



# TRENTHAM COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Issue No. 62, March 2007

Welcome to our second new issue of the Newsletter, we hope you like it and we do encourage all groups and residents alike to use it, particularly with the dates to remember and the advertising. Our editors, Paula and Daniel, are available to assist you with any enquiries or requests concerning the Newsletter. Remember the Newsletter will be out monthly and is home delivered and also available from selected businesses.

Australia Day – what a wonderful day we all had! All the work behind the scenes leading up to the day was well worth it, judging by the good feedback we have had from many people. These events are for the community, and all the volunteers thank each and every one of you for supporting their efforts in arranging this day for you.

We would sincerely like to thank Mary Ashdown from the Shire for all her support; Trentham Lions Club for cooking the barbe-



*Ron Clark raises the flag*

cue; June English, our last minute stand in MC; John Cook for the sound equipment; Shirley from the café for the potato machine; our flag raiser Ron Clark; Nicole Falkiner for the National Anthem, the Walsh family and friends for the entertainment, Colleen Jaeger for her help in food preparation,

Catherine King MP and Cr Heather Mutimer for their official duties and of course the TRATA committee members without whose help this would not have taken place.

Just a reminder about the TRATA Annual Art Show over the Easter Break and the Primary School Fete on St Patrick's Day. See advertisements for these in this newsletter.

Finally, as many of you would now be aware, the local football and netball club got broken into recently and many thousands of dollars' damage was done. The club volunteers do a wonderful job for this community and provide a great service to you and your kids, and it must be heartbreaking that they must now raise extra funds to repair this damage to YOUR club-rooms. I am sure any support we as a community can give them will be greatly appreciated

**Ross Urquhart**  
**President**



*Cr Heather Mutimer*



*Nicole Falkiner and June English*



*Catherine King MP*



**Trentham Residents and Traders Association Inc. (TRATA)**

Registration Number A0033785J

*"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."*

Visit us at [www.trentham.org.au](http://www.trentham.org.au)

Don't miss the  
**Trentham Easter  
Art and Craft  
Show**

Trentham Mechanics  
Hall

**April 6-9  
10am-4pm**

**ADMISSION FREE**

This popular event attracted  
280 entries last year and  
visitors from far and wide.

Anyone interested in entering  
art or craft into the show  
should contact Sandra Proksa  
at <sanpro@nex.net.au> or  
phone 5424 1037

Deadline for entry forms and  
fees is March 22.

**Trentham District  
Primary School**

Bridge Street, Trentham 3458

**Trentham  
Fete**

St Patrick's Day in the Highlands

17th March 2007

10.00 am - 3.00 pm

- Auctions • Plants • Pony Rides
- Socks • Jumping Castle
- Face Painting • Books
- Home Made Jewellery
- Plaster Fun • Fine Foods
- Lucky Dips • Giftware
- Lucky Jars • Devonshire Tea
- Jumble Sale
- and much, much more!

Please call for further details or to  
confirm your booking

**Livia Bourke Ph: 5424 1824 or  
Sheryl Thompson  
Ph: 5424 1813**

**Fun-run to raise money for cancer**

For the second year running, a  
fun-run to raise money for charity,  
Run For Your Life, will be held in  
Daylesford.

The Hepburn Shire Council  
through its Year 12 to Eternity  
project is assisting with the event  
to be held on Saturday March 17 at  
1.30pm at Lake Daylesford.

The inaugural event last year  
attracted 200 participants and once  
again residents and visitors to the  
area are encouraged to register for  
the 3km, 5km or 8km courses.

Participants can choose to either  
walk or jog. Entry is \$28 – conces-  
sion is \$16.



The Run For Your Life organisa-  
tion is a registered charitable founda-  
tion, staffed by volunteers.

If you are interested in volun-  
teering or taking part in the event  
visit the website <www.runforyour  
life.org.au> or call 9898 8636.

For more information contact:  
Sue Moses at Hepburn Shire Coun-  
cil, phone 5321 6451 or email  
<smoses@hepburn.vic.gov.au> or  
Jacinta Walsh, phone 5321 6118

**Is your business missing out?**

Are you listed on the Trentham  
Community Website or are you  
missing out on valuable enquir-  
ies from the Internet? Expose  
your business on the number-one  
Google-ranked site for Trentham,  
Australia. There is no catch: this is  
a community service provided by  
TRATA and all listings are FREE. If  
you already have a website, then  
we will link to it. Make the Internet  
work for you and help us showcase  
what Trentham has to offer at the  
same time.

