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## NOISE! 50kph overdue



## ...does someone have to die before Vicroads acts?

### Inside

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It's time to stop pussyfooting around.

Chewton has it. Daylesford has it. Creswick has it. Newstead has it.

What we're talking about is a 50kph zone through town. And Maldon has a 40kph zone!

It's time that Guildford had it. Not only for safety reasons, but also for the increased traffic noise coming off the highway.

Trucks, especially, are slowing down too abruptly when they come to the corner at the south end of Guildford.

What needs to happen is a 50 kilometre limit at least a kilometre either

side of town.

We first floated the concept in July 2011 and it was again brought up at the council meeting held in Guildford in July of last year.

According to Mal Kersting, Vic Roads Regional

Director, during the five year period ending December 2012 there were no pedestrian related traffic incidents in Guildford.

"Vic Roads receives many requests for reductions to speed zones and all are considered against the Speed Zone

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# Greetings

If you listen very carefully you will hear a buzz of activity happening in Guildford at the moment.

Take a walk down to the tennis courts in a months time and you will see the action of construction occurring.

Meanwhile if you take a stroll down to the cemetery you will hear a similar buzz.....

Amidst all of this buzz there are whispers floating around the ethos concerning our railway line and its future.

This issue contains the details of all these stories, including the buzz in our entire Shire around the Castlemaine Festival, which has an amazing line up of exhibitions, acts, presentations, a wonderful artistic event. Not to mention the Castlemaine Fringe.

I also continue supplying you all with information regarding the progress of the NBN tower, the hope that you will be able to decide for yourselves how you feel about the proposal. My intention has been that, as a community we have a right to

know exactly what is being discussed and to inform you with both sides of the argument, to make government accountable for their actions and keep you up to speed.

The most beautiful buzz that I am enjoying, at the moment, is the turning of the wheel of the seasons, as we witness little hints of Autumn.

I was driving into Castlemaine a few days ago and was greeted by Autumn as she shed a few yellow leaves onto my car.

It has been such a dry hot summer though we have been blessed with few fires that did not take lives. It is always a great opportunity at this time of the year to thank the CFA who do an amazing job, whilst risking their lives to keep us and our homes safe all during summer.

The rain we had a few weeks ago was almost exciting till the winds came and took it all away again. ....

This issue is full of lots of juicy stories.

Enjoy  
**Rajeev**

## RESONANCE

BEINGS OF FREQUENCY

This award winning documentary reveals the harm of living in an ocean of man-made electromagnetic frequencies. Sunday 10th March, 3 - 5.30pm, Uniting Church Hall, Lyttleton St, Castlemaine. An 85 minute film, with discussion and refreshments afterwards. Gold coin don. [info@geomantica.com](mailto:info@geomantica.com)

# Letter

A number of residents in Guildford discovered the news about this tower from the latest edition.

This is not good news.

The wonderful aspect of living here is this freedom from city rubbish. We would all sign a petition posted in the shop or post office and anything else we can to stop this development. We are grateful to Alanna for her contribution and warning of this danger.

Sincerely  
Stella Mackenzie

# Michael Redden's door...

...is always open.

He might be elevated to the rarified climes of mayor but Michael Redden is still available to the proletariat. That's us mere mortals.

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# Tennis court serves it up

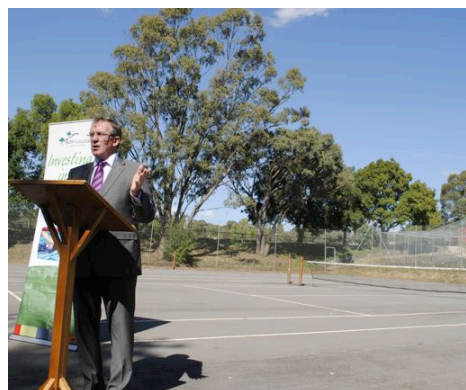
It was almost a year ago when the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Hugh Delahunty announced that the Guildford tennis courts would be refurbished.

He announced \$100,000 in Coalition Government funding towards redevelopment of the aging asphalt courts at the Guildford Tennis Club. With additional funding coming from the Community Facility Funding Program. \$73,500 for the project is coming from the Mount Alexander Council and \$500 from the tennis club.

The announcement took the town by surprise and there many who were well pleased that this project was happening. And happen it will, with the first sod being turned on the 1st April.

Work is anticipated to last for a about 12 weeks and the Inaugural Guildford Open a short time thereafter.

"This will provide the perfect foun-



dation to build on tennis club membership as well as open new opportunities for the facility to be used for local netball and school sports," said Mr. Delahunty.

# Walking track on hold while proposed trains rumble through

The Mount Alexander Council has earmarked \$830,000 for the new bike/walking track announced by the *Globe* twelve months ago.

