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Welcome, Wumindjika and G'day

A glorious week of spring weather and it's so good to be home to enjoy it. With the arrival of warmer weather the environmental workshops and social activities are picking up considerably and lots of photos and fliers are arriving in the Editor's email box to advertise these. Whilst it is great to receive these items it would be most appreciated if they could be sent in a reduced form and size. As has been mentioned previously the maximum size for each week's TGN issue is 2MB, which includes not only The Granite News itself but also any other fliers attached. When photos or fliers arrive that are 3.4MB alone that blows the limit way out of the water. Whilst sometimes it is possible for me to shrink them to a suitable size other times it is not due to the formatting used by the sender. I am also concerned about altering the quality of any images that have been sent by doing this "post-production" processing. So please, please, please if you are sending in any photos or fliers for inclusion in TGN make sure that you have reduced them to the best possible size for inclusion, the smaller the KBs the better, but do so without reducing the quality of your image. Your assistance with this is very much appreciated. Until next week, Pauline

And Kenny? - was visiting Darren Gilbert's studio with U3A

Dear oh Deer! Do you have a deer problem?

Whilst it's nice to wake up and occasionally see the odd Bambi passing through the front paddock, deer are in the same category as foxes - they are ferals! Lately they seem to be on the increase in our local area and GBCMA is interested in your observations/experiences of these animals. The DRAFT Victorian Draft Deer Management Strategy has been released and DEDJTR are actively seeking your feedback on this to shape the final document. To view the strategy follow https://engage.vic.gov.au/draft-victorian-deer-management

-strategy . You are able to download the strategy and provide feedback from this same link. If you can not download it, feel free to send your comments though to Tony, **prior to 29th October** and he will ensure your contribution is submitted.

Tony Kubeil Goulburn Broken CMA

Office: 03 57 647 505 **Mobile:** 0408 597 213

Ruffy CFA Open Day

Sunday 28 October 11am - 2pm FREE BBQ

Meet your local brigade members Advice on property clean ups, fire prevention,

Network with locals, meet new faces.

Also we can have a look at any private fire fighting appliances, change your oil, spark plugs, clean wasp nests out of exhausts, etc.... BYO parts please! See you there **Enquiries- George Noye 0432928301**

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



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

"Once a year go some place you have never been before."

the Dalai Lama

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

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A bee swarm, as sadly the previous one did not last the winter. Happy to travel to pick one up and we can also capture a wild swarm from a tree or gate if needed. Please ring **Melissa 0404 833388** if you can assist.

WEBSITE of the WEEK

www.euroaarboretum.com.au/ plant-order-form

Euroa Arboretum's plant order form with detailed info. about the plants.

