2014 WHAT’S COMING UP

MARCH 2014
Mon 3 to Fri 7 March PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEW WEEK
Wed 5 MARC Van (library)
Thurs 6 Zone Swimming Sports - Hamilton
Mon 10 LABOUR DAY Public Holiday
Wed 12 Literacy Information session for Classroom Helpers commencing at 2.00pm in the School Kitchen.
CRE classes commence for 2014.
Thurs 13 Hamilton AFL Player Clinics for Year 4, 5 and 6 students at Melville Oval, Hamilton from 12.30pm to 1.45pm.
Please note that it is the parents’ responsibility to transport or arrange transport for their child/children to attend this activity.
Fri 14 Funky Hair Day – students, staff and parents are encouraged to wear a ‘funky hairstyle’ in aid of the Leukaemia Foundation. Please bring a gold coin donation.
Wed 19 MARC Van (library)
Thurs 20 National Harmony Day - students and staff are encouraged to wear a “touch of orange” (e.g. ribbons, scarves etc) to school.
Welcome Barbecue for all school families commencing at 6.00pm. School Council to provide meat, bread, cordial, icy poles, tea and coffee. Families to provide a salad to share, drinks, plates, cutlery and chairs.
Fri 21 SGSSA Athletics Sports at Pedrina Park, Hamilton commencing at 9.05am sharp. A reminder that the Prep students will not be attending the District Athletics Sports, they will attend school as normal. Parents are responsible for transporting their students to and from the sports day. The Woodhouse bus will operate as normal for Prep students but the Mirranatwa bus will not run as there are no Prep students who travel on this bus.
Fri 28 Interactive sessions with all classes conducted by author, Susie Sarah.
RCH Good Friday Appeal donation envelopes and raffle tickets and monies due in today.

Mon 31 LAST ACTIVE AFTER-SCHOOL session for Term 1.

APRIL 2014
Wed 2 MARC Van (library)
Thurs 3 Year 6 Grampians Rural and Small Schools (GRaSS) Leadership Camp
Fri 4 Year 6 Grampians Rural and Small Schools (GRaSS) Leadership Camp
LAST DAY OF TERM 1 – early dismissal @ 2.30pm
Fri 18 GOOD FRIDAY
Mon 21 EASTER MONDAY
Tues 22 FIRST DAY OF TERM 2
Thurs 24 School ANZAC Service commencing at 10.15am in the school hall followed by morning tea.
Fri 25 ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

MAY 2014
Wed 28 SCHOOL PHOTOS

JUNE 2014
Mon 9 QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

2014 SCHOOL COUNCIL, SUB-COMMITTEES
AND P & F MEETING DATES

Mon 17 March P & F Annual General Meeting - 7.30pm
Tues 25 March School Council Meeting No 1 – 7.30pm
Tues 22 April School Council Meeting No 2 – 7.30pm

2014 TERM DATES
Term 1 Wednesday 29 January to Friday 4 April
(Teachers commence on Tuesday 28 January)
Term 2 Tuesday 22 April to Friday 27 June
Term 3 Monday 14 July to Friday 19 September
Term 4 Monday 6 October to Friday 19 December

FORMS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER
Tartan Trousers and Pinafores order form AND Literacy Information Session form – return by Friday 7 March
Welcome Barbecue invitation – return RSVP form by Friday 7 March
Grounds Maintenance & Mowing Roster – more volunteers required
FROM Mr Paul Jeffreys, Principal...

Children and students entering school in the morning:
It is great to see so many parents walking into the school grounds each morning. Pop in to say hello to your child’s teacher, have a look at his or her work, check that everything is going well. In the meantime, some people entering the school grounds with their children have entered through the driveway gates. There are walking paths into the school on both sides of the driveway. Please ensure you enter our school using those walking paths.

I would like to inform parents of children in Years 3-6 that it is allowed if you wish to visit the room and speak to the teacher before or after school. At least come and see the new furniture. And don’t let your child tell you not to come in. If they want to be so grown up and independent… tell them to cook and wash and mow and solve their own problems!

Over twenty children were honoured at our assembly last Wednesday. Some of these children have at one time or more displayed behaviours that make our school a safer and more pleasant place to be. Others were acknowledged for improving in some area or other in their academic work; in other words they have become better at something. Collectively, both academic improvements and displays of positive citizenship confirm that these people are also responsible for making our school better.

For some, it seems to take a while before they start thinking and acting in a way in which the responsibility and consequences of their actions become important to them… but especially as I think of children in Years 3-6, we cannot wait for them to be eighteen before we say to them, it is time to be humble, it is time to be empathetic. It is time to treat all people with respect and dignity, it is time to pick up your socks and deliver your best, it is time to put others before yourself, it is time to know that not everyone wins and success is not handed over on a platter, and it is time to work hard and get better. We expect these things of the children because we know that they can. We do not ask them to do what they cannot do.

Today there are children among us who know and do these things already.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2014

After calling for nominations for School Council, four have been received filling all our vacancies, therefore a ballot is not required. The four parent school councillors are Sarah Crawford, Simon Cullinane (new School Councillor), James Haley and John Mirtschin (new School Councillor). The DEECD members are Terrie Nicholson and Gaylene Raymond (with one casual vacancy).

The first meeting of the new Council will be held on Tuesday 25 March in the Dunkeld Consolidated School Staff room commencing at 7.30pm.

The first task of the Council is to co-opt a community member. Election of office bearers occurs after the co-opted member joins the Council. This year there is position for one co-opted member of Council.

LITERACY INFORMATION SESSION – 12 MARCH

A Literacy Information Session for Classroom Helpers will be held in the Kitchen on Wednesday 12 March starting at 2:00pm. The session will cover:
• How do children learn to read and write?
• How you can support your child’s literacy development.
• The classroom helpers program.

Please complete and return the attached form by Friday 7 March to indicate if you are able or not able to attend.

PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES 2014

Reminder that the 2014 Parent Payment is now due and payment can be made at any time:
Prep & Year 1 $170.00 per student
Years 2 – 6 $180.00 per student

If you receive an eligible Centrelink benefit and a Health Care Card or pension card, you may be entitled to the Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA). Please contact the office for a form. For further information or assistance, please direct enquiries to Mrs Gaylene Raymond at the office.

GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND MOWING

Thank you to those parents who have offered to assist on the Grounds Maintenance and Mowing Roster. Please find attached to this newsletter the roster from March to August. We still require more volunteers for later months. Work is usually carried out on the first Saturday of each month from 9.00am – 11.00am. If you have any queries could you please contact the roster co-ordinator, Mr John Mirtschin on 0438 009 201.

SGSSA SWIMMING SPORTS

The Southern Grampians Schools Sports Association (SGSSA) Swimming Sports were held at the Penshurst Swimming Pool last Friday 21 February. The following Dunkeld Consolidated School students competed – Bailey Dewan-Holmes, Ellen White, Elia Jackson, Zach Burgess, Edward Williamson, Sam Cullinane, Vincent Huf, Oscar Reynolds, Dylan Ross, Hugh Roache, Jemma White, Natalie Featherston, Jessica Field, Lily Graham, Miranda McIntyre, Julia Kelly.

Congratulations to Jemma White 11yo and Vincent Huf 10yo who were awarded Age Champion medallions at the SGSSA swimming sports.

Jemma and Vincent have been invited to attend the Zone Swimming Championships on Thursday 6 March at the Hamilton Olympic Swimming Pool.

MISSING – SCHOOL RUGBY JUMPER

A school rugby jumper belonging to Louise Aarons has been missing since late last year. Could students please check to make sure they haven’t taken the jumper home by mistake.

WELCOME BARBECUE ON 20 MARCH

On Thursday 20 March a Welcome Barbecue will be held for all school families from 6.00pm to 7.30pm at the school. School Council will provide meat, bread, cordial, icy poles, tea and coffee. Could families please bring a salad to share, drinks, plates, cutlery and chairs. A formal welcome will be conducted by the Principal and School Council President at
FUNKY HAIR DAY - FRIDAY 14 MARCH
Staff and students (even parents) are encouraged to wear a “funky hairstyle” on Friday 14 March and give a gold coin donation for participating. Funds raised will go to the Leukaemia Foundation.

SOME CRAZY HAIR IDEAS: Spike it up! - brightly coloured ribbons - wild wigs - coloured hairspray. *Children please ask your parent’s permission before you do anything to your hair.

HARMONY DAY – THURSDAY 20 MARCH
Harmony Day is coming up on Friday 21 March but the school will celebrate the day on Thursday 20 March due to the SGSSA Athletics Sports. It’s all about community participation, inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone – celebrating the cultures that make Australia a great place to live. Students and staff are encouraged to wear a “touch of orange” (e.g. ribbons, scarves etc) to school on Thursday 20 March to celebrate Harmony Day.

Further information may be obtained from: www.harmony.gov.au

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE/AMBULANCE COVER ARRANGEMENTS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY BROUGHT TO SCHOOL
Parents are reminded that the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs. Insurance policies may be purchased from commercial insurers.

Personal property brought to school by students, visitors or staff including electronic games, mobile phones, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises are not covered by insurance. The DEECD does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property. Students should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

SCHOOL WEBSITE – Mobile Friendly
The Dunkeld Consolidated School’s website has been recently upgraded to a new Mobile Friendly Template. Our site now optimizes itself for viewing on all devices, computers, tablets and phones. There is a video on our website: www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au that highlights how parents can use the site – even saving our icon as an “app” on your phone.

ROYAL CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL
Each year the Dunkeld Consolidated School supports the Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal. A donation envelope has been attached to this newsletter. Could you please return your donation envelope and monies to school by Friday 28 March.

If you wish to make a donation by cheque, (please ensure the cheque is made payable to the “Dunkeld Consolidated School”) and a receipt will be forwarded. One book of raffle books (books of 20 tickets @ 20 cents each) will be distributed to each family shortly. Each year the
Royal Children’s Hospital provides a prize to raffle. If children wish to sell more than one book of tickets they please contact Gaylene at the office. Raffle tickets and monies will also need to be returned to school by Friday 28 March.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 2 April. All raffle proceeds are forwarded to the Royal Children’s Hospital.

