The Epiphany 1st and 3rd Sundays 9.45 am Buninyong Uniting Church Enquiries Doug McFarlane 52861283 or Jean 52817479

MORRISONS ANGLICAN CHURCH

Contact: 5368 1342. 9am every 2nd & 4th Sunday and a combined service at one of our three churches on the 5th Sunday in the month.

SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH:

Fr. Theodore—Ph. 5341 5568

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St. Joseph's Catholic Parish Meredith

Bannockburn - Mass every Sunday @ 9 a.m.

Winchelsea - Mass every Saturday @ 6 p.m.

Meredith- Mass @ 11 a.m. July 3rd/ 17th

Anakie - Mass @ 11 a.m. July 10th/ 24th

Could you please add the following:

Sunday August 14th Youth and Family Mass at Bannockburn at 4p.m. followed by pizzas. All welcome.

Confirmation enrolments will take place for Grade 6 children on Monday July 25th at 4p.m. at St. John's Bannockburn.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea @ Meredith 2011

Dianne Richie

A great morning was enjoyed by all who came to this year's morning tea to raise funds for cancer research. The morning was dedicated to Liam Foster and to all those who had lost their battle with cancer in our families as well to all those loved ones who are still fighting the good fight.

Those who attended had the opportunity to win some wonderful prizes which had all been donated and the morning tea/ coffee included cappuccino, latte, hot chocolate and of course many cups of tea.

The amount raised was \$587- a grand total. A very big thank you to our businesses who provided prizes- Meredith Nursery, Meredith Roadhouse, GJ's Cafe and Meredith Corner Store and to all who attended. Next year there are already big things in the planning.

Meredith Community Centre, Inc.

4 Russell Street Meredith 3333

PH 5286 1348 Fax 52861 563

"Working for our community"



Meredith Playgroup

Thursdays 9.00 to 12.00pm

Various activities are organised over the term for the children. This is a great way to meet other parents and children in the community. Contact the Centre for more information.

Meredith Playgroup Activities

Thursday 14th July—Canvas painting day

Thursday 28th July—Play Centre (Run 'em Raggeder) Pakington St. River end) 10am. Meet there.

Friends of Brisbane Ranges



FRIENDS ACTIVITY FOR JULY

Defining the Burchell Trail

Date: Sunday 10th July

Venue: Anakie Community Depot
(Geelong-Ballan Rd, Anakie)

Time: 10am

Activity: Defining the Burchell Trail walking track. The proposed track will run parallel to Switch Rd north of Stony Creek picnic area to remove the walkers off the road. This will be an all day working bee so you will need to bring lunch, sturdy boots, gloves, raincoat and warm clothing. For more information contact Judy Locke, Parks Victoria

The friends meet every second Sunday of the Month except on a long weekend holiday. For further information or to read the latest newsletter visit the Friends website: <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~fobr/>



It's History

Ploughing for the plantations on the Midland Highway, between Gheringhap and Bannockburn which is being undertaken by residents under the supervision of Mr. A. Ramage, of Bannockburn, is well advanced. The plantations are being made by the Geelong Town-planning Association which is keen to interest Lethbridge and Meredith residents so that the section beyond Bannockburn toward Meredith might be planted. It is considered that it is too late to make plantings this year, but that it is advisable to have the arrangements well in hand so that planting might be done next winter.

*From Argus (Melbourne, Vic.) Thursday 3 September 1936
Compiled by Jan McDonald, Meredith History Interest Group*

Meredith History Interest Group

Marg Cooper

This week I met up with Rebecca whose great grandmother was Ginevra Wyatt {known as Jean, sister to Charles Wyatt who was killed at Fromelles in WW1}.

Rebecca and her mother were honoured to be invited guests as relatives of a potential "missing" soldier at the Fromelles {Pheasant Wood} Cemetery and Re-internment Ceremony in July 2010. The remains of Charles Wyatt have not yet been identified but the family have supplied DNA.

Charles Wyatt was the son of William and Elizabeth Wyatt and went to Meredith State School. A pine tree was planted for him at Bamganie State School but he is not on the Bamganie Honour Roll. He was listed as missing on July 19, 1916 and family tell that his death was not confirmed for some time after.

He is also honoured in a framed photo of him presented to the Meredith State School by Cr McWillets, a former employer.

If anyone knows anything about the Wyatt family, where they lived in Meredith, what job William Wyatt had, when they left Meredith, etc please contact me on 52 868201.

Coming Activities

- **A Photo Fest** after the cold weather. Watch this space!
- **Railway Line Celebrates 150 Years** The next meeting is on Monday July 4 at the Meredith Community House at 7 pm. Representatives come from all along the line to plan how to celebrate this occasion.

- **The Bamganie Soldiers Re-Dedication.** This will be held on November 6, 2011.

Memberships are due. If you wish to become a member and support the treasuring of history in Meredith please send \$10 to secretary Fay McFarlane at 5 Lawler Street, Meredith 3333.

