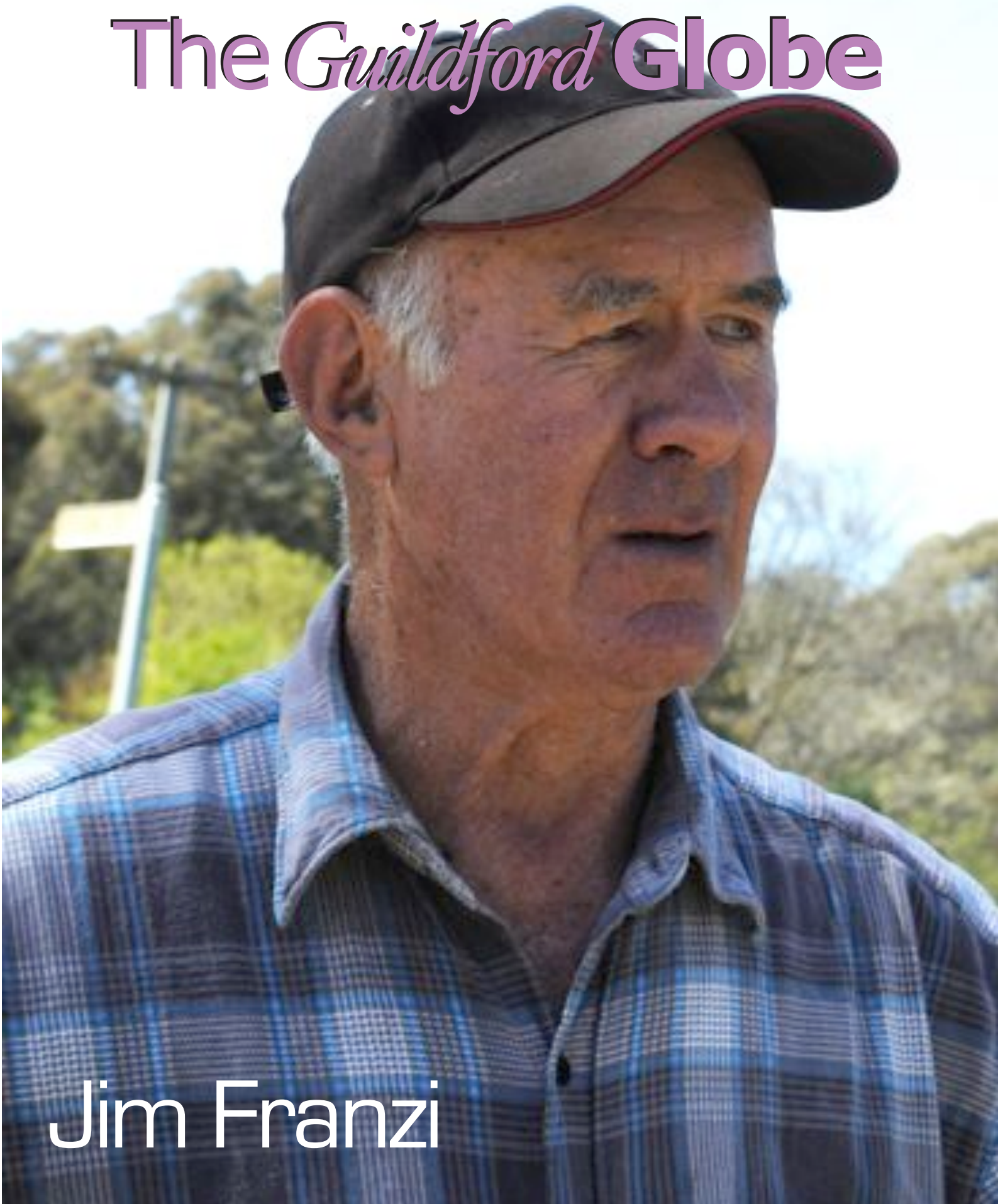


PERSON OF THE YEAR
The Guildford **Globe**



Jim Franzi



Greetings

...and welcome to the Jim Franzi issue of the Guildford Globe.

He was everywhere this week, at least it seemed that way. Collecting a Volunteers Award for the Guildford Progress Association and then at the Christmas Party where I presented Jim with a framed copy of the front page.

