



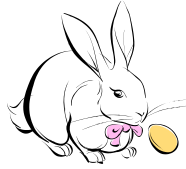
April 2014

## EASTER ON THE TABLELAND

Easter Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2014

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### What's on April

**Thurs 17th** - 6pm Family Easter at  
Strathbogie Rec Ground

**Fri 18 - Mon 21** - Easter

**Thurs 24th** - 10am ANZAC day Ser-  
vice Strathbogie Primary School -  
meet at the Hall.

**Fri 25th** - ANZAC DAY

**Sat 26th** - 2pm - Forest Walk - on  
history led by Anne Simpson

**Every Tuesday** - 10.30am Tai Chi at  
the Boho South Hall.

**Every Second and Fourth Sunday** -  
Church service at Strathbogie Church  
- 11.30am

**Every Friday morning** - 9.15am Yo-  
ga - Strathbogie Hall

**Every first Wednesday** of the month  
- 1.30pm Strathbogie Garden Group.  
Contact Olwyn 57908636, or Wendy  
57908523

**Every Wednesday** - Material Girls -  
10am - Rec Ground - BYO lunch.  
Newcomers welcome - Ph Jenny  
Walker 57905111 or Jill Smith  
57905159

**Every Wednesday** - 7.30pm Strath-  
bogie Singing Group - St Andrews  
Church - Strathbogie (except in  
School Holidays) ph. Di Mackrell  
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**Every Fourth Sunday** 9-11am -  
Friends of the Bridge to Bridge. New  
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### History Walk of the Forest & the old Tallangalook township

*A call of gold—I've struck  
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*A township of 5000 people  
A rush!*

Saturday April 26th

Join Anne Simpson and others for a tour of  
the historic Tallangalook township right  
here in our forest to the east of Strathbogie.

Meet at 1.30pm at the Strathbogie Hall to  
drive to the area.



### ANZAC Day Service

We will once again be joining with members of the Eu-  
roa RSL to hold the Strathbogie ANZAC Day Service  
on Thursday 24th April. The morning will begin at  
10am at the Strathbogie Hall and we warmly invite our  
school and wider community to join us. The kids will  
sing some much loved songs as well as some senior stu-  
dents sharing their personal reflection on war. Follow-  
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April 19 & 20—"Frozen" (PG)

April 27 & 28—"Nebraska" (M)

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Deadline for May edition - 29th April. Email: [tablelandtalk@gmail.com](mailto:tablelandtalk@gmail.com), ph 57905203, post PO, Strath-  
bogie, or leave contributions at the Strathbogie Store. The TT team.

## WHIPPING THE CREAM 'ROUND 'BOGIE – POST SCRIPT by Max Burnside

*Sadly, this is the last instalment of Max's story of a day with him on a cream run around the Strathbogie's. We would like to thank Max very much for his riveting story, that has certainly stirred a few memories for many as well as providing a great insight into life up here during past times.*

Quite a lot I did not mention in my reminiscence of the Strathbogie cream run. One event I shall never forget is that morning I had just left 'Bogie. I was just past the footy ground when the right hand stub axle broke clean off. The truck slowed to the right and came to rest against a large swamp gum. I was beside myself with worry. I walked to Dick Rowarth's yard to see if he had a spare vehicle that I could borrow or hire. Dick had no spares but he rang Jack Kibble. Jack arrived shortly with a near new J5 Bedford which he willingly loaned me, no strings attached and he had the forethought to fill the fuel tank for me. I had never met Jack before that day. How's that for country hospitality?

Although I never called on Phil Smart I would see him often. Phil was a great fisherman and he would walk for miles looking for little streams, dams or ponds that may hold a trout. I am quite sure Phil could catch a fish on a wet road. He was also well known as a rabbit trapper, a game in which he also excelled. Phil's ambition was to catch two rabbits per trap in one night.

Although he checked his trap line twice a night I don't know if he ever achieved his goal, but more than likely he did. I would often take his rabbits down to Murphy's in Euroa and the quantity was mostly 100 rabbits twice a week.

Quite often I would give people a lift to Euroa. Sometimes they were bush workers who had to collect a part or a vehicle, or to just quench their thirst, but mostly victims of a break down. Robby Mackrell was a regular passenger. I got to know Rob pretty well. We'd have a good old "chinwag." Another regular was an elderly man who lived in the Triangular Block bounded by the Kithbrook Road and Main 'Bogie Road. I have forgotten his name. I don't know how these people came back but I presume they used their thumb.

There was one very careful man on the run. He used to buy a half-loaf of bread twice a week and always came down with a set of kitchen scales to weigh the loaf. This is a fact.

