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Thank you to the members that have contributed to this month's newsletter and for those that have promised articles please keep trying. While we are all away from the shed (keeping our personnel distances and avoiding the coronavirus), it's a good opportunity for you to put pen to paper and work on an interesting article for next month's issue.



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Your committee has regrettably made the decision to reduce the numbers at the shed, particularly the Friday gathering. Therefore, the usual social morning tea, raffle and lunch will not take place for the foreseeable future. We would ask that members limit their attendance at the shed until this crisis has subsided. There are some committee members as well as a few of the workshop leaders / operators who will be at the shed to keep basic operations going. Anyone at the shed must ensure they practice **Good Hygiene** and observe **Social Distancing**. The important thing is that we look after each other, and should you have a sniffle, cough, temperature or otherwise feel unwell, please avoid coming to the shed and seek medical advice as appropriate. We will endeavour to keep you all informed through email and our monthly newsletter. But please remember, the virus cannot be spread over the telecommunications network, so please keep in touch with one another, either by email or phone call to keep all our mates supported, particularly if they have to be quarantined.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



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What's been happening

Another successful day at **Bunnings** with the BBQ raising a sum of \$1,300 +. We were lucky to get our day when we did as all future events at Bunnings have been suspended until society gets over the virus epidemic.



Photos supplied by David Smith.

Reduce your risk of coronavirus:

BUY an alcohol-based hand sanitiser with over 60 per cent alcohol. (for external application only), for internal application use Johnnie Walker red label at 40 per cent alcohol.

Green and Gold remain the stars in the JW line up. 43% Alc./Vol.

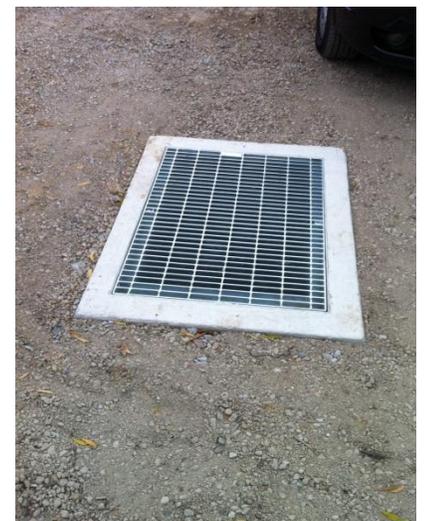
Last month's **Dingley Village Farmer's Market** was a well patronised event with lots of mums, dads, kids and dogs. Geoff spoke with many stall holders who were very happy with the number of locals who had come to shop making it worthwhile for them (the stall holders) too.



Thanks to Geoff Hergt for this article.

What's new in the workshop

After a lot of investigation we hope that our storm water flooding problem has been overcome by the installation of a drainage pit at the front of the amenities building. An old drainage line was located that once formed part of the system of the old treatment plant and drained water from a pumping station out to the basin area. A contractor was brought in to dig a three metre deep hole, install a concrete lining and connect the new sump to the existing concrete pipe . Money well spent.





Park ranger, "Digger" laying into the tree trunk with the chainsaw.



Eddie & John "recycling" the timber.



Eddie the human wood splitter.

DVMS golf competition results:



Results of the golf day on Thursday 19th March

Winner House Of Golf XGOLF Voucher – Bob Bruderlin
5 players to join Bob are -John Hallam, Derek Johnson, Daryl Sullivan ,Rex Percival, John Bailey
House of golf lesson winners -Vaughn Gibson & Phillip Dodgson
Nearest the pin winner – Robert Bleazby
Narga winner – John Perry
Spring park voucher winners – Rex Percival ,Derek Johnson, Daryl Sullivan.

A good day had by all.



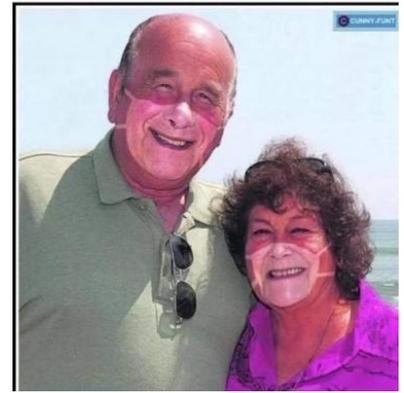
I've been spending a lot of time lately with my family - they seem like good people.



