

# Merrijig Matters

## Merrijig's Monthly Newsletter

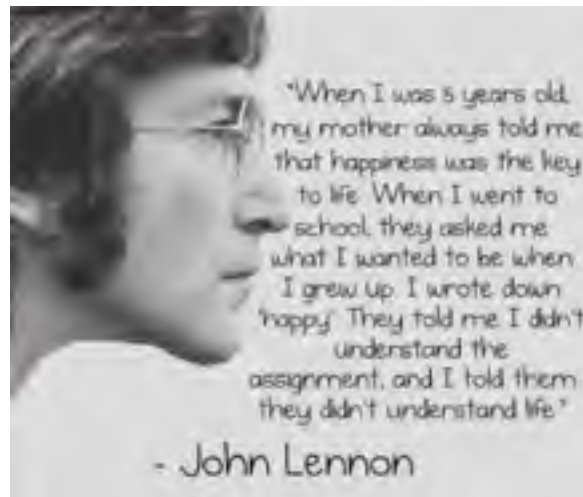
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### Quote of the month



## Feedback is back

As always, an excellent newsy newsletter! Thanks Adele, I really do appreciate that you keep everyone in the loop. The sense of community this fosters is very special, about as special as Merrijig itself! Thank you and keep doing it, I admire your energy.

from Eliza Foster

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Back issues of the newsletters can be viewed on the web at:

[http://www.merrijig.com.au/html/local\\_news.html](http://www.merrijig.com.au/html/local_news.html)

**Some articles in this newsletter may be picked up by the Mansfield Courier so consider this if you are submitting stories you could be sensitive about sharing with the community wider than Merrijig**

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If you're looking for a **Justice of the Peace**, our local JP is

Laurie Jacob, Buttercup Rd

0439 280 333

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**Wild Dogs** there will be aerial bating in the near future in the meantime our contact person is David Klippel – if you are suspicious of wild dog action call him on 0428 503 169

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## Welcome to Merrijig

This month we welcome Kathleen, Mark and Oliver Griffin who have happily settled into Merrijig where they have wanted to live for a few years now. Finally they made it and year 10 student at Mansfield Secondary College, Oliver has found his niche playing U/16 in both the Delatite Cricket team as well as Mansfield Football team.

Also Roc and Lisa Niglia and family who have purchased 'Day Dream Cottage' on the Mt Buller Road to use as a holiday house for when they can manage a break from their dairy farm at Dhurringile.

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# August 2014

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## Who's doing what lately?

### The further adventures Annie and Henrik

Michael Warhen wrote some more of his brother and sister-in-law's exciting trek:-

They have now reached Gäddede, so actually just across the border in Sweden, about 1300 kms into the journey, almost half way and about two days ahead of schedule. The following from Annie:

'The snow is gone with only a few patches left around 800 to 900 m. For the past two weeks we've mainly been walking in gently undulating tundra with brief periods in broad wetlands dominated by sphagnum, cotton grass and other sedges, broken up by 'islands' of dry heath and gnarled birch. And it's been hot. Really hot and humid. Everyone we've spoken to has said it's unusual or unprecedented. The rest of Scandinavia has been much the same. But for us the bonus has been masses of rapidly ripening cloudberries, with the blueberries not far behind. Yum!! So far the bugs haven't been too bad, but we've been warned: they're massing, especially the no-see-ums!

Here in Gäddede we've had our usual break from the trail, with plenty of washing, re-stocking, relaxing and eating.

And now that we are in Sweden the good news is that we can afford to do more eating and, of course, drinking the odd beer here and there - though they don't make it so very easy. Full strength alcohol is not available in supermarkets; it is only sold through special government outlets...and the nearest one to here is 130 kms away! To a pair of Aussies, this is exceedingly weird and quite alarming. However, we can buy bottles from the campground kiosk, though they are opened and must be consumed within a designated area. We knew our expedition would throw us curly ones now and then, but really?!

We've also picked up our pack rafts and from now on will spend more time on rivers and lakes.





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**Ryan Daykin** a former Merrijig school student and son of the present day school secretary Sheena Daykin, appeared on August 1 at the Mansfield Golf Club supported by Emily Smith and Brad Friend.

Ryan is a talented musician, song writer and entertainer and this is a fundraising effort to help him produce his first professional recording. As he doesn't want to lose any of his rights to his music and its production he wants to cover the cost of the recording himself and is raising the funds in the best way he knows how, by performing his works live and acoustic for his own town and district.





*Ryan Daykin*

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## **Wet White Wilderness at Bonnie Doon**

Two top tourist attractions make Mansfield a quick growing destination. History records, farmers and city entrepreneurs getting together to promote the idea of Mt Buller becoming a skiing hub from the early 1920's.