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April 4<sup>th</sup>—Film Lovers Friday

"The Caretaker"

April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> - "The Angel's Share" (MA) &

"Mood Indigo" (MA)

April 11<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> - "The Best Offer" (M)

& "20 Feet From Stardom" (MA)

April 18<sup>th</sup>—20<sup>th</sup> - "The Book Thief" (PG)

& "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty" (PG)

April 23<sup>rd</sup>—11am "The Railway Man" (M)

April 25<sup>th</sup>—27<sup>th</sup> - "The Railway Man" (M)

& "Mr Pip" (M)



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In my twenty years on this run I faced some shocking weather. Some days I would be so wet that I "squellshed" when I sat in the truck. But in all that time I only saw snow falls on about five occasions, but bear in mind I was only up there two days out of seven. Early one morning, right at the Kelvin View turnoff a Spotted Quoll ran across the road. Years later I also saw one on the Longwood-Ruffy Road, the only two that I have ever seen. If one saw a kangaroo those days it was a talking point for a week. Quite different to the many hundreds about today. Koalas also were scarce then.

The ten gallon cream cans, if really full and including the weight of the can itself, weighed about one hundred pounds and I could throw them onto the truck with ease. Oh to be young again. Some cans were twelve gallon milk cans, hence being heavier; but because of their shape and better handles, were in fact easier to handle. As I stated earlier the whole of the run, except the 'Bogie Road, was gravel, very rough with springs, pot holes, wash outs etc. I would spend a lot of nights working on repairing/replacing broken centre bolts, wheel studs and springs.

Two local 'Bogie men that I had a lot of time for were Pat Millar and Eddie Einsporne. They were employed

by the Shire to do road maintenance. They would often catch me at the bakers and enquire as to the condition of certain springs, culverts etc. They did a good job considering the large area they had to cover. I had a chuckle at their expense one beautiful balmy spring morning. It was near Norm Watkin's place. Their truck was parked at a boggy patch but no men visible. I stopped for a chat and found them lying in the grass, both sound asleep. It was 10.30am and I reckoned that they had their smoko and drifted off, so very easy to do, particularly on a Spring Day. Spring Fever it's called. I walked over to them and yelled out "hey." Well they virtually erupted. They nearly knocked me over getting to their shovels. Took quite a fair while for them to forgive me. Real good blokes, both of them. It's quite sad how things change over time. I hardly know any "Bogie folk now; most have gone. But luckily the beautiful country remains, to all of you 'Bogie-ites. Here's to your good health. I wish you all well. Look after the country, and please, no more pines.

Max Burnside



Sunday Times (Perth, WA: 1902 - 1954), Sunday 26 March 1950, page 6

## Topics Of The Times

By  
**Richard  
Murray**

**E**RIN-GO-BAR: Into a local hostelry on St. Patrick's Day walked a bloke sporting a great, green rosette in his lapel. "Yes, sir," said the barman. "A creme-de-menthe?"

**H**ERE'S a job where age counts an advantage—city firm advertised for a shopwalker OVER 40. I'll bet no woman would ever answer an advt. like that

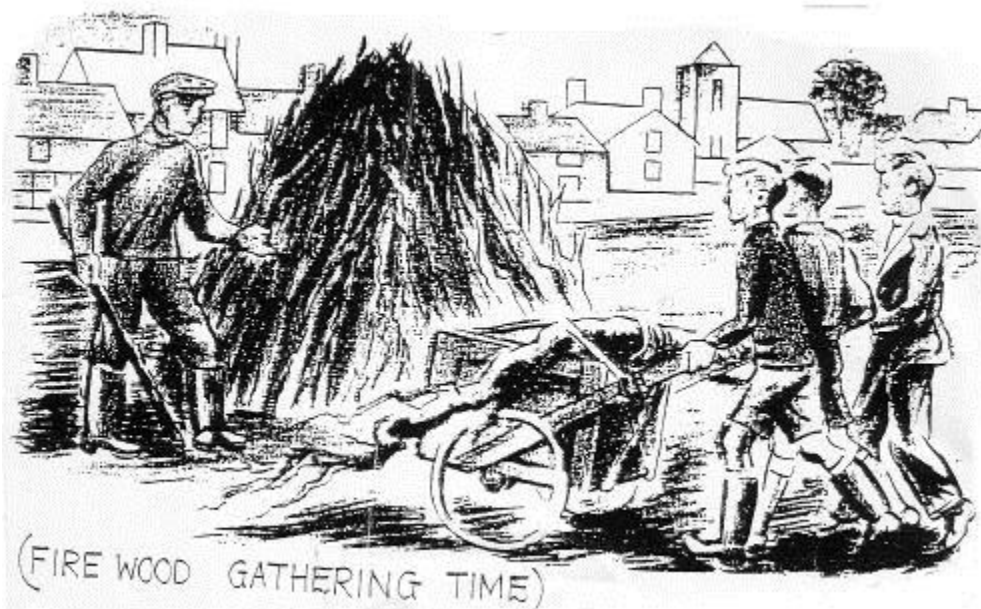
**D**EAT This: Last week I asked if there were any challengers to a Sydney man of 79 as Australia's oldest barber. George Doak of Collie tells me of Jack Nicol of Euroa (famed for the Kelly gang bank stickup) who gave him his first shave in Euroa about 1872 and who was still shaving there when Mr. Doak was over a year ago. Jack Nicol was then 82 and his razor hand was very steady. His wife, then 79, was serving cigarettes behind the counter.

