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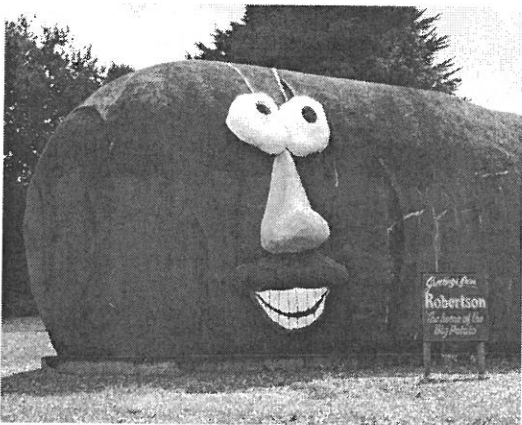
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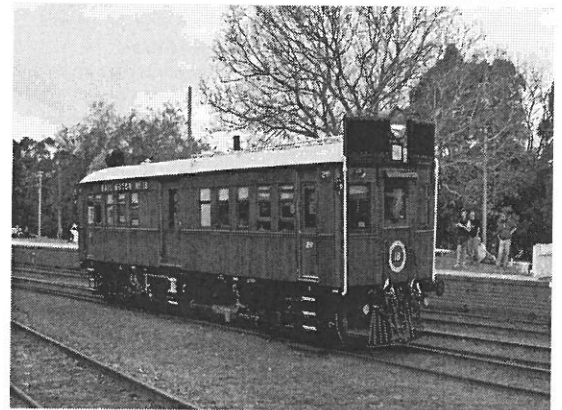
## Edition 100

Some Headlines and Photos from the Front Pages of past Editions.

### BIG WEEKEND IN ROBERTSON



### Rail Motor CPH 18 Returns

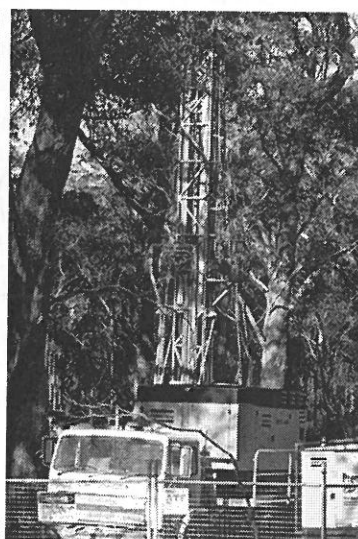
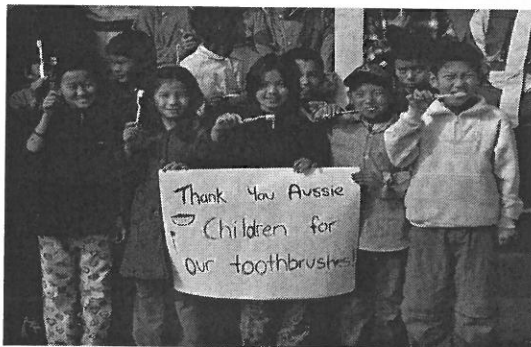


### From Robertson to Tibet

### SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS NO BORE ALLIANCE MEETS AT ELDER'S

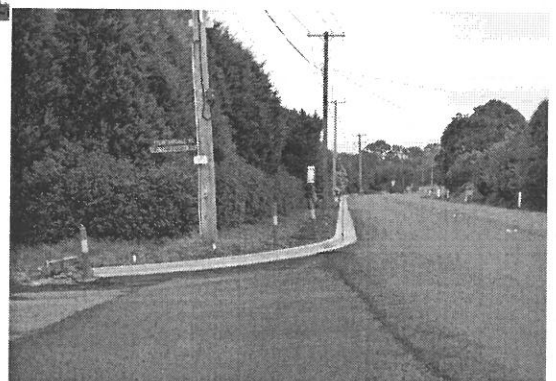
### At Last !

Work starts on new sewerage scheme



### Mayor Peels Off in Robertson

### Promising Signs of a Long Awaited Footpath.



## From the Editor

This edition is my last as the Editor of the Robertson Newsletter. I arrived in Robertson just before Easter 1999 and took on responsibility for the Newsletter soon after. It has thus been 15 years. When we arrived in 1999 the village did not look any different to what I remembered from my teenage years when my father brought me through here for the Moss Vale Greyhound races. After 15 years there are some new buildings, Caalong Hill is now covered with houses and there are a few footpaths that were not there when we arrived, but things seem to still happen slowly here. Below is the timetable that we printed in 2001 for the Sewerage Scheme, the one we were finally able to join up to last year, 2013.

