



FARMING & ENVIRONMENT

The highly successful "2015 Euroa Environmental Seminar Series" continues and the next "conversation" is about Water.



With the Castle Creek empty more often than full and the Seven Creeks totally drying up for the third time in 10 years - everyone has valid concerns about water.

The lack of rainfall, the reduced creek-flows, the proliferation of mega dams, the plight of fish populations - what are the social, economic and environmental impacts here and downstream ?



Christine Forster from the Environmental Farmers Network, will chair the discussions at the **Old Flour Mill Gallery** **Kirkland Ave, Euroa** **on SATURDAY 30th MAY 2015** **10am-2.30pm with LUNCH**

For More Information

www.strathbogievoices.com.au



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NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

STUDENT of the WEEK BRIDIE HAYES



Bridie receives the student of the week award this week because of the fantastic effort she puts into the completion of her homework each and every week!

Keep up the great work Bridie!
You should be very proud of the high standard of your work!!

SENIOR ROOM NEWS:

The highlight for our senior room students this week was the "Highlands Kitchen Rules" challenge, which was an enjoyable (and busy!!!) day for us all!



By Maree Moyle—Principal, HPS



Hughes Creek
Catchment Collaborative

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READERS' WRITES

"It is with great sadness that we at Strawberry Music Group have decided to withdraw our intention to hold the music festival known as Strawberry Fields at Gum Road, Caveat. It is unfortunate that despite having the support of the Murrindindi Shire Council and the Highlands Committee, some local residents have caused us to pursue an alternate venue."

Continuing would have meant enduring a prolonged and expensive legal battle at VCAT. While we strongly believe in the original decision made by Murrindindi Shire Council to grant a permit for the event, we also believe that the Highlands Committee and local community are much more deserving of the money which would have been spent defending that decision.

The fact that, even were we successful at VCAT, we would be entering a community divided, and potentially still very hostile to the idea of the festival, also weighed heavily on our minds.

It is for these reasons we will no longer be holding Strawberry Fields at Gum Road, and will instead be making a bequest of \$6,000 towards the Highlands Committee in recognition of our original intention – to only ever have a positive lasting impact in this community.

We also extend our thanks to all those who have shown support along the way. The planning department at Murrindindi Shire Council, the Councillors, Scott & Julia McKay, Jim McCooley and all of those who pledged to volunteer for or otherwise have worked with the Highlands Committee – we are truly grateful to have worked with you and encountered your spirit, positivity, motivation, and your open mindedness."

**Tara Benney—Director,
Strawberry Music Group**

Save the Date !

**Christmas in July is happening at
Terip Terip again this year on
Saturday 25th July**



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LOCAL GOINGS ON



JANE BUNN at Whitehead's Creek

Whitehead's Creek Landcare Group is pleased to present Jane Bunn, familiar to many as the face of Win News weather and lately, 7 News, who will speak on all things to do with the weather and climate.

Jane Bunn is a qualified meteorologist from Melbourne with an infectious enthusiasm for talking about the weather.

With a Bachelor of Science degree from Monash University (majoring in Atmospheric Science & Mathematics), Jane was one of nine students from Australia selected in 2006 to undertake a Graduate Diploma of Meteorology provided by the Bureau of Meteorology.

As part of her studies she also spent a semester at Pennsylvania State University, one of the leading meteorology schools in the US. After graduation Jane was appointed as a forecaster with the BOM – posted initially to the Sydney office and later to Canberra as well as the RAAF's Williamstown Base.

In 2008 Jane joined The Weather Channel as the morning meteorologist, before moving on to WIN News to explain the highs and lows of regional Victoria's weather where she proved hugely popular.

As a weather consultant, Jane also provides advice to farming communities throughout Victoria, as well as the Country Fire Authority, the Department of Environment and Primary Industries and a large number of organisations in the agricultural sector.

More recently she has presented the weather report for ABC News 24 and the ABC's primary 7pm news bulletin in Melbourne.

Jane also has a Graduate Certificate in Journalism from Charles Sturt University, and she maintains a strong social media presence through her Twitter account, @janesweather7

**The event is on Sunday 14th June at 2pm
at the Whiteheads Creek Hall**

All are welcome. Entry is \$10.00.

Contact Philip Smith 0438 371279

philip.smith@bigpond.com

WANTED TO BUY

Older Massey Ferguson square baler wanted for parts, any condition considered.

**Please Contact Ray
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Another 'Trading Places' Success Story

TRADING PLACES

Good stuff for private sale or wanted by friendly locals

Local Family Home To Rent

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SPEAKING PLAIN ENGLISH

*The opposite of déjà-vu is
jamais-vu — the unnerving feeling
that something very familiar is
actually completely new*

COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR MAY 2015

Sunday 24th
May
2:00pm

ST.DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH TERIP-RUFFY

Ruffy Road, Terip Terip



Heritage Day.

Listen to some interesting stories from the past of our Church.
It would be appreciated if you could bring a plate for afternoon tea to share. All welcome.

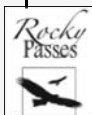
For any information contact Sue Martin 5790 4277

TODAY !

Sunday 24th
May
1:00pm

ROCKY PASSES ESTATE

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Paradilla Argentina Typical Argentinian BBQ Cooked on a Wood Fire

This is the last BBQ for Aussi Wine Month!!

Bookings Essential Please Call 5796 9366



TODAY !

Monday 25th
May
8:00pm

RUFFY RURAL FIRE BRIGADE 2014-15 End of Season Meeting

at the Ruffy Community Hall

All members of the Ruffy Brigade are encouraged to attend. This meeting will wrap up what has been a long and involved fire season for the Ruffy Brigade and the Ruffy Community.

There will be important announcements regarding the deployment of our Fire Tankers, the project plans for the upgrade of the Fire Shed and also a June Community Health & Wellbeing meeting.

Any further enquiries to CFA Captain John Furlanetto 0427 344956



Thursday 28th
May
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 29th
May
6:00pm

CLEVER COUNTRY GARDENS

at the Euroa Flour Mill

Presented by The Euroa Arboretum \$30 for 2 course meal & presentation

Bookings Essential on www.euroaarboretum.com.au or at The Hub, Binney Street Euroa

Friday 29th
May
6:45pm

1000+ Exhibition By Tess Noonan Egan

at Tess' Gallery 52-54 Binney St. Euroa

You'll see constructions made with objects that are re-purposed, re-identified and transformed into Art.

Maybe call it Collage with Muscle !

All Welcome

Saturday 30th
May 8:00pm

Sunday 31st
May 4:00pm

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Friday 12th
June
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 14th
June
2:00pm

JANE BUNN at WHITEHEADS CREEK

at the Whiteheads Creek Hall

The Whiteheads Creek Landcare group presents TV personality and qualified meteorologist Jane Bunn who will talk about all things weather and climate.

All Welcome

Entry \$10

Contact Philip Smith 0438 371279



Friday 19th
June
7:30pm

HCCC LANDCARE MEETING



at the Whiteheads Creek Hall

Regular Monthly meeting to discuss local environmental initiatives. All Welcome **Contact Janet 5790 4268**

Saturday 20th
June
9am—1pm

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