



PEOPLE AND PLACES

Highland Ramblers

What a beautiful creek the Hughes is !

On October's ramble we strolled up-stream from the junction with Kopanica creek and encountered a magnificent gorge, huge boulders, a stretch with a sandy beach and a set of rocks forming a natural weir.

Before starting off we sampled the mineral spring, which is slightly carbonated and very mineral, but quite pleasant in small doses.



Sampling Kopanica's Mineral Spring

On the rocks by Hughes creek we found another bubbling spring with the giveaway orange-coloured sediment, which on tasting was even stronger.

We stopped for lunch at a high point overlooking the gorge, backed by a glorious patch of yellow bulbine lilies, and were very comfortable once we'd successfully negotiated seating arrangements with a brown snake.

It was also nice to have three Ruffytes (Ruffians?) along, though they left early for their car rally.

By Louise Currie

NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Student of the Week Oliver

For a creative ELF Day costume. Well done!



The first week of our 2013 swimming programme was very successful. It was lots of fun and there was also a lot of learning and progress made. All our students behaved beautifully.



By Miranda Yorston—Acting Principal, HPS



Hughes Creek
Catchment Collaborative

WELCOME to ISSUE 39 2013

Contact editor@tgn.org.au 5790 4007

READERS' WRITES

"Are you able to provide contact details for Deb and David in Avenel please? (Re Patto's pic in GN)"

I have a Patto's battle going on down here, luckily it is not as ferocious as the photo in GN displays and I don't want it to be. I note they are spraying twice a year and I have not heard of that increased frequency before. This learner/pretend farmer would like to have a chat and find out when they are spraying, with what and what formula. Thanks"—Roger Morgan, Ruffy

Deb & David happily agreed to the release of their contact details—Ed

"Thanks Granite News for your terrific "Trading Places" column.

We advertised three casual positions exclusively in TGN and as a result we've actually found four fabulous local people to join our team at the Ruffy Produce Store."

—Helen McDougall, Ruffy

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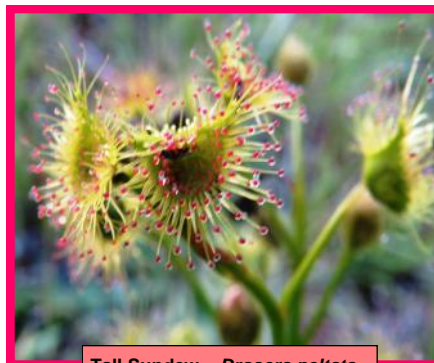
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BOTANY, BIRDS & CREATURES

Tall Sundew *Drosera peltata*

Sundew is a tiny carnivorous plant whose wavy, lime-green stalks are common in paddocks and in the bush during spring. In summer the plants will turn black, shrivel up and die back to the rootstock. It is often only about 10cm tall but can grow to about 50cm, and frequently grows in clusters. It has a few small delicate pale-pink flowers, and tiny roundish leaves that looks more like a pad or sucker and are covered in sticky hairs. Little midges are caught in these and consumed by the plant, providing it with nutrients. The black blobs of the insects can sometimes be seen against the green of the plant. Unfortunately it's not big enough to eat mozzies or blowies!

By Louise Currie



Tall Sundew *Drosera peltata*

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**GOULBURN
BROKEN**
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COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR OCTOBER/NOV 2013