<b>March 2001.</b>	Community Workshops.
<b>June 2001.</b>	Risk Assessment Workshop. Outcomes expected late July 2001. An independent consultant will be engaged to evaluate the various options proposed and to prepare a Report recommending the Preferred Option. Report anticipated late November 2001 Council to select a preferred option.
<b>December 2001.</b>	Value Management Study.
<b>February 2002.</b>	Prepare Draft Environmental Impact Statement and other specialist studies.
<b>Mar/July 2002.</b>	Review Draft Environmental Impact Statement.
<b>August 2002.</b>	Finalise Environmental Impact Statement.
<b>September 2002.</b>	Exhibit Environmental Impact Statement.
<b>Oct/ Nov. 2002.</b>	Environmental Impact Evaluation completed.
<b>December 2002.</b>	Prepare/Finalise Design Construction Spec.
<b>Jan/ May 2003.</b>	Tendering Procedure.
<b>June/Sept 2003.</b>	Construction commences.
<b>October 2003.</b>	Tentative Completion.
<b>Late 2004.</b>	

Some of our residents don't want change and that is understandable. Most people who move here do so for the rural lifestyle and not even our business people want to see Robertson become suburban. However some sort of compromise seems necessary and inevitable. Too many of the businesses that we have appreciated having here have closed because they were unsustainable. Most of us don't want to have to drive long distances to meet basic needs and for local businesses to survive we need a bigger population base. My two trips in recent years to England, my birth country, have convinced me that compact villages with all the necessary facilities can exist in rural settings. I am convinced that Robertson needs to grow to a size that can sustain those businesses that most of us use on a day to day basis.

Towards the end of 2015 I retire from my ministry at St John's Anglican and we will be moving down the coast. We have enjoyed our time at Robertson and wish you all well for the future. It is our prayer that Robertson will remain the caring friendly community we have experienced and that the local Christian church will continue to be an important part of it.

Barry Lee

## BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS

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...books on every subject under the sun!

**At Robertson Recollections**

26 Hoddle St, Robertson 10.00-5.00 (Closed Wed.)

## Next Edition

As many of you will now know, after many years of wonderful service to our community Barry Lee is retiring as editor of the Robertson Newsletter. Following lengthy discussions between the Robertson Chamber of Commerce, Barry and the CTC@Robertson, it has been agreed that the Newsletter will move from the stewardship of the RCoC to the CTC.

Firstly, I think it is important that we put on the record our deep gratitude and kindest thanks to Barry for all the weeks and hours of work he has selflessly put into this publication. He has ensured that we are always well informed about the goings on in our village and that our local businesses have a wonderful vehicle to advertise themselves. On behalf of the CTC we wish Barry well and hope that he will be able to enjoy some more free time from now on.

So, what does this all mean? Will the Robertson Newsletter continue? In short, yes, the Robertson Newsletter will have a new editor - Vicki Ioannou - who will be taking over from Barry for the next edition.

All stories, articles, news, adverts and notices can now be emailed to [editor@robertsonctc.org.au](mailto:editor@robertsonctc.org.au). If you do not have access to email, or would just prefer to submit something physical, these can be posted or delivered in person to the CTC@Robertson.

Essentially the change should be seamless. The newsletter will remain in its current format and will still be published every second month. You will still be able to pick up your copy from all the usual outlets. Over the next year, the CTC will be conducting a review of the newsletter and your feedback will be appreciated, listened to and acted upon.

Vicki will be introducing herself in the next issue, but for now rest assured that this newsletter is in good hands and that we will endeavour to continue to build on all the great work done by Barry and the Robertson Chamber of Commerce.

The CTC@Robertson is located at 58-60 Hoddle Street (opposite Murrays Tractor Importers). We are open from 10am-4pm Wednesday through Saturday and always welcome you to come along, have your say and build our community.

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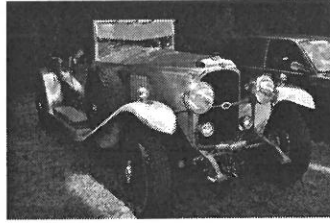
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# HISTORIC CAR DAY

## ART EXHIBITION HISTORIC WORKING MACHINERY

**Sunday, 13 April 2014**

**( The Station and Grounds will be open from 9.30am for entrants )**



► **Historic Cars -**

We will be hosting an Historic Car Day including historic cars and commercial vehicles, restored or unrestored, the cars being 30 years or older vintage.