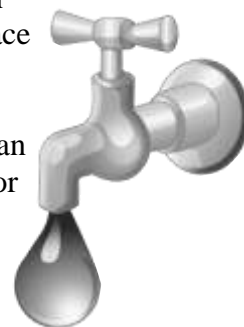
We catalogue on the last Thursday of the month at the Masonic Centre. You are welcome to come along to catalogue and to talk history from 9 am. We are also looking for volunteers to catalogue on computer.

(See report of Masonic Lodge Talk on page 19)

Water Rates up 10.57%

from media release

Effective from this month, Barwon Water residential customers will face increases of over 10% for water. It includes a 3.33% allowance for inflation and, according to Chairman Roger Lowrey, will help fund major capital works designed to ensure supply security and maintain quality services.



For someone consuming 165 Kl per annum (which was, until recently, a government domestic usage objective) the increase will be about \$93 a year.

Full details are at barwonwater.vic.gov.au

Maude CFA Cabaret

Lethbridge Hall
Saturday July 23rd 2011
7-11.30pm

Dress after 5
BYO Drinks and
Nibbles



Light supper provided

Entertainment By
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Bookings Essential

Ph Kathy - 52 819 301

Lex - 52 819 293

Bettine - 52 819 216



A Whopper!

Marg Cooper

Jim Hynds and his son Anthony went fishing on a charter trip at the start of May. The boat went 55 kms out from Portland. Jimmy tells that it was "bloody scary". But they caught many blue fin tuna and tuna steaks are on the menu.



Winners are grinners! Fisherman are known to tell whoppers but, as this pic of Jim and friend shows, sometimes they catch 'em too!



sports

Meredith Ladies & Men's Golf

14.06.11

Played 1st round of the Captains trophy

S Watson def M Diffey 2/1

C Powles def K Rosch 2/1

S Parkinson def S Molesworth 9/8

20.06.11

Parker Mc Kean Bowl

Winning team- Barwon Valley 1

Joy Penny, Judy Baxter, Esma Sim.

Individual winners A-grade Helen Haintz 30 (Ballan)

B- grade Carol Ryan 32 (Ballarat)

C- grade Yvonne Sullivan 29 (Mt Xavier)

NTP 10th hole Cynthia Thomas (Barwon Heads)

14th hole Anne Taylor (Sands)

25.06.11

Stableford

Winner- D Jury 37 pts, S Watson 34 pts

NTP- 9th B Moritz, 10th J Cooper

Birdie Balls- A Slocombe, B Moritz



Moorabool Valley Little League

Karen Pritchard

Well our season is off and running. We have only played 2 games in the last few weeks due to the long weekend and a Bye. Round 6, Meredith played at home against Teesedale, with Teesedale defeating Meredith. A great effort was put in by all the team.

Round 7 was played at Anakie on a Friday night. Anakie defeated Meredith by 52 points. Mitch E. kicked 2 goals and Lachie B. kicked 1 goal.

Our best players for the game were, M.Emmlin, L.Finnigan, C.Simpson, M.Kocon, J.Fear, and F.Mitilineos. Come and support our Junior Crocs. We have a Raffle, BBQ and a great canteen on the night. Sunday 24th July 10am we play Teesedale at Home and Friday 29th July at 7pm we play Anakie at Home.

Elaine Tennis Club

Elaine Tennis Club Inc. Office Bearers and Committee Members elected at A.G.M held on 21st June are...


President: Russell Ford, Vice President: Carol Bodnar
Secretary: Shane Dunne, Ass. Secretary: Melissa Young
Treasurer: Ian Farhall

Ordinary Committee Members: Lynn Heard Evan Tucker, Ron Read and David Wells

Elaine Tennis Club Open Day is on Sunday 7th August at 1pm. Tennis Victoria is supplying an Open day Kit including racquets and radar gun and small junior nets and prizes on the day. This Open day is open to all families including small children who are not old enough to play competition tennis.

Professional coaching will be available in 2011/12 so no previous experience is necessary. Any senior player(18+) or junior player that wants to play competition tennis in the Buninyong and District Tennis Association please contact one of the following committee members as soon as possible to secure your place in a team for 2011/12.

Russell- 53415605 Shane- 0448291074 Carol- 53415766



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Meredith Tennis Association Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday July 19th 2011

Meredith Recreation Hall

From 7.30pm

2010-11 reports and election of Office Bearers for the new tennis season.

Enquire: Julie Cameron 52862000

ALL WELCOME

Mapping Meredith *(from Page 1)*

centre precinct in Russell Street.

- **Community Centre / Neighbourhood House** - 11 submissions, with eight preferring the current community centre site in Russell Street.
- **History Centre / Historic Society** - 11 submissions, with nine preferring the current kindergarten site in Staughton Street.
- **Public Toilet / Rest Area** - 10 submissions, with six preferring the land west of Wallace Street between Russell Street and Lawler Street. A further seven submissions called for retention and upgrade of the public toilets at Pioneer Park.

Residents are now invited to a drop in and discuss the draft Facilities Map on **Wednesday 27 July** at GJ's Café, 27 Staughton St, Meredith any time between 3pm and 6:30pm. (For catering purposes please contact Damian Waight on 5220 7159 or dwaight@gplains.vic.gov.au)

The map, which doesn't prioritise facilities or service requirements, will also be displayed during July at The Meredith Corner Store noticeboard, Meredith Roadhouse noticeboard, GJ's Café, Meredith Primary School, Meredith Community Centre, Meredith Kindergarten and at goldenplains.vic.gov.au

Written submissions providing feedback on the Facilities Map are invited from residents until 5pm Friday 5 August and should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Golden Plains Shire, PO Box 111, Bannockburn 3331, or emailed to dwaight@gplains.vic.gov.au.

