



WHITEHEADS CREEK

TERIP TERIP

CAVEAT

RUFFY

HIGHLANDS

HUGHES CREEK

FARMING & ENVIRONMENT

Hughes Creek Walk #2

Good weather & great company combined last Sunday to make this hike an enjoyable way to explore and appreciate the beautiful country side we are fortunate enough to live in.



Many thanks to David & Susan Sleigh for allowing us access to the Hughes Creek through their property and to Rob and Jan Hayes for acting as our guides through their Tarcombe section.

By Janet Hagen

Tablelands Rainfall

Month	Highlands	Ruffy
August	116.4mm	83.5mm
2016 Total	659.6mm	678.5mm
August Rain Days	13	10

SPEAKING PLAIN ENGLISH

Nudiustertian
is a noun that means
the day before yesterday.



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2016 SPELLS THE END
for HIGHLANDS SCHOOL

It is with sadness that we inform the community that the Highlands Primary School will be closing at the end of the 2016 school year.

Based on an expected low number of enrolments for 2017, it is a shared concern that our current students will not benefit socially in such a small group and that the functionality of the school would not be met with only a few families.

The future of the school has been discussed many times, in order to determine what is best for current students at the school, as well as what is best for the future of the school. Following this consultation and discussion, and while a difficult decision to make, it is a common belief that current enrolments mean the school is not a viable option moving forward.

We will continue to keep the community informed & involved from this point onwards but our main focus now is that the remainder of the 2016 school year runs as normally and most importantly as happily as possible for our current 13 students.

There will be plans made for a community event to celebrate and reflect and we will inform the community of this when the date and details are set. We trust that the last few months of this school year will be a celebration of our wonderful school and of the quality education that children have received at HPS for more than 100 years.

School Council-Highlands Primary School



Hughes Creek
Catchment Collaborative

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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HCCC CHEMICAL FUNDING

The HCCC has funding available to subsidise your chemical costs by 50%. You can now purchase chemicals from Seymour Equine and Rural, Emily St Seymour (Wales Rural).

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Contact Simone

hughes.creek1@gmail.com

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Highlands— Scott McKay **5796 9259**
Ruffy— Don Cook **5790 4007**

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LOCAL GOINGS ON

TERIP TERIP SPRINGS into SPRING

It didn't present the intellectual challenges of "Chizia" nor the jumpin' & jivin' of "Jazz at the Store" but Terip's "Spring into Spring" Dinner & Auction had an allure all of its own.



Robyn Richards extracting bids for Alex Rowan's donated wine

The Terip community is warm, welcoming, inclusive and they certainly know how to have fun.

50+ people turned out for the roast dinner that has become a fixture on the annual calendar and they were entertained by the talented musical trio from Yea who rolled through the old as well as the contemporary favourites that had the dance floor jumping late into the night.

The Auction to raise funds for the Terip Rec Reserve was a total knockout, thanks to the newly acquired skills of Auctioneer Robyn Richards raising about \$1000 which contributed to the overall effort of \$1500.

Jodie & Ross Penny and their team served up a wholesome roast pork dinner complete with perfectly crusted crackling; but the best was yet to come with an eye-popping array of mudcake, chocolate gateau and pavlova for dessert.

If you missed it this year then put it on your 'must attend' list for 2017.

By Don Cook



ANYONE for TENNIS?

Terip Terip Tennis Club is hoping to run a two day tennis clinic in the 2nd week of the September school hols with fully qualified (Level 2) Club Professional Tennis Australia coach Mick Young.

Lessons would be approx. 45mins to 1 hour each day, depending on age and ability.

Cost will be dependant on numbers enrolled.

If you have children aged 5 and above and would be interested in receiving tennis coaching then please contact **Frances on 0427 904262**

An adult class could also be run if sufficient interest.

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The Lagerphones

Old time jazz, furious stomp and lowdown blues they bring it, wing it & swing it!

