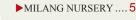


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CRECHE

The Hon Kate Ellis MP, Minister for Early Childhood and Child Care, announced on the 21 May 2013 that our crèche funding would continue until the end of the 2014 financial year which is terrific news.

We have been contributing to an ongoing review of this funding which is aiming to ensure that the program continues to achieve its policy goals, is well targeted to contemporary needs and delivers the very best quality early childhood education and care services and outcomes for families, children





and communities.

Also announced was the provision of quality educational resources and equipment up to the value of \$5000 to each of the services funded under the Program. To help with our planning for 2013-14.....

Families of pre-schoolers are invited to Morning Tea on 1st July at 11 am to talk about you and your children's needs, early childhood education and what makes family friendly communities.



A TRIBUTE TO FRIDAY FEASTS

It's hard to believe it is 10 years since local oldies were invited to go along to the then recently formed Milang Old School House Community Centre to take part in a lunch supplied by the MOSHCC and prepared by volunteers. If my memory serves me right it was referred to as Mosh Nosh then. In the beginning, if weather was right, tables and chairs were placed in the front of the building and the meal was enjoyed as we watched the traffic go by and we enjoyed the toots from passing cars. I also recall several times the lunch was taken out the back of the building in lovely sunshine. Normally it was held in the small room off the kitchen and it could become quite crowded.



For a time it was decided to alternate the venue with the

Institute supper room and the MOSHCC and that worked reasonably well. Then with the aid of a Govt. Grant renovations to the old kitchen were made at the MOSHCC and later on the wonderful extensions and the addition of the Ace Space, with its own kitchen. So now we have our Friday Feast in this lovely room with air conditioning and electronic equipment to show films etc.

My mind wanders back to the people who patronised the feasts in the past and who have now gone to the great beyond. I apologise for any names that I may have forgotten but I do recall Des, who each week would recount the happenings of the past week and advise us of future events in the week ahead. My dear friends Bruce and Thelma Patterson enjoyed the lunches as did my cousin Marjory and friend Roz and my husband Allan before his illness. We would all remember Shirley Zotti, Jim and Norma, Bryce and Mary, sisters Mary and Edna. Other folk will I am sure recall other names but these are the ones that came to my mind this morning.

I then think back to the wonderful volunteers who worked so hard in the past to provide our delicious meals. I think Karyn was the organiser in the beginning and then there was Hannah, Trish, Tanya, Jani, Sam and Pamela, Kate and Jan. And now we have another band of great volunteer cooks and helpers, Denise, Joy, Sue, Barbara, Sue and Bob, and Marilyn who comes to wash up etc. Margurete, who regularly collects our money and sells us raffle tickets. Continued Page 6



VILLAGE VOICE

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FROM THE COORDINATOR'S DESK

I have just attended the Community Centres SA Conference, which was this year held at Woodcroft Community Centre. I always enjoy the opportunity to catch up with friends and hear about all of the exciting activities happening in other places. Many nice comments were made about our hosting of the conference at Milang last year and many are still raving about the food provided by our talented community volunteers.

This years conference had a focus on Social Enterprise which is very topical for us having just set up Shoreline Community as our Social Enterprise which provides work opportunities for local people and raises funds for local community projects.

Currently we have 30 people from the district employed casually on planting programs with a spread from Mundoo Island to Wellington. This work not only provides income to many people who have been unemployed, but it also provides training and connection to others in the community. We hope over the next few years to be able to grow Shoreline Community's capacity into all areas of home and garden maintenance, revegetation programs, plant propagation, natural areas maintenance including pest and weed control. We look forward to developing a sustainable community business. Karyn



Over 2 days in April participants were introduced to the basics of planting and caring for native Seedlings. It was hands on training in the use of appropriate tools and working safely on revegetation sites. Many of these people have gone on to gain employment tree planting in the region. This course was funded through the ACE program, as part of the Government of South Australia's Skills for All initiative.



PHOTOGRAPHY COURSE

If you drove past the Milang Institute on Friday 17 May, you could have been forgiven for thinking we had someone very famous in our midst with 19 people armed with cameras out and about taking photos. They were in fact, participants in a photography course that is being delivered here at MOSHCC as part of our Accredited Foundation Skills courses.

These budding photographers were developing their photography skills and getting better acquainted with their cameras under the guidance of local Strathalbyn photographer Steve Chapple. They will be out and about again soon with another session to further develop their camera skills and help them to get their photos up online. This course is funded through the Adult Community Education program, as part of the Government of South Australia's *Skills for All* initiative.

THANKS A MILLION !

On Monday 13th May we held a lunch for our volunteers. The MDCA staff were on hand to serve lunch and clean up afterwards!

There was a fun sing along and it gave people a chance to catch up or meet new volunteers.

It also was our way to thank these wonderful people who give so much to our community.



Milang Community Garden

DIG A BIT, HOE A BIT, EAT A BIT, TALK A BIT



Group gardening days

Tuesday 4th & 18th June, 2nd & 16th July

from 10:30am 12:30pm



Whether you know a little or a lot, we'd love to see you there! Enquiries to MOSHCC 8537 0687 or reception@moshcc.com.au



MEC NURSERY

I have recently commenced my role as the new Milang nursery manager taking over from Deb Melville who is overseeing all of the Shoreline Community projects including the Commercial and Community Planting programs.

I along with the volunteers have been working hard to

prepare the plants for the pending quality assurance inspections and 2013 planting season. We have three new volunteers to the nursery who along with the existing volunteers have been making an invaluable contribution in tidying up the nursery and preparing it for growing 50,000 plants in the 2013/2014 season.

