



August 2015

More Reminiscences by Ken Dunnachie.

Remember remember the 5th of November.

When I was a small boy growing up at Daylesford, Guy Fawkes Day was a big event. When starting to write this article, I wasn't sure how to spell Fawkes (always pronounced Forx). I asked one of my boys to look it up for me. Naturally out came his phone. Not only did he check on the spelling but he came up with a brief history of the event. This happened in the 15th or 16th Century and involved the House of Commons in London. Quite interesting if anyone cares to look it up. But to us kids, we didn't know anything about the History, it was just a big deal. We worked like beavers dragging small branches and rubbish from the surrounding bush. Our bonfire was on the edge of town. We tied rope around our waists and literally dragged our prize behind us.

Working after school and at weekends we managed to build quite a pile around our central pole. The mother of one of our gang made a dummy and getting towards the 5th we hoisted him up the pole. A bit like the Winterman, but totally different origins.

My brother and I were given one penny each for pocket money. Not much but with a half-penny we could buy a couple of lollies. Aniseed balls were my favourite. I used to buy them at the Bogie Store, 10 or so a week. One day Mr Levy must have got tired of counting them out so he kidded me into buying a box at a time. I have forgotten how many were in a box, but it was quite a step up.

As our Bonfire night came closer we saved our pennies to buy our Fire Crackers which of course was all part of the show.

We got a bit jumpy as time got close in case some member of another gang came and set fire to our pile.

On the night, all our Mums and Dads came along and helped make it a big occasion. Us kids all had our own little bag of

crackers. There were one penny Bungers, Flower Pots, Jumping Jacks, Sparklers, and Catherine Wheels all helping to make it a night to "Remember".

It all seems so long ago but I still remember the crackers, particularly the Flowerpots and Catherine Wheels. In case you don't know what a Catherine Wheel was, you had to pin or nail it to a post and when lit, it would spin around and around. The jumping jacks were crackers joined together and when lit and dropped to the ground would jump all over the place.

No one ever got hurt in these events although these days it would be considered too dangerous. We didn't have buttons to push in those days but we just made our own fun.

By Ken Dunnachie

What's on August

9th August - 11.30am Strathbogie Hall, Forest Walk

21st August - Lucy Thorne at the Parish - Violet Town

5th December - 5.30pm - Christmas on the Tableland, Recreation Reserve

Second Tuesday of the month - 7.30pm STAG meeting at Strathbogie Hall

Every Tuesday - 9.30am Tennis at the Rec Ground, Strathbogie

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

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

Every Wednesday - 7.30pm Strathbogie Singing Group - St Andrews Church - Strathbogie (except in School Holidays) ph. Di Mackrell 57905241

Every Friday morning - 9.15am Yoga - Strathbogie Hall

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

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12th & 26th September



Deadline for August edition - 28th August. Email: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, ph 57905203, post PO, Strathbogie, or leave contributions at the Strathbogie Store. The TT team.

Neighbourhood Safer Place (NSP) – Strathbogie Golf Club

Earlier this year a proposal was put forward by community members in the Strathbogie area to relocate the current Neighbourhood Safer Place (NSP) from the Golf Club to the Strathbogie Memorial Hall.

The matter was further discussed at a community meeting on June 15, 2015.

Following a presentation from Mr Paul Verbeek (CFA), and general discussions on the options available, attendees at this community meeting indicated clear and majority support for the NSP to remain at the Golf Club.

Council has accepted the community decision and will continue to recognise and support the Golf Club as the Neighbourhood Safer Place.

Should you wish to obtain additional information please do not hesitate to call Gary Washusen at the Strathbogie Shire on 1800 065 993.

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Steve Crawcour
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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To find out more information about our group, please come along to a gathering on Wednesday 2nd September at 3.45 pm at the Strathbogie School

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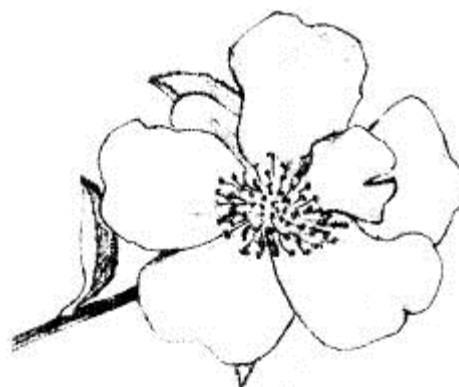
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by Donmil

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– H.H. Finlayson

It's not hard to deduce what the Abbott would say:

"Just the usual hysterics the greenies contrive,
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For more information contact:

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APPLICATIONS CLOSE Wednesday 26th August 2015

For more information contact:

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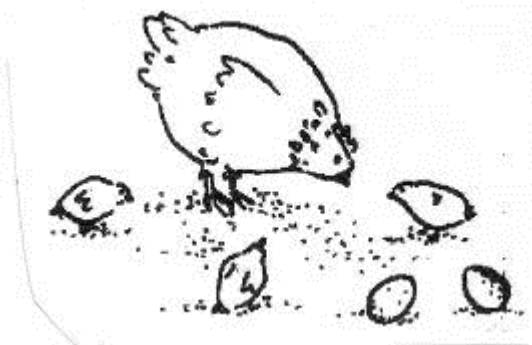
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The Frog, the Cow and the Owl.

