



LANSELL LETTER



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Welcome to the “September” bulletin (although it is now October!!). Things are looking up now that Covid numbers are down and hopefully we can get back to some sort of “normality” before too long. I still can’t believe how quickly the year has flown by. One day it’s Monday, then it’s Friday!!! The gardens are looking healthy but the weeds are looking healthier!! There’s always something to be done in the garden. We’ve had typical Spring weather – beautiful for a few days then cold, wet and windy for a few days. Before we know it, it will be Christmas and we will be complaining about the heat.

Here’s an oldie but a goodie ...

Spring has Sprung

Spring has sprung, the grass has ris’;
I wonder where the birdie is?
There he is up in the sky,
He dropped some whitewash in my eye!
I’m alright, I won’t cry,
I’m just glad that cows can’t fly!

Membership List

A new membership list needs to be drawn up and distributed to members. If there are any changes to your current details (phone number, mobile number, email address etc) would you please let Ann know. The new list will be prepared and distributed in due course.

Something for members to ponder

What do you see for the future of Lansell over the next few years? I'm sure, for many of us, this has been in the back of our minds for a while. Give it some thought, and when we are able to get together this could be the subject of a discussion. It will be interesting to hear your thoughts and ideas regarding our future.

People are like potatoes!

Some people never seem motivated to participate, but are content to watch others
They are called "Speck Tators"

Some are always looking to cause problems and really get under your skin
They are called "Aggie Tators"

There are those who are always saying they will, but somehow they never get around to doing
We call them "Hezzie Tators"

Some folks spend a lot of time sitting and peering into their garden
They are called "Medi Tators"

Some exciting news

Lorraine has booked the Pearl Room (the big room) at the National Hotel on 22nd November between 12noon and 3.00pm so we can get together for a combination Club 60th birthday and Christmas celebration. This will be a small gathering for members of Lansell only.

Of course this will all need to be confirmed as restrictions alter - but fingers crossed

MEMBERS' MEANDERINGS

Coralie: The months are flying by at a fast rate. Life is not too restricted over here as we are able to do the basics with caution. Keeping busy at cafe etc. I am having some dental treatment tomorrow in Melbourne so staying there overnight. Had both granddaughter's (Sophie & Evie) 9th birthdays over last 2 weeks so were able to have lunch on Sunday for Sophie but haven't caught up with Bendigo family yet for belated one for Evie - hopefully next week. Thinking of all Lansell ladies during difficult times and hoping everybody is ok.
Cheers Coralie

Joan: I spoke to Joan – not much news. When I rang Joan was watching an Elvis movie and enjoying the music. She would like to get out in the garden but it has been too cold and she's really looking forward to restrictions being eased so she can get out and catch up with friends again.

Leigh: Hello all! Well I think I see a light at the end of a long dark sad tunnel, well I pray so. Not too much here – oh, I did nick into Emergency (thanks Ruth for driving me) – another of my nose bleeds, I was the 4th nose bleed for that morning, at only 10.30am. Then Ruth picked me up after about 4 hours. I've been making Christmas cards, repotting, trimming. That's me! Keep well.

Dale: Isn't it great to have a bit of freedom and be able to visit some of the family? Yeah! Well, we celebrated my sister Glenda's birthday on Saturday at the Queens Arms and the meals were really delicious. I think we may have been their first customers since re-opening and the service was great as well. On Sunday we went around to Kristin and Sam's to have a barbecue and to catch up with the Grandies, Al, Fraser and Charlie who seemed to have grown a good six inches! It was so beautiful sitting in the sunshine in their garden, the birds were sharing our bread, the wisteria was a purple blaze of colour and I was thinking how lucky we are and isn't it good to be alive! I hope you are all well and starting to do your favourite things. Looking forward to our first coffee together even if it is at Christmas. Love Dale

Ann: We decided to come home when restrictions were lifted for Regional Victorians. The unpacking and washing is now done and lots of gardening is now in progress. I decided to go to the supermarket, so thought I should put on some makeup and lippy, then realised that was dumb, HaHa. No-one was going to see me behind the mask. Besides the mask was only going to get lipstick all over it. It was strange seeing everyone wearing masks. We are feeling very lucky and grateful to have been able to travel freely in NSW for the past 9 weeks, whilst constantly thinking of our family and friends in Victoria. It was wonderful to catch up with the Bendigo grandies at the weekend. Have organised outdoor outings with a sausage sizzle, yabbing and wildflower walks for the holidays. Hope the weather does not prevent us from doing all this. Cheers and best wishes Lansell ladies. It would be so good to see you all soon. (Behind the masks of course). Maybe that could be a program. - the funniest, or some theme etc.



Jean: I rang Jean and despite it being a cold day she was in the garden. Jean and Ian are keeping well but they are finding it very quiet, consequently they are looking forward to travelling to Lara on Wednesday to visit Rodney. Richard will drive them to Daylesford and Rodney will pick them up from there and then on Sunday when they return Rodney will drive them to Daylesford where they will be met by Richard and return home. They have been able to go to Lake Weeroona and catch up with two great grandchildren, in a small group, to help celebrate their 3rd and 6th birthdays which was lovely.

