



PEOPLE AND PLACES



Art from the Heart of the Goulburn

Tallarook Art Society (TARTS) is returning to Tallarook after an overwhelming response from the community and this year will be themed "Earth, Wind, Water".

TARTS Art from the Heart of the Goulburn will be held at the Tallarook Mechanics Institute on Saturday June 9 from 10-4pm with the gala opening cocktail party at 7pm where prizes will be announced. Tickets available from our website for the gala opening at \$30 and \$27 concession. The exhibition will continue on Sunday 10-4pm where the Peoples Choice awards will be announced at 3pm.

TARTS will continue to encourage support for young and emerging artists with several awards available in this category.

Entry to the exhibition is by gold coin donation and a cafe will be available for light snacks. Eftpos available. For further information contact www.tallarookartsociety.com.au or call Fleur Clifton 0417 395 967.

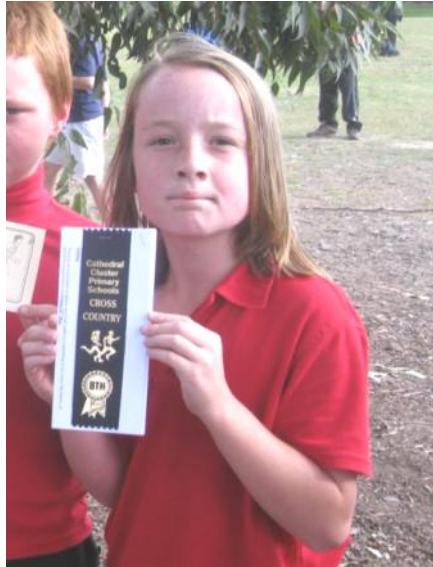


Puppets:

Thanks to Leone who has organised Suzie Bates to do some work with us at Highlands Primary School on puppet making. We started designing our puppets last week and continued work yesterday. Suzie will be at school again on Friday 1st June at 9am. If there are any community members interested in coming along and assisting up with the puppet making, we'd love to see you.

NOTES FROM HIGHLANDS PRIMARY

STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Rick : For a terrific effort at Cross Country and for a positive attitude and great improvement in all areas. Well done!

Cross Country:

Congratulations to all students who travelled to Eildon on Monday to compete in the Cluster Cross Country. Everyone represented HPS in a very positive manner. There were some excellent results with everyone trying really hard in their age group events. Special congratulations to Rick who will compete at Zone next Friday 1st June, Jessica who came 2nd in the year 3 girls race, to John who came 2nd in the Fun Run. Great effort!

GALLERY 34

invites you to a solo exhibition by John Hunt 'Belonging' May 31– July 30 2012

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There will be no Granite News from the 17th June to the 8th July.

KOALAS AT TERIP AND RUFFY

(Article taken from the Euroa 'Gazette'/ Advertiser 18th April 1944- reprinted in: Ruffy Pioneers Past and Present- The Ruffy History preservation Committee 2011)

On Friday afternoon, residents of Ruffy and Terip Terip had the opportunity of watching the liberation of koala bears in their district. Thirty two koalas were transported from Quail Island. Placed in special crates, each of which held four bears, the koalas arrived in a motor vehicle, under the care of Mr Green, Inspector of the Fisheries and Game Department. He was assisted by a local honorary inspector, Mr Bon Noye.

The bears were liberated in groups of eight, one group near the Ruffy township, one near the Ruffy- Terip Terip Presbyterian church, one at the reserve near the church and the fourth group at Creightons Creek. Quite a number of residents and school children attended the various places to view these interesting little animals. While the bears were awaiting release near the church a koala was observed sleeping in a tree directly above the spot. It was one of the bears that had been released two years previously.

The method of liberation is very simple. The door of the crate is placed towards a tree, and when it is opened, the bear immediately ambles to the trunk and very quickly he is perched in the top-most branches. The bears released on Friday, were all fine specimens, and it is hoped that they will thrive in their new habitation. They would certainly provide an added attraction to this district.

Thanks to Simone Ulstrup for sending in this article.

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COMMUNITY WHAT'S ON CALENDAR - MAY/JUNE 2012

Week beg 3rd June	<i>Terip Terip Recreation Reserve Mowing Roster Ken & Robyn Richards Helen Mckenzie</i>
Thurs 31st May	HIGHLANDS / CAVEAT Rural Fire Brigade END OF SEASON MEETING (planning for Mud Bash) @ 19:30 @ Highlands Fire Shed Office Everyone urged to attend the meeting so we have a quorum
Thursday 31st May	Secret Men's Business at the Caveat Church this Thursday. Everyone in the district is welcome to attend an informal gathering at the church for a BBQ and chat. BBQ will be supplied, BYO drinks and enjoy.
Friday 1st June	Good grazing from ground up – Sustainable Farm Practices Speakers from the DPI, Goulburn Broken CMA and Upper Goulburn Landcare will cover some of the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • water catchment priorities • soil health and erosion issues • perennial pastures and grazing management • value of paddock trees and vegetation remnants. Details will be available on the day about grant incentive programs, producer networks and related upcoming events and courses. DSE Complex, 5 Binns-McCraes Road, Alexandra Starts at 9.00 am with a 15 min tour of the new Level 3 Incident Control Centre in the DSE Complex. Presentations run until lunchtime, then we visit (self- drive) a local 120 ha beef property that demonstrates the benefits of land-class fencing, native pasture retention on steeper slopes, rotational grazing and remnant vegetation protection. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Registration Essential to RSVP by Wednesday, 30 May, 2012 to: Judith Hill on 5772 0278 or judith.hill@dpi.vic.gov.au
Friday 1st June	WILDLIFE RECOVERY AFTER BLACK SATURDAY The Yea Wetlands Committee are very pleased to bring to you a wonderful story of recovery. The Project—Focus on Fauna, is an initiative of the Upper Goulburn Landcare Network which set out to survey and record the wildlife that was returning to private properties after the Black Saturday Bushfires. The results of the year long survey, undertaken in 2011 will amaze you. For more information visit www.focusonfauna.wordpress.com Where: Maranatha Hall, Lyons St, Yea Time: 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm Nibbles and Two course meal Coffee and chocolates to follow Cost: \$40 per person Bookings are open now through Glenda Woods Phone: 57 972 417, 0428 321545 or woodsylgm@bigpond.net.au
1st June, 7th December	SEYMOUR WOMEN'S HEALTH—PAP CLINIC Seymour Women's Health is partnering with Yea Community House to offer a free PAP Clinic. 9am-3.30pm Where: Yea Women's Clinic, Grace Bennett Centre, Yea Hospital Cost: FREE Bookings: 03 5735 8050
Saturday 2nd June	Yea Country Market occurs every 1st Saturday of each month – 9am to 2pm at Yea Railway Park, Station Street, Yea. Enquiries about the market can be directed to 0409 130 587 or yeamarket@gmail.com . New stalls and all the favourites will be there to ensure fantastic shopping.
June 2nd & 3rd	EUROA COMMUNITY CINEMA "Salmon Fishing in the Yemen" 107 minutes (M) Comedy / Romance 3.5 stars Based on the novel by Paul Torday, the story is about a scientist who is approached by a Sheik in the Yemen to introduce salmon fishing into his country.
Tuesday 5th June	Ruffy Rural Fire Brigade-Annual General Meeting followed by general meeting at the Ruffy Hall, 8pm . All welcome.
Friday 8th June	'Drinks on the Deck' at Highlands Community Hall from 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.
Sunday 17th June	BIKE SERVICING with Shannon Rademaker, All Terrain Cycles Get your bike serviced at the Yea Community House all day on with Shannon Rademaker from All Terrain Cycles, Mansfield. It will cost \$88 for a complete service per bike. Full price lists can be made available upon request. A service can be tailored to your needs. If any other accessories are required please let the house know so Shannon can bring them with him. Bookings are essential! Yea and District Community House Phone: 03 5797 3070
Thursday 21st June	CARBON FARMING ROADSHOW- SHEPPARTON Would you like to know more about the Carbon Farming Initiative? A free event is to be held in Shepparton where industry experts will discuss practical opportunities in Carbon Farming. RSVP is essential due to limited numbers by Monday 18th June. Please contact: Phone: GBCMA on 03) 5736 0100 Email: chrisb@gbcma.vic.gov.au
Saturday 23rd June	WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO BE DOING ON THE LONGEST AND COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR? Stay rugged up in hibernation at home or venture out for a fun night in our new heated fire station. THE UPTON HILL FIRE BRIGADE AND THE BURNT CREEK LANDCARE GROUP INVITE YOU, YOUR FAMILY (AND KIDS) AND FRIENDS TO JOIN US FOR A MID WINTER DINNER AND BRIGADE PRESENTATION NIGHT Please let Wendy or Sandy know if you plan to be with us. Wendy Wright (Brigade Secretary) 0419 441 993 www.sww@bigpond.com Sandy MacKenzie (Brigade Treasurer) 5796 2088 sandymackenzie@ozemail.com.au
Thursday 28th June	HIGHLANDS / CAVEAT Rural Fire Brigade AGM (election of office bearers) @ 19:30 @ Highlands Fire Shed Office Everyone urged to attend the meeting so we have a quorum.
Saturday 14th July	Terip Terip Annual Community Dinner at the Recreation Reserve commencing at 6.30 pm, \$20 per head or \$50 per family. 50's and 60's Rock and Roll theme. Prizes for the best dressed female and male rockers. Everyone welcome. Come along and enjoy a yummy casserole dinner and wonderful company. Bring your dancing shoes and rock along to the great music provided by Jimmy Davidson.

