

the Pines Post

community newsletter - november 2008



Aldercourt Hat Trick



Aldercourt confirmed itself as a cricketing power when it took out the Mission Trophy for the third consecutive year, after easily defeating Mahogany Rise in the annual schools day. Eric Bell Reserve in excellent condition and under blue sky made it a perfect day for cricket. When Mahogany Rise won the toss they had no hesitation in sending the reigning champs into bat first.

The Aldercourt batsmen quickly took control and steadily built a large total. They cruised to 2 / 32 after 6 overs before finishing with an impressive 5 / 71 from their 13 overs.

Mahogany Rise began badly and had slumped to 6 / 11 from 6 overs before struggling to 11 / 22 at the close. They gave their best all game but were completely overwhelmed and outplayed by an awesome cricketing school, which is no disgrace. The match was played in very friendly spirits and a fun day was had by all.

"The Longest Throw Competition" was won by Jono Haidon from Aldercourt who hurled it 54.1m. with his closest rival being Dale Ryan of Mahogany Rise who threw 51.3m .

Save money on your power and water bills

As part of the Community Renewal project, The Frankston North Energy and Water Taskforce Team can make some simple improvements to your home for FREE to help you save money on your energy bills, reduce your water usage and keep your home cooler in summer and warmer in winter.

At absolutely no cost to residents, the team can visit your home and do an energy and water check and then install insulation in your ceiling, weather proof doors and windows, fit energy saving light globes, fit blinds to windows and fix leaking taps and toilets and install water saving shower roses.

As well, Frankston Council will provide free compost bins to residents who sign up for the program, and CFA will visit and conduct fire safety checks.

To register for the program, you must be a residents of the Frankston North and be on a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card.

For more info or to register, call 5979 1209.

Phill's Budget Tips

This month I want to speak to you about setting goals.

Tip 1: A spending diary is a good way to keep track of money spent over the last month.

Tip 2: A budget helps with planning finances to achieve goals.

Tip 3: List goals and decide what are needs and what are wants.

Knowledge is power. Knowledge of you financial situation helps you plan and budget effectively, this will help you achieve your goals. Remember, prioritise, the less you spend the more you have the ability to save. These are the first few pointers of many I plan to provide over the coming months. Any journey starts with the first step.



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Community Forum Feedback

The Community Renewal Steering Committee held their second community forum on October 15th at the Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre. The forum was well attended with more than 50 residents and representatives from local agencies coming along to have their say about the future of the Pines.

The evening was broken into three main areas. The first provided an opportunity for Steering Committee members to report back on what they have been working on over the past 12 months. Participants were then given an opportunity to break into groups to discuss actions required to address the key priorities for the coming year. Community members confirmed that the five key priorities that the Steering Committee has been delivering projects and activities around are still the

priorities of the Frankston North community. These are: Life Long Learning, Community Participation, Changing the Perception of the Pines, Employment & Volunteering and Infrastructure & Open Space Renewal. Participants were then given the opportunity to prioritise the ideas put forth.

The next step is for Working Groups attached to each of the priorities to work with these ideas and develop their action plan for the coming 12 months. This provides a real opportunity for residents of the Pines to get involved in the Community Renewal project and have input into what happens in your community in the future. A lot of great ideas were captured at the Forum, but without the support of more residents either in becoming directly involved in a working group or



committing to help out with a single action, some may not be achievable. So if you have ever wanted to be more involved in your community and its future direction, now is the ideal time. For more information on becoming involved call Michelle on 8773 9568 or Amanda on 8773 9567.

Employment and Volunteering Working Group



This group looks at ways to create more opportunities for people in the areas of employment and volunteering.

Some projects that are currently underway include:

The Energy and Water Taskforce project that is providing free energy retrofits for low income households and employment opportunities for local Frankston people.

The Fresh Start Community Co-operative provides twice weekly fresh fruit and vegetable markets in Frankston North and local volunteering opportunities.

Promotes local volunteering opportunities with Ardoch Youth Foundation and the Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre as well as other local groups.

Perception of the Pines



This group seeks to improve what people think of the Pines.

The things they will be working on to help to achieve this include:

Creating a marketing and branding strategy to promote the area across the broader Frankston community.

Continuing to publish the Pines Post and finding ways to make sure it is able to continue into the future.

Continuing to produce New Resident's Kits to welcome new people who move into the area and to improve their connection to the local community.

