



PEOPLE AND PLACES

WAVE ! SEE WHAT HAPPENS

It was 1984 when Judy and I first purchased our property in Highlands. We were still living and working in Melbourne but were frequent weekenders, first as campers and then as we built our house more secure accommodation and finally from 1995 permanent residents.

In those early days one of the things that appealed to us as we made our frequent visits up onto the plateau, was that drivers inevitably waved to you, whether they knew you or not. It was a nice touch, a sign of something special in the community.

However as the years progressed, this friendly gesture seems to have waned somewhat. I confess that I am one of those who gradually and almost unknowingly stopped waving. Thankfully not everyone stopped. I have recently decided to be quite deliberate and wave to all as I pass.

I know that this may seem a small matter, but I do think it worth cultivating, not just as a gesture to each of us in the community but also to visitors. In a society where technology is so ubiquitous and much human contact and communication so arid, the simple wave of the hand whether to someone in a passing car or someone beside the road speaks volumes. Mind you I don't expect the motor cyclist or cyclist to wave back, but we can still make the gesture from the car or the side of the road.

Moving to Highlands and living here for twenty years was one of the best decisions we made as a couple. We have really appreciated the warmth of the community's acceptance of us, we just would like the good news to spread about what a special place it is.

Just wave it may be the beginning of a great friendship and certainly the enrichment of our community.

By Stuart Reid



**LET'S SAVE
the WAVE !**



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NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Student of the Week Jessica



For consistently striving to achieve her best. Well done!

Sand and Soft Fall: The children have had a lovely time helping us to move the soft fall which was delivered on Thursday. Bridie had a team of helpers who spent recess and lunchtime filling wheelbarrows, moving and raking out the soft fall. Thank you Bridie! We welcome any other offers of help to distribute the rest under the playground equipment.



Highlands Primary School Strengths
We are currently seeking feedback about the strengths of our school which will be used to raise our profile in the extended community at events such as the Yea Market Day. Any suggestions will be gratefully received.

By Sue Watson—Principal, HPS

FINDING FOXY

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Hughes Creek
Catchment Collaborative

WELCOME to ISSUE 37 2014
Contact editor@tgn.org.au 5790 4007



DON'T JUST WATCH GRASS GROW

Spring is upon us and it's looking like a dry summer with a heavy fuel load, so now is the time to be putting your pre-season fire safety plans into action.

Clearing around homes and outbuildings by slashing and/or spraying should be underway now.

For further information go to
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Thank You

A big thank you to all those who came along & worked so hard on 18th October to tame the wild growth at the Highlands Hall. What a difference we all made! We then enjoyed a BBQ lunch together on the Deck.

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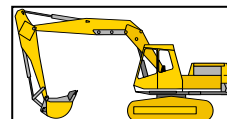
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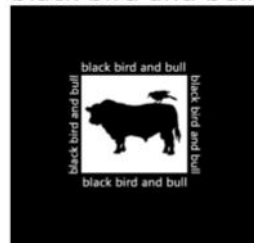


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Have you thought about nominating them for an Australia Day award?

Nominations are open in the following categories:

- Murrindindi Citizen of the Year
- Murrindindi Young Citizen of the Year
- Murrindindi Community Event of the Year

These awards provide all Murrindindi Shire residents with the opportunity to pay tribute to our outstanding local achievers.

Download the nomination form from our website www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au, pick up an application form from any council office or call Sarah Light on 5772 0341

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Community Information Session Ghin Ghin Bridge replacement

Murrindindi Shire Council will replace the ageing Ghin Ghin Bridge with a new structure in 2015.

Council will host an information 'drop-in' session to talk to the community about the works, including any impacts on residents and businesses.

Council is planning to replace Ghin Ghin Bridge with a new two-lane structure that will see the Bridge's load carrying capacity increased and life cycle extended to beyond 100 years. The full closure of Ghin Ghin Bridge will be required. It is anticipated that this closure will be limited to three weeks and include the June school holidays. Council will conduct a tender process for the Bridge's construction in late 2014. Council is seeking additional Federal Government funding through its Bridge Renewal Program, to add to existing State Government funding and allocated Council funds.

**The information session will be held
at the Highlands Community Hall
on Friday 7th November 2014 4pm to 7pm.**

Residents and others interested in the bridge works are encouraged to attend this 'drop-in' session to be updated on the scope of the project including the implications for residents and others of the short term closure of Ghin Ghin Bridge. Information will be provided on alternative routes and time frames for construction. For more information about the bridge project and community drop-in session please contact **Paul Valente on 5772 0706.**



Local Contractors Wanted—Strawberry Fields Festival

The organisers of the **Strawberry Fields Festival** are committed to using as many local businesses as they can. Festival requirements will include

Supplies—Hardware, Plumbing, Camping etc

Equipment Hire—Grader, Fork lift, Cherry pickers, Water tanks, Cartage, Rubbish bins & Skips.