**Venue: Robertson Heritage Railway Station.  
Yarranga Street, Robertson**

Open to all clubs and to individual car owners. As this is a fund-raising event for the heritage railway station this year we are asking for a donation of \$5.00 from each attending vehicle which will enter each car in a lucky car draw for a prize. There will be no trophies or contests at this particular 2014 event.

*For further information please contact Steve Carey, President, on 02 4885 2393 or Email: [stevercarey@bigpond.com](mailto:stevercarey@bigpond.com)*

► **2014 Annual Fettlers Heritage Art Prize Exhibition** in the Fettlers Shed Art Gallery. The Exhibition is open every weekend up until Sunday 13 April.

Free entry but gold coin donation would be welcomed. All support for this exhibition, donations from raffles or product purchases help to maintain Robertson Heritage Railway Station and gardens.

*For more detail: Email: [dog3gone@bigpond.com](mailto:dog3gone@bigpond.com) or Phone: 4885 1598 M: 0408 610 714.*

This exhibition is sponsored by RHRSI for first prize, and Robertson Recollections, Robertson Chamber of Commerce and Teknémodus for the special prizes.

► **Historic Working Machinery -**

There will be a very popular and interesting display of restored and functioning vintage working machinery in the "Robertson Common" grounds.

► The Station also has an interesting history display showing the history of Robertson and the railway in this area.

► There will also be a kiosk selling food and drink, great gourmet coffee, and railway museum and souvenirs.

► Also, visit the Robertson Village Markets just a short walk away (300 metres)

This promises to be a very interesting and enjoyable day with free entry to the public so come along to the Robertson Railway Common and join in to make the day a great success!

[www.robertsonrailway.com.au](http://www.robertsonrailway.com.au)

### ATTENTION - ROBERTSON HISTORY

What was Robertson like 100 years ago in 1914? The telephone was coming but not yet electricity and of course there was no train line. What do we know? There was a bank, a blacksmith and a bailiff. The Robertson Advocate newspaper was printed here twice a week and there is information in that. There are the minutes of the District Progress Association and the 1913 Electoral Roll.

On Sunday 13th April there will be a Display in the Railway Station building to show what we have found out and to start collecting more facts gradually throughout the year.

Perhaps you have information about where you live or might just like to join in helping find out more about this village 100 years ago.

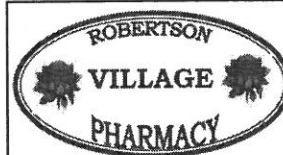
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*Caring for the Community*

## Small Cow Farm comes out on top again – both in Australia and Internationally!

At the recent judging for the 2014 Sydney Royal Cheese & Dairy Awards it was decided that Small Cow Farm was not only in the Gold Medal class but also a Champion – the highest honour in cheese judging at these awards.

Mark and Lesley Williams who create the Small Cow Cheese range on their farm in Robertson now have yet more trophies and medals to add to their collection. “We were delighted with the results”, commented Mark Williams. “It makes all the hard work and long hours worthwhile”.

At the 2014 Sydney Royal Cheese & Dairy Awards, Small Cow Farm was awarded:

CHAMPION Specialty Cheese, Small Cow Farm Blue  
CHAMPION Bovine Cheese, Small Cow Farm Blue  
GOLD Medal, Small Cow Farm Blue  
GOLD Medal, Redella  
SILVER Medal, PetitVache Brie

And to top off a great year, they were also awarded a SILVER medal at the 2013 World Cheese Awards in the UK for their Rustic Blue - a great achievement for a local boutique cheese maker.

“To go up against the best in the world was daunting. We never expected such a great result given the competition”, commented Lesley Williams. “It was a wonderful surprise”.

Anyone who has tried their Rustic Blue, and any of the Small Cow Farm cheeses, say it was only a matter of time before they were internationally recognised. “I have enjoyed all the Small Cow Farm cheese range for many years”, said one customer. “It is not at all surprising that they have received so many awards”.

