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The Robertson Songsters Create a Cultural Revolution

By Karen Wilmott

Did you know it was possible to “sing an exhibition open”? That is exactly what our village choir, newly dubbed *The Robertson Songsters*, did in June to throw open the doors to the public for the *All Small Things* exhibition at the CTC. With a special song devised for the occasion and a first outing for one of our favourite 3-part songs, we can finally declare ourselves a true musical force in the town.

More recently, we sang at the Colo Vale Christmas in July markets, where we performed some of the traditional Christmas carols and learned some of the lesser known Australian carols as a special treat. Watch out for us around the village come December!

Our membership has doubled since we started in January and now includes male and female singers aged 8 to 80, and we have so much fun that some are travelling from outlying towns and villages, just to be part of it. The joyous musical direction from Alison Robertson creates a lively atmosphere, where we not only explore a diverse repertoire of music, but learn the skills of good singing into the bargain.

Nothing lifts the spirits quite like singing in a group and the health benefits are well documented. Become a Songster by visiting the rehearsals at the CTC on a Wednesday afternoon between 4.30 and



*The Robertson Songsters at the exhibition opening at the CTC on 23 June—
Picture supplied*

6pm and giving it a go. We can guarantee you a comfortable re-introduction to the fun of choir singing - and right here in Robertson!

Contact Karen Wilmott: 0403044828 for further information.

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Ally's Bistro - open Mon & Tues lunch and dinner

Mountain Spice Bistro - open Wed to Sun lunch and dinner. Authentic Thai, Chinese and Australian favourite dishes.

An Update on Robertson Aquatic Centre

By Don Ferguson

The RADSPA Committee have continued to administer details and specific data to our Solicitors and Insurance Companies. We have recently engaged a Forensic Structural Engineer following the recommendation of our legal advisors.

Thorough investigation is a slow process. We appreciate this process of investigation and assessment by experts will be time consuming however we do require full qualified opinion of what caused the Pool building incident.

Our thanks to the residents and outsiders who have expressed your ongoing support. It is welcome during this time.

Many people have expressed their belief that Robertson and District needs this facility and we are working to achieve this goal. As always you are invited to make contact with the Committee and we will always respond to your questions.

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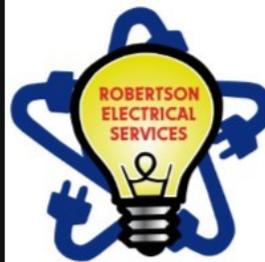
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Age Friendly Robertson

By Michael D. Breen

“Have a look at this” the man in the hole said, holding up a skull. “What?” my shocked father asked. “Yes we get them around here. You just dig them back in. That’s all you can do with these.”

The scene was not what you might expect. It was between Sydney Town Hall and George Street. The site had been an early colonial cemetery before moving to what is now where Central Railway stands. The skull owner was probably born in England or Ireland and would have thought their other side of the world resting place would not be invaded by a town hall. My father would not have foreseen trams coming back to George Street outside his County Council offices in The Queen Victoria Building. How the world changes in unpredictable ways in a few years.

It is difficult to predict the future, say to imagine what Robertson will be like in fifty or a hundred years. But one thing common to the skull owner, my dad, you or me is knowing we get older and die. The United Nations has recognized for the first time in history that the ageing population is the greatest challenge facing the developed world today. They note “...population was one of the most distinctive demographic events of the twentieth century and remains a priority throughout the twenty-first century.”

More people living longer means, “In short, our society needs to plan for the needs of a much larger older population. This is not something that can wait.” states the Irish Government. Other nations and other parts of Australia have developed impressive and sometimes inspiring policies and plans for age friendly communities. (Links to some of these at the end of this piece) Several key points emerge from these works. Age friendly communities are not created by or bolting on places for a segment of people of the community. Especially if these are away from the locality where the elderly have lived. Age friendly communities need to foster relationship between all ages.