Heard This One?



A woman is sitting on the veranda with her husband and she says, "I love you." He asks, "Is that you or the wine talking?" "It's me," she replies, "... talking to the wine."

Kinder Market Day a Success

Stefania Parkinson

On Saturday the 25th of June, the Meredith Memorial Hall was transformed to host the very first Meredith Kindergarten Market Day at Meredith, and what an amazing and successful day it was. The day was the culmination of many months of hard work from our Fundraising Co-ordinator, Kelly Murfitt and other members of the Committee.

There was such a friendly atmosphere throughout the hall and the feedback from stall holders and visitors was all very positive and encouraging. People came from all over and it was wonderful to see so many members of the community on the day showing their support for the Kinder. There was a wonderful array of stalls including the Kinder Café and cake stall, both of which attracted an enormous amount of business throughout the day. The Kinder raised just over \$4,800.00 which included the sale of our Monster Raffle tickets. The Monster Raffle was drawn at the Market. 1st Prize went to J Jury, 2nd Prize to A Daley and 3rd Prize to D Wells. Congratulations to all of the winners.

I can't thank enough those people who either, helped on the day, baked for our stall and café or donated goods. Without your support the day would not have been such a wonderful success. Thank you to the kinder children for supplying the artwork that decorated the hall, the teachers who were also a wonderful support and to those members of the Committee, their Mums, family members and husbands who worked tirelessly on the day.

We hope to make the next Meredith Kindergarten Market Day at Meredith even bigger and better and we look forward to your ongoing support.



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Reach Out - Connecting with Youth Information Session

Community Groups across Golden Plains Shire are invited to an information session to learn how to engage and best work with young people to achieve positive outcomes. The session will cover:

- Best ways to engage youth (including running activities and events specifically for young people)
 - Recruiting young people to participate in community groups
 - Lots of tips and hints in working with young people
- Two sessions will be offered:

Monday 11th July, 6:30pm-8pm, Teesdale Community Hall (Teesdale)

Or Wednesday 27th July, 6:30pm-8pm, Harrisons Reserve Hall (Enfield)

Booking are essential. Please RSVP by Friday 1st July to Aleisha Harling, Youth Activities Officer, (03) 5220 7177, 0407 847 138 or via email to aharling@gplains.vic.gov.au

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Meredith CWA Christmas in July

Meredith C.W.A will be holding a FUND RAISING DAY

Tuesday 19th. July at 10.00am

In the Meredith memorial hall



The theme will be - Christmas in July

With all proceeds going to THE Meredith kindergarten.

Blumes Fashion will be on sale- commencing 11.00 am

\$5.00 Entry includes morning tea.

Raffle - cwa craft stalls

All welcome

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Meredith Rural Fire Brigade

Effective 1st July 2011 office bearers of the Meredith R.F.B are as follows: Captain: Michael Jury

1st Lieutenant: Matthew Burgess

2nd Lieutenant: Ian Downie

3rd Lieutenant: Chris Jones

4th Lieutenant: Robert Cooke

The Brigade would like to thank all outgoing office bearers for their time served in their positions within the brigade.

The Meredith brigade is fortunate to have had a relatively quiet fire season and coming into winter had only a small number of calls, some of which were: Car accident, Shelford Rd Meredith; House fire, Morrisons; and several false alarms in the local area..It is a timely reminder that Smoke alarms are a must in every household as they can be the difference between life or death during a house fire.

Several Brigade members qualified in the use of Breathing Apparatus have recently been issued with new structural uniforms which provide much better protection inside a burning structure.

The members have conducted training with the new uniforms and all wearers were extremely happy with the new uniforms and agreed that it will make a difference to our structure fire combat capability.



Brigade's Centenary - The brigade is looking forward to its 100th Year anniversary in 2013. Matt and I have begun collecting detailed historical information, including photos of ex-appliances and incidents the brigade has attended. If any member of the community has any photographs of Meredith members, appliances, incidents or any memorabilia we would appreciate obtaining a copy. Please feel free to contact either Matt 0438005823 or me, Chris 0416489264, as we are extremely keen for local input. We are struggling to find brigade information preceding 1945.

The Meredith Brigade is always seeking new members to come and join the Brigade as we are totally voluntary and our recruitment has been slow of late. Any person within the area that has an interest in serving the community with the Fire Brigade please contact either Captain Mick Jury Tel: 0409995471 or Lieutenant Chris Jones Tel: 0416489264 or just drop into the fire station any Sunday morning from 8:30am – 9am. We would be more than happy to explain our rewarding role within our community.

The Brigade plans to keep the community aware of activities and incidents the brigade is involved with in the future. If you are interested in any information regarding recruitment into the brigade please do not hesitate to ask. Chris Jones 3rd Lieutenant Meredith R.F.B

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Senior Citizens Day at the Tutankhamen Exhibition

Jim Hynds.

