

**Christmas Edition**

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**DCHI News**

Dereel Community Hub Incorporated



*Merry  
Christmas  
from  
D.C.H.I.*

## Christmas Invitation

**Bring a plate to share and celebrate  
Christmas with us on 19th December.**

The Dereel Community Hub Incorporated (DCHI) invites the Dereel community to the last Hub Café of 2015. There's free coffee (delicious fresh coffee from The Bean Barn) and a chance to catch up with your local friends over a bite or two to eat.

**Where:** Dereel Community Centre

**When:** 12 noon to 2pm , Saturday 19 December

**What to Bring:** A plate of food to share, smiles, Christmas cheer and a song or two.

Everyone is welcome!

## Hub Café Dates December and January

Note the following Hub Café dates for Christmas and the New Year:

**19th December**– Hub Café Christmas

Everyone in the community is invited to come along and bring a plate to share with others.

**26th December**– No Hub Café

**2nd January**– Hub Café open as normal.

As the hall kitchen has been demolished, the Hub Café is now operating from the Dereel Community Centre.

## 2015: Getting Started

Since we became an incorporated body in July, we have spent a lot of time working out how we want to work as a group. The Mission Statement and Values aren't just nice sayings, they are the rules we want to operate by in everything we do.

We place value on working with the Dereel and surrounding community to help local people get together in new and interesting ways. Whether it be for social gatherings, to learn new skills or to plan a larger event, we hope to be able to assist.

The Hub Café is our starting point. We ask for a donation for the coffee on most Saturdays (except for the Christmas celebration) so we can raise money to put toward new community events. So if you've got ideas for Dereel, get in touch with us. Maybe we can help you to achieve them.

## 2016: Growing

The redevelopment of the Dereel Soldier's Memorial Hall and community buildings has started.

When this has been completed, Dereel will have a flexible space. As an incorporated association, the Dereel Community Hub Inc. can assist our members to hire the space and also to cover the cost of the Public Liability Insurance. This makes it easier to form interest groups which can be opened to the wider community.

At this stage, we don't have any events or groups planned, so we are interested to know what you would like the opportunity to do. Perhaps you want to set up a local sporting team or maybe you want to find local people interested in self sufficiency. Maybe you just want to get everyone together for a pizza night or a book club or a choir—many things are possible.

With some help, we hope to be able to set up a program of events at the Hall which run through the year. This will include a series of workshops similar to the Intro/Info Sessions ran last year by members of the community for members of the community at

the cost of a gold coin to cover the venue hire.

If you've got ideas, come along to a Hub Café and talk to us about them. Or you can email us: [dereelspokes@gmail.com](mailto:dereelspokes@gmail.com)

## Help Wanted

The DCHI Membership Application is on page 3 to help us grow our membership. We currently have 18 members and we want more help so we can achieve our goals. This doesn't necessarily mean working as part of a committee. If you have a specific skill or an interest, you can just choose to focus on that one thing. Every little bit helps.

In 2016 we would like members to help us with the following things:

- Getting our message out to the wider community
- Identifying what the Dereel community would like to happen at the Hall
- Suggesting and planning events
- Identifying grants we can apply for to achieve some of the bigger things
- Writing grant applications
- Running workshops
- Contributing to the editorial process of *Dereel Spokes* to give everyone a voice
- Setting up project groups to work on specific things
- Talking to other local community groups to find out how we can help them

This is just the beginning. There are plenty of ways to get involved and you can contribute as little or as much time as you have available.

To apply for Membership of the Dereel Community Hub Incorporated (DCHI) just complete the form on page 3 and return it to:

Lisa Hunter  
Secretary  
Dereel Community Hub Inc.  
2857 Colac-Ballarat Road  
Dereel Vic 3352

# Dereel Community Hub Inc. (DCHI)

## Membership Application Form

<b>Mission</b>	To serve as a hub to strengthen the community of Dereel and surrounds through cooperation
<b>Values</b>	<b>Creative Freedom</b> each is a creative agent deserving acceptance and support to fulfil their own being <b>According to Need</b> take only what is needed to bring the most benefit where the need is greatest <b>Open Hand, Open Mind</b> welcome without prejudice, share openly and listen to each other <b>Appreciation</b> make the best of what there is, enjoy its abundance <b>Constant Refinement</b> accept and analyse what is, learn and grow from its experience
<b>Statement</b>	I _____ (full name) wish to apply for membership of the Dereel Community Hub Inc.  I agree to support the Mission of the Association, to actively contribute to its success and to uphold the Values in all interactions relating to the Association.  I agree to comply with the Model Rules for an Incorporated Association.  _____ (date)  _____ (signature)
<b>Your Details</b>	_____ _____ (address line 1) _____ (address line 2) _____ (email) _____ (phone)
<b>Benefits</b>	<b>The benefits of membership are:</b> <b>Collective Ownership</b> active contribution, direction setting <b>Accessible Resources</b> information, meeting space, equipment <b>Rewarding Experiences</b> casual events, information sessions, major events <b>Nurturing Environment</b> supportive culture, care for community space
<b>Donation</b>	Membership joining fees are by donation. You are encouraged to donate \$10 if you can afford it, otherwise as much as you can afford.



**Rory and Mitchel have brought music to the Hub Cafe**

## Jamming At the Hub

Rory and Mitchel had been talking about bringing their guitars into the Hub Cafe, and one Saturday they did. Since then, music has been a regular thing. Songs of choice have included 'Blowing In The Wind', "Suzanne" and "The Sounds of Silence" with a new tune each week. If you are a local musician and you would like to join in, come along to the next Hub Café. See page 1 for dates.

The Hub Café is all about having a regular time and place for the Dereel community to meet up for coffee and a chat – and perhaps from now on, music as well.

We hope to see you there.

## Acknowledgements

The Dereel Community Hub Incorporated would like to thank CentaCare for paying our first year Public Liability Insurance and also for covering the cost of printing the Dereel Spokes newsletter for our first year.

## Free Subscription

We want to be responsible with paper, and with our financial resources. So the first few printed edition will go to every household in Dereel to let you know we exist, and to ask for your support. In the future, the printed version will only be delivered to residents who request it.

If you would like to continue getting a printed copy of the newsletter in your letterbox, please let us know by filling in this form. It won't cost you anything and we can be sure we are only delivering it to the people who want to read it.

Yes, I would like to continue receiving the print edition of *Dereel Spokes*.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Please return this form to:  
2857 Colac-Ballarat Road, Dereel

## Submission Guidelines

Dereel Spokes is the communication arm of the newly formed Dereel Community Hub Inc. Along with news of events, we would like to publish items of interest to the Dereel community. You don't need to be a member of the Dereel Community Hub to submit an item to our newsletter.

We accept photographs and articles related to community announcements, local events, light news items, local flora and fauna, local community groups, schools, sporting clubs, agricultural organisations and any other items in the spirit of bringing the community together.

You must own copyright for any photograph you submit. Please include signed permission to publish if your photo includes a person.

**Note:** We will not publish jokes, political comments or advertising. We reserve the right not to publish items we consider to be offensive to the community.

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