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THE ANNUAL
INVERGORDON GROUNDS COMMITTEE

SPRING CLEAN, CAR BOOT & GARAGE SALE

Sunday 3rd of November
9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Invergordon Recreation Reserve

Last year we had gardening tools, clothes, plants, Christmas coffee mugs, books, lawn mowers, crockery, type writer, craft items, small hand tools, an exercise ball, TV's

Who knows what you might find this year!

Egg & bacon rolls will be on sale too.

It's not too late to register your stall. Have a look in your garage, spare bedroom, shed, junk cupboard. Spring clean on Saturday, have your stall set up by 8:30am Sunday and go home with some spending money

For more information please go to www.invergordon.org or

Contact Rick Orr on 0417 035 634

LANDCARE: We would like some feedback from within our community in regards to the continuation of our LandCare Group. Is there anyone interested in doing any "on ground work" and taking office to drive it? The group has funds which can continue to cover the publication of the Community News and other great (LandCare type) activities. The current office bearers have held their positions for a very long time and would like to have a break.

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: Rick Orr 0417 035 634,
Secretary: Helen Osborne 5865 5482, **Treasurer:** Rose Parish 5865 5151, **Booking Officer**
(for hiring the facilities) Rose Parish 5865 5151.

On Wednesday 9th of October the AGM was held. After many years holding the position of President, Max Wright stepped down – we would like to take this opportunity to thank Max for all the time, effort and commitment he has invested into our community as President over the years. And we thank him for staying on as a Community Representative.

We had great success with our inaugural Sale last year, we are hoping this year even more of our community will join in this yearly event! This year it will be held on Sunday 3rd of November from 9:00am to 12:00 noon. All Invergordon residents are invited to bring along their unused, saleable goods and convert them to cash. Remember, one man's, woman's or child's trash is another man's, woman's or child's treasure ☺ To hold a stall on the day, just complete the "Stall Holder Agreement" you should have received in you mail box already. For more information go to www.invergordon.org or contact Rick on 0417 035 634.

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 FRUITGROWERS ASSOCIATION: Remind everyone to be vigilant in monitoring and controlling fruit fly on their properties. This is one insect pest we cannot let take hold in the area.

INVERGORDON HISTORY HALL: The History Hall is located at the Recreation Reserve on Centre Road and open on the third Sunday of each month from 1:30 to 3:30 pm or by special appointment for family or other groups. Upcoming dates are October 20th, November 17th and December 15th.

If anyone has memorabilia or historical photographs to donate of the district please contact Vin Manly on 5865 5209. 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 – Katamatite October and December, Invergordon November. The exception being November 10th when it will be at Cobram for a Parish Service at 9.30am followed by Parish meeting then a bring and share lunch. This will be followed by a Pleasant Sunday Afternoon at 2.00pm with the Cooma Male Choir performing and afternoon tea. Gold coin donation.

Swanpool Film Day Out: The Invergordon Ladies Guild are running a bus trip to Swanpool on **Friday 8th November** to view two films - SATELLITE BOY (PG) and SONG FOR MARION (PG). The cost is \$55 per person which includes bus fare, lunch, morning and afternoon tea. Please book your seat as soon as possible with correct payment. To ensure it is a "goer" no later than October 30th. Contact Rosemary Kennett 5862 1707, Margaret Scott 5962 3115 or Joan Manly 58655209.

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: October 18th, November 1st, 15th & 29th. 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.

Our season has finished for 2013. We had the dinner and trophy presentation night at the Shamrock Hotel in Numurkah on Wednesday evening October 16th. We had two years of trophies to be presented as we did not have a wind up in 2012, a very pleasant evening was had by all members.

Invergordon were in second place in pennant and went on to play off in the Grand Final against Numurkah Town Team, but as the year before were runners up again.

Our last event played for the year was the 100 Up. This was won by Shirley Clarke from Max Taylor.

The club is now in recess until next year. If we are to form again in 2014, we would like to have some more people to learn the game or welcome anyone who has played before. Please contact Joyce Crichton for more information – All will be made welcome.

INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL: Term three was action-packed at Invergordon Primary School and Term four promises to be just as busy. Students are continuing to learn about the environment and recycling and enjoyed a visit from the Moira Shire's Environmental and Sustainability Officer, Tom Brown who explained about the Shire's landfill and recycling operations. He also encouraged the children to be aware of the activities they participated in and even the foods they ate and how these affected the environment. The school was also fortunate enough to receive a \$150 voucher from the Shire which was used to purchase trees which were planted by students in the school grounds. They enjoyed working together to beautify and improve their school environment and will be able to watch their trees grow over time.

