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Welcome, Wumindjika and G'day

What a delightful burst of late autumnal weather, it makes you wonder whether the coming winter is going to be a bit of a non-event like last summer, but in the opposite direction. Guess we will just have to wait and see what the next few months bring.

In the meantime Mudbash is back happening at Mafeking Park, Caveat over the Queen's Birthday weekend (see below) Highlands Ramblers are making a reappearance this coming Sunday 30/5 (ring Andrew to RSVP 0437 249038) and the Highlands Community Hall would love to see some interested locals attend the next meeting on Thursday 3/6.

After an hiatus, lasting over a year, Vivien Watmough is also returning to Ruffy with her One to One Well Being classes (see p.3 for more info) It's good to see so many activities reinstated in our local area & calendar.

Until the next issue of TGN, stay safe and warm, **Pauline**

And Kenny... was highlighting the Terip Terip Morning Tea.

WANTED - Volunteers to help with CFA fundraising

Every year the Queen's Birthday weekend rolls around and two things happen - 1. Rovers (18-25 yr old Scouts) from all over Victoria, & hopefully interstate, descend on Mafeking Park for a fun weekend.

and 2. The Highlands-Caveat RFB holds its annual fundraising event rattling donation buckets and selling firewood to these Rovers.

In order to make this happen many volunteers are needed to collect and stack wood in advance - **Wednesday 26th May @ 2pm at Mafeking Park.** Enter through the back gate off Moore's Road. Need to bring gloves and earmuffs. **Please RSVP, ASAP, to Scott 0427 969 259**



Volunteers are also required to help rattle donation buckets on the gate at designated times (see p.2) on the Fri/Sat/Sun of the Queen's Birthday weekend. All community members welcome. **Ring Pauline 0427 529551** if you are able to assist with this. Thanks.

HCCC Membership

Don't forget that membership of the Hughes Creek Catchment Collaborative is ongoing and free! Just email editor@tgn.org.au to join.

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



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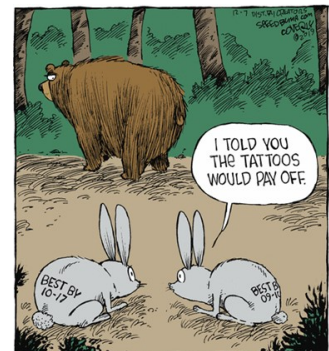
"Songs are thoughts, sung out with the breath when people are moved by great forces and ordinary speech no longer suffices."

Orpingalik - Inuit Sharman (1923)

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**

Let's laugh



Post Covid - Post Carbon

Let your fruit and veg go naked in the trolley - or invest in reusable produce bags.

**HCCC Membership so far
164 ... and counting**

Community Notices

WHAT'S ON — May & June



Wednesday 26th May
@ 2pm

HIGHLANDS-CAVEAT RFB - Wood collection

at Mafeking Park

Calling all CFA volunteers to come and collect, cut and stack firewood for Mudbash—see p.1 for details

Thursday 27th May
@ 5.30pm

SECRET MEN'S BUSINESS

at Caveat Church

All people in the district are welcome, pink note (\$5) donation towards a BBQ, BYO and chat

Saturday 29th May 9-5
& Sunday 30th May 10-4

16th UFO (UnFinished Objects) CRAFT WEEKEND

at Highlands Community Hall

All crafty (that's arty, not sneaky) people are invited to attend this excellent event for a day or the whole weekend. Come along & finish or start your masterpiece!
Enquiries **Pauline 0408 246308**

Saturday 29th May
9.30am - 2.30pm

Mt BERNARD TREK

departing from Avenel Maze, Upton Rd

A guided walk highlighting the granite structures of the Strathbogie Ranges. Cost \$10. Everyone is welcome, see last week's TGN for more details.
Enquiries? - Kevin 0400 667138

Saturday 29th May
@ 6.30pm

TERIP COMMUNITY DINNER & BONFIRE

at Terip Recreation Reserve

Everyone is welcome, cost—FREE! RSVP by 21st May
Enquiries? - Jenny 0417 518020



Sunday 30th May
commencing @ 10am

HIGHLANDS RAMBLERS

departing from Highlands Community Hall

All ramblers are welcome to join Andrew Shaw on a local discovery walk and hopefully on future walks in the surrounding area. Interested attendees, see p.3 and contact Andrew to RSVP **0437 249038**

Monday 31st May
@ 10am

QIGONG CLASSES with VIVIEN WATMOUGH RESUME—see below & p.3

Recommencing today!

