



One too many Hills to Climb Ruffy V Highlands ,Hume and Hovell Saturday 18th March 2011

Ruffy (202 for 3) proved far too strong in bowling, batting, sundries and tactics for the Highlands team (179 for 4). Although Highlands side got off to a flyer in the first innings they were rounded up by a posse of Hills all with a very similar initial, who were involved in most of the wickets (4/5) a lot of the runs (51) and awarded all of the sundries (35). One can only guess that it was the astute not so silent captaincy of Hill the elder that orchestrated the tight wicket-less final 8 overs of the Highlands second innings.

Ruffy went into the game extremely confident. In fact so confident that they didn't even bother to bring the trophy for presentation after the match, were gracious in victory. Their captain Paddy (23) in his after match address to no one in particular but anyone who was in the Strath Creek Hotel said, "Highlands you are rubbish" and "we've started a dynasty at Ruffy-like Collingwood". He continued on with this train of thought later around the pool table where he played some of the most consistent pool ever witnessed as he singularly failed to pot a ball.

Most suicidal run-out of the day was Hill W (7) trying to rotate the strike to Hill M (21 or 23 depends which one it was).

Most suicidal attempted catch was David Jupp(13no) who tried to catch the ball with the tip of his finger causing a severe dislocation and a lot of people to feel momentarily squeamish.

Most suicidal batsmen has to be Gerry (13), to get caught off Fraser Welsh's (face saving 1) bowling is an indictable offence.

Most suicidal fielding award has to be shared by Roger rehab Strong(12) and Grant hospital-case Hodgets(solid1), who threw themselves at everything to disguise the fact that they can't bend-over. Highest score for Highlands was me (30 got to get my name in here somehow) and highest for Ruffy was extras (35) Others to get amongst the runs were Richard Eddy(20), Scott (I'm a tennis player) Rowan(20), Doug (7 nurdled singles), Craig Murphy(17) James Holyman (24) Alan 47 (18), Andrew (lighting quick 20 off 8 balls) Hamish (stylish 23) Mick and Morgan (not out Teach). Special mention must go to Sammy Strong(10) who belted everything off the square and showed us all up in the field. The ledger is square again with 2 wins each but currently the bragging rights are with the Ruffy/Terrip/Dropmore/Melbourne combine but not for long, those Highlanders know how to handle the hills.

NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Student of the Week

Bridie : For amazing work with her letters and numbers. Well done!



Art Projects:

Thanks to Maree who taught us how to make felt balls last week. Students had a great time choosing their colours and moulding their balls in warm soapy water. A huge thank you to Sharyn, Lisa and Bridget who came along and assisted us too. The results were fantastic but we couldn't have done it without everyone's help.



School Council:

The AGM of Highlands Primary School Council was held on Monday. The following members were elected to positions, President- Sharyn Shaw, Vice President- Maree Gilbert, Minute Secretary- Miranda Yorston and Community Member- Julia McKay. The sub committees are made up of the following people; Fundraising- Sharyn Shaw and Maree Gilbert, Finance and Physical Resources- Miranda Yorston, Di Schrapel, David Wesselman, Maree Gilbert, Alistair Lade, Chris Bennett and myself. I thank all members for the time and commitment they give to our school. I would like to welcome Greg Philpot and Miranda Yorston as new members of the HPS Council for 2011.

WELCOME TO ISSUE 10

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There will be no Granite News for the next 3 weeks during the school holidays. I hope you all have an enjoyable Easter break in perfect autumnal weather.

Thank you to Scott McKay for keeping us up to date with the high quality cricket competition between Ruffy and Highlands and ring ins.

CEDARWOOD ATLAS (Cedrus atlantica)

Atlas cedarwood is related to the biblical Cedar of Lebanon which grow wild in the high altitude of the mountains of Lebanon and on the island of Cypress. The name Cedrus originates from the arabic word kedron meaning 'power'. Cedarwood symbolised strength and abundance and according to Soloman's song Cedarwood was used to build Soloman's temple. The wood is also used in the building of storage chests as the aromatic wood repels termites, ants, moths and other insects. In Tibet it is used widely in traditional medicine and also as an incense.

