

THE GRANITE NEWS

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Welcome, Wumindjika and G'day

Following on from last week's introduction to the Taungurung clans herewith some more information about the original custodians of our lands. Taungurung people were closely associated with the neighbouring tribes through language, kinship and ceremonies. They were part of an alliance with 5 adjoining tribes known as the Kulin Nation and shared common dreamtime ancestors and creation stories, religious beliefs and economic and social relationships. The Taungurung world was divided into two moieties - Bundjil, the Wedge-tailed Eagle and Waang, the Crow. Members of the tribe identified with one or the other of these moieties and this determined the pattern for marriage. Various plants were used on a daily basis for domestic purposes such as - Stringy bark (Dhulangi) which was used to construct shelters or to weave baskets. Fibrous plants such as Tussock Grass (Dulim) produced twine and nets while other tree species were used to fashion shields, clubs, boomerangs, water carriers and canoes. The pelts from the native possum (Walert) were sewn together to form cloaks that were ideal for the cold and wet conditions. Plants such as Karradjong provided fibres to weave nets for harvesting the nutritious Bogong Moth. In the summer Taungurung people would travel south for the Debera (Bogong Moth) season and would then head back northwards when the weather cooled.

When Europeans first settled the region in the early 1800s life for the Taungurung people in Central Victoria was changed dramatically. Early establishment and expansion of European settlement severely disrupted the Taungurung way of life and traditional society broke down due to introduced diseases, denial of access to traditional foods and medicines and conflict. Evidence of scar trees, rock shelters, rock art and even place

names indicate the longevity of the Taungurung heritage in our local area.

Source = Taungurung Clans - About

Until next week, stay warm, Pauline

And **Kenny**? - was watching Cassie do some traditional weaving





Feedback? - contact editor@tgn.org.au or to subscribe on-line go to www.highlands.org.au

"I love days when my only problem is - tea or coffee?"

Anon.

The Granite News is an open but moderated community forum. Readers are encouraged to contribute articles and we also encourage you to air your views on things that interest or concern you within our community. We certainly welcome feedback from you, positive or otherwise on anything that is published in The Granite News

SELL IT—BUY IT

Fox on The Run, on again this year!

This year we are collecting tails @ \$3 each to a maximum of 100 tails.

You can register as a team/family or an individual.

The competition runs from the 4th June until 31st July with all tails to be handed in by the 3rd August.

Presentation to be held in July with trophies for the most tails collected.

> * Contact Neil to register 0417503472 57969111 hughes.creek.fac@gmail.com

EXCITING NEWS Fox on the Run competition has been extended until July 31st - be in it!!

WEBSITE of the WEEK

http://landtomarket.com.au

For more information about the Land to Market project

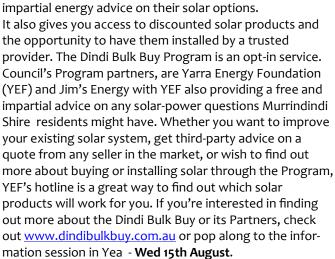
Please note: Thursday evening is the deadline for inclusion in the following week's TGN although this will depend on space and time constraints—thanks