Age friendly communities recognise older people are a ‘bounty’ to society and add strength to the bonds between generations. Elder people know the local stories and legends which they can pass on enriching younger lives. Elder people show us the great diversity among human beings which promotes inclusion, belonging. Age friendly communities give an active voice to older people in planning and decision making.

Unfortunately, and these examples give us impetus

to do things differently, older people are often shelved as if past their best by date in some other place or ‘home’ which is removed from relatives. These places can be depressing because there is only one group of the community around; not the rich variety of a town. In Australia aged care facilities are regularly in the headlines because of the brutality or neglect of powerless elderly residents. Development corporations have cottoned on to the fact that there is a dollar in old peoples’ homes and funeral services. So the elderly and their families are exploited.

We are fortunate in Robertson because we can learn from both bad and excellent examples worldwide. We can have conversations about what we want for ourselves and relatives. Not if but when the time comes. We can acknowledge that the needs of the elderly for inclusion, for safety, for respect, for flexible services benefits all of us. We can recognise that keeping people in their homes provides jobs, and better health for all. We can get together to help Council help us in the services it provides for our rates.

We live in a very different and faster changing world than the original owner of the skull buried beside George Street, the workman digging the hole where once was a cemetery, and my father. However, it will be the Robertson we make in which we will age.

Some Useful Links: http://www.who.int/ageing/projects/age_friendly_cities_network/en/

<https://www.stirling.wa.gov.au/Services/Seniors-clubs-and-activities/Seniors/Age%20Friendly%20Strategy.PDF#search=Age%20Friendly%20Strategy>

https://www.wodonga.vic.gov.au/about-us/corporate-documents/strategies-plans/policies/images/Age_Friendly_City_Strategy_2015_LR.pdf

<http://www.calgary.ca/CSPS/CNS/Pages/Seniors/Seniors-Age-Friendly-Strategy.aspx>

<https://www.wheatbelt.wa.gov.au/our-projects/creating-age-friendly-communities-small-townsproject/creating-age-friendly-communities-toolbox/> (Handy toolkit for small communities)

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Faking It vs Honest New *Fun Finder* app helps find local entertainment for the whole family

By Graham Thomas

Have you been watching the world cup soccer? ... sorry, football! As a keen rugby player, I must admit there's some aspects of these soccer players I found distressing, for want of a better word! Now, I'm not here to bag out the round ball game, I played it for years myself, but I find the diving or faking injury pretty hard to take. I think it's called 'simulation' in the rule book. I'm very glad it's not part of the Socceroo's game.

However, 'faking it' is not just reserved for over-paid Brazilian soccer players, we can do it to. Now, I don't mean on the sporting field, I mean with each other and most importantly with God. God wants us to be honest with him and he wants us to be honest with each other.

One of the best examples of such honesty with God is Jesus, just prior to his arrest, in the garden of Gethsemane. Jesus cried out to God, as he contemplated giving up his life for the world's sin, "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." In fact, his honesty with God was so real, that he sweated so profusely the drops of sweat were like drops of blood (Luke 22:42-43). The truth is God can handle our questions, our anguish, our confusion, read the Psalms and you'll see. Can I, therefore, urge you to be honest with God? And can I urge you to be honest with each other? Faking it doesn't work in relationships and it sure doesn't work when it comes to our relationship with God.

If you'd like to talk some more about this or maybe you've got some questions, or perhaps you'd just like someone to pray for you, you'd be very welcome to chat to me or come along to one of our services on a Sunday. Below are the regular church times at Robertson and Burrawang, everyone's welcome.

@ Robertson Anglican Church:

1st and 4th of the month – 8am traditional service in the St Johns building
10am – weekly family service in the main church building, with Kids Church and crèche.
6pm – youth service during school term time, with a light dinner.

@ St David's Burrawang:

4.30pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month. A relaxed traditional service.
Our youth ministry meets every Friday night in term time from 6.30-8.30pm for years 7-12.

Graham Thomas
Minister

Robertson / Burrawang Anglican Church 4885 1210
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At the touch of a button and the swipe of a screen, keeping the family entertained has just become a whole lot easier with Wingecarribee Shire Council's new *Fun Finder* app. The *Fun Finder* app is designed to provide children, young people and their families with a diverse range of fun things to do in and around the Southern Highlands.

