

COWWARR CHRONICLE

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CFA – NEWS FROM THE SHED

Southern Rural Water – Big Rubbish Burn at Weir ON Saturday morning November 19th.

SRW will –weather permitting burn fifteen large piles of rubbish. Best if we have a crew on site to keep tabs on progress. A few new fence posts are a bit close to the action. Any Volunteers? – contact Andrew.

EVERYONE ELSE – EXPECT TO SEE SMOKE AND POSSIBLY FLAMES!

Group Training Exercise Sunday 20th. November

A Crew of at least six (6) to turn out at 9:10am for a briefing at Glengarry Hall at 9:30am.

Water Sports Day: bring a change of clothing in a waterproof bag!

Have you tried your hand at hose strangling? Don't know what you have been missing. Promises to be winding up and drying off at 2:30pm.

Contact Andrew ASAP for catering purposes.

Heyfield Brigade BBQ and Training Evening.

Tuesday November 29th. BBQ at 6:30pm and Training Session from 7:30pm.

Field predictions: fuel load and rate of fire spread.

End of Year and End of an Era BBQ.

In combination with the Lions Club, the end of year BBQ will be held on Wednesday 14th. December from 7pm at the Cricket Club Hotel, Outback Bar and Grill – enter via Cricket Street.

Meat provided; bring a salad to share; BYO soft drinks; other drinks at bar prices.

Come along and acknowledge the service of those retiring from Active service at the end of the year.

Strike Team Dates for Summer.

Your chance for an all expenses paid tour of somewhere hot and smoky – mark them in your calendar.

Weeks commencing: 26th. December 2005 and 23rd January, 20th. February and 20th. March 2006.

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

ROSE FESTIVAL

Congratulations to everyone who won prizes at the show and thank-you to those who opened their gardens.

Understand that next year will be **bigger than Ben Hur** as it will be held in Heyfield with a lot of other functions/events being staged around the Festival.

FOR SALE

The Cowwarr Hall still has for sale 2 x interior wooden doors

Quantity of laminated panel off-cuts – neutral colour suitable for benches, splash backs or small jobs.

Best offer – Contact Judith Stone 5148 9364.

STREETSCAPE PLAN

CCHA sent the Summary of the VicRoads data (published last month) to Wellington Shire. Surprise, surprise when confronted with the figures in a more readable format the Council “suddenly” realised:-

- a). Just how many vehicles actually pass through Cowwarr.
and
- b). More importantly, how many of these vehicles (especially large trucks) are over the speed limit.

As VicRoads has approved the draft Plan this has forced Council to agree that there is a “real” need to get Phase 1 of the Plan up and running ASAP.

As a start Tim Rowe (Shire) met with H. Hoppner to outline the next steps which are summarised below.

1. A final “walk through” of the current draft plan will take place soon. The date will be advertised – keep an eye out for a notice in Shop window – everyone is welcome.
2. Final Plan will be submitted to the Community for our confirmation – hopefully here not in Sale
3. Work starts – it should be noted that the Main Street will resemble something like a war zone when things get going as, the trees under the power lines have to go and there will be some major road works being done.

Seeing the State Govt. has suddenly whacked a bit more loot on the table for Rural areas, hopefully Wellington Shire and VicRoads will be able to tap into this to complete the work in 2006.

LIONS CLUB NEWS

At the October Lions District Convention held in Drouin, Lions Ken Goddard and Brian Burleigh successfully presented the case that, the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre Appeal should be supported by ALL Lions Clubs in the District.

What does this mean? Well it means that Lions Clubs from the Mornington Peninsula to Mallacoota will be running events/raffles/functions which will contribute to the Cancer Care Centre.

The aim is to raise a minimum of \$170,000 - but, knowing Lions, reckon we will top that easily.

So, if you are passing through any town in Gippsland and see the Lions or Lionesses out selling raffle tickets, holding a sausage sizzle or doing something more sophisticated then please get behind this Appeal.

First cab off the rank in our immediate area is Wellington Latrobe Lions who are donating the proceeds of the Roses of Toongabbie on Sunday 27th. November 2005. Rock along to the Toongabbie Mechanics Institute around 10am and purchase tickets for \$8 to visit two wonderful Rose gardens. There will also be tea, luncheon, displays of Art and the Madrigal Singers will entertain. Trevor Mason from the Gippsland Cancer Care Centre will be on hand to answer your questions about the Centre. Oh - and there are Lucky Ticket draws and much more.

Cowwarr Toongabbie Lions are in the final phase of planning an event in early 2006 – will keep you posted!

Christ Church News.

Not much news at the moment about the sale of surplus land – hopefully the new Bishop will be a bit more pro-active!

Next Service is on Sunday 20th. November at 11am.

As usual the Committee is always looking for people who can volunteer a bit of time for cleaning or, donate some flowers to decorate the church. Big thanks to the grass mowers.