THANK YOU
THANK YOU to Paul and Pauline at ‘The Old Bakery & Wild Plum Cafe’, the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program at the Dunkeld Consolidated School sincerely thank you for your kindness and support in providing sponsorship to ensure the success of the program. We wish you the very best in the future and extend an open invitation to you to visit us in the Kitchen Garden any time. We are very grateful to you both.

Ann Howard, SAKG Co-coordinator
Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

From the Kitchen Garden...
We welcomed Year 5 and 6 back into the Kitchen on Thursday 20 February and I am always impressed by their thirst for knowledge and the retaining of information. I asked each one what they had enjoyed for dinner the previous night and quizzed them on which foods were from the garden and grown below or above the ground on their plate. The answers were given confidently and correctly.

We harvested zucchini, rhubarb, chives, parsley, rosemary, potatoes and collected eggs. We prepared Zucchini Slice, Potato Salad with Sour Cream, Mustard and Fresh Herb Dressing, Rhubarb Crumble and Vanilla Bean Custard - which was worthy of a 'chef's hat' and enjoyed by all thanks to our chooks and Mrs Gerring, Jemma White and Adam Crawford. Thank you to Sandy Roache, Val Peters and Sarah Crawford for helping and for sharing your time with us. Thank you to Paul Jeffreya and Rob Smith for the lovely grapefruit. Oscar Reynolds and Josh Hill squeezed and measured to place the juice in freezer containers ready to make Grapefruit and Ginger Curd next time we meet.

Great excitement on Thursday 27 February, as we welcome our ‘apprentice’ chefs the Grade 3 students. Grade 4, ‘old’ hands in the kitchen, will have many skills to share. (Full report on the Year 3/4 Kitchen class in the next edition.)

KITCHEN ROSTER: Thursday 6 March - Year 5/6
Kathy Young, Melissa McIntyre, Dianne Dewan, Dot Callander, Sarah Crawford

KITCHEN ROSTER: Thursday 13 March - Year 3/4
Mariko Horn, Katie Calvert, Sandy Roache, Shelley Darroch, Liz Hinchey

Happy preparing and sharing together.
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

P & F NEWS

2014 EVENTS:
Term 1
- P & F AGM
  Monday 17 March

Term 2
- Caulfield Grammar School (fundraising) To be confirmed
  May?
- Mother’s Day Stall (students’ Social Service program)
  Friday 9 May
- Mother’s Day cake stall in Parker Street (fundraising)
  Saturday 10 May
- Serra Terror catering (fundraising) To be confirmed
  Friday 9 June

Term 3
- Sausage Sizzle either at Safeway or IGA To be confirmed
- Father’s Day Stall (students’ Social Service program)
  Friday 5 Sept
- Bloke’s Big Breakfast (social)
  Friday 5 Sept

Term 4
- Election Day - BBQ and Cake Stall To be confirmed
- Discover Dunkeld Weekend Stall (fundraising) To be confirmed
  October
- Christmas Stall (student social services)
  Monday 15 Dec

P & F Membership Form: If you did not receive a P & F membership form or have misplaced the previous form, a new copy can be picked from the school office or downloaded from the school website www.dunkeld.vic.edu.au/page/57/Parents-and-Friends-Association
The cost for membership is $5.00 per person for the year. All forms are to be returned to the front office. If you have any questions please contact Emma Gordon or Kellie White.

Meeting: The P & F’s AGM will be held on Monday 17 March. All positions will be declared open for nominations for those who are interested in taking on a role in the P & F – please refer to the previous Newsletter for a description of office bearers’ roles.

If you have any questions about the P & F roles or about P & F in general, please feel free to contact Emma Gordon on 5577 2660 or via email catman22@bigpond.com.au. Emma Gordon, President and Kellie White, Secretary

DUNKELD HOCKEY
We welcome any new families interested to join the Dunkeld Hockey Teams. We have a Division 4 Mixed Junior Team that plays Saturdays and a Division 1 Women’s Team that plays Sunday afternoon/evenings. The season runs during Terms 2 and 3. Junior training will be held after school at the Dunkeld Consolidated School, day to be confirmed towards the end of this term.

Anyone interested please contact Jen McArthur on 5573 3265.

GRAMPIANS CRICKET CLUB
Our apologies to the Grampians Cricket Club but due to a lack of space in this issue the information pertaining to our junior cricketers could not be included. Please refer to the Community Newsletter for full results and updates.

AUSKICK
Auskick for 2014 will commence on Thursday 24 April at 5.00pm at the Dunkeld Recreation Reserve and will run for eight weeks. Please refer to the Community Newsletter for more details.
WINTER UNIFORM
GIRLS’ TARTAN PINAFORES AND TROUSERS

Please complete and return this form BY FRIDAY 7 MARCH 2014

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**APPROXIMATE COSTS:** PINAFORES $60.00 each and TROUSERS (to be confirmed).
PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY AT THIS STAGE.

Name: ___________________________________ Signature: ___________________________________
Phone: ___________________________________ Date: ___________________________________

Dunkeld Consolidated School No 6215

Classroom Helpers Program 2014
Literacy Information Session – Wednesday 12 March 2014

Please complete and return this form by Friday 7 March 2014

Could you please complete and return this form to advise if you are able / unable to attend the Literacy Information Session on Wednesday 12 March from 2:00pm – 3:20pm in the Dunkeld Consolidated School Kitchen.