Have a look at <www.trentham.  
org.au> under the 'Businesses' sec-  
tion to see whether you are listed  
or to check whether your details  
are up-to-date.

Please e-mail <webmaster@  
trentham.org.au> or call Alex on  
5424 1222 to add or update a list-  
ing.

Free web hosting and e-mail  
addresses are also available for all  
non-profit community organisa-  
tions serving Trentham.

**It's your website: use it.**

**Free drought counselling available**

Talking can help us deal with  
stress. For anyone affected in some  
way by the drought there is now  
free counselling available. Rural  
Drought Counsellors from Child  
and Family Services (call 5337 3333)  
will even do free home visits to  
your property. Relationships Aus-  
tralia is offering a free face-to-face  
counselling service in Ballarat (call  
5337 9222). Relationships Australia  
is also offering a free telephone  
counselling service, pre-booking  
appointment times can be made by  
contacting 1800 817 569. Lifeline's

free telephone counselling service is  
available without appointment, 24  
hours a day, by calling 131114.

The Trentham Hepburn Ac-  
tive Men's (HAM) Group will be  
established soon. The group will  
get together once a month to work  
on small projects and take part  
in various activities proposed by  
group members. If you would like  
to become involved with this group  
or wish to find out more please give  
Rob a call on 5345 8165. Men of  
all ages and physical ability will be  
made very welcome.

## Support the Saints

The Trentham District Football/Netball Club has a long and proud history stretching back well over 100 years. During that time the club has provided an important place in the community – somewhere that the youth of the district can participate in a healthy sporting environment.

The club caters for all ages and skill levels and fields Senior, Reserve and Under 17 football teams, as well as A Grade, B Grade, Under 17 and Under 14 netball teams.

In recent years the club has fallen on hard times. Last season was one of the worst that the club has endured in its history.

The town has rallied behind

the club and the recent Annual General Meeting was the best attended in many years. A strong committee of 16 willing workers was formed, but the job ahead is daunting. For a club to be a success in today's environment requires plenty of hard work and a lot of money.

The club is calling on all people who may be able to make a financial contribution. There are various types and levels of sponsorship available, or you might like to suggest your own form of sponsorship.

**If you can help in any way, please contact the president of the club, Vin Cowell, phone 0428 585 550.**

### Writer/s wanted...

Calling on any community members who enjoy writing to consider writing a feature story (or stories) for the newsletter. We would like articles about interesting local identities or historic places in Trentham. Please phone Paula or Daniel on 5424 1479 to discuss your ideas!

## Public internet access available

The Trentham Neighbourhood Centre has public internet access available **Monday to Thursday, 9.00am–4.00pm** except if there are computer classes running. Phone the centre on 5424 1354 to check availability.

## Weather Report

Dr. J. Hollis

### TRENTHAM IN JANUARY

- Rainfall 105.5mm (Av 54.5mm)
- Mean max. 23.0°C (Av 21.9°C)
- Mean min. 11.4°C (Av 9.8°C)

### WETTEST JANUARY SINCE 1993

Storms on the 1st gave 49.5mm in 24 hours, the largest daily fall since February 2004. In the evening, 29.8mm fell in 38 minutes, giving flash flooding. Heat and dryness returned with 33.3° on the 16th. Tropical moisture then invaded giving extreme humidity and uncomfortable nights – 19.7° on the 17th. Over five days, 52mm of rainfall with 30mm on the 20th. Much drier, almost autumnal conditions followed, but at last, the grass is green again! Rainfall was twice the average and month mean temperature was 1.4° above average. There were six nights above 15° and 12 days over 25°.

## Free courses

### Volunteer managers

Conservation Volunteers Australia in partnership with Toyota Australia are running a series of free workshops for volunteer managers and coordinators (paid and unpaid) from environment groups as well as other volunteer organisations.

**For dates of workshops in your area please contact Colleen Daly on freecall 1800 032 501 or email <info@conservationvolunteers.com.au>.**

### Emergency relief

Wimmera Information Network is conducting an accredited FREE training course in Emergency Relief Work. The course will be delivered over two days – April 2 and 3.

**For more information, phone 5382 5301.**

The Trentham Residents and Traders Association Inc (TRATA) newsletter is published the first week of every month. **Deadline date for editorial and advertising artwork is strictly the 20th of the previous month.** Word limit for contributed articles is 200 words.

For editorial or advertising enquiries, contact the editors, Paula Bradley or Daniel Williams, email <finalpage@optusnet.com.au> or P.O. Box 207, Trentham 3458.