Community Notices & Classifieds

COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR — July & August 2018	
Thursday 26th July 7pm	SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS All people in the district are welcome, gold coin donation towards a BBQ, BYO and chat.
Saturday 28th July 12 to 2pm	HIGHLANDS BLACK MARKET at 94 Old Highlands Rd Bring along your excess produce, buy local and learn from each other. at 94 Old Highlands Rd Enquiries? - Candi 57969366
Sunday 29th July 10.30 am	HIGHLANDS RAMBLERS A 10.30 departure for a walk to Cherry Tree Range and Greenslopes Rd. Enquiries? - Andrew 0427 969297
Sunday 29th July 10.00 to 12.00	NATIONAL TREE DAY COMMUNITY PLANTING Great Victorian Rail Trail near Eglinton Cutting Come along and help plant some beautiful trees. Tools, gloves and lunch provided (see attachment for further details) Enquiries? or RSVPs 0418 595928
Tuesday 31st July	CLOSING DATE for FOX on the RUN competition - BE IN IT TO WIN IT I Don't forget to get your fox tails in - \$3 per tail, up to 100 - to Neil van Buuren 57969111 and help free the extended neighbourhood of this unwanted pest.
Tuesday 7th August @ 6.30pm	MURRINDINDI GREEN WASTE MEETING Council is looking to partner with local community groups interested in helping others by providing a community green waste collection service. The idea is to help those people in our community who need assistance to get their green waste to one of Council's Resource Recovery Centres. All ideas welcomed.
Thursday 9th August @ 7pm	HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY HALL PUBLIC MEETING at Highlands Community Hall Calls for a Committee of Management for the Highlands Community Hall for a term of three years - (see p.3)
Friday 10th August 6.30 pm	DRINKS ON THE DECK Starts at 6.30pm 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. 57969247 & Contact Judy
Monday 12th August 11 am	HIGHLANDS SPINNING CLUB The Highlands Spinning Club will get together in 2018 at the same place—450 Caveat-Dropmore Rd, the same time 11am and with the same good company! BYO lunch and great tea & coffee will be provided. Enquiries? - contact Jan 5790 4361
Wednesday 15th August 7 pm	MURRINDINDI SOLAR BULK BUY MEETING The Dindi Bulk Buy brings Murrindindi Shire home, business and farm owners free impartial energy advice on their solar options. For further information check out www.dindibulkbuy.com.au
Thursday 23rd August 7 pm	HUGHES CREEK CATCHMENT COLLABORATIVE MEETING at Ruffy Community Centre The nest meeting will be held in Ruffy commencing at 7pm. All welcome. Enquiries? - contact Justus 5790 4268
Saturday 25th August 12 to 2pm	HIGHLANDS BLACK MARKET at 94 Old Highlands Rd Bring along your excess produce, buy local and learn from each other. at 94 Old Highlands Rd Enquiries? - Candi 57969366
Sunday 26th August 10.00 am - 12.30pm	TREE STORY - DIE BACK or GROW BACK? & Tree Planting Come along, plant some more beautiful trees and find out about the Strathbogie Ranges Tree Health Project. Meet at the Merton Cemetery car park - Tree planting is on the rail trail & morning Tea will be at Merton Cemetery where Janet Hagen will present the 'Tree Storey' Project, and will talk about how we can assess the health of trees in our landscape
Thursday 30th August 7 pm	SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS All people in the district are welcome, gold coin donation towards a BBQ, BYO and chat.
Every second Wednesday 10.30-12.30	MURRINDINDI MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE at Highlands Hall The Murrindindi Mobile Library service will be visiting the TGN area, based at the Highlands Hall every fortnight on the following dates - put them in you diary now - and come for Morning Tea. August 1st, 15th & 29th Sept 12th & 26th Oct 10th & 24th Nov 7th & 21st and Dec 5th & 19th
Every Monday 10 am	YOGA AT RUFFY At Tablelands Community Centre Ruffy Yoga with Kylie Penny is in full swing. All welcome! Equipment provided, \$15 per class. (BYO water bottle) Any enquiries please call/SMS Kylie 0418899966 or email kyliepenny@gmail.com

Murrindindi Solar Bulk Buy

The Dindi Bulk Buy brings Murrindindi Shire home, business and farm owners free impartial energy advice on their solar options.



Highlands Black Market — 28th July

If you'd like to know more about Turkey's Tail, Lion's Mane and Woodear come and meet Samantha Davey from Caveat Mushrooms.



EUROA ARBORETUM

Join Friends of the Sevens for some planting & weeding days along the Seven Creeks

Saturday 11thAugust 10am – 1 pm Creek side of the Minature Railway area

Saturday 25thAugust 10am – 1pm Creek side of Memorial Oval

For more information, please call Shirley Saywell 0427 246 900 or Cathy Olive 0447 452 637.



Strathbogie Shire has awarded grant funding to

- * Ruffy Arts Fest for their 2018 exhibition and
- * Ruffy Recreation Reserve for new post and rail fencing.

Congratulations to both these community groups on their successful applications.

Ruffy Fire Brigade News

At the last, well attended Annual Meeting several new faces volunteered to take on Lieutenant's and office bearer positions. We are lucky that there is so much depth



of talent in our Brigade that made this possible.

George Noye was re-elected Captain and pointed out the many achievements of the Brigade over the last few years with the office upgrade completed, modern display screen, (Smart TV), chairs and catering facilities purchased, new radios for trucks, up grade to quick fill trailer, new floodlighting around the Station, purchase of a Defibrillator (mounted on the front wall of the Station) the Community Repeater Station, and many other improvements too numerous to mention!

There were community events too: the highly successful Good Friday Appeal, the Community Christmas as well as joining in with the Group Training exercises.

Outgoing officers, John O'Connor, Susan Sleigh and Peter Saglietti and Henry Noye, Communications, were thanked for their commitment to the Brigade. The new team of Travis Tilton (1st Lieutenant), Andrew Bond (2nd), Don Cook (3rd) and Theo La Garde, (4th) Peter Saglietti is in charge of communications, Sally Kubeil-Training and Felicity Sloman the Community Safety Co-Ordinator. Phil Brown is in charge of OH&S and Justus Hagen is still the secretary! A date for your diary **Sunday August 26th** there will be lunch & the presentation of Service Awards at the station. These will be presented to members of 25 years and above with a few members serving up to 60 years, which is just astonishing! Join us to celebrate their milestones. Contact George Noye 57904083 or 0432928301 for more information and/or to RSVP.

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY HALL

Notice is given of a

PUBLIC MEETING

to be held at the Highlands Hall on **Thursday 9th August** commencing at 7.00pm to nominate persons as the Committee of Management for the Highlands Community Hall for a term of three years. The current committee's term will expire on 23rd August 2018. All positions will be declared open and nominations will be accepted prior to or on the night. Further information, nomination forms and nominee declaration forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary, Judy Cameron on 5796 9247.

Reuse, Recycle & Refuse Tips #3

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