At the same time far sighted people recognised the opportunity to harness water for irrigation by building a dam in the Goulburn River upper catchment.

As you know, this resulted in Lake Eildon, first built in the 1915 as Sugarloaf Reservoir, enlarged in 1929 and added to again in 1955 when it was renamed Lake Eildon.

Throughout these times Edwin G Adamson fished for trout, photographed reliability car rallies and skied in the alps, including Mt Buller.

Born in 1895, early in the era of photography, Edwin, or Ted as he became known to his friends, was given a camera by his uncle and soon learned to develop his own negatives and then print them in the bathroom of his house in the city.

His enthusiasm for photography led to a great career as a professional photographer.

He combined his photographic talents with his passion for the bush, eventually making Mansfield home where he established "Mürren" a beef cattle and nut farm at the foot of Mt Buller.

On Friday, August 1 at the Bonnie Bar, an exhibition of Ted Adamson's photos from the 1920's to 1940's was launched. Brief talks by his son, Ed, and Michelle Stevenson, Curator

of the National Alpine Museum, which is based at Mt Buller were enjoyed by those in attendance.

While the exhibition continues everybody is invited to celebrate the water, the snow and the blessings they bring us. Ed Adamson commented, "It was a time to get together around the wood fire, view the professional's hobby photos and celebrate life", he said.

For further details about the exhibition contact Ed Adamson on 0428 775 758 or Keira at Bonnie Bar 5778 7774.



*Deep snow shows a good ski season in the old days, where people had to dig in to access this tin hut.  
Photo E G Adamson*



*The first Lake Eildon (originally Sugarloaf Reservoir) shows fishing was as popular then as it is today  
Photo: E G Adamson*

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## **Locals' grandchildren raise money for Children's Medical Research**

Bruce and Deb McCormack's grandchildren, Jake, Tayla and Bryce McMillan and Adele's granddaughter Jessica McCormack <https://stepathon.everydayhero.com/au/jessica-mccormack> are taking part in a STEPATHON.

### **What is Step-a-thon?**

During September 1 -7 this year kids will be asked to make every step count by counting their steps and keeping as active as possible. Money raised through Step-a-thon will go towards child health research.

### **What does Murdoch Children's Research Institute do with the money raised?**

Money raised through events like a Step-a-thon is vital to providing the initial funding we need to bring bold and innovative research ideas to life. Many of the research projects that receive government funding were initially established with funding from the generous community.

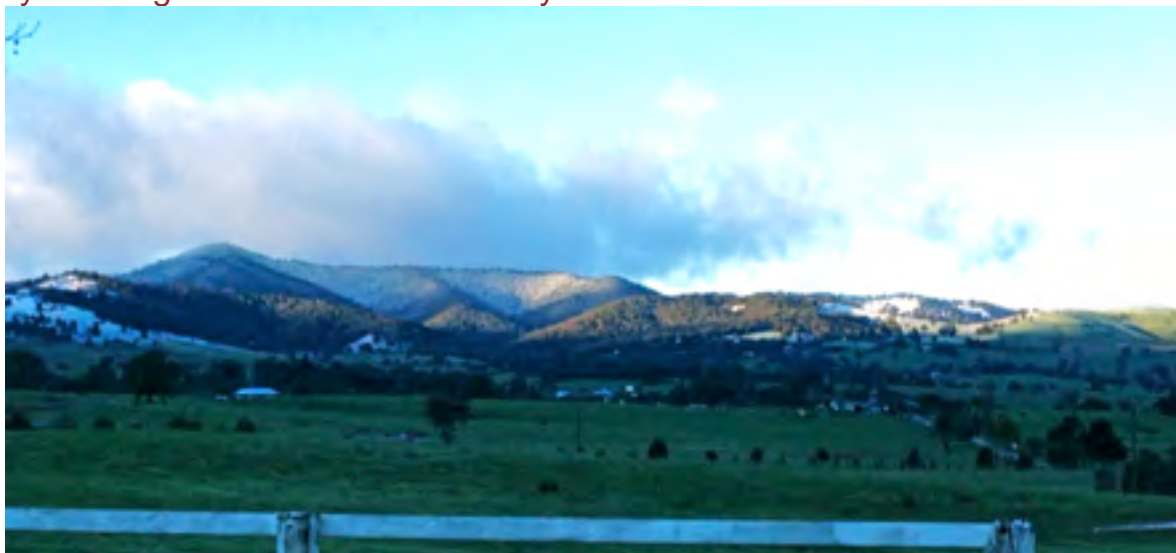


Supporting Murdoch Children's is an investment in the future health of children. (Info taken from the web site) <https://stepathon.everydayhero.com/au/jake-mcmillan> <https://stepathon.everydayhero.com/au/tayla-mcmillan> <https://stepathon.everydayhero.com/au/bryce-mcmillan> It only takes a minute or two to make a donation and you will be helping with research into childhood illnesses. Every little bit counts.