Council's Community Development Coordinator, Cath Brennan, said the app would

help connect our community with an array of low-cost family friendly events and activities all from the one place. "When faced with the prospect of bored children, parents can feel overwhelmed," she said. "This app has been designed to help parents banish the broken-record blues."

Council's *Fun Finder* app provides information in a streamlined and user-friendly way, using mobile capabilities such as location services, family sharing and notifications. "We're encouraging the community to list their events, activities or a favourite place so that others can enjoy what the Southern Highlands has to offer," added Ms Brennan.

Developed right here in Robertson, by *Creatio Pty Ltd* the free *Fun Finder* app is available for Apple devices through the App Store, and Android devices through the Google Play Store.

You can add your family friendly events to the app by going to <https://wsc-youth.com/entry/>.

Mackey Family Luncheon Wednesday 5th September Robertson Bowling Club

RSVP Frances Bailey (NEE Mackey) ph
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Everyone pays for the own lunch and all welcome. Bring your old photos, memorabilia, newspaper clippings to share with everyone.

Robertson's History of Butter

By Quentin Waters



As the Robertson district developed in its early years, dairying soon became the most significant activity of the farmers. However, though the land was good for dairying, Robertson's isolation meant that the milk itself wasn't a viable product. In the days before refrigeration, the milk would spoil before it reached the markets. To overcome this, in the early years all the milk produced was used to manufacture butter.

The milk was poured into wide, shallow pans, which were placed in a small room or hut near the farmhouse, and allowed to stand for the cream to separate. Then the women on the farm would skim off the cream and churn it into butter. Once it was washed and salted for transport, it was placed in a keg ready to be carried to the harbour at Kiama, a 3 day round-trip in the early days. If only one keg was to be taken to port, a bag of stones would be attached and they'd both be slung across the pack-saddle. While stones were nominally used for the ballast, a keg of illicit "Mountain Dew" was frequently used in practice, and was considered to have more bargaining power than the butter did!

The new railway to Moss Vale and Bowral allowed the butter to be transported to Sydney from there in time. The quality of the butter manufactured varied from very good to very bad, there was as much variation as there were farmers. Soon however, refrigeration and mechanical separators would revolutionise the industry.

Establishing Co-operatives

When butter making machinery became available, the farmers of the Robertson district soon abandoned the old ways in favour of more centralised factories. This also enabled a more uniform grade of butter, and refrigeration would keep

it in good condition. Numerous butter factories were established in the localities around Robertson. Burrawang, Wildes Meadow, Glenquarry, Kangaloon, East Kangaloon, Robertson, Pheasant Ground, and Kangaroo River all had a dairy co-operative.

The Beehive Butter Factory in Burrawang was established in 1887. A meeting had been held at Ginger's Hotel on 28 January from which the company was formed with 3,000 shares of £1 each. Almost 700 of which were taken up immediately. The Beehive began operating later that year following tenders being accepted for its construction in July.

The Wildes Meadow-Yarrunga company opened the Emu Butter Factory on 30 September 1889 on the corner of Cleary's Lane and Wildes Meadow Rd. The company had been formed in December of 1888 with 2,000 shares of £1 each, half of which were sold immediately. The site was leased from the Bresnahan brothers for 21 years. Meanwhile the Kangaloon Dairy Co. Ltd. accepted the tender of W. Rays for the construction of its factory at a cost of £452.