With an early start we travelled to the Melbourne Museum via the Ring Road.

While on route our Lady President Dianne produced an array of fabulous sandwiches and slices which soon soothed the hunger pains. Garry, our reliable driver delivered us to the front entrance and then went to park the bus which turned out to be a bit of a problem.

With time to spare, some enjoyed tea and coffee and others walked around the museum building.

Then it was our turn to view the exhibition.

After a talk from our guide we were allowed to wander around the exhibition at our leisure.

After an hour of viewing most of us wandered out for refreshments and for a sit down and a talk.

Some thought that the exhibition was stunning while others were disappointed, but everyone agreed that we had had a great time.

We headed back to Meredith and arrived about 4.30 pm.

Members and friends are reminded that the AGM is on July 25.



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Surprise Birthday Party

Marg Cooper

It was a huge surprise for Alison Skinner to enter the Elaine Hall on Saturday night May 28 to be greeted by about 90 of her friends and family who were gathered to celebrate her milestone birthday.

Alison, partner Johnny and daughter Darcy were going out for tea but Johnny had to call at the Elaine Hall to pay someone some money, on the way.

Wow! Even Darcy had kept it a secret!

There were new friends and old friends including some work friends she hadn't seen for over 10 years from when she worked at the State Research Farm at Werribee.

There were family including many nieces and nephews. They enjoyed a Spit Roast dinner and then danced until late.

Trying to slip under the radar, the family holidayed in Fiji for her birthday which was on May 16.

They enjoyed the beautiful sea, swimming and snorkelling and a luxurious resort.

Alison thought that she'd sneak back to Morrison and no one would remember her birthday but her friends Aziza and Dallas and her partner had planned a Surprise Party!

Happy Milestone Birthday Alison.

A Personal Journey to Crete

Rosemary Hart

Recently John and I travelled to Crete for the 70th Anniversary of the Battle of Crete in which my Father was involved. It was a most rewarding and unexpectedly emotional experience.

The Battle of Crete was unique as Cretans were the only civilian population in Europe who actively fought the German paratroop invasion using whatever implements available. Hence there remains an overwhelming gratitude to the Australian and New Zealand soldiers who fought alongside the Cretans.

There are numbers of memorials and we attended five of these. Each memorial has a service very similar to our Anzac service following prayers by the Greek Orthodox priests. Wreaths are laid by principal parties followed by wreaths from every community group. I was invited to lay a wreath at the Australian Memorial at Retimon which is sited in a garden square in the centre of town. The Australian Army, Navy and Air Force provided the Catafalque party. We were privileged to meet both veterans and Cretans who had participated in some way including a woman who as a girl of 12 joined three other girls to put a blanket on a badly injured soldier feeding him honey and milk ignoring the battle around them.

In his speech at the New Zealand memorial this former soldier credited them with saving his life. Another elderly lady told us of how her family had hidden, fed and clothed escaped soldiers until the British Special Forces could evacuate them from the island by fishing boat or submarine. The penalty for assisting soldiers was the execution of the whole family - men, women and children.

Approximately half of the soldiers were evacuated from a tiny

gravelly beach after marching over high and rugged rocky terrain with little food or water. The remainders became prisoners of war and were taken to Germany, Poland and other work camps for 3 1/2 years.

Prior to this special week primary children were familiarized with the events of seventy years ago and then received a weeks holiday.

Crete is a most beautiful, mountainous, rugged island having picturesque beaches along its northern coast. It is not surprising that it is a popular tourist destination.

Wine, Cheese & Photographs

Barry Pearce

The Meredith Red Cross Unit held a very successful wine and cheese tasting along with a photographic display at the Lethbridge Winery early in June. The evening attracted a good crowd who were introduced to some excellent wines by Ray Nadeson and Maree Collis along with some very tasty Meredith Cheese. Maree stood in for Julie Cameron from Meredith Cheese who was unable to make it on the night. Maree did a wonderful job of matching the wines with the cheese so that everybody got the best of both tasting experiences.

Ray Nadeson is also an accomplished photographer and arranged for a group of colleagues from the Geelong Camera Club to display their works, along with Barry Pearce, Louise Corral & Teresa Foster from Meredith and Phillip Swain from Geelong. The display of photographic works was varied and showed a wide range of styles and subject matter.

The evening was topped off with a country supper provided by the Red Cross members.

The proceeds of the evening will be donated to the Red Cross Disaster Fund that is struggling to keep up with the world wide demand for relief and support from natural disasters and global wars.



All smiles at a successful evening. Jessie Osbourne, Ray Nadeson, Rosemary Hart and Dawn Macdonald.

Big Brothers Big Sisters



Big Brothers Big Sisters is excited to announce the commencement of their mentoring program in the north of the Golden Plains Shire. A community-based support program for young people aged 7-17 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters is supported by an international heritage spanning more than 100 years.

Established in Melbourne in 1980, Big Brothers Big Sisters has since rolled out the program in other regions across the state, most recently within the Highlands Region, appointing Emma Hoare, Mentor Coordinator. The program is being delivered in partnership with the Highlands Local Learning and Employment Network (HLEN).

