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5,000 for Trentham!

A consultation, held 31 March, on the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) review attracted 16 interested local citizens*. The issues under discussion are important and far-reaching. Essentially the MSS is the foremost planning document for the Shire and sets broad directions and priorities for future development with the more familiar detailed zonings, overlays etc coming in as subsidiary plans.

Questions of growth, the optimal population for Trentham, housing options, transport, environmental considerations, retention of productive agricultural land etc were identified and discussed. The consultant suggested that Trentham needed to plan for a population of 5,000+ and that growing metropolitan sprawl would exert continuing demand for housing in smaller towns within an hour's travel of Melbourne. As if on cue, page 1 of the AGE the following day headlined **City's**

population explosion of 605,411 over the past 9 years, which was stated to be the equivalent of 6 Ballarats or 3 Hobarts. Since then plans for a "billion-dollar suburb of 4,000 homes" have been announced for Werribee

people would say that we are already seeing a housing boom over the past 12-18 months. So, questions of higher-density subdivisions, the future of the 1-acre block, in-fill and the infrastructure to service a growing



Brainstorming at planning meeting

(p3 AGE, 14 April). Macedon Ranges newspapers distributed here regularly show strong growth pressures there also.

Trentham with its green and pleasant lifestyle, town character and water supply will not escape the attention of development proposals – and, indeed, many

population suddenly become very real. These are the focal issues we need to try to find some consensus around and so influence the MSS.

The consultant identified Trentham's Community Plan and the Community Groups' FORUM as important resources for guiding

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Around the Traps

Sarah at *Lily George's* has introduced a second stylist: she says that Ross, who has thirteen years experience in the industry, will bring passion and flair to the salon.

There has been universal local approval for the offerings and service at the recently opened *Colliban Foodstore*.

Congratulations to Telissa Patterson who graduated recently with a Bachelor of Environmental Science (Hons.) from Deakin University.

Friendly reminder from the only mother on the editorial panel: it's Mothers' Day 8th May (NB Ash)



Telissa's graduation

Boost to local economy: Spied in RedBeard with coffee and muffin during working hours: grass-cutter extraordinaire, Carol Young, explained she had been given \$10 to take a break while the *Postcards* team filmed at Twigs.



The Happy Couple

Congratulations to Judy Weatherhead's daughter, Jenny, who wed Mark Fraser at a ceremony in Judy's garden on April 2nd. The reception was held in the Trentham Mechanics Institute with a number of locals in the support cast: John Gray as chauffeur, Helen Frost as florist, Anne Hill as chef assisted by Lindsay Gooch, Lynne Mohr,

Janine Paton, Mary Meehan and Nick. The newly weds honeymooned on the Gold Coast.

Some local concern about the state of the lake recently. Chairman of Quarry Street Reserve Committee, Brian Frost, having received little support from government, has arranged for clay to build up the bed of the lake near the wall. This should ensure that leakage is minimized and, come the next rains, the lake is restored to its former beauty.

Setback for local reading group: package of books destined for Trentham last sighted in Germany on the way to Austria.

Welcome to new shopkeeper in town, international artist Mark Payne. *The Artist's Muse*, purveyors of Fine Art, opened the doors in High Street on Maundy Thursday. Mark is married to local, Cherie Bridges, who operated Pantechnicon in Daylesford. At present, Mark is intending to open Friday to Monday. Further details about his work can be found on www.markpayne.com.au.

Val McClure ph 54272813 lost a large blue spectacle case containing her prescription reading glasses on Easter Monday in Trentham, if found please contact her.

The Trumpeter

(Items & ideas for this column would be appreciated: Please ring David 0407848033 or Pauline 5424 1573)



THE GREAT TRENTHAM SPUDFEST

20-22 MAY 2011

Spudtastic fun, food, music, games, entertainment and activities galore!

This festival is a wonderful way to celebrate the spirit of our community and recognise its potato-growing heritage. Here's a taste of what's on offer – watch for more details and updates.

Friday 21 May

- **Official opening, 7pm Mechanics Hall – celebrating Trentham's potato-growing heritage**
\$15 per head (includes lucky door prize). Everyone welcome!
Get back to where it all began and hear stories about some of the early potato farmers and itinerant workers. Enjoy delightful spud finger food provided by the Trentham Combined Churches Committee and there will be music to entertain you by local musicians and Maria Forde. Alcohol and soft drinks available for purchase.

Saturday and Sunday 21 and 22 May

Most Spudfest activity will be based around the High Street/Town Square area.

