

**FARMING & ENVIRONMENT**

Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority has presented its report on Macquarie perch monitoring and In-stream Habitat Works trial on Hughes Creek at the recent 8th Australian Stream Management Conference. GBCMA has created "Story Maps" that track and report progress with both of these important local projects.

**Macquarie Perch Streams**

Seven of the eleven remaining populations of Macquarie perch (*Macquaria australasica*) in Victoria are found in the Goulburn Broken catchment. The populations that remain are fragmented and vulnerable. Drought and climate change increase the pressures on their survival.



**Macquarie perch being returned to stream**

This once common fish to inland waters, has declined dramatically throughout the 1900s, primarily due to Overfishing/Altered flows  
Vegetation loss/Stock grazing  
Sedimentation/Introduced fish.

Habitat degradation, associated mostly with sedimentation, has led to the limited distribution of the Macquarie perch in the Hughes Creek.

**Habitat Trial Sites**

Three sites were selected as part of an in-stream habitat works trial, within a 2 km stretch of stream. The sites were selected for their former habitat value as deep pools, though each had become degraded with sand deposition in recent year of sand flux. The trial works aim to increase stream depth by encouraging scour development and provide fish shelter

Focus is on enhancing in-stream habitat and connectivity to extend the size and range of the Macquarie perch population downstream.



**Habitat enhancement works at trial site 3**

Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority has created an interactive "Story Map" for each of these Macquarie perch projects. It is worth taking time to follow these to gain insight to this extremely important environmental work.

Links - [Macquarie perch Monitoring](#) [Instream Habitat Works Trial - short version](#)



**Hughes Creek**  
Catchment Collaborative

The Granite News will be in recess for the next 2 weeks in line with the school holidays.

Your next Granite News will be published  
**Sunday October 9th**

**LANDCARE NOTICE BOARD****HCCC LANDCARE LAUNCHES WEBSITE**

The HCCC Landcare Group has launched a terrific new website that enables everyone in our community to easily access all things "Landcare".

Here's the link

<https://hughescreekcatchmentcollaborative.com>

**READERS' WRITES**

"In response to your query what tree is that?

It is definitely a blue gum.

As there are 5 sub species in this group my suspicion is that it is a *Eucalyptus bicostata* (Eurabbie or Victorian blue gum) common name.

As it is well within its natural range and habitat.

However the fruit (gum nuts) are usually in 3's.

The potential problem with these trees is that it could well be from outside the district and have been planted.

As for the habit of the tree there is great variety within species even in 2 trees from the same stock growing next door to each other."

—Gary Hendy, Arborist  
Strath Creek

"Thanks Gary" — Editor

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## Classifieds and Community Notices

### LOCAL GOINGS ON



Lauris Pritchard, Rebecca Lyttle, Sally Kubeil, Cindy Hayes & Frances Lawrence

The Terip tennis ladies have bagged yet another trophy. Last week they took out the Euroa District Winter Ladies Association PREMIERSHIP by defeating Benalla, 4 sets 38 games to Benalla's 2 sets 33 games.

### TRADING PLACES

Good stuff for private sale or wanted by friendly locals

### FOR SALE Scandia Warmbrite III



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### Nagambie Farmers' Market

Sunday 25 September  
9am to 1pm

4th Sunday of each month

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### SHINDIG AT THE SHED

SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER  
6:30PM

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RSVP

Mel - 0417126975

Judy - 03 5796 9247



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- \* Hand Tools
- \* Axes & Splitters
- \* Gardening tools
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- \* 2nd hand 80% shade cloth
- \* Garden tipping trailer
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Please Contact

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or 0438 885669

# COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR — SEPT/OCT 2016

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

## **HIGHLANDS SPINNERS**

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

450 Caveat-Dropmore Road, Caveat

Contact Jan 5790 4361



**Saturday 24th  
Sept 8:00 pm**

## **EUROA CINEMA "Bad Moms"**

101mins, Rated MA15+, Comedy

**Sunday 25th  
Sept 4:00 pm**

Three overstressed, overworked moms decide to blow off their responsibilities and have some fun, but their wild ways cause them to clash with a rival mommy who's dedicated to preserving the facade of her perfect life.

**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](mailto: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**

**Sunday 25th  
September  
9am—1pm**

## **NAGAMBIE FARMERS MARKET** on the Centre Medium Strip High St Nagambie

The inaugural Nagambie Farmers' market kicks off on Sunday 25 September with the site on High street filled to capacity. Over 75% of the producers accredited with the Victoria Farmers' Market Association (VFMA). **Contact Cynthia Lim 0403 831 520**

**Sunday 25th  
September  
12:30pm**

## **TERIP TERIP RECREATION RESERVE — AGM**

at Terip Rec Reserve

Sausage sizzle with meeting to follow. All Welcome. **Contact Robyn 0407 358191**

**Thursday 29th  
September  
10:30am**

## **REGIONAL HEALTH CLINIC**

at the Tablelands Community Centre, Ruffy

Come along and meet your chronic disease outreach worker, Katrina McMaster. At our first clinic, Katrina will discuss seasonal health topics including Skin cancer - UV radiation & SunSmart strategies - Allergies/Hay Fever/Asthma - Introduction to blood pressure. No appointment necessary. **For more info Contact Melissa 0404 833388**



**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.



**Friday 30th  
September  
Various Times**

## **REMEDIAL MASSAGE**

at The Tablelands Community Centre, Ruffy

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



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

## **HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY GROUP "Shindig in the Shed"**

at "The Gums" 285 Gum Road Caveat BBQ Dinner provided. Same band as last year.

Lots of fun to be had. BYO drinks. **Further info Mel 0417 126975 or Judy 5796 9247**



**Sunday 16th  
October  
Time TBA**

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