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COMMUNITY BARBECUE: Fine weather prevailed for the Community BBQ which was held at the Invergordon Sports Grounds on Sunday, June 17. The day was an opportunity for residents to catch up with neighbours and friends as well as meet those new to the area. The children were kept well entertained with the worm tunnel maze and Crackles the Clown's face painting. The Invergordon Primary School Parents' Club did an excellent job cooking and serving a barbecue lunch followed by fruit salad and ice cream. A highlight of the afternoon was the presentation of the Community Award to Rosemary Kennett. Although now a resident of Numurkah, Rosemary lived in Invergordon for many years and has been a supporter of various community groups. Most recently Rosemary compiled the 50 year celebration book "Small Community, Big Heart – The Invergordon Closer Settlement Story" which was launched at last year's back-to celebrations. Visitors on the day were able to view the collection of photos and memorabilia in the History Hall, many for the first time and all were impressed with the comprehensive display. An album of photos, taken at last year's 50 year celebrations was presented by Joyce Crichton for permanent display in the History Hall. The Community Barbecue was financed by the Grounds Committee and funds raised at the 50 year celebrations with support from the Moira Shire. Congratulations to the organisers for staging the event.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE: President: Max Wright 58655026, **Secretary:** Rick Orr 0417035634, **Treasurer:** Rose Parish 58655151, **Booking Officer** (for hiring the facilities) Rose Parish 58655151. **Next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 10 at 7.30pm.**

INVERGORDON COMMUNITY GROUP: Next meeting will be held at 7pm prior to Grounds Committee meeting as there are a number of people who are on both committees. These will be two separate meetings and people may attend both or one or the other. The Community Group meets regularly to raise and discuss local issues which can then be taken to authorities such as Moira Shire for resolution.

HISTORY HALL: Regular opening time is 3rd Sunday of each month from 1.30 to 3.30pm. Upcoming dates are August 19th, September 16th and October 21st.

UNITING CHURCH: Invergordon & Katamatite combine & alternate between the two churches for 11.00am Sunday Service – Katamatite August and October, Invergordon September. Contact Joan & Vin Manly 58655209.

INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL: Although only a few weeks into term three there have been plenty of exciting happenings at Invergordon Primary School. The whole school is studying Australia as its integrated topic. We will learn about Australian states and territories, our flag, anthem, famous landmarks, Australian animals and history. As part of the theme students travelled to Bendigo recently where they visited the Chinese Dragon Museum and a gold mine. After an underground tour of the mine students were able to pan for gold and there was great excitement when several flakes of gold were found. Senior students were pleased with the attendance at the Biggest Morning Tea at the end of Term Two. They worked hard leading up to the event, baking cakes and slices and were excellent hosts on the day, raising \$122.80 for cancer research along the way. Continuing in the vein of helping others the last day of term was a fundraiser for the State Schools Relief Fund which supports children affected by natural disasters such as flood and fire. The Invergordon students came to school with crazy hair styles and made a gold coin donation to the cause. Looking ahead students are preparing their bikes for the Bike Education program which will culminate with a fun and challenging bike hike later in the term. Families are also being creative and getting costumes organised for the annual Book Week celebration. This year's theme is "champions" and Invergordon will host students from Katamatite, Waaia Yalca, Wunghnu and Katunga South Primary Schools for a day of literacy based activities. The school has been collecting the Woolworths and Coles promotional tokens which can be redeemed for educational resources and sporting equipment. Parents Club has continued its fundraising efforts catering for the Community BBQ and running a pie drive from Freeman's Bakery. In total more than \$560 was raised for the school. The school newsletter has undergone a facelift. As well as featuring the usual school news there have been the additions of students profiles, weekly maths activities and other interesting items. The weekly newsletter is displayed at the Invergordon Store so locals can keep up to date with what is happening at the school. Thanks to Carol and Greg for their continued support. For information about the school please contact the office on 58655287.

INVERGORDON CRICKET CLUB: The Invergordon Cricket Club held its AGM on Sunday, July 29 at the Hotel Terminus in Shepparton. A new board has been elected with some new members stepping up to help out. Daniel Bye - President, Travis Murdoch - Vice President, Committee members, Aaron Moor, Michael Bye, Ryan Gleeson, Wade Schifferle, Casey Brown, Aaron Cormican and Robert Green. The long standing support of Life Member Peter Wright and his wife, Jen, who have relocated interstate, was acknowledged at the AGM. A working bee has been organised at the Invergordon Sports Grounds on Sunday, August 19 commencing at 10am with training and a BBQ to follow. All interested locals are invited to attend, for further information contact Daniel Bye on 0418871614.