The one-to-one mentoring program utilises adult volunteers (Bigs) who are matched with a young person (Little) in need of additional adult support.

Bigs and Littles undertake a range of shared interest activities which may include playing board games,

cooking, sporting activities or making something together. The focus is on having fun and the gradual development of a friendship, rather than the activity itself.

Volunteers commit to meeting with their young person for a few hours, 3-4 times a month for a minimum of 12 months. During this time, the volunteer, young person and their family are supported to ensure the match is positive and worthwhile. Volunteers are screened and trained before they are matched with a young person.

Big Brothers Big Sisters – Highlands Region welcomes enquiries from interested adults who would like to make a difference in the life of a young person and looks forward to working with volunteers, young people, their families and agencies in our community.

For more info please contact:

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Nellie celebrates 80 years

Marg Cooper

On June 8, 2011 Nellie Musgrove, the 2nd of the 13 children of Hannah and Sid Collins of Winchelsea, celebrated her 80th birthday.

When she was 17 years she rode a horse 7 miles to Winchelsea to work in a café. When she was 18 years she and her sister Marj started work in a book-binding business in Winchelsea.



She met Ron Musgrove at a dance near Winchelsea when he was working at Nangana Station and they were married in April 1953.

They came to Bamganie to farm and live in a house which had previously belonged to Harry Musgrove. They had two children, Daryl and Cheryl. Nellie and Ron were very involved in the community and were great workers for the organizations they belonged to. They played golf, followed football, Ron and Daryl played cricket and Nellie scored for cricket for years.

Nellie helped Ron on the farm and even had a tractor she was driving, run over her.

Nellie has followed Geelong Football Team since she was 16 years old and still goes to most games and collects Geelong Football memorabilia.

Nellie and Ron retired to Drysdale in 1984 and now have a few acres to look after, play golf and bowls, travel and keep in touch

with family.

Nellie and Ron went to Queensland for the Geelong v Gold Coast Suns Football match and stayed a week in Queensland with their family who flew from Mt Isa and Ocean Grove to be with them. Nellie had a party with her family at Winchelsea and a party with her bowling mates to celebrate her birthday and she has received many cards, flowers and gifts.

She received an OBE Award (Over Bloody Eighty) sent to her by Jean Finn who used to be in the Top Pub at Meredith and now lives in Bundaberg, Queensland.

Happy Birthday Nellie.



Did You Know...

This month has five Fridays, five Saturdays and five Sundays. According to an internet flyer we received (we only ever use reliable sources) this happens once every 823 years! This year we're also going to experience four unusual dates: 1/1/11, 11/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/11/11. (It would have been even better in the 12th century, but of course they had other things on their minds then and no internet!)

And if you are not yet gobsmacked, take the last two digits of the year in which you were born, add the age you will be this year. The result for everyone in world is, of course, 111.

Welcome to

MEREDITH PRIMARY SCHOOL!

This is just a brief overview to introduce you to your community school.

Here at Meredith Primary School we work very hard to ensure the needs and priorities of individual students are nurtured through a wide range of programs run by a dedicated staff.

Our priority over the past nine years has been low class sizes, this ensures that teachers are able to monitor and cater for a range of students needs (social and academic). Improved academic results and strong outcomes in student satisfaction surveys have confirmed the value of this commitment.

During recent years our Prep-Two teachers have also implemented a Developmental Curriculum ('Investigations Program'). **This program runs each day and incorporates the** areas of art, music, science and technology as well as supporting learning and skill development in reading and maths. It provides students with a variety of activities designed to cater for differing learning styles, provides opportunities for exploration and creativity, provides students with opportunities and choices and involves both individual and group tasks. The program is based around both learning needs and student interests and creates an environment that allows students to:

- *use problem solving strategies*
- *collaborate with their peers*
- *become independent learners*
- *actively engage in learning*

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The Developmental Curriculum is well supported by a wide range of learning technology resources such as laptop computers, interactive whiteboards, listening booths and digital cameras. The use of these and an extensive range of traditional resources (such as varied reading material and maths materials) extend into our literacy and numeracy programs where the school is achieving excellent results.

Students in Grades Prep-Two participate in regular PE sessions to develop fitness levels and motor skills while the students in Grade Three-Six participate in a combination of PE/ Sport activities. In our school ground we maintain high quality play equipment (one playground for younger students and another for Grades Three-Six. We also run the **"Active After School Community Sports" program two nights a week, giving students the** opportunity to take part in activities after school in a supervised manner.

Policies such as Student Welfare, Bullying and Discipline are all based on the TRIBES Program that promotes values such as:

- *Mutual Respect*

- *No Put Downs*
- *Attentive Listening*
- *Right To Pass*

Teachers run activities and classroom programs based on the Tribes philosophy as we place a **great deal of importance on student's social developments and interactions to encourage** students to support and care for one another. We have a NO Bully policy that clearly outlines **that we don't accept bullying and we are proactive to prevent it from happening.**

We are also about to move into a new building. This building has 4 classrooms, a learning gallery (open area for all grades) and administration area. This building program also included the refurbishment of our bluestone building and will include upgrades to the facilities within the yard.

