

Lakeside COMMUNITY NEWS



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Issue 36 Lakeside comes alive this summer...



Lakeside Author Releases Latest Book

Lakeside resident, Susan Day, is proud to announce the launch of her latest book, 'Astro's Adventures: The Great Escape'.

The first in a series of books, 'The Great Escape' introduces us to a shaggy dog named Astro; a group of secret agents that work for an organisation dedicated to saving

neglected dogs and; the evil genius cat, 'Speed Bump Charlie'. The characters in the books are based on real dogs and cats that live in Pakenham.

'Astro's Adventures: The Great Escape', although written for children, entertains adults with the quirky and, at times, slightly odd ball adventures of this crazy gang. Extracts from one review said...:

"Action from beginning to end. You are transported into the world of the 'Organisation' and it's operative's from the first page. A story told with humour and filled with messages we could all learn from, no matter what our age. I would highly recommend it" – Emma.

Astro's Adventures was launched in Lakeside on December 17th, 2011. Guests enjoyed meeting the author and the star of the book, Astro, a long term Lakeside resident!

To share her love of writing, Susan Day, will be touring libraries and schools in 2012 conducting workshops to teach children how she took the lives of seven ordinary dogs and one cat and turned them into super heroes.

For more details or to purchase your own copy please go to www.astrosadventures.com or contact Sue on 0421 582 067, email: messy_pawz1@bigpond.com, blog: www.susandayauthor.weebly.com.



Free Sailing Lessons at Lakeside!



The Lakeside Sailing Club - Pakenham is gathering momentum with new members arriving each Thursday evening to register.

Sailing is a fun sport especially at Lakeside where the club encourages families to participate (as shown in the photo with Scott Burbidge demonstrating to the Chaudhry family).

The club is encouraging participation each Thursday evening commencing at 6pm where new members can take advantage of the club boats.

On Thursday 19th January Natasha Van Rennes, our junior representative on the committee and fully qualified instructor, will be offering free training for up to two groups of six during the day. For more information please contact Stewart Baker - Commodore of the 'Lakeside Sailing Club - Pakenham' 0409 866 436 or Natasha 0419 028 125.

Lakeside comes alive to the sound of summer!

For many Lakeside Pakenham residents, one of the most anticipated and exciting aspects of summer, along with the long days and hot weather, is the summer festival. This year's festival will feature a range of free public activities for all ages including sailing lessons on the Lake, kids' activities, property seminars and plenty more free family entertainment.

Special events will also be used to mark the latest land releases at Lakeside Pakenham. Lots sizes in Devonia Park and Caversham Waters range from 400m² to 927m², offering

homebuyers the best of both worlds.

The wide open green space makes it ideal for young and growing families, as well as for active couples who enjoy the great outdoors and the convenience of the nearby town centre and train station soon to be delivered.

The summer festival is a great opportunity for residents and neighbouring communities to get to know one another and enjoy what Lakeside Pakenham has to offer.

Look out for the full program in your letterbox or visit www.lakesidepakenhamonline.com.au



Lakeside Resident Group (LCDF) Activities



Summer Breakfast

Saturday 10th December's Summer Breakfast at Lakeside was a huge hit! There were nearly 200 people attending which is many more than past breakfasts.

The kids enjoyed the scavenger hunt and the interactive demonstrations by Step Into Life, Dance Stream and Cardinia United Junior Soccer Club.

Councillors Blenkhorn, Ross, and Owen also came along to help celebrate. CFA Santa on his fire truck was super popular with kids and adults alike, and Kathy even got to sit on his knee! Kathy didn't need to make a wish however, as all she wants for Christmas is to live in Pakenham and be surrounded by friends and community...and the Saturday summer breakfast was all about just that!

Parking boost for Pakenham CBD

More than 1,000 new car parks have made shopping easier in Pakenham.

Cr George Blenkhorn said the new Pakenham Marketplace – which opened in December – provided increased choice for shoppers and delivered a huge boost in terms of public car parking.