- **Spud hut guided bus tours** around Little Hampton – 11 am, 12.30 pm and 2 pm – these are very popular so don't miss out! **Historical Society old gaol open**, photographic display of spud huts and some historic spud farming machinery (Old Police Station, Camp Street).
- **Spudtastic children's activities and games**, eg. spud sack races, spud diggers, the Great Wall of Spud Art, spin the spud wheel, spud hammer, spud hand ball, spud treasure trail, spud critters, spud skittles, name that spud and much more.
- **Spud sales** – varieties of potatoes for sale by local growers.
- **Delicious hot baked spuds** and other spud-related food stalls as well as wine stalls.
- **Merchandise for sale.**
- **Music in the street** – Kyneton Municipal Band, Black & Blue, Ricketty Bridge (varies over weekend).
- **Music in the Churches** – gold coin donation Cool Harmony Choir; The Blackforest Musicians (trio); Robyn Mills; and some talented young singers (watch for performance times and full details)

Saturday only

- **Spudtacular Dinner (sold out)** Mechanics Hall – \$65.
Catering by Monsieur Pierre. Music by Ricketty Bridge.

Sunday only

- **Spud Cooking Competition** – this is for everyone!
Savoury and sweet sections in junior and open age groups.

All the usual markets will be running:
Trentham Farmers Market and Makers Market (Saturday)
Friends of the Station Market (Sunday)



Colouring competition for children aged 3 to 12. Entries in by 19 May 2011.

Download colouring competition and cooking competition details from website or pick up from Trentham Newsagency or Neighbourhood Centre.



Do you have a great recipe using potatoes, or you create your own? Then enter our cooking competition and be our 2011 Spud Chef!



Visit the website www.trenthamspudfest.org.au for more details and updates

Funds raised from the 2011 Great Trentham Spudfest will be distributed to participating community groups and utilised to deliver next year's event.
Thank you to our major sponsors: Hepburn Shire Council, Fitzgerald Property, The Cosmopolitan Hotel and Two Fat Wombats.

Award Goes to Trentham Identities

The Australian Irish Welfare bureau, at a ceremony in Melbourne, recently named Tom and Mary Walsh as Irish Australians of the Year for 2011.

Marion O'Hagan, Administrator of the Bureau, referred to Mary's adventurous nature in coming to Australia to nurse in regional areas, including a stint in the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and to the leadership she had shown. Mary was inducted into the Hepburn Shire Council Women's Honour Roll in 2008.

Marion continued: ... in regional areas ... newly arrived immigrants can feel quite disconnected. The nominee has

great understanding of the many difficulties faced by those that live in one land and call another land home. With her expertise, knowledge and wisdom she has



Marion O'Hagan, Tom Walsh, Eamon Naughton, Owen Fitsimons, Mary Walsh

nurtured, encouraged and made a difference to the lives of an incredible number of people ... in fact she has been an unofficial

welfare, wellbeing, resource and welcoming committee for 50 years.

Of Tom she said: the recipient is an unassuming, gentle man, extremely generous with his knowledge and repertoire; he is an accomplished musician, proficient in the fiddle and button accordion. He encourages and supports young musicians giving them confidence in their ability by inviting them to play at the session, enabling them to gain invaluable experience.

Congratulations to Mary and to Tom.

Community Bank

By the time you are reading this you should see the building rising from the slab. Contracts have been let for fit-out, security, signage etc and we expect to confirm a completion date in the very near future – which will enable us to set the date for the Opening of *our Bank* ... the Trentham & Districts Community Bank®. Keep your

fingers crossed for July and one of the biggest occasions in Trentham for many a year.

As hoped, the advertisements for the Manager have drawn a strong field. Interviews will take place in early May and, depending on how soon the appointee can take up duties, we'll have our Manager on deck and writing banking business

well before the building opens. You don't have to wait until then to talk about transferring your banking and how you can access the incentives that are available – just contact any member of the Board and we can arrange for a Bendigo Bank representative to visit you at home or your workplace.

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Councillor's Corner

Well folks, we at council are getting into the thick of budget discussions and have put the proposed budget out for public comment. I hope to see the community showing in strength at the budget consultation in the Mechanics Institute on the 9th of May at 6pm.

This year is a tight year: we are raising rates by 7% (about the same as last year) to cover an increase of a quarter of a million

expenditure on core services and infrastructure like roads, footpaths and gutters, rising costs, meeting our fiscal responsibilities and completing a number of projects that are being carried forward from the last financial year as council continues to catch up with flood impacts.

This means that there are no new 'community projects' - which means that Trentham once again shows very thin on the

expenditure. I have tried every way *within* the current process to change this but I have come to the conclusion that something needs to be done differently. **Please attend the above meeting and let council know what you think and feel free to discuss with me what our options are.**

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TRENTHAM EASTER ART & CRAFT SHOW

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Trentham Easter Art & Craft Show has broken all sorts of records this year: 110 entrants submitted 200 pieces of Art and 53 pieces of craft with juniors entering 20 separate works totalling 273 pieces of work. The large contingent at the opening was stunned by the high standard of the works entered, and by the enhanced lighting in the Hall.