But then again, it is a rare day that goes past when Jim isn't everywhere. Doing his thing. Helping out.

It is for this reason that you voted overwhelmingly for Jim in this years Person of the Year. Sherri McIver's report is on page 5.

Two runners-up this year were Michelle McKendry at the Post Office for going above and beyond the call of

duty and posthumously to Graham Bunning who passed away this year for his work helping young cricketers.

We arrived home from a couple of weeks in Bali that started out really well and finished with a bout of food poisoning.

Having been to Bali some 40 times since the seventies I now view the place with a tinge of sadness. The are being drowned in greed, with an infrastructure that is at breaking point and yet a new airport, which opened three months ago aimed to quadruple the number of visitors there.

We went to an eco-lodge in the middle of the island well off the beaten track that was relatively remote. Conversely the big tourist areas have become so overwhelmed that they can now lay claim to being some of the most innocuous tourist destinations on the planet.

Even though there are some beautiful parts of Bali it begs the question: for how long?

As for me, I'm never going back, something I would never have said in 1980.

Salut,

Rajeev

Guildford wins four volunteer awards

it seems Guildford is doing OK these days in the volunteer stakes.

At the recent Volunteer Awards Ceremony we picked up four awards which were presented by Victorian MP Lisa Chester to a crowd of about 100 people.

Awards were presented to volunteer organisations across the board and across the locality including the CFA, St Johns Ambulance, BUDA

Historical House, the Old Castlemaine Gaol and U3 among many others.

In Guildford we won for the John Powell Reserve collected by Brian Adams, the Guildford Progress Association received by president Jim Franzi and the Landcare Award which spanned a number of groups of which Maurie Dynon picked up for the Guildford and Loddon chapter. Oh...and the Guildford Globe received an awards as well.



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Fire. How prepared are you?

What does it take to fully prepare for the upcoming fire season?

You've cleared the gutters, cut back the grass and tackled the undergrowth – but that might not mean that you are fully prepared for fire this summer.

CFA Chief Officer Euan Ferguson said this week that research showed Victorians were great at carrying out the easy to do preparation tasks in the lead-up to the fire season.

"But it's actions like talking to your CFA brigade about the risk where you live and making a decision with your

family about when you'll leave and where you'll go that could save your life," he said.

Fire risk varies from city fringe areas next to grassland to rural areas close to grass or bushland.

Fire planning and preparation should include a conversation with your household at the start of summer about when you will leave before a fire and where you will go. You also need to decide where you will shelter if you get caught out and cannot leave your property or area.

"Make sure everyone you live with knows these plans, so you're all clear about what you'll do on a fire risk day," Mr Ferguson said.

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....and let not forget the snakes

And now the cautionary tale of Hugo and the snake.

Sadly Hugo (owned by Brian and Pam Adams) didn't survive the attack and it leaves us to wonder how many snakes are out there lurking in the tall grass.

One was recently discovered in the school and I daresay at other locations around the district that go unreported.

What with the wet winter and the growth in grass, it is prime location for snakes especially with warmer weather upon us. This combined with considerable rainfall gives snakes the ideal breeding ground.



So make sure your grass is mowed and the underbrush cleared.

And keep a close eye on your pets. RIP Hugo.

Guildford fire readiness meeting set for December 18

The Community Fire Readiness Meeting will be presented by a CFA Regional Representative.

It will be held at 6.00pm Wednesday 18th December at Guildford Fire Station.

Guildford is classified as being in the State's highest Bushfire Risk Category and as such the content of this meeting is of utmost importance to our residents.

Flag raised in remembrance

An impromptu flag raising ceremony took place on Remembrance Day at 11am on 11-11-13

Jim Franzi, Tony Derrett and Maurie Dynon raised the flag to half mast at 11am and lowered the flag at 6pm

As Tony raised the flag Maurie spoke the following verse

On behalf of the Guildford Community and Surrounds we fly our Australian Flag in Remembrance and Gratitude to our Service Personal who gave their lives for the freedom of democracy to those who were wounded physically to those wounded mentally and to all service personal both past and present.

We will remember them.

Post Office Christmas trading hours

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Cemetery opening draws big crowd



There is always a lot of interest in the Guildford Cemetery and so it proved on 17 November when approximately 80 people turned up for the opening of the new pavilion.