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## Snow close by on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July .....

The early morning view from Adele's front yard



**Louise Brannan** on Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, posted this wonderful early morning picture of the freshly fallen snow on her Facebook page which she took as she went to work on the mountain.



**Then Andrew Jurrjens** put this on his page on the same day while he was delivering freshly laundered sheets to one of the accommodation establishments.



*“Another day at in the life of AJ’s Laundry” Andrew commented*

**Paul Haley** put up this great picture of snowboarders on Shaky Knees ski run on Sunday, July 20.



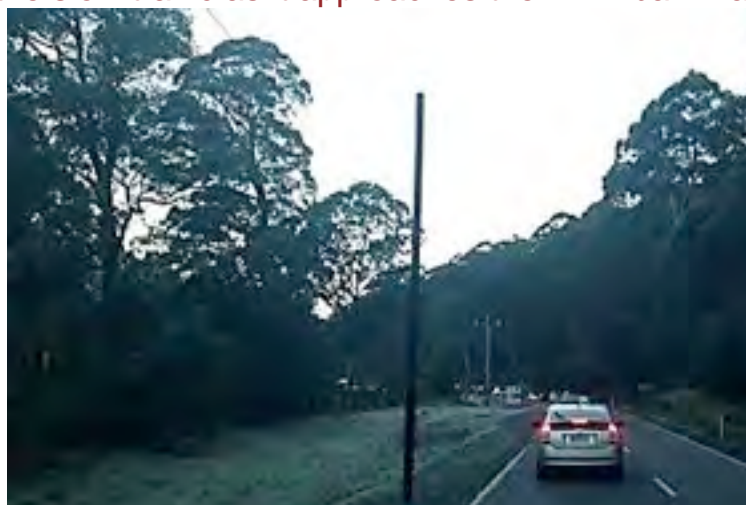
*And below a couple he took of the fresh fall on the Thursday prior showing Davies Road and Mt Timbertop*



**Danielle Curnow-Andreasen** provided this beautiful shot of our snow covered ranges from the summit of Mt Stirling on Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.



The season has taken off with a big bang following this great dumping of snow. The one drawback is the slow traffic as it approaches the Mirimbah Traffic Control point.



**Tania Allatt** took a picture while stopped in the traffic jam on Sunday morning 21st July. At times traffic was backed up to Happy Valley I have been told which can be believed with this photo below.



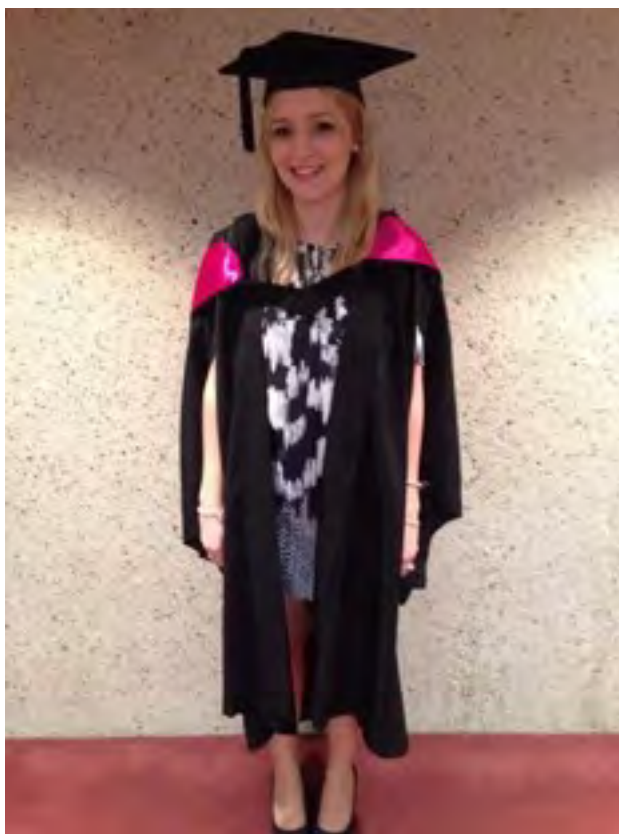
**Elena Samec** took this one of the line up as she gratefully turned LEFT out of Changue Road on Sunday morning.

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## **Jaimi Wilsher graduates**

Jaimi is the eldest daughter of Ellen (Walsh) and Paul Wilsher ,now residents of Brisbane Queensland, but Ellen, the daughter of Wendy & Jimmy Walsh grew up in Merrijig and attended Mansfield Secondary College.

Young Jaimi who turns 23 in September has completed a double degree in Bachelor of Business (Public Relations) and a Bachelor of Creative Industries (Fashion). At present she is employed as a stylist at David Jones with her goal to land a job as a buyer.





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## Singing along at the *Echuca Winter Blues Festival*



Adele McCormack and granddaughter Erin were caught in a photo singing along with a cool blues band outside Beechworth Bakery on Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup>. There were several Mansfield people wandering around also enjoying the event. If you find yourself free on the last weekend in July next year, take a drive to Echuca for music in the streets and in cozy venues – all available free to you.

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## Off The Track



Former Lee Freedman-trained Stakes winner ‘Super Impressive’ is one of three retired racehorses taking courage to a new level as part of the Victoria Police Mounted Branch. You can see Merrijig’s own Jody Galway on the left of the team of Police horses mounted on ‘Super Impressive’ – very impressive!

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## Motorbike Club News

Had to call off their meet at Merrijig as the track was dangerously slippery and the creek was running high and fast.

**This month of AUGUST it's on on Sunday the 17th at McCormack Park MERRIJIG**



## Talking about the Township of Merrijig

With these new plans being put up to re zone the township area; Judy Kirkham rediscovered this photograph taken circa 1975.



This was the whole town population of Merrijig for quite a few years, more years than just 1975, left to right, Barry Smith, publican, David Kirkham, Katie Kirkham, Penny Kirkham, Uncle Ray Smith, handy man at the pub and Judy Kirkham.

Of course there were more people living in the 'RURAL' area of Merrijig, (*that is just across the road*) still there were not as many Merrijiggers as there are today. See if you can read Uncle Ray's shirt, it says 'I'm a Merrijigger'.

These were very popular T shirts sold at the pub, they had trouble keeping up supplies of the shirts at times.

The sign of a healthy community is that it grows. Where some places lose their population while services and communities disappear, Merrijig thankfully is moving ahead.

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# First Shot of WW1 gains valuable prize

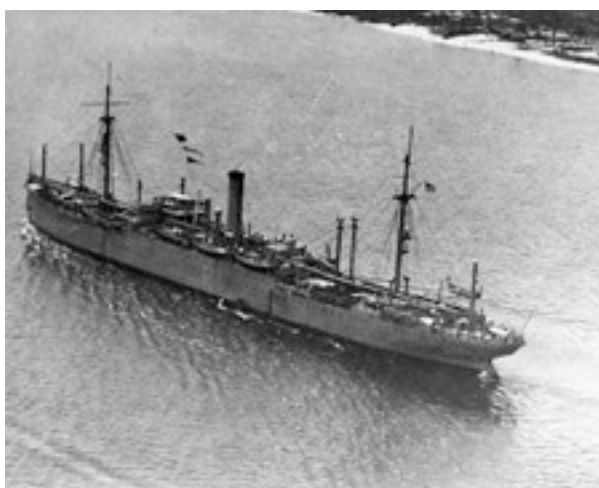
By Graham Godber Mansfield RSL Historian

Wednesday, August 5th marked the centenary of the very first shot fired by forces of the British Empire (and maybe by any allied forces) in World War 1. This shot was fired from a gun mounted at Fort Nepean at the entrance to Melbourne's Port Philip Bay.



*The gun that fired the first shot in WW1*

When Britain declared war on August 4th, 1914 a German merchant ship, SS Pfalz, happened to be in the Port of Melbourne. Following receipt of the news of this declaration, and after a hurried preparation, she sailed from port in an attempt to avoid internment. As she approached Port Philip heads at 12.45 pm on August 5th a shot was fired across her bows from the Fort on Point Nepean as a warning for her to turn about, which she did. The ship was formally surrendered and became the first German asset to be captured by military action in WW1.



*The SS Pfalz*

After being fitted out at Williamstown Naval dockyards as a troop transport the ship was renamed HMAT Boorara (His Majesty's Australian Transport) and took part in the Second Australian Convoy of troops from Australia to Egypt in December 1914.

During the Gallipoli Campaign, the following year, the ship was used to house and transport Turkish prisoners from the Dardanelles. After being accidentally rammed by the French cruiser Kleber on July 15 she was beached at Mudros and later repaired in Naples. After serving as a general troop transport vessel throughout the war, which included having been torpedoed and repaired on two occasions during 1918, the ship was employed returning Australian troops back home in 1919.



*HMAT Boorara Australian troops embark for the war*

HMAT Boorara was sold in 1926 to a Greek shipping line and was renamed the Nereus. After some 10 years as a general merchant ship her adventurous career finally ended when she was wrecked off the Canadian coast in 1937.



*The Nereus*

*Pictures for this article were taken from the internet*

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## **Hospital Auxiliary Fund Raiser**

**Merrijig's Marion Mitchell** is on the Hospital Auxiliary and would like to draw your attention to the fundraiser outlined on the poster below. "The money raised will all go to purchase equipment for our wonderful hospital" Marion said.

See poster below:



# MANSFIELD DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY FUND RAISING AFTERNOON

## GOURMET FOOD & WINE TASTING

Saturday 30 August 2014

4.00 pm

at the Kitchen Door - Barjarg

Cost \$45.00 per head



Tickets in advance at Wallaby Ritz



*Taste six exciting local Delatite wines that will be perfectly matched with delicious gourmet canapés freshly prepared by local chef Megan Knapp of Pure Taste catering. Winemaker Andy Browning will address each wine style while Megan will add her commentary on each complementary canapé.*

Petite Brioche filled with Buxton Trout and topped with lemon scented crème  
2012 Polly's Block Reserve Chardonnay  
(Vanilla, brioche, lemon, grapefruit, oak)

Confit chicken Terrine with sautéed leek, lemon infused oil and polenta croute  
2012 Delatite Estate Pinot Gris  
(Ripe pear and stone fruit characters)

Warm Peking Duck Crepe  
2012 Delatite Estate Pinot Noir  
(Black cherry, plum, spice, tarry characters)

Slow braised oxtail and roasted vegetable pie  
2009 'Devil River' Cabernet merlot  
(Ripe fruit, spices, red and black fruit characters)

Rare eye fillet with peppered hollandaise and fresh herbs  
2010 RJ Shiraz  
(Blackberry and peppery spices, oak)

Vanilla pannacotta and poached pear tartlet  
2012 'Catharine's Block' Gewurztraminer  
(Musk and rose tones, sweet clean acid finish)

*An auction of a painting  
and a raffle will also be conducted.  
All proceeds will be donated to the  
Mansfield Hospital*

Delatite Wines will be available for purchase on the day.

Thank you to Delatite for their wine, Megan Knapp for her time and the use of her venue, the Kitchen Door.

It's not in Merrijig but  
it's



**Lloyd Spiegel with Tim Burnham  
plus special guests**

**The Mansfield Performing Arts Centre September 6.**

**Get in early and mark it on your calendar or you may miss this**



*Lloyd was playing at Echuca Blues last weekend*

One of Australia's most gifted guitarists, a powerhouse blues performer and songwriter, Lloyd Spiegel will be in Mansfield on September 6 to run two workshops and then perform in concert with drummer Tim Burnham.

Tickets for the concert are only \$22 from Mick and Gabe at 'Bridgestone Service Centre' on 5779 1001 and Ronnie and Teaghan at 'Dare to be Bare' 5779 1665. Don't miss it!!!!

Supporting Mansfield Secondary College's 'Kool Skools' music program and 'Paddock to Plate'

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## Memories of Cyril - nine years on this month



Those of you who didn't know Cyril missed out on knowing a genuinely nice bloke. He died at the age of 63 following the discovery of esophageal cancer which caused him difficulty in swallowing. He went through chemo and a serious operation - came through that but succumbed to secondary cancers which consumed his body.

Everyone who knew him would have some fond memories of where their lives touched, from the shared drinks in the pub to horse rides through the bush, to 4WD trips in rough old Land Rovers and working alongside him on Lions projects.

He loved the farm and walked out of boarding school in Melbourne on his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday so he could get back to farming with his dad. He loved his Fergie tractor and wanted his ashes buried with his Fergie Tractor club pin (which is what happened). His good mate Bob Bretherton is doing up his old Fergie at the moment and Bob has named her 'Cyril's Pride'.

Now mentioning Bob reminds me of a good story.

Cyril was the local Santa for 14 years, and the year he began he was rather nervous. The Merrijig Primary School Principal at the time, Jill Esperson had asked him, as he had the right build. Bob was to drive him to the hall when they got a phone call indicating the concert was over, so as they waited for the call, they shared a few beers.

Cyril was not so nervous by the time the call came through; in fact he was rather merry, as a Santa should be. As each child sat on his knee and told him of what they wanted for Christmas he would make a comment and see what he could do, until one little girl who he knew very well and was rather fond of climbing on his knee and said she wanted a particular dolly. Santa gave her a pat on the head and said 'Yes Sure Why not' or words to that effect, but before he had finished her mother had given him a swipe over the head and said, "Don't you tell my daughter she can have that expensive doll" – That still brings a good laugh although that little girl is a married woman her mother still laughs about it.

So those who knew Cyril remember one happy story about him on August 11<sup>th</sup>.