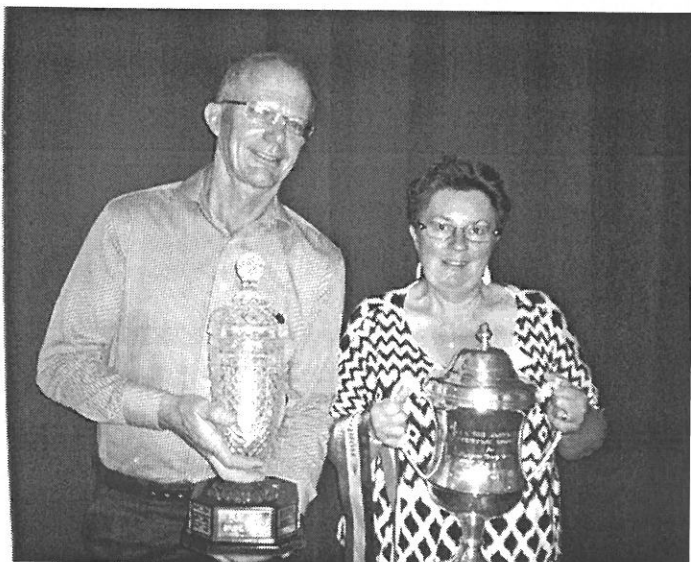
Small Cow Farm has been exhibiting at the Royal Easter Show since 2007 when they received two Silver Medals for their Fettice and Marinated Fetta. Since then they have gone on to win a staggering 22 Medals and have been included on the Australian Cheeseboard Perpetual Trophy three times....plus were finalists in the President’s Award in 2013 ... not bad for a family business based in the Southern Highlands of NSW!

Small Cow Farm cheese is available at various stockists around the region, selected farmers markets and online.

All details can be found on their website – [www.smallcowfarm.com](http://www.smallcowfarm.com)

For further information:

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### 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ROBERTSON WOOL FESTIVAL 2014

*Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2014*

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# Easter & ANZAC Day

**Buy & eat LOCAL over Easter.**

**Robertson CRT- Ag.Solutions**

CLOSED Good Friday : Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday  
CLOSED: ANZAC DAY

**CTC@Robertson**

CLOSED Good Friday  
OPEN: Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday 10am - 4pm  
CLOSED: Easter Monday  
CLOSED: ANZAC DAY

**Cafe Pirouette**

OPEN: Good Friday, Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday  
OPEN : ANZAC DAY

**Robertson Post Office**

CLOSED Good Friday 18th April  
OPEN : Easter Saturday  
9am - 12  
CLOSED: Easter Sunday & Monday 21st April  
CLOSED : ANZAC DAY

**Green Heart Gallery & Robertson Cheese Factory**

CLOSED Good Friday 18th April  
OPEN: Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday 21st April  
OPEN: ANZAC DAY 11am to 4pm

**Robertson Recollections**

CLOSED Good Friday 18th April  
OPEN: Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday 21st April  
OPEN: ANZAC DAY Noon to 5pm

**Robertson Village Pharmacy**

CLOSED Good Friday 18th April  
CLOSED: Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday 21st April  
CLOSED: ANZAC DAY

**Newsagent - General Store**

OPEN every day over Easter  
OPEN : ANZAC DAY

**Robertson Supermarket**

CLOSED Good Friday 18th April  
OPEN: Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday & Monday 21st April  
OPEN : ANZAC DAY from 1.30pm

**Pizzas in the Mist**

OPEN: Good Friday : Easter Saturday & Easter Sunday  
OPEN : ANZAC DAY

**RJ Mackey Real Estate**

OPEN every day over Easter  
OPEN : ANZAC DAY

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**We thank you and wish you HAPPY EASTER**  
**THESE BUSINESSES ARE MEMBERS**  
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**ROBERTSON CHAMBER OF**  
**COMMERCE.**  
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# FETTLERS HERITAGE ART PRIZE 2014 – MISS IT AND REGRET IT!

The opening of this years Robertson Fettleers Heritage Art Prize saw well over 40 attendees enjoying country style refreshments of homemade scones with jam and cream, tea cake and sandwiches. With the sun shining outside and a packed gallery inside, Celeste Coucke, now job sharing with Jenny Kena as WSC Art & Cultural Officer, opened the exhibition with her 'art monitor' aspirations speech and thrived on 'handing out' the prizes. Everyone seemed to enjoy the food and the frivolity while enjoying the ambience and the company, as well as having time to study the great artwork hanging in this fabulous yet still 'undiscovered' gallery, The Fettleers Shed!