Some twelve months in the planning and construction it was the time to officially launch the structure. This was done firstly by Max Kaye, convener of the Cemetery



committee and then officially by Clare Gervasoni (left) from Ballarat Heritage Services who cut the ribbon. During her launch Clare referred to the long history of the cemetery.

Max thanked local architect Daydd Kelly who designed the pavilion which as a panoramic view over the entire cemetery. Also Glen Phillipson who built the retaining wall at the rear of the building and Dean Nerdick who oversaw the construction.

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Of(Address)

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I agree to pay a joining fee of \$10.00 and an annual membership fee as determined at the Annual General Meeting.

Signed

Date/...../20.....

This application for membership must be signed by the applicant and submitted to a committee member of the Association.

Join the Progress Association

If you've ever wanted to make a difference to our town then now is the time to take the first step and Join the Guildford Progress Association.

It will cost you \$10 to join and a \$5 a year subscription fee.

Simply fill in the form on the left and give it to a committee member by the 28th January.

The office bearers are elected at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 3rd February.

It is time of new blood to join the committee, so don't just sit on the fence, this is your chance.

Remember, if you don't fill in the form you have nothing to say.

PERSON OF THE YEAR

JIM FRANZI



Jim Franzi's great grandfather, Giuseppe was 18 years old when his mother carried him across the Swiss Italian border concealed in a bundle of hay. She wanted to get him away from the civil war that was tearing Italy apart and Giuseppe eventually found his way to this region, one of the original Swiss Italian settlers.

It's thanks to that bundle of hay and one very strong mother that we now have Jim Franzi and it's hard to imagine what this town would be like without him.

Jim was born here more years ago than he cares to remember and has continued the Franzi tradition of hard work and community spirit.

A dairy farmer for 55 years, he came home one day and said to his wife 'I'm pulling the pin'.

So a few years ago they moved in from the Loddon Vale Dairy to their current home in Franklin Street, However Jim "didn't want to sit around and do nothing" while they settled into the town life.

It's quite possible there's never been a day when Jim Franzi has sat around doing nothing. He has always been part of the Guildford Progress Association and speaks with great pride of the group's achievements.

In 1945 they decided to get some money together and build a sports ground. This meant some serious fund raising and a lot of very hard work.

"It was a big job to clear the area," Jim said, "we had to use dynamite to remove some of the trees and then cart all the soil over from Havelock Street and level it all off".

This is of course became the John Powell Reserve and its creation was a genuine community effort.

"Everyone was involved," said Jim, "even the school kids were carrying rocks and helping out."

And the Ladies Committee cooked and baked and catered for every fundraising event they had.

"My mother made a toffee with almonds in it," said

Jim, in a way that suggested he wouldn't have minded a piece right at that moment, "it was very popular".

The same community spirit also raised the money and built the Community Hall in 1958. They did everything they could think of to gather the funds, holding dances at the school, dances at the old hall and of course, cake stall after cake stall. All the volunteers from Progress worked side by side with the bricklayers from Castlemaine to help build our Hall.

And after the Hall it was Big Tree Park, 20 years later.

"Everything that was done, the whole community was involved", explained Jim, "I was always a team effort".

Now Jim can often be seen out around town on his own, knocking old dead trees over, slashing grass and blackberries and helping neighbours with their lawns and weeds.

As President of the Progress Association he's had a

big idea he wants to present to the group next year.

"I think we need to honour the men and women who have done so much for this town," he said, "I think we should

plant a tree for everyone with a plaque with their name on it, names like Alf and Frank Passalacqua, Roly Stevens, Sims, Delmenico, Alf Partridge and so on."

It does sound like a great idea, to plant a tree and place a plaque in honour of the people who have given and keep giving to this town.

Perhaps the first one should be Franzi.

