



# IDEAL Community News

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**RECYCLING : ALUMINIUM CANS:** We have decided to completely finish with the recycling so will not collect any more cans. Thank you - Dot & Neville. A reminder that the Moira Shire transfer station at Yabba accepts recyclables free of charge. Opening hours are every Sunday from 9am-12noon.

**50 YEAR CELEBRATION:** The following people attended the event planning meeting:- Vin Manly, Rosemary & Warren Kennett, Jenny Burkitt, Steve Ash, Helen & Rob Osbourne, Treena Stephens, Rod Clarke, Ruth Ferguson, Joyce Crichton, Doug, Dot & Neville Brown. A preliminary plan has been formulated for the weekend of **October 22 & 23, 2011**. School to be open, bus trip around district, catered dinner Saturday night including launch of book, Church Service on Sunday at 10.00am, BBQ lunch at Recreation Reserve and lifting of the time capsule. We would like to hear from any former students of the school who would be prepared to contact others in their year to spread the message. A website has been set up to promote the celebrations as well as feature news and events relating to Invergordon. The web address is [www.invergordon.org](http://www.invergordon.org)

**The next event planning meeting will be held at the Invergordon Community Centre on Monday, June 6 at 7.15pm. All welcome.**

**GROUNDS COMMITTEE: President.** Max Wright 58655026, **Secretary.** Position unfilled at this stage. **Treasurer.** Rose Parish 58655151, **Booking Officer** (for hiring the facilities) Jenny Wright 0407531181. Next Grounds Committee meeting is Wednesday, May 4 at 7.30pm.

**INVERGORDON CRICKET CLUB:** The awarding of life membership to Peter Wright was a highlight of the cricket club's recent presentation afternoon. Peter has been a long serving secretary, player and supporter of the club. Other trophies awarded on the day went to Thomas Clurey (batting average), Lachlan Gilligan (bowling average) and Casey Brown (most catches). The club had a successful season with its D Grade side playing off in finals in the Cricket Shepparton competition. Unfortunately bad weather caused a washout during the semi final match which ended the team's chances of playing in the grandfinal. Cricket will resume in Spring and the club's AGM will be held later in the year.

**UNITING CHURCH:** Invergordon & Katamatite combine & alternate between the two churches for 11.00am Sunday Service - Invergordon – May & July, Katamatite – June. Contact Joan & Vin Manly 58655209. **PSA – Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.** All are welcome to join us for a relaxed sing-a-long followed by afternoon tea. An offering will be collected to help support Ashley & Sarah Manly when they return to the Middle East.

**INVERGORDON INDOOR BOWLS:** The Annual General Meeting was held on March 21 with the following office bearers elected. President – Rodney Clarke, vice president – Marg McClelland, secretary – Joyce Crichton and treasurer – Shirley Clarke. Social Bowls have commenced on Sunday evenings at the community centre from 7.30pm. New members, whether experienced or beginners, are always welcome. The Pennant Competition gets underway on May 5 with eight teams entered for the season. There has been a change in the format with teams of three playing two bowls each and twenty five ends. For information please contact Joyce Crichton 58655523.

**INVERGORDON/KATANDRA WEST COMMUNITY CHURCH:** Church meetings are held on alternate Fridays at the Invergordon Community Centre at 7.30pm. Upcoming dates are May 6 & 20, June 3 & 17 and July 1 & 15. All locals are invited to attend the Community Meal from on July 1. This will be an opportunity for everyone who lives in the area to get together and enjoy dinner and fellowship. For further information about this event or the Community Church please contact Rose Parish 58 655151.

**INVERGORDON/KATANDRA PONY CLUB:** Pony Club commenced the year with a casual trail ride in the local area with horses and riders enjoying a change of scenery from the usual rally venue. Instructors have been secured for the morning sessions of the next two rallies with members spending the afternoons working on their D and D Star certificates. The AGM was held recently with the following office bearers elected: President – Belinda Blackburn, Vice president & card secretary – Sue Qose, Secretary – Leanne Rovers, Treasurer – Sharon Wright, DC – Sarah Campbell. The club wishes to acknowledge the long-standing support of Marg Campbell who has retired as card secretary after 35 years. Marg has been a wonderful patron of our club and we look forward to her continued involvement. We would also like to thank outgoing office bearers Jenny Lia, Sandra Pozzobon and Annette Cudmore for their work. Rallies are held on the first Sunday of each month at the pony club grounds, corner of Youanmite and Centre Roads, Invergordon. New members are always welcome. For information please contact DC Sarah Campbell 0437 251575.

**MOBILE LIBRARY:** The Goulburn Valley Regional Library Service bookmobile visits Invergordon on a fortnightly basis (Thursdays) outside the primary school from 9.30 – 11am. Membership of the library service is free. The bookmobile will be in Invergordon on May 12 & 26 and June 9 & 23. Please contact GVRLS 58 321600.

**INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL:** School has resumed for another term of learning at Invergordon with staff and students refreshed after an extended Easter/school holiday break. Although early in the term the school calendar has already had several important dates marked off.

Firstly prior to school starting several families attended the ANZAC Day service in Numurkah proudly marching and carrying the school banner. Then on Friday, April 29 the school held its own service, conducted by the senior students and attended by the wider community. This was concluded with morning tea in the new school kitchen. Special mentions to Bev Pearce who made the lovely wreaths for both events and also to Rodney Clarke who kindly donated the flowers.

The school vegie patch is starting to take shape with new raised beds constructed and existing beds weeded and mulched ready for planting. The school is seeking donations of posts, old sleepers and mulches to further extend the garden so if any community members have these items at home they no longer use please consider donating them to the school. Also any “greenthumbs” in the area are invited to attend the Friday gardening sessions and share their knowledge with the students.

School council elections were conducted in March. Belinda Blackburn was elected president, Eddy Rovers vice president and Mandie Dempster secretary. Other school councillors are Linda Harris and staff members, Marc Baker and Cheryl Thomas. Eddy has remained on school council as a community member even though he no longer has children at the school.

On the sports front the school competed in an athletics carnival at McEwan Reserve in Shepparton. Lachlan Ash and Tayla Dempster will now go on to represent the school at Zone level later in the year. The sports day was the first time the school’s new shade shelter was used. The bright blue shelter is emblazoned with the school logo and will provide shelter from the sun and inclement weather on outings as well as being a central point for students to go to if they become separated from their classmates.

Parents’ Club continues to support the school in many ways. Last term the Bunnings Community BBQ raised \$982 for the school. Ongoing is a calf drive whereby farmers can donate a calf to the school. Also coming up is the Freeman’s Bakery pie drive with order forms included in this edition of the IDEAL newsletter. Lastly there are plans to hold a Tupperware Party on **Friday, May 27 @ 7pm** in the new kitchen at the school. The aim is to purchase equipment for the kitchen with any funds raised. Members of the community are invited to attend or if you are unable to and wish to place an order please call into the school to peruse a catalogue.

Thanks again to Greg and Carol at the Invergordon Store who kindly make room on their noticeboard for our weekly newsletter. For any information about the school please contact the office on **58655287**.

**MOIRA SHIRE NEWS:** Community Groups are invited to apply for the next round of Small Volunteers Grants. Up to \$5000 is available to not for profit community and sporting groups. The purpose of the grants is to fund projects or purchase equipment which will make life easier for existing volunteers as well as encourage others to become involved. Recently the Invergordon Primary School was successful in obtaining \$4500 under this program to fund the new trailer BBQ. For more information contact the Department of Planning and Community Development Grants Information Line 1300 366 356. Applications close on May 10.

**YOUANMITE CWA & COMMUNITY NEWS:** Youanmite CWA members attended the Central Murray Group Conference at Cobram in February with two members elected to office bearer positions, Linda Gillespie (president) and Dorothy Down (secretary). Youanmite also won two of the competitions taking the prizes for the best fruit cake and marmalade. The Group exhibition was held at the Katamatite Hall on April 1 with members from six branches competing. Youanmite did well winning many sections including home industry and handcraft, cookery and preserves. Linda Gillespie, from Youanmite won the overall aggregate, Sarah Gillespie the photography and Steven Baker, the men's section. Youanmite members were part of the 48 people on board for the Group mystery bus trip which ended up in Griffith, NSW. Ed Mulgrew of Invergordon was the winner of the raffle which raised \$208 for the Barmah Heart Lodge. Upcoming events: CWA Casserole Lunch at the Youanmite Hall on June 22, Christmas in July, Sunday, July 3. CWA meetings, first Thursday of the month at 1.30pm (contact 586285206) and CWA craft, fourth Monday of the month 10am-3pm (contact 58285203).

**COMMUNITY CONNECT:** Goulburn Community Transport operates a weekly bus service between Invergordon and Shepparton each Tuesday. Pick up time is 9.30am from Invergordon Primary School arriving in Shepparton (Maude Street) at 10.12am. The return trip commences at Maude Street at 3.45pm arriving in Invergordon at 4.31pm. The bus also stops at Congupna, Fairley's IGA, Wyndham Street and the Shepparton Railway Station. Cost to use the service is a donation. Bookings are essential and can be made by phoning 58318515. The service is being trialled and will only continue if it's well patronised. It could be used by those wishing to go into Shepparton for appointments or shopping or alternatively by Shepparton residents wishing to visit family or friends in Invergordon.

**NEXT IDEAL:** The IDEAL newsletter is published and delivered to local properties every two months. If your community group has items to include please forward them to [milkman44@bigpond.com](mailto:milkman44@bigpond.com) by June 20.