☐ YES, I will be attending the Literacy Information Session   ☐ NO, I am sorry I am unable to attend

Name: ___________________________________ Signature: ___________________________________
Phone: ___________________________________ Date: ___________________________________
Dunkeld Consolidated School Council invites the School Community to a

Welcome Barbecue
on Thursday 20 March 2014 @ 6.00pm

School Council will provide: meat, bread, cordial, icy poles, tea and coffee.

Families to please provide: a salad to share, drinks**, plates, cutlery and chairs.

(**A reminder to the school community that the Dunkeld Consolidated School has a policy that: “There is to be NO SMOKING and NO ALCOHOL consumption at school functions/events where school children are present.)

Welcome by the Principal, Mr Paul Jeffreys, and School Council President, Mr Stephen Field will be held at 6.00pm.

WELCOME BARBECUE FOR ALL SCHOOL FAMILIES
FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM BY FRIDAY 7 MARCH

FAMILY NAME: ___________________________ Number of people attending:

☐ ADULTS  ☐ CHILDREN
# Grounds Maintenance and Mowing Roster

**9am – 11am**

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*Please consider adding your name to our mowing roster.* Our children appreciate a nice tidy and safe yard to play in throughout the year. If you are able to assist could you please contact John Mirtschin on 0438 009 201.
MEETINGS & EVENTS CALENDAR

Dunkeld Museum Committee Meeting
Dunkeld Adventure – WheelFun Committee
Twilight Bowls – Dunkeld Bowling Club
Save Lives Foundation Stall
Dunkeld RSL Sub-Branch AGM – Dunkeld Bowling Club
SGSC Mobile Library – outside Dunkeld Visitor Information Centre
Twilight Bowls – Dunkeld Bowling Club
Dunkeld Museum Committee Meeting
SGSC Visit to Dunkeld
Dunkeld CWA Meeting
Dunkeld Museum Annual Excursion
Dunkeld Museum Guest Speaker Meeting
Auskick commences at the Dunkeld Recreation Reserve

Monday 3 March 8.00pm
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Friday 7 March 6.00pm
Saturday 8 March 7.30am
Sunday 9 March 11.00am
Thursday 13 March 11.30am
Friday 14 March 6.00pm
Monday 17 March 8.00pm
Wednesday 19 March
Thursday 20 March 7.30pm
Saturday 22 March 9.30am
Monday 7 April 8.00pm
Thursday 24 April 5.00pm

COMMUNITY NEWS & MEETINGS

DUNKELD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION
The Progress Association is the voice between the shire and the community. The louder our voice is the more we will be heard. The Progress Association also supports many community groups in town through sponsorships and auspicing, including Discover Dunkeld.

Become a member and help us continue to support this wonderful town.

Membership is $5.00 per family, payable at the Post Office. If you would like to receive minutes of meetings and other communications from the Progress Association, please leave your email address or contact the Committee.

The current committee of the Progress Association is:

PRESIDENT: Mary-Ann Brown [maryann@mabinsurance.com.au]
VICE-PRESIDENT: Doug Fleming [doug_fleming@bigpond.com]
SECRETARY: Eda Williamson [edarelax@bigpond.net.au]
TREASURER: Joy Darroch [joydarroch@gmail.com]

Help make Dunkeld a better community for everyone.

COUNCIL VISIT TO DUNKELD
Southern Grampians Shire Councillors and staff will be visiting Dunkeld on WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2014.

This is an opportunity to meet with Councillors and staff to raise issues of concern to the Dunkeld community.

The Progress Association will be putting together an agenda for Council. The focus is on strategic issues.

If your organisation/club/group would like to meet with Council to raise any issues, please contact Eda Williamson by WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY.

Contact Eda on 0416 756 681 or E: edarelax@bigpond.net.au

Mary-Ann Brown
President
Dunkeld Progress Association

Donations

Ian and Ann Morris $50
Derek and Sue Morse $50

We rely on donations to the Community Newsletter to offset all expenses relating to producing it. Please send in your donation to the Dunkeld Consolidated School office where it will be receipted and an acknowledgement made via the Newsletter. A receipt will be provided. Please make cheques payable to the “Dunkeld Consolidated School.”

Thank you for your support.
DUNKELD ADVENTURE – SERRA TERROR V - 6-9 June

Dunkeld Adventure are excited to announce that AFL football legend and men’s health supporter, David Parkin, will be the 2014 ambassador for Dunkeld’s signature event, the Serra Terror Endurance Challenge.

David will be at Dunkeld for the long weekend event in June, to meet, greet and walk some sections of the Serra Terror course and to be the special guest at the event finale held in Dunkeld on Monday June 9.

David Parkin is well known as an outstandong and celebrated VFL player and coach who was awarded a Medal for the Order of Australia (OBE) for his services to football and the AFL. He is a dedicated and inspiring educator of both students and teachers, a popular business and motivational speaker, an expert and entertaining AFL commentator, an ambassador for men’s health after a prostate cancer battle, as well as holding numerous ambassadorial roles for rural and regional Australia.