With a record number of entries and artists entering, this exhibition proved hard work for the judges, Judy Benjamin and Anika Ekholm, to select the winning entries. The RHRSI Committee (main prize sponsor) are very grateful for the continued support of Robertson Recollections, Robertson Chamber of Commerce and Teknemodus Pty Ltd for their sponsorship which ensures that this Art Competition continues and is now in its sixth year.

An exciting variety of local artists, mediums and styles are on display in an exhibition that truly deserves a visit between 10am till 4pm on the Saturdays and Sundays until 13 April (Vintage Car Day) that it will be open. Entry is free and Shire residents are encouraged to support this volunteer not-for-profit RHRSI group for their continued endeavours to maintain the Robertson station and railway grounds with the aim of encouraging tourists to Robertson and Moss Vale when heritage trains visit from Sydney.

Bring along your friends and out of town visitors  
your heart lives here - support local!

## Winners!

### 1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE OPEN CATEGORY (RHRSI) \$400

'Artists Curio Cabinet' – Acrylic/Timber, Gouache/paper - Regina Brewster

### 2<sup>nd</sup> PRIZE OPEN CATEGORY (RCoCommerce) \$150

'Noble Sacrifice Carrington Falls' - Watercolour - Mark Benjamin

### HIGHLY COMMENDED: OPEN

'Milk Factory Gallery' - Colour Pencil on Canson - Jacqui Brown

### HIGHLY COMMENDED: OPEN

'Grandma's Work Basket' – Watercolour - Penny Levett

### RAILWAY THEME PRIZE (ROBERTSON RECOLLECTIONS) \$150 Voucher

'Open Garden @ Robertson' – Acrylic - Anne Wilson

### HIGHLY COMMENDED: Railway Theme

'Ready to Go' – Fine Art Reproduction (3/25) - Marjorie Kay

### BUILT ENVIRONMENT PRIZE (TEKNEMODUS Pty Ltd) \$100

'Main Street Picton' – Acrylic - Donna Bokody

### HIGHLY COMMENDED: Built environment

'Grazing near the Barn' – Acrylic - Carol Thompson

### COMMENDED: Built environment

'The Briars Historic Inn' – Acrylic - Viginia Hughes

### COMMENDED: Built environment

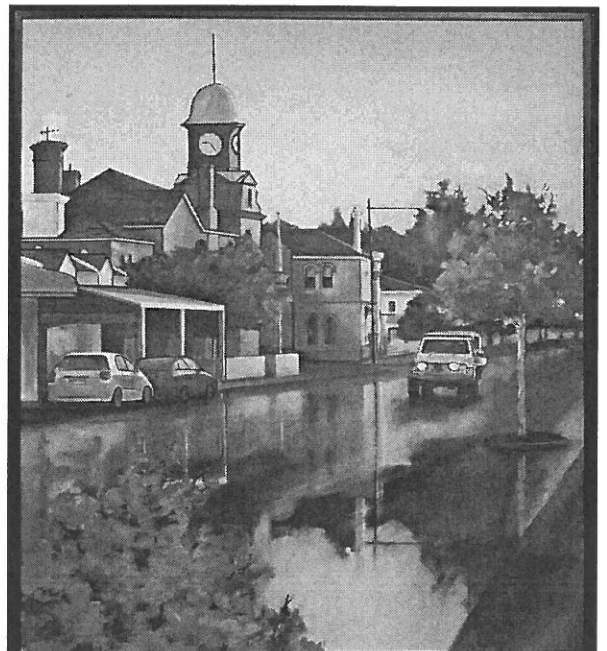
