



LANSSELL LETTER



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Hello everyone. I hope you are all holding up well and staying healthy. I trust you all had a good Easter, if somewhat different. We are by nature social creatures so when something like this happens, it certainly is challenging. It seems as if Australia is so far doing well and have mostly stayed on top of this Coronavirus but it will only stay that way if we keep on doing what we have been doing. It's amazing what we can do to pass the time away. Many of us will have grandchildren who will be undertaking their schoolwork on line. It will be interesting to see how that works – I have no doubt that these computer savvy children will cope, in fact it will enforce confidence in them that any problem can be overcome – we just have to work together. I have received emails from many members and have spoken to others and below you will be able to see what other members have been up to. It's very sad that Anzac Day will not be recognised in the usual way but in this age of social/electronic media there will be many ways that we will be able to remember and celebrate our brave soldiers. For those members receiving this in hard copy form I will also send out copies of bulletins received from other clubs to keep you abreast of other clubs' news. Of course the other members will receive them via email.

ANZAC DAY



MEMBERS' MEANDERINGS ???? (maybe non-meanderings)☺

Lynne: All going well here. Ryan & family got home from Mexico last Sunday week so have just finished their two weeks in isolation. Lauren is working from home in Bendigo (with the 2 girls also at home) don't know if she is enjoying the "homework". You may have seen Nathan (son-in-law) on TV as he (army) has been overseeing the production of medical masks produced from a business in Shepparton. As everything is either cancelled or postponed Garry & I are into watching series such as "House of Cards", practicing our dance moves & trying to keep active. For the present Garry is continuing to cycle & I am walking and trying to cull my thousands of slides & photos. We must keep in touch during these trying times, keep healthy & positive.

Jenny: Terry and I received a lovely sympathy card from Leigh on behalf of all Lansell Club Ladies on the passing of Terry's Dear Mum, Mary, so thank you for that. Also thank you for the lovely wishes in the March Newsletter, all your comforting thoughts and words have been greatly appreciated. These are unusual times and our thoughts are with all of you and together we will be able to get through this. Kind regards and wishes

Sue: I sorted the linen press last week, hopefully gardening over Easter. My job which is usually 2 1/2 days has been every day the last couple of weeks... we are extremely hectic & come home exhausted. I'm looking forward to resting up over Easter & maybe a little gardening. I've been doing my usual walking & have been able to fit in another walk over the w/ends. Everyone will be fitter as there are so many out & about. I'm missing the grandchildren like we all are & look forward to our face times etc with drive by's on some days. Easter is going to be strange, not seeing them doing the Easter hunt & our usual fish & chip night on Good Friday & the book fair over Easter which I loved. Hope all the Lansell ladies are well. Happy Easter Sue

Kaye: I have done lots of housework but it never seems to come to an end. I am doing lots of unfinished craft projects patchwork and crochet and have started a few more. I won't ever run out of things to do. Keep safe everyone Kaye xxx

Coralie: Times are certainly different this year and for how long we don't know. I have been walking, sewing egg collection aprons for granddaughters, gardening, cooking and making basil pesto and the last of our tomatoes into chutney as well as making chocolate goodies. We are all good otherwise and thinking of you all in Bendigo. Stay safe and hopefully well everybody.
Cheers Coralie

Ann: Cleaning cupboards has been my activity, just one a day. The garden is getting more attention than it has had for years. My intended list includes cleaning windows, sorting photos and typing up our diary of our trip around Australia in 1977. We also have the photographic slides of this trip to do something with. Phoning a friend or relative each day fills in an hour or so. I found a pair of new towels tucked away at the back of the linen press, they are now brightening up the bathroom. I have lost my mojo for painting at present. It will resurface again soon I hope.
Enjoy Easter as much as you can - I am intending to eat lots of chocolate and stay well and active. Cheers - XX Ann

Leigh: I've been doing lots of puzzles, re-potted a few plants, made two cards – one for an aunt who is turning 90 and one for my friend in Queensland. I'm actually looking forward to going to the doctor, hopefully later this week to have my flu shot and hopefully my pneumonia shot. I've been booked in for some time to have the flu shot but they are in short supply. I've been going for short walks but my hips are causing me some pain, probably from sitting too much so I have to keep moving.

Elsbeth: I haven't got much to report - I've been staying out of mischief – I haven't got much choice really!! Rob and I have been trying to go for a walk every day and Rob goes for a bike ride, usually twice weekly. Our grandson Chris has offered to help out with grocery shopping etc if needed which is really nice.

Jean: Ian and I are keeping well. I have been cleaning out cupboards and have items for the op. shop and books for the Bendigo Y Service Club but I will have to store them until restrictions are lifted as everything is closed at present. Richard rings for our grocery order, does the grocery shop and very quickly delivers them which is very handy. We have a new great-granddaughter, Annabell Eve, a third child for Chelsea and Marco and little sister for Florence (4) and Luca (2). Our granddaughter Remy is currently working in the library at Ivanhoe Grammar and whilst doing so is undertaking a librarian's course. We are able to keep in touch with family and friends via phone. We receive calls from friends in Probus.