TERIP TERIP MOWING ROSTER	<p>W/C 4th Nov Sue Martin—Andrew Holloway & Tim Andrews—Both sides of Springs Rd & all four courts</p> <hr/> <p>W/C 11th Nov Tim & Frances Lawrence-Peter Short & Betty Jenkins-Around clubhouse and all four courts</p>
Sunday 3rd November 4:45pm	<p>RUFFY WEEKEND WALKERS Monthly Twilight Ramble to High Points of Interest around the district There will also be some additional walks during late spring to take advantage of wildflowers etc-watch the website and noticeboard near Ruffy Hall . Meet at Ruffy Community Hall at 4:45pm Contact Neil Doran 0457 253875</p>
Tuesday 5th November 12 noon	<p>TERIP TERIP RECREATION RESERVE MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCHEON Cup Sweep—Raffle—Prizes—'Terip Cup'—Fashions on the Field \$25 pp or \$50 per Family Bookings Essential Contact Kate 5790 4148 Helen 5790 4211</p>
Thursday 7th November 10:30am-12:30pm	<p>RUFFY PLAYGROUP Tablelands Community Centre (Old Ruffy School) Nolans Rd., Ruffy This Month it's Cut & Paste/Colouring Cost: \$3:00 per Family. Bring a small plate of food to share. Contact Sally 5790 4335</p>
Thursday 7th November 11:30am	<p>LIONS CLUB of SEYMOUR/GOULBURN OAKS DAY LUNCHEON Seymour Race Club Lunch at 12.45 pm Admission \$25.00 per person (tables of 10) Drinks available at the bar (NO BYO) Door prizes.. Raffles.. Best Dressed.. Best Hat.. Best Shoes.. Tickets available from Leading Edge Jewellery, Shop 1 The Mall, Seymour</p>
Friday 8th November 6:30pm	<p>'DRINKS ON THE DECK' at Highlands Community Hall 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. Contact Judy Cameron 5796 9247</p>
Saturday 9th November 9:00am	<p>HIGHLANDS HALL WORKING BEE at The Highlands Hall Jobs include weeding, mowing, cleaning, preparation of the west wall for painting and replacing / painting the picket fence. Bring appropriate tools & lend a hand. A BBQ lunch will be provided. For more information Contact Judy Cameron on 5796 9247</p>
Saturday 9th November 7:00pm Sunday 10th November 4pm	<p>EUROA CINEMA "Behind the Candelabra" 126 mins (M) Biography / Drama *** 3 stars The tempestuous 6-year relationship between Liberace and his (much younger) lover, Scott Thorson, is recounted in this colourful and slightly camp movie. Certainly an interesting story about an amazing pianist whose over the top lifestyle captured everyone's interest way back then! Starring Michael Douglas and Matt Damon</p>
Sunday 10th November 11:15am	<p>ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY Ruffy Road, Terip Terip This service with Holy Communion will be conducted by our minister, Reverend Glenys Gill. All welcome. For any information Contact Jennifer Penny 5790 4233</p>
Friday 15th November 7:00pm	<p>RUFFY HAPPY HOUR (or TWO!) Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Road "Come along and catch up with friends or meet someone new, everyone welcome!" BBQ provided BYO meat/drinks and a salad or sweet to share Contact Henry 5790 4246</p>
Saturday 16th November 9am-1pm	<p>EUROA VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET Rotary Park, Kirkland Ave., Euroa "Meet, Greet, Eat & Shop" A wonderful range of farm fresh produce from "local" producers. Contact Leah Jones 5795 1886 or hunaleah@mcmedia.com.au</p>
Saturday 16th November 2pm-5pm	<p>ENERGY FUTURES FORUM Victorian Railways Institute Hall Anzac Ave, Seymour Speakers will discuss future options including solar and wind power, and the risks we face if we don't move to a renewable energy future. Gold coin Entry Further Information www.beam.gov.au</p>
Monday 18th November 8pm	<p>RUFFY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Road Quarterly committee meeting and all welcome. Contact Sharron Batt 5790 4329</p>
Thursday 21st November 7:30pm	<p>HIGHLANDS/CAVEAT RURAL FIRE BRIGADE Crew Leader briefing will be held at Yea CFA shed on Thursday 21st November from 7.30pm</p> <hr/> <p>Anyone interested in joining Highlands/Caveat CFA please contact Sharyn Shaw to arrange paperwork & start training. We're looking for more members & there are a range of jobs available if you're not interested in just fire-fighting. Contact Sharyn Shaw 0437 281072</p>
Saturday 23rd Nov 7:30pm	<p>RUFFY PRODUCE STORE—Duck & Pinot Dinner Antcliff's Chase Wines—Main & Dessert inc Glass of Wine—\$66 pp Book with Helen 5790 4387</p>
Tuesday 26th November 8:00pm Change of Date	<p>RUFFY COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP Ruffy Community Hall Nolans Road Ruffy Quarterly meeting of the Action Group to consider and advance local projects and ideas. Everybody is Welcome – There will be a nice Supper following the meeting to end another successful year Contact Justus Hagen 5790 4268</p>



Classifieds & Community Notices

LOCAL GOINGS ON



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Tuesday 5th November 12 noon — Champagne on Arrival

CUP SWEEP—RAFFLE—PRIZES—'TERIP CUP'
& FASHIONS on the FIELD

A Sweet or Salad would be very much appreciated!

\$25 per Person or \$50 per Family

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL



Contact Kate 5790 4148
Helen 5790 4211



POSITIONS VACANT

SEASONAL LABOURERS REQUIRED

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ENERGY FUTURES FORUM

BEAM: Mitchell Environment Group will be hosting an Energy Futures Forum
in Seymour on November 16. A range of speakers will talk about future options
including solar and wind power, how to reduce energy use and your household
bills, and the risks we face if we don't move to a renewable energy future.

Speakers include

Gwenda Allgood, Councillor and several times Mayor of Ararat Rural City
Council, who will talk of the benefits to her community from 10 years of having the
Challicum Hills wind farm nearby.

David Robinson from L.I.V.E – Locals Into Victoria's Environment – will intro-
duce the idea of community-owned major solar power arrays on large rooftops.

Trent Hawkins will describe how to cut home power use, and is lead author of a
plan by environmental think tank Beyond Zero Emissions to eliminate greenhouse
gases from Australian homes.

Chloe Aldenhoven, from the Quit Coal campaign, will explain how communities
in Gippsland are resisting coal and gas exploration in their areas.

The Energy Futures Forum is supported by Yes2Renewables, and will be held at
the VRI Hall in Seymour, 2-5pm on Saturday 16 November, with gold coin entry.

For more information visit: www.beam.gov.au

HIGHLANDS HALL WORKING BEE

It's Spring and our Hall needs some TLC
to prepare for a busy Summer season.

Weeding # Mowing # Cleaning
Prep of the west wall for painting
Replacing & painting the picket
fence

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Saturday November 9th 9am

Contact Judy Cameron 5796 9247

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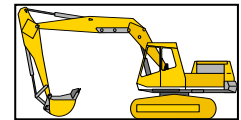
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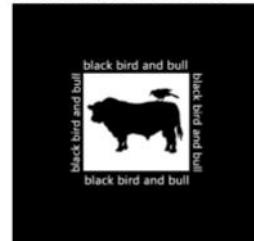
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