Classified advertising is sold in two sizes:

Size	Cost per year	Cost per issue
58mm wide x 120mm deep	\$100	\$10
58mm wide x 58mm deep	\$50	\$5

Cheques to be made payable to TRATA. Advertisements will not be placed in the newsletter unless payment is received in full before the deadline date.

We wish to acknowledge Catherine King MHR and her staff for donating time and resources to print this newsletter.

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please send a message to <trata\_newsletter\_subscribe@trentham.org.au> or visit the TRATA website at <www.trentham.org.au> and go to the 'News' section.

## Trentham Community Group news

The Trentham Community Group held a fund raising Garden Party at Studio 500 on Sunday 15 October last year, the proceeds of which are for the extension to the Neighbourhood House.

Local wineries, food and craft stalls and massages together with musical entertainment by Nicholas Lyons, Maria Ford, Sophie Chishkovsky and Ruth Mary Love filled the day.

Lion's Club volunteers manned the gate and stalls and their assistance was much appreciated.

The raffle was supported by lo-

cal businesses who gave generous prizes. Thank you to the Trentham Café, Trentham Cool Climate Nursery, St Erth Café, Trentham Garden Ornaments, Trentham IGA and Studio 500.

### Wine and Cheese night

The Trentham Community Group invite you to enjoy Wine and Cheese by Candlelight at a Music Night to be held on Saturday April 21 at the Trentham Neighbourhood Centre at 7.30pm. Cost is \$25.

Bookings: Henk Bak 5424 1702

## Sign up for a prize!

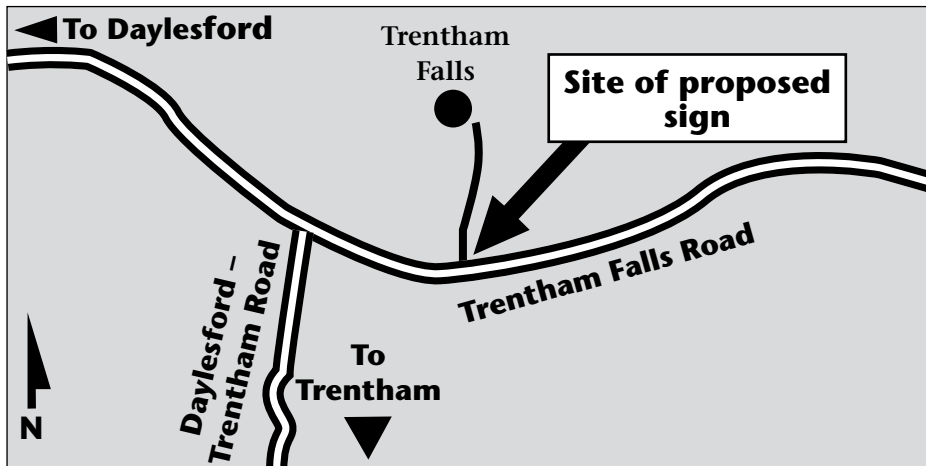
TRATA has recently secured funding to help promote Trentham. Part of the funding is to be used to erect a sign at the falls to encourage people to visit the town centre.

TRATA is calling on community members to think up a catchy phrase to put on the sign by offering a prize for whoever comes up

with the best idea.

The sign will be positioned so as to be visible as people are leaving the falls, so it needs to advise of the direction to take and a catchy sales pitch.

All entries should be made to Sheryl Thompson, phone (03) 5424 1813 by Friday March 30.



## A fete to remember

According to the Trentham Primary School Fete organisers we are about to experience the fete of the decade! The aim is to raise funds for IT equipment for the school.

Trentham Fete will be held on St Patrick's Day, Saturday 17th March 2007 between 10.00 am - 3.00 pm.

Entry is free and fete goers will be able to relax to the live entertainment or browse the many stalls for bargains. Kids will have fun with many affordable activities to choose from.

Organisers would also love for you to be involved. They are call-



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Saturday March 17  
**Primary School Fete**
- April 6-9  
**TRATA Art Show at Easter**
- April 21  
**Wine and Cheese Night**
- Saturday November 24  
**TRATA Annual Bootscoot**  
*(Community groups, please send your important dates in!)*

## A celebration of community volunteers

The Hepburn Shire Council wishes to acknowledge the multitude of volunteers who willingly donate so much of their time, energy and resources to community activities.

The generosity in this regard strengthens the bonds within the community and is evidence of the level of community pride and spirit.