Elsbeth: I thought you all might be interested in hearing about a very different weekend away spent in Melbourne with Ruth and Leigh. It all came about when I won a Weekend Away in Melbourne. The prize included a very handy sum of money! So off we went to Melbourne and headed for a very posh hotel. Luxury Plus! After unpacking we set off to the shops and really let our heads go! When we were tired of shopping (really?) we were escorted to our vehicle of choice (a helicopter) and taken on a two hour flight over Melbourne visiting well known land marks. It was breath-taking over the harbour, with hundreds of yachts out for a weekend sail. We went as far as Geelong then back to our hotel for a fabulous meal. The next morning we set off in our chauffeur driven limo for a trip to the Great Ocean Road and lunch at one of the flash resorts. On the way back to the limo I tripped on the stairs and as I felt myself falling.... falling ***I WOKE UP!!***

However, tomorrow Rob and I are leaving in the caravan. Three days at Heathcote in the caravan park with three friends! I'm sure we'll have a great time.

Merle: Like us all Merle is finding it quiet and she is looking forward to getting back to seeing friends in Lansell and Probus. She has had a small skin cancer removed from her foot and on the day I rang she had just removed the dressing, five days after surgery. She has about half a dozen stitches and the wound was feeling rather tender and made it uncomfortable to lift her foot. She hasn't had many visitors of course, however she was able to see Stephen who was in Bendigo for a day. Merle is looking forward to the easing of restrictions and an improvement in the weather. She is also looking forward to seeing her two great grandchildren very soon.

Kaye: I guess like everyone else I am really over lockdown. I am still busy with sewing and crocheting so don't get bored. But exciting news I am off to Mildura this week with my brother's family for a few days on a houseboat - yay looking forward to it. I hope it won't be long before we can meet again - Kaye.

Ruth: Like everyone else, I haven't done much. My leg is better and I have been bike riding twice. I was meant to go out on the bike on another occasion but the weather was too icy and wet so that was called off. I have tried my hand at oil painting and rather enjoyed doing it but as I need to go out into the alfresco area to paint I am going to wait until the weather warms up before I try more painting. My "babies", twins Emma and Kelly, "celebrated" their 40th birthdays last week. "Celebrated" is probably not the right word as there was no party but we look forward to a family get-together when that is possible. I was able to catch up with Emma who lives locally and I will drive to Mansfield to see Kelly on Friday before the three boys go back to school. I look forward to catching up with you all before too long. In the meantime, stay well!



Best wishes to our September birthday girls

Kaye - 13th

Jan - 15th

We hope you had a nice day albeit a quiet one.

The following passage was taken from “The ABC Hospital Hour Friendship Book” which Joan lent to me:

“MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING

A school chaplain entered a class while the lesson was in progress and asked this question: ‘Who broke down the walls of Jericho?’

A boy answers: “Not me, sir.”

The chaplain turned to the teacher and asked: “Is this the usual behaviour in this class?” The teacher answered: “This boy is honest and I believe him ... I really don’t think he did it.”

Leaving the room, the chaplain sought out the headmaster and explained what had happened. “Now look here,” the headmaster said, “I’ve known the teacher and the boy for a good many years, and neither of them would do such a thing.

By this time, the chaplain was really angry, so he wrote a letter of complaint about the school to the Education Department, who replied in kind: “We see no point in being so disturbed. Just pay the bill for the damage to the walls, and charge it to upkeep!” 😊😊😊



THIS MONTH’S PUZZLE “HEAD TO TAIL” Taken from *That’s Life Puzzler Issue 136* Change CATS to DOGS by altering one letter at each stage to form a new word every time. I’ve place a few words in between to help you on your way. You may find more than one way to move from word to word, but you must arrive at the given words on your way down the grid.

C	A	T	S
B	O	A	R
L	E	N	D
D	O	G	S



What do you call 1000 rabbits hopping backwards? A receding hare-line.

Two nuns driving are accosted in the middle-of-the-road by a vampire. One nun shouts at the other “Show him your cross, show him your cross!” The other nun leans out of the window and shouts “Get out of the road you toothy-git!”

Solution to last month's puzzle "FILL IN" Taken from Family Circle Puzzles Book 6

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Thank you to Lorraine for these :

Frog parking only - all others will be toad.

I want to grow my own food, but I can't find bacon seeds.

What happens if I get scared half to death twice?

This is my step ladder - I never knew my real ladder.

My wife said I never listen to her ... or something like that!

I checked into the Hokey Pokey Clinic and I turned myself around.

I've finally told my suitcases there will be no holiday this year - now I'm dealing with the emotional baggage.

Before my surgery, the anesthesiologist offered to knock me out with gas or a boat paddle it was an ether/oar situation.

Astronomers got tired of watching the moon go round the earth for 24 hours. So they decided to call it a day.