'Moss Vale' – Acrylic - Tracey Miller



Winner—Open Category—Regina Brewster

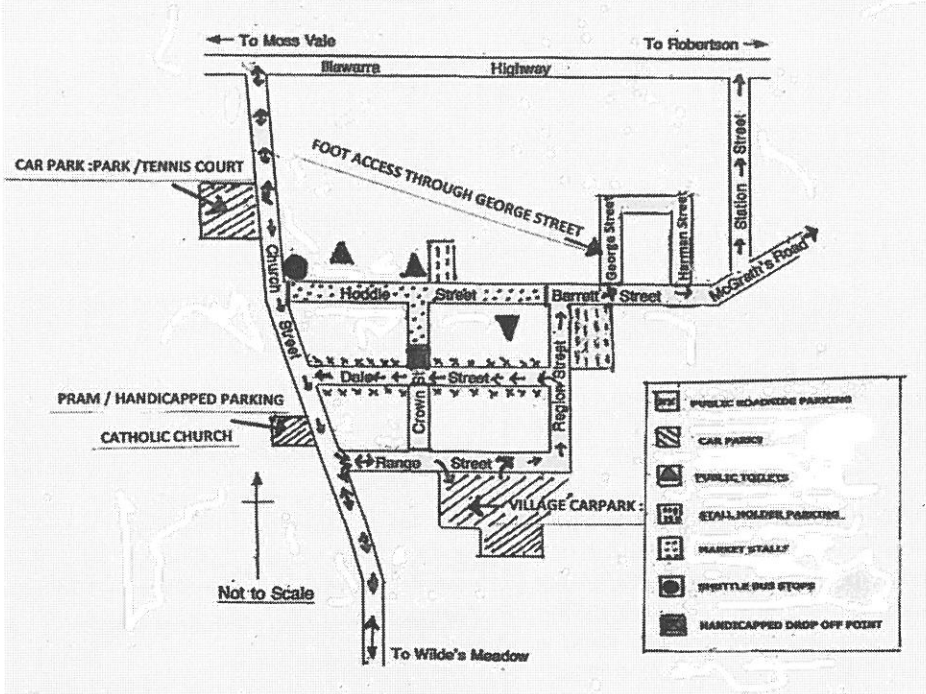


Winner—Railway Theme—Anne Wilson



Winner—Built Environment—Donna Bokody

## BURRAWANG EASTER MARKET 2014



We would like to inform you of a number of changes to the Traffic Planning which is aimed at making entering and exiting the Village safer and easier for residents and visitors.

- ENTRY TO THE MARKETS WILL BE CHURCH ST ONLY
- McGraths Rd will be closed to all traffic between 6am and 2 pm.
- After 2pm McGraths Rd will be open to exit one way, travelling east towards the Highway (ie. The Robertson end)
- Almost the entire Village will be a NO PARKING ZONE. The only public parking will be Dale St, which will no doubt fill very early.
- ALL OTHER VEHICLES MUST PARK and their passengers RIDE FREE—by shuttle bus FROM THE PARK/TENNIS COURTS TO THE VILLAGE (600 spaces) or PAY \$5 PER CAR TO PARK IN THE VILLAGE AT THE RANGE ST CARPARK. (1000 + spaces)
- PRAM and HANDICAPPED PARKING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH GROUNDS, and a DROP OFF for this around the Church/Range/Region/Dale St block on the corner of Crown & Dale St and a return for PERMIT-HOLDERS to the Catholic Church or on to the \$5 Carpark in Range St.

The Market Committee is working hard to do everything we can to avoid inconvenience to our Community. We thank everyone for their support and look forward to another successful day for everyone

THANK YOU.



ANZAC DAY

FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2014  
Wreath Laying  
ROBERTSON MEMORIAL  
10.15am

BURRAWANG MEMORIAL  
Wreath Laying 11am  
Followed by Service  
BURRAWANG SCHOOL  
OF ARTS  
ALL WELCOME

### Robertson Environment Protection Society (REPS)

April Meeting is to be held on Friday  
11<sup>th</sup> April in the  
Robertson Community Centre  
at 7:30pm.

Speaker will be **Dr Lin Sutherland**,  
geologist, who will speak to the topic of  
'In depth Robertson, its geological  
foundations, their origins and  
landscaping.'

All welcome to attend.

