

07 / 08 /2009



Is your number up?

www.merbeincentenary.com.au

On Saturday 15th August, the Official Opening of the Merbein Centenary celebrations will be held.

As a part of the Official Opening, there will be a presentation of Land Allotment Certificates to descendants of settlers allotted land in 1909 and who have been nominated by their family.

This will be followed by the announcement of NAB Photo Competition Winners and the cutting of the Centenary Cake.

The Merbein NAB Photographic Competition will have the winners announced after the Land Allotment certificates have been given out. Entries will be judged by Kevin Phelan. Kevin will be in the region to judge the photographic entries and has an extensive history in the field of photography.

Competition Co-ordinator Rebecca Wells says “We’ve had a fantastic response from the community. The quality of the entries is amazing.”

She also comments “I’m beginning to see Merbein in a whole new light. It’s always great to view something through someone’s eyes.”

Recipes for success

As a part of the opening ceremony there will also be a cutting of the Centenary Cake. The centenary cake has been put together with a lot of love and care. This 66 kilogram cake has the following ingredients have included:

- 8.7 kgs, of flour
- 6.6 kgs of brown sugar
- 6.6 kgs of butter
- 6.6 kgs of eggs
- 18 kgs of sultanas
- 6 kgs of raisins
- 3 kgs of currants
- 4.2 kgs of cherries
- 1.4 kgs of almonds
- 1 bottle of port
- 5 kgs of spices

Opening the door to the past

To assist our visitors and locals with tickets and booking information our Centenary Office will open TODAY, Friday 7th August. Office hours: Daily: 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.

The Centenary Office number will be **0439 384 481**.

If you are travelling from afar and anxious to secure tickets, please send an email via the "Contact Us" facility on our website.

Visitors and locals should make the Merbein Centenary Office their first 'port of call' to ensure that they can get all the necessary information on events. Tickets and bookings can also be made at the office.

The office will also house a number of other displays and attractions to be viewed.

The excitement is building with over 220 plus entries in the Fishers Street Parade on Friday 21st August, scheduled to start by 1.15pm. The Schools have been extremely busy preparing their float entries.

The Photographic Competition has attracted 80+ entries of extremely high standard and these will be on display at the Centenary Office for your viewing pleasure.

For further information on the Merbein Centenary Opening Celebrations or any of the other events listed in the ten days of celebrations, please see www.merbeincentenary.com.au
The celebrations run from 14- 23 August 2009.

Further Enquires:

Rebecca Wells
03 5051 4020
0417 728 114
r.wells@latrobe.edu.au