Working with local traders and Council to improve the look of local shopping areas and ensure we keep our traders in the area.

Improving the appearance of the Pines by running gardening competitions and "clean up" activities.

If you would like more information about this group, please contact Amanda on 8773 9567.

Participation Working Group



This is the group that brings you community activities such as Pines Pride Day.

This group will continue to work on delivering their calendar of events which includes Drown Out, Playgroup in the Park, Christmas Carols and seniors bus trips.

They will be investigating opportunities to have more youth, men's and seniors activities occurring in Frankston North.

They will also continue to support and promote Pines patch community Garden.

If you would like more information in regards to the work of this group, please contact Michelle on 8773 9568

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Life Long Learning Working Group



Brings together agencies and organisations working in the areas of learning and education in Frankston North. They will be working on the following actions for 2008/09. Greater opportunities for community learning programs, such as competency based and skills training programs.

Supporting and encouraging volunteering in our local schools.

Working with early years service providers to develop local playgroups and services for young families.

Greater use and access to school facilities by the wider community.

A Dad's playgroup will commence in Term 1 next year and have a vacancy for a facilitator to work with this group.

If you would like more information about this role or the work of the group, please contact Michelle on 8773 9568.

Infrastructure & Open Space Working Group



This group looks at the built environment and parks in Frankston North. They look at ways to both improve the condition of current sites but also how the community can better utilise existing facilities.

Actions they will be working on this year include:

Working with Council to complete Stage 3 of Monterey Park which includes the construction of a community concert stage and earthworks on the old school oval located behind the pool.

Investigate developing an integrated services hub to deliver a range of outreach health services such as counselling, medical and dentistry services.

Working with young people to establish what sort of spaces they would like to have access to as a place to gather.

For more information on this group, please contact Amanda on 8773 9567.

Community Renewal Steering Committee Vacancies

The Community Renewal Project is guided by a Steering Committee which is made up of nine local residents and seven agency representatives.

We currently have a vacancy for a resident on this Committee. This person must reside in Frankston North. Participation on the committee provides an ideal way to be actively involved in the future direction of the Pines.

The Steering Committee meets monthly on the third Wednesday of the month between 6pm-9pm and committee members also undertake various other tasks during the month.

If you would like more information on how to nominate, please call the Community Renewal team on 8773 9568.

Nominations close on 28th November 2008.

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Community Profile: Lisa Mugg



My husband and I moved to Frankston North in January 2008 from the Dandenong Mountains to be a little closer to the sea.

It is hard not to be enthusiastic about the wonderful beaches,

interesting small businesses and parks that are all within easy reach of this neighbourhood.

We are watching with interest as Frankston North is re-inventing itself and I have noticed already what a strong and proud community exists here.

In August this year, I joined the Community Renewal project by becoming a member of the Steering Committee.

I have also been a volunteer with ADSVIC (Asbestos Disease Society - Victoria) for the past twelve months. I attend their support group as my husband was with Mesothelioma one year ago. This work involves creating awareness of the dangers of Asbestos and to lobby health ministers to bring about haste for latest chemotherapy drugs like Alimta that Nicola Roxon was able to approve on PBS listing for sufferers earlier this year. I also assist ADSVIC to reach organisations to seek their monetary support or other to aid the core issues of this group in this little known cancerous disease that currently has no cure. We will shortly meet with the National Breast Cancer Foundation and they are interested to mentor us to design a campaign similar to the "pink ribbon" explosion within the community that has now been able to fund so much research that has amounted to much life saving.

I take this early opportunity to wish all the Frankston North community a safe and enjoyable summer.

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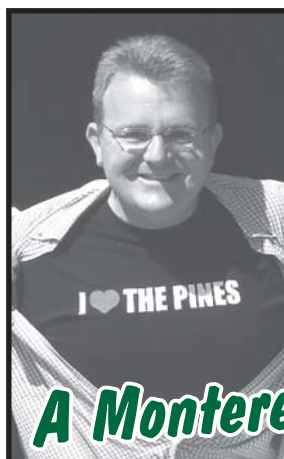
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Things To See & Do

Mahogany Mess Hall

Age pension recipients are invited to join us for a scrumptious three course dinner.

Where: Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre **When:** 24th November at 5pm

Cost: Gold Coin Donation. Limited spaces so booking is essential. Call 9786 1445 to book in.

Tank Party - Pines Patch Community Garden.

