

## COWWARR CHRONICLE

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### A Very Happy and Safe 2006



## To Everyone



Hope everyone had a Happy Christmas. The Chronicle went into recess in December due to important international business connected with the North Pole.

#### CFA – NEWS FROM THE SHED

##### **Summer Fire Restrictions.**

The signs are up everywhere – NO BURNING OFF WITHOUT A PERMIT. To get a permit you need to contact your Shire Council – Good Luck. The road sides are drying off – hope there aren't any butt flingers driving about.

##### **Lightning Strikes.**

There have been a number over the last few weeks. This type of weather looks like continuing for some time. When the clouds clear TAKE A LOOK AROUND and if you see rising smoke or any other suggestion of fire call 000. The sooner a wildfire is detected, the sooner it will be suppressed.

##### **Minimum Skills Training Course.**

Conducted in three evening sessions, a day of fire-ground practical skills, then an assessment day. Training will be on February 8, 15 and 22 followed by practice and assessment on February 25 and March 4. Contact Capt. Andrew Iseppi BY MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY

##### **Strike Team Dates for Summer.**

Cowwarr Brigade has already supplied a Strike Team for the Stradbroke fire but there are still vacancies for an all expenses paid tour of somewhere hot and smoky on and around weeks commencing: 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 20<sup>th</sup>. February and 20<sup>th</sup>. March 2006.

##### **Traralgon Radio Functions Transfer To Morwell.**

A couple of weeks ago, the watchroom functions performed by Traralgon Station were transferred to Morwell. Traralgon was our fall-back when Heyfield Base and Group were un-manned. Functions like sending pager messages are duplicated between Traralgon and Morwell, so that will happen as before. We may find that our radio communication isn't so hot if we head towards the Weir area. CREW LEADERS – take a mobile phone – just in case.

Andrew Iseppi – Captain	5148 9339	Simon Mitchell – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	5148 9384
Mal Stewart – Secretary	5148 9426	Kim Hoggins – 3 <sup>rd</sup> . Lieutenant	5148 9312
Anton Vardy – 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	5192 4105	Brian Burleigh – 4 <sup>th</sup> . Lieutenant	5148 9364

## **AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST**

Yes, it is on again this year. Come and join the Cowwarr-Toongabbie Lions and Wellington Shire plus everyone in Cowwarr for a slap-up cooked breakfast, and some music and a Lolly Scramble at the Cowwarr Public Hall.

When – 26<sup>th</sup>. January at about 8am of course.

Come along and join in the fun

## **Wellington Shire Council Stuff**

CCHA has received some communication from two (2) Councillors since the last Chronicle.

First was Clr. Darren McGubbin – pledging his support and being appalled by the Traffic Survey (as published in the last Chronicle). He promises that he will put this forward as a matter of urgency and try to get the Streetscape Plan fast tracked by Council in the 2006 budget. See it when we believe it!!!

The other was a card from new Clr. Beth Rippen from Stratford. She has indicated that she is someone who “looks forward to working with small communities”.

Beth has had a big influence in things going on in Stratford. Well we will see what happens in the next few months.

## **Christ Church Calendar for 2006**

Services start at 11am. Any changes or additional services will be advertised in the Chronicle or by a notice at the Shop.

January 19<sup>th</sup>.

February 19<sup>th</sup>.

March 19<sup>th</sup>.

April 16<sup>th</sup>.

May 21<sup>st</sup>.

June 18<sup>th</sup>.

July 16<sup>th</sup>.

August 20<sup>th</sup>.

September 17<sup>th</sup>.

October 15<sup>th</sup>.

November 19<sup>th</sup>.

December 17<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone wishing to give a hand with cleaning, gardening and flowers please ring Helen on 5148 9233