This was sent in by Marilyn Mangione, and as she says, it is hard to believe that they were working still at their age.

It is very hard to read, the last paragraph talks about a Jack Nicol, who at age 82 was still shaving at his Barbers shop in Euroa, assisted by his wife, who served cigarettes.

Maybe some readers remember Mr Nicol and his wife in their Barber shop?





If you would like to read the violet town village voice contact Terry Frewin at [frewintp@gmail.com](mailto:frewintp@gmail.com) to get an emailed copy each month, or it can be read on-line at [www.violettown.org.au](http://www.violettown.org.au)

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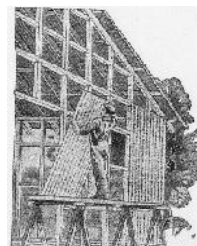
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Share a fag make a joke  
Fellow digger-bloody good bloke  
Bullets zing all around  
So much mud there be no ground

Immortal statue at every town  
Tribute to the digger fallen down  
Could have been me maybe you  
Lest we forget-soldier 'blue'

Hat on reverse teenage joy  
Same age then-only a boy  
Jumpers word "COOL OK"  
Ignores statue with plenty to say

If concrete face could erase the frown  
White statue in every town  
He'd halt the boys without Aussie  
pride  
Teach them not to copy sloppy stride

"All my mates fought for this great  
land  
do you boy ever understand"  
"I stand here in great uniform  
to remind you lad-before you were  
born"

"I love you young man for you are me  
But I didn't make it to twenty three  
Be proud to be Aussie no regret  
Please little Aussie-lest you forget!"...

Tony Russell Dawson  
Strathbogie

## Potted history of the Strathbogie Golf Club

*(Acknowledgements to member James (Jim) Gibson)*

Club was formed on April 17<sup>th</sup> 1924, with golf having been played prior to that date but not as a club.

Initially it was a 6 hole course, then 9 in what was called the home paddock, with 6 in Simpson's and 3 in what is currently Brownlee's.

The club house was built in 1932 and the name on the gate was "Mossgiel" Prior to that the local store verandah was used. The club house was used as an observation point from 1942 till 1945.

During the war only 9 holes was used (the home paddock) until 1954. In 1969 the golf club purchased land 50 acres and steers grazed on the land to help pay for the course. Sheep were on the course until about 2000 helping to pay for improvements.

The club house was enlarged by purchasing two buildings – the Bogie South and West school rooms.

In 1984 we approached the new owners for ground to get another nine holes, but course architect Dick Pendlebury suggested that we forget the home paddock and build the entire course where it now stands. Those owners referred to, considered putting up a hotel/motel complex, but that did not eventuate and after some discussion we were to develop the course with some payment from them.

In 1991 the club house was moved to new premises and was enlarged and altered.

In 1992/93 a ten year lease was entered into.

In 1994 council wanted to sell the old paddock but members objected. (It had been put in council's name in the 70s so we might get some grant money).

In 2004 we finally bought the new course from the owners for \$300,000 and the old course was sold as well as surplus blocks on the new course. The extra money was raised from members and district people.

We started the grass greens in the 90s and finished them in 2006.  
Neil Barter



## Violet Town RSL Sub-Branch News

11th April at 2pm - Monthly Meeting for members at the RSL rooms in Violet Town.

**Vale: Stanley C Wilson**—Private 14 NST Battalion. The President and members of the Violet Town RSL Sub Branch deeply regret the passing of our member and convey our deepest sympathies to Joyce Wilson and family. Lest we Forget.

New members are welcomed regularly with Branch numbers growing steadily. Service men and women are encouraged to join our thriving and active branch, as are community members. You are eligible to become an associate member if you have or had a family member who was or is a serviceman.