However the Government has other plans. Or think they do.

A \$2 million feasibility plan is currently being undertaken as to whether the railtrack should be reopened. The idea being for a rail service from Ballarat to Bendigo via Maryborough, Newstead, Guildford and Castlemaine.

On the surface both ideas have merit and whether the rail system stands up to scrutiny is the thing. The cost of refurbishing the lines for the estimated returns is the key.

But most of the track is there so it probably wouldn't take much to bring it up to speed as it were. But, what with the stations and rolling stock it would add up.



The alternative being a bike track could be promoted as a tourist attraction to cyclists. In the Otways town of Forrest they turned the old railway into a bike track and it has seen boom time. The same would happen here.

With the number of bikers around Victoria the scene is set for a resurgence.

It certainly is one of the longest, continuous strips of uninterrupted track in Victoria.

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## Community Conversations 27 March

Mount Alexander Shire Council invites you to an interactive morning workshop on Wednesday 27th March 2013 at the Campbell's Creek Community Centre.

The workshop, titled Community Conversations: Making a Difference, brings together community members to share ideas, knowledge and experience in what you do and how this can contribute to stronger, healthier, happier and more sustainable communities in the Shire.

Ian McBurney, prominent sustainability-focused thinker and planner will facilitate the mornings programme, with a focus on small group discussions and conversations with other community members in the Shire.

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided.

## Hall committee bags \$4790 grant

The Hall Committee has bagged a substantial grant from the Commonwealth Government.

The grant was applied via the Newstead RTO because it is an incorporated body.

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March is certainly the month for markets.

The Guildford Village Market will be on the 9th March featuring lots of produce and crafts.

There will be a barbeque courtesy of local volunteers. If you are wanting a stall call Judy or John Burford on 5476 4266.

It's on from 9.00am to 1.00pm.

The day after, Sunday 10th March it's Taradale's turn with their annual Mineral Springs Festival between 10am – 4pm at the Mineral Springs Reserve.

Awarded the Community Event of the region, the Festival has something for everyone, including handcrafted local wines and produce including olives, oils, preserves, fresh berries, puddings and lots more.

Entertainment includes live celtic, folk, rock and country music, whip cracking, vintage cars, 2-day art exhibition and a range of free children's activities.

For event enquiries call Marg on 5423 2302.

Finally, on 16th March there is the Newstead Market from 10.00am to



*Guildford Market*

1.00pm at the Newstead Rotunda park. Enquiries can be made to Dawn Angliss on 5476 2006.

The Newstead Market is sponsored by the Maldon & Community Bank.

## Repairs on Tarilta Road Council to consider intersection

The Mount Alexander is to institute repairs to the Tarilta Road.

Over the past year it has become severely damaged due to the increased truck traffic down to the quarry.

The sides are giving way and are

in urgent need of repairs.

The Council, at the same time is considering the intersection of the highway and Fryers Road outside the Hall which has also become damaged and is used by more traffic.

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# Cemetery gets new pavilion

The Guildford Cemetery is to get a new pavilion.

Built at a cost in excess of \$18,000, the pavilion will be situated on the top of the hill to the right of the entrance. Excavation work has already begun

Max Kay, secretary of the Cemetery Trust, said it would be a welcome addition to the cemetery.

"People coming here to visit will at last have a resting place under cover," he said, "as well, those too frail to attend grave side ceremonies, can sit up there and watch proceedings."

The new facility designed by local architect Daydd Kelly has a panoramic view over the entire cemetery. A retaining wall at the rear will be built by Glenn Philipson whilst the structure will be erected by Dean Nerdick.

Part of the plan has been funded by donations but more is needed. All contributions will be gratefully received and can be forwarded to Max Kay who can be contacted on 5473 4419.



*An artists impression of the finished pavilion.*

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# Council buys in on NBN stoush

Council this week upped the ante on the NBN Tower issue by writing to Stephen Conroy, Minister for Broadband Communications and Steve Gibbons the local Federal member.

It seems in Council this week Harcourt, which is also getting a tower, scored a rare win in having theirs delayed.

All Melanie Rule, from the Fixed Wireless Team could do was parrot the fact that the EME meets Australian standards and tell me about the increased speeds that they just announced for wireless.

However what I did glean from her was the fact that a new fixed wireless tower costs \$200,000 to \$300,000. (The total cost over the 20 year term). She said that co-locating equipment on someone else's tower can cost just as much over 20 years, depending on who the

carrier is, and the lease costs.

It sounded like the transmissions from the Guildford tower are going to a tower in Castlemaine, where the equipment is co-located with Optus (approval for this already received).