◆ **Saturday September 10th
8pm at Ruffy Hall**

"The Lagerphones" is an unlikely name for a band that does not have a lagerphone! However, these six talented young musicians do play clarinet, trumpet, bass, guitar, banjo and drums – and they sing too. They play New Orleans style jazz, slow cooked in Melbourne and delivered almost to your door. Expect to hear a big bold brass sound of a 'little' big band on the Ruffy Hall stage. The Lagerphones have performed at the Melbourne International Jazz Festival, the famous Bennets Lane Jazz Club, Wangaratta Jazz Festival and recently in Tokyo, Japan. Now they come our way – let's give them a super special Ruffy welcome!

**BYO drinks and nibbles — Tickets: adults \$25; students \$15;
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COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR — SEPTEMBER 2016



**Friday 9th
September
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. **Contact Judy 5796 9247**

**Saturday 10th
September
8:00pm**

"RUFFARTZ" — "THE LAGERPHONES" **at the Ruffy Hall, Nolans Rd., Ruffy**

New Orleans & Australian trad. jazz, pop and irreverent originals.

Join in the **'verve, gusto and fun'**.

BYO drinks and nibbles. Tickets \$25. Please book early to ensure your seat.

Bookings: Kym 0409 172 595 ruffartztickets@gmail.com



**Saturday 10th
Sept 8:00 pm
Sunday 11th
Sept 4:00 pm**

EUROA CINEMA "Lights Out"

81mins (M) Horror

When Rebecca left home she thought she'd left her childhood fears behind.

Now her brother is experiencing the same frightening events.

**Sunday 18th
September
10:00am**

SEVEN CREEKS COUNTRY FAIR

at Seven Creeks Estate, Euroa

The historic garden at Seven Creeks Estate is to open to the public with a Country Fair in support of Euroa Health.

Magnificent gardens surround the historic homestead, built in the early 1850's.

Eliza Forlonge planted the first trees at that time, several of which remain.

Australian landscape architect Edna Walling sensitively added to the original garden when she created a design in the 1930's that included stone walls, pergolas and walkways. Entry at the gate is \$10 per person, with children under 15 free.

More information can be accessed from the Euroa Health website

<http://www.euroahealth.com.au/building-fund/calendar-of-events>



**Monday 19th
September
11:00am**

HIGHLANDS SPINNERS

450 Caveat-Dropmore Road, Caveat

The Highlands Spinners will meet again at Jan Sporry's home & the kettle will be on!

Contact Jan 5790 4361

**Saturday 24th
&
Sunday 25th
September**



YEA ROTARY GARDEN EXPO

at the Yea Racecourse

You are invited to join this Expo and market your range of goods and services.

The Yea Racecourse provides an ideal venue for the expo as we have facility for over 130 stall holders to display their products/services without feeling cramped and also have ample capacity for free parking. We will have food vendors on site and will also provide activities for children. **Contact Jim Osborne yeagardenexpo@optusnet.com**

**Sunday 25th
September
10:30am**

HIGHLANDS RAMBLERS

Meet at Highlands Hall

All those who have enjoyed the Highlands Ramblers walks in the past will be pleased to know that Andrew Shaw is now ready to lead more walks around the Highlands/Caveat area.

Destination to be decided. Bring a carry lunch. **For more info Contact Judy Reid 5796 9358**

**Thursday 29th
September
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 30th
September
Various Times**

REMEDIAL MASSAGE

at The Tablelands Community Centre, Ruffy

Deep tissue massage - Sports massage - Relaxation massage - Bowen therapy

For bookings contact Kristy Adams 0409 999 957

SAVE the DATE !

**Saturday 8th
October
6:30pm**

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY GROUP

at "The Gums" 285 Gum Road Caveat

"Shindig in the Shed" BBQ Dinner provided. Same band as last year.

Lots of fun to be had. BYO drinks. Full details to follow in next edition of Granite News

