



IDEAL Community News

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IDEAL: President: Doug Brown 5865 5207, **Vice President:** Vin Manly 5865 5209,
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IDEAL COMMUNITY NEWS: The timing of the IDEAL will change to fit in with printing and other commitments but it will be continuing. Contributors please try to get your news to Helen on time or the system breaks down.

LANDCARE: Landcare groups across the country are getting ready to celebrate Landcare Week 2013, which takes place from September 2nd to 8th. This annual celebration of Landcare encourages everyone to get involved in the Landcare community and help protect and restore our country's valuable natural resources. For further information please visit <http://www.landcareonline.com.au/>.

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

INVERGORDON GROUNDS COMMITTEE: President: Max Wright 5865 5026, **Secretary:** Rick Orr 0417 035 634, **Treasurer:** Rose Parish 5865 5151, **Booking Officer** (for hiring the facilities) Rose Parish 5865 5151.

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 9th at 7:30pm.**

The lights on the first 2 tennis courts are now operating on a time clock which can be set for a maximum of 1 hour and time added later if needed, the light switch above the time clock needs to be turned to the "ON" position. If the lights go out they require approx 10 minutes to cool down prior to starting up again. The Invergordon Grounds Committee has made the tennis court lights available free of charge but requests users be conscious of not wasting power by running lights unnecessarily. The light switch can be turned off if you finish prior to the time clock reaching zero.

We now have the information to complete online training for using the defibrillator. Rick will be contacting all the user groups to make them aware and is happy to hear from anyone else who may have a need to use the machine, while hiring the rooms.

INVERGORDON COMMUNITY GROUP: The Community Group meets at 7pm prior to the Grounds Committee quarterly meetings. Its focus is to raise and discuss issues of local importance and refer them to relevant authorities. All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

INVERGORDON HISTORY HALL: The History Hall is open on the third Sunday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 pm or by special appointment for family or other groups. If anyone has memorabilia or historical photographs to donate of the district please contact Vin Manly on 5865 5209. Photographs can be scanned and returned if required.

The History Hall is located at the Recreation Reserve on Centre Road. Upcoming dates are August 18th, September 15th and October 20th. For further information or special opening requests please phone Rosemary Kennett on 5862 1707.

UNITING CHURCH: Invergordon & Katamatite combine & alternate between the two churches for 11:00am Sunday Service – Invergordon July and September, Katamatite August and October. For further information please contact Joan & Vin Manly 5865 5209.

INVERGORDON/KATANDRA COMMUNITY CHURCH: Church meetings are held on alternate Fridays from 7.30pm at the Invergordon Community Centre. There are various speakers, a special children's message and a "cuppa" afterwards. Next meeting dates are: August 23rd, September 6th and 20th, October 4th and 18th. For further information, please phone Rose Parish on 0400 655 154.

INVERGORDON INDOOR BOWLS: President: Rodney Clarke 5865 5364, Vice **President:** Marg McClelland, **Secretary:** Joyce Crichton 5865 5523, **Treasurer:** Shirley Clarke 5865 5364.

The pennant season is nearing the end, with only two matches and a bye for Invergordon left. At present we are in second place, so we hope to compete in the finals.

Our Club Champions have been won by Shirley Clarke for the ladies and Russell Batey for the men, they will now compete in the "Champion Of Champions" in Numurkah. Russell has been given a walkover in the first round, so he has a week off. We wish the best of luck to them both.

We still have the 100 up matches to be played. Good bowling to all! Please contact Joyce Crichton for further information.

Farewell & Best Wishes to Ian & Alison Mauder - The Invergordon Indoor Bowls Club invites the community to help say goodbye to two of its Club's founding members. Ian & Alison helped to get the Indoor Bowls Club up and running back in 1992. And their continued involvement with improvements and upgrades to the community rooms at the Recreation Reserve have helped Invergordon Indoor Bowls Club members enjoy 21 years of pennants.

An afternoon tea will be held in their honour. Please bring a plate to share with all, as we farewell Ian and Alison and wish them all the best for the future.

Invergordon Recreation Reserve, Sunday the 25th of August from 1:30pm to 4:00pm.

INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL: Term two has proven a busy and productive time for staff and students at Invergordon Primary School. Miss Thomas' class (prep-grade two) have been learning all about dinosaurs and there has been great excitement waiting for their carefully nurtured dinosaur eggs to hatch. Grades three and five students have recently completed the NAPLAN testing program and all students have been working hard to complete their first semester work before the issuing of school reports.

A selection of new books has arrived at the school just in time for students to sign up for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Participants have until September to read a certain number of books and most students have started their individual challenge.

Leadership is an important part of daily life at Invergordon P.S. and special badges have now been crafted to recognise the school leaders. Students were presented with these by Moira Shire Councillor, Alex Monk at assembly. Cr Monk also spoke to the students about how to be a good leader and contribute to a positive atmosphere at school.

Following on from a visit by the Katandra West CFA in Term One the whole school recently practised the emergency fire drill where all students had to calmly exit the classrooms, assemble in a safe area and have their names marked off the roll.

Other visitors to the school during the term have been students from Katandra West Primary School who called in during their bike hike and a lady from the Responsible Pet Ownership program who attended with her pet dog to give the students some valuable tips about caring for animals and how to safely approach dogs.

Parents Club conducted a pie drive raising \$368 for the school and are helping students collect the Woolworths Earn and Learn vouchers which will be redeemed for modern teaching aids. Weekly lunches of hot pies, pasties and sausage rolls are organised by Parents Club and appreciated by students on cold winter days.

There have been several community events at the school this term. Visitors attended the ANZAC Day ceremony as well as the Biggest Morning Tea which raised \$125.90 for cancer research. Students baked goodies for the morning tea and did an excellent job serving guests and cleaning up afterwards. Invergordon students, past and present, also marched at the Numurkah ANZAC Day event and laid a wreath at the cenotaph. Have you noticed the solar panels and new blinds along the front of the school? These were purchased with proceeds of a grant. Other changes have included switching to LED light bulbs and double glazing some windows, all in an effort to save power and reduce the school's carbon footprint.

There are many opportunities for community members to be involved with the school. Please keep your eye on the noticeboard at the Invergordon Store for our weekly newsletter which is kindly displayed by Carol and Greg. For further information about the school please contact the office on 58655287.

INVERGORDON & KATANDRA PONY CLUB: President: Sarah Campbell, 0437 251 575,

Secretary: Leanne Rovers 5865 5409, **DC:** Melissa Blair 0418 278 5425

The Pony Club's May rally took a very different format. Instead of the usual formal instruction riders and their horses had to complete as many challenges as possible in 3 hours with all activities recorded and timed. The day proved an enjoyable way to put into practice all that has been learned in the past year.

The AGM was held on Tuesday April 30th and all committee positions were filled; Sarah Campbell (President), Leanne Rovers (Secretary), Sue Qose (Card Secretary) and Belinda Blackburn (Treasurer). The club would like to thank outgoing treasurer Jeanette Nelson for her work in the role over the past 12 months.

Pony clubbers have been fundraising, selling Cadbury chocolates to help offset the cost of paying instructors and purchasing necessary equipment. Unfortunately the June rally, scheduled to be held at Toni Gough's Equestrian Centre, 850 Mitchell Rd, Kialla East was called off due to the rain.

Luckily a second June rally had been planned, a joint rally with Bunbartha Pony Club on June 23rd at their grounds. Bunbartha has a fantastic cross country course so it was a great opportunity for those who haven't been out on one before to give it a go and for those who compete to practice.

Pony Club rallies are generally held on the first Sunday of the month at the grounds, corner of Youanmite and Centre Roads, Invergordon. New members are always welcome. For further information please contact DC Melissa Blair 0418278542.

INVERGORDON CRICKET CLUB: President: Daniel Bye 0418 322 684.

GOULBURN VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY: MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE – The bookmobile visits **Invergordon** on a fortnightly basis (Thursdays) outside Invergordon Primary School from 9:30 to 11:00am. Membership of the library service is free. The bookmobile will be in Invergordon on August 29th, September 12th and 26th, October 10th and 24th. For further information on this service please contact GVRL 5832 1600.

RHYME & STORYTIME: Numurkah Library hosts a monthly story telling session for pre-school aged children which is a fun way to help youngsters develop a love of, and respect for books. Upcoming sessions are on Tuesday August 20th, September 17th and October 15th. For further information contact the GVRLS on 1300 374765.