To demonstrate Council's recognition and appreciation of its valued volunteer groups, it has organised a 'Celebration of Community Volunteers' to be held Wednesday evening, 21st March, in the Wombat Hill Botanic Gardens, Daylesford.

Community volunteers wishing to attend can RSVP to Mary Ashdown on 5321 6423 by Friday March 9.

ing on the Trentham Community for help, in the way of volunteers, donations for stalls, raffles and prizes, performers and buskers, etc.

If you think you can help please call Livia Bourke on (03) 5424 1824 or Sheryl Thompson on (03) 5424 1813.

## Park Street Reserve facelift

Greencorps is back again. The new team who come mostly from Kyneton, are here to help make the Park Street Reserve into a user friendly area.

They will be working to uncover the hidden remnant wetland near the creek line, remove weeds and plant missing indigenous native plants. They are also going to make a pathway for easier access onto the site. They will help develop signage to tell us about the history of the site and the plants that are there.

There are also plans to help with work on the Domino trail, including marking a loop track so that walkers can complete a circuit back into Trentham.

The partner agents for this project are CVGT Training, Hepburn Shire, Trentham Parks and Reserves, the Trentham Lions Club, the Trentham Bowls Club and TRATA.

For more information please feel free to contact Mary Ann on 0429 438 611 or Dave on 0427 825 290.



## Trentham Sunday Market

held 4th Sunday of the month

located at the

TRENTHAM RAILWAY STATION

9am- 3pm

**Next market: Sunday 25th March**

If you have something for sale, this is the place to sell it!

Two smaller-size stalls are available for \$5 or \$10, plus \$2 Public Liability Insurance. A great option for selling any unwanted items from your garage. For these smaller stalls, the fee may be waived for local charitable/non-profit organisations.

The larger stalls are 8 x 4 metres, which leaves ample space for a display and a vehicle. If you require more space, we are prepared to make special arrangements.

The smaller stalls don't have room for a vehicle, but a stall-holders car park is available adjacent to those stalls.

There is no need to get there early to get your 'preferred spot'. You can reserve a stall and if you have pre-paid, it will be held for you until 9am or 10am. Of course you can just take 'pot luck'.

An area is also set aside for special events such as displays, buskers, advertising, ticket sales etc.

For further information or a registration form, please phone Sheryl on (03) 5424 1813.

## Secretaries unite

Calling all secretaries of community committees/groups/clubs/societies etc. With the technology of today, secretaries can easily communicate the activities of their clubs (e.g. calendar of events, sound boarding, networking etc).

Trentham Neighbourhood Centre has started this fantastic idea. Trentham District Football and Netball Club and TRATA have already joined.

To register your interest, contact Sheryl, phone 5424 1813.



## Trentham Hospital Auxiliary

Tickets are still available in the raffle for the beautiful patchwork quilt (pictured above) made and donated by June English. The winning ticket will most likely be drawn Mothers Day.

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**Special for March**  
**Coffee - \$2.40**

**Mobile library news**

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](http://www.chrlc.vic.gov.au) or by phoning the mobile library on 0419 377702, or CHRLC Administration on 5332 2615.

GO TO: Oxford Reference Online: The latest update to Oxford Reference Online includes some outstanding new scientific, natural history, oceanography, and English language content, and the addition of an interactive periodic table (located in the Periodic Table entry in the Oxford Dictionary of Chemistry), plus a further three new editions.

The new titles for this quarter are the Oxford Dictionary of Rhymes, the Dictionary of Genetics, the Oxford Companion to Ships and the Sea, and the extensive Encyclopedia of Mammals, which includes hundreds of colour illustrations and over 80 colour photographs. (More superb natural history titles will be added throughout 2007.)

**TIMETABLE:**

DAY	TIME	LOCATION
<b>Blackwood</b>		
Tuesday	1.00-2.15	Opp Blackwood House
<b>Trentham</b>		
Tuesday	3.00-5.00	Market street



Central Highlands Regional Library Corporation

**Book recommendations:**

- *The Broken Shore* by Peter Temple (Mystery)
- *The Great Stink* by Clare Clark (Mystery, in book and talking book form)  
 (On the Kyoto accord, 2001)  
 'First, we would not accept a treaty that would not have been ratified, nor a treaty that I thought made sense for the country.'  
 - George W. Bush  
 'Families is where our nation takes hope, where wings take dream. I know how hard it is to put food on your family.'  
 - Also George W. Bush  
**Cheers from Dale, Bronwyn, Jim, Kerryn and Cara**