



## NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Catchment Collaborative

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## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

*This week's student of the week is  
Jessica Bennett.*

*Jessica has had a wonderful start to the 2015  
school year, and consistently tries hard with  
every piece of work she completes.*

*Well Done Jess on a fantastic start to 2015 !*

**The Granite News** is an open but moderated community forum. We encourage our readers to contribute articles and we also encourage you to air your views on things that interest or concern you within our community. We certainly encourage feedback from you, positive or otherwise on anything that is published in **The Granite News**

## HELPERS NEEDED!

On Thursday March the 12th, Highlands Primary School has been offered a great fundraising opportunity catering for a rotary dinner. We have been asked to cook 2 courses for around 30 people, and are looking for at least 5 volunteers to help out on the night.

Volunteers would be required from 5.30pm—8.30pm on the night, and would be asked to assist with cheffing, serving and washing up duties.

In the past, this has been a very successful fundraiser for our school, so we are once again asking for your help with this dinner!

***This is usually a really fun night, and helpers are usually home in bed by 9pm on the night!***

If you are able to assist us with this fundraiser, please let Maree know ASAP!

## SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

Nominations will soon be open for new Councillors, or councillors looking to re-nominate. Being a member of school council is a most valuable and rewarding experience. You gain special insights into the running of a school as well as having the opportunity to meet members of the community and have input into some aspects of decision making within the school. Any parent (non- DEECD employee) is eligible to nominate.

For more information, please don't hesitate to speak with Maree.

*By Maree Moyle—Acting Principal, Highlands Primary School*

## LANDCARE NOTICE BOARD

Subsidies are now available through the Hughes Creek Catchment Collaborative Landcare group combined pest plant & animal funding for Weed Control and Rabbit Ripping.

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## Correction

In last week's Granite News article on the Grand Opening of the new Terip Terip Tennis Courts, the date was incorrect.

The Grand Opening and the Annual Terip Tennis Tournament will be held on **Saturday March 28th.**

*This was the Editor's error*



## 'Connamara' named 2015 RASV Heifer Challenge Champion

The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria (RASV) has named Connamara Angus of Ruffy the 2015 RASV Heifer Challenge Champion after almost two weeks of on-farm judging across Victoria and NSW, as part of the 23rd annual Stock & Land Beef Week.

This is the second time Connamara, exhibited by Michael, Olga & Marcus Hill, has been a finalist in the RASV Heifer Challenge.

RASV CEO Mark O'Sullivan said the Heifer Challenge highlights the quality of the herd replacement females in seed stock operation throughout the regions and the calibre of competition in 2015 was outstanding. "RASV congratulates Connamara on being named Champion of the 2015 Heifer Challenge from an exceptionally high standard of entries...." said Mr O'Sullivan.

Report from [www.rasv.com.au](http://www.rasv.com.au)

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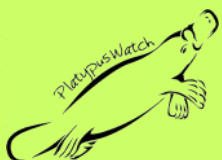
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## LOCAL GOINGS ON

### TABLELANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE "OPEN for BUSINESS"



After the Ruffy Primary School closed in 2005, the community fought a prolonged but quiet and effective campaign with the Victorian Education Department to ensure that the old school remained in public hands.

With the support of the Strathbogie Shire that mission was accomplished in 2009.

The Tablelands Community Centre now boasts Wi-Fi internet connectivity

and grid-connected solar power. The interior has been remodelled and repainted, there are new block-out blinds and the old shelter shed is now a weekend Bric-a-Brac Store.

The main rooms provide wonderful light-filled spaces for meetings, classes, seminars & other events. The grounds are an ideal venue for outdoor exhibitions, machinery demonstrations, and for children to play.



There is also a brand new fully fitted amenities block. The next stage in the transformation of The Tablelands Community Centre is the refurbishment of the rear classroom for use by visiting professionals, such as medical, and legal practitioners.

Rates are reasonable and bookings can be made by calling Sally  
**0407 904335**

## TRADING PLACES

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## Free Building Information Forum

Providing education  
and awareness

Thursday 26 February 2015 6pm — 8pm

Mt Pleasant Hotel (upstairs function room), Grant St, Alexandra

Murrindindi Shire Council is hosting a free information evening for building practitioners and associated trades to discuss building and planning processes, development proposals, plumbing, drafting and infrastructure considerations.

The forum aims to provide participants with an opportunity to learn more about the building and development services that Council offers and to receive updates on changes to building regulations and related matters.

This information session will also present opportunities for information sharing and networking, open discussion and the exchanging of ideas.

Light finger food and refreshments will be provided on arrival.

For further information and to RSVP, please contact Sharon Webb on 5772 0366 or email [building@murrindindi.vic.gov.au](mailto:building@murrindindi.vic.gov.au) by 5pm on Friday 20 February 2015.

For further information about this forum please phone Council's Municipal Building Surveyor Rob Skinner on 0407 576 597.

# COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR FEB/MARCH 2015



**CFA ROSTERS  
W/C  
February 15th**

- Whiteheads Creek/Tarcombe.....Driver: Doug McLarty Assistant: James Matter
- Ruffy .....1st Lieutenant Travis Tilton's Team
- Highlands/Caveat .....Driver: Frits Pompe Radio: Chris Bennett
- Terip Terip.....2nd Lieutenant Ken Richards' Team

**TODAY!**



**Every Sunday  
11am—5pm**

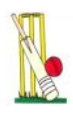
**ROCKY PASSES ESTATE** 1590 Highlands Rd. Whiteheads Creek  
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**Contact 5796 9366**

**Wednesday 18th  
February  
8:00pm**

**RUFFY COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP** Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Road-  
Quarterly Meeting where Everybody is Welcome and we hope that we can count on your support which is so  
important to have that broad representation for our Ruffy Community.  
**Contact Verena 5790 4309**

**Saturday 21st  
February  
9am—1pm**

**EUROA VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET** Rotary Park, Kirkland Ave., Euroa  
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**Saturday 21st  
February  
10:30am – 5pm**

**RUFFY vs HIGHLANDS ANNUAL CRICKET CHALLENGE** at The Molesworth Reserve  
The much anticipated annual challenge match is on again, this year for the first time at the  
Molesworth Reserve with Lunch and after match celebrations at the Molesworth Pub.  
Teams are being assembled  
**Contact Scott McKay 5796 9259 or Doug Maclean 5790 4387**

**Saturday 21st  
February  
8:00pm  
Sunday 22nd  
February**

**THE EUROA CINEMA "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies"**  
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be destroyed. Bilbo finds himself fighting for his life and that if his friends in the Battle of Five Armies as the

**Sunday 22nd  
February  
11:15 am**

**ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY** Ruffy Road, Terip Terip  
This Hymns singing service will be conducted by our minister, Reverend Glenys Gill.  
Why not bring along the title of your favourite hymn?  
After the service you are invited to a simple lunch at the Church Hall, followed by the **AGM**. The main item on  
the agenda will be the decision on the future of the Terip Ruffy Church. Please come along to voice your  
opinion – it's our community!  
**For any information contact Jennifer Penny 5790 4233**

**Monday 23rd  
February  
8:00pm**

**TERIP TERIP TENNIS CLUB & TERIP RECREATION RESERVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
At the Terip Reserve Clubhouse. All community members Welcome. **Contact Helen McKenzie 5790 4211**



**Thursday 26th  
February  
5:30pm**

**SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS** Old Caveat Church, Caveat-Dropmore Rd, Caveat  
Come along and have a casual chat with other local blokes.  
BBQ Tea Provided (Gold Coin) BYO Drinks



**Thursday 26th  
February  
6pm—8pm**

**MURRINDINDI SHIRE— FREE BUILDING INFORMATION FORUM** Mt Pleasant Hotel Grant St, Alexandra  
The forum aims to provide participants with an opportunity to learn more about the building and development  
services that Council offers and to receive updates on changes to building regulations and related matters.  
**For further information contact Municipal Building Surveyor Rob Skinner on 0407 576597**



**Friday 27th  
February  
7:30pm**

**HCCC LANDCARE MEETING** at The Ruffy Store  
This is our first meeting for the year & we are looking for community input for our  
2015 Landcare programme. All Welcome.  
**Contact Janet Hagen 5790 4268**



**Sunday 1st  
March  
10:00am-12noon**

**TABLELANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE @ RUFFY** Old Ruffy School, Nolans Road  
Our first working Bee for the year to tidy up the grounds and to consider the next steps in our ongoing  
refurbishment & upgrade programme. There will be a BBQ Lunch provided, weather permitting.



**Thursday 5th  
March  
10:00am-12noon**

**RUFFY PLAYGROUP** at the Tablelands Community Centre, Nolans Rd Ruffy  
All Mum's and pre-school age children are invited and encouraged to come along for a couple of hours of fun  
and relaxation. The community has supplied us with some terrific kids toys and activities, and the old school  
house has been beautifully renovated to make a wonderful activity space.  
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**Monday 9th  
March  
9am—2pm**

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