8th November from 10 am to 12 noon at Stringybark Crs

Free morning tea and garden activities. For more information call 9786 1445.

Pines Seaford Junior Fishing Club Information and Registration Day

The club are starting a new Junior Club, which is open to children from 8 -18.

This is a family orientated club and we encourage parents to come along with their children to learn more about this fun and interesting sport. The day will be held at the clubrooms at 39 Milne Avenue, Seaford on November 30th from 12 noon.

A free sausage sizzle will be provided. For more information contact 0400 561 783.

Frankston North Christmas Lunch

City Life in conjunction with local volunteers will again run the free Christmas lunch on Christmas Day at Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre. Watch this space for more details.

Christmas Carols

This year Community Christmas Carols will be held at Mahogany Rise PS on the **12th December** from 4.30pm. All residents are welcome to attend, so mark it in your diary now. This a great night with music by the Salvation Army band.

Drown Out Youth Festival

This event will be held at the Pines Pool on the 28th November from 5pm to 7.30pm.

Entry will cost \$5.00 and this covers pool entry and a snack of a sausage and drink.

The Fresh Entertainment Team and Youth Resource Centre will provide fun activities, and there will be a DJ there.

Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre High Tea

The next high tea will be held on Tuesday, 18th November from 1pm to 3pm.

Cost is \$2.00 per person (carer's free). Come and join us for afternoon tea and musical entertainment provided by "All in Achord". Bookings essential, please call 9786 1445.

Frankston SES Open Day

Saturday 15th October 2008 from 10am-3pm at 32a McCulloch Ave, Seaford. Mel Ref 99 F8. Emergency service displays, CFA, Coastguard, Victoria Police and many more. There will be Road Rescue demonstration, prizes, food stalls, giveaways, sausage sizzle and much more.

This is a great opportunity to bring the kids along and have a great time meeting your local SES volunteers. For more information call Brian on 0418 330 751 or Naomi on 0400 984 722.

Fresh Start Fruit and Vegetable Markets

Fridays from 2.30pm to 4.30pm at Aldercourt PS and Saturdays from 9am to 11am at the Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre Annex. For more information please call 0434 265 982

Christmas Unwrapped

Sunday, 9 Nov at 2pm, Salvation Army Hall, Forest Drive, Frankston North. All are welcome to this Salvo's concert featuring the F'ston City Band and Southern Sounds Chorus. \$5 entry

Peninsula Community Legal AGM

Tuesday 11th November from 7pm at Boulevard Events Centre, 444 Nepean Highway, Frankston. Please RSVP to 9783 3600.

Jumble Sale

Frankston North Seniors groups will conduct a jumble sale on Nov 13th from 9.15-12 noon between the Mahogany Neighbourhood Centre and the Forest Drive Shops.

GKR - Karate for all the family

Session Times - **Tuesday** 6.00pm to 7.00pm and 7.30pm to 8.30pm
Friday 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Enquires Phone Luke on 9909 0680

Pines Cricket Club An Opening Clean Sweep

The club began season 2008 in sensational fashion, with all five senior teams winning their opening games. The club was bubbling after the games, with players from each team celebrating their first win in the new clubrooms.

The 1sts were super impressive in defeating Carrum Downs by holding them to 9/163 with Paul Bradley taking 7/50. That total was easily passed with only 3 wickets lost and, to cap off a great return game, Paul smashed an unbeaten 101, well supported by former coach Leigh Bramhall who made 54.



Frankston Nth Scouts Now Recruiting

Bursaria Crescent, Frankston North
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Joey Scouts 6yrs - 7 yrs

Monday 6.00pm - 7.30pm

Cub Scouts 8yrs - 11 yrs

Tuesday 6.00pm - 7.30pm

Scouts 11yrs - 15yrs

Monday 7pm - 9pm

Venturer Scouts 15yrs - 18yrs

Wednesday 7pm - 9pm

Rover Scouts 18yrs - 26yrs

For more information on joining your local Scouts please contact our Group leader on 9782 1362 or email gl.nthfrankstonenda@vicscouts.asn.au

Trade Secrets: Golden Bakery

This is the bakery located in Excelsior Drive and has been run by Le Hahn and her two children for the past four years.

All breads and cakes are baked fresh on the premise daily by Le. They also sell hot food and have a sandwich bar.

The bakery is open 7 days a week, 6am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 6am to 4pm on weekends.



Le Hahn

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