



# IDEAL Community News

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**SOLAR BULK BUY INFORMATION SESSION – TUESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 1.00PM IN THE COMMUNITY ROOMS.** If you are at all interested in installing solar panels or solar hot water you have until April 22<sup>nd</sup> to put in a no obligation expression of interest to make the most of the bulk buying opportunity.

The Numurkah meeting we mentioned last newsletter didn't happen, sorry for any inconvenience and confusion.

**RECYCLE:** We are wishing to discontinue and would like to hear from anyone/group interested in taking over. Contact Brown's 58655242, 982 Shepp/Katty Rd or email [toadbrown1@bigpond.com](mailto:toadbrown1@bigpond.com)

**GROUNDS COMMITTEE:** Pres. Max Wright 58655026, Sec. Dot Brown 58655242, Treas. Rose Parish 58655151, **Booking Officer** (for hiring the facilities) Denise McLarty 58655268.

**Solar Panels** – We will be going ahead with this project to install 14 panels with the help of funding from a Moira Shire grant and IDEAL donation.

**Bindii** – Just like everywhere else the bindii took off but we have sprayed and got it fairly well under control.

**Committee Members:** The 3 year term for the committee ends this year, we would like to hear from anyone willing to consider contributing to the community by accepting nomination for the Committee of Management.

**VOLUNTEERS CONNECTING COMMUNITIES:** Goulburn Community Transport is offering a weekly bus service from Invergordon to Shepparton and return each Tuesday. The bus will collect patrons from the bus stop at the front of Invergordon Primary School at 9.30am returning there at 4.30pm. Destinations in Shepparton include Fairley's IGA, GV Health, Wyndham Street, Maude Street bus interchange and Shepparton Railway Station. The service could be useful for those without a driver's licence or vehicle or it could be used for someone to visit you at Invergordon for the day. Bookings are essential 24 hours prior to travel. Phone 58318515. Your patronage and support will ensure the continuation of this service. Dot Brown has some free tickets if anyone would like to try out the service. Phone 58655242.

**INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL:** Term 2 of the school year commenced on Monday with students and staff gearing up for another busy program of learning and extra-curricular activities.

Grades 3-6 have been working hard to achieve their literacy goals set earlier in the year along with completing homework tasks and projects in their major study area of aboriginal myths and legends. The junior grades have been consolidating their literacy and numeracy skills and working on their theme of Fairytales and Nursery Rhymes. The Religious Education program has begun with our wonderful volunteers, Rose Parish and Sandra Morley taking these classes.

School camps will be staged this term with grades three and four attending Nillahcootie for three days at the end of May and grades five and students attending Somers Camp in June.

For the first time Invergordon combined with 12 other schools to participate in the East Goulburn Primary Schools' Sports Association athletics carnival. Held at McEwen Reserve, Shepparton on Monday, March 22 the day provided track and field events for about 800 students. Our new school banner was on display on the day and following their excellent results, three students, Sam Fowles, Lauren Harris and Tayla Dempster have qualified to compete at zone level in October.

School Council elections were conducted in March with the following people elected: Marc Baker (principal), Cheryl Thomas (staff rep), Eddy Rovers (president), Belinda Blackburn (vice president), Andrea Schifferle (treasurer), Sharon Wright (secretary), Wayne Fowles, Linda Harris, Leigh Wright, Jo Ash and Mandie Dempster.

Parents' Club has had a busy and profitable start to the year conducting the Bunnings Community BBQ on Sunday, March 14 and catering for a funeral in Numurkah later that week. We raised just over \$1000 for the school. Coming up this term we have the Freeman's Bakery pie drive (order forms are included with the IDEAL newsletter) which is open to all members of the community. All money raised by parents club is used to provide additional resources for the students and to help offset the cost of excursions and camps.

The Auskick program will commence shortly with Steve Ash conducting the weekly sessions at school. On these days Parents' Club will offer the students pies, pasties and sausage rolls for lunch.

Each year our senior students conduct a very moving service to mark ANZAC Day. This year's service will be held at the school on Friday, April 23 at 11am with morning tea to follow. All members of the community are invited to attend. Also our school will participate in the ANZAC march at Numurkah on Sunday, April 25.

Other important dates where the school will be open to interested community members is our Education Week Open Morning (including morning tea) on Tuesday, May 18 and The Biggest Morning Tea (to raise funds for Cancer research) on the last day of term, Friday, June 25. All of these occasions give everyone the opportunity to visit our great school and see the progress of our talented students.

Thanks to Greg and Carol at the Invergordon Store who make space on their notice board for our weekly newsletter to keep the community updated on our wonderful school.

**UNITING CHURCH:** Invergordon & Katamatite combine & alternate between the two churches for 11.00am Sunday Service - Katamatite – April & June, Invergordon – May & July. Contact Joan & Vin Manly 58655209.

**INVERGORDON CRICKET CLUB:** Another successful season of cricket has concluded with Invergordon having fielded three teams in the Cricket Shepparton Association. The E grade side made finals but unfortunately, after a very competitive season, were knocked out in the semi finals. Presentation Day was held at the Katamatite Hotel, which is the club's major sponsor. Award winners were as follows: Batting average – Joey Wright (C grade), Lachlan Gilligan (D grade), Mark Kennedy (E grade), Bowling average – Luke Riordan (C grade), Sean Arnold (B grade), Mark Kennedy (E grade). Scott Thorn was declared the Club Champion. The club had a successful year with many new faces donning the whites for Invergordon and already looking forward to next season. Keep an eye out for the AGM which will be advertised soon.