The best possible Cedarwood is obtained by steam distillation of wood chips from 20 to 30 year old tress. It has a woody, camphoraceous fragrance and with its chemical make-up of sesquiterpene ketones and alcohols it is a powerful anti-inflammatory and antiseptic.

Atlas Cedarwood is a mild diuretic and is used in lymphatic drainage massage and the treatment of oedema and may be used to stimulate the breakdown of fats/cellulite. Due to its sesquiterpene ketones it has mucolytic effect so may be used in the treatment of bronchitis, coughs and other catarrhal conditions. It is also used in skin care due to it being a mild astringent. This makes it a great addition to an aftershave. Due to its woody aroma. Its antiseptic properties make it useful in the treatment of acne. For this reason Cedarwood Atlas is used in 'metier facial cleanser for teenagers'. Caution is needed when dealing with essential oils so for more information on the use of Cedarwood or any other essential oil please contact Megan at 'metier aromatherapy', info@metier-a.com.au or call on 0417 314 559. Megan is an enrolled nurse and aromatherapist and works from her home as a therapeutic and relaxation massage therapist.

COMMUNITY WHAT'S ON CALENDAR - APRIL /MAY 2011

Week beg 11th April	TERIP TERIP MOWING ROSTER Alec & Marion Rowan Brad Kellett & Kate Wright Both sides of Springs Rd and all four courts
Week beg 10th April	WHITEHEADS CREEK- TARCOMBE RFB TRUCK Doug Halpin James Matters
Week beg 10th April	RUFFY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE ROSTER George Noye (Ph) 57 904 246 (Mob) 0432 928 301 (UHF Ch) 15
Tuesday 5th April	BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND An evening with Dr Rob Gordon Clinical psychologist Rob Gordon is a sensitive and motivating speaker, whose insights will help explain our responses to some of the challenges we have experienced in the past decade. 7:00pm – 10:00pm Yea Golf Club Bring Your Friends and Family Light refreshments will be provided Admission is free, but for catering purposes please RSVP to Erin Hoiles or Sue Bass on 5772 0365 or ehoiles@murrindindi.vic.gov.au
Friday 8th April	'Drinks on the Deck' at Highlands Community Hall from 6.30pm. Bring food to share for a meal together and catch up with friends old and new. All welcome - especially new faces. Gold coin donation to cover power.
Friday 8th April	Whitehead's Creek Landcare Group Annual General Meeting at 5.30PM At Seymour Bushland Park (Telegraph Road Entrance) Free barbecue See the Nightlife of Whitehead's Creek Guided by Peter Mitchell and Barbara Moss Janet Hagen will explain where we sit, in the new Strathbogie Conservation Management Network, and what it means for us. RSVP: 57921848, or 0428339989
Saturday 9th	Come along to the Violet Town Market for some fantastic local produce and goodies. Gardening guru Vasili will be filming at the market and at various locations around Violet Town for his TV show Vasili's Garden which screens on Channel 31. He will also be giving a presentation on 'How to Compost' at 10am. There is no need to book for this event, just visit the market and enjoy the day.
April 9 and 10 : "4 stars	Euroa Community Cinema Bury Street, Euroa Tickets : Only \$9 "True Grit" 110 Minutes (M) Adventure / Drama Based on the 1969 John Wayne movie, this is a remake of a true classical western. The balance between humour, western themes and personal relationships makes the movie a fabulous experience ~ even if you are not a pure western film buff. Jeff Bridges stars along with 13 year old Hailee Steinfeld, who from all reports does an amazing job of her part. For all those who remember the original this should not disappoint.
Saturday 9th April	WORKING BEE AT HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY HALL Come along on between 9.00am and 12.00 noon and help us to fix up the hall and surroundings. The more people who come along to help the easier the jobs become. A BBQ lunch will be provided (with Scotty's sausages). Regards, Judy Cameron