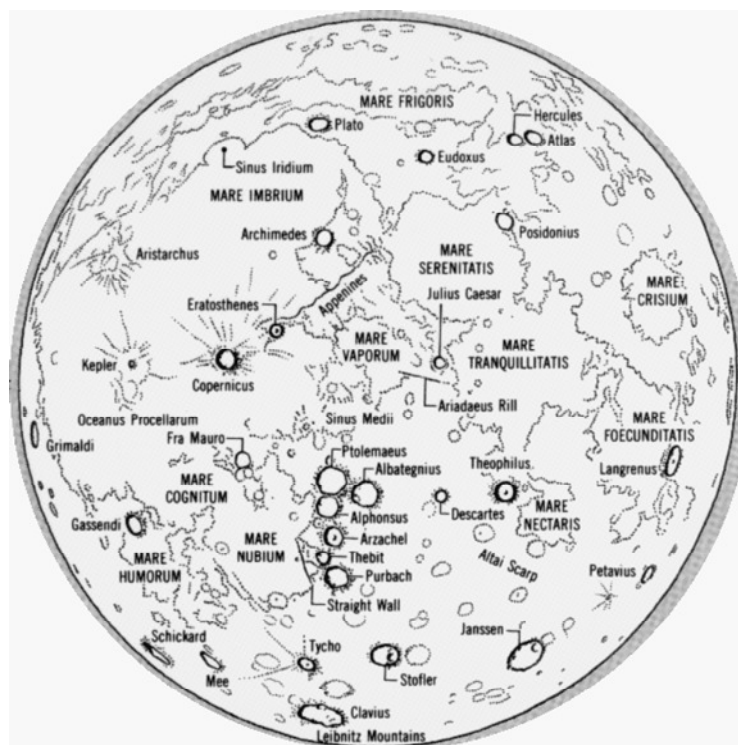
Once upon a time on a cold Strathbogie winters night, amongst the misty hills lies a frost laden paddock. In the middle of this paddock sits a trembling skinny little frog. And in the stillness of the night the frog is croaking in a deep loud voice. "Ributt, ribbot ribbutt" goes the frog....On and on all through the long winters night. This frog is by no means alone and right along side is a big healthy brown cow. Trying, trying so hard to get some sleep. A somewhat troubled Cow. Such difficulties by the most irritating happenings from previous days events. On And on the frog croaks, loud and true, echoing into the stillness of the night. The cow becoming more, more and even more disturbed at not being able to sleep..... Sometime later and what seem like all eternity, finally, the sun begins to awaken. The cow, by this time, with not being able to sleep a wink, decides to take her revenge. Backs up over the frog, and drops a sloppy hot steaming cow pat right on top. With complete surprise to the cow, the frog speaks up in a shaky, graceful voice but in that froggy kind of way. "Thank you so much, I was so.... cold last night I couldn't sleep at all, all I could do to

stop myself freezing to death was sing my song all night long". The cow being somewhat miffed by this, just grumbles and mumbles away to herself.. Meanwhile, not to far away from all these very important happenings, in an giant old gum tree, high up on a branch, sits an wise old owl witnessing all these events. This owl should not be confused with the ordinary sort, but of course is an owl of the magical fairytale kind. Silently and gently glides down to the frog. The owl (in a wise owl sort of way, of course) says to the frog "I am so moved by your gratitude I have decided to turn you into a princess, with much wealth, health & happiness to go along side with it" and with magical words and a twinkle in the eye, the frog is turned in to a princess And with little pomp or ceremony driven away in fine golden carriages and lives happily ever after..

The cow witnessing this becomes extremely jealous and begs the owl to do the same for her. And after several moments of the cows grumbling and complaint a puff of smoke and some more magical words the cow turns into a frog.....

By Trevor Elliott

Stargazing in Strathbogie



Richard Nolle's definition of a Supermoon is a new moon or full moon that has come within 361,836 kilometers of our planet, as measured from the centers of the moon and Earth.

By that definition, the year 2015 has a total of six supermoons. The first supermoon, for 2015, came with the January 20 new moon. The new moons on February 18 and March 20 were also supermoons. The full moons of 30th August, 28th September and 27th October will also be supermoons.

Information from the internet (David Joyce)

"Weeds and Pest Management Program best in State."

The Victorian State Government has recently announced the continuation of the Roadside Weeds and Pest Management program, with an amount of \$53,378 p.a. to be allocated in the Strathbogrie Shire over the next two years of 2015-16 and 2016-17.

Strathbogrie Shire Mayor, Deb Swan explained "this is good news for our local community, with the program being jointly managed by the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources (DEDJTR) and our local Landcare Groups."

"The aim of this program is the containment and reduction of regionally controlled weeds and the control or eradication of rabbits on Council roadsides."

Kerri Robson, Landcare project officer of the Gