



Trentham Residents and Traders Association Inc. (TRATA)

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"For the promotion and improvement of Trentham by encouraging Community involvement in decisions affecting all Residents and Traders and to establish effective communication and representation of the Town within and outside the Shire."

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TRENTHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER Issue No. 57 & 58, May/June 2006

Due to technical and deadline issues this newsletter is a combined May and June edition. Weather reports for both April and May are included. Apologies to all.

The station meeting rooms are available for hire at very reasonable rates for community groups. Check with Sandra Proksa (5424 1037) or Ross Urquhart (5424 1509) for bookings.

CHRLC Mobile Library



Central Highlands
Regional **Library** Corporation

The CHRLC Mobile Library visits locations in this area regularly. Joining the library is free; books, DVDs, CDs, videos, talking books and magazines can be borrowed and loads of information is available through the library website www.chrlc.vic.gov.au, by phoning the mobile library on 0419 377702, or CHRLC Administration on 5332 2615.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT CHANGES TO MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE:

In July some major changes are happening to the mobile library service. The current vehicle is being replaced by a much larger version and will contain a considerably larger range and quantity of stock. There will also be improved public access to facilities such as internet and library catalogue. Southern Grampians borrowers may notice an improvement in collection quality and ease of library use.

The new service will be covering a much wider area which will include the Southern Grampians Shire and, as a consequence, will necessitate some changes to the timetable together with the cessation of some smaller stops.

Although these changes may cause some inconvenience, in an overall sense the mobile library service will be greatly enhanced and its long term viability more assured.

GO TO:

The library website (www.chrlc.vic.gov.au) includes free access to some huge resources and databases: See "Latest News" or "Reference resources" for drivers licence resources. Also accessible through "Youth: looking to the future." Follow the links for online tests and manuals.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMES FOR:

Blackwood every Monday, Main Street – 11:45am to 1:00pm

Trentham every Monday, Market Street – 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Greendale every Monday, opposite the Pub – 10:30am to 11:30am

REMEMBER:

You can renew your loans or reserve items via our web page, just ask us how on your next library visit. You can also renew items by ringing any branch of Central Highlands Regional Library Corporation. Simply remember to have your library card handy.

BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS FROM YOUR LIBRARY:

Jeffery Deaver. "The Twelfth Card" (Mystery thriller)

Li Cunxin. "Mao's Last Dancer" (Biography)

Cheers from Dale, Bronwyn, Kerry, Jim and Charlie

TRENTHAM DANCE DATES

Dates for dancing during 2006 are below. Music is provided by the "Rythmaires".

Friday 14th July

Friday 11th August

Friday 8th September

Friday 13th October

Friday 10th November

Friday 8th December

E-MAIL LIST FOR THE TRATA NEWSLETTER

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RUBBISH ON ROADSIDES

The community is urged to keep an eye out for people who dump their rubbish on our road verges. About every 4 weeks someone empties their car boot or trailer load of household rubbish including garden refuse and wrapping material at the junction of

Falls Road and the Tylden Road. This is a highly visible area that is regularly used by commercial vehicles and tourists as a roadside stop. This rubbish is not only an eyesore but could lead to plants from the garden refuse escaping and increasing our already substantial weed problem. To reduce this I regularly collect it and take it to the tip. However, the fact that it is cleaned up may ease the conscience of the dumpers. Please contact the Police or Trentham Landcare on 5424 1261 if you witness the dumping. A number plate would be useful.

While on the topic of roadside litter what about an effort by the Trentham Community under the "Clean Up Australia" campaign next year?

Barry Elliott

TRENTHAM'S PUBLIC LAND

After many years of neglect some action is currently taking place to remove weeds and improve access to the Bath Street and Park Street reserves. The Hepburn Shire is the Committee of Management for the Bath Street reserve beside the Mechanics Institute Hall. They have been successful in obtaining the services of a Green Corps Team of 10 young trainees and a supervisor for 6 months. It is hoped that they will be able to remove weeds, plant some areas, develop and erect signage and build walkways to allow access.

The locally elected Committee of Management for the Park Street reserve on which the Bowling Club, Lions storage shed and the Skate Board Park operate has undertaken some weed control funded by DSE. They have recently submitted an application for funding through the Envirofund grants program to continue this work and to improve access by the public.

Barry Elliott

TRENTHAM DISTRICT PRIMARY

Lots of good things are happening at our school this term. We held our athletic sports in the week before Easter with children participating in the morning in sprints, distance run, high jump, long jump, triple jump, discus and shot put events. Lots of

parents (over 30) came and helped and cheered on their children. In the afternoon we held our own Commonwealth Games with students representing 9 Commonwealth countries and competing in 9 "modified" Commonwealth events.

The whole school has been involved in the "Jump Rope for Heart" program where children sign up people to sponsor them for skipping for one hour. The money raised goes to the Heart Foundation. A great way to help others and get fit at the same time! We'll let you know how much we raised next newsletter.

Two of our students took part in the Anzac Ceremony held in Trentham. Lucas Byrne read the Anzac Requiem and Deanne Bloomfield the Anzac Ode. A service was also held at the school the day before Anzac Day.