Over in Glenquarry, the "Robertson Park" factory began producing in 1891. Interestingly, one of the tenderers for its construction listed in August 1890 was a Mr. A. Stephens. Alfred Stephens would become a prominent builder and community leader. It was Alfred Stephens & Sons that built Ranelagh in 1924. It was W. Rays' tender of £365 that ended up being accepted. In 1890, the Waratah Dairy Co. built their butter factory in East Kangaloon for £408. A further £846 was spend on the machinery. Operations at the Waratah Butter Factory began 17 March 1891. Down on the Pheasant Ground a dairy company was established in 1892. The factory was on property owned by William Knight, though he himself was not a supplier, being a cattle dealer and horse breeder. The Pheasant Ground Dairy Company won all the butter entries in the 1896 Show. Also of interest is that the company purchased the first Robertson Post office in July 1896. They had it transported down to the factory, where it served as a post office down there until 1922. The Pheasant Ground Butter Factory closed in April 1901. It was on "Rayken Farm" by the side of Jamberoo Mountain Road next to the Knight's house below Knight's Hill. Hope Waters still has the Minutes Book of the company.

The Robertson Butter Factory

In July 1888 a meeting was held at the Robertson School of Arts to discuss the formation of a butter factory in town. W. R. Hindmarsh offered a 21 year lease for a site just outside the village to the west at £5 per acre. 20 farmers put up their hands to supply the factory at the meeting and 700 shares were taken up at that meeting. James Cashman of Moss Vale won the tender to build the factory in August,

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for £451. The Robertson Butter Factory opened in January 1889, with Mr. Goebells as manager. 3 weeks after its opening, it had received 26,371 gallons of milk, from which 9,000 pounds of butter was produced. By that point 27 farmers were supplying the factory with some 1,800 gallons of milk per day. The Factory was quite successful, but by the 1920's, most of the milk produced in the Robertson district was being sent directly to Sydney and the small butter factories came to an end.



Robertson Butter Factory today.

In May 1922, at the half-yearly meeting of the company, the directors sought the meeting's opinion on whether to spend the £600 improving the factory necessary to meet the Government's regulations, which necessitated a virtual rebuild. The meeting agreed that it was in the best interests of the suppliers that the factory close and the milk be sent to the Dairy Farmers Co-operative Milk Company's new receiving depot in Moss Vale opening later that year. When the Robertson Butter Factory ceased operation in November 1922, it had the distinction of being the oldest dairy factory in the state. In October of 1922, the Robertson Butter Factory produced 7,783 pounds of butter. In May the next year the buildings and machinery were auctioned off by J. D. Wood. The cottage fetched £72, the factory £35;25 h.p. the horizontal engine £40, the boiler £40, and the refrigeration £51. On the 14th of July 1923 the shareholder meeting held at the Robertson School of Arts voted to place the company into voluntary liquidation, thus ending one of Robertson's institutions.

From: Hope Waters, "A History of the Berrima District" 1962, "The Winds of Change" 1979, "A History of the Pheasant Ground and Knight's Hill" 2008, and newspapers: "Kiama Independent" Friday, 11 February 1888, "Kiama Independent" Tuesday, 17 July 1888, "Bowral Free Press" Wednesday 22 August 1888, "The Southern Mail" Tuesday, 19 February 1889, "Bowral Free Press" Wednesday, 27 August 1890, "Kiama Independent"

Friday, 15 May 1891, "Robertson Advocate" Tuesday, 23 May 1922, "The Farm and Settler" Friday, 1 December 1922, "Robertson Advocate" Tuesday, 22 May 1923, and "Robertson Advocate" Friday, 20 July 1923.

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Snakes in the Southern Highlands REPS talk



Copperhead with disease—picture supplied

The very knowledgeable and enthusiastic Ray McGibbons (Licensed Snake Catcher – Oz Style Reptiles) gave his second – updated – talk to a large audience at the bimonthly public presentation organised by REPS (Robertson Environment Protection Society (REPS)).

There was a lot of new, promising and exciting news about snakes in Australia, particularly, in the Southern Highlands!

Venom is a mixture of different toxins. Venomous snakes found in the Southern Highlands that are rated in the Australian top 20:

- #2 – eastern brown (interestingly, the only snake that changes its venom as it matures)
- #6 – eastern or mainland tiger snake
- #9 – common death adder
- #15 – red bellied black snake
- #18 – small eyed snake

Ray's catchcry is: 'the most dangerous snake in Australia is the one you don't leave alone!'

