



TRISH DRAPER MP
FEDERAL MEMBER FOR MAKIN



“Your Voice in Makin”

The Makin Community Christmas Tree

Continuing the Makin tradition, I am inviting you to donate a small gift for a child of a struggling family living in our local community. Gifts for children between the ages of one to twelve will be distributed by the Salvation Army (Ingle Farm) to families who are in genuine need of our help and support.

I wish to thank the many people, who in the past have supported this initiative with toys and food items helping to bring the joy of Christmas to many people in our community.

May I take this opportunity to pay tribute to our emergency service personnel, our police officers, fire fighters, nurses and care workers and wish them all a safe Christmas and New Year. I would also like to thank our teachers who perform a vitally important role in our community throughout the year and those tireless Foster Care parents, who look after our children in need of care.

I would also like to wish students in Year 11 and 12, who have completed their final year exams the very best for their results and hope that they are able to make a smooth transition next year, in their chosen career or study path.

I wish to once again, thank all of our community organisations, church groups and volunteers and wish all members of the Makin electorate a very happy Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

Gifts can be placed beneath the Christmas Tree in my office at 959 North East Road, Modbury, by December 16, 2005



Last year, Four year old Meg Gowen donated a Christmas gift for the Makin Community Christmas Tree which Trish has established in her office. Thank you Meg.

“Lest We Forget”



Sounding the Last Post, Braidwood 1999. AWM

Each year, on November the 11th at 11am, Australians pause to pay tribute and remember the sacrifice of our fallen soldiers. We also take this opportunity to give thanks to the valiant service of the men and women of this country whom have served in defence of our freedom and to demonstrate the value we place in those freedoms so selflessly forged. Our independent nationhood which gives us freedom to think, to speak, to worship, to have a say in the election of governments, to be afforded the proper privileges of our legal system, to raise a family and to educate our children.

On November 2nd 2005, the Tea Tree Gully RSL Sub Branch held a memorial at the Doxiadis Reserve, St Agnes to honour those Australians, whom defended our nation along the Kokoda trail in World War 2.

I believe it is important that we all continue to pay our respects to all those who defended this nation and to remember, personally or otherwise, the significant sacrifice our country men made in defence of the Australian way of life.

I take this opportunity to personally acknowledge the efforts of all men and women involved in these conflicts and to reassure that:

“We Will Remember Them”

Flag Presentations at Ridgehaven Primary School and St. Pauls College



I would like to congratulate Ridgehaven Primary School and St Pauls College on their recent flag raising ceremonies.