Community Notices & Classifieds

	COMMUNITY "WHAT'S ON" CALENDAR — October & November 2018	
	Wednesdays 24th & 31st Oct. @ 7.30 SHARP!	SWING DANCE CLASSES with Ray Thomas If you like the Big Band music of Glenn Miller, Count Basie, etc then these classes will be for YOU! For 6 Wednesdays commencing 26/9 from 7.30 sharp to 9.00pm, just \$50 for 6 classes. Enquiries? Ray 0467 951559
	Thursday 25th October @ 5.30pm	SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS All people in the district are welcome, gold coin donation towards a BBQ, BYO and chat
	Saturday 27th October 10 - 12	WEED IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP Come along to find out more about Weeds of National Significance. See attachment & article for details
	Saturday 27th October 10am-3.30pm	EUROA ARBORETUM & TAUNGUUNG CLANS CULTURAL DAY at Euroa Arboretum Learn from the Taungurung traditional owners how to cook bush tucker, try your hand at weaving and go on a Bushlands "walk & talk". Admission prices are \$20 & \$10. Book early! See last week's attachment for details
6	Saturday 27th October @ 12- 2 pm	HIGHLANDS BLACK MARKET Bring along your excess produce, buy local and learn from each other. at 94 Old Highlands Rd Enquiries? - Candi 57969366
	Sunday 28th October @ 10.30 am	HIGHLANDS RAMBLERS Our next walk will commence at 10.30 from the Highlands Hall - more details to comestay tuned. Enquiries? Andrew 0427 969297 or ajshaw577@hotmail.com
X C	Sunday 28th October 11am - 2pm	RUFFY CFA OPEN DAY Come along and meet local brigade members, free BBQ lunch & advice. Enquiries? George 0432 928301
	Friday 2nd November 10-12	SPRING NATURE WALK commencing at Old Fawcett Rd, Alexandra Come along and join the Upper Goulburn Landcare Group on this discovery walk. RSVPs to Chris 0413 855490
	Saturday 3rd - Tuesday 6th November 10 - 5	HIGHLANDS ARTS COLLECTIVE OPEN WEEKEND various locations in Highlands 6 artists in 3 locations have opened their studios for the long weekend - painting, photography, pottery and sculpture all feature. For further details see the article on p.3.
	Monday 5th November @ 11am NB - DATE CHANGE!!	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
	Tuesday 6th November 12 noon	TERIP TERIP'S Melbourne Cup Day Luncheon Yet another highlight on the Terip social calendar. Chicken & champagne lunch, sweepstakes, prizes!! Ticket prices \$20 per adult & \$50 per family. See attachment for more. RSVPs - Oct 28 Kerri 57904191 Jenny 57904095
	Friday 9th November 1 - 4pm	ACIDIC SOILS & LIMING RATES WORKSHOP UGLN is conducting a workshop on Acidic Soils and Liming Rates, entry is free and afternoon tea will be provided. See attachment in next week's TGN. Details? - Judy 57974405 or uglandcare@ugln.net
•	Friday 9th November @ 6.30pm	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
•	Every second Wednesday 10.30-12.30	MURRINDINDI MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE The Mobile Library visits the TGN area, based at the Highlands Hall every fortnight - Oct 24th, Nov 7th & 21st and Dec 5th & 19th Don't forget the cake and coffee a bargain @ \$4!
	Every Monday 10 am	YOGA AT 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



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Weed Identification Workshop

The end of October is the perfect time to identify weeds, whether grasses, broadleaf or woody, when most will be in flower. To this end, Yea River Catchment Landcare Group will be holding a weed ID workshop headed by Murrindindi Shire Environmental



Officer, Sue McNair. Information on their control will also be given. There will be particular emphasis given to Chilean Needle Grass (cousin of the Serrated Tussock), a highly invasive South American grass that is now in our local area.

Saturday 27/10 10-12 @ GBCMA Yea office

Ruffy Community Action Group AGM

7.45pm Tablelands Community Centre

Wednesday 14th November 2018

Please note change of date

Enquiries: Melissa McDowall 0403-833-388

Highlands/Caveat CFA Training

Tuesdays 30th Oct & 6th November @ 7.30 @ Fire Shed for some night training

Spring is definitely sprung... with HEAPS of events to choose from & enjoy!

Euroa Arboretum has 2 activities on offer Refer to www.euroaarboretum.com.au for more details

28th October - Nature in Art with Kate Jenvey

The day will begin with a discussion of anatomy, techniques of layering and blending pencil to achieve an exciting and realistic drawing. Reference images and high-quality paper will be supplied. Please bring colour pencils, eraser and sharpener. Lunch & Morning tea are provided.

11th November - An Introduction to Botanical Watercolour with Margaret Zaal

No materials required for this course. Margaret will look at "the paint" doing exercises using water-colour paints. Attendees will draw a small botanical subject and execute a finished dimensional work of art. Lunch & morning tea are provided.

27th & 28th October - Alexandra & District Open Gardens 10am-4pm

Beautiful Town & Country Gardens Plant Sales, Garden Sculptures & more. Check out their website www.alexandraopengardens.com.au

10th & 11th November - Open Gardens Yea & District 10am-5pm

Ten exceptional gardens open in Yea & District plus the Yea Garden Club Annual Plant Sale. Maps & garden details available on www.yearotary.org.au



Melbourne Cup Day Weekend Highlands Artist Collective Open Studios

3rd - 6th November 10-5 daily

6 artists @ 3 locations

Dennis Spiteri

Margaret-Anne Milburn

Andrew & Jill Maclean

Philip Wischer

Darren Gilbert



At the suggestion of the Ruffy CFA Community Safety Officer, thanks Felicity, The Granite News will regularly feature a key CFA message re the forthcoming fire season. This is due to the fact that the drier than average weather over recent months, combined with the spring forecasts, suggests that the fire season is likely to commence earlier than usual and be more active than normal in parts of the state. Stay tuned.

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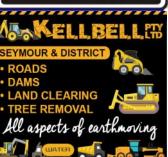


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