The supper room was transformed by six black stands hired to exhibit the Craft. Adding to the number of categories meant the Craft offering increased substantially and the consistently high standard of work was quite apparent. Katie Nowland's *Peacock Dress*, (having already won the Junior Craft) was popular with the public winning People's Choice Craft.

In the main

hall, Carol Morris' eyecatching *Cloud* (Best in Show) was the subject of considerable approving comment, and David Bryant's sly pun *Scene but not herd* (Winner of Best Watercolour) was met with interest and approval. Several other local artists won prizes but the show indicates the considerable breadth and depth of talent in Central Victoria.

As we go to print (Tuesday evening), the committee was pleased to record that 64 works had sold at a value of \$16,545.

Last year a total of 47 works was sold. As in previous years, the

funds gained will be utilized to improve future shows and to contribute to worthy community causes.

The show's success relied on many willing and capable volunteers



Scene but not herd and artist David Bryant



Carol Morris and *Cloud* (Best in Show)

and would not have got off the ground without the extensive support of the Trentham and Districts business community which provided such generous sponsorship.

Trentham has once again punched above its weight.

For those who missed the show, we will have a gallery up and running soon at www.trentham.org.au

5,000 for Trentham!

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how we seek to shape the future of our town, surrounding districts and communities. Since this first consultation a group of people, drawn from those who attended the 31 March meeting and members of either the FORUM or the Sustainability Group have been talking about how we can engage more of the community – the initial idea is to ask people some of the key questions through a public

questionnaire. This is similar to how we started our Community Planning process and will contribute to the now overdue review of that document as well as providing the basis for further submissions to the MSS review. [Newer residents can find the Community Plan – still as 'a draft' – via www.trentham.org.au]

If you're interested in having a say about how your town and your community might develop in the future, the message is **get**

involved . . . talk with someone from the FORUM (Ian MacBean 5424 1727) or the Sustainability Group (Pauline Nolan 5424 1573) – both groups will have it on the agenda for their May meetings – and look out for the questionnaire and the next round of consultation on the MSS.

(* the Trentham attendance exceeded that at any of the other towns in the Shire and apparently presented more strategic input – so Trentham was punching well above its weight!)

Trentham Sustainability Group

Change Can Save Dollars

Trentham celebrated Earth Hour 2011 in its own unique style on a very chilly, breezy evening by the Quarry Reserve Lake. The 11 hardy souls who braved the wintry conditions to share a sausage and a warming glass of red are to be congratulated for their fortitude! We flicked the switch to "off" before leaving home and many other households also took up the challenge.

Earth Hour is a trigger to consider daily energy use. Is there only one

pair of jeans in the dryer? How much power does the second fridge use? Switching "off" every day is where the real savings are made and all for the investment of one hour of your time on 26 March.

Trentham's Energy Saving Homes

5 houses, 2 buses, several cars and 29 participants all took parts in a fantastic house tour in the Trentham area on 26 March 2011. In 3½ hours we saw a variety of homes including **strawbale, stone, mudbrick, green brick**

and some interesting combinations! All these homes were designed with high thermal mass, passive solar heating and double-glazed windows resulting in warm, light and comfortable homes to reside in.

The day was a huge success and many thanks go to home owners, participants and TSG members who made it all possible.



Spudfest Sandwich

The 21st of May is **International Biodiversity Day**, to be celebrated in the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre with a focus on the Wombat Forest. Two days of honouring a monoculture of the past on both sides of one day of exploring a biodiversity for the future.

I have just been reading 'Soil, Not Oil' by Dr Vandana Shiva, recipient of last year's Sydney Peace Prize, for her work for a

sustainable future for India and for the world: Highly recommended reading in preparation for this coming Spudfest, with the Biodiversity Day as the 'meat-in-the-sandwich'.

Vandana Shiva, is a nuclear physicist who turned her attention and energy more than 20 years ago to the way a 'monoculture of the mind' is leading to the three crises of our time: climate chaos, peak-oil and the resulting food-crisis.

As our current community revival was a response to climate change and peak-oil, and as two targets of the original initiative have been reached: the Community Bank and the Community Garden, we might learn from the Wombat Forest how biodiversity works and how our local economy could benefit from its lessons.

Vandana Shiva's 'Soil Not Oil' is available through the Library Bus.

Henk Bak

WFT's second "Trentham Tracks" workshop with Murray Ralph held on March 20 focussed on the eight different plant communities within the Wombat State Forest adjoining Trentham. This, and the first workshop with Tanya Loos which focused on native birds and town reserves, were funded by Hepburn

Shire's community strengthening grants. Murray provided excellent notes and presentation about these communities, and the plants from them which are useful for gardens, roadsides, reserves and re-vegetation. After a BBQ lunch (with expert assistance from the CFA), Murray lead a walk from the end of Park Street to identify many of the species, their propagules and different modes of propagation.