She did happen to mention that

stand my point that it was ludicrous putting in towers before the NBN Co's Extension team is actually in a position to give a quote for fibre. Still, it would be interesting to see whether that could delay proceedings.

I get the feeling that there are a lot of separate divisions at the NBN Co, so no one is looking at the complete picture.

Visionstream said at the meeting that emissions would be 0.03% of the standard at 250 metres from the tower.

Their figures aren't the problem; it's the standard that is the problem. It's the same problem as with smart meters, all the

pulses are averaged over 6 minutes (which reduces the reading), and the current standard is only aimed at protecting from heat injury.

All the arguments put up regarding health apply equally to the wireless tower and can be used here. I think it should be pointed out to Council that it is illogical to have passed that motion and now, without a murmur, allow wireless towers to be put up.

Also, as the motion points out, there is a precautionary element to the standard, in that it states that whilst radiofrequencies (RF) emissions may meet the specific requirements of ARPANSA's standard for Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields – 3 kHz to 300 GHz, the standard also stipulates that unnecessary RF exposure should be minimised, provided this can be readily achieved at reasonable expense (ARPANSA 2002, clause 5.7 [e]). However, given that it isn't even known what route the fibre optic cabling is taking to get to Castlemaine (assuming Castlemaine does get fibre, as expected), and it isn't known at this stage how many people might be willing to fund connection to the fibre, it is impossible to say whether Guildford residents could get fibre at a reasonable price. But certainly, if the tower goes ahead at this stage, it will hugely impact the cost effectiveness of going with fibre down-the-track, even if the fibre ends up going straight through Guild-



*Site of the proposed NBN Tower in Guildford*

she had heard that several other councils in Victoria have decided/are talking about getting fibre even though they have only been allocated a fixed wireless service. She is going to go to her boss and ask if she can provide their names to me via email. She is supposed to get back to me within 48 hours. It would be fantastic to get their names as this might encourage our council to do the same for the outlying area.

She said our council (she seemed to think it was best if they led the discussions) needs to immediately escalate talks with the NBN Co Extension team to pursue getting fibre for the areas allocated a fixed wireless service. The number to ring is 1800 881 816. She didn't seem to under-

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ford. So it gets back to my argument that putting up towers at this stage is putting the horse before the cart.

It could also be pointed out to council that the ARPANSA standard allows the population to be irradiated with hundreds of thousands of times the BioInitiative 2012 Report recommended levels for radiofrequencies. Also, standards for exposure to RF vary dramatically around the world. Does it make sense for Guildford residents to be allowed to be irradiated with 10,000 times as much RF, as compared to the precautionary limits set by a country such as Austria for pulsed RF?

Also, it's worth pointing out that the World Health Organization's 2011 Group 2B rating set by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) for wireless transmissions is likely to be upgraded in the future. David Gee, Senior Advisor for Science, Policy, Emerging Issues, Integrated Environmental Assessment at the European Environmental Agency, states 'it is worth noting that during over 30 years of classifying cancer risks, covering around 900 agents, IARC very rarely downgrades its judgements: in most cases tentative carcinogens become more certain carcinogens as time since first exposures and further research accumulates'

Mount Alexander Shire does owe a duty of care to its residents. Whilst the emissions may meet the current standard with ease, it is more than likely that this won't be the case in the future. And they do have a responsibility to respect the precautionary element of the ARPANSA standard.

NBN Co told me that they would prefer to have one person to negotiate with. I don't know if this is best off being someone from Guildford, or from council, but you can still make prelimi-

nary enquiries.

It seems councils are reluctant to refuse planning on the basis of health (presumably they could be taken to VCAT if they refuse planning on these grounds, given ARPANSA's standard will be met with ease?).

However I still think there is a really strong argument on the basis of health, as going ahead with a tower at this stage precludes any possibility of the precautionary element of the ARPANSA standard being complied with. (Interestingly, I'm not aware of this part of the standard being utilized elsewhere, but then it seems most government organizations would not be familiar with the contents of clause 5.7 [e]). It would be fabulous if Mount Alexander Shire brought attention to this clause, and got the tower deferred on these grounds, as it could set a precedent for other councils! (And the good thing is that the council already invoked this clause in the smart meter motion, so they are aware of it!).

I think getting the tower deferred would be a major win, as anything that can buy time will work to your advantage. It's inevitable that in time, the standards will be tightened and there will be a growing awareness of the pitfalls of wireless. I also think that deferring it on these grounds would most likely buy at least a couple years' grace. Also, I think the NBN will only look at the network extensions within a year of the fibre going in, so even if Castlemaine falls within the next three year rollout (given the progress so far, that would seem unlikely) it could be a couple years before they are in a position to quote on network extensions.

*Janobai Smith who has a Certificate in Electromagnetic Field Testing. She also teaches an Electromagnetic Field Testing short course at U3A.*

## Community Meeting Planned

Just to recap on where Guildford is at following the community meeting on the 13th of February 2013.

I proposed the weekend of the 21/22nd of April for the community BBQ event. Some of you have already replied stating that this weekend would be suitable given all the days surrounding it. I think we should start to plan for that weekend as the Guildford Community planning day (Would SAT OR SUN be preferable?).

Below is also a summary of suggestions made by all of you at the meeting on the 13th and may be a good starting point when thinking about discussions and information you as a community would like to gather at the BBQ event.

•Coordination of groups •Camping facilities •Events at John Powell Reserve •Hall Kitchen •50k speed signs through town •Raise awareness of groups •Guildford tennis open •Oval –white picket fence •Historic trail •Mural on exterior wall of hall •Render the Hall •Larger notice board

I guess we now need some volunteers or to form a group that may wish to help plan the BBQ event. I have spoken with Glen re the budget for this type of event and he asked that we just give rough indication of how many people would be likely to attend in terms of catering, and I guess if there were other things you felt necessary to have.

I have also completed a postal drop at Guildford post office of the survey where 220 households were reached so hopefully I will get some Guildford response coming through soon!

**Sharlene Farrugia**  
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The 2013 Festival will be Martin Paten's third as creative director and general manager in which he has taken the Festival to new heights.

This year will see 6 world premiers, 18 indigenous visual and performing artists and 50% of performers from the Castlemaine area.

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*The Black Diamonds opening night 15th March & 22nd March*



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Slam Noir: How I wish the wish I wish Market Building 23 March (far left)



Caroline Nin Castlemaine Town Hall 21st March {left}



The Man Who Planted Trees. Phee Broadway 22nd, 23rd, 24th March (bottom left)

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# First grave unearthed.



Now it can be told, the story of Vincenzo Canevascini who died on the 18th December 1871.

His is the first grave at the Guildford Cemetery.

He died, at age 42, in an accident when his dray turned over at Kangaroo Creek, Tarilta. Speculation was he was coming home after a night drinking at one of the local pubs.

Notwithstanding, he was born in Contra, Cantone-Ticino, Switzerland in 1829 arriving in Australia on the 16th July 1855.

He returned a year later on the *Champion of the Seas* and in 1857 was married to Catherine Jola of Lavertezzo, Cantone-Ticino, who gave birth to a daughter Maria Aurielia.

They sailed out of Liverpool on the *Winifred* with several other young men

including one Giovanni Domenico Galliciotti who's grave is just near Vincenzo's. They arrived here on 3rd June 1858.

In 1864 both men were naturalised, listing their occupations as miners.

When he was killed in 1871 Vincenzo listed his occupation as a charcoal burner. The inquest held by George Smyth at Churches Hotel, Guildford found that he died in an accident. He was buried at the Guildford Cemetery in Section A, Grave 1 On the 20th December 1871 in a service conducted by James Moray Holden (who happened to be the local schoolmaster).

At the time doubts were expressed about the burial being in an unconsecrated cemetery. However, on 9th of February his friends erected a headstone (above) that read:

In Memory of  
Vincenzo Canevascini  
Of Contra  
Aged 42  
Died 18th Dec 1871

His friend Giovanni who died some six years later is buried nearby and his headstone (below) reads:

Here Lies the Remains  
Of  
A Poor Mans Friend G.D.  
Galliciotti  
Of  
Contra Switzerland  
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Died 4th Feb 1877

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## 50kph zone

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Guidelines," explained Mr Kersting, "These include: the length and size of a shopping precinct near the road, the types of vehicles using the road, the existing speed limit near the location, as well as the pedestrian related crash history."

One can be excused for thinking is Mr Kersting for real.

He went on "The guidelines for reducing the speed zone on an arterial road through a commercial zone to 50 km/h requires the precinct to have continuous commercial development of no less than 200 metres on either side.

"Currently, the Guildford precinct does not meet this criteria. VicRoads will continue to monitor the safety and operation of this location."

Well enough is enough.

It is obvious Mr. Kersting has never been to Guildford, because if he had he would see the necessity of reducing the speed limit.

He would see that reduction to 80kph at the bridge then down to 60kph is totally ridiculous. On the other side of town reducing it to 60kph before the S-bend is also extremely dangerous.

I think Mr. Kersting ought pay Guildford a visit. But getting him to do so is unlikely as we're obviously not on his radar.

The bottom line is, we are the only town in the area without a 50kph speed limit and we need the speed through town reduced to 50kph.

The council has written to Vic Roads but we daresay presume they will get the same response.

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## Organisation Meetings

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JP Reserve 7.00pm

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