Sunday 10 April	The Upper Broken River Landcare Group invite you to their Animal Care and Animal Enterprises Day 10.00am - 1.00pm Where: Mansfield Showgrounds - 3rd entrance on Mt Battery Road Animal Care - horse and ponies, poultry, Wildlife (a special presentation for children), What to do if you find a snake in your garden Animal Enterprises - White peacocks, Shepherd dogs (Maremmas), Bee keeping, Alpacas, Wiltshire Polls (shedding sheep), Dairy goats. \$5.00 for individuals, \$10.00 for families Children are very welcome. For further information please contact: Amanda on 0412 071 791
Friday 15th April	COMMUNITY TOUR AND INFORMATIVE WALK Back by popular demand! JOIN A GUIDED TOUR Kinglake National Park, local reserves, roadsides and private properties Find out more about weeds, plants that look like weeds, things that simply look 'green' and how we can manage them. Parks Victoria, Upper Goulburn and Kinglake Landcare Groups with Department of Sustainability and Environment, Murrindindi Shire Council and expert botanists Depart: 9am Kinglake RAC building, cnr Kinglake-Heidelberg and Kinglake-Healesville Roads until lunchtime, followed by an optional leisurely walk in Kinglake National Park. RSVP essential: limited places on the bus, lunch provided RSVP and enquiries: 13 1963
Saturday 16th	Sustainable House Tour Presented by BEAM Mitchell Environment Group 10am – 3pm Various locations
Sunday 17th April	An Artist Talk With Louise Foletta AT 2pm AT Gallery34 Yea All welcome. RSVP by 15/4/11 to Gallery34 34 High Street YEA, Victoria P 03 5797 3222 info@gallery34.com.au
Good Friday April 22nd	Easter Art Exhibition by Yea Artist Meg Heres @ Goods Shed Gallery Just behind the Historic Railway Station / Station Street Yea .Good Friday 22nd to Tuesday 26th April. 10am to 4.30pm daily. Free admittance. Enquires 04 0034 0279, This exhibition consists of small works painted on site in Italy and France last year by local Yea Artist Meg Heres. Meg's larger paintings of the local scene and other subjects in all mediums will also be represented.
Thursday 28th April	A welcome to attend Secret Men's Business, a community gathering at The Caveat Church on the last Thursday of the month, for everyone. Come and enjoy a BBQ, and chat, BYO drinks.
Friday 29th April	Rocky Passes Tapas Night - As the weather is turning towards winter, we will be serving cazuela - a seafood dish good for dunking crusty bread. Very yummy! To book ... 57969366 or contact@rockypasses.com.au
3rd & 4th May	There is a Cattle Pregnancy Testing Course being offered @ 141 Monkey Creek Road, Limestone 3717. Contact person is Judy Brookes juncball@pigpond.com or phone 5795 2563.

Classifieds & Community Notices

GALLERY 34 EXHIBITION

Gallery34 in Yea is proud to be showing local artist, Louise Foletta of Buxton.

Louise is a committed arts practitioner with a continuous history of painting and exhibiting her work over four decades. This will be her eleventh solo exhibition in just 12 years. She has participated in over 20 group shows, and been awarded numerous art prizes.

Foletta is well known in the art community, and we are fortunate to call her a local artist. Her paintings reflect our beautiful local landscape, and have recorded the changes through drought, fire and recovery. They are a great keepsake from locals who wish to capture memories, and how our environment changes the landscape over the course of time.

A fabulous local exhibition of local art!

Open Thursdays to Sundays and Public Holidays. Free Entry. Olivia Lawson
www.gallery34.com.au



DRAFT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY ON PUBLIC EXHIBITION

Strengthening existing business, attracting new investment, creating employment and training opportunities, particularly for young people are among key components of the Murrindindi Shire Council's Draft Economic Development Strategy.