Katamatite and Waaia/Yalca South Primary Schools visited Invergordon for Literacy Day. There was a parade of costumed students followed by workshops with a visiting artist and book related activities. The whole school also travelled to Strathmerton Primary School for a performance titled "From Halfway Around The World", an informative piece which gave students an idea of the backgrounds of people from different cultures who now call Australia home.

Grades 3-6 students enjoyed a camp to Sovereign Hill in Ballarat during the first week of Term four and brought back many exciting stories from their trip.

Invergordon joined forces with Katamatite Primary School to enter softball and netball teams in a local schools' Lightning Premiership. They all enjoyed learning new skills and making new friends with students from other local schools. All of these wonderful activities are documented in photo collages displayed in the school foyer.

Invergordon Primary is keen to establish a Wall Of Fame recognising the achievements of past and present staff and students who meet the following selection criteria: won a gold medal at Victorian Primary School Sports Association level; represented Victoria or Australia in an under aged, open aged or veterans' team or individual sport, including disabled events; played at least one senior game of AFL/VFL football; represented Victoria in State Primary School sports teams; received state or national recognition in the Arts; received medals of honour service, O.B.E., M.B.E., O.A.M. etc; served at the highest level in Business, Academic Achievement (PHD or above), Politics or Public Service (eg: members of Parliament, Head of Public Service Departments, CEO's of national or international companies). If you have a nomination please contact the school.

Parents' Club members have been busy fundraising, catering for clearing sales and running a chocolate drive as well as providing hot lunches for the students once a week. They are now putting together the annual trades and services calendar and are planning for the end of year concert.

Please keep the date free.....

INVERGORDON PRIMARY SCHOOL – END OF YEAR CONCERT

Friday, December 6 @ Invergordon Community Grounds

Keep an eye on the mailbox for more details

A significant number of Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers were collected by the school community and these have been redeemed for science related items in keeping with the school's environment-themed learning this year.

The staff at Invergordon are grateful to have such strong support from the families of the students whether it's by fundraising, catering for school functions, assisting in the classroom, transporting students or maintaining the school grounds, there are always willing helpers.

Looking ahead the school is preparing for three transition days so next year's preps can come along and see what primary school is all about. These dates are set for October 25th, November 8th & 22nd. If you require an information pack please contact the school office on 5865 5287.

Thanks to Greg and Carol at the Invergordon General Store who kindly display our weekly newsletter so the community can be kept informed of the happenings at Invergordon Primary.

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 July rally was a team riding challenge. Riders were split into 2 groups, and asked to prepare and work together to come up with a team ride. After 3 hours of preparation, they presented their ride to an eagerly awaiting audience. It was a closely fought event, and being too close to call, our DC Mel deciding on a draw.

On Sunday 14th July saw the 50th Anniversary celebrations of the Northern Zone Pony Clubs. This was held at Finley Showground. We had 2 riders represent our club, Jacinta Qose, and Gemma Rovers. The day started with a parade of all clubs in the zone, followed by planned activities until lunchtime. Then the official proceedings, with the launch of the official history book, in which Invergordon/Katandra has a great write up. Thanks to Marg Campbell for collating the information and photos which made up our part of the book.

The end of the financial year is the beginning of a new Pony Club joining year. Our club now has 11 riding members, which sees 4 new riders for this year. We welcome the Jarrott, Hayes and Ash families to our pony club. We hope you enjoy all the fun activities we have planned.

Our August rally saw Kristen Nicholls instruct. She is in the Garryowen this year and helped the girls with show preparation. While Kirrilly Little helped out with show etiquette. Our other instructor for the day was Guy Henderson for Western trail riding.

Our club has also catered for a local clearing sale, and rose over \$1,000 for our efforts. This money will go towards offsetting club fees and projects along the way. We have been lucky to have just purchased and installed a new stove, pressure pump and replaced old power points and switch boards in the clubrooms. A huge thank you to Albert Qose for his efforts.

On Sunday 1st of September saw our gymkhana, the day had a Father's Day theme. All Dads on the day received a free ticket to a raffle, and the day included a Father led by child race. This was a fiercely fought event, with the winner being local dad Ross Ingamels. Our day saw over 40 riders competing, which is a huge improvement on last years numbers. Riders come from as far away as Melbourne, and Benalla, with local clubs supporting the day also. The Hi Point winner on the day was Laura Shwartz from the Numurkah Pony Club. Our committee would like to thank all members and their families for putting on such a great event.

