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WHITEHEADS CREEK · TERIP TERIP · CAVEAT · RUFFY · HIGHLANDS · HUGHES CREEK

BOTANY, BIRDS & CREATURES

Gruesome but Interesting

Have you ever picked up an interesting looking skull while wandering through your paddock?

This one caught my eye the other day.





It's a strong stout flat skull with quadricuspid molars. It could be a wombat's but is most likely to have been a koala's because it has oval canine teeth.

Young visitors from the city are fascinated / horrified by sheep and cattle skulls, but we see to a fair few kicking around. They enjoy collecting a heap to take home to impress their friends and share at "show & tell " time at school.

Surprisingly their parents are not so keen on a car full of old skulls complete with spider colonies going back to the suburbs.

I saw ram's skulls being sold at a trendy craft market in Fitzroy for \$50 each last weekend.

Just the thing to display your gothic

jewellery collection on!

Please share photos of your best skull finds with the Granite News.

By Janet Hagen

Warning: If you happen to dig up a skull, you may be accused of skull duggery.

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STUDENT of the WEEK

Matthew Moyle

Matthew has settled so well into his new school here at Highlands.
Well Done Matthew!



Well what a busy week we have had to end Term 1 this week.

The highlight for the students was without a doubt the sleepover we had at school on Wednesday night!

The students enjoyed staying at school outside of their usual hours and participated in a range of both structured and free choice activities throughout the night. One of the most enjoyable and fun activities would have to have been the spotlight Easter Egg Hunt at night, with students finding lots of yummy chocolate eggs (and bunnies) using only the light from their torches.

The sleepover was followed by a yummy bacon and egg breakfast and a pyjama day on the Thursday.

A thank you must go all parents for ensuring all students were well packed and prepared for the night, as this really helped the night run smoothly.

I was also very pleased (and excited too!!!) to receive the news this week that I will be remaining at Highlands as Principal. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and look forward to working with the students and school community over the coming years.

Have a safe and enjoyable Easter and holiday break!

By Maree Moyle—Principal, HPS



The Granite News is an open but moderated community forum.
We encourage our readers to contribute articles and we also encourage you to air your views on things that interest or concern you within our community. We certainly encourage feedback from you, positive or otherwise on anything that is published in The Granite News

Contact editor@tgn.org.au 5790 4007

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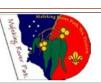


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LOCAL GOINGS ON

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TERIP TERIP TAKES TENNIS TITLE

Terip Blue won the Premiership Title at Benalla on Saturday 21st March with a convincing win over Euroa-Molka

Scores were Terip Blue 5-57 def Euroa Molka 4-49



Matthew Lawrence, Frances Lawrence and David Paix (absent Rebecca Lyttle)

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There will be Devonshire Teas and a huge range of Food, Wine, Ale and Coffee available.

It will be great day for all the family for a very worthy local cause. Entry \$10, with children under 18 free.

Date: 19th April, 2015 11 AM till 4 PM

Details on www.euroa.org.au or phone Jim 0417 392880

	Whiteheads Creek/TarcombeDriver: Chris Head Assistant: Robyn Spicer
CFA	Ruffy
CFA ROSTERS	Highlands/CaveatDriver: Jim McCooey Radio: Hillary Akroyd-Curt
W/C March 29th	Terip TeripCaptain Geoff Penny's Team
Every Sunday 11am—5pm	ROCKY PASSES ESTATE 1590 Highlands Rd. Whiteheads Creek Come join us for a relaxing lunch including the famous Tapas accompanied by our estate-grown wines Contact 5796 936
	SEYMOUR SHEEPDOG TRIALS at Kings Park, Tallarook St. Seymour
TODAY ! and Yesterday &	The Seymour Working Sheepdog Club presents the 50th Annual Seymour Sheepdog Trials and there will a celebratory luncheon for past Open winners in the Ken Hall Pavilion on Saturday.
he Day Before	For enquiries Contact Di Shrapel 5792 1089 or schrapel1@activ8.net.au §
Sunday 29th March 12:30pm	LONGWOOD FIRE BRIGADE "THANK YOU" BBQ at the Longwood Community Centre The brigades of Longwood, Creighton's Creek, Ruffy and Gooram with support from Shire of Strathbogie CFA & VFBV invite all brigade members & families that attended Creightons Creek fire, to a "thank you do to show our appreciation, combined with a community recovery day for fire affected residents. **RSVP Robbie Rae** robbie.rae@strathbogie.vic.gov.au** or 0413 276 687*
GOOD FRIDAY	RUFFY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE "GOOD FRIDAY" LUNCH at the Ruffy Fire Shed
Friday 3rd April	The Annual Ruffy Good Friday lunch & Children's Hospital Appeal is on again! Everybody is Welcome. A terrific Seafood BBQ lunch will be served at \$15/head.
12:30pm	For any further information Contact Ros 0437 004066 or Kerry 5790 4392
EASTER Saturday 4th	YEA COUNTRY MARKET Yea Railway Park, Station Street, Ye
Saturday 4th April 9am-2pm	Showcasing local producers, growers and makers offering an array of stalls, the best in fresh local producers and crafts, children's activities, play ground and skate park. Gold coin donation entry
EASTER Saturday 4th April 8:00pm Sunday 5th 4:00pm	EUROA CINEMA "Big Hero 6" 93 mins (PG) 4 stars Animated/Family fun Big Hero 6 is an action packed comedy adventure about a robotics prodigy who learns to harness his genius—thanks to his brilliant brother and like-minded friends. A turn of events catapults them into the midst of a dangerous plot unfolding in the streets of San Fransoky. He turns to his closest companion—a robot, and he, along with the rest of the gang of hi-tech heroes determine how to solve the mystery. A couple of people who have already seen this movie are coming back for second viewing!!! Oscar for Best Animated Movie
	RUFFY PLAYGROUP at the Tablelands Community Centre Opposite The Ruffy Store Nolans Rd.
Thursday 9th April 10:00am-12noon	April's Playgroup has been re-scheduled due to Easter. It has gone back a week to April 9th Cost: \$3:00 per Family. Bring a small plate of food to share. **Contact Sally 5790 4335**
F.11. 404	'DRINKS ON THE DECK' at Highlands Community H
Friday 10th April 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. <i>Contact Judy Cameron</i> 5796 92
Sunday 12th	ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY Ruffy Road, Terip Terip
April 11:15am	This service will be conducted with Holy Communion by our minister, Reverend Glenys Gill. All welcome. For any information contact Jennifer Penny 5790 423
Monday 13th	TABLELANDS COMMUNITY CENTRE@RUFFY Nolans Road, Ruffy (Old Ruffy School)
April 7:30pm	Monthly Committee Meeting, but everyone is always welcome. Contact Justus 5790 4268
Friday 17th April 7:00pm	RUFFY HAPPY HOUR (or TWO!) "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
Sunday 19th	EUROA HOSPITAL GARDEN PARTY at The Sevens Creek Estate, Seven Creeks Estate Rd., Euro