



BOTANY, BIRDS & CREATURES

PLATYPUS PICNICS

I collect Waterwatch samples from the "Boat Hole" on the Hughes Creek each month and every time I visit I linger to catch a glimpse of the pair of platypus that inhabit that area.

If you are looking for a quite picnic spot take your chairs, a book and some refreshments because this is a great place. Sit very still on the banks and enjoy the wildlife that are attracted to this scenic reserve.



A camera and binoculars would be useful. The Platypus forage along the far bank towards Mrs Threlfall's fence; they are nearly always present.



The Boathole is located only 2.5 kms from the Ruffy Store. Follow the gravel road from the shop, turn left off Nolans Road down the Boathole Road. Let me know if you see them.
By Janet Hagen

NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

STUDENT of the WEEK

OLIVER WISCHER



Oliver receives this award because he has been working really hard on his writing goal which is to improve his handwriting. Oliver has challenged himself throughout the week and has certainly demonstrated improvement with his writing. Well Done Oliver and kept up the great work!

By Maree Moyle—Principal, HPS



Hughes Creek
Catchment Collaborative

Editor's Note

Over recent months The Granite News has been approached by politicians from both sides to advertise in our newsletter.

The HCCC Landcare committee has resolved that it will allow paid information-based adverts from local political representatives on a strictly limited basis.

The Granite News maintains full editorial control over content and frequency of all advertising that appears in our publication.

SPEAKING PLAIN ENGLISH

TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters on only one row of the keyboard.

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Do you know someone outstanding?

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

Nominations are open in the following categories:

- ◇ **Murrindindi Shire Citizen of the Year**
- ◇ **Murrindindi Shire Young Citizen of the Year**
- ◇ **Murrindindi Shire Community Event of the Year**

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

Download a nomination form from the Murrindindi Shire Council website www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au, pick up an application form from any Council Office or call the Executive Assistant on 5772 0337

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LOCAL GOINGS ON



When: Saturday, October 24, 2015

Where: Lakeside Community Centre,
Benalla Showgrounds

Time: 9am - 4.30pm

Why: To create a prosperous, caring and
inclusive Indi alive with opportunities for all

Independent Member for Indi, Cathy McGowan calls on everyone in North East Victoria to be part of the "Vision for Indi".

People have identified the key issues affecting our region. These will be covered in four topics:

Economic Prosperity / Quality Access to Essential Community Services

Sustainable Environments / Confident & Vibrant Communities

To register for the Summit: www.cathymcgowan.com.au/indisummit

Authorised by Cathy McGowan, 117 Murphy Street, Wangaratta VIC, 3677

HCCC LANDCARE



THURSDAY 22 ND OCTOBER
2015 - 8PM.
@ OLD RUFFY SCHOOL / TCCC

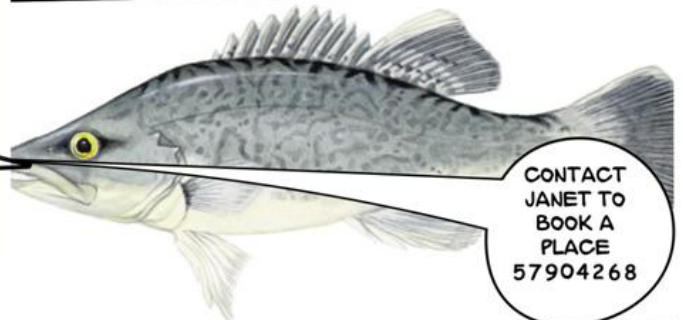
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Will Trueman is passionate about restoring native fish habitat .

He has spent a lifetime exploring our creeks and researching the history of trout cod , Macquarie perch and Murray cod populations in the upper Goulburn. He is the author of "True Tales of Trout Cod: River histories of the Murray Darling Basin.

Will is very interested in the native fish of the Hughes Creek and Seven Creeks .

He has collected historical photographs and interviewed many of the pioneer families and older fisherman in order to build a picture of the changes in our river systems since first settlement.

Bring your fishing stories or photographs to share with the group .

COMMUNITY “WHAT’S ON” CALENDAR OCT/NOV 2015

Thursday 22nd October 8:00pm	HCCC LANDCARE— A History of Native Fish Tablelands Community Centre—Ruffy A history of native fish populations in the Sevens & Hughes Creeks. Everybody is Welcome Contact Janet Hagen 5790 4268
Saturday 24th October	“VISION FOR INDI” at the Lakeside Community Centre, Benalla Independent Member for Indi, Cathy McGowan calls on everyone in North East Victoria to be part of the “Vision for Indi”. To register www.cathymcgowan.com.au/indisummit
Saturday 24th October & Sunday 25th October	ALEXANDRA & DISTRICT OPEN GARDENS Alexandra & Yarck Tickets cost \$30 to see all 14 gardens and includes the Garden Guide book. Single entry tickets cost \$5 per garden. Tickets will be available at each open garden, the Alexandra Visitor Information Centre and Alexandra Garden Centre. Details of all gardens, catering and other attractions are on the website www.alexandraopengardens.com.au or Contact 5772 1999
Saturday 24th October 8:00pm Sunday 25th October 4:00pm	EUROA CINEMA “A Walk in the Woods” 98 Mins (M) Comedy/Drama 3 stars Adapted from the book of the same name by Bill Bryson, the movie follows Bryson and his mate Katz as they ramble their way across the picturesque Appalachian Mountains. Katz is a womaniser, out of shape, reformed alcoholic who has never encountered the wilderness while Bryson is the ever optimistic, intrepid explorer (of sorts). These two men discover while meeting some interesting characters, life threatening animals and situations along the way, that life is about the journey, not the destination. Starring Robert Redford, a rugged Nick Nolte and the delightful Emma Thompson
Tuesday 3rd November 12:00 noon	TERIP TERIP CUP DAY LUNCHEON at the Terip Recreation Reserve Sweepstakes—Fashions on the Field—A Hit of Tennis \$20 per Person \$50 for a Family Please bring a Salad or Dessert to share RSVP by 27th of October 2015 Helen 5790 4211 or Kerri 5790 4191
Saturday 7th 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
 Saturday 7th November & Sunday 8th November 10am—5pm Both Days	ROTARY CLUB of YEA — OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND This is the 5 th year that we have held this event and as well as a major fundraiser for our Rotary club, it is a wonderful weekend. This year we have 11 gardens open with another, Abutilon, open by the Yea Garden Club with plant sales. We have 7 country gardens open this year. They are varied – one has its own wet-lands area and is mostly native planting, another a large garden at Limestone, previously in the Australian Open Gardens, featuring old roses and mature trees. Our country gardens are amazing, different, and all the owners are hard at work to ensure a superb showing. The town gardens also range from a tiny apartment garden, a quirky garden, one with a lovely water feature etc. The gardens are planned as two separate country areas and a town offering. The cost is \$40 for the both days, all gardens or \$8.00 per individual country garden and \$5.00 for individual town gardens. Contact Marj Hamilton 0456 015551
Friday 13th 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