Sheree McIver



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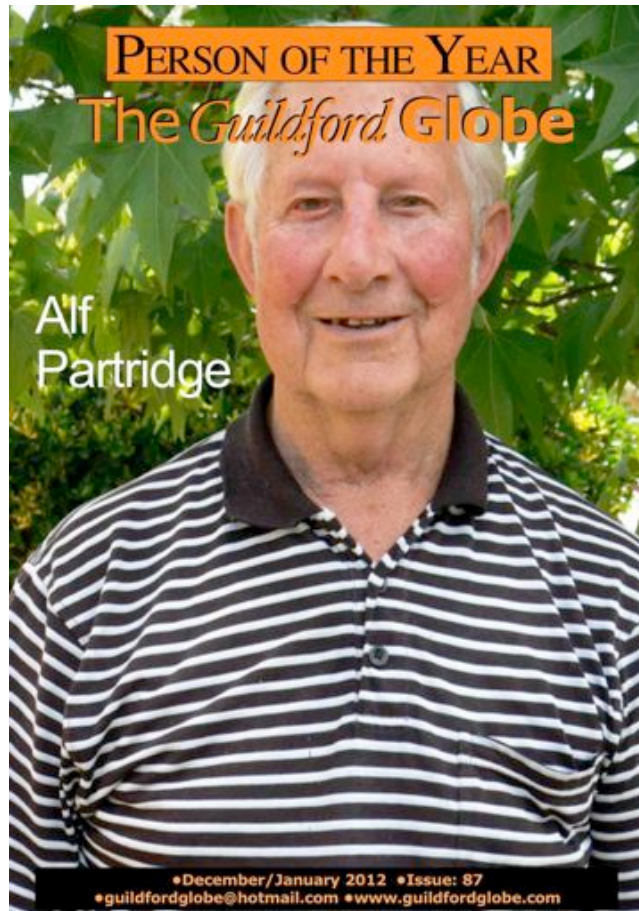
It was a very good year

In case you weren't watching Alf was our last Person of the Year joining Maurie Dynon who won it in 2011.

Having done a lot for Guildford over the years, Alf was a worthy recipient,

Alf was suitably surprised when he won as he said to Sherri McIver, who wrote the piece, he didn't want to be in the front of things.

Coming from Maryborough Alf was secretary and later president of the Guildford Progress Association. He is also a part of the Fire Brigade a position held



for over 50 years as well as being on the committee of the hall and Cemetery.

A day doesn't go past where you don't see Alf slashing, cutting or erecting something around the town.

Late November, 2012 saw us farewell two well known members of the community in Robyn Massey and Bill Sadler who passed away well before their time was up.

The much feared Tarilta proposal was rejected, the new playground was erected and lo and behold, the Guildford bus arrived.

December



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Broadband tower sparks protest

A protest movement has arisen over the proposal to build a broadband base station in Guildford.

The tower is to be situated in Tarilla off Cave Gully Road adjacent to Delamater Street.

The National Broadband Network is currently being rolled out across Australia, of which the proposed tower is a part.

Small towns will not have underground cabling like most of the country. Instead they will have a wireless service supplied by base stations such as the one in Guildford.

The Council says the erection of a tower of this nature does come under

It's not a mobile phone tower

There are many Guildford residents that think that the proposed tower will cause their mobile phone problems.

So let us be quite clear.

This is a broadband facility not a mobile phone site. Sure, they may be able to connect with Telstra to boost, but that's a big maybe.

Your mobile phone will have as many reception as before.



A view of Guildford from the proposed site of the broadband base station.

the auspices of planning.

The NBN claims that base stations use electromagnetic radiation to provide high speed services to the community. The highest values of radiofrequency electromagnetic energy that the public would be exposed to is less than 1/100 of the Australian public exposure limit.

This means that the highest exposures are well below the levels at which harmful effects are known to occur.

Not so says Alana Moore who calls herself a building biologist.

"Wireless energy is the latest form of delivering the internet and one of the least reliable," said Ms. Moore.

"You don't get to hear much of the downside which is primarily that there is a huge proliferation of unhealthy radio frequencies.

"There is a watchdog however that is a toothless clubhouse because these radio waves are carcinogenic and the guidelines first appeared over ten years ago."

"The way it is measured is totally inadequate. There will be an impact on health with a wide range of symptoms near where these towers are situated."

"But you have to ask yourself is this something that Guildford really needs."

According to Rhonda Griffin, Communications Manager with the NBN Co and its representatives met with Council to see through all proposals and obtain any feedback from Mount Alexander Shire Council prior to any sites being formally lodged or notified.

