Asbestos Scare hits Vic Fire Truck
AAP Updated September 9, 2013, 7:10 pm
Almost 100 fire trucks across Melbourne will be cleaned following an asbestos scare.

The Metropolitan Fire Brigade (MFB) has hired experts to clean every truck at its 47 fire stations across the city after asbestos was found at its Thornbury mechanics workshop.


Asbestos fears at Bulli Public School
By DOMINIC GEIGER - Sept. 10, 2013, 4:05 a.m. - Illawarra Mercury

The NSW Department of Education and Communities says it is unclear how many people came in contact with “potentially hazardous material” after it was donated to Bulli Public School to be used as fill for a vegetable garden bed.


Spreading asbestos awareness
08 Sep, 2013 04:00 AM - HOLLY MCALISTER - The Land

Workcover NSW general manager of workplace health and safety John Watson and NSW Farmers president Fiona Simson at the AgQuip launch of Betty - a purpose-built mobile model home designed to demonstrate where asbestos could be found in the home.


Subcontractors may sue over NBN asbestos shutdown
BY:ANNABEL HEPPWORTH, NATIONAL BUSINESS CORRESPONDENT

From: The Australian - August 13, 2013 12:00AM

THE troubled rollout of the National Broadband Network is threatening to erupt into legal action as subcontractors facing financial ruin consider suing Telstra over the asbestos shutdown.


South Australia asbestos victims’ handed ‘watershed’ decision
BY:REBECCA PUDDY

From: The Australian - August 16, 2013 12:00AM

AFTER decades of inequality, South Australian asbestos victims have been awarded the same compensation as victims in other states.

BHP yesterday lost an appeal against the widow of a former worker, Raymond Hamilton, who was exposed to asbestos while working in BHP’s shipyard at Whyalla.


Liberal leader expects faster NBN rollout in Tasmania
Posted Tue 10 Sep 2013, 10:15am AEST - ABC news

Tasmanian Liberal leader Will Hodgman believes the Coalition Government will speed up the rollout of the National Broadband Network in the state.


Inflammation Both “Friend and Foe” in Mesothelioma
Posted on Monday, September 09, 2013.


An immune system response that causes mesothelioma symptoms such as fever, fatigue, and weight loss may also be helpful to clinicians as a way to find and treat the disease.


Victoria goes it alone on asbestos
Date July 7, 2013 - FARRAH TOMAZIN - The Sunday Age’s state political editor.

Victoria has reignited tensions with the federal government by being the only state refusing to sign up to a national plan designed to get rid of asbestos over the next two decades.


Asbestos site found on Daniel Terrace
The Transcontinental - Port Augusta - Tuesday September 17, 2013

The asbestos was found after local Asbestos Victims Association president Geoff Maul received a tip off. Mr Maul went out to the site and was appalled at what he found. He compiled a DVD and sent a copy to local state member Dan van Holst Pellekaan and ...


Asbestos quarry sparks emergency action in govt office
September 11, 2013 - Lisa Cox - Legislative Assembly reporter for The Canberra Times.

Staff at an ACT government directorate had an asbestos scare after a member of the public brought a bag of the substance to aDickson office.


Asbestos leads to partial lockdown of Newcastle school
Updated Wed 11 Sep 2013, 8:58am AEST - ABC News

A New South Wales school is in partial lockdown after a student discovered asbestos in the playground.


Asbestos pits safe: Telstra
Wednesday, 11th September, 2013 - Barrier Daily Truth

Concern has been raised at the condition of many of Telstra’s pits which have damaged lids or are completely exposed like this one. By Andrew Robertson. Telstra says its pits pose no risk to public safety despite the fact a number of them contain asbestos.


Old hospital turning into a sick joke
Date September 16, 2013 - Amy Corderoy - Health Editor, Sydney Morning Herald

Do-it-yourself home renovators are regularly exposing themselves and their children to cancer-causing asbestos, a study of NSW residents has found.

Experts say the disturbing findings show that, despite repeated warnings, Australians are still not protecting themselves from asbestos-related diseases.


Asbestos fears over Rio railway line
17 September, 2013 - Logistics Magazine

A council in Western Australia’s Pilbara region has expressed concern over Rio Tinto’s plan to build a railway line near the asbestos-ridden ghost town of Wittenoom.


Dumpers add costly tab to asbestos risk
By EMMA SPILLETT - Sept. 17, 2013, 4:03 a.m.

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Wollongong City Council is set to invite people to “dob in a dumper” via a new education guide, aimed at cutting down illegal asbestos dumping in the region.