Classifieds & Community Notices

BEEF CATTLE DAY ASSESSED THE OPTIONS

Beef cattle appear to be the preferred animal enterprise opportunity currently according to a 'mini survey' conducted at the recent "Elements of Livestock Care" workshop sponsored by the Seymour Agricultural & Pastoral Society.

Attendees at the workshop voted cattle as their preferred interest over sheep or alternative animal enterprises.

The Workshop held at the historic Worrour property of the Miller family at Trawool attracted over twenty local hobby or small acreage farmers from the local area.

Attendees heard wide ranging presentations on livestock care, the management of pastures and biodiversity projects, livestock marketing and veterinary care of livestock.

Key presenters included DPI officers Jane Court and Brad Costin while Janet Hagen represented the Strathbogie Conservation Management Network.

Finally Seymour based veterinarians John Dalziel and Andrew Hogan provided practical demonstrations on pregnancy testing and animal welfare.



The historic Worrour property on Greenslopes Road at Trawool was purchased by Hugh Miller and his family fifty years ago. Now 1,100 acres and about one third Goulburn River flats and one third granite hill country the property was once a station of about 28,000 acres.

And as one of the earliest selections in the Trawool district part of the original homestead can be traced back to about 1842. In fact the original timber shingle roof of the first section of the homestead is preserved under corrugated iron. A further section of the house was added about 1890 and then an even further addition much later. Worrour is recorded by the National Trust and is thus one of the earliest homesteads still in use in the Upper Goulburn district.

By John Kennedy

BITS OF BOTANY AND BIRDS

Small Brown Birds

Posted on Strathbogie Ranges - Nature View May 23, 2012 by jhx6hagen

The Euroa Birdwatchers visited Ruffy this week to check out the bird life in our riparian forest. The group (Betty, Ann and Jill) were delighted with the number of 'small brown birds' using this area.

Before lunch the bush was alive with birds foraging in the bark hanging from the mountain swamp gums and amongst the tea-tree thickets. After lunch the wind sprung up and the smaller birds disappeared , apparently this is the normal pattern on bird watching afternoons.

Our list included : Yellow-faced honeyeaters, White-eared honeyeaters, Black-chinned honeyeaters, Brown headed honeyeaters, (I can see a pattern here !) Red wattlebird, Grey fantail, Blue wren, White-throated tree creeper, Golden whistler, Grey thrush, Flame robin, Yellow rumped thornbill, Striated thornbill, Yellow thornbill ... These small brown birds are very colourful .



BOOK REVIEW

Tales from Outer Suburbia – Shaun Tan

Shaun Tan is probably best known for his prize winning picture books that are not necessarily for children. Thought provoking books with visually dramatic illustrations that entices the reader to look for 'more'. Tales however is a step on from the picture book format.

Although generously illustrated with an incredibly diverse range of styles - from realism to surrealism – it is the short stories, complimented by the artwork, that express so much humanity and provide much food for thought. Although it masquerades as a picture fiction this is a book for a much wider audience. Extend your horizons.

By Pauline Roberts

FOX ON THE RUN- \$500 PRIZE UP FOR GRABS

The "Fox on the run" competition is due to commence on June 1st 2012. The competition will run for the month of June only, at the end of June fox tails are required to be handed in, and will be tallied. The team with the most will receive a trophy and grand prize of a \$500 voucher to Trelly's Tackle World in Shepparton.

Teams must register their interest before June 1st to be eligible to compete. Please supply team name and contact details.

Teams can consist of individuals or groups of 6 people maximum. Teams must be residents within the Hughes Creek Catchment OR have permission to shoot on properties within the catchment. (Ruffy, Highlands, Caveat, Terip Terip, Whiteheads Creek, Dropmore, Tarcombe). Hunters must have appropriate license and permission to shoot on properties if applicable. To register your team please email Simone on hughes.creek1@gmail.com prior to June 1st.

WORK REQUIRED

Work required - looking for any admin work around the district, can come to you or do from home, great rates available ASAP.

References can be supplied.
Call 0437281072 or email
shaz2810@yahoo.com.au

DETOX YOUR HOME

EXTRACT Councillor Comment
Cr Kevin Bellingham, Cathedral Ward

Are you wondering how to get rid of all the old chemicals you have lying around the home? We are encouraging all residents to take advantage of the 'Detox your Home' program which is coming to the Yea Saleyards on Saturday 16 June. This free service allows you to safely dispose of old cleaning products, paint, dead batteries and even weed killer stored around the home without putting a strain on the environment.

On the day, simply bring along your containers for disposal between 1.30pm – 4.30pm and you won't even need to leave your car. There will be instructions and directional signage at the site. Bring as few or as many products as you like but please ensure that the containers are no more than 20 litres or 20 kilograms.

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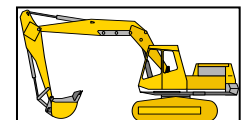
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