Following these discussions, the planning application for the Tarilla site was lodged with Mount Alexander Shire Council on the 26 October 2012.

"The community was notified of the proposal as per Council's advertising and consultation process," explained Ms Griffin. "This included a mail out of the notice as directed by Mount Al."

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February

It was the first inkling that something was up when we discovered that a proposed tower for broadband transmission was to be erected in Cave Gully Road.

We did a report on the bioInitiative 2012 conference as well as the pros and cons of the project. A meeting was convened with residents at which a number of concerns were voiced. But you just knew that it was falling on deaf ears.

The Newstead bus service officially commenced although it was unveiled at the Christmas Party. The new playground was off to flying start and the market was also planning to run on a quarterly basis.

We also reported on Louise Balaz-Brown who was starting to build on her block in Franklin Street. That house is up and she has moved in.

Jill Scanlon resigned her job at the Mt Alexander Council to be replaced by Chris Walter. The Community Planning Project which Jill was fostering remains a work in progress.

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NOISE!

50kph overdue



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

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It's time to stop pussyfooting around.

Chewton has it. Daylesford has it.

Crowley 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.

Tracks, 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 Keating, 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

limit at least a kilometre either

side of town."

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March

It was becoming apparent that with all the trucks rumbling through Guildford that a noise factor was also becoming alarming apart from the fact that it was also becoming downright dangerous.

The proposal to bring in 50kph zones was raised but fell on deaf ears and this considering that Chewton, Daylesford and parts of Castlemaine already had 50kph speed limits.

The earmarked \$830,000 for a walking track along the old railway track was put on hold pending a \$2million enquiry into its viability as trainline. It was never going to be the case and perhaps next year we'll see work on the track commence.

The cemetery was to get a new pavilion (since completed) and an old grave was unearthed.

The council got involved in the NBN tower controversy, writing letters to various ministers. It was shaping up to be quite a battle.

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Beware: The Wind Turbines

200 Banting residents met a few weeks back to discuss the proposal to put wind farms across the Mount Alexander Shire.

Wind farms are fast becoming the environmental solution that turns in on itself. They are believed to produce noise, vibrations, electrostatic energy and noise blends among other things.

According to activist Alana Moore: "It had to be the most highly controlled meeting I have ever been to with the rules continually being changed."

"So many lies exposed by the story faced winds, they had 'more heat than Woodworth'. They kept mentioning walking away if there is a

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The Bridge



It's time to put it to work

It's worth a lot of money, our bridge.

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Shop. Pub. On the market

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How to be a part of our Progress.

It has come to our attention that some people in the community are not clear about the running of Guildford Progress Association.

We are only too happy to clarify. Firstly, we are an incorporated association operating under the Associations Incorporation Act (1981).

We follow the AIC Model Rules for all aspects of our operation including membership.

As membership seems to be the main stumbling block please let me clarify further, as we would love to welcome new members.

Application for Membership
To apply, the applicant must submit a written application to a committee member which that member must sign. We provide application forms which cover this.

The form states that the applicant supports the purposes of the Association and agrees to comply with the Model Rules.

That form is lodged, along with a joining fee of \$15.00, with the Secretary and the Secretary refers it to the Committee.

Once the Committee has approved the application, the Secretary notifies the applicant.

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Tower approved

The proposed NBN Broadband tower has received Council approval.

The controversial tower along with those in Haverhill and Tarduff will be constructed and operational by September.

The Government has promised that the tower will boost broadband reception from 12 megabits per second to 25Mbps, a far cry short of fibre optic cable of 100Mbps.

A spirited attempt by those opposed to the tower was put down due to a lack of evidence. This of course is a moot point.

A petition of 83 signatures from the Council for a Sustainable Environment (CASE) was presented at the Council meeting on 14th May.

Town's waiting direct fibre cabling can of course have it as long as they want to pay the price and in Guildford's case this is not forthcoming.

The premises say this too much citing the Sustainability 2012 Report. Council states that providing broadband services fits into their mission of "providing Guildford with community infrastructure and services".

The case could of course, roll in to VCAT, but in the case of a loss, which is highly likely, the matter of who will cover the costs comes into play.

Linking into the school or other Government structure was also not an option.