“A total of 1,108 carparks have been created in and around the \$80 million development, including 755 underground car parks. Add to this the ongoing availability of several other Council-provided parking areas in close proximity to the town centre and shoppers will have a host of options.

“We want people to shop locally and to support local businesses. There is already a great range of retail shops and Pakenham Marketplace development will complement these existing businesses.

Cr Blenkhorn thanked business operators and members of the public for their patience over the past 18 months as the new retail developments have taken place.

“We understand it's been inconvenient at times during the construction period but we hope the end result will give people even more reason to shop in Pakenham.”

Cr Blenkhorn said the new parking areas were all free and included a mix of timed options, including three-hour parking in the underground carpark and two-hour and 30-minute zones at ground level. There will also continue to be all-day parking at the James Street and Cook Drive carparks and elsewhere around the town centre.

“Shoppers are encouraged to take note of signage advising of time limits in each area,” Cr Blenkhorn said.

“Council's compliance services officers will be undertaking regular patrols but will certainly adopt a commonsense approach to regulating parking while people get used to the new parking areas. There will be additional parking zones for parents with prams as well as increased options for people with disability.

“Council has worked closely with the Pakenham Business Group to improve parking in the town centre and I encourage everybody to shop locally.”

Lend Lease boosts infrastructure investment in Melbourne's south-east growth corridor

The Lakeside Square activity centre will become an economic hub for Melbourne's burgeoning south-east region following the commencement of works for several pieces of key infrastructure, including a full-line supermarket, train station, public square and park.

Set to become a thriving new addition to the Lakeside Pakenham community, the Square will dramatically improve infrastructure and facilities for the local and surrounding communities.

“It's about creating an authentic location where the community can gather, interact, learn, relax and be entertained,” says Project Director Sharon Coates.

“Woolworths is expected to open its doors in approximately 12 months, along with a number of other speciality stores, providing current and future residents with a thriving retail precinct.

To complete this new civic centre, a new train station will also be delivered, bringing rail transport to this major growth area for the first time. It will feature two platforms with passenger shelters and seating as well as pick-up bays for buses and a taxi rank. The expected completion date of stage one of Lakeside Square is early 2013.

“The long-term investment by national retailers and local, quality suppliers is a tremendous boost in confidence not only for the Lakeside community, but for the entire region,” Ms Coates said.

For leasing enquiries at Lakeside Square contact Chad Kendall from Facey Real Estate on 9793 4455.



Aerial artists impression of Lakeside Square.

All Aboard the Walking School Bus in Lakeside!

A Walking School Bus operates at Pakenham Lakeside Primary School. The bus will recommence on Thursday 9 February 2012.

The bus leaves every Thursday morning at 8.30am. Meet the volunteers at the corner of Barwon & Shearwater Drives and walk down Shearwater Drive to the school, arriving at 8.50am.

Walking school bus 'drivers' are registered Council volunteers and undergo police checks and working with children checks; this addresses public liability insurance and protects your child.

If you live along this route, your children can hop onboard along the way. Once children have joined the program, times for pick up and drop offs can be confirmed by the volunteers.

Volunteering for the program can be as little or big as you want. Anything from one morning or afternoon a week is appreciated. Going on holidays? That's OK too. The program is flexible and welcomes any time you can give.

The program is always looking for volunteers and children, so if you would like to participate in the Walking School Bus program please contact Kate Beveridge the Active Children's Officer at Cardinia Shire Council on 5945 4314, the school office, or the volunteers on the walk.

From Small Beginnings...



Almost 10 years ago now, a group of roughly 40 children aged between 5 and 12 congregated at the Pakenham Stadium to take the first step in a journey that would ultimately change their lives forever.