Contact: Ross Walker (Pres) 57905111, Rand Alexander (Sec) 57627544

## ANZAC DAY 2014 - VIOLET TOWN RSL BRANCH

6am—Dawn Service

10am—Commemorative March commencing from VT Fire Station to the Memorial.

Guest Speaker: Colonel David Westphalen

We invite all from the community to join the parade and attend the wreath laying service at the memorial.

Members are invited to lunch at the Ellen Francis Hotel following the Anzac Day Service.



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# Stargazing in Strathbogie



## **Total Eclipse of the Moon**

A full moon will rise over Strathbogie at sunset on the 15th April. By the time the moon rises the eclipse will be mid-way through. The eclipse will finish just prior to the end of twilight.

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*Information from Australian Sky & Telescope (David Joyce)*

## **Vocal Nosh in Euroa.**

**May 18<sup>th</sup>** Gospel Nosh – ‘The Parish’ Violet Town *Swinging harmonies to raise the roof*

**July 20<sup>th</sup>** International Nosh - Schoolhouse Euroa *Songs from other lands and cultures*

**September 21<sup>st</sup>** Equinox Nosh - Strathbogie Hall *Songs of renewal for the changing season*

**November 16<sup>th</sup>** Festive Nosh – ‘The Flour Mill’ Euroa *Songs of celebration and reflection*

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Meet at the ‘Schoolhouse’ at 5.30 pm for a ride to Nosh sessions outside Euroa.

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## **Forest Update**

A series of walks and explorations are planned for the forest on a regular basis. Some walks have already taken place, and the next one is 26th April, and advertised elsewhere in this newsletter. Watch Tableland Talk for details of more upcoming walks.

The Strathbogie Sustainable Alliance continues to work hard and have invited Vicforests to a meeting after receiving a reply to the correspondence that was sent late January.

To keep up to date, see the following website

<http://strathbogiesustainableforests.wordpress.com/>

and “like” the facebook page “Our Strathbogie Forest”. SSF

Thanks to everyone in the community for supporting the Don’s Warriors Fundraising. More than \$1400 was raised on the night and a great time was had by all.



# Strathbogie Campus

April 2014

Term One holidays are here already—we've had a great start to another busy Bogie year, and wish all families a restful term holiday with their children.

We are saddened to be farewelling one of our Bogie families as the Valmorbida family relocate to Melbourne. We wish Oliver, Sofia and Buzz all the very best at their new schools and we'll hope to have them drop in for a visit from time to time. Big thank you's to Candida and Michael who have been great supporters of our little school, always involved in working bees and various fundraising efforts and very generous with donations of their products. We'll miss you all!!!

The Active After School program this first term was swimming with Princess Robbie followed by skill based sessions with Jessica, Chris Chittick and Damin Croxson-McGuinness. Next term the children will be taking hockey with Chris C and with the second session yet to be confirmed.



The Active After School Communities (AASC) program is a federal government initiative that provides primary school children with free sport and other structured physical activity programs during the 'after school' time slot on two afternoons a week. The program is run in more than 3,200 schools and after school care centres in all states and territories, with approximately 190 000 children participating each semester.

AASC is dedicated to delivering on two outcomes:

1. Engage primary school children in structured physical activity.
2. Provide opportunities for ongoing participation in organised sport.

Our school benefits greatly from this program as the AASC grant money enables us to buy much needed sports equipment, and also our children get access to a wide range of physical activities. Over the years we have held sessions in—golf, tennis, cricket, hockey, soccer, orienteering, gymnastics, martial arts, footy skills, swimming and ball handling skills. Many of our children go on to join sporting clubs in Euroa and elsewhere. It's a great program.



# Year 5-6 Camp

Year 5 and 6 students from all of Peranbin recently enjoyed their time at Camp Manyung, Mt Eliza. Over the 3 day camp the kids were 100% absorbed in a host of outdoor education activities including raft building, kayaking, games, exploring the marine environment, rock pooling and generally having a fun time with their peers.

All of the kids agreed that it was one of the best camps ever (the only slight negative was to do with lunch—prepare your own sandwiches with a large selection of super healthy fillings). We have heard one report back of “I would have really regretted not going.” Thanks to our parents for getting down to Euroa on the first morning before daylight had arrived.

Later in the year the year 3 and 4 kids will have their chance to experience some time away from home



Teamwork was a strong feature of the camp—building the raft is hard work, compromise is needed and with some delicate manoeuvring the rafts make it to the water. The true test however, comes when the teams have to paddle out and make the return journey without losing anyone.