Tools have been donated to the nursery from Bill one of the new volunteers. Bill is a retired builder and along with Brian and Trish have been volunteering at the Clayton Bay nursery for a number of years. They are now volunteering at the Milang nursery, with Bill sharing his skills between the nurseries in the network when required. Bill also has built a brilliant fire drum with a flue attached. It was put to good use yesterday and helps keep the volunteers warm whilst working in the propagation area.

Brian is installing a leaf sensor and along with the other volunteers is erecting a fence as a temporary holding station to house over 20,000 plants. Trish has been helping me with the plants in the nursery. Their joint skills and personalities make being at the nursery a pleasure and collectively all the workers make it a fantastic place to be. Horticultural student Daniel Evans from Eastern Fleurieu High school has been helping out at the nurseries this week for work experience. We have been fertilizing the plants regularly and they are looking great.

Stocktake undertaken last week by Nursery Co-ordinator Jo McPhee and GWLAP Leah Sullivan went well. With permission to substitute certain species to make up for shortfalls in numbers, we should come close to the required number to fill the above orders. Independent inspection by Greg Dalton of plants and nursery hygiene was carried out on 8th May. I am pleased to say it

went well. We have a lot of left over species which are very healthy and endeavours are being made to off load these plants were possible. I have received an order for next year from NRM



threatened species project officer to grow over 1200 plants. Species include Olearia pannosa and Monarto Mintbush which are rare and can be difficult to propagate, but we will try.

Jill Dennis

Milang Nursery Manager



Leaf Sensor

Lucas & Bill

VILLAGE VOICE June 2013

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I know there are many others that I have not mentioned so I apologise for my seniors memory.

As volunteers we are very lucky to receive a free lunch when our birthday comes around but the cost is that you must wear the special birthday hat with its birthday candles decoration. All part of the fun we share at our Friday Feast. The latest innovations are the special talks etc. which follow the lunch such as the Fire Safety talk held recently which I thought was most beneficial and we have others planned for the weeks ahead. I thank you for listening to my carry-on but I have been a patron of the Friday Feast every since it began, I love it and enjoy meeting up with the regular diners each week. I consider we are very privileged in our small town to be able to attend a function sponsored for us oldies and so I would like to thank all the staff at the MOSHCC and the

volunteers who give of their time so freely to provide this service. Contributed by Pauline Perry



Airlie and Isabelle are currently studying nursing at Flinders University. They are doing their first round of placement here at MOSHCC learning about health care in the community around us. Isabelle said that before this placement she didn't really know what a community centre did. She has found it very interesting with such a large variety of events run by MOSHCC. The girls have been helping out with setting up events, delivering meals on wheels and assisting with office work. Airlie hopes to one day work in the neonatal unit. In total we have had 8 students from our region on placement for 3 weeks.



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fleurieu careers

Do you need help in making choices about the next stage of your career? Fleurieu Careers offers support to individuals to develop the skills to confidently take control of their career decisions and provide tools to plan and take charge of their own learning and work opportunities.

This free service is part of an initiative of Skills for All offered through the Milang Old School House Community Centre (MOSHCC) in the Milang, Finniss and Strathalbyn area and our career practitioner looks forward to hearing from you.

For further information or to book a time call MOSHCC on 08/8537 0687 or email fleurieucareers@moshcc.com.au Monday 17th June, 2013 10-11:30am ACE Space Milang Community Centre 24 Daranda Tce Milang

Food Safety Talk



Angela Sorger from Alexandrina Council will present up to date information about Food Safety and Handling. Great information for anyone who prepares food for community events. Come along and get your questions answered.

7th June. Friday.	2nd day of photography course				
12th June. Wednesday	Nutrition & Dietetics 9.30 to 2.30				
17th June. Monday	Food safety talk				
19th June. Friday	Protecting your rights, after Friday Feast	_			
20th June. Thursday	Mens Sticky Beak Trip to ABC				
3rd July. Wednesday	Nutrition & Dietetics 9.30 to 2.30				
11th July. Thursday	WOW Learning how to make Lampwork Beads 1.30 to 4.30				

For more details on these events or the many more we have to offer, drop in to the MOSHCC or give us a call on 8537 0687.

Milang Old School House Community Centre

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The Milang Old School House Community Centre is an Initiative of the

MILANG & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

australia's BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On Thursday 23rd May 2013 the Milang Old School House Community Centre held the biggest morning tea to support the Cancer Council. It was a wonderful turnout enjoyed by many. While enjoying a friendly cuppa and a beautiful morning tea, a silent auction and raffles were held with all money being donated to the

Cancer Council. The morning was finished off with a humorous poem read by Pauline Perry, entitled "Jelly Melons" by Kym Eitel sharing the humour of a breast cancer survivor.

With the wonderful help of our community volunteers Val, Sharyn, June, Yvonne, Sue and Dawn and the support of the Milang Community \$728 was raised to help to support the fight against cancer.

A big thankyou to our local businesses for their kind donations, Rusticana, Milang Pharmacy, Talinga Grove and Two Dragons Vineyard and Farm.

FRIDAY FEAST MENU

DATE	ADULT MAIN	DESSERT	CHILDREN	DESSERT	After Lunch Presentation
7th June	Beef Roast	Date & Pear slice			
14th June	Pork	Chocolate Pudding	Pork in a roll	Chocolate Pudding	Advocacy and Elder Abuse
21st June	TBA	TBA			

BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED BY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON OF EACH WEEK.