Picking up a plastic stick, similar to that of a hockey stick, the young, exuberant kids commenced chasing a white plastic ball with the sole aim of hitting it into the back of the goal. However, little did they realise, they were in fact chasing more than a simple white ball that day. They were chasing what was soon to become a dream and aiming for a goal that would take them to new heights filled with new experiences and a new love. This new love was and still is Floorball, the fastest growing indoor sport in the world.

Those 40 children are now young adults, most of whom still passionately play Floorball and some of whom now represent Australia at an international level.

One such international player is Lakeside Resident Brad King. After being introduced into the sport by a friend seven years ago, King quickly developed into one of one Pakenham's superior forwards.

In 2007, King was picked for a national development squad that travelled to Singapore but struggled to break into the national team. However, strong performances representing Pakenham at the 2011 Australian Floorball Open and Melbourne Floorball League (in which Pakenham was crowned champions) returned King to the eyes of selectors.

Widely renowned for his accurate drag shot, King also added a defensive element to his game and was rewarded with selection into the national team. King and the remaining 14-man Australian squad will travel to Japan in February to compete in the Asian leg of the World Cup qualifiers.

Don't miss the opportunity to see Brad King in action, along with many of Pakenham's home grown elite international players at the 2012 Australian Floorball Championships (where Australia's best and some visiting international teams go head to head) to be held at Cardinia Life Stadium April 12-15th.

For more information go to www.afo2012.com.au

Visitor's Guide

A new visitors' guide to Cardinia Shire has been distributed to every household in the Shire.

Developed in partnership with Cardinia Tourism and produced with the support of many local business operators, the map identifies attractions and businesses that provide services for visitors to the Shire.

Cr George Blenkhorn said Council was keen to showcase tourism products in the area. "The guide is an excellent example of businesses working together to profile Cardinia Shire as a visitor destination," Cr Blenkhorn said.

"The aim of the guide is to inform residents (and their visiting friends and family) of the variety of activities which can be undertaken close to home.

"Many people who visit Cardinia Shire come to visit family and friends.

"We also hope this guide will encourage residents to explore the attractions in their 'backyard'," Cr Blenkhorn said.

In order to ensure that visitors receive a consistent and quality experience, participating businesses are required to be open to the public on weekends and on a regular basis, have the capacity to provide reliable products and services to visitors and be on Council's online business register.

All businesses in the Shire providing services for visitors were encouraged to participate in the guide.

Extra copies have also been provided to participating businesses and the guide will be available at other key locations in the Shire.

For more information, contact Council on 1300 787 624.

Cardinia's Top Model Search

Apply at Rash Urban!

Rash Urban and Flash Studio are searching for Cardinia's Top Model. Over \$4000 in prizes to be won including the opportunity to be the face of Rash Urban for next season. Prizes will be awarded to the top 10 finalists and the grand prize for People's Choice and Judges Choice which include free photo shoots with hair and make-up, Rash Urban and Network Video gift certificates plus more. Lakeside residents over 16 years of age can pick up an application at either Rash Urban or Network Video to enter.

Don't Miss the Twilight Movie!

Lakeside Pakenham will light up with another Twilight Movie Night to be held on Friday 20th January at the Lakeside Amphitheatre. Bring the family and a picnic rug or chairs, and get down early to secure your viewing spot! The movie will begin at approximately 8:30pm when the sun goes down.

The movie, 'Dolphin Tale' caters for the entire family and is something everyone can enjoy.

The Lakeside Pakenham Community Bank is proud to be able to provide this night for the community. The event has always been a hit with the Lakeside and surrounding community with an audience of over 4,000 coming together last year to enjoy the night. Damien Haakman, one of the directors of the Lakeside Pakenham Community Bank, said, "We are proud to be able to bring the Lakeside and Pakenham community events like the Twilight Movie Night, but with more support from the community there's a lot more we can do in the years to come. So please get behind us and let's grow as a community together".

The event is supported by Lend Lease and Cardinia Shire Council.