Jan: I have been doing a lot of cleaning out cupboards and wardrobes. Unfortunately St Vinnies is closed for taking clothes etc. Our Granddaughter Kalym was 21 last week - had to do a drive by and give her gifts She was also booked in for her licence but now has to wait 6 months till they reopen Happy Easter and stay safe everyone love Jan xx

Merle: I'm finding it very quiet. I'm reading a lot and go for little walks around the house. I talk to family and friends on the phone. Stephen and Graham were planning on coming up but of course now that is not an option. Under my care plan I have someone who does my grocery shopping for me. I have received an offer of assistance if needed from the neighbours across the street which is really nice. On the day after my birthday I went to the doctor to have the flu shot and I mentioned that I had a very quiet birthday as no one could come and visit me. The doctor asked if anyone had sang Happy Birthday to me and when I said "no", the doctor and some staff members sang Happy Birthday to me!! *I hope you had a good day on April 2nd Merle, although it would have been "different".*

Joan: I have been bored but I do have things to do to fill in the time. I have sorted through my summer and winter clothes. I've also sorted through my pantry – it is amazing what you find!! I do play Solitaire quite a bit and have been watching television. My daughter-in-law is very good and she does my grocery shopping for me. It has been suggested to me that after all this is over there will be lots of beautiful gardens and freshly painted homes around.

Dale: Simon bought Glenn and I a "Pedal Exerciser" for Easter so on the days when we don't get much exercise we can sit and pedal. Kristen and Sam (& three boys) have a lovely pizza oven so for Easter they cooked beautiful pizza (we had a choice of toppings/fillings) and arranged for us to drive through their circular driveway and pick up a take-away pizza. I have been doing jigsaw puzzles, sorting through clothes and today we will tackle the back yard.

Ruth: I've been doing much the same as everyone else. I go for a walk most days and have been doing some gardening. I've planted broccoli, baby spinach and beetroot. I have also sown some carrot seeds – I think it may be a little late for carrots but I'll see happens. I have also made a framework to go over my broccoli plants to keep out the cabbage moths. It's pretty primitive and made from whatever I could find in the shed – garden stakes and tree netting. I hope it works. My last crop of cos lettuce went to seed and now I have hundreds of baby cos lettuce plants coming up so I have also transplanted some of those. Some of my neighbours have set up a Messenger group of which I am a part so I may ask if any neighbours would like some cos lettuce plants and leave them on their door steps. I've done plenty of cleaning but haven't finished yet – there's cupboards to be sorted out – I'll have lots of items for the op shops I think. I've been doing lots of puzzles – brain fitness is important too. I hope it won't be too long before we can catch up but in the meantime stay home and stay well!!

Lorraine: What a strange time for everyone. I hope you are able to enjoy the quietness and time to catch up on some of those things that will take more time than you previously had. I am amazed at the creativity of people who keep coming up with cartoons and ideas to keep us amused and entertained on line. We are pottering in the garden, reading lots, enjoying a walk to the Spring Gully shop for a take away coffee and an excuse to sit in the sun and enjoy the view of the lovely bush out our way. We had a virtual birthday party with the family to celebrate David's and our grandson James birthday and have had more catch ups with the extended family than usual. Thought you might like this funny to lighten your day.
Cheers to all, Lorraine
See next page for Lorraine's joke.....

Stock Market Update:

Helium was up, feathers were down.
Paper was stationary.
Fluorescent tubing was dimmed in light trading.
Knives were up sharply. Pencils lost a few points.
Hiking equipment was trailing.
Elevators rose, while escalators continued their slow decline.
Weights were up in heavy trading.
Mining equipment hit rock bottom.
Diapers remained unchanged.
The market for raisins dried up.
Balloon prices were inflated.
And toilet paper touched a bottom yet again.

If ignorance is bliss there should be more happy people. Stupidity knows no bounds but it knows a lot of people.

	<p>Best wishes to the following members who quietly celebrated their birthday this month</p> <p>Merle – 2nd Julie – 13th</p> <p>We trust our two birthday girls enjoyed their special day notwithstanding it would be quiet.</p>
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Keep Smiling

My wife hated my impulse purchase of a revolving chair. But then she sat in it.

Eventually she came around.

What do you call an elephant who doesn't matter?

An irrelephant.

I showed up at the weekly kleptomaniac anonymous meeting.

But all the seats were already taken.



Solution to last month's Word Knocker. Taken from "Better Homes & Gardens" puzzle book Issue 24

KNOCK OUT:

1. Types of precipitation - Sleet, Drizzle, Hail
2. Gases - Nitrogen, Xenon, Hydrogen, Helium
3. Verb tenses - Past, Present, Future
4. Currencies - Pound, Rupee, Euro, Ringgit
5. Punctuation signs - Hyphen, Comma, Apostrophe, Colon

Hidden Game: Musical Chairs

This month's puzzle is a Word-oku.

Here's a Sudoku with a twist. Instead of numbers, each row and column and three by three square must contain one each of the nine letters in the grid. When the puzzle is complete, a hidden word will appear in one line in the grid. Good luck!

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2020 is a unique Leap Year. It has 29 days in February, 300 days in March and 5 years in April.