From the late 1800s to 2018, there have been 58 deaths (20 since 2010) from snake bites in Australia – seemingly a low number considering our abundant, highly venomous snakes!

What do you do if you see a snake?

- Stand still, DO NOT move! Absolutely DO NOT make any large movements as a snake sees these as a threat
- After standing still for some time and demonstrating you are not a threat, move slowly

backwards, one step at a time

- When the snake feels secure and confident enough to turn away, continue your slow backwards retreat
- When the snake moves away from you more quickly, you too can turn around and retreat more quickly
- Glance back to stay within eye sight if possible
- Call your local snake catcher for removal.

Research has revealed a rare spinal disease in 16 Australian venomous reptiles. Progressive spinal osteoarthropathy has been discovered in the Southern Highlands' copperhead. It This disease can be genetic or develop from the lack of certain nutrients in the snake's food. It causes marble-sized growths along the spinal column.

Ray corresponds with a London veterinary student undertaking a research project on rare reptile diseases. He sends any findings he has on Southern Highlands' copperheads with signs of the disease in the pursuit of gaining more knowledge about this and how it can be countered.

Ray is the only licensed snake catcher in the Southern Highlands. He also collects funnel web spiders and sends them to be milked for their venom so antivenin can be made.

We were told about exciting research into polygenic antivenins (broad spectrum). They will be lifesavers, especially if the snake has not been identified.



Normal copperhead

To see Ray in action, see videos on YouTube, Ozstylereptiles.

For more specific information, email: info@ozstylereptiles.com.au or call 0400 734 225 Lyndy Scott, Secretary REPS

The Benefits of Yoga for Children – Part Two – Mind, Emotions and Spirit

By Jennifer Robinson

Engaging in a yoga routine is a great way to combat the detrimental effect of our current life style challenges. Have you witnessed your child to be overwhelmed due to overscheduling, information saturation, and the hectic stimulus rich culture we live in? When children are pulled in so many directions from the externalisation of the material world, it is just too much for their young and developing minds to process and it creates disconnection from themselves, others and the environment.

Mindful parents and adults who are the custodians of a little growing person must give children an alternative to all the externalisation mayhem. Yoga tools help children grow physically, emotionally and mentally to be more connected to themselves and others with more insight, compassion and clarity.

Growing research shows that children who do yoga regularly become: more present, more empowered to manage emotions, more content and more successful in school life. With practice the healthy behaviours that yoga inspires become part of the neurological wiring called Neuroplasticity. Sustained behaviours over a period of time become part of the way we work. The old expression “you are what you do” describes this well. So repeating positive and healthy behaviours wire your child’s body and mind to have positive life behaviours.

Yoga practice helps your child’s mind and emotions in a number of ways - calms and clears the mind, brings child into the present moment, relieves tension and stress, increases concentration, focus and attention span, expands imagination and creativity, balances low and high energy levels, reduces reactivity, is more mindful of thought, speech and action (remedy for bullying) and improves attention and emotional control.

Excess stress can damage a child’s developing brain architecture and it can lead to lifelong problems with learning, behaviour and health. Yoga and mindfulness can foster stress resilience and promote healthy brain development.

Children who are more spiritual tend to be happier children. To a child, spirituality is the ability to find meaning and value in life and in their own life and engage in deeper interpersonal relationships. Yoga practices foster a child’s spiritual growth by helping the experience of beauty and light within, boosting confidence, connection to self and the world around,

being more comfortable with the body, emotional intelligence, self-control, and inspiring respect and self and others. Yoga helps support character traits of a well-adjusted and balanced child. It enhances and can satisfy the quest for meaning and wonder and an awe that motivates learning.

Children are natural Yogis. Have you ever watched them play and strike pose that are traditional yoga postures. Learning to practice aids the natural awareness children have to bring the balance, confidence and self-awareness through breathing and movement that every child innately knows. All the benefits for children are also for adults. What sort of adult are you helping your child to become or grow into?