Thursday 3rd June
@ 7pm

HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY HALL MEETING

at Highlands Community Hall

All community members are invited to attend this Hall meeting and maybe consider becoming more involved with the Hall Committee. See p.3 for more details.
Enquiries? - Judy 57969247



Friday 11th June
@ 6.30pm

DRINKS ON THE DECK

at Highlands Community Hall

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

Friday 11th June -
Sunday 13th June



HIGHLANDS-CAVEAT RFB FUNDRAISING @ MUDBASH

at Mafeking Park

Volunteers for bucket rattling are required at the following times

Friday 11/6 3 - 7pm (includes setting up as well as fundraising) **Also 7 - 11ish pm - donations only**

Saturday 12/6 9-11am and 11am-1pm

Sunday 13/6 9-11am and 11am-1pm (includes dismantling)

Offers of assistance 0427 529551

Monday 14th June
@ 11am



HIGHLANDS SPINNING CLUB

The Highlands Spinning Club will get together in 2021 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



Saturday 19th June
12-2-pm

HIGHLANDS BLACK MARKET

at 94 Old Highlands Rd

Bring along your excess produce, buy local and learn from each other.
Enquiries? - Clare 0428 969366

Every second
Wednesday 10.30-12.30

MURRINDINDI MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

at Highlands Community Hall

The Mobile Library visits the TGN area, based at the Highlands Hall every fortnight. Why not pop in??
YAY! The Mobile Library will be at Highlands on these dates— May 26th and June 9th & 23rd.

Every Monday
@ 10 am

ONE TO ONE WELL-BEING CENTRE EUROA

at Tablelands Community Centre

Qigong classes, Shiatsu Massage, Counselling and Psychotherapy (commencing Monday 31st May)

For bookings or further info contact Vivien 5795 3349 or 0405 612400

Every Thursday
@ 7.30 (sharp) - 9pm

SWING DANCE CLASSES - Free!

at Euroa Uniting Church Hall

Swing dances feature the... and they are definitely all about having fun!!
Enquiries? Ray 0467 951559

Postponed until further notice

Qigong returns to Tablelands Community Centre 31 May at 10.00 am

Qigong means working the energy, and in Traditional Chinese Medicine is an ancient health cultivation practice. The gentle movements are accessible to all helping to balance the body and maintain good health. The class commences with a warm up, practice of a form or series of movements and ends with a short meditation.

Cost \$15 per session – no booking required.

Vivien Watmough is a Qigong Teacher trained by Qigong Master Simon Blow, a qualified shiatsu practitioner (Japanese acupuncture) and a Gestalt Psychotherapist.

From 11.30 each Monday at the community Centre Vivien is offering Shiatsu Massage either on a futon in traditional style or on a massage table. A treatment may also include other techniques such as cupping, moxabustion, guasha, sotai to assist in the healing process. Counselling and psychotherapy will also be offered. Each session lasts one hour and costs \$80.

Please contact Vivien direct at One to One Well Being Centre in Euroa on 03 57953349 or 0405612400 for further information and bookings

RECYCLING QUIZ - Answers next week

1. Are McDonalds' cups recyclable?
2. Are milk cartons recyclable?
3. Can batteries be put into your recycling bin?
4. Which item is the hardest to separate out in the recycling process?
5. Can shredded paper be recycled?
6. Can heat-activated receipts be recycled? (These receipts are the ones that turn black when left in the sun.)
7. Should you crush aluminium cans before putting them into the recycle bin?
8. Should you do anything special with aluminium foil or trays before putting them into the recycle bin?
9. Can you recycle aluminium containers lined with paint or plastic?
10. Can you recycle steel bottle tops?
11. Can you recycle pet food sachets?
12. Can you put green waste into a recycling bin?

Sadly no prizes for the most correct answers, but have a go and see how much you know before next week.

Source: originally published in The Yea Chronicle.

Highlands Ramblers walks are back!



Well... they could be if the support is there for reinstating these monthly walks of discovery. Andrew Shaw is offering to lead the first one on **Sunday 30th May departing from the Highlands Hall at 10am.**

If you are interested in attending please let him know - **0437 249038.**

ATTENTION HIGHLANDS COMMUNITY

The Highlands **Community** Hall needs **Community** Members to become involved in making the **Community** Hall a viable function / meeting place for all. The Highlands **Community** Hall Committee would welcome any volunteers with a willingness to participate in the committee with fresh ideas to promote our wonderful premises. Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd June 7.00pm and we would welcome any **Community** Members as guests to see what is involved in being part of our committee.

Feel free to contact Judy Cameron on 5796 9247 with any questions or attend our meeting on 3rd June.

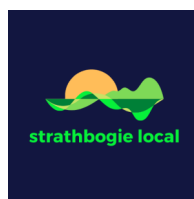
* Ruffy Hall is accepting donations

After the excellent article about the Ruffy Hall and its fundraising efforts some readers have asked how they could contribute. There are two options for non-Ruffy residents either by direct credit...

