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WHITEHEADS CREEK

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**CAVEAT** 

RUFFY

**HIGHLANDS** 

**HUGHES CREEK** 

# **Ramblers at Rantin Robin Rocks**

On Sunday 26th March, twenty one adults and children left their vehicles beside a track junction and walked along a well-formed track towards the southeast. It was a fine day but was promising to reach the low 30°Cs during the afternoon. Some were regulars on these Ramblers walks and used them as an opportunity

for exercise, enjoyment of the forest and to catch up with neighbours. Others were either in the district briefly or had made the trip from Melbourne so that they could meet neighbours and friends and learn a little more about this corner of the Strathbogie plateau around Highlands and Caveat.



Soon we left the main track for a rough walking track and were now close up to the messmate forest, and there were some of the common trees here for all to appreciate. Apart from these stringybarks, there were narrow leaf peppermint, blackwood, silver wattle, dogwood and musk daisy bush. Patches of Burgan Kunzea ericoides (looking superficially like prickly tea tree) prompted discussion about the way Burgan was taking over and making some areas of the region little use for agriculture, conservation or recreation.

The final section of the outward walk was across private property and cleared paddocks and interest shifted from vegetation to geology. High on a hill was our destination of Rantin Robin Rocks which at almost 20m height are surely some of the highest boulders in the Strathbogie Ranges. Lunch was eaten amongst the massive rocks, and then we set off retracing our steps to vehicles.

Peg Lade, the leader of many previous Highlands Ramblers activities, invited us all back to her farm at Glentannar near Highlands where she entertained us with stories of the area while her daughter Jenny slaved away in the kitchen making sure we all had hot drinks

Many thanks to our guide for the day, Louise Currie, Maurice Brightland for access to private property, Peg and Jenny, and of course our trip organiser Judy Reid. By Neil Phillips



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# **Classifieds and Community Notices**

## LOCAL GOINGS ON

# "GraniteHill" Auction is Sure to Draw a Crowd

Euroa Health's new Aged Care facility will be the beneficiary of a

Goods & Services Auction next Friday night April 7th



There are more than 120 Quality Items up for auction and all funds will benefit **GraniteHill**.

# Major Items include:

**Part ownership in a Thoroughbred Horse**—Mansfield Zoo Family Pass—Theatre Tickets—Dressed Lambs

**Accommodation Packages** — RACV Resort, Port Fairy, Point Lonsdale, Ruffy, and Euroa.

**Dining Packages** — Mitchelton, Strathbogie, Euroa and Ruffy

**Breakfast & Tour of Lindsay Park** 

**Personal Health Services** — Physio, Massage, Pilates and Gym Membership

**White Goods** — Miele Commercial Dishwasher & Bosch Domestic Dishwasher

**Artworks** — Paintings & Sculpture

**AFL Football Tickets** — MCG Reserved Seats and Etihad Stadium Medallion Club Seats



Venue: Mercy Hall, St John's School
Anderson St. Euroa Time: 7:30pm
\$20 for light supper & wine, BYO other drinks
Tickets at the Bower Boutique in Binney Street or
the Hub

# **TERIP TERIP TENNIS CLUB NEWS**

# **Tennis Court Keys Missing**

We noticed the keys missing on Monday 20th March and we'd hoped they would've turned up by now.
Before we look into changing locks, we're hoping that by sending out a note we may remind someone that they

have the keys in their possession!

## **Table Tennis Competition**

We've had a few people interested in starting an evening table tennis competition on a weekly basis in Ruffy. If you'd like to have a hit, then please let us know and if we have enough interest we'll get something started.



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# COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR — APRIL 2017

Friday 7th
April
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.

'Drinks on the Deck' is early this month due to Easter

**Contact Judy 5796 9247** 



## "GRANITEHILL" CHARITY AUCTION

at St John's School Anderson St Euroa

Euroa Health is holding a Goods & Services Auction to benefit their fabulous new Aged Care facility "GraniteHill". Over 120 Quality Items up for auction.

Tickets \$20 available at Bower Boutique Binney St Euroa or The Hub, Euroa

Thursday 13th April until Monday 17th 10am-4pm daily

#### WHITEHEADS CREEK EASTER ART SHOW

at Whiteheads Creek Hall

This is the 5th in the series of Art for CFA—Featuring works from Artists in CFA District 12. All Welcome & monies raised go to Whiteheads Creek Rural Fire Brigade. Entry by Gold Coin

Good Friday 14th April Midday

#### RUFFY CFA - GOOD FRIDAY LUNCH

at the Ruffy Fire Shed

The annual community seafood lunch is on again. **EVERYBODY** is **WELCOME**This is a terrific chance for the community to come together to support the
Royal Children's Hospital appeal and to catch up with local friends.

Volunteer Tin Rattlers are encouraged to Contact Felicity 0413 483450



#### **ANZAC DAY**

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ANZAC Commemoration Service followed by BBQ Lunch: BYO Salad or Dessert to share.

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Tuesday 25th April 11:30am

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HCCC Landcare wants to gauge the level of interest in a **Progressive Farming Group.** 



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Please Contact Mel Bronca hughes.creek1@gmail.com

Tablelanas Rainfall		
Month	Highlands	Ruffy
March	mm	28.5 mm
2017Total	mm	138 mm
March Rain Days		5

# INTERESTING BUT USELESS FACT

NASA had to rename the sizes of the apparatus used for male astronauts to pee, from small, medium, and large - to large, gigantic, and humongous, because no one was willing to pick their true size.

# SPEAKING PLAIN ENGLISH

A 'jiffy' is an actual unit of time, not just an expression.

In computer engineering, it is the length of one cycle of the computer's system clock (around 10 milliseconds). In chemistry and physics, a jiffy is the amount of time it takes light to travel a distance of one centimetre — about 33.3564 picoseconds.

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