Our next event was an overnight camp at Wakiti Creek on Saturday 5th of October. We had nine riders and houses attend, as well as some extra family members and ex Pony Club members to join in the fun. The weather was perfect for trail riding along the creek on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Accommodation was in cabins and tee pees - stalls were provided for the horses. On Saturday evening riders put on a interesting skit of the three Little Pigs around the camp fire. It was fun, social and relaxing weekend away.

Pony club rallies are generally held the 1st 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 Mellissa Blair on 0418278542.

INVERGORDON CRICKET CLUB: Secretary: Ryan Gleeson 0418 993 871.

The Invergordon Cricket Club season for 2013/14 is underway. The club is always after new players or members, everyone is welcome - No cricket experience is needed, we are all playing for fun.

Training is every Thursday at the Invergordon Recreation Reserve, starting from 6pm and games are played Saturday from 1pm. The bar will be open at these times as well for those who would prefer just the social side of things.

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 October 24th, November 7th and 21st, December 5th and 19th. 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 November 19th and December 17th. For further information contact the GVRLS on 1300 374765.

YARRAWONGA MARTIAL ARTS: After a great response to the expressions of interest, we are excited to let everyone know that Karate Classes are now held at the **Invergordon Recreation Reserve** every **Monday** afternoon of the school term starting at 5:15pm. The classes involve a range of training drills to improve confidence, discipline and fitness held in a controlled and safe environment for all ages.

For more information please feel free to contact Yarrowonga Martial via e-mail at yarrowongamartialarts@live.com.au or locally telephone Kerry on 0429 922 624.

INVERGORDON COMMUNITY GYM - Expressions Of Interest: At the Invergordon Recreation & Grounds Committee meeting the idea to convert the old Tennis Club Room into a Community based Gym / Work Out area.

The thought is to renovate the currently unused space to set up a gym-like environment with equipment (maybe donated from local folk who don't use / have not got the space for) exercise bike, treadmill, cross-trainer, weights, ect.

After further investigation this idea could very well become a reality, already finding public liability/general insurance and the possibility of a grant to help get the "Gym" up and running. The process will involve setting up an incorporation (Inc.) and to be viable, assess how many people in the community would use the facility.

Would you be interested in becoming an active Gym Member? Are you interested in helping set it up? A meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th of December at 7:30pm at the Please contact Rick Orr on 0417 035 634 for further information.

YOUANMITE CWA & COMMUNITY NEWS: On August 26th the C.W.A. Central Murray Group Conference was held at Cobram with a very successful attendance. Eight entries were submitted for the Grapefruit Marmalade and four entries for the “Prem Baby Matinee Set”.

About 100 people attended the lifting on the Time Capsule that took place on Sunday September 1st at the Youanmite School. All enjoyed reminiscing with a BBQ lunch and a Dixie ice-cream on the day to complete the day.

“High Tea” was held on Wednesday September 11th. The game included games, raffles and yummy food for all to enjoy.

The group raised money at a local clearing sale on Saturday 12th October, All hands were on deck, thanks to all for their support.

Six members participated in the overnight “Relay For Life” held in Shepparton on Saturday and Sunday 19th & 20th of October – well done!

Social Connections meet the second Wednesday of the month, and are looking forward to their overnight trip to be held on October 23rd & 24th. All are excited to be making their way down to Werribee Park open Plan Zoo.

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 General Meeting will be held on Thursday 7th of November at 10:00am, followed by the Annual General Meeting at 1:30pm, for enquiries please phone Alma 5828 5236. New members to both groups 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 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: First Aid Wednesday 27th November cost \$190 (Full fee, workbook included), \$155 (refresher); Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation-CPR Wednesday 27th November 9:00am-12noon cost \$75. Victorian Responsible Service of Alcohol Monday 11th November 9:30am-1:30pm (at CCH) and Thursday 28th November 5:30-9:30pm (at Numurkah Community Learning Centre) cost \$90. 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.

IDEAL CONTRIBUTIONS: Does your community group / club have a special event coming up? Would you like the Invergordon community know what's happening in your group / club?

If your community group / club are currently not published in our IDEAL Community News and you would like to join in, please feel free to contact Helen Osborne on 5865 5482 or send an e-mail to Helen@robandhelen.com to ensure your item is in future issues.

**INVERGORDON PRIMARRY SCHOOL
REMEMBERANCE DAY CEREMONY**

The wider community is invited to attend a Remembrance Day ceremony to be held on Monday 11th November at 10:45 am to be followed by morning tea.

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 29th November 2013**.