



## PEOPLE and PLACES

### RUFFY CHANGES FACE

There is a changing face to the streetscape of the tablelands village of Ruffy. Since the formation of the Ruffy Community Action group around 5 years ago the local community has come together to upgrade and revitalize the look and feel of this delightful sleepy local hamlet.

The Community Hall has been upgraded with well crafted additions to the outdoor entertainment area including a stone fireplace and sympathetic landscaping.

A soldiers' memorial has been erected and topped with plaques commemorating the four local boys who didn't come home. Four Manchurian pear trees stand guard over the memorial and the old hazardous elm trees that had lined the northern end of the main street have been replaced with new semi-mature specimens.

Anyone visiting Ruffy's signature enterprise, the widely renowned Ruffy Produce Store couldn't help but be impressed with the landscaping around the magnificent oak trees that welcome visitors out front.

The most recent works are currently underway at the Tablelands Community Centre where a low stone wall is being constructed by Stephen Visser who trained under local identity Taffy Jukes. The design of the wall is in keeping with the overall streetscape and has been approved and funded through the Ruffy Action Group. Stephen's brief was to create an attractive but functional facade for the old school using granite collected from local private properties.



Soldiers' Memorial



Community Hall Alfresco Space

## NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Student of the Week Lucia



*For terrific persuasive writing.  
Well done!*

#### Books for Burma

On Tuesday the Junior School Council presented a cheque for \$380 to Jenny Webb from funds raised through the sale of hand made goods made and donated by Emily Gilbert's nana. Jenny will take the money to Burma and buy educational books and toys for use over there.



Jenny Webb with Junior School Council

By Meagan Callander-Principal HPS



Ruffy Produce Store



Work in Progress



Hughes Creek  
Catchment Collaborative

## WELCOME to ISSUE 17 2013

Contact editor@tgn.org.au 5790 4007

## READERS' WRITES

\* "We would like to thank all of the friends & neighbours who came to our Terip Terip farewell evening at Helen McKenzies place. Also a huge thank you for the lovely & thoughtful farewell gifts." **Trish & George Uden—Caveat**

\* "I saw the panther again last Thursday and took pics on iPhone. After your comment about the tail I took particular notice of it - sensational. An iPhone camera is hopeless at a distance (around 100 metres). The beast in the pic looks like a domestic cat however I know what I saw ... yet again. Was on the tractor with the engine running contemplating lighting a pile of waste timber when the cat proceeded to walk down the hill on the opposite side of the creek paying no attention at all to the sound of the tractor engine. Didn't even look at me, just cruised on by and off into the bush."

**Roger Morgan—Ruffy**

#### Editor's Note:

Roger has supplied the photo he took with his iPhone, however we would need to use a full page to capture the perspective.

If you would like a copy of Roger's photo, email us at [editor@tgn.org.au](mailto:editor@tgn.org.au)


## FOX ON THE RUN HUNTING COMPETITION



The Hughes Creek Catchment Landcare group is once again running the "Fox on the Run" hunt competition over the month of June. Register yourself or your team by the end of May 2013 to participate. Proof of kill is required and details of exactly what is needed will be given in the week prior to the competition start. There is a grand prize of \$500 for the winning team/individual so get involved!!

Conditions do apply so contact Simone at [hughes.creek1@gmail.com](mailto:hughes.creek1@gmail.com)  
**5790 4146**

# COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR - MAY/JUNE 2013

<p><b>Now until Sunday 16th June</b> 11am—4:30pm</p>	<p><b>DARREN GILBERT'S "WILD4ART" EXHIBITION</b> The Light Factory Gallery 21 Brougham St., Eltham Another stunning exhibition of wildlife art by local artist Darren Gilbert Gallery is open Wednesday to Sunday. <b>Contact 9439 1206</b> or <a href="http://www.thelightfactorygallery.com.au">www.thelightfactorygallery.com.au</a></p>
<p><b>Monday 20th May 8:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>RUFFY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING</b> Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Road Quarterly committee meeting and all welcome. <b>Contact Sharron Batt 5790 4329</b></p>
<p><b>Tuesday 21st May 7:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>RUFFY COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP MEETING</b> Tablelands Community Centre@Ruffy Nolans Road Everyone welcome. For previous minutes visit <a href="http://www.ruffycommunity.com.au/about-ruffy/rcag">http://www.ruffycommunity.com.au/about-ruffy/rcag</a></p>
<p><b>Thursday 23rd May 4:00pm-6:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>SHIRE OF STRATHBOGIE Council Plan Roadshow</b> Tablelands Community Centre@Ruffy Nolans Road A drop-in session to provide residents with the opportunity to feedback to Council their inputs on future strategies &amp; visions. No bookings required and refreshments will be available.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 25th 8:00pm &amp; Sunday 26th May 4:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>EUROA CINEMA "Hyde Park on Hudson"</b> 95 mins (M) Drama *** 3 stars Hyde Park on Hudson refers to the country residence of President Roosevelt. Set a few months prior to the outbreak of war in 1939, Roosevelt's distant cousin, Daisy, is invited to help entertain the country's leader who, as we know, is confined to a wheelchair. Starring Bill Murray, Laura Linney, Olivia Williams and Olivia Colman</p>
<p><b>Saturday 25th May 10:00am</b></p>	<p><b>WOOLSHED DANCE WORKING BEE</b> Meet at Habbies Howe, Dropmore Rd, Highlands There's plenty to do to get the Habbies Woolshed in shape for the HPS Fundraiser dance. BYO cleaning &amp; maintenance gear. <b>Contact Meagan 5796 9208</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 11:15am</b></p>	<p><b>St. DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY</b> Ruffy Road, Terip Terip The service will be conducted by our new minister, Reverend Glenys Gill. . For any information ring <b>Jennifer Penny on 5790 4233.</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 9:30am or 10:00am</b></p>	<p><b>GRACEBURN FARM WALK</b> Graceburn Farm, 225 Burns Road, Glenburn 9:30am for Egg &amp; Bacon or 10:00am for Farm Tour RSVP: <b>Judy Brookes 5797 2563</b> or <a href="mailto:juncball@bigpond.com">juncball@bigpond.com</a> (to book for bacon and eggs) by 24th May Further info from Tom or Sally 5797 8283</p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 10:00am</b></p>	<p><b>HERITAGE DAY in YEA</b> Yea Railway Park Presented by the Yea Historical Society &amp; Yea Business &amp; Tourism A great family Day with a huge range of interesting &amp; interactive Historical Displays and Activities</p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 10:30am</b></p>	<p><b>HIGHLAND RAMBLERS</b> Meet at Highlands Hall 10.30 am. This month's walk will be along Granite Hills. <b>Contact Geoff Lade. 9739 4324</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 11:00am</b></p>	<p><b>HIGHLANDS/CAVEAT FIRE BRIGADES END OF SEASON GET-TOGETHER</b> Highlands Fire Shed Anyone involved in the fires around the area over the summer is invited to come along and have a snag, a drink and swap your yarns and experiences. <b>Contact Les Lawson 5796 9265 or Alistair Lade 5796 9276</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 26th May 4:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>PETER HAGEN'S CLASSICAL MUSIC WITH FOOD &amp; WINE</b> Three Chain Rd., Broadford The third of Peter's series of classical concerts of refined music played on the harpsichord. Tickets are \$38. Small platters of gluten free delicacies from Café Dingles in Kilmore can be booked for \$8.00. Tea, coffee and wine are free. Bookings Essential at <a href="http://www.trybooking.com/BXEU">http://www.trybooking.com/BXEU</a> or <b>5784 3884</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday 30th May 5:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS</b> 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</p>
<p><b>Friday 31st May 7:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>TABLELANDS FAMILY BINGO NIGHT</b> Tablelands Community Centre@Ruffy Nolans Road Family Fun &amp; Prizes—20 Rounds—\$1 per Playing Card Every Round Wins a Prize—Final Round Prize \$50 Everyone is Welcome Free Supper Provided <b>Contact Sally 5790 4335 or 0407 904335</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday 1st June 6:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL— WOOLSHED DANCE</b> Habbies Howe Dropmore Rd., Highlands Back by Popular Demand, this terrific fundraiser for Highlands Primary School \$20 Adult—\$10 Child—\$50 Family Bookings Essential <b>Contact Meagan Callander 5796 9208</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 2nd June 10am-12pm</b></p>	<p><b>RUFFY WEEKEND WALKERS</b> Monthly ramble to High Points of Interest around the district We're on a Mission to walk to all of the district's Piniger cairns. Meet at Ruffy Community Hall at 9:45am Contact <b>Neil Doran 0457 253875</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday 6th June 10:30am-12:30</b></p>	<p><b>RUFFY PLAYGROUP</b> Tablelands Community Centre@Ruffy Nolans Rd., Ruffy This Month it's Cut &amp; Paste/Colouring Cost: \$3:00 per Family. Bring a small plate of food to share. <b>Contact Sally 5790 4335</b></p>
<p><b>Friday 14th June 6.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>LANDCARE COMMUNITY AWARDS DINNER</b> Murchison Community Centre Free dinner and buses from Longwood &amp; Euroa. All Landcare and Conservation Management Network members are encouraged to attend.  Book your seat by contacting <b>Janet Hagen 5790 4268</b></p>