Asbestos Council of Victoria (ACV) and Gippsland Asbestos Related Diseases Support Inc (GARDS)

Justice sought with new asbestos registry
Most Baie Verte asbestos miners who applied for compensation were ruled ineligible

Global Burden of Asbestos Still Growing with Life Years Lost to Mesothelioma
September 6, 2013 Tim Povtak

Vermont Reaches Agreement with Owner of Old Asbestos Mine
Pat Guth contributes news and insightful content for the Mesothelioma Cancer Alliance
September 09, 2013

Asbestos Contaminated Abandoned LA Schools May House Charter Schools
September 10, 2013

CARCINOGENS
STUDY IDENTIFIES WORKPLACE CARCINOGENS
Massey University, Fuseworks September 10, 2013, 9:29 am
Public health researchers have identified which carcinogens are likely to contribute most to occupational cancer in New Zealand workplaces.
http://au.news.yahoo.com/a/-/world/18860585/study-identifies-workplace-carcinogens/

Ship Recycling Convention may put stakeholders in a fix
by Joseph Fonseca
Sep 09, 2013, 3:35PM EST
Ship Recycling Conference focuses on issues that could find ship breakers and others in a predicament

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Despite growing awareness, steady advances in medical treatment and increased regulation, the life years lost to asbestos-related diseases around the world continue to reach staggering proportions.

Asbestos Contaminated Abandoned LA Schools May House Charter Schools
September 10, 2013

Los Angeles, California - The Los Angeles Unified School District [LAUSD] may seek redevelopment proposals for four of its abandoned school campuses in the Woodland Hills area from charter schools and other organizations. Early estimates put the total of necessary renovations needed to ensure the four schools are updated and safe – including extensive environmental and asbestos remediation – around $80 million.
http://www.mesothelioma.com/news/2013/09/asbestos-contaminated-abandoned-la-schools-may-house-charter-schools.htm#axzz2eYaYZg1p

U.K. universities do not tell students about asbestos in dorm rooms
Published: Aug. 27, 2013 at 9:24 AM
Last year, at least 17,000 students in England slept in university bedrooms that contained asbestos, an investigation revealed.
The substance is harmless if left undisturbed, but it can be deadly if it is damaged.
Asbestos is the No. 1 cause of work-related deaths in England, The Guardian reported.

Asbestos sparks patients switch
Published on 09/09/2013 08:00
Ilkeston Community Hospital is coming to the rescue by finding beds for patients who are being moved from Hanor Memorial Hospital after the discovery of asbestos.
http://www.ilkestonadvertiser.co.uk/news/ilkeston-news/asbestos-sparks-patients-switch-1-602532

Bricklayer was exposed to asbestos
Monday, September 09, 2013
www.lincolnhshireecho.co.uk
A FORMER bricklayer died as a result of exposure to asbestos, an inquest has heard.

Bill for legal battle against plans for asbestos dump at Stowey Quarry near Bristol could hit £16,000
09-September-2013 - by The Bristol Post

Stowey Sutton Action Group, the group fighting business plans for an asbestos dump near a lake that supplies Bristol’s drinking water says its legal costs are approaching £16,000.

Texas Asbestos Plaintiffs File Supplemental Brief in Anticipation of Oral Argument in ‘Each and Every’ Exposure Dispute
September 9, 2013 - Harris Martin Publishing

AUSTIN — Plaintiffs appealing a lower court’s decision to throw out a $13.5 million asbestos verdict have filed one final brief in anticipation of oral arguments in the matter, maintaining their position that the substantial factor test is appropriate for asbestos cases.
HELP JENNNA RAISE FUNDS FOR ACV/GARDS IN MEMORY OF HER DAD ... NEIL

My name is Jenna, I was born and raised in Newborough and when I was 10 years old my Father died from the asbestos related disease Mesothelioma. This November will mark the 20 year anniversary since his passing. He died at the age of 45 leaving behind a wife and four children.

As a tribute to my Father, I will be running the half marathon at the Medibank Melbourne Marathon on October 13th to help raise funds to support Gippsland locals who suffer from asbestos related diseases.

This is my chance to help make a difference. Please support this cause, as there are many other families who suffer and lose their loved ones. I will be running 21km to raise money to help the ACV/GARDS van get around Gippsland to deliver medical supplies to asbestos sufferers.

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If you would like to support Jenna Gray and ACV/GARDS you can donate via our donate on line link on our home page at www.gards.org

You will receive a receipt as soon as you have donated. You can put in the message section that your donation is in support of Jenna for the Melbourne Marathon

OR

You can donate by cheque - Making it payable to GARDS Inc. and addressing the envelope ACV/GARDS Jenna Marathon Run PO Box 111, MOE, VIC 3825

Don’t forget to include your name and address so we can send you a receipt

OR

You can give the money directly to Jenna and she will pass it onto us - and we will send you a receipt in the mail.

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WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

The Latrobe Valley Palliative Care Fundraising Association “provides financial assistance to patients and their families” by paying for equipment hire needed in the patient’s home to help them be more comfortable and make it easier for their carers. If necessary, we can assist with financial help for medication and oxygen.

This service operates with the hard work of volunteers and the generous public who help us raise the funds needed to run the service, thereby making a big difference to numerous lives. Would you care to Join us? Call No list below.

We have also been aware of the need to train workers in the Aged Care Homes within the Valley; wishing to honour our two late leaders Angela Dempsey/ Bernadette Carstein we have set up a Scholarship in their names.

Last year we paid for 11 Aged Care personnel this year we have 16 doing the course of “Palliative Care - A short Course” at Monash University, Churchill.

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