The tower will be situated on a farming block 800 metres south-east of the Post Office. It will be built on the highest elevation of the site and will be 350 metres from the nearest dwelling.

The site was chosen also because it had minimal visual impact on the town.

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Cockatoo invasion



Our friends from the Lorne Independent report that Lorne still has considerable problems controlling the sulphur crested cockatoos.

Experts all agree that one sure way to control this "white plague" is for locals as well as visitors NOT TO FEED THEM.

Notices to this effect have now been distributed all through the town and if people fail to take notice of this warning, the Surf Coast Shire might enact municipal laws.

Please, do not feed any wildlife! In Guildford we tend to ignore the swarms of cockies.

In fact, the point is, our cockatoos DO NOT take feed from a hand.

We don't need to feed them, they feed themselves. It's very hard to keep a fruit tree full such is their appetite.

Let them fly responsibly. As the weather gets colder they will disappear, albeit temporarily.

All we can say to the folk of Lorne is...

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Trucks leave their legacy

Has anyone noticed the state of the road outside the Public Hall?

It is quite something to see. Take a walk down there and see the condition it is in. Most of it is the byproduct of the increase in truck movements.

But what these big B-Double trucks (and they'll say they are not B-Doubles) have wrought is the road at the intersection of the Midland Highway and Fyres Road is nothing short of deplorable.

As you can see in the photographs they have certainly done a job on it.

Whose responsibility is it to repair the road and it must be repaired.

Not ours says the Council. Said Council spokesperson Brooke Savy, "The location is an intersection with a declared arterial road and VicRoads is the responsible road authority."

"Council will liaise with VicRoads regarding the condition of the road pavement, and assess the road for required maintenance. The road pavement is currently functional and safe."

Functional and safe it may be, but with the rapid rate of deterioration one good storm could bring it totally undone.

VicRoads were unavailable for comment at press time but we'll keep you posted.

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Just when you thought it was safe...

National Trust Guided Tour set for September

The Mt Alexander Branch of the National Trust will conduct a guided tour and afternoon tea through Guildford on Sunday September 16th.

Approximately 65 people will be coming to see the historical aspects of this town.

There will be two groups splitting off then coming back to the Guildford Public Hall for afternoon tea.

The afternoon runs from 2.00pm to 5.00pm.

Previous excursions have been to Yapeen, Fryers Road, Yandot and Widdam's Reef. Especially where there is a bit of history.

Many well known locals have been roped in to offer their input.

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Yes folks, it's arrived.

he NBN tower.

They shipped it in

when no one was watch-

ing, or so they thought.

But we were there to

witness the structure be-

ing lugged up the hill.

The tower is aimed

to deliver broadband

services to Guildford via

wireless transmission.

The speed will be at

around 25mps which is

said to produce twice the

speed that is currently

available.

However, it is sug-

gested that when a number of people are

logged on this speed will be greatly re-

duced.

The towers are in line of fibre op-



tic cable that will produce 100mps.

There has been much controversy

around the health aspects of the towers

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August

They sneaked it in when nobody was looking...not that anybody cared. But the elements of the NBN tower were dragged up the hill as the forerunner to erecting it.

They were still promising to repair the intersection on the corner of the Midland Highway and Fryers Road. Still claiming that the weather was too wet. Hmmmmm.

And anticipation was high for the forthcoming Banjo Jamboree who were busy seeking volunteers..

A protest group of sorts convened at the Music Hall to talk about the microwave emanating from smart meters to mobile phone.

We looked at Guildford NSW as part of our series on the Guildfords around the country.

What with the Taradale Ball it looked like a jumping September was coming up.



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Is this going to be a white elephant?

The Guildford NBN tower is now complete.

We invite the town to go and inspect it. Just go through the gate at the end of Delmonico Street up the hill. Turn left at second gate and follow the path. Resident Ida Aughton is concerned.

"I can't help but think this involves a lot of cost (both in Guildford and Castlemaine) for a scheme that seems likely to be problematic in a rural setting such as this", she said, "with it's limited expandability, problems penetrating tree cover and lack of multiple path propagation due to widely spaces residences."

"A fibre to the node at/near the pillars in Guildford 'CBD' would seem to offer many advantages in terms of cost, speed and capacity."

Indeed it would but with a new Government in Canberra the answer is anyone's guess.