A/C Name –Ruffy Public Hall

BSB –06 3682 A/C Number –1002 5391 OR
cheques can be sent to

Melissa Eddy, (Treasurer) 2 Nolans Rd, Ruffy 3666



Strathbogie Local

is now delivering orders to the Ruffy Store! Strathbogie Local began during Covid-19 to support local producers in a year when regular markets were paused.

This volunteer supported, not-for-profit enterprise, offers a click and collect service at the Brady & Kibble depot in Euroa (Friday afternoons 3-5pm) or now delivers to both Ruffy and Strathbogie.

Strathbogie Local is all about linking local food growers to local customers. Produce available includes wonderful wood-fired oven bread, local vegetables, nuts and fruit, as well as beer and wine, meat and other local treats.

Order on-line Wednesday and collect your goods on Friday afternoon.

<https://openfoodnetwork.org.au/strathbogie-local/shop>



REVIEW OF MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989 AND 2020

In accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Acts 1989 and 2020* Council is required to review Mayoral and Councillor Allowances prior to 30 June 2021.

At its meeting of 18 May 2021, Council resolved to give notice that the review has commenced and is now seeking community input into the review.

Allowances are set by the Minister for Local Government and **Strathbogie Shire is a Category 1 municipality – Small Rural Council.**

At its May Council meeting, Council resolved in principle to retain allowances at their current levels, which are:

Mayoral allowance: \$62,884 allowance plus \$5,973.98 allowance equivalent to the superannuation guarantee of 9.5%

Councillor allowance: \$21,049 allowance plus \$1999.66 allowance equivalent to the superannuation guarantee of 9.5%.

Submissions from the community are now sought in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* in relation to this allowance review.

Written submissions must be received by 5pm Monday 21 June 2021 and must be addressed to:
Julie Salomon
Chief Executive Officer
Strathbogie Shire Council
PO Box 177, Euroa VIC 3666
Or via our online engagement hub at www.share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au or email to info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au

Please indicate in your written submission if you would like the opportunity to make a verbal presentation to Council in support of your written submission, or have someone act on your behalf to make this verbal submission for you..

The meeting to hear submissions is to commence at 4pm on Tuesday 29 June 2021 and will be held in the Community Conference Centre, Bury Street, Euroa.

Submissions made in accordance with section 223 of the Act are considered public documents and may be incorporated in the agenda and minutes of the Council Meeting at which they are considered and available on Council's website as part of the relevant agenda and minutes of the meeting.

Any queries can be directed to the Executive Manager, Governance and Customer Service on 1800 065 993.

Board Member Community Representative



Goulburn Valley Regional Library Corporation, trading as Goulburn Valley Libraries provide Library services to the communities in the municipalities of City of Greater Shepparton, Moira Shire and Strathbogie Shire. We operate ten Libraries in the townships of Cobram, Euroa, Mooroopna, Nagambie, Nathalia, Numurkah, Tatura, Violet Town, Yarrawonga and the City of Shepparton and a Mobile Library service that serves smaller communities within the region. A Central Administration centre at Shepparton supports the Library operations by providing shared support services and logistics.

The Corporation is established by an Agreement between the three member municipalities, approved by the Minister for Local Government in accordance with the *Local Government Act*.

The Corporation is governed by an independent Board consisting of representatives from each of the three municipalities. The Board employs a Chief Executive Officer who is responsible for the management and operation of the organisation.

The main roles of the Library Board are to:

- Set the strategic direction of the corporation
- Determine and approve policy
- Monitor organisational performance.

The Board consists of nine members, three nominated from each member municipality, including:

- A Councillor,
- A Senior Officer
- A Community Representative

The Board is independent from the member Councils and must act in the interests of the Corporation.

VALUED KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE

- Knowledge or experience in Board Governance is desirable
- Financial management skills would be an advantage to fulfilling your role
- Business management experience or skills
- An understanding of the function & operation of public libraries in Victoria
- Community consultation experience
- Well developed communication skills
- Ability to analyse and report on data and information
- Understanding of business Risk Management and Strategic Planning

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

- The Board usually meets in Shepparton due to the central location
- Ability to utilize communications electronically through email is required
- The Board meets at least five times per year
- Meetings are currently scheduled for 2-3 hours on Thursday afternoons commencing at 2pm.
- Sub-committee roles may require additional meeting
- There is no remuneration offered for this position

For further information about this position, please contact David Roff, Senior Officer Board Member for Strathbogie Shire on 5795 0000.

To apply, please submit a cover letter, and a response to the key selection to info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au

Applications close 9am, Thursday 10 June 2021

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