Curves® going from Strength to Strength

Curves® in Lakeside would like to congratulate their Pakenham members who have lost over 600kg in weight and 60 metres in total in the past 18 months! Mark Jarvis from Curves is hoping to help even more members achieve their goals and New Years Resolutions when they kick off the New Year with the only 30 minute class that mixes the Curves Circuit with Zumba! Mark is offering Pakenham women the chance to try it free for a week. Contact Mark on 5941 8970 to find out more.

CARDINIA'S
top model
SEARCH 2012



Jen's Journal

All through the year I have been inviting each of you to come along to the branch to discuss your financial needs to see how we can assist. That by moving your banking or increasing your current amount of services with us, you are personally becoming active in helping the Bendigo Community Bank give back funds to the Pakenham District that assist in a wide range of community needs across varied age groups and activities. To those of you that have already taken up our invitation, thankyou! To those of you that are yet to use the convenience of a Lakeside Bank, please put this on your New Years resolution list!



Since last writing my journal I have been married to my wonderful partner of 9 years. Scott and I had a lovely small ceremony shared with family and close friends at the Pakenham Golf Club. The next day we flew up to Queensland to share the event with my family that all now live on the Gold Coast. Looking back over the year it has been full of many magical moments but like all families we have also had events that have caused heartache and sadness - many things can happen in a 12 month time frame.

Please remember that next year can be the year for you to take charge of your financial security and ensure that it is heading in the direction you need it to be. At your Lakeside Community Bank we want to be a big part of that. Look out early next year for our 'Investment Seminar' to be held at the Culture Centre in Lakeside.

From myself and my wonderful staff of girls, may 2012 be your best year yet!

Jen Polites
Branch Manager

Carols by Candlelight

It was great to see the weather clear up just in time for another great Carols by Candlelight on Sunday December 11th. Thousands of people from Pakenham and surrounds gathered at the Lakeside Amphitheatre for what is one of the largest community events each year. Lakeside Pakenham Community Bank were once again a major sponsor. Branch staff, directors and committee members were on hand to give free water and programs on the night. The electronic candles were also very popular! A big thank you must go to all the volunteers on the night who gave up their time to help make the Carols by Candlelight a special and successful event. The night ended with a bang at 10pm with a magnificent fireworks show that lit up the sky.

We hope everyone enjoyed themselves on the night with their family and friends.



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The Bank's Community Activities

'Pakenham Police' win by 2 from 'IB Accounting'!

Lakeside Pakenham Bendigo Community Bank has come on board as the sponsor for the Bendigo Bank Business Golf Day which was held at the Pakenham Golf Club on November 25th. It was a great success with 16 teams entered. The three man ambrose competition saw the 'Pakenham Police' team hold off the 'IB Accounting' team to win by 2 shots.

Plenty of fun was had with a great morning of golf followed by lunch at the club house. Bernie Wilson, Chairman of Lakeside Pakenham Bendigo Community Bank, spoke at the lunch about the bank's support of local sporting groups. He said that with even more individuals and businesses coming to bank with the Lakeside Community Bank Branch, more clubs could benefit as profits go back into the community through grants and sponsorship.



Jason from IB Accounting tee's off whilst the rest of his team & the Imprint Marketing team talk tactics!



Dates for your diary...

JANUARY 2012

MON 9th

LCDF (RESIDENTS GROUP) COMMITTEE MEETING 7pm

Lakeside Lutheran College Hall Lakeside Boulevard, opposite Aldi.

SAT 14th

PAKENHAM ROTARY FARMERS MARKET 8am – noon

At the grounds of the Cardinia Cultural Centre. Enjoy a morning by the lake with free activities and a variety of fresh local produce. Locally made crafts are now available for sale too. Contact Tim: 0427 057 908.

SAT 14th

HOME BUYING MADE EASY – FREE SESSION 11am

Lend Lease Sales and Information Centre – Lakeside Boulevard, Pakenham.