Thank you to Murray for his insights into the local plant communities. If anyone is interested in planting, propagating or utilizing indigenous plants on their properties, his notes are very useful and available from Trentham and District

Landcare Group. More detailed information is contained in Murray's books, published by the CSIRO, "Growing Australian Native Plants from Seed" and "Seed Collection of Australian Native Plants" available over the internet.

WeedFree Trentham continues its ongoing activities to curb the increase in environmental weeds in the Trentham township on the third Saturday of every month from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. Instruction and tools are provided, BYO gloves, afternoon tea, hat and sunscreen (or waterproof). Further information contact Jan jr.trent@bigpond.com or Brad on 5424 1126.



Jan and Andy Robertson listening attentively to Murray Ralph





Trentham Hospital Official Opening

After two years of building construction and redevelopment the upgrade of facilities at the Trentham Hospital Campus are now complete. Hepburn Health Service Chief Executive Officer, David Lenehan said the redevelopment of the Trentham facilities was made possible through the State Government's capital management program with a budget allocation of \$8m.

Planning for the redevelopment commenced in 2007 and involved the construction of a new nursing home wing, hostel refurbishment, new administration, kitchen and

laundry. The inclusion of Community Health and General Medical Practice accommodation ensures that the Trentham Aged Care and Community Health centre provides a modern, well

equipped 'one stop' health complex for the Trentham Community.

David Lenehan said the Minister for Health and Ageing the Honourable David Davis MP, had accepted an invitation from the Board of Management of Hepburn Health Service to officially open the refurbished facilities.

The official opening will be held at 10.00am on Tuesday 17th May 2011 and members of the community, carers and residents are invited to the opening ceremony and to join the board and staff for morning tea to celebrate the event.



Mary Watson enjoying a cuddle when Farmer Daryl visited the Aged Care Centre

Welcome to New Community Health Nurse

Thanks to the Trentham Trumpeters, I'd like to introduce myself to the people of Trentham.

My name is Cynthia Williams and I have recently been employed by Hepburn Community Health Service as Trentham's Community Health Nurse.

I moved to Mt Macedon 20 years ago and have been working in Melbourne in various positions, including as a Health Promotion School Nurse and as a psychiatric nurse at major Melbourne hospitals and the Metropolitan Assessment Prison.

In my role as Trentham Community Health nurse I will be focussing on promoting health in the community, working with individuals, groups and organisations such as the Neighbourhood House and Primary School.

I'm really enjoying the drive from Mt Macedon to Trentham and yes I have been warned about how cold it gets in winter, but I'm enthusiastic about working in the "Cool Country".

My normal working hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays

8.30 am – 5.00 pm and I can be contacted on 5421 7200



Cynthia Williams—Health Nurse

Program for People who have recently been diagnosed with diabetes

Hepburn Health Services in partnership with Springs Medical Centre have developed a Diabetes Plan for 2011. One part of this plan is a short program of 4 sessions for people who have recently been diagnosed with diabetes. The program will include one session with a diabetes educator, two sessions with a dietitian

and one with a physiotherapist and podiatrist.

The program starts on 11th April at 10.00 – 12.00 and will be held at **Daylesford Community Health Centre**. For further information and to register please call: Hepburn Health Services Access Worker Ph. 5321 6539



With Trentham fast becoming the place for young couples and their families to reside, the local playgroup plays a vital role in a small country town. Although the playgroup has run successfully for many years, the recent increase in young families has resulted in a more structured playgroup with a new outlook.

Our aim is to encourage all mothers to become more involved in the playgroup whether running an activity, cutting fruit for the children, or general duties involved in running a safe, educational and fun playgroup. For Term 2 activities see

www.trentham.org.au.

Fundraising activities, following up on available grants, obtaining 5-star accreditation from Playgroup Victoria, purchasing new equipment, excursions, music and storytimes are planned for our new playgroup.

Trentham Playgroup is a great place for new mothers to get to know other locals and a place that benefits the children. It's fun and educational for the children and a starting place to form lifelong friendships.

We encourage all families with children aged 0-4 to experience our

new playgroup. With our new structure we are sure you will thoroughly enjoy what's on offer.

Playgroup is held on Tuesday mornings 10am-12 noon indoors at the Mechanics Hall which is great during winter. For further information please contact Kerryn Patterson on 5424 1646 or Karen Ryrie on 5424 1141 or email us at trenthamplaygroup@gmail.com.



Ruby making a new friend when Farmer Daryl visited

TRENTHAM DISTRICT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Annual School Sports

Trentham District Primary School recently held their annual sports day and what a great day it was. The sun was out and children were excited as this was our first Sports Day on our oval since our new school was built. It was great to see every student participate and have a go, doing their best and enjoying the day. Many activities were organised such as the short and long distance run, long jump, ball throwing, discus, shot put and triple jump. This year a new event was introduced with



an adult race which included lots of laughs and a few tumbles. A great day had by all who assisted and participated.