### EASTER SERVICES

St John's Robertson  
&  
St David's Burrawang

#### GOOD FRIDAY

9.30am Communion Service  
Church Centre, Robertson

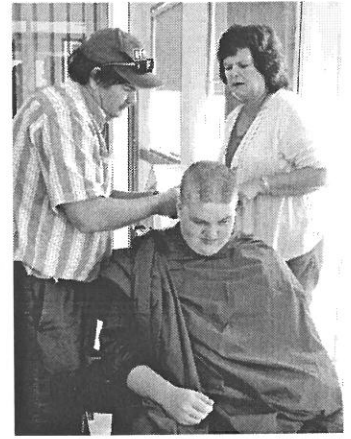
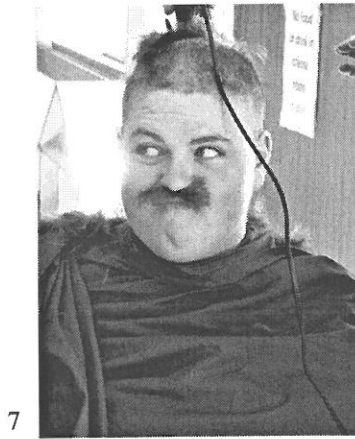
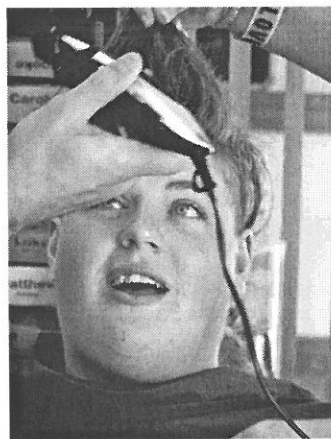
#### EASTER DAY

9.30am Family Service  
Church Centre, Robertson

5.00pm Communion Service  
St David's, Burrawang

### Youth supports Shave for a Cure

Scott Clarke recently supported the Shave for a Cure appeal for funds to fight cancer. At St John's on Sunday 16th March members



# New Ways to Manage Your Prescriptions

The smart phone is becoming a seemingly essential device for our day-to-day living these days. There is always a new app to help you manage all facets of your life from shopping, diet, exercise regimes, and of course your social life. Whether you are for or against all of this, the important thing to realise is that there can be some great personal advantages to all that is on offer. It's just a matter of working out what is best for you and then going with it.

For many people, keeping track of what prescriptions they have, how many repeats are left and when they will go out of date can be a challenge to manage at times. The other thing to say is that these things are not always at the forefront as our minds, especially when we have busy lives.

In some ways pharmacy has been a little slow to market with innovative options for patients. Well now there are a few useful tools that can help. The first is an app called medAdvisor and it's free. This app allows you to create a medicine list, has reminders when you need to fill your next prescription and go to the GP to get a new one. There are also links to an abundance of medicine information. The best part about medAdvisor is that through the app, you can actually send a request to your pharmacy of choice, asking them to get your prescription ready. Many pharmacies (including Robertson) are set up for this and it is just a matter of downloading the app on your smart phone and asking your pharmacy for your unique activation code and off you go.

Another way to order your prescriptions through your pharmacy is through an SMS service. Pharmacies are set up to provide you with an SMS reminder service. Here you would receive a text message reminding you that your prescription is due and you can then reply to say that you would like it filled. This type of service can be tailored to suit your specific needs.

MedicineList+ is a free app designed by the National Prescribing Service. This allows you to compile a list of all your medicines and medical conditions. This is very useful if you need to have this information on hand, especially in case of an emergency or if you are on holidays. Both MedicineList+ and medAdvisor are available on the iPhone, iPad and Android phones and tablets.

The important thing to remember is that there are lots of options out there. If you are interested in utilising the technology and using it to your advantage, go and chat to your pharmacist. Most will be glad to assist you with setting it up.

By Nick Knowles  
Robertson Village Pharmacy

## Church Services

### Anglican

#### St John's Robertson

8.00am Traditional Services

1st Sunday- Communion

4th Sunday- Morning Prayer

9.30am Family Service/Sunday School  
Every Sunday

#### St David's Burrawang

5.00pm - 3rd Sunday

### Roman Catholic

#### Burrawang

1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays – 8.00am

2nd & 4th Sundays – 5.00pm

### Children's Holiday Club

#### Easter Holidays 2014

St John's Anglican will be running a Children's Holiday Club in the lead up to Easter this year, running on the mornings of the 15th to the 17th April, from 9.30am to 12noon.

Cost \$2 per day

\$4 max per family

The Club will be part of the



Programme being run across Anglican churches in the Sydney Diocese this year, particularly at Easter.

#### Contribution Guidelines

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#### Deadline

The next issue will be distributed in the first weeks of June. All advertising & submissions must be received by **15th May 2014**. Forward correspondence to: Robertson Newsletter C/- CTC@Robertson PO Box 3069 Robertson NSW 2577, or email [editor@robertsonctc.org.au](mailto:editor@robertsonctc.org.au) (Submissions are best supplied by email or on disk. Avoid formatting text as much as possible. Hard copy must be typed) Enquiries 4885 2665 (CTC) or 0429 826 431 (Jenny)

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