First home buyer seminar ran by Provincial Home loans. Take the stress and complications out of the buying process, the dos and don'ts on how to prepare.

Register: 5941 6000.

THUR 19th

LAKESIDE SAILING CLUB FREE TRAINING SESSION From 8pm

Natasha Van Rennes - our junior representative on the committee, and fully qualified instructor, will be offering free training for up to two groups of six during the day. For more information please contact Stewart Baker - Commodore of the 'Lakeside Sailing Club - Pakenham' 0409 866 436 or Natasha 0419 028 125.

FRI 20th

TWILIGHT MOVIE NIGHT AT LAKESIDE From 8pm

Family Movie, 'Dolphin Tale'. Lakeside Amphitheatre, Lakeside Pakenham. Food and drinks available for purchase. Brought to you by Lakeside Pakenham Community Bank Branch. Bring the family, picnic rug or chairs and pick your viewing spot at the amphitheatre!

SAT 21st

RECREATIONAL BOAT LICENCE COURSE 8.30am - 12.30pm

Outlook Community Centre – 24 Toomac Valley Road, Pakenham

Course takes you through everything you need to know to get your Boat and PWC Licence without any pre-study. On completion of the theory you will be required to do an exam for your Boat Licence and PWC endorsement if required. You will then be issued with a Certificate too present to Vic Roads to get your licence. Cost \$125 (\$110 for 10 – 15 years) Phone: 5940 4728

SAT 21st

LAKESIDE LIVING 11am - 2pm

Water activities hosted by the Lakeside Sailing Club. Kids' free activities including jumping castle, bungee trampoline and entertainment provided by Triple M live broadcasting crew. Free sausage sizzle and drinks provide. Keep an eye out for the flyer in your letter box with more details or visit www.lakesidepakenhamonline.com.au.

FEBRUARY 2012

SAT 11th

PAKENHAM ROTARY FARMERS MARKET 8am – noon

At the grounds of the Cardinia Cultural Centre. Free activities, fresh local produce and crafts.

WED 15th

LAKESIDE RESIDENTS' SOCIAL 7pm

Lakeside Lutheran College Hall - corner of Portobello and Lakeside Boulevard, opposite Aldi. Guest Speaker: 'Sea Shepherd'.

THUR 16th

FREE TAI CHI CLASS 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Outlook Community Centre – 24 Toomac Valley Road, Pakenham

Come along and try Tai Chi before enrolling in our 6 week program that commences Thursday 23rd February for 6 weeks, Cost \$60. Tai Chi promotes harmony of mind and body. Tai Chi is meditation in motion, movements are slow and gentle. Beijing 24 form class. Suitable for all ages. A Monday afternoon program is also available, 4.00 – 5.00pm, commencing 13th February for 7 weeks, Cost \$70. Phone: 5940 4728.

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IN BRIEF

VETERANS' GRANTS – up to \$10,000 for war memorial preservation

The latest Restoring Community War Memorials grants program funding round has opened. The Program offers RSLs, local councils, ex-service organisations and community groups the opportunity to apply for grants of up to \$10,000.

Eligible projects for funding can include repairs to broken statues, barriers, fences, foundations or other parts of memorials and repairs on honour roles.

Applications for the Restoring Community War Memorials Grants close on 31 January 2012.

For more information visit: www.grants.dpcd.vic.gov.au or phone 1300 366 356.

A FEW SIMPLE WAYS TO HELP THE PLANET!

1. Skip rinsing dishes before using your dishwasher and save up to 20 gallons of water each load. Plus, you're saving time and the energy used to heat the additional water.
2. By turning off your computer instead of leaving it in sleep mode, you can save 40 watt-hours per day.
3. The average cell phone lasts around 18 months. If they go into landfills, the phones and their batteries introduce toxic substances into our environment. There are plenty of reputable programs where you can recycle your phone, many which benefit noble causes.

ODD SPOT

A seal who crawled through a cat flap in a New Zealand house was found making himself at home on the sofa!