Vegetable Garden

The school will start next term in the creation of a vegetable patch-near the new Art/Music building. As part of this project all students next term (especially Yr 4-6) will be actively involved in its establishment.

We require the services of parents or community members to help to establish and maintain this patch.

If you are able to help or know of someone who can assist can you please contact the principal.

School Council Elections

School Council election for 2011 was recently held with the following positions filled. President: Corina Sabo, Vice President: Lee Nugent, Secretary: Dan Ciccicioppo, Treasurer: Phil Parkinson, Council Members: Jason Wright, Denise Close, Tom Walsh, Tracey Knox, Sue Bruton and Rick Evans.

TRENTHAM YOUTH GROUP

Join with other youths from the local area, meet new friends and have fun with Trentham Youth Group. The group meets every Monday afternoon from 4 pm until 6 pm at the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre. Aimed at

the 10 – 14 year age group, activities include table tennis, ball games, a Wii, several computers and more. Attendance is free.

Adult representatives from council and the local community supervise

the afternoons. Parents feel free to arrange mandatory drop off and pick or come see what it's all about.

Enquiries, please contact Brendan on 5424 1402.

Trentham BMX Track

After nearly twelve months of discussion and negotiation, the dreams of many local BMX riders are a step closer to realisation.

In April 2010, the local Youth Group, guided by Cate Evans, commenced the preparation of design concepts for further developing the existing skateboard area in Quarry Street to include a BMX [bicycle] track.

Several young people then visited existing skatepark and BMX facilities around Victoria to gather more ideas and develop concepts.

A generous Hepburn Shire Council grant and their own fundraising means the major

construction works, landscaping, shade structures, seats and signage can now commence.

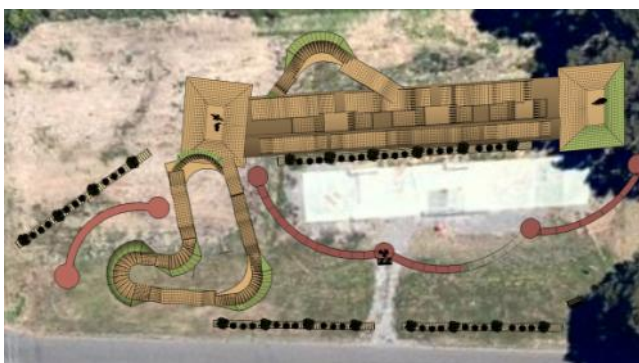
Plans are currently being developed by DIRTZ, a Sydney-based firm specialising in planning and building facilities such as these. The plans will be displayed

at the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre from 27 April 2011.

These exciting concepts will help to complete the work started several years ago.

More community assistance is needed, either by way of financial contributions or work in kind. Anyone who is able to assist please contact the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre on 5424 1354.

A community meeting to discuss the proposal, concept plan and garner further financial or other support is scheduled for Monday 16 May 2011 at 6.00pm at the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre.



Trentham Pocket Park Concept Plan

Living The Nutty Life by Tracey Williams

With the delightful Autumnal colours surrounding us and winter lapping at our doors, what a wonderful time to tempt our taste buds. There are numerous varieties of Field Mushrooms, delicious new season Apples, tomatoes still on the vines and of course, the Chestnut. My personal favourite is Purton's Pride being 99% fat free, gluten free, no cholesterol, low salt, low GI, rich in vitamins C, B1, B2 and Protein; suitable for roasting, steaming and boiling in savoury soups, caramelised in a balsamic reduction over kangaroo or serviced with a soft ripe brie. Or try using the light fresh tasting flour in your cooking.

Growing tomatoes in the Central Highlands can be a challenge initially. Be creative with the green tomatoes hanging on your vines this time of year. Here's one of my favorite autumn recipes. Happy nutty cooking.

GREEN TOMATO CAKE

4 cups chopped Green Tomatoes
1 tbspn Salt
125gm Unsalted Butter
240gm Raw Sugar
200gm Brown Sugar
2 Eggs
175gm Plain Flour
75gm Chestnut Flour
1.5teaspn Cinnamon
1 teaspn Nutmeg
1 teaspn Baking Soda
½ teaspoon Salt
½ cup (90gm) Sultanas
½ cup (60gm) Chopped Walnuts

Chop tomatoes and sprinkle with salt. Stand for 10-15 minutes. Wash and drain well.

Preheat oven 180c and grease pan. Cream butter and sugars, add eggs and mix well, sifted flours, soda, salt and spices. Add fruit and nuts. Combine well and bake for 45 minutes. Cool and decorate with your favourite cream cheese Icing.

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Another fine and sunny morning in Trentham for our Easter April market saw the first appearance of Dolphin Brewery, welcome! Of course all our loyal regulars were there, with Bernie's spuds back in season, Phil's Conifers the first stall to arrive with all their fresh vegies and a "new regular" Setinkaya Fruit with the juiciest apples to crunch on.

