



RUFFY ARTFEST CHISELS OUT ITS PLACE on the REGIONAL 'ARTS CALENDAR'

There were people everywhere...there were cars everywhere...the seven venues ran out of 'Artfest Badges'...the Bric-a-Brac shop went gangbusters...the Ruffy Store was overflowing...the CFA sold out of veggie-burgers and there was even a traffic-jam on Buntings Hill Road.....What a Weekend.

The district came alive last weekend on the back of the first bi-annual Ruffy Artfest.

Visitors were spoilt for choice between the Art & Sculpture show at the Ruffy Hall, Valda Martin's exquisite Quilts in the Orchard, the wonderful open gardens at Rosehill, Coolalie and Greenwood Park, as well as Scarecrows, Paper-making & Kite-making at the Community Centre.

All credit goes to the Ruffy Artfest committee who delivered an uplifting event that attracted and impressed hundreds of visitors while also bringing the entire community together with a sense of common purpose.



Valda Martin's quilting display captured every visitor's admiration.....some quilts took Valda up to 8 years to complete

Chrissie & Bernard Schaff's "Coolalie" garden induced feelings of peace, calm and order into an otherwise hectic weekend



The Ruffy Hall Gallery hosted an eclectic exhibition chock full of art, craft and sculpture



Some scarecrows were scarier than others



NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Student of the Week Ezekiel



For his positive approach to all learning tasks. Well done!

Thank You to the Gilberts who kindly finished spreading the soft fall under the playground equipment!

Thank You to all those who attended a second working bee this week to work on the chook shed.

Congratulations to Bonnie who won an award for the best up and coming artist at the Ruffy Artfest!



By Sue Watson—Acting Principal, HPS

Vote at Ruffy

As usual you'll be able to vote at Ruffy for the State Election this Saturday 29th.

The polling place is the Ruffy Hall where Cathy Artridge & Justus Hagen will be taking votes for the Euroa electorate as well as those enrolled in any other part of the state. Most voters will be enrolled for the seat of Euroa if they live in the Strathbogie and Mitchell Shires. Those on the Tablelands who are in the Murrindindi Shire will be voting for the seat of Eildon. The Electoral Commission says that everyone in the State should be able to have their vote. This means that no matter where people are enrolled to vote they will be able to vote in any polling place in Victoria. (You may bring visitors from out of the district for a Ruffy voting experience). Times are strictly between 8am and 6pm

Justus Hagen, Election Official
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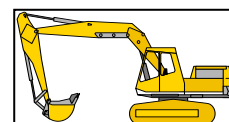
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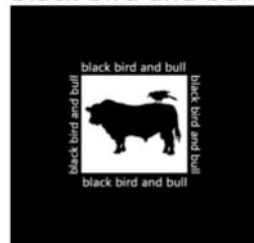


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LOCAL GOINGS ON



The final RuffArtZ show for 2014 from *Just Shows to Go Cafe Culture Series* program is one you will not want to miss. This cabaret show is rich with songs & stories from great singers including Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday, Edith Piaf, Tina Turner & Janis Joplin.

Kelly Auty's musical influences range from Folk, Blues and Country to Rock, Gospel and Soul. Her vocal performance is soulful, passionate and compelling, and she has a sparkling infectious enjoyment of the music. The band includes pianist Boris Conley on keyboard, Max McIntosh on Bass and Nick Carrafa playing drums.

They form an eclectic band with vast experience and a powerful repertoire.

The RuffArtZ Season of Saturdays Series is proudly presented in Ruffy by RuffArtZ and is supported by the Victorian Government through Arts Victoria.

Come along and share a wonderful musical evening in the Ruffy Hall.

Saturday 6th December at 8pm Doors open 7.30pm

Tickets are on sale now from Verena on 5790 4309

Community Information Session—Yarck Streetscape

Council will present to the Yarck community proposed plans for the redevelopment of the Streetscape at a public information session. The popular Yarck Village Hub will be rejuvenated with the implementation of streetscape improvements. Proposals include new pathways and improvements to signage, car parking, seating and landscaping that will greatly enhance connectivity, community access and public amenity. The information session will be held at the Yarck Fire Station on Thursday 4 December 2014 from 6pm – 7.30pm.

Residents and others interested in the streetscape are encouraged to attend this 'drop-in' session to be updated on the scope of the project.

For more information contact Paul Valente on 5772 0706



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READERS' WRITES

"I was surprised to read another letter by Leone Gabrielle in the last TGN regarding the community's efforts to raise funds for the School, Hall and CFA.

She seems to have detailed knowledge of the finances of these 3 groups and indicates that they do not need any additional funds as she writes that "Students are what keeps schools afloat and money flowing". Rubbish. I'm sure that the school principal does not want members of the community ringing to find out the confidential financial status of the school.