At Meredith Primary School we are committed to meeting the needs of all students. We pride ourselves in both the quality of education we provide and the nurturing and support we give to students and families. We invite you to make an appointment to visit and see the school and find out more about what we offer our students (including our transition program).

We welcome your interest in our school and hope to catch up with you in the near future,

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The Greyhound

Marg Cooper

A young Meredith girl was nicknamed "the greyhound" by Doug Henderson after she won all her races at the Austin Sports.

She has cups presented to her at the Austin Sports in 1956 for the Under 12 Championship, in 1957 for the under 14 Championship and in 1958 for the Under 14 Championship. She also has blue, pink and white cards for firsts and seconds for the Austin Sports. She ran barefoot, got a ride to the sports in the back of Bill Shell's truck and ran like the wind!

Doreen Thompson was told, when racing her sister Myrtle, to run beside or behind her to make Myrtle run faster.

Members of the sports committee offered to help her to take her running further but she declined their offer. Maybe Doreen could have run in the Olympics!

She could catch a sheep on the run. Her husband Ron would let her out of the ute and she'd run, lunge at the sheep, grab it by the leg and bring it down. Her ability was also useful when she and other Lowne children minded their mother's sheep and cows on the road after school each night.

Doreen used to ride her bike from Meredith to Jack Marchments on Schefferles Road or to Norm McDonalds on Taylors Road to catch rabbits.

She'd have a box of ferrets on the back of the bike, nets and a foxie dog in the basket on the front, a spade or a pick hanging on, two foxie dogs running along beside, on the way out and a

load of 12-14 rabbits under the nets and on the handle bars on the way home.

She'd head off in the morning dressed in her Geelong football jumper and be home by about lunch time to skin the rabbits and peg out the skins.



At State School she often kicked the football with the boys. Doreen would have liked to have played football. She did star in one match when Meredith ladies played a match on the Meredith

oval in the 1960's.

(And the "Greyhound" can still keep up with miniature fox terriers! - Ed.)



Some of Doreen's trophies.





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Visitors at the Lodge

Barry Pearce

On Sunday 19th June members of the Meredith Freemasons Lodge opened the facility to the Meredith Heritage Group and gave the group an insight into Freemasonry.

Barry Pearce talked about the beginnings of Freemasonry in the 1770's and the early history of Freemasonry in the Steiglitz and Meredith district. Past Master of the Lodge Alan Beales explained that the Lodge is not a secret society and when members talk about the Lodge it is like them giving a description of their Credit Card without giving the pin number.

John Payne, John Marchment and George Enoch Mayo had arranged for the Masonic symbol of the compass and the square to be placed on their headstones. These men had significant careers in the district outside of Freemasonry.

Freemasonry has had an interesting history with many people either not knowing about it or misunderstanding the significance of the organisation. Freemasonry is a society of men who wish to improve themselves so that they can better contribute to their community. Freemasonry has many community activities including hospitals, retirement homes and community outreach programs. Freemasons have been repairing fences in fire affected areas of Victoria for the past couple of years and will continue to do so until the job is complete.



The Meredith Lodge No 163 meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Lodge building on the corner of Creamery road and Midland Highway, Meredith at 7-30pm.



The Meredith Lodge traces its origins back 120 years with Murray Millar from Lethbridge being installed as the 120th Master in 2011. This makes it the oldest continuous community organisation in Meredith. At its peak the Meredith Lodge had over 150 members; this was before the building was extended to its current size.

The origins of the Lodge were in Gippsland when it was formed as the Hopetoun Lodge. When the miners of Hopetoun moved to Steiglitz they brought the Lodge with them and met in the Old Court House at Steiglitz for several years before the Lodge moved again and formed with a group in Meredith. The community of Hopetoun then formed a second Lodge and the name was transferred back to the community of Hopetoun and the Lodge renamed Meredith Lodge No 163.

The present Lodge building was originally the Free Presbyterian Church built in 1885 and was taken over by the Freemasons in 1935. The building was extended with a demountable building being added as a supper room, before the current Lodge Room, formerly called the Temple, being added in the 1960's. Former Master of the Meredith Lodge, Allan Beales gave the group a tour of the building and explained some of the significant aspects of the Lodge Room.

Barry talked about some of the former members of the Lodge and showed pictures of where former Masters like

Heard This One?



A tourist asks a crusty old man working at an historic port, "Why do Scuba divers always fall backwards off their boats?" To which the Old Salt replies: "If they fell forwards they'd still be in the boat."

If YOU have something to Celebrate?

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Planning for the Paddocks

Jim Elvey

Late in May, the Police Paddocks Management Committee met to plan for the further development of the 20 ha site on the edge of the town ship. It has already planted over 500 trees during the last three years and developed an 800 metre track giving walkers views over this attractive stretch of the Coolebarghurk Creek valley.

It plans to extend the track over the next few months, bringing it closer to a complete loop. It will also identify sites for the seating and signs it plans to eventually install. One sign, at the entrance, will be installed by the end of August.

Opportunities for community involvement will continue to be promoted, including a Primary School project. One such opportunity is the fifth tree planting which will take place on **Sunday 21st August** commencing at 10.00am. Those taking part in the May planting were encouraged by the considerable growth in the trees already planted.