**INVERGORDON 50 YEAR CELEBRATIONS:** Contributions for the Invergordon history book are still being accepted. If you have recollections of life at Invergordon (anytime during the past 50 years) that you would like included please write them down and forward to Rosemary Kennett, 68 Paterson St, Numurkah, 3636. Short anecdotes or longer family histories of settlement life are required. Quite a few have been submitted but more are needed. Also a reminder to those individuals who have been asked to compile histories of local groups/clubs/organisations these are required by the end of April or soon after, if possible. For enquiries please contact Rosemary on 58621707 or email [rosemary.kennett@bigpond.com](mailto:rosemary.kennett@bigpond.com). **NEXT MEETING OF THE BACK-TO COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD AT THE INVERGORDON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY, MAY 17<sup>TH</sup> AT 8PM. ALL WELCOME!**

**INVERGORDON COMMUNITY GROUP:** Meets on a quarterly basis and comprises members of the local community, Moira Shire and DPI staff. The group is presently waiting to hear of the outcome of the Local History Grant funding application which, if successful, will fund the back-to history book. Next meeting will be held at the Community Centre on Monday, May 17 at 7pm. All Welcome!

**INVERGORDON INDOOR BOWLS:** The club held its AGM on March 14 with eight members present. Office bearers for 2010 are Rodney Clarke (president), Marg McClelland (vice president), Shirley Clarke (treasurer), Joyce Crichton (secretary). At the meeting it was unanimously decided to repay a loan of \$2000 to Bob & Val Ash who kindly assisted the club to get started in 1992. The AGM of the Numurkah Association was held on March 29 at which Rodney Clarke was again elected president. Due to a shortage of players in some clubs it was decided teams for the Pennant competition would comprise six players instead of eight. Pennant starts on May 6. Invergordon's social bowls starts on Sunday, April 18 at 7.30pm at the Community Centre. New players and beginners are welcome. For information contact Joyce Crichton on 58655523.

**INVERGORDON/KATANDRA PONY CLUB:** Pony Club rallies are held on the first Sunday of each month at the Pony Club grounds, corner Centre/Youanmite Roads. Members are very excited about the upcoming camp at Wakiti Creek in May. For information contact DC Sarah Campbell 0437 251575 or secretary Jenny Lia 58299512.

**YOUANMITE CWA:** Youanmite CWA's meeting, held on Thursday, April 1 was attended by 12 members with four apologies. Competition winners were Sarah Gillespie (ANZAC biscuits), Linda Gillespie (recycled article) and Shirley Clurey (bloom). Our fundraiser was donated by Betty Thorn and won by June Field. The annual casserole lunch will be held on Wednesday, June 23 at the Youanmite Hall. Cost for the day is \$12 and includes a delicious lunch, entertainment and stalls. Please RSVP to Dorothy 58285206 or Alma 58285236. The next Craft Day is on April 26 where members will be making cross stitch keyrings. Phone Linda 58285203. The Annual Hall Ball will be held on Friday, April 23 with the theme for the evening, a touch of green and gold. Prizes for Star, Matron and Beau as well as Lady & Gent dressed to the theme. The lucky door prize is a dinner for two at the RSL Club at Mulwala. Admission cost is \$10 which includes a country style supper and music by Ian Stewart. There will also be a raffle. A reunion of Youanmite and district residents, past and present is being planned for Sunday, May 23 commencing at 11.30am. This will celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> year of the Youanmite Debutantes as well as other organisations that have been active in the district. Lunch will be roast and sweets, provided by Mum's Kitchen, at \$20 per head. Bookings are a must so please RSVP by Friday, May 14 to 58285236. All proceeds from these events go towards the upkeep of the hall.

**MOBILE LIBRARY:** The Goulburn Valley Regional Library Service's mobile library attends Invergordon (outside the school) every second Thursday from 9.30-11am. Upcoming dates are April 29, May 13 & 27, June 10 & 24. Membership of the library is free. For enquiries phone 58321600.

**INVERGORDON/KATANDRA WEST COMMUNITY CHURCH:** Church meetings are held on alternate Fridays, commencing at 7.30pm at the Invergordon Community Centre. Upcoming dates: April 23, May 7 & 21, June 4 & 18. For information contact Rose Parish 58655151.

**INVERGORDON/KATANDRA UDV:** Due to a lack of attendance at the AGM on April 7, the future of the branch is in doubt. President Ed Mulgrew said both he and secretary, Joan Barker, have relinquished dairying and new leaders are required to make sure dairying in this area does not lose its voice. Another meeting will be called in the future and local farmers are encouraged to attend and show their support for an organisation which has lobbied on their behalf. For information contact Ed Mulgrew 58655442.

**MEN'S HEALTH NIGHT:** A collection of health and community support organisations have joined forces to present a Men's Health Night featuring former Test cricketer, Merv Hughes as guest speaker. The evening will be held at the Cobram Civic Centre on Wednesday, June 2, from 5pm. A free spit-roast meal will be provided as well as health checks. For catering purposes please register to Cobram Community Health on 58710900 by May 21.

**NEXT IDEAL:** Will be published in June. News to [milkman44@bigpond.com](mailto:milkman44@bigpond.com) by June 11.