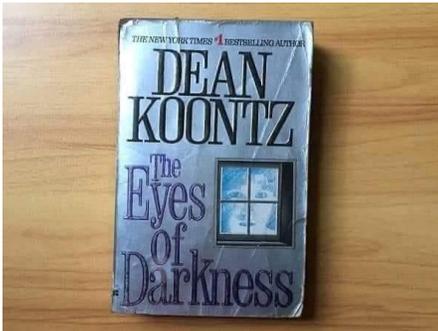
How to catch an Australian:



Just back from our cruise. Had a great time.

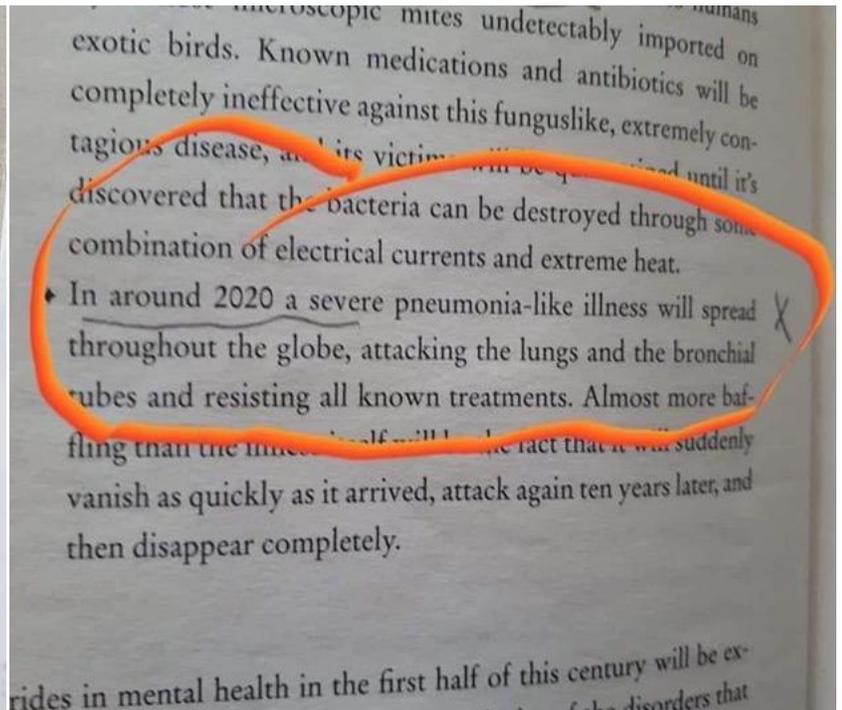
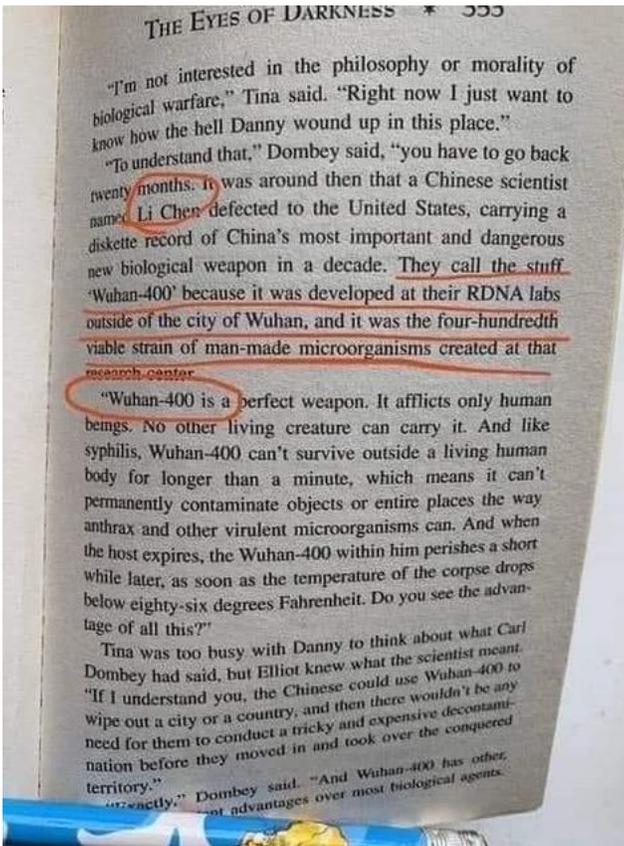


Just got back from our cruise, had a great time.



Is this true or is it just another hoax that finds its way onto the internet - if it is true then we as a planet are in big trouble.

The book was written in 1985. Now what is that saying about fiction being stranger than truth? Now is this not a bit too close to the truth?



Thanks to Robert O'Brien for this article.

What's coming up

Nothing - the shed is closed until further notice.