YARRAWONGA MARTIAL ARTS, Expressions Of Interest: As a resident of Invergordon, with a family of six, it was my idea to see if we could get some after school activities running in our local community. After speaking directly with Yarrowonga Martial Arts, they are calling for expressions of interests in a Junior Karate Class for young people aged between 4yrs to 12yrs. Classes will involve a range of training drills to improve confidence, discipline and fitness held in a controlled and safe environment.

If there is enough interest, Yarrowonga Martial Arts, who are a member of Martial Arts Australia are willing to hold the classes right here in **Invergordon**. They have also offered to hold a senior class for 13yrs to adult, so we parents can get fit too.

If you are interested please send your name, your child's name and age to yarrowongamartialarts@live.com.au or if you have any questions, please feel free to call me, Kerryn on 0429 922 624.

YOUANMITE CWA & COMMUNITY NEWS: Youanmite have some important events coming up over the next few months. On August 26th the Group Conference will be held at Cobram, competition on the day will be “Baby Matinee Set”.

“Chapman Trophy” three article craft September 1st at 11:00am at Youanmite School site where “The Capsule” will be lifted followed by a BBQ lunch at Youanmite Hall, cost is \$10.00 per adult.

September 11th at 1:00pm there will be a “High Tea” with lucky door prizes, entertainment, stalls and delicious eats, cost is \$10.00 and funds will go to “Relay For Life” Cancer Research.

Youanmite C.W.A. had seven members travelled to Thoona to celebrate Christmas in July, Thoona being our sister branch. Two members attended the State Exhibitions held in Bendigo. Linda was steward helping to stage exhibits and pack up when finished on Saturday.

Social Connections is going along with bus trips on the second Thursday and lunches on the second Wednesday of the month.

CWA Youanmite Craft meets the forth Monday of the month from 10:30am-3:00pm, next meetings August 26th and September 23rd, contact Linda for more information 5828 5203. CWA Youanmite meets on the first Thursday of month starting at 1:30pm, next meetings September 5th and October 3rd, for enquiries please phone Alma 5828 5236. New members are always welcome.

KATANDRA WEST PLAY GROUP: Katandra West Primary School holds a Playgroup for parents/carers of babies to preschool aged children every Friday morning from 9:15am to 10:45am during the school term. Gold coin donation, for more information please contact Katandra West Primary School on 5828 3350.

KATAMATITE LIONS CLUB: President: Spencley Curtis 0428 211 389, **Secretary:** Mark Nordbye 0438 060 959.

The Katamatite Lions Club is currently looking for new members. They meet on the second and fourth Monday of each month at the Homestead Hotel in Katamatite at 7:00pm for a 7:30pm dinner meeting.

The club is actively involved in the community and would welcome anyone interested in being involved. Next meeting dates are August 26th, September 9th and 23rd, October 14th. For further information please contact Spencley or Mark.

... **FIREWOOD FOR SALE** ... KATAMATITE LIONS CLUB is selling split redgum firewood for \$120 per cubic metre picked up at Katamatite or \$125 per cubic metre delivered locally. This is good dry redgum ready to burn. Please contact Rob Wood on 5865 1440 or Greg Monk on 0408 385 343.

COBRAM COMMUNITY HOUSE: Upcoming courses include: Victorian RSA Tuesday 3rd September 6:00-10:00pm (at CCH) and Thursday 22nd August & 12th September 5:30-9:30pm (at Numurkah Learning Centre) cost \$90; First Aid Wednesday 27th November cost \$190 (Full fee, workbook included), \$155 (refresher); Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation-CPR Wednesday 27th November 9:00am-12noon cost \$75. For further information visit www.cch.vic.edu.au or phone Cobram Community House 5872 2224.

NUMURKAH TOY LIBRARY: The Numurkah Toy Library is open to all members of the community. They are a not-for-profit organisation run by volunteers. Their aim is to provide high quality and educational toys to families and children that promote learning through play.

The Toy Library is located within the Numurkah Children's Service Centre (behind Numurkah Visitor Information Centre) and is open on Monday and Saturdays from 10:30am to 11:30am. To see their full range of toys and membership details please visit www.numurkahtoylibrary.com.

NEXT IDEAL: The IDEAL newsletter is published and delivered to local properties every two months. If you community group has items to include please forward them to Helen Osborne via e-mail to helen@robandhelen.com by **Friday 18th October 2013**.