Children’s Yoga classes are held every Thursday afternoon during school term at the Robertson Community Centre. 4 to 7 year olds 3.20pm to 4.00pm, 8 to 13 year old 4.00 pm to 4.40 pm, Adults and Teens 5.30 pm to 6.45pm, Adult’s only Yoga classes are held Mon eve at 6.30pm to 7.45pm and Thurs morning 9.30 am to 10.45 am. Contact Jennifer Robinson on 0407 771 828 or go to www.whitelotusinspiration.com

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The Robertson Community Centre Needs Committee Members

By Pat Larkin, Secretary Robertson Community Centre Mgmt Ctee

Due to retirement of a number of committee members the management committee is desperately in need of new volunteers to ensure the centres management remains in the local community rather than revert back to Council.

The commitment for members is to attend 4 meetings per annum for approximately 1 hr. Currently the meetings will be held in the early evening. The next meeting and AGM is scheduled for 11 September.

If interested please email patlarkin54@bigpond.com.



Have You Noticed Robertson's Own Community Gallery?

By Janet Waterlow

The CTC Gallery (58-60 Hoddle St) is now open with continuing exhibitions. Opening Hours: Thurs-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 10am-2pm.

The Gallery now is booked with exhibitions until the end of the year, and is already taking bookings for next year, so there is always something interesting for you to see there.

Please call in and view—entry is free and there is absolutely no obligation to purchase, but do come and admire the artistry of the many talented people living and working in our district.

Gallery Program

Winter Warmers—opening 5.30pm on Fri 27 July and continuing to Sun 26 Aug. An exhibition by the SH Textile and Fibre Network. Do not miss this opportunity to see this beautiful collection made from handmade fabrics, ranging from clothing to dream about, wall hangings, artworks and much more. It is a great compliment to the gallery that this highly respected Network are happy to exhibit with us.



Feathers in the Mist— opening 2pm Sat 1 September and running to Mon 1 October (public holiday). A fun exhibition being put on by the CTC Gallery Team. This will include absolutely anything which has a reference to feathers – feathered hats, feathered gift cards, paintings of chooks, paintings of other birds, bird ceramics, bird sculptures, feathered wall hangings and art works, chook tea cosies, indeed anything at all EXCEPT IT MUST BE FEATHER RELATED!



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Coming up at the Robertson Men's Shed

By Nigel Walker, Secretary, Robertson Men's Shed Inc

The Robertson Men's Shed (RMSI) is powering along and our next meeting is **Tuesday 14 of August at the CTC 58/60 Hoddle Street Robertson opposite the Farm Machinery shop from 10AM to 3PM.** We will put on a lunchtime BBQ sausage sizzle. If you need transport call one of us listed below and we'll arrange to get you to the meeting.

It is with great pleasure that the Robertson Men's Shed Inc. can advise the community that we have been successful in obtaining a Wingecarribee Council Community Assistance Grant totaling \$6,900.00 to cover the costs for developing the plans for DA approvals for the construction of our shed. Our President John Kennis will receive the funds at a ceremony on Wednesday the 1st August 2018 at the Council Chambers.

We have also been able to obtain a donation of \$1000.00 from the Veolia Mulwaree Trust. This is also a great boost to our Men's Shed and it now means that as soon as we have all of our formal approvals in place and we have secured Council DA approval we can apply for an infrastructure grant from the NSW Government to construct our Men's Shed.

RMSI meetings for 2018 are on the following second Tuesdays of the month from 10 to 3pm at the CTC 58-60 Hoddle Street -Tuesday 14th of August - Tuesday 11th of September- Tuesday 9th of October- Tuesday 13th of November- Tuesday 11th of December.

Contact RMSI

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Secretary: Nigel Walker 0467316070

S raphine - an evocative film about an artist

Next Bea Cin math que at the CTC@Robertson 2.30pm Sunday 16 September is a French film by Martin Provost starring Yolande Moreau and Ulrich Tukur. Based on a true story. Bookings and further information info@robertsonctc.org.au



Pizzas in the Mist - Annual Fundraiser Robertson Public School Christmas Raffle

Starts 1st July 2018
Tickets \$2 each or 6 for \$10
5 Prizes to be won!!!

Prize 1	Donated by Carlos Barrios "Orange Dog" Original Framed Painting	Value \$1,500
Prize 2	Donated by Pizzas in the Mist 2014 Rockford Local Growers Semillon 2016 Rockford Black Shiraz 2013 Rockford Basket Press Shiraz 2014 Rockford Rifle Range Cabernet Sauvignon 2015 Raidis Estate Coonawarra Mama Goat Merlot 2015 Ricatto Chianti 2017 Gemtree Bloodstone Shiraz	Value \$ 700
Prize 3	Donated by Pizzas in the Mist A Dinner or Lunch for 6 people including wine	Value \$ 500
Prize 4	Donated by Anytime Fitness Bowral One Year Gym Membership Donated by Robertson Enhance Petrol Station & Video Shop \$100 Fuel Voucher	Value \$ 500 Value \$ 100
Prize 5	Donated by Highlander Brewing Co. Robertson 12 x 640ml bottles of Pale Ale Donated by Matt Drives You \$100 Voucher	Value \$100 Value \$ 100

A special thank you to our kind friends for donating amazing prizes !!
Let's all try to raise as much money as we can for our local school !!
Belinda & Tommy xxx



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Robertson CTC

by Karen Mewes CTC@Robertson Manager

The CTC has been busy with art exhibitions, choir practices, community groups as well as our computer / iPad classes, coffee and business services.

Join us any Thursday at 1:30pm for our iPad and Tablets group (\$5 to join & \$5 per session) or book into the classes listed below. These are especially suitable for anyone looking to retrain to refresh their work skills.

One on one lessons by appointment, computers & WiFi for public use, plus we can assist if needed. Printing, laminating, binding plus coffee and a smile.

Normal opening hours:

Thursday & Friday 10am — 4pm,

Sat 10am — 1pm.

Phone: 4885 2665 - please leave a message if we don't answer.

email: info@robertsonctc.org.au

www.robertsonctc.org.au

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Computer Classes at Robertson CTC from Aug 2018

All classes are taught by a qualified and experienced trainer. .

Ph 4885 2665 or email: karenmewes@robertsonctc.org.au

58-60 Hoddle Street, Robertson

Cost \$65 (\$55 concession/senior) per 3 hour class, manual included.

Friday 17 Aug	10:30am 1:30pm	Beginners Basics 1 - Getting started , understanding your computer and searching the internet. Suitable for complete beginners.
Friday 24 Aug	10:30am 1:30pm	Beginners Basics 2 – Email (free web based email such as Gmail) finding your folders and files plus lots of tips.
Friday 31 Aug	10:30am 1:30pm	Word Beginners or Refresher – Suitable for complete beginners or those wanting to update & revise their skills. Create business letters.
Friday 7 Sept	10:30am 1:30pm	Word part. 2 – follow up from part 1. Taking current knowledge a step further—lots of tips for those already using Word. Columns and calculations in tables. Create professional looking documents.
Friday 14 Sept	10:30am 1:30pm	Excel Beginners or Refresher — Create and understand spreadsheets for data or calculations. Learn how to create and read formula and to format your data.
Friday 21 Sept	10:30am 1:30pm	Excel part 2 - follow up from part 1. Taking current knowledge a step further—lots of tips for those already using Excel. Introduction to functions, conditional formatting.
Friday 28 Sept	10:30am 1:30pm	Excel part 3 (if sufficient interest) more advanced class looking at functions and pivot tables. (This class is \$75).
Friday 19 Oct	10:30am 1:30pm	PowerPoint – introduction to creating presentations includes effects and timing.
Friday 26 Oct	10:30am 1:30pm	Publisher - Introduction to creating documents using Publisher. Suitable for brochures, newsletter, flyers.