Birthday wishes to:

Member #	First Name	Last Name	Day	Month
118	Bernard	Jeffers	1	4
170	David	Ellis	2	4
243	Terry	Franklin	2	4
294	Jeffrey	Everitt	2	4
117	Greg	Pullen	5	4
9	Bill	King	6	4
24	Robert	Bleazby	7	4
39	Norm	Nicol	7	4
190	Yuen	Yoon	12	4
68	Jim	Hudson	13	4
189	Herman	Admiraal	16	4
64	David	Smith	18	4
47	Bill	Goldsmith	21	4
69	Ron	Prestt	26	4
102	Ray	Harvison	29	4
137	Robert	Humphreys	29	4
183	Robert (Bob)	Martin	30	4

Congratulations to Bill on becoming an OBE

6 Ethics of Life

Before you pray - **BELIEVE**

Before you speak - **LISTEN**

Before you spend - **EARN**

Before you write - **THINK**

Before you Quit - **TRY &**

Before you die - **LIVE**

If I give you \$1 billion and you stand on a street corner handing out \$1 per second, twenty four hours a day, seven days a week, you would still not have handed out \$1 billion after 32 years!! [Now read on.](#)

A BILLION IS A VERY BIG NUMBER

The next time you hear a politician use the word 'billion' in a casual manner, think about whether you want the 'politicians' spending YOUR tax money.

A billion is a difficult number to comprehend, but one advertising agency did a good job of putting that figure into some perspective in one of its releases.

- A. A billion seconds ago it was 1959.**
- B. A billion minutes ago Jesus was alive.**
- C. A billion hours ago our ancestors were living in the Stone Age.**
- D. A billion days ago no-one walked on the earth on two feet.**
- E. A billion Dollars ago was only 13 hours and 12 minutes, at the rate our government is spending it.**

Stamp Duty, Tobacco Tax, Corporate Income Tax, Income Tax, Council Tax, Unemployment Tax , Fishing Licence Tax, Petrol/Diesel Tax, Inheritance Tax, Alcohol Tax, G.S.T., Property Tax, Service charge taxes, Social Security Tax, Vehicle Licence / Registration Tax, Vehicle Sales Tax, Workers Compensation Tax, Carbon Dioxide Tax and the list goes on.

STILL THINK THIS IS FUNNY?

Not one of these taxes existed 60 years ago and our nation was one of the most prosperous in the world. We had absolutely no national debt. We had the largest middle class in the world. Mum stayed home to raise the kids, Dad and teachers were allowed to discipline kids. A criminals life was uncomfortable. Boat people were kids sailing on the harbour.

What the hell happened? 'Political Correctness', 'Politicians or both?'

Social Distancing: Rule 17. If you can smell a fart, move further apart.



A clearly inebriated woman, stark naked, jumped into a taxi in New York City. The cab driver, an old Jewish gentleman, opened his eyes wide and stared at the woman, but made no attempt to start the cab. The woman glared back at him and said, "What's wrong with you, honey? Haven't you ever seen a naked woman before?" The old Jewish driver slowly answered, "Let me tell you sumsing, lady. I vashn't staring at you like you tink. Dat would not be proper." The woman giggled and responded, "Well, if you're not staring at my boobs or my butt, sweetie, what are you doing then?" He paused a moment, then told her, "Vell..... M'am, I am looking, and I am looking, and I am tinkling to myself, vair in da hell is dis lady keeping de money to pay for dis ride?"

Hi there!

Protect yourself and others from getting sick

- Use hand sanitizer
- Practice general hygiene
- Use a tissue when cough/sneeze
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth
- Keep one metre distance
- Avoid raw animal products
- Stay at home until recover
- Seek medical care early

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When Grandma hears that you've run out of toilet paper



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Hey - have you started that article yet for the next newsletter - tell us what you have been doing while locked up at home and how you have been managing all that idol time. What lost items have you found during the house clean up that you promised to do for years - there must be something of interest.



Don't forget - Daylight saving ends April 5th.

In late breaking news: Electric saw attacks OH & S Officer:



Oh the joy of a nice open fire - but at what cost. Once again our beloved member Ken Brown has encountered the dangers of preparing a winter wood supply, this time the saw came out the winner. Apparently the saw slipped and he inadvertently grabbed the sharp end resulting in fourteen stitches in one finger, three in another and is now sporting a very heavily bandaged hand. You just cannot get better OH&S training than that - "now do as I say, not as I do". Ken's family have now banned him from any form of log splitting and wood cutting. Anyone with a gas heater for sale might like to negotiate a good deal.

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