



THE GRANITE NEWS

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Whiteheads Creek · Terip Terip · Caveat · Ruffy · Highlands · Hughes Creek

PEOPLE AND PLACES

BONNIE'S ART CONTINUES TO IMPRESS

Highlands' own Bonnie Neicho is establishing her reputation as a serious and significant Artist in a range of media.



Her creative instincts belie her young age and Bonnie has developed a level of belief in her work that gives her the confidence to enter Art Shows and to move easily and feel comfortable within the Arts fraternity.



Her latest artistic venture has been the use of animal skulls (donated by local supporters) to create tactile and interesting artworks.....her work titled "Little Deer" took out a Highly Commended Award at last week's Mansfield Art Show.

TERIP TURNS IT ON FOR THE "CUP"

A great day was had by all, sun, food, flies and good company was in abundance.
The attendees came from near and far, the usual crowd from Terip and others from Ruffy, Longwood, interstate, Germany and Finland.



Apart from the big race the fashions on the field stole the show. The winners were Gerry Ginnivan from Ruffy (2nd), Lachie Thomas (best runway walk), Geoff Penny (3rd), and Bim Mitchell from Longwood (1st) and for the ladies Donna McKenzie (3rd and best fascinator), Sally Reiner (2nd) and Annie Mitchell from Longwood (1st).

By Kerri Thomas

Editor's Note—It's been suggested that Gerry Ginnivan was eligible for the

"Stan Laurel look-a-like prize"





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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

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SPEAKING PLAIN ENGLISH

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shoulders, or loose ribbons on
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LOCAL GOINGS ON

Native and Pasture Grass Identification Day

9am Thursday 19th November

Merton Recreation Reserve Merton Euroa Road, Merton









Does all grass just look green to you? You are not on your own! Come along with botanist Paul Foreman and learn to recognise the features of common introduced pasture grasses, and the basics of native grasses. The day will also include management of various native grasses, and where species might be found in the landscape

Please bring along a hand lens and any grass samples you may want identified. Most of the day will be spent in the field around Merton and Gobur.

Cost: \$120/day for agency staff

\$50/day for landholders and community group volunteers

Bookings: Click HERE

Enquiries - Ron Litjens - ron.litjens@euroaarboretum.com.au or 0419 559 368









This project is supported by the Goulburn Broken CMA, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme and the Victorian Government

" Chicks in the Sticks "

A Landcare event sponsored by Goulburn Broken CMA Celebrate the achievements of rural women in agriculture & environment.

This event will showcase the spectacular High Country with a tour of Mount Buller and a twilight dinner by the Delatite River at Mirimbah Park . You will meet inspirational local women who are working to protect the alpine environment and are developing innovative agricultural businesses.

Date: Friday November 27th from 6pm to 9pm. **Cost:** \$30 per person inc bus travel & 2 course dinner.

Dress: Cocktail & Gumboots **Bus pick up points and times:**

3.30pm Euroa Court House or Alexandra Visitors information Centre **4.00pm** Benalla Royal Hotel or Yea V/Line Bus Stop High Street Yea. *All women in the Hughes Creek Catchment are encouraged to attend.*

Bookings via Janet 5790 4268





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COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR NOV/DEC 2015

	ROTARY CLUB of YEA — OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND
Sunday 8th November 10am—5pm	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 wetlands 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
Wednesday 11th November 8:00pm	RUFFY COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP Ruffy Public Hall, Nolans Road, Ruffy. Quarterly meeting of the Action Group to inform the community about activities since August and to plan and advance local projects and ideas. This will be our last meeting for the year and you are invited to stay on for a small celebration. All welcome. Contact Verena 5790 4309
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
Sunday 15th November 2:00pm	EUROA CINEMA Closed all Weekend Australian Welsh Male Choir Tickets on sale at The Hub, Binney Street, Euroa. \$25, \$20 for Seniors, \$10 child
Thursday 19th November 2:00pm	NATIVE & PASTURE GRASS IDENTIFICATION DAY Merton Recreation Reserve, Merton Presented by the Euroa Arboretum, here's your chance to gain expert advice on the identification of grasses, both native and pasture that appear on your property and within the district. Cost: \$50 for the day Contact Ron Litjens 0419 559368 ron.litjens@euroaarboretum.com.au
Saturday 21st November 9am—2pm	EUROA VILLAGE FARMERS MARKET "Meet, Greet, Eat & Shop" A wonderful range of farm fresh produce from "local" producers. Contact Helen Brook 0456 723331 www.euroavillagefarmersmarket.org
Thursday 26th 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
Friday 27th November 6pm—9pm	CHICKS IN THE STICKS A Landcare event sponsored by Goulburn Broken CMA. Celebrate the achievements of rural women in agriculture and the environment. This event will showcase the spectacular High Country with a tour of Mount Buller and a twilight dinner by the Delatite River at Mirimbah Park Contact Janet Hagen 5790 4268
Saturday 28th November 6:00pm	WHITEHEADS CREEK CHRISTMAS BREAK UP at the Whiteheads Creek Hall Meat will be supplied—BYO Drinks & Salads/Dessert to share SANTA will be visiting Please RSVP by Nov 14th to Ursula James 0407 338399
Friday 4th December	HIGHLANDS CHRISTMAS BREAK UP Barbeque at 6:30pm BYO Meat and a salad to share at the Highlands Community Hall

Christmas Carols & SANTA at 7:30pm Children's Gifts to be left at the School prior to 4/12

6pm