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A glimpse of a productive and well attended planting in late May at the Police Paddocks.

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Home Alone

'I'm going to America for three weeks.'

I listened when my housemate and best friend Lucy told me that, I really did. But as I've learned at uni, repression, one of Freud's famous defence mechanisms, is a major talent of mine. From unpaid bills to essay deadlines to the news that Lucy was going overseas, I have an amazing ability to push things I find unpleasant to the very back of my mind. Just like the back of my wardrobe, the back of the fridge and the back of the car, things mysteriously seem to disappear, or (in the fridge, at least) turn in to unidentifiable mush.

When an enormous suitcase in the hall began to be filled, however, my brain insisted on dragging the repressed memory back. In the week before her departure, I couldn't hide from it any longer. She was really going, and for 25 days I was going to live by myself. Alone.

I know, I know, it hardly sounds like a big deal. Plenty of people live alone and find the independence, freedom and peace wonderful. I'm a big fan of all of those things, and growing up in a house with eight people living in it they were never exactly easy to find. That's just it, I think; when I'm all alone it's oddly, eerily quiet. Combine that silence with my overactive imagination and I

**"I can eat cake for breakfast
(not that I ever do, if my
mother is reading this..."**

end up huddled on the couch watching infomercials all night, one eye on the tv and the other keeping a look out for ghouls, ghosts and things that go bump in the night. If I do manage to act like an adult and get a proper night's sleep, the days in my single person household are fantastic. I can stay in my pyjamas as long as I like without ever getting that nagging sensation that I should get dressed and do something productive. I can eat cake for breakfast (not that I ever do, if my mother is reading this, but I could if I wanted) without Lucy's scrambled

eggs and toast looking at me reproachfully. I can have friends over any time of day or night, I can stay up late yelling at the tennis on tv, and if I want to dance around the lounge room without feeling a bit silly, I can.

Now that two rather lazy housekeepers have been replaced with one the dishes do tend to pile up a little and the floor could do with a good vacuum, but as I'm sitting with a good book and my feet up off the slightly dusty floor, I think I've got my priorities right.

As lazy and luxurious as the days are, it's not so fun driving back to my cold and empty house in the dark after family dinner in Meredith. Once or twice I've been tempted to just stay the night, because chilly as it is up on the hill in Bamganie at least

there are seven other people to fight off ghosts and robbers. But when I'm woken up long before the sun to the sounds of the tv blaring, seven pairs of feet stomping over the creaky floorboards, the cat clamouring to be let in, squabbles over breakfast cereal, ironing and homework...maybe there's something to be said for living alone, after all.



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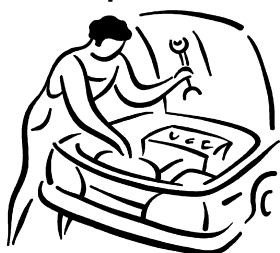
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Afternoon Tea for Mary Nolan

Marg Cooper

St Joseph's Parish Centre was full of people on Saturday afternoon of June 25 to congratulate Mary Nolan on being appointed a Member of the Order of Australia and to celebrate her achievements, so far!

Maureen had arranged the flowers, Diane had organized the food, June had issued invitations and advertised the event, Marg and Izy helped make the sandwiches and Jessie had made and decorated a cake in the shape of Australia complete with flag and decorations.

June Cameron welcomed everyone and told why Mary had received the award.

Mary responded, speaking about the ceremony at Government House and how inspiring it was to meet the other award recipients. She was delighted to receive the award but considered the Award belonged to many people, including friends and local people and she told about Chris and his progress.

Mary cut the cake and the crowd which included friends, relations and many Woodburnites enjoyed a cuppa and a catch up.

This event was an initiative of Advance Meredith.



The Macphersons in Meredith

Derek Macpherson

On a chilly Sunday morning in mid May, I travelled to Meredith with my brother Stuart and father Keith Macpherson to visit our relatives, the Hearn family. Our hosts for the morning were Ron and Margaret Hearn, who had kindly invited us into their home. We were joined there by Ron's brother Darryl and local historian, Margaret Cooper.

Our family of interest is the Macpherson family, early pioneers in the Meredith and Steiglitz area and shared ancestors of both the Hearn and the Macphersons. John and Jessie Macpherson, accompanied by their five children, left the Isle of Skye in the North-West of Scotland following the highland clearances and widespread famine. They arrived in Australia on the Highland and Island Emigration Society's ship the Georgiana on the 16th of October 1852. It is not known exactly when the family first came to the Meredith-Steiglitz area, but they owned property there by the 1870's.

The morning was spent poring over old photos, family trees and title maps of the local area. Ron and Margaret showed us the beautifully restored Hearn family bible and allowed us to take a copy of the births, deaths and marriages going back to the 1870's, recorded in it.

Many a story was shared about members of the family who are now long gone. Keith Macpherson remembered visiting Ron and Darryl's parents, Archie and Lila, when he was a child. He recalls that their visit was unannounced yet Lila went out and wrung the neck of a chicken and Archie lifted some potatoes and picked some peas and a nourishing meal was soon on the table. Ron told an anecdote of Jim Harper, another descendant of the Macphersons, who on a visit back to Meredith had painted his khaki army truck blue. Jim and a mate had accomplished the deed one night with a can of paint, a hearth brush and broom and the evidence was there for all to see the next day. Ron said that it took another couple of coats of paint to remedy the first coat of paint and finally cover the truck's khaki colour.