Our Junior School Council is up and running. Members are: Lucas Byrne (President), Deanne Bloomfield (Vice President), Katherine Myles (Secretary), Scott Witmitz (Treasurer) and committee members Jenna Bruton, Joseph Evans, Holly Wheeldon and Patrick Reed-Rogers. They are in the process of getting involved in the World Vision "Water Health Life" program that sponsors a community from around the world for \$39 a month to obtain fresh water. They will be running fund raisers to support this commendable project.

Still to come this term are:

- Literacy Partnerships Parents Course
- Literature Night at Aesops Attic, Kyneton
- Bike Education for Grades 3 to 6
- Young Author's Camp for Grade 4 students
- Family Maths Night

More details next newsletter!

CLUBS PROGRAM – CAN YOU HELP?

The school is seeking the assistance of any community member who would like to participate in our Clubs program. The program commenced on Friday 19th May and run for 4 Fridays from 2pm to 3pm. If you have a particular interest or hobby you would like to share with a small group of

children would you please contact Phil on 5424 1354.

SALE OF THE CENTURY!

Due to refurbishment the school is selling off old furniture and equipment...

- Student chairs **\$6.50**
- Student Tables **\$22**
- Library Shelves **\$44**
- Mobile Computer Benches **\$27.50**
- Electric Organ **\$55 ono**
- Gas Heaters – Rinnai 551 Energy Saver **\$198**

All prices are GST inclusive. Please contact the principal on 5424 1364 for further details.

ART SHOW AWARDS

Results of the Trentham Art and Craft Show people's awards are as follows:

Art "Arabians" – Alison Sinclair Myers
Craft "Bed of Roses" – Lynda Marples

Raffle Prize Winners

- 1st** Orange F26 – Faye McKenzie
- 2nd** Green C87 – Trevor
- 3rd** Orange C3 – Mahar
- 4th** Blue F44 – Andrea Barnes
- 5th** A81 – Roberto
- 6th** Blue F59 - J Low
- 7th** Green F10 – E Beachary
- 8th** Orange F59 – Ken Parfrey
- 9th** Blue F3 – Elizabeth McNerny
- 10th** Purple C50 – C Ray
- 11th** Blue C84 - Patty



BRISBANE POETRY COMPETITION 2006

Local poet Joy Brisbane has generously funded a major poetry competition as part of Hepburn Shire's Words in Winter Celebration and there are some great prizes to be won.

In the **Junior Category** (for ages 15 and under on 31 July 2006) first, second and third prizes are \$150, \$100 and \$50, respectively. The poem can be up to 30 lines in length and must contain the phrase "I heard voices". In the **Open Category** (for 15 years and over), first prize is \$700 plus a 5-day poet's retreat at "Tarilta" near Smythesdale, second prize is \$400 and third prize is \$300. The poem can be up to 30 lines in length and must contain the phrase "unvisited by even a wandering ghost".

For competition rules and guidelines go to www.geocities.com/wordcomp or send an SSAE to Reason-Brisbane Poetry Competition, PO Box 439, Daylesford, 3460, or phone 5348 7879.

The competition closes on 10 July 2006.



MEDIA RELEASE

**Hepburn Shire Council
contribution to health and
environment**

Hepburn Shire Council has contributed to a state wide increase of green purchasing.

The Municipal Association of Victoria recently announced that Victorian councils had smashed all previous green purchasing records, spending \$80 million during the past financial year, on products that cause less damage to our environment and our health, an increase of \$43 million from the year before.

The Hepburn Shire Council's expenditure on green products increased from \$158,000 in 2004 to over \$309,000 in 2005. Hepburn Shire Council Director of Infrastructure and Development Rod Conway said the Council's commitment to using green products would increase again this year with a recent move to using green power for both street lighting and office power. The Hepburn Shire Council is among Victorian council's to have joined ECO-Buy, a program that supports local government and businesses in purchasing environmentally friendly products.

ECO-Buy is a joint initiative of Sustainability Victoria, the delivery agency for the Government's Framework for Environmental Sustainability; the Victorian Greenhouse Strategy, the Department of Sustainability and Environment (with a plan to reduce Victoria's greenhouse emissions), and of the Municipal Association of Victoria, the peak body for Victorian Local Government.

Green products are categorised as:

- Recycled content
- Water saving
- Energy efficient
- Low-toxicity
- Other environmentally preferable

For information on ECO-Buy visit the website

<http://www.mav.asn.au/ecobuy>

MEDIA RELEASE

Community planning

New structure plans, to form part of the Hepburn Shire Planning Scheme to determine how towns will be shaped in the future, are being finalised for Daylesford, Hepburn Springs, Trentham, Clunes and Creswick.

The Hepburn Shire Council has engaged the services of consultant David Robb from Planit Urban Design and Strategic Planning to complete the process.

A review of the Daylesford, Hepburn Springs and Trentham structure plans began in late 2003. Reviews for Clunes and Creswick began early 2005.

All have included comprehensive community input.

The review *process* will be completed with the preparation of a planning scheme amendment which will include the revised structure plans for each town.