# Classifieds & Community Notices

## LOCAL GOINGS ON



the light factory gallery

## Darren Gilbert Wild4Art

Please join us with Darren on Sunday 19 May at 2pm for drinks to celebrate the opening of his latest exhibition.

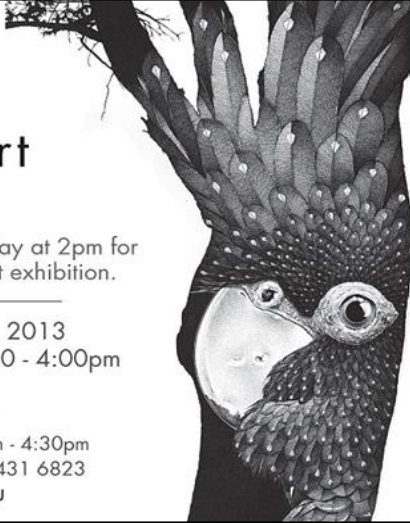
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## HERITAGE DAY IN YEA



The Heritage Day is being run by the Yea Historical Society and Yea Business & Tourism and is the second year of a celebration for Heritage Week in Victoria.

Come and join us on Sunday May 26th for a day of celebration of our proud Heritage  
It will be a wonderful family Day with something for everyone to enjoy

**Guided Walk at Yea Pioneer Cemetery— Bush Music & Poetry  
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### What is the Council Plan Roadshow?

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No bookings required.  
Light refreshments supplied

Monday 20th May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Strathbogie Memorial Hall  
Wednesday 22nd May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Violet Town Community Centre  
Thursday 23rd May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Tablelands Community Centre, Ruffy  
Monday 27th May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Graytown Community Centre  
Wednesday 29th May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Euroa Community Conference Centre, Bury Street  
Monday 3rd June, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Nagambie Visitor Information Centre, High Street  
Tuesday 4th June, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Longwood Community Centre  
Wednesday 5th June, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Avenel Memorial Hall, Queen Street



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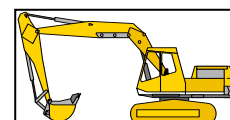
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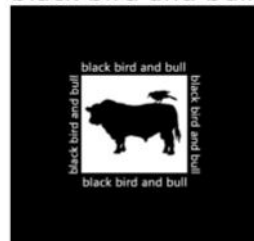
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