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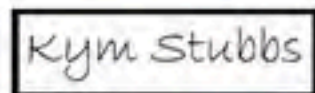
**Merrijig's Kym Stubbs** together with **Billie Mae** (whom I have known since she was a toddler) are working together on this project

# Through the Eyes of Youth



Mansfield's freeza group 'Pumped Up' in partnership with Kym Stubbs and Billie Mae are running a photography workshop in early August and September. We are currently looking for expressions of interest in the program. No previous experience is required, only a love of photos.

Forms for the workshop can be picked up from your school office, Cafe Connect and MACE. The workshop is open to 12-25 year olds, will be fully supervised and catered for and is a drug/smoke/alcohol free event. Final photos will be displayed during the spring arts walk.



# Merrijig Primary School News

School Council is undertaking a new fundraiser - selling Hessian bags - with local town and place names upon them. We have some available in the office. They are also available at various outlets throughout the area.



The cost is \$15. Fantastic that Merrijig has the biggest print.

There are just a few slight errors, where it says Mt Buller, Mirimbah, Mt Timbertop, Sheeypard flats & Sawmill Settlement it should read East Merrijig and Mansfield, Maindample, Bonnie Doon should be West Merrijig while Tolmie is North Merrijig. Otherwise it's a good looking bag and I must get one.

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*Skiing for sport – what a great curriculum this little school has.*

## LIFE EDUCATION

EMPOWERING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE SAFER AND HEALTHIER CHOICES THROUGH EDUCATION







The van will be visiting the school on Aug 12<sup>th</sup> so that the children can learn to say NO to drugs and alcohol, amongst other things kids today have to learn to live with.

Life Education is the largest, independent, Australian, health and drug education provider for school children aged 5-13 years.

On September 1<sup>st</sup> its Bingo at the golf club benefitting the school followed by the aths sports the following Friday. These are coming up very soon after the next newsletter so this is a heads up to mark on your calendar if it interests you.

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# Merrijig Family Fun Day



On Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>



This is the winning LOGO created by Jayme Henemann a Year 12 student at Mansfield Secondary College.

Jayme won a family pass as well as \$50 cash for her trouble.

Gate entry prices have been set at \$10 per adult and \$5 for pensioners and students. Children under 16 are free

Make a commitment to become involved TODAY

You don't have to put in all the preparation work, there is a co-ordination committee working on that right now,

but if you would like to be a volunteer on the day, put your name down as soon as you know you are available.

This will be a fun day for the volunteers too.



Volunteers will be given an iron on transfer to put onto a comfortable T shirt which guarantees free entry.

There is a need for start up funds too if you would like to be involved but are time-poor

there are numerous expensive requirements these days before an event such as this gets off the ground.

contact Adele the treasurer if you can help out this way.

A form to secure a stall site is at the bottom of this newsletter.

Site holders – **its first in best site.** @ only \$25 for a 3X3 site

3 or 4 sites already booked and more are coming in

Community groups – **its free sites for fundraising opportunities \$0**

4 sites booked

Display groups – **confirmed sites includes** Grey Fergie Tractors, Which may do a ploughing demo, co-ordinated by Bob Bretherton.

Indian Motorbikes – a collection by Peter Arundel.

Alpaca Animal display – provided by Steve and Mary Chiodo

**We are working**

on a UTE muster and a baby animal pen.

Your help with these would be appreciated.

There are lots of fun games for people of all ages on the list and we have volunteers to run some of these, you can volunteer to run some events too like the egg and spoon race or the catch a raw egg event, the kick the footy straight game.

your help with these would be appreciated with things like this too.

**If you want to book a site or just want to know more about this fantastic fun day right at the beginning of summer contact one of the committee listed below.**

President	Paige Webster	<a href="mailto:paige_dog_1@hotmail.com">paige_dog_1@hotmail.com</a>
Vice Pres.	Ashleigh Jurrjens	<a href="mailto:musicgirl101@live.com.au">musicgirl101@live.com.au</a>
Sec/Treas.	Adele McCormack	<a href="mailto:adelemac15@bigpond.com">adelemac15@bigpond.com</a>
Members	Frank Johnson	<a href="mailto:delaview2121@bigpond.com">delaview2121@bigpond.com</a>
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	Paul Jackson	<a href="mailto:lemoustachejackson@yahoo.com">lemoustachejackson@yahoo.com</a>
	Jacquie Pollard	<a href="mailto:brianjacquie@gmail.com">brianjacquie@gmail.com</a>
	Andrew Jurrjens	<a href="mailto:ajs_place@bigpond.com">ajs_place@bigpond.com</a>

Food and soft drinks will be available but you can if you like bring along a picnic and a beverage or two.