The Grampians is not unfamiliar territory to David, who spent his childhood holidays trekking the tracks of the park when staying at his grandmother’s scenic family property at Armstrong, nine kilometres north of Ararat. So David is very enthusiastic about being an ambassador and encouraging supporter of the Serra Terror event.

With less than four months to go until the Serra Terror 80 kilometre Endurance Challenge in the spectacular Grampians National Park, many entrants are now beginning their training programs to prepare for a journey of 40 kilometres on each of the two days or alternately, the option of participating as a relay team.

The Serra Terror Committee is working hard to make this year’s event the most spectacular so far. It will be the Three Ranges Challenge that will traverse the Grampians National Park from west to east at its widest part. All three ranges making up the National Park will be crossed, the Victoria, Serra and Mt William ranges. Numerous mountains and landmarks will be conquered and participants will experience some of the most spectacular scenery and breathtaking views the Grampians has to offer.

If you would like to participate in this event of a lifetime you have until Friday May 16 to submit your entry. To find out more about Serra Terror 2014 visit www.dunkeldadventure.com.au

DUNKELD MUSEUM UPDATE

Guest Speaker Meeting on Monday 3 March: Local identity, Mr John Kranz, will be our guest speaker on Monday 3 March commencing at 8.00pm at the Dunkeld Museum. John will be speaking about ‘the four pillars of his family’; the Williams, Griffin, Kranz and Lynch families.

The Kranz family landed at Port Melbourne from Germany on 22 August 1853 aboard the Wilhelmsburg. Ernestine Louisa Caroline Kranz married a ticket of leave convict, Frederick Germaine and two of their young children, Mary (1863) and Francis (1874), were buried in the garden of their stringy-bark home in the Victoria Forest. The burial site was formally incorporated in the DCNR Historic Sites Inventory in 1995. Nine of their twelve children survived.

The meeting will be followed by a light supper and everyone is most welcome to attend.

Committee Meeting: Our next monthly Committee Meeting will be held on Monday 17 March commencing at 8:00pm at the Dunkeld Museum.

Annual Excursion on Saturday 22 March: The Dunkeld Museum’s annual excursion will be held on Saturday 22 March. This year the Museum shall be travelling to the Gunditjmara Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation at Heywood where we will view a short film about the reclamation of the Condah Swamp before travelling to the Lake Condah Aboriginal Mission which includes the aboriginal refurbishment program of the eel traps at Lake Condah and then to the Bessiebelle Sheep Wash, which is on aboriginal land.

Cost of the excursion is $30.00 per person which goes to the aboriginal community to further develop the Lake Condah mission area and the lake.

You may choose to bring your own lunch or purchase lunch from the standard lunch menu at the Macarthur Pub.

We plan to car pool and will meet at the Dunkeld Museum at 9.30am on 22 March (and at 10.00am at Coles Carpark in Hamilton if there are any passengers to pick up).

Dunkeld Museum members and community members are invited to attend. Could you please confirm your booking with our Secretary, Mrs Wendy Williams on 5577 2386 by Monday 17 March.

Museum Duty: The following volunteers are on Museum duty from 1.00pm – 5.00pm on:

- Sunday 9 March Noel Orval & Tony Williams
- Monday 10 March John Kay & John Cuming
- Sunday 16 March Brian & Julie Hermann

If you are unable to carry out your duty on your rostered day could you please contact one of the other volunteers to arrange a swap.

Terrie Nicholson, Publicity Officer

DUNKELD RSL SUB-BRANCH

RSL Membership: We invite ex-service men and women to be members and renew their membership to ensure the future of the RSL locally. If you are a relative of ex-service men or women you can also join the RSL. By becoming a member of the RSL you will be helping the welfare of disabled war veterans and supporting your local RSL Sub-Branch. Application forms are available from the Secretary/Treasurer, Terrie Nicholson on 5573 3353.

Annual General Meeting: Our Annual General Meeting will now be held on Sunday 9 March commencing at 11.00am at the Dunkeld Bowling Club. A sincere thank you to the Dunkeld Bowling Club in offering our sub-branch the use of their facilities for our meetings.

ANZAC Run 2014: People from all walks of life are encouraged to take part in Australia’s first ANZAC Run in Melbourne on Monday 21 April and Brisbane Sunday 27 April 2014.

Like the ANZAC tradition itself, the annual event prides itself on community, mateship and solidarity, and the spirit of enterprise and freedom for all. You are invited to join a vibrant, exhilarating and uplifting run that’s energetic and fun,
and which commemorates the Australian and New Zealand servicemen and women who served the nation and those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

ANZAC Run 2014 proudly honours the many men and women in the theatres of war of the last century through to today’s combat zones. It affirms the open-hearted and unifying spirit of all Australians. For more information, please visit www.anzacrun.com/

FROM THE LIONS DEN
In the last newsletter I mentioned that there was to be a farm safe day at Glenthompson. This will be held at “Mirradong” Old Ararat Road, the property of Roger and Mary Burger on Tuesday the 25th March. Morning tea will be supplied at 9.30 and the program will start at 10am. Lunch will be supplied at the completion of the session and there is no charge. If you are able to attend please let me know on 5577 2460.

Anzac Day: As with so many great traditions, the Anzac Day dawn service started almost by accident. The late Reverend Arthur Ernest White, a Church of England Padre to the 44th Battalion of the 1st AIF, had conducted a 4am service before the embarkation of the early Anzac forces from Albany, Western Australia. Albany was the departure point for the Anzac’s epic journey into history. By coincidence, on his return after the war, his first parish appointment was back to Albany. To commemorate Anzac Day in 1923, he decided to repeat his service. The dawn service was so powerful it was soon emulated and quickly spread through the country.

The qualities of the Digger: Mateship: This is the essential binding force of the Digger, and examples of it are legion; from the two Light Horsemen at The Nek at Gallipoli, who swapped places with other Diggers in the line so they could charge to their deaths shoulder to shoulder, through to ‘Dasher Wheatley’s refusal to leave his wounded mate’s side in Vietnam in the face of certain death. The Digger’s mateship extends beyond comradeship. It develops into a mutual respect and acquires an almost spiritual quality, which binds men for life. It enables them either to embrace or overlook their mate’s foibles and to draw on a seemingly limitless depth of commitment to each other. It helps to form teams with a combined strength far exceeding the sum of the members.

Please support the Anzac Day service.
Peter Hinchez

DUNKELD & DISTRICT CWA
The Dunkeld and District branch of the CWA meet on the third Wednesday of every month. Contacts: Louise Patterson (President) 0438 740 212 / 5574 0248 or Katie Adams (Secretary) 0417 470 712.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 20 March at 7.30pm.

TWILIGHT BOWLS
Friday 7th and 14th March. 6.00pm start. All ages, learners and families welcome. Entry $5 includes bowls and sausage. Enter a team of three or more or as a single entry. Bowls available. Wear flat soled shoes.
Entries to: Geoff Montgomery 5577 2424 or Gary Wall 5577 2578 or 0488 715 705. Heather McIntyre, President, Dunkeld Bowling Club

NEW FACE ON BOARD
Dunkeld & District Community Bank® welcomes Glen Darroch of Dunkeld to our Board of Directors. Glen joins the fold with a wealth of knowledge in accounting and finance.

These skills will be applied to the daily operations of the company as well as building the bank into a successful business for local community prosperity. Glen decided to join the Board as he feels the Bank has the potential to make a significant difference to the sustainability of his community.

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT GLEN:
• Role on the GRCE Board: Treasurer.
• Community Involvement: Glenthompson Dunkeld FNC, Dunkeld Recreation Reserve and recently joined the CFA.
• Glen would you like to witness a Richmond premiership at the MCG with his two little tiger cubs by his side.
• His favourite meal is eggs benedict paired with a good coffee.
• For his dream holiday Glen would like to see the Super Bowl in New Orleans.

Glen’s Final Thoughts: “I would encourage everyone who currently banks elsewhere to consider the Community Bank and at least give the team at the Branch the opportunity to win your business. A profitable Community Bank can have a profound impact on our communities, and provide significant financial support to community groups and assets. We are far better off with some of those profits going back into the community than into the hands of off-shore investors.”

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‘SAVE LIVES FOUNDATION’ RAFFLE AND STALL
The Stall to raise money for this Children’s Home in Kathmandu will be held on Saturday March 8th. I hope you will again be able to help me again with this venture. The Stall will be in the Lions Shelter.

Our Raffle tickets are now available in the Post Office and the Dunkeld General Store. We have some great prizes - your choice.
• $200 Travel Voucher from my Travel Agent Teniesha Gill from Travel Club Geelong.
• An overnight stay in the Little Brick Kiln Accommodation courtesy Karen Noske.
• A lovely painting of wrens by Betty Simpson and framed by David Edwards.

I have decided to raise the price of the tickets due to the quality of the prizes. $2 per ticket or 3 for $5.

If you want to look at the website for the Foundation, it is www.savlivesfoundation.org
Heather Napier

“GRAMPIANS ARK” and “GRAMPIANS TO GRASSLANDS” FOX CONTROL PROGRAMS
Landowners, residents and visitors please be advised that the next round of fox baiting will occur from Monday 3 February to Sunday 13 April 2014 in the Mirranatwa, Vic Valley, Karabeal,
The Old Bakery and Wild Plum Cafe has been sold. Pauline and Paul are deeply grateful to the support in patronage from the Dunkeld community, region and beyond. We are also appreciative of all the kindness and encouragement given by our staff, Southern Grampians tourism and by the generosity and goodwill from all the businesses in Dunkeld and further afield.

We were nervously confident the bakery could be brought back to life after 36 years. While always a calculated risk, the project risk slowly diminished as a bakery emerged literally from the cold ashes. Yet, this was only possible because of the generosity and knowledge of so many people.

We wish to honour and publicly thank the skilled and creative work of Clare Kennedy in assisting us with the development and concept of the bakery. We wish to thank our other staff, Gurwinder (the baker), Brooke, Kate, Miranda, Sally, Rose and Trevor for their loyal service. In many ways we viewed the venture as a contribution towards developing the uniqueness and beauty of this small town, by offering community capital as a core value in the community. And it has been a joy to get to know so many of you in the community through this place. The selling of the business is not to be taken as a loss, but a means for us to now move on with our staff to enhance the strong presence and reputation the bakery has developed in the region and beyond.