Easter Bunny led our kids to the Easter Egg Hunt in the Cosmo gardens and gave stallholders an Easter egg too! A visitor from Israel had a photo taken with the Easter Bunny asking her hosts "Why is there a big white rabbit here?" Good luck explaining that and eggs!

Thanks from **Trentham CFA Juniors** to the community and visitors for supporting their BBQ as they raised \$1100 to go towards the Juniors training programme. This is the highest

amount raised so far at our Farmers Market on one day. The Trentham Cricket & Football club will run the May BBQ, June will be the Trentham CFA and July Tylden CFA.

Next market is May 21, harvest time, coinciding with the DMP Harvest Week Festival and Spudfest all on the same weekend. Come along and enjoy the diversity of our region and Stuff Your Pantry!!

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Easter Bunny with CFA Juniors

2011 Murray to Moyne

Our 13-person cycling team, the Daylesford Wheelsuckers again took part in the annual Murray to Moyne Cycle Relay: from Echuca to Port Fairy (540 km) on 2-3 April 2011.

Over the past 18 years our team has raised \$160,000+ towards **Hepburn Community Health**. This year our aim was to raise money for the replacement of the old analog televisions at the Daylesford Hospital with digital

ones.

Cycling conditions were wonderful, cloudless skies the first day, followed by overcast skies, but thankfully, no rain!

Riding in teams of 4-5 riders at a time in relays of 1-2 hours, we made Hamilton around midnight, and after 6 or so hours sleep in our swags, all 13 rode the remaining kilometers to Port Fairy.

Overall we raised more than \$6,000 from our fundraising

efforts. A big thanks to the following local businesses that generously donated items for our trivia and auction night:

Trentham Newsagent
Cosmopolitan
Trentham Hardware
Trentham Hotel
Trentham Tavern
Trentham Bakery
Trentham Pharmacy
Red Beard

Russell Fisher

Peace Meditation

Every Monday morning 9-10am. (We take a break sometime, but continue on long weekends, as an opportunity for some of us, who normally can't attend, to come and participate...)

The idea is that peace begins at home. To meditate is to learn to be at home in our own inner

constitution, to make abilities available that otherwise are dormant or neglected: abilities we need to be in tune with ourselves and with our environment: relationships, family, work, town, shire and beyond. Especially our shire: council, staff and we citizens can apparently do with a good dose of those dormant abilities, to

transcend conflict instead of being transfixed by it. To become 'actively silent' is a good way to start!

Venue: Trentham Neighbourhood Centre. Information: The Centre at 5424 1354 or Henk Bak, convenor, 5424 1702. New participants welcome.

Bruce McKenzie Bush Poetry

This year, the Trentham and District Historical Society have inaugurated the Bruce MacKenzie Bush Poetry Award. This award will be given to the best performance at the **Words in Winter Bush Poetry** event. Noted local poet Bruce McKenzie will present the award. The award will be a perpetual trophy that Georgie and Marty Patterson have kindly donated. It is the elm tree block with the horseshoe embedded in it.

So, if you have skills in performing bush poetry you are invited to the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre on Saturday, August 20th, between 2 and 4 pm. Remember to book your entry with Gael Elliott, phone 4404 8155.

There is a gold coin donation. Afternoon tea will be served during the break.

“Sacred Spaces” Photographic Exhibition

Sacred Spaces Photographic Exhibition was officially launched on Thursday 21 April by Cr Sebastian Klein and continues during the month of May. Thanks to everyone who attended opening night – a very enjoyable and successful event.

Share the experiences of local people celebrating the sacred within and beyond the everyday.

Photographs by Kate Baker and David Roberts. Words by the participants.

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Pauline Nolan



MARCH 2011

March 2011 offered a respite from the very rainy period the region has experienced for almost 8 months and is the first month in 8 months to record below average rainfall with a total of 36mm compared to an average of 60mm. Temperatures did not return any major extremes with the daily maximum coming in at 17.7°C almost a degree below the long term average, the warmest day was 24.7°C on the 13th a long way off the all time record of 35°C. Overnight minimums were closer to the average with a mean of 8.3c.

Despite the low monthly rainfall, pasture across the Trentham region remained very good with adequate soil moisture levels with larger streams continuing to flow. The wettest day across the region was on the 9th with the district 24 hour falls between 10 and 15mm, the windiest day clocked up a speed of 55kph on the 26th.

MEAN MAXIMUM	17.7°C
MEAN MINIMUM	8.3°C
HIGH MAXIMUM	24.7°C..13th
LOW MAXIMUM	12.7°C...25/26th
HIGH MINIMUM	13.4°C..9TH
LOW MINIMUM	3.4°C..2nd
RAINFALL	36.4mm
WETTEST DAY	12.8mm..9th
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Trentham Sportsground Reserve

The Committee of Management would like to acknowledge both the Senior and Junior Football Clubs for organising the recent working bees at the Reserve. The Old Canteen area has been painted and the entrance and driveway upgraded. This has made a huge difference at the reserve and the drainage will serve us well during the Football season. Senior Football also cleaned and painted the change rooms in Club colours.

Local builder Pat Sutton is almost ready to start works on the inside of the new change rooms. I am sure that all visiting teams will be over the moon once the new building has been completed.

We have once again hosted Rideability Victoria with their annual fundraiser for Riding for the Disabled. They do a wonderful job with their fundraising activities for the benefit of others. I am not sure that Greg Falkiner has really retired

yet as he had the onerous job of marking out all the rides.

While the Hepburn Shire has no designated off-leash areas in the whole of the Shire the Sportsground Reserve Committee welcome people to the oval for exercising their dogs. Dog owners are asked to be responsible and clean up after their dogs and please leave the oval as you found it.

Georgie Patterson
Secretary.

Trentham Lions Club News



Jumble Sale SATURDAY 7th May – (Weather Permitting)

Look out for our signs - if weather permitting another BIG Jumble Sale will be held at the Lions Shed in Park Street again as there *are too many goodies* to move. Hundreds of books, plenty of glassware, knicknacks, chairs, lamps, etc. A huge load of preloved items at bargain prices for you to browse or fossick amongst. Don't miss out!! Enquiries Elizabeth 5424 1254.

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Landcare Speaker

At the meeting on 13 April we were addressed by Ben Falloon who has established a consultancy advising farmers on techniques he has developed to improve productivity and sustainability of farming without the input of chemical fertilizers. Processes he employs included accepted farming practices such as intensive rotational grazing and deep ripping on contours to promote water penetration rather than run off together with injection of soil microbes into the soil and use of poultry to clean up flies and distribute manure pads.

Ben now operates the family farm between Tylden and Woodend and welcomes visitors.

New Era for Trentham Reserves

The three reserves within the Trentham township which are in natural, if somewhat degraded condition, are to be managed by a single, locally elected Committee of Management.

DSE have been asked to approve this change following a decision by Hepburn Shire Council to relinquish its role as Committee of Management for the Bath Street Reserve.

A new Committee has been elected which will be responsible to DSE for the management of Bath Street, Racecourse and Stoney Creek Reserves. It is envisaged that these reserves will be linked with a walking trail when funding is obtained.

If you have ideas or would like to assist contact the Secretary Andy Robertson on 54241100.

Busy Period for Trentham Golf Club

March and April were busy months at Trentham Golf Club as the formal 2011 golf season got into full swing. Months of rain over summer meant the club's fuel bill has increased significantly as the fairways and rough need continual mowing!

Our recent annual Charity Day raised \$450 for the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre and over \$350 was raised in March for the Flood Relief Appeal by donating all of one day's member competition entries fees.

The Neighbourhood Centre's course on Responsible Serving of Alcohol resulted in 11 members receiving an RSA certificate.

On Monday 11th April over forty junior golfers from as far afield as Eildon, Ocean Grove and Ararat

participated in the club's 2nd Annual Junior Golf Tournament. Fine weather, despite a cold southerly breeze, meant the day was a great success.

About 60 Victorian golfers entered the 10th Bill Roberts Over 50s tournament on April 19th. On Tuesday May 24th, the Trentham women's Stableford Teams tournament, the **Trentham Falls Plate**, will attract players from many clubs.

Nearly half a million dollars has been spent on new greens and course improvements in the last 15 years, with the last four greens to be completed over next summer. When they are finished, the course

will have been redesigned and rebuilt to international standards. Investing \$25,000 per green is a major commitment and contributes to the continued success of the club.



Trentham has continually grown its green fee player numbers with around 9000 social golfers coming to town each year. The membership has also remained steady at around 300-320 at a time when many other golf clubs have faced a decline in membership numbers. A majority of members come from outside the immediate Trentham region, providing a further boost to the local economy.

Riders Around Town

Locals would have spied more horse riders than usual in the middle week of April: upwards of 50 riders from Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales were camped at the sports ground for what is fast becoming a Trentham institution: the annual Rideability Victoria ride which both raises money to assist disabled riders and provides a rewarding experience for participants.

Organiser, Greg Falkiner reported extremely positive feedback from the riders: they appreciated the beautiful tracks and trails of the Wombat Forest; local hospitality, including the excellent meals provided by Gary Nish; and

the careful planning that went into the week. Greg reports, that over



Rideability riders returning to camp

four days of riding, a long ride day followed a short ride day with a

break for relaxation mid-week. In all, 120 kilometers of marker ribbons ensured that riders returned safely to camp each night.