Later in the morning Darryl Hearn drove us out to Geoff and Denise Hardy's property on the Moorabool River. Geoff and Denise had kindly allowed us onto their property to view the remnants of the Macpherson's home there. Geoff pointed out the foundation stumps of the former home. Also the remains of the kitchen chimney with its large open fire, where the cooking pots had once hung. The kitchen chimney featured a bread oven built into its side.

Keith Macpherson, 91, recalled his trip there with his parents more than eighty years ago. A trip that must have had an element of risk associated with it considering that it was taken in a horse and gig over a steep and winding track.

Leaving the Hardy's property we visited another former Macpherson property at Macpherson's Swamp, once owned by "Big" Jim Macpherson. The remains of the dairy and foundations of the former home are still to be seen.

We then returned to Margaret and Ron Hearn's home, where Margaret served up a sumptuous lamb roast followed by delicious golden syrup dumplings. The hot meal went a long way towards taking the outdoor chill from our bodies.

I would like to extend my thanks to Ron, Margaret and Darryl Hearn, Margaret Cooper and Geoff and Denise Hardy for their generous and warm welcome to Meredith.



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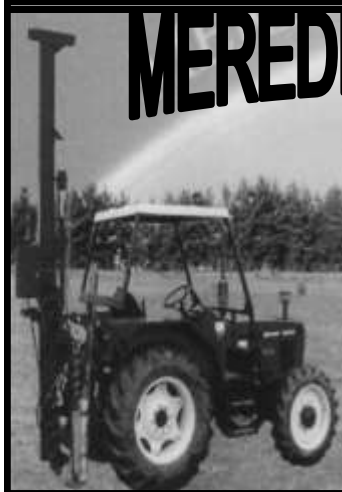


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Marg's Book Review

“The Map that Changed the World” by Simon Winchester

William Smith was born in Oxfordshire, on March 23, 1769 into a world of dogma, faith and certainty and into a deeply conservative English Society.

Most people believed that “God Made the World in Six Days and Rested on the Seventh Day” and many believed that the world had been created exactly four thousand and four years before the birth of Christ.

William Smith's discoveries would one day help to shake these beliefs to their very foundations., eventually demonstrating that the earth had taken millions of years to develop.

William Smith was not rich or connected but he had a passion for rocks and fossils. He worked as a surveyor and his work included designing canals to cart coal for the industrial revolution and as a drainer, designing drains to get water off paddocks.

He had a fondness for travel and often walked to jobs and all the time noted the presence of this rock here and that rock there and the importance of that cliff or that valley, those rivers or that spring and the fossils.

He kept a diary and noted all his discoveries and developed a large geographical map, eight foot by six feet, which now hangs behind the blue curtains in Burlington House.

It was the first geographical map of England and Wales, the first geographical map of anywhere in the world and was finished in 1815.

It is a map that laid the foundations of a field study that culminated in the work of Charles Darwin.

However it was not all smooth sailing. His wife went mad, his work was stolen by jealous colleagues, he was imprisoned for debt and the value of his work was not recognized for many years.

In his later life he received medals and was recognized for his contribution to science and was granted a pension.

Simon Winchester has written a fascinating tribute to the unsung hero, “Strata Smith” or the man who put the unseen world of the underground on display.

Simon Winchester has researched in detail and the reader also learns a lot about geology.

The book for discussion in July is “Nickel and Dime” by Barbara Ehrenreich. The blurb tells that the author went undercover in low-wage, USA.





Bannockburn Pharmacy Newsletter

Proprietors: Scott Wilkes & Damian Bennett

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What's happening at the Pharmacy?

Well it's hard to believe that we are already half way through 2011!! Time certainly has flown again this year and we are beginning to think about Christmas again. That's right we have already started planning for Christmas this year. We are off to Salt & Pepper at the end of this month to view and order from their new season products. Then we are off to the Melbourne Gift Fair at the start of August to purchase the remainder of our gift lines for Christmas and we are seeking your feedback and ideas. If you have any ideas of what you would like to see in our Pharmacy this Christmas then please come in and let us know. It can be something that we haven't had before, or something that we have previously had, or more of what we currently stock. We value your feedback and are always looking for new ideas.

Our goal with our gift range is to continue to have high quality gifts at affordable prices. Don't forget to join our new **Gift Club** if you haven't already done so. All of our gifts are already below the recommended retail price but you will also get the following benefits from our Gift Club:

- **FREE** to join!

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In the meantime to make way for the new gifts that we order from Salt & Pepper and at the Melbourne Gift Fair we will be clearing out specific gift lines throughout the Pharmacy. There will be a minimum of 30% off these gift lines. So call into the Pharmacy and look for the specially ticketed items and save money!

Don't forget about our annual Christmas Shopping Night. This year we will also be holding our annual Christmas Shopping Night on **Thursday 24th November** from **6:30pm to 9:00pm**.

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