The structure plan reviews included a series of workshops involving the community, resulting in the structure plans being revised complete with vision statements and objectives.

For Daylesford, Hepburn Springs and Trentham the draft documents were put out for public consultation and comment with the community consultation process now complete for these towns. This community consultation and comment process is currently taking place for the Clunes and Creswick structure plans.

It is proposed that the drafting of the planning scheme amendments will be completed and placed on public exhibition by July.

Hepburn Shire Council Manager of Planning and Economic Development Judith Bedford said the process involved community participation at the grass roots level, from the very beginning of the project rather than at the stage where the formal exhibition of the planning scheme amendment occurs.

The community consultation process adopted by Council for this project included a series of workshops held

for each town where residents were asked how they would like to see their area develop in the future.

The revised structure plans for each of the towns will include both written objectives and maps that highlight future directions for development, as well as identify specific issues and opportunities to enhance the towns. "Members of the community were invited to express their vision of what kind of place they wished to live in the future."

"Involving the community from the very beginning was a positive initiative for both Council, Council staff and the community," she said.

"The process has incorporated the concept of sustainability and involved the community in each town identifying issues they want included in their structure plan, as well as developing the associated objectives and the vision for their area."

"Residents were asked to help determine what degree of sustainability was thought possible and how it be applied," Ms Bedford said.

Community input and ideas from previous studies and forums have been used as part of the process, for example for Creswick the town's Community Development Plan is being used as part of the process.

The draft revised structure plans will lay the ground work for a planning scheme amendment which will replace the existing structure plans in the Hepburn Planning Scheme.

The draft revised structure plans documents have been written in a language which is community friendly," Ms Bedford said.

Working groups made up of community members have been part of the process to ensure the plans reflect the community's wishes.

"Part of the job of the consultant will now be to translate the draft documents prepared in consultation with the various communities into a formal amendment to the Hepburn Planning Scheme."

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MEDIA RELEASE

Fun, food and friendship

The Hepburn Shire Council is seeking people who enjoy cooking or would like to learn more about it.

Or it may be those who would like to spend time with people who have a mutual appreciation for food and cooking.

The Hepburn Shire Council through its Hepburn Healthy Communities Project would like to hear from people interested in setting up or taking part in a community kitchen in their town or district

Community kitchens provide residents with greater access to knowledge and skills relating to food as well as social opportunities and encourage healthy eating.

Community kitchens can be established in existing public facilities such as community halls or other community meeting places which have appropriate kitchen facilities. Each community would determine the method of operation for its kitchen.

Hepburn Healthy Communities Project Strengthening Communities Coordinator Brian Dunn said a Community Kitchen involved a group of like-minded individuals coming together on a regular basis to socialise and cook before enjoying affordable and nutritious meals with new friends. "But if you have other ideas about how you could run a community kitchen we would like to hear about them too," Mr Dunn said.

A community kitchen project has been successfully implemented in Frankston based on international models – community kitchens are popular in Canada.

Mr. Dunn said community kitchens proved to be popular as food and eating provided a good reason for a

social event.

"Families usually come together for meals or special occasions over a meal but for instance people who live on their own often don't have the opportunity to experience or share this and a community kitchen can provide this social element.

"Community kitchens also provide an alternative approach to promote healthy eating and the development of personal skills and social support networks within the local community."

To express an interest in forming a community kitchen in your area phone Brian Dunn on 5345 8399.

For further information contact:

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Date: 23/05/06

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TRATA NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Starting in June the deadline for the newsletter will be 25th of the month. Deadline for July newsletter will be 25th June. Ed.

ARTICLES FOR TRATA NEWSLETTER

Can everyone please try to keep articles for the newsletter down to between 50-100 maximum words? It is becoming very difficult to find the time to edit articles down so that the size (and therefore the cost) of the newsletter is kept manageable. Also we do not have the facility to unpick PDF files and they are not able to be inserted into the newsletter and so must be retyped in full. Ta! Ed.

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Good Advice: Don't worry about what people think, they don't do it very often!

Weather Report

Dr. J. Hollis

TRENTHAM IN APRIL

Rainfall 81.3mm Av 78.9mm
Mean max. 12.0°C Av 14.3°C
Mean min 4.0°C Av 5.7
COLD.FREQUENT RAIN.
Temperatures were some 2° below normal due to several cold spells. Sleet fell early on 21st and slight air frosts occurred on 5 nights. Well distributed rain without heavy falls gave a near average total; however the water table is remained dry. This was another quiet month with few significant events.

Weather Report

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TRENTHAM IN MAY

Rainfall 76.5mm Av 108.2mm
Mean max. 9.8°C Av 10.9°C
Mean min 3.6°C Av 4.4
WET THEN DRY. RATHER COLD.
Most of the month's rainfall fell in the first 10 days, with a heavy fall on 7th commencing water-table recharge. Temperatures were below normal but without any extremes. A cold snap on 7th produced sleet showers; the only noteworthy event of the month. Winds from the qesterly quadrant accompanied rain and showers – 10th. Therefore SE winds were prevalent. There was a severe frost (-3.8°C) on 31st.

CLASSIFIEDS



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Sunday 28th May 2006

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