Materials—Crushed rock, Shade sails, Flooring, Marquees, Safety signage.

Trades-people & Workforce—Mechanic, Plumber, Electrician, Traffic Crew, Clean-up Crew.

Accommodation—Local accommodation.

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COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR OCTOBER/NOV 2014

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Sunday 26th October 10:15am <i>Note Change of Venue</i>	ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY For this 4 th Sunday of the month members and friends will travel to Strathbogie to share in the church service there, have lunch and visit Huntley Farm Roses Nursery. We look forward to seeing a few new faces. Meet at the car park of our church, Ruffy Road, Terip Terip at 10.15am to arrange car pooling. We will be back about 3.15pm. <i>For more information, please contact Verena Weinmann, 5790 4309</i>
Sunday 26th October 9:00am	 HIGHLANDS-CAVEAT RURAL FIRE BRIGADE at Habbies Howe This is the 3rd in the 2014 series of Training Sessions. As this is planned to be a Live Fire Exercise it is mandatory for any new members to attend. <i>Contact Jim McCooey 0418 532103</i>
Monday 27th October 8:00pm	RUFFY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Road- Quarterly committee meeting and all welcome. <i>Contact Sharron Batt 5790 4329</i>
Thursday 30th October 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
Friday 31st October 6:00pm 	ROCKY PASSES Argentinean BBQ 1590 Highlands Rd Whiteheads Creek Local string band "the Spotted Quolls" are up and about over the next few weeks. Mark South and Peter Lockyer will be playing country and eastern songs of love and revolution at Rocky Passes on Friday 31st October. Get your feet tapping to the riveting harmonies on locally written and stolen material. From the East Kimberley to east Broadford, this is fun music, occasionally covers but generally not. <i>Call 5796 9366 contact@rockypasses.com.au</i>
Friday 31st October 6:00pm Saturday 1st November 8:00pm Sunday 2nd 4:00pm	EUROA CINEMA "The Boxtrolls" 97 mins (PG) 3.5 stars Animated family fun In a town called Cheesebridge the humans live above ground, but under the streets live the Boxtrolls. A lost little boy is taken by the Boxtrolls and grows up not knowing he is actually human. One of the humans decides he wants to gain a promotion by wiping out the Boxtrolls. Great animation, dry humour and apparently worth staying to watch the end credits. <i>DON'T FORGET: Friday night the doors open at 6pm for families to bring dinner.</i>
Saturday 1st November 9am-2pm	YEA COUNTRY MARKET Yea Railway Park, Station Street, Yea Showcasing local producers, growers and makers offering an array of stalls, the best in fresh local produce, arts and crafts, children's activities, play ground and skate park. Gold coin donation entry
Sunday 2nd November 9:00am	 RUFFY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE—Pre Season Meeting at the Ruffy Fire Shed Radio check with Euroa group at 9 am then Pre-Season meeting for all members at 10:00am. <i>For any further information Contact John Furlanetto 0427 344956</i>
Tuesday 4th November From 12 noon	Terip Terip Cup Day Chicken and Champagne Luncheon at Terip Terip Rec Reserve Cup Sweeps Best dressed Lady and Gentleman prize. \$25 per person children free. Salad or Sweet would be appreciated. <i>RSVP Helen McKenzie 5790 4211 by 28th October</i> 
Friday 7th November 4pm to 7pm	COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION—GHIN GHIN BRIDGE REPLACEMENT at the Highlands Hall Residents and others interested in the bridge works are encouraged to attend this 'drop-in' session to be updated on the scope of the project including the implications for residents and others of the short term closure of Ghin Ghin Bridge. <i>For further information contact Paul Valente 5772 0706</i>
Saturday 8th November & Sunday 9th From 10:00am	TABLELANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE — 2nd WORKING BEE at the Old Ruffy School The Community Centre will be one of the venues for the upcoming RUFFY ArtFest and we need to do a heap of work to ensure that the grounds and the internal space are in good shape. <i>For more information Contact Fiona Steel 5790 4369</i>
Sunday 9th November From 10:00am	AVENEL PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE & CLEARING SALE 40 Anderson St Avenel <i>Providing Lots of Fun and Action for Everyone. HUGE Auction with 400 Lots—Variety of Market Stalls</i>
Friday 14th November 10:00am	HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYGROUP/MORNING TEA/COMMUNITY GET-TOGETHER  at the Highlands Primary School Please feel Welcome to drop in for a cuppa and a chat
Friday 14th November 6:30pm	'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
Sunday 16th November 4:00pm	CONCERT ONE Peter Hagen (Harpsichord) & Margaret Caley (Violin) at the Broadford Salon C.P.E. Bach violin and harpsichord works. Sonatas fantasias and other pieces for violin and harpsichord written by the famous C.P.E. Bach's whose tricentenary is celebrated this year. Tickets \$38 Adults Bookings Essential www.trybooking.com/FZZD