Thank You: Paul Sanders & Pauline Yule

PS: We are staying in Dunkeld!

From the Kitchen Garden...

We welcomed Year 5 and 6 back into the Kitchen on Thursday 20 February and I am always impressed by their thirst for knowledge and the retaining of information. I asked each one what they had enjoyed for dinner the previous night and quizzed them on which foods were from the garden and grown below or above the ground on their plate. The answers were given confidently and correctly.

We harvested zucchinis, rhubarb, chives, parsley, rosemary, potatoes and collected eggs. We prepared Zucchini Slice, Potato Salad with Sour Cream, Mustard and Fresh Herb Dressing, Rhubarb Crumble and Vanilla Bean Custard - which was worthy of a chef's hat and enjoyed by all thanks to our chooks and Mrs Gerring, Jemma White and Adam Crawford. Thank you to Sandy Roache, Val Peters and Sarah Crawford for helping and for sharing your time with us. Thank you to Paul Jeffreys and Rob Smith for the lovely grapefruit. Oscar Reynolds and Josh Hill squeezed and measured to place the juice in freezer containers ready to make Grapefruit and Ginger Curd next time we meet.

Great excitement on Thursday 27 February, as we welcome our 'apprentice' chefs the Grade 3 students. Grade 4, 'old' hands in the kitchen, will have many skills to share. (Full report on the Year 3/4 Kitchen class in the next edition.)

KITCHEN ROSTER:
Thursday 6 March - Year 5/6
Kathy Young
Melissa McIntyre
Dianne Dewan
Dot Callander
Sarah Crawford

Thursday 13 March - Year 3/4
Mariko Horn
Katie Calvert
Sandy Roache
Shelley Darroch
Liz Hinchey

Happy preparing and sharing together.
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

THANK YOU
THANK YOU to Paul and Pauline at ‘The Old Bakery & Wild Plum Cafe’; the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program at the Dunkeld Consolidated School sincerely thank you for your kindness and support in providing sponsorship to ensure the success of the program. We wish you the very best in the future and extend an open invitation to you to visit us in the Kitchen Garden any time. We are very grateful to you both.
Ann Howard, SAKG Co-coordinator
Lisa McIntyre, SAKG Garden Specialist
Clare Kennedy, SAKG Kitchen Specialist

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Wood fired goodness
Proud sponsor of the Dunkeld Consolidated School’s Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, with a percentage of bread sales donated to the program.
Two of our bright young female talents Airlie McIntyre and Jessica Field represented the Western Waves Under 14 team in the state championship finals on the weekend, with the girls holding their own as the team ultimately finished 3rd. Coach of the team is Grampians A Grade star Will Collins. Meanwhile former Grampians player Jamie Fenech coached the Western Waves Under 18 girls team in the grand final at the MCG where the team scored a one run win against Gippsland. Many Dunkeld residents were in attendance as the daughter (Jacquie Robinson) of former resident Natasha Riddle played in the team. State Champions for 2013/14.

Many records have tumbled this season with batsmen again dominating the scene. Paul and Daniel Kerber defeated the 8th wicket record partnership with 84 for D Grade against Hamilton, Wayne Dennert achieved the highest ever B Grade score with 126, Lachie Field scored his second century in three weeks and became the youngest player in the league to ever make two centuries in a season, Stephen Field became the high games holder in the club and many other players are very close to achieving game and number milestones. Former Dunkeld player and son of past Principal of the school Danny Joyce and his family were in town recently and paid a special visit to the ground and the rooms. His astonishment of just how far the club had come and the facility that the club offers to the district was most evident. His family were also able to provide a fantastic old picture of a junior premiership for the club wall. Danny now plays for a little club near Bega with his sons who are also keen cricketers.

This Saturday and Sunday our U14 team plays St Marys at Mitchell Park in the semi-finals, with the Under 16’s also playing semi-finals.

The club is holding a BBQ get together and send off for our overseas player Rhys this Saturday night.

Club presentation night will be held on Friday 1st April.

**Under 14’s:** Two games to finish the season were played Friday and Saturday, both against St Andrews. On the Friday evening at the school Grampians tipped the batting order around and still won comfortably with Lachie Field 25 retired, Sam Lambevski 25 retired, Jack Kruger and Josh Mawson 2 wickets.

On Saturday the team bowled out St Andrews for 50 after scoring 245. Most boys grabbed wickets, with Jack Kruger 2/0, Lachie Field 2/2, Sam Lambevski 2/4 and Josh Mawson 2/1 all doing their bit.

**Under 16’s:** Lost in a close game and will head into the finals from 3rd position hoping to regain some early season form. No information provided.

**A Grade:** Thanks to another thrashing Kane Uebergang (113) century and solid contributions from Heinrich Joyce 47 and Will Collins 44 the Pumas managed a comfortable win over Macarthur. A win against Southern Grampians will secure top position on the ladder.

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And Mirranatawa dates on the 6th & 20th March.

A reminder that Under 16 football training is on Wednesday nights at 5.30pm under new coach Glen Darroch. We encourage anyone who may be considering playing for the Rams in 2014 to come along and have a kick.