Robertson Events Calendar		
August 2018		
Fri 10	REPS meeting www.reps.org.au	Robertson Community Centre
Sun 12	Robertson Markets 9-2 (2nd Sunday of the month) mob: 0408 238 575 Pat	School of Arts
Tues 14	Robertson Men's Shed meeting 10am-3pm <i>see p 10</i>	CTC@Robertson
Fri 17	Computer Classes— Beginners Basics 1 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Fri 24	Computer Classes— Beginners Basics 2 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Continues to Sun 26	Winter Warmers exhibition <i>see p 9</i>	CTC@Robertson
Sun 26	The Highlander Heritage Train in Robertson http://www.robertsonrailway.org.au	Robertson Heritage Railway
Fri 31	Computer Classes— Word Beginners or Refresher 1 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
September 2018		
Sat 1	Feathers in the Mist exhibition opens 2pm. Continues to Oct 1. <i>see p 9</i>	CTC@Robertson
Fri 7	Computer Classes— Word Part 2 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Sun 9	Robertson Markets 9-2 (2nd Sunday of the month) mob: 0408 238 575 Pat	School of Arts
Tues 11	AGM Robertson Community Centre <i>See p 8</i>	Robertson Community Centre
Thur 13	AGM Robertson Heritage Railway Station 7pm All Welcome	Fettlers Shed
Fri 14	Computer Classes— Excel Beginners or Refresher 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Sat 15	Deadline for October Edition of Robertson News	CTC@Robertson
Sun 16	Bea Cinematheque —Sunday afternoon movie <i>Seraphine</i> 2.30pm <i>see p 10</i>	CTC@Robertson
Fri 21	Computer Classes— Excel Part 2 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Fri 28	Computer Classes— Excel Part 3 10.30-1.30pm <i>see p 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Regular Events		
Every Mon & Friday	Outdoor exercise class for all bodies and fitness levels, Simply Fitness 9.15—10.15am 0438294813	Hampden Park
Every Mon & Thur during school terms	Yoga Mondays 6.15pm to 7.45pm & Thursdays 9.15am to 10.45 am 0407 771 828 and email to jenniferrobinson108@gmail.com	Robertson Community Centre
Every Mon	Social Carpet Bowls at 11am	Robertson Bowling Club
1st Mon	Robertson Garden Club 1.30pm Colin Hancock mob 0421 061 651	Robertson Community Centre
Every 2nd Tues	Robertson Community & Seniors Group 11:30am for 12 start. Contact Vinnie Shepherd (after 6pm) 4886 4344	Robertson Inn
Every Tues	Tai Chi for Health 11am	Robertson Doctor
Every Tues	Run club for all levels Tuesday 6am, Simply Fitness 0438294813	From Outside Butchers Shop
Every Tues	Trivia Night 7.30pm	Robertson Inn
Every Tues	Social tennis 1-3pm Contact Lyndy Scott 4885 2805	Robertson Tennis Court
Every Tues	Mindfulness Meditation 3-4pm Contact Fiona Brown 0409 036 188	The Robertson Doctor
Every Wed	Robertson Choir 4.30pm Contact Karen Wilmott mob 0403 044 828	CTC@Robertson
Every Wed	Robertson Knitting Group 10.30-12.30	The Cool Room Emporium
Every Wed	Robertson History Group 10am-2pm Contact Helen 4885 1394	Robertson Heritage Railway
Every Thurs	iPad and Tablets group 1.30pm <i>see page 11</i>	CTC@Robertson
Every Fri & Sun	Robertson Railway Modellers Group 1pm-4.30pm Neil 0457 355 970	The Fettlers Shed
Every Fri	Free Trivia/Joker Jackpot/Prize Tombola <i>see page 1</i>	Robertson Bowling Club
Every Sat	Crop Swap 9.30 am	Robertson Bowling Club
1st Sun, 4th Sun	Traditional Service at 8am every 1st and 4th Sundays of the month	St Johns Robertson
Every Sun	Family Service – 10am every Sunday and Youth Service 6pm Sun-days	St Johns Robertson
1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 2nd, 4th Sun	Catholic Service 8am Catholic Service 5pm	St Peter's Burrawang