After dinner every evening, riders were entertained either with an informative lecture from experts like local vet Shannon Lee, or with music from locals such as Tim Walsh and his band. An auction of donated articles raised over \$4000. Greg wanted to thank sponsors, particularly local business who once again were generous, and the volunteers, including Trentham Lions, who helped make the event such a success.

Friends of the Station

The March Market was extremely successful, with a record number of stalls and a Classic cars exhibition which created considerable interest. Donation box takings went to the Flood Relief appeal.

Owing to pressure of work, Ross

Urquhart resigned as President of FOS during the month: John Gray has been appointed Acting President. Kaye Matheson, and her sister Leigh, are co-Treasurers.

The April market saw fewer stallholders however customers

kept coming and many sausages were sizzled.

The next Sunday Market is on May 22nd followed by a car boot sale on the 29th. Potential stallholders should ring Gwenda on 5424 1611.

Successful Start to the Year for Trentham Saints

Much work preceded having the club ready for the 2011 season. Match day started early with SAINTS volunteer Dave Gray, firing up the barbecue to cook the famous bacon and egg rolls; the sun shone, and spirits were high.

Barry Mahar's Under 15 team, although unable to field a full side for this game against Royal Park, were keen to make their mark. SAINTS newcomer Kade Griffiths kicked three goals in his first ever game of football. Mahar said all players excelled in their roles, with the SAINTS winning by 104 points.

The first netball match of the day was the Under 15s. Mia Kelly (coach) stated this was the girls first game together and although they tried hard all day, Royal Park outscored them. Best players were Morgan Cann and Breanna Doverston.

Coaches Emma Wheeldon and Kara Rowe watched their Under 17s netball side win 30 -11. With everyone playing

well and all enjoying the competition, Holly Wheeldon and Katherine Myles were named best players.

The C grade netball side found the competition very tough. SAINTS best players were Laura Bruton and Laura Simms.



Saints Seniors after 1st win

The B grade netball competition attracted much attention. The standard was excellent and the SAINTS fought hard to achieve a 9 point win. Best players were Merryn Thompson and Brooke Healey.

The SAINTS Reserves football side showed their depth and pre-season training with a 176 point win. New coach Bob Beare described the 16 goals kicked by full forward Daniel Erdevceki, as the result of good team

play.

The final match of the day was the SAINTS senior side. Determined to improve on their one match win in 2010 they held a slender 4 point lead at half time in what was a tough, well contested game. Coach Dale Cowell asked his team to use first option and believe in themselves – they had put the work in and it was now time to show what they could do. The SAINTS came out and took control of the game, winning by 95 points. Wives and girlfriends, fondly known as WAGs, along with parents and young children were thrilled with this season starter.

Cricket Club Awards

Trentham District Cricket Club recently held their Presentation Night and presented Trophies to all grades.

- Senior Batting Averages – Andrew Thomas
- Bowling Averages – John Cowell
- Under 16's Batting Averages – Nick Whan with an average of 44
- Under 16's Bowling Averages – Jenna Bruton (Jenna was also runner up in the Leagues Bowling Averages award)
- Leagues Most Catches – Under 14's team
- Coaches Award – Sam Matherson

Great for all teams to finish on a winning note and all teams are looking forward to continuing to improve next season.



Nick Whan



Jenna Bruton

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ONGOING EVENTS

MONDAY (weekly)

Youth Group

(except school holidays)
4pm-6pm Neighbourhood Centre
Enq: Brendan 5424 1402

MONDAY (weekly)

Line Dancing

(except school holidays)
7pm-9pm at Trentham Sportsground \$10
Enq: Chris/Lee 5424 1571

1st MONDAY (monthly)

Trentham Sustainability Group

7.30pm at Uniting Church Hall
Enq: Glenda 5424 1727

CWA

11am-1pm at Mechanics Hall
Subject to change depending on activities
Enq: Lyn 5438 5568

3rd MONDAY (monthly)

FREE BUS TO WENDOUREE

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Trentham Historical Society

Committee Meeting 2pm at Old Police Station
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4th MONDAY (monthly)

Trentham Historical Society

Working Bee 2pm at Old Police Station
Enq: Susie 5424 1272

TUESDAY (weekly)

Trentham Playgroup

10am-12pm at Mechanics Hall \$3 per family
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WEDNESDAY (weekly)

Table Tennis

7pm at Mechanics Hall
Enq: Irene 5424 1294

1st FRIDAY (monthly)

Trentham Film Society

7.30pm at Neighbourhood Centre
Enq: James/Brad 5424 1126 / Maria 5424 1237

2nd FRIDAY (monthly)

Old Time Dance

8pm at Mechanics Hall \$8 per person
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1st SATURDAY (monthly)

Community Mini Market

9am-1pm at Neighbourhood Centre
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3rd SATURDAY (monthly)

Trentham Farmers Market

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Trentham Makers Market

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