USELESS FACT

It takes an interaction of 72 different muscles to produce human speech.



All new residents are encouraged to attend a welcome session.

In the 1.5 hour session you will be provided with information so that you can get the most out of living at Lakeside. You will get a chance to meet fellow neighbours, ask questions and receive a house warming gift. The next session will be held in March/April from 7pm. To register phone 5941 6000.

Celebration of Dance...



Jaz (Back), Emily (Front) & Hannah rehearsing at Upstaged.

Cardinia Shire's Home-based business of the year winner, Upstaged Dance & Performance Studio in Lakeside, celebrated 5 years of classes in the last week of November as they hosted their annual concert weekend. Over 300 students performed in 7 successful shows, which saw over 1,900 audience members join in the party.

The concerts showcased live student performances of dance and musical theatre, and drama students were featured on pre-filmed scenes shown on the big screens at each concert. 11 students were congratulated for completing 5 years of classes with Upstaged.

Upstaged Dance would like to thank and congratulate the Upstaged Dance Community, who over the year raised \$600 for their two sponsor children, and also the many families who contributed and donated items to put together 12 'Operation Christmas Child' boxes to be sent overseas for the less fortunate.

To start 2012 off with a bang Upstaged Dance & Performance Studio and Lakeside Lutheran College are holding a Family Fun Day on Saturday 28th January from 11am – 3pm at the Lutheran College. The day will feature many local businesses who have supported Upstaged during the last 5 years. There will be plenty of fun activities for the kids!

Thanks go to Lakeside Lutheran College for their continued support throughout the year of providing a venue for Upstaged's musical theatre and drama classes at the College.

OFFERS FOR LAKESIDE RESIDENTS

VALID 1/1/12-29/2/12

Vera's Hair Studio

5% off for new clients. Organic colour systems. Home based salon in Lakeside. 25 Westwood Gve, Pakenham. Call Vera: 0410 293 807

Woof 'n' Wash

Dog Grooming. Present this ad for 10% off your first groom. Tahlia: 0421 427 947 www.woofnwash.com.au

Exquisite Body Care

Book now & receive a FREE eyebrow & eyelash tint worth \$18. Also - refer a friend & get \$5 OFF any beauty treatments. Therese: 0400 827 258 Lakeside - Mon / Wed / Sat

K & D Bak Painting & Decorating

10% off all interior & exterior painting & paper hanging in Lakeside. David: 0432 223 344

LCDF (Resident's Group)

Join the LCDF now for just \$10 per household. Forms at Lend Lease office or 'Cardinia Lakeside Community' facebook page.

AsOne in Harmony & Health

Start the new Year off on the right Foot! 3 x Foot Spa Detox for the price of 2! Normally \$50 each - just \$100 for 3. Must be used in January Natalie: 0407 308 606

Mayberry Fabrications

Decorative, Domestic, Commercial & Structural Steel Fabrication. For help with your steel, stainless steel & aluminium needs. 10% discount with this coupon. Andrew: 0424 884 162

Step into Life Pakenham

Leaders in Group Outdoor Personal Training. Kick Start New Year Special Offer - 1 weeks free training. Unlimited sessions! Jason: 5941 7396 www.stepintolife.com

Lakeside Resident's Group

Become an LCDF member to get your local discount card and be kept informed with the latest news. LCDF membership is \$10 per household, renewable annually in January.

Membership forms are available at the 'Cardinia Lakeside Community' facebook page or the notice board at the Lend Lease office in Lakeside.



Committee Meeting
Monday 9th Jan

Resident's Social Night
Wednesday 15th Feb

How to contribute to the newsletter

You are welcome to submit articles to this bi-monthly publication. Please send contributions to info@imprintmd.com.au by Friday 10th February. Information is correct at time of printing. This publication is proudly supported by Lend Lease and Lakeside Pakenham Community Bank Branch - Bendigo Bank.

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