"But never mind, I'm sure if and when it becomes a lesson, the tower won't go to waste but will represent an opportunity to fix the notorious mobile black spots in our area."

Can't help thinking that we kicked up more of a stink when they planned a mobile tower.

And this one is so much worse.

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September

Could be the most useless piece of infrastructure yet. So the argument goes. It remains to be seen as to the actual take up of the tower.

Meanwhile an old Aboriginal cave was discovered nearby to the tower...not that anybody was looking.

We note that there was pizza in the street thanks to the Zaphnik family and the National Trust paid us a visit.

The Banjo Jamboree was almost due and from the school came news that they had won the Buda Best Gardens Challenge. They also staged an Alice in Wonderland Garden Party.

We had a look at Guildford in Surrey England which is probably from where it all began.

And it was a sad farewell to local massage therapist and healer Raoul Kent who passed away far too young at age 67.

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Banjo Jamboree goes to the dogs

Why is this woman smiling?



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The dog, of course, was in perfect harmony as the Banjo Jamboree got underway.

Singing its heart out with a group of players who had got together on the John Powell Reserve.

Dog notwithstanding, celebrating its Tenth Year, the festival drew revelers from everywhere all bringing their stringed instruments. The sounds of all manner of music could be heard waiving through the air.

Jamboree Chairwoman Jeanette

Gillette declared it a success thanks to all and sundry without whom, it would be impossible to stage. (see page 9)

With the weather again being kind bringing out a strong crowd.

All the workshops and concerts were well attended, but the key to the success of the festival and this year proved an exception. Spontaneous groups sprouted everywhere giving the Banjo Jamboree its uniqueness.

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October

There was music in the air for the Tenth Annual Banjo Jamboree so much so even the dogs were barking it. About 1000 or so musicians descended on Guildford for a weekend of partying, playing and general bonhomie.

In other news Carol Geraghty is off with her sons to Cooktown and she's doing it the hard way on horseback riding the Bicentennial Trail from Healesville.

The new Tennis Courts were opened with the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Hugh Delahunty, breezing into town to do the honours. He even had time for a hit with our erstwhile mayor.

Speaking of the mayor, Michael Redden convened the aboriginal elders for a round table conference aimed at promoting enhanced cooperation.

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The group picture at the tree is being preserved for posterity thanks to last years Person of the Year, Alf Partidge who declared it iconic of what Guildford Stands for.

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The Great Guildford Community Christmas Party

Thursday 5th December
from 5.00pm
John Powell Reserve

Santa will be in attendance with a can of soft drink and bag of lollies for the kids.



Drinks will be available at bar prices (proceeds Guildford Cricket Club) otherwise BYO.

If you are coming you will need to give us your names by 29th November 29th November

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How they keep the grass down in Guildford



Horses



Sheep



Sheep and

November

A lot can happen in twelve months. In fact more like six months what with the NBN tower done and dusted. We discovered that the structure was actually manufactured in Saudi Arabia, which seemed a little odd.

Spring was definitely in the air as the markets sprung to life, a proposal for a community garden and a look at how we keep the grass mowed in Guildford.

Speaking of Guildford we took a look at one in British Columbia in our ongoing series. Along with a story on the Earl of Guildford who was probably responsible for all of it.

We farewelled quite a few people in November including 91 year old Mary O'Neale and Graham Bunting who left us prematurely at 54. They will be fondly remembered.

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And so this is (brrrrrr) Christmas

It was a cold and wintry night as a blast of winter descended on Guildford for the annual Christmas Party.

Notwithstanding about 90 locals braved the cold and turned up to what turned out to be a good night.

It was a well organised affair put on by the Guildford Progress Association and sponsored for the second year in a row by the Maldon and Community Bank who made it all possible.