Junior netball is also on Wednesday nights at 5pm for Under 13’s and Under 15’s and 5.30pm for the Under 17’s.

If you have any queries regarding training please contact:

Senior Football Bernie Porter 0427 712 982
Junior Football Glen Darroch 0477 756 351
Netball Sue Balkin-Mitchell 0428 337 916

**Auskick**
Last year over 50 kids participated in the Auskick program on Thursday evenings at Dunkeld, learning the basics of the game and having a great time thanks to the efforts of Brad Mawson and Sally Beggs. This year’s program is expected to be just as big, and Brad and Sally have kindly offered to be involved once again.

Auskick for 2014 will commence on Thursday April 24 at 5pm at the Dunkeld Recreation Reserve and will run for 8 weeks. The cost of the program is $60 and registration can be completed online at www.aflauskick.com.au If you have any queries regarding Auskick please call Sally on 0408 991 102.

**Upcoming Events**
Saturday April 12 First Game v Great Western (at Great Western)
Sunday April 13 Membership Drive & Sheep Races (details to follow)

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**SPORT**
**GLENTHOMPSON DUNKELD FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB**

A great deal happening around the club, with finals beginning in the juniors and shortly for the seniors as well.

**GRAMPIANS CRICKET CLUB**
**B Grade:** A narrow 16 run loss for the B Grade boys after fighting hard to defend only 147.

**D Grade:** Playing a determined Southern Grampians outfit the young Puma team recorded another strong win on the back of another great opening partnership from Daniel Kerber (64) and Lachie Field (107 retired). Paul Kerber 30, Ryan Burgess 30 and Lachie McIntyre 30 then enjoyed some time at the crease. Lachie scoring his off 8 balls. Angus McIntyre taking 3 wickets with his swingers.

**GARDEN NOTES – MARCH**

Most potato crops should now be ready for harvest. When digging your crop take care not to damage tubers as their storage life will be considerably reduced. Store clean, dry, undamaged potatoes in a cool, dark, dry position and they will last for several months.

People have been asking about brown patches on the base of tomatoes. These patches extend into the core of the fruit and cause it to rot quickly. This is a disease called ‘blossom end rot’ and is caused by an interruption to the plants’ calcium supply which in turn is caused by uneven watering at some stage of the plants growth. Regular and even watering will prevent the problem.

The continuation of warm daytime temperatures and cool often dewy nights experienced in March can lead to the development of fungus disease on some vegetables particularly the pumpkin group also parsnips. Mildew, a white powdery deposit on leaves and a general decline of the plant is the main fungus disease of this group. Removal of damaged leaves and light regular dustings of sulphur will usually control this problem, also only water your plants at the base, not overhead.

Main vegetable plantings for March are cabbage, cauliflower, broccoli, silver beet, spinach, late carrots, early peas, broad beans and early onions, also turnips.

Sweet peas sown now will make an early display during the late winter-early spring period. They need a well-drained position prepared with a dressing of garden lime and superphosphate or complete fertiliser – do not use animal manure. The taller types will need a fence or trellis for support.

With the fall of autumn leaves not far ahead of us, you should be making plans to gather and compost this very valuable garden resource. Please DO NOT burn autumn leaves or throw them away.

Pansy, viola, stock, poppy, sweet William, calendula, wallflower and dianthus are the main annual flower plantings for March. Don’t forget to order your roses, fruit trees and deciduous ornamentals this month.

**Happy gardening – Stephen Hughan**

**MUMS’ TENNIS PROGRAM**

Tennis Victoria will be running a five week subsidised Mums’ Tennis Program beginning Monday 24 February to Friday 28 March at the Warrnambool Indoor Tennis Centre.

The program is designed to give Mums in the local area an opportunity to get active by playing tennis, meet and socialise with other mums in the local area. Tennis Victoria also coordinates a Tiny Tots program for children between the ages of 3 – 5 which allows mothers to participate along with their children and not have to worry about the burden of childcare.

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Parish Priest - Father Pat Mugavin - 5571 1161
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2nd Week  Sunday  March 9  9.00am  Assembly of Word and Communion
3rd Week  Sunday  March 16  9.00am  Mass
4th Week  Sunday  March 23  9.00am  Assembly of Word and Communion
5th Week  Sunday  March 30  9.00am  Mass

Saint Mary’s Anglican Church
Rector Father Adrian Stephens     Rectory Phone: 5571 1317
E-mail: rector.hamilton@bigpond.com  Pastoral Mobile: 0429 303 990

1st Sunday of the month         9.00am       Parish Mass
2nd Sunday of the month         11.00am      Lay led service
3rd Sunday of the month         No service
4th Sunday of the month         11.00am      Communion Service
5th Sunday of the month         No service in Dunkeld - Service in Hamilton – 10.30am

Judeo Christian Church
Cnr Adams and Fairbairn Streets, Dunkeld    Pastor Greg Gardner  Mobile: 0403 960 900

2nd and last Sunday of each month     10.30am

Uniting Church - Services all at St Mary’s Anglican Church
Sunday  9 March       9.00am       Don Taubert
Sunday 23 March        9.00am       Combined Parish Service in Hamilton with Rev Peter Cook

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