The kids colouring competition sheets are about town - there are 4 age groups and Kids can practice on as many as they like but there is **only one entry per person.**

First prize for each age group includes a free family pass to the Merrijig Family Fun Day.



The Mansfield and Merrijig businesses have been so supportive our young President and Vice President have had a very positive experience from the exercise of seeing where colouring comp sheets can be left as can be seen from the list below.

These businesses and schools shown below are those who offered support on just one day of canvassing and here we gratefully acknowledge their valuable support.

Look out for these and entry collection boxes all over town but particularly in these places.

- St Mary's Primary School
- Mansfield Autistic Centre
- Mansfield Primary School
- FoodWorks
- IGA
- Hunt Club Hotel

Commercial Hotel  
Delatite Hotel  
Mansfield Hotel  
Bendigo Bank  
NAB  
Mansfield Strike Lounge  
Bite Me Café  
The Witches Brew  
Mansfield Coffee Merchant  
Mansfield Shearing Shed

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## **Postponed snowshoe walk is re-scheduled**

Report supplied by Jackie Noble

Barb and Craig Jones from Mt Stirling have confirmed they can do the snow shoe day on Mt STIRLING from 10 – 4pm on Sunday, August 31st.

\$25 plus hire of snow shoes.

Leader: Stirling Experience

Suitable for beginners/moderate fitness level.

Contact Maureen 0419307509 to book in and for transport details.

See Website Mansfield Bushwalking Club for other details

Equipment: see Day Ski tour check list.

A reminder that the next General Get-together (open to the public) is at the Delatite Hotel, Monday August 18th from 7pm,  
We will be having an invited speaker and a special walk presentation

Jacky Noble.  
Secretary,  
Mansfield Bushwalking Club  
PO Box 344  
Mansfield 3724  
walkers3722@gmail.com

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**Cr Marg Attley:-** Your local representative on Mansfield Shire Council.

Available to be contacted on: 5776 2231 or [marg.attley@mansfield.vic.gov.au](mailto:marg.attley@mansfield.vic.gov.au)



**Mansfield  
New Residents &  
Multicultural Group**

New to Mansfield? Still settling in?  
Looking to create new networks and  
friends?

Come along to the Mansfield  
New Residents & Multicultural Group to  
socialise and:

- meet new people
- share information
- celebrate cultural diversity
- enjoy delicious food
- get involved in activities to help you  
settle into the Mansfield community

There is no cost to be involved.

For more  
information  
contact:  
Sue Arndt  
5775 8558

**1st Wednesday  
of every month  
at  
MACE  
6pm**

**A social group  
that meets  
monthly to catch  
up over food and  
to share  
stories and  
experiences**



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*For those of you who have an idea needing a bit of financial support Kirsten wishes to bring to your attention –*

**The Caring for Ageing Rural Australians (CARA)** program, this is a targeted small grant program, designed to support projects and activities that benefit and support older people living in small rural and remote communities.

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available and eligible projects and activities include those that:

- Help redress disadvantage caused by remoteness;

- Enhance aged care services and facilities;
- Build community capacity for aged-friendly communities;
- Foster community development through opportunities and participation for older people; and / or
- Encourage positive and active ageing, community health and well-being, and education programs.

## Applying

### The 2014 program is now open and will close on August 15, 2014

The program is open to communities in rural, regional and remote New South Wales, Queensland, Western Australia and Victoria. Applications from communities with a population of 10,000 or less will receive priority.

Applications are invited from not-for-profit, incorporated community organisations that have an ABN or Incorporation Certificate.

Please read the guidelines before submitting your application.

- [Guidelines - Caring for Ageing Rural Australians 2014](#)
- [Application - Caring for Ageing Rural Australians 2014](#)

### There is also a grant available from

The Bank of Melbourne and the Herald Sun who have joined forces to bring you the **Local Project**, a fantastic funding opportunity of \$10,000 to improve your community.

The judging panel chooses 10 finalists in each of the five categories (50 finalists in total), then Victorians vote for their favourite project on [bankofmelbourne.com.au/thelocalproject](http://bankofmelbourne.com.au/thelocalproject). In each category, the two projects with the most votes receive \$10,000 for their local project.

For more information visit <http://webapps.bankofmelbourne.com.au/thelocalproject/> or visit your local Bank of Melbourne.

For your chance to win \$10,000 for your local project, just tell us about your project and how it could benefit your community by 1 September. If you like, you can include supporting documents and images.

If you'd like to talk to a branch manager about your local project, visit your local Bank of Melbourne.

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**WHAT'S GOING ON AT OUR LOCAL**

**HUNT CLUB HOTEL**

**SPECIALS**

OPENING HOURS

Monday to Thursday from 2.00 p.m.

Friday, Saturday Sunday from 11.00 a.m.