INVERGORDON PONY CLUB: As well as attending the monthly rallies, our riders have been busy preparing their horses and competing at local events. Jacinta Qose, Gemma Rovers, Tiffany and Kimberly Martin attended Benalla Pony Club's recent Horse Trials and had a great day. In the school holidays, DC Melissa Campbell took some of the girls to the Echuca horse sales where they were able to see a variety of breeds in the one place. Riders have had excellent instruction from Jeanette Graham at the June rally, and Trevor O'Dea in July, both experts in flat work and showjumping. The August rally was at Toni Gough's Shepparton Equestrian Centre, which offers the chance to ride in different settings including an indoor arena. Northern Zone has given our club permission to hold a Gymkhana at the grounds on Sunday, September 2. The day will have 2 pony club rings, a fun ring and games with ribbons to 4th place in all rings. There will be a High Point trophy for the day, kindly donated by the Blackburn family. Gates open at 7.30am, and all rings commence at 9am sharp. Canteen with food and refreshments available from 7.30am. All past members and their families, as well as interested people from Invergordon and surrounds are welcome to come and have a look at what we do. Invergordon/Katandra Pony Club has not staged a gymkhana for many years and the organisers are hoping for a successful day so it becomes a permanent fixture of the Northern Zone calendar. For more information about the Pony Club, or a copy of the Gymkhana program, please contact DC Melissa Campbell on 0418278542. Pony Club rallies are held on the first Sunday of the month at the grounds, corner Youanmite and Centre Roads, Invergordon.

INVERGORDON INDOOR BOWLS: The bowls season is drawing to a close with the pennant final to be contested by Nathalia and Strathmerton who finished first and second on the ladder. Invergordon finished third and although we won our semi final against Town Blue we went down to Strathmerton by five points in the preliminary final. The Association Fours event was played at Invergordon with the local team of Shirley Clarke (s), Rodney Clarke, Joyce Crichton and Max Taylor winning by one point over the Shamrock team. The Association Dinner will be held at Numurkah Bowls Club on August 29 where all trophies will be presented. The Invergordon 100 Up competition is yet to be played. Joyce Crichton (secretary).

INVERGORDON/KATANDRA COMMUNITY CHURCH: Church meetings are held on alternate Fridays at the Invergordon Community Centre at 7.30pm. For upcoming dates and for further information about the Community Church please contact Rose Parish on 58655151.

MOIRA SHIRE: Councillors of the Moira Shire will conduct a meet and greet session at the Katamatite Hall on Monday, August 27 from 10.30am-11.30am. Residents from the Invergordon, Youanmite, Yabba North, Yabba South, Muckatah, Katamatite and Marungi areas are invited to meet councillors in an informal setting to discuss issues of concern. Morning tea will be provided. Please RSVP to 58719222 for catering purposes.

RECYCLING: The Moira Shire transfer station at Yabba accepts recyclables free of charge. Opening hours are every Sunday from 9am-12noon.

YOUANMITE CWA & COMMUNITY NEWS: Youanmite CWA Casserole Luncheon was held on June 20 and a pleasant day was had with all tables occupied and trading stalls sold out. Members from other branches and local folk attended, enjoying their luncheon and entertainment. Youanmite Hall will host the Central Murray CWA Group Conference on August 22, competitions to include a square fruit cake, a child's windcheater and knitted baby jacket. The Chapman Trophy will be presented for the best three articles of craft. Also coming up is a "High Afternoon Tea" on August 29 to raise funds for the Relay for Life team which assists cancer research. All locals are invited to attend from 1pm and enjoy dainty food served on fine crockery and raise funds for this worthy cause. For further information contact June 58285257 or Linda 58285203. At the upcoming CWA craft day on August 27 members will be making tin can footstools or finishing their smocked cushions. In June the Youanmite Social Connections Group visited the Bangerang Cultural Centre in Shepparton followed by lunch at the Overlander Hotel. Participants found the trip to the Cultural Centre very interesting with many commenting it was well worth a visit. The July meeting was held at the Youanmite Hall with two new members joining the existing gathering for a delicious lunch followed by a social afternoon.

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 August 30, September 13 & 27 and October 11 & 25. For information please contact GVRLS 58321600.

GOULBURN MURRAY LANDCARE NETWORK: Those interested in Australia's beautiful wildflowers may wish to attend a guided tour at Wunghnu on September 19. Commencing at 9.30am walkers will be able to view a variety of wildflowers and receive a copy of the revised Native Vegetation Guide which will be launched on the same day. The event is organised by the Goulburn Murray Network of LandCare Groups. For enquiries phone 58213530.

COBRAM COMMUNITY HOUSE: The theme for this year's Adult Learner's Week is Digital Literacy – Connecting and learning through technology. CCH has a week-long program from September 1-8 designed to make smart phones, facebook, ebay and the internet less confusing for those new to technology. Enquiries phone 58722224.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT: Community AccessAbilities can assist people in the Invergordon area with essential community transport if they are socially isolated, frail, aged or have a disability. Please contact 58318515 to determine eligibility.

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 by October 15, 2012.