What the hall needs is funding to cover maintenance of buildings and grounds which is not covered by hire of the hall alone and also support by community members on working bee's.

The CFA does need continual funds for equipment and any additional avenues for fund raising should be pursued.

It's not events like Strawberry Fields that divide the community, it's negative letters like the one that appeared in last week's TGN.

The Strawberry Fields event has moved on and so have we."

—Lockie Cameron, Highlands

"We have become increasingly disturbed by the division occurring in our community over the Strawberry Fields event.

We know there are some strongly held opinions, but we hoped that people could hear and accommodate each other's viewpoints with civility.

Instead there seems to have been this polarising battle.

Let's stop that.

As we come into a season flagged for goodwill and a need to work together in the face of fire risk, let's stop antagonising. Let go of the anger.

Let's remember we are neighbours who care about one another's welfare and who would help each other out, without question, if needed. Let's enjoy each others company despite different viewpoints; we think that's what it means to be a community."

—Leanne Pleash & Adam Dennis, Highlands

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FINDING FOXY

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

CFA ROSTERS W/C Nov 23rd

- Whiteheads Creek/Tarcombe..... Driver: Michael Laker Assistant: Carli Hall
- Ruffy 1st Lieutenant Travis Tilton's Team

Until Late
December

AN ELABORATE ANIMAL TALE—Art Exhibition

at The Ruffy Produce Store

This is a solo exhibition of Children's Book Illustrations by illustrator Sarah Hardy
Over fifty brilliant pieces that will charm you and make you smile.



Sunday 23rd
November
6:00pm

NOTE
Venue Change

ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY

meet at the Ruffy Hall

For the 4th Sunday of this month members and friends will share a barbeque dinner.

After dinner Fred Jungwirth will present his recent travel experiences, titled

'Mutual win! An Australian and Vanuatu Partnership'.

Please bring your own meat and a salad or sweet to share. (Tea and coffee provided)

For more information, please contact Verena Weinmann, 5790 4309

Thursday 27th
November
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

This will be the final get together for 2014. Normal secrecy will resume in February 2015

Saturday 29th
November
8:00pm
Sunday 30th
4:00pm

EUROA CINEMA "This is Where I Leave You" 103 mins (M) 3.5 stars Comedy/Drama

Based on an interesting novel (and New York Bestseller) this is about a family in transition following the death of a patriarch. Starring Jane Fonda, Jason Bateman, Tina Fey and Rose Byrne the movie takes you through a crucial time with the family who have all been brought together, and have to stay together, for a week while they 'celebrate' Shiva. It is moving, thoughtful, and sometimes there are some unexpected twists—as you can imagine. *"Enjoyable entertainment" is how David and Margaret put it!*

Saturday 29th
November
From 3pm

LEONNE GABRIELLE SOLO EXHIBITION "Change—the Infinite Continuum" at Gallery 34 High St. Yea

Leone's latest exhibition will run until Feb 5th 2015. Open Wed-Sun 9-4, Mondays 10-4, Public Holidays 9-4

Explore at www.gallery34.com.au

Sunday 30th
November
9:00am

HIGHLANDS/CAVEAT RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

meet at the Highlands Fire Shed

CFA & Community local Reconnaissance Drive. Private Vehicles must be 4WD Bring a Picnic Lunch.

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Contact Jim McCooley 0418 523103

Sunday 30th
November
Entertainment
1pm-4pm

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6:00pm

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at The Highlands Hall

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Saturday 6th
December
9am-2pm

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Saturday 6th
December
6:00pm

RUFFY COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

at Tablelands Community Centre Nolans Road Ruffy

Annual Community Christmas Tree Light-Up and Free BBQ Dinner sponsored by Ruffy CFA

All Welcome. Santa will arrive at 7:30pm. Kids gifts to John Furlanetto on the night. **Contact 0427 344956**

Saturday 6th
December
8.00 pm

RuffArtZ "Season of Saturdays 2014"

Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Rd

The Kelly Auty Wild Women Show – a spectacular cabaret show paying homage to great women singers from stage & screen from the 1920's to 1970's. Kelly and her classy band will take us on an unforgettable, electrifying musical roller-coaster! Sit back and enjoy this final show for 2014. BYO drinks and nibbles.

For tickets (\$25.00) contact Verena on 5790 4309

Sunday 7th
December
10:00am

HIGHLANDS/CAVEAT CFA 70th Anniversary Celebrations

at the Highlands Fire Shed

The 2014-15 Pre-Season meeting will be followed by an Open Day & Family BBQ to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Highlands/Caveat Rural Fire Brigade. Everybody is invited and welcome.

For further details Contact Callum Lawson 0437 182223 or Jim McCooley 0418 532103

Saturday 20th
December
9am-1pm

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