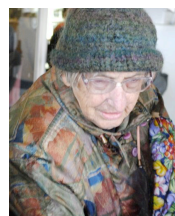
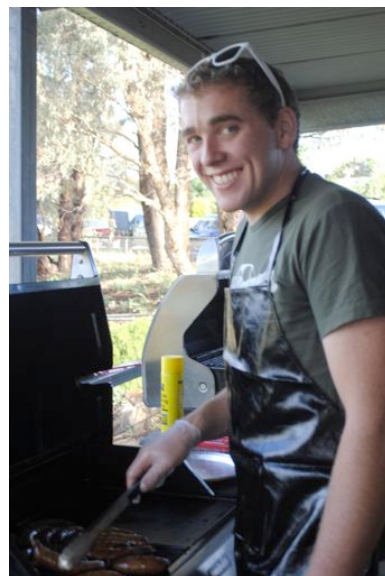
The food was in abundance with the Guildford Ladies doing a sterling job serving and the J Boys cooking up a storm. All the salads and desserts were made by Chris Limm.

The raffle, which was a print of the painting of the cricketers on the pitch at the John Powell Reserve, was drawn by the artist Bran Nash. The winner of our Person of the Year, Jim Franzi, was presented with a copy of

the front page of the magazine and Father Christmas turned up with a bag of goodies. The mayor Michael Redden also made an appearance.

So, it wasn't all bad, despite the cold weather.

It was a pity summer stayed away



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As the school year draws to a close the students at Guildford Primary School have been reflecting on all the work and activities they have been involved in this term.

Our Integrated Studies topic in the senior room was 'The Consumer Nation', where the students looked at consumer rights. They discovered that some of their possessions were wants and some of them were needs.

During the literacy block, the students have worked on developing better narrative writing skills and have written some brilliant stories. In the numeracy lessons they have focused on decimals, fractions and percentages and how they might encounter these in their everyday life.

The senior students have just completed an activity where they storyboarded, scripted, filmed and edited their own short film with some great results.

The Integrated Studies topic for the junior students was Health. We looked at what keeps us healthy; mentally and physically and we discussed the healthy food plate.

Literacy for the younger students has included learning how to use different vocabulary in writing to engage the reader, author studies, looking at visual images in picture story books and how this affects the narrative and developing fluency.

In maths, the junior class have focussed on weights and measurements, fraction, strategies for addition and subtraction, money, time and using our maths skills in games.

We have recently completed our swimming program in Castlemaine, ensuring the students are well prepared for the summer season.

Last week the students attended Campbells Creek Primary School, for the official launch of our 'Kids Matter' Program, which is a framework that supports children's social and emotional welfare. The students completed 'letters from the heart', expressing their thanks and consideration to someone who had assisted or supported them in some way. They also contributed to a note that was attached to a balloon that they launched at the end of the day, in the hope that someone will find the balloon and contact the school. Previous schools have had their balloons turn up in Tasmania!

This will be my last contribution to The Globe, as next year I will be returning to the Campbells Creek campus. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and the support I have received from both the school and the wider community. I wish Wendy, Kerry and the students all the best and know that you will welcome Angela Mitten in the same warm way when she begins in 2014. Ange is no stranger to Guildford and brings with her a wealth of talent and experience.

In addition to this change at Guildford, we also will be saying a fond farewell to our Principal Deborah Harry. Deborah has accepted the position of Principal of Hillsmeade Primary School in Narre Warren and will start in 2014. We would like to wish Deborah all the very best in her new position.

Dean McLaren

Fire

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"You should also pack an emergency kit at the start of summer so you're ready to go any time. This should include important paperwork and essentials like mobile phones, medications, change of clothes and water. If your kit is already packed, it's easier to grab it and go.

"Finally, remember to talk to friends, family and neighbours who may need help leaving early before a fire," he said.

"The responsibility for surviving the fire season is shared between emergency services and the community – we all share the responsibility for our community's safety," he said.

Plan and prepare for fire this summer:

- Do you understand the fire risk where you live?
- Talk to your local CFA brigade and find out your level of risk, or visit cfa.vic.gov.au
- Talk to your household about what you're going to do on a fire risk day, where you'll go and when you'll leave
- Pack an emergency kit so you're ready to go. For more information on what to include, go to cfa.vic.gov.au
- Download the FireReady smartphone app
- Plan ahead so you don't have to make decisions at the last minute

For more information on planning and preparation this summer, go to cfa.vic.gov.au or call the Victorian Bushfire Information Line on 1800 240 667

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Don't wait. Leave early. Pack your Emergency Kit so you're ready to go.
Listen to local radio and check the Fire Danger Rating so you know when to leave.
Stop making excuses.

LEAVE AND LIVE.

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