Bistro open from 6.00 pm for dinner 7 nights



**Mondays: Kids Under 12 Eat Free with purchase of a main meal  
(excluding Public Holidays)**

**Tuesdays: Trivia every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday**

**Wednesdays: Pizza/Parma/Steak Night  
Parma & a Pot of Boags \$20.00  
(Ask for a loyalty card and receive  
every 5<sup>th</sup> Parma Free, conditions apply)**

**Thursdays: Happy Hour from 5.30pm - 7.30pm  
Bar Snacks & Prize Draw at 7.30pm  
1Jug of Boags and 12 Chicken Wings \$20.00**

**Lunches: Friday, Saturday Sunday**

**12.00 noon - 2.00 p.m.**

**Phone: 5777 5508**

**Keep an eye on the notice board on the roadside  
to catch when live music or special events are coming up so you won't miss out.**



**Live Music**



**Watch the sandwich board on Buller Road side of the pub.**

**Meals from 6.00pm**

**Entertainment from 8.30pm (Free Entry)**

**Bookings Recommended**

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## What's going on at the Merrijig Hall ?



[hallsec@merrijig.com.au](mailto:hallsec@merrijig.com.au)

[enquiries@merrijig.com.au](mailto:enquiries@merrijig.com.au)

### **MERRIJIG HALL IS AVAILIABLE FOR HIRE FOR ANY FUNCTION AT MOST REASONABLE RATES**

when looking for a venue for a birthday party, wedding, family reunion  
keep your community hall in mind its there for your use.

Call **Sen Weir** 0407 565 962 or **5777 5656**

Some of the regular activities held at the hall include

At Merrijig Hall  
On Tuesdays  
between 10 to 12  
& only costing \$3.00

### Muscle Group

Don't do any of  
these workouts  
pictured.

Its good fun & light  
muscle strengthening  
exercises



The group gathers on Thursdays at 11am, finishing up around 3pm. Everyone brings along a small plate of goodies to share for morning tea and/or lunch. Tea and coffee are supplied.

New members welcome. Cost per session is \$4. For further details contact Kerrie on 04 3738 0384

"Which" Craft?

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# Ever needed a face painter ?

## Keep Michele in mind for when you find you need a children's entertainer

To hire Michele for a birthday party or club fundraiser check out the following notice:

*Chele's Face~Painting,*  
\$50- p/h,



*Fundraisers*  
Having a Family Fun Day, Fete, Trush & Treasure?  
Pay for 2 hours get 4 hours and charge a minimum of \$6 per full face and \$3- per cheek to keep for yourself.

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# *AJ's Laundry Services*



**4 Stirling St Merrijig  
Juliet Mobile 0419 210468  
Merrijig Office: (03)5777**

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## **NOW FOR A FINAL GOOD LAUGH!**







Bye for now Adele

Adele McCormack  
45 McCormacks Rd  
Merrijig 3723

☎ 03 5777 5637 Mobile: 0409 600 655

This Merrijig Community Newsletter is compiled by Adele McCormack of Merrijig and edited and published on this website by Louise Jacob also of Merrijig, as a community service.

The newsletter is an outcome of the Merrijig Community Plan initiated by the Shire of Mansfield Council.

Every care has been taken in gathering and presenting the information on this site. Enquiries can be directed to [enquiries@merrijig.com.au](mailto:enquiries@merrijig.com.au)

The site is designed and sponsored by Merrijig resident, Steve Thompson of Appaloosa Films [www.appaloosafilms.tv](http://www.appaloosafilms.tv)

See below for Stall holder Application Forms for Merrijig Family Fun Day

NOTE Community not for profit groups stalls are free of charge, but everything else is the same as for this registration form.

# Merrijig Family Fun Day Co-ordination Committee

President Paige Webster      Secretary/ Treasurer Adele McCormack  
Wild Dog Road Merrijig      45 McCormacks Rd Merrijig  
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0487 850509      November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014      0409600655  
Please direct all correspondence to the Secretary

Organisation Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred contact method:      Phone       Email       Post

Amount of Sites: \_\_\_\_\_

Sites must have own insurance Policy's and proof of cover.

Policy name: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Stall: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Please note ALL forms are due back in by 1<sup>st</sup> October – One month before the event

Please tick below if it is okay for your details to be passed on to prospective buyers

\*\*\*Please note, sites are 3 X 3

Yes

No

*“A site that costs is for a commercial business-  
Community groups / non-profit groups are free”*

Please Note:

- All cars unloading must be off lawn and parked by 8 am
- Sites will NOT be allocated until full payments are received

Name (in Full)

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Signature

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- Site Price \$25

Food/Drinks  
Community Display  
Performance/ demo  
Workshop