The Murrindindi community is encouraged to make comment on the draft strategy document which is available for viewing at all Council offices and online at www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au. Written submissions are to be received by close of business on 9 May 2011 at PO Box 138, Alexandra 3714.

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BUSHFIRE GRIEF LESSONS A Hopeful Sign

A woman who lost her sister, brother in law and nephew on Black Saturday in 2009, has managed to use her loss to write a book which deals with the trauma and grief of losing loved ones in a disaster.

Carolyn Westall set up the Sue Evans Fund for Families in memory of her sister who died in the Black Saturday Bushfires. She lost Sue, along with her brother in law Bob O'Sullivan, nephew Jon Le Gassick, and two of Jon's mates Haydn McMahon and Kaya Mehmedoff. Carolyn established the charity because she wanted something positive to be associated with that dreadful day.

The book project came about when Carolyn searched for material that could help her and others cope with their pain. They discovered that there were many books written about grief but very little was written about surviving traumatic grief or multiple death in disasters. There was also little that came directly from those who had experienced multiple loss.

The book has been launched at a time when many communities across the country and the world, such as Queensland and Christchurch, are coping with multiple trauma and loss. The book is called "Surviving Traumatic Grief, When Loved Ones Die in a Disaster" Below is a link to Carolyn's website.
<http://www.sueevansfund.com.au/index.shtml>

Thanks to Jill Davidson for sending this article.

MURRINDINDI FILM SOCIETY -NINTH SEASON

The ninth winter season of the Murrindindi film society will open on Friday 15th April at the Yea Shire chambers, doors open 6.45 p.m. for drinks and nibbles. Members will be able to renew their subscription and programmes for the new season will be distributed. The opening presentation for the season, commencing at 7.30 p.m., will be the 2006 Australian drama "Jindabyne." Directed by Ray Lawrence (director of "Lantana"), it stars Gabriel Byrne and Laura Linney with an outstanding Australian ensemble caste. This atmospheric drama examines how a single unpleasant incident deeply affects a rural community and the relationships of the people involved. Supper will follow. Prospective new members are invited as first time guests and are welcome to attend free of charge to see what the Society has to offer. Enquiries to the Secretary, Jill Dwyer, on 5797 2480 or jill.dwyer@bigpond.com.

MURRINDINDI COUNCILLOR COMMENT

Cr Bob Flowers, Redgate Ward

Murrindindi Shire Heritage Study

The study includes the thematic environmental history of our shire, which was published in 2006. The history is not intended to be a complete social or political history of the municipality, but rather a summary of human use and impact upon the landscape in the years since the period of first contact between indigenous people and non-indigenous explorers and settlers during the middle of the 19th century. It is organised according to themes so as to provide a context to assist with the identification of heritage places in the shire.

Further historical research, field visits and documentation of the heritage values of places of potential heritage significance have been carried out. The places have been classified into high, medium and low priority places for preservation. A citation has been written for each of the high priority places and a copy given to the owners.

Murrindindi Shire Council has received a \$30,000 grant from Heritage Victoria to complete the study. This work will include:

mapping of all high priority places for the Heritage overlay
a review of the Thematic Environmental History to include a section on the 2009 bushfires
an archeological assessment of the railway reserves which will be used to provide recommendations for signage along the rail trail now being constructed
recommendations for the protection of each property
the removal of properties from the list that were destroyed in the fires

assessment of three places – the Glenburn Schoolhouse, St Luke's Church Yea and the Alexandra Racecourse and Recreation Reserve

Our goal is to have the study to the point at which a planning scheme amendment can be commenced. The amendment is required to implement the recommendations of the study. It is anticipated that the work will be completed by September 2011.

If you have not read the work done to date on this important study, why not borrow a copy from one of our local libraries?

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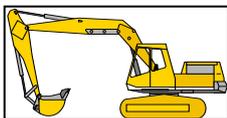
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