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WHITEHEADS CREEK

TERIP TERIP

CAVEAT

RUFFY

HIGHLANDS

HUGHES CREEK

## FARMING & ENVIRONMENT

### Hughes Creek Habitat Restored after High Flow Event

By Christine Glassford—River Health officer, GBCMA

I'm happy to report a very successful and enjoyable day was had by all on the Hughes Creek on 19th January, installing more timber for Macquarie perch harbour following the recent high flow event that had dislodged some of the work that we had completed last year.

It is with great thanks to property manager, David Freeman and Gary McLarty, that further in-stream habitat was created to support the Macquarie perch within their stronghold on the Hughes Creek. Identified by Will Trueman as a priority area for habitat improvement, large dead trees and several log jams were installed within a 300m stretch to enhance connectivity between the refuge pools known to support Macquarie perch.

With valued input and assistance from Will and Renae Ayres (ARI), along with several members of Native Fish Australia (NFA) and GB CMA staff, we were able to relocate selected timber sourced from the adjoining land into the channel.



Smaller limbs were manoeuvred into log jams by the helping hands, with efforts made to secure the timber in place to create bed scour and shelter.

Though these smaller pieces are more liable to shift in high flows, it is expected they will not progress far before becoming caught up in

the large complex wood installed downstream.

An end of the day highlight was spotting a juvenile Macquarie perch, along with a small common yabby (*Cherax destructor*), making use of the new log jam shelter several of us stood beside.

Having learnt what was possible with man power and a tractor, we may consider another stage of works in this remote area in the future.

First however we will evaluate the change over time in the channel form, particularly the sediment stores which had altered following the recent high flow event. It will also be very interesting and hopefully reaffirming, to see what Macquarie perch are collected from these structures when the fish surveys are again undertaken in the autumn.



**Hughes Creek**  
Catchment Collaborative

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## Provincial Precipitation

Month	Highlands	Ruffy
December	27.6 mm	32 mm
<b>2015 Total</b>	<b>599.3 mm</b>	<b>602.5 mm</b>
Dec Rain Days	5	3

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### LOCAL GOINGS ON

#### TERIP TERIP TENNIS TOURNAMENT 2016

The Annual Terip Tennis Tournament was held on January 9th, a warmer than wanted day, but plenty of drinks and plenty of shade made for a great event. Another strong roll up ensured that the competition was hotter than the weather and as has become traditional, the winners came from near and far.

Results were: Section 1 Men—Winner – Jack Kelly (Euroa)  
Runner Up – Tom Langhorn (Mansfield)  
Section 2 Men—Winner - Matthew Lawrence (Terip)  
Runner Up – Cooper Eales (Avenel)  
Section 1 Ladies—Winner – Cindy Hayes (Terip)  
Runner Up – Frances Lawrence (Terip)  
Section 2 Ladies—Winner – Eliza Hoare (Euroa)  
Runner Up – Raelene Stratton (Benalla)



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Council is seeking expressions of interest from landowners wishing to participate in the implementation of revegetation works on their properties within the Murrindindi Shire.

Suitable candidate projects will include revegetation of areas adjacent to waterways, roadsides or locations where the revegetation assists in the creation of linkages between existing native vegetation.

Incentive funding payments will be available to successful candidates for the implementation of revegetation works.

Interested candidates will need complete an Expression of Interest (Eol) form. Eol forms are available at all Council offices, on Council's website at [www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/revegetationprogram](http://www.murrindindi.vic.gov.au/revegetationprogram) or by contacting Heather Bradbury, Coordinator Environmental Programs on 5772 0333

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# COMMUNITY “WHAT’S ON” CALENDAR JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2016



**CFA ROSTERS**  
w/c  
24th January

- ◇ **RUFFY** ————— 2nd Lieutenant George Noye’s Team
- ◇ **TERIP TERIP** ————— 3rd Lieutenant Tim Lawrence’s Team
- ◇ **HIGHLANDS/CAVEAT** ————— Driver: Steve McAlpin—Radio: Leanne Pleash
- ◇ **WHITEHEAD’S CREEK /TARCOMBE**——— Driver: Russel Chapman - Asstnt: Shaun Clark

<p><b>Saturday 23rd</b> <b>January</b> <b>Until</b> <b>Tuesday 26th</b> <b>January</b> <b>10am –4pm</b></p>	<p><b>YEA ARTS CARNIVALE</b> at the Highlands Community Hall</p> <p>At least five local artists will have their works on show at the Highlands Community Hall as part of the Yea Arts Carnivale and a number will also have their home studios open to visitors. Details and local maps will be available at the hall.</p> <p>Acting as The Hub the Hall will feature working demonstrations of techniques that are bound to be of great interest. Works will be available for sale and there will also be light refreshments and drinks available to make it a worthwhile visit to Highlands.</p>
<p><b>Friday 29th</b> <b>January</b> <b>Doors Open</b> <b>6pm</b> <b>Bring Dinner</b></p>	<p><b>THE EUROA CINEMA “The Good Dinosaur”</b> 100 Mins (PG) Family</p> <p>What if the asteroid that forever changed life on earth completely missed the planet and giant dinosaurs never become extinct?? This is a journey into the world of Arlo, a dinosaur who has a human friend. Arlo learns the power of confronting his fears and discovers what he is truly capable of.</p> <p>Another thrilling animation by Pixar in true family friendly style.</p>
<p><b>Saturday 30th</b> <b>January</b> <b>8:00pm</b> <b>Sunday 31st</b> <b>4:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>THE EUROA CINEMA “Joy”</b> 124mins (M) Drama / Bio 3.5 stars</p> <p>A story across four generations. Centered on the woman who founded a business dynasty by inventing the Miracle Mop. Life is not easy though.</p> <p>Betrayal, treachery, love, high emotions all blended with human comedy about becoming a the boss of family and business enterprise while facing a world of unforgiving commerce.</p> <p>Starring Jennifer Lawrence, Robert De Niro, Bradley Cooper and Diane Ladd.</p> <p>David O. Russell has given us a movie that again defies genre to tell a story of family, loyalty and love.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday 2nd</b> <b>February</b> <b>7:30am—9am</b></p>	<p><b>WORLD WETLANDS DAY</b> Y Water Discovery Centre, Hood St, Yea</p> <p>Come along for a guided walk with the Murrindindi Bird Watchers (bring binoculars) Coffee from 7am and a light breakfast provided.</p> <p>This is a free event but RSVP is essential Contact Kate at <a href="mailto:wetlands.yea@gmail.com">wetlands.yea@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>Saturday 6th</b> <b>February</b> <b>9:00am—2pm</b></p>	<p><b>YEA COUNTRY MARKET</b> Yea Railway Park, Station Street, Yea</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Gold coin donation entry</p>
<p><b>Thursday 11th</b> <b>February</b> <b>7:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>RuffArtZ Committee Meeting</b> Ruffy Hall Nolans Rd Ruffy</p> <p>Everyone welcome. <b>Contact Sharron 57904329</b></p>
<p><b>Monday 15th</b> <b>February</b> <b>8:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>RUFFY HALL MONTHLY MEETING</b> Ruffy Hall Nolans Rd Ruffy</p> <p>Everyone welcome. <b>Contact Sharron 57904329</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday 25th</b> <b>February</b> <b>5:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>SECRET MEN’S BUSINESS</b> Old Caveat Church, Caveat-Dropmore Rd, Caveat</p> <p>Come along and have a casual chat with other local blokes.</p> <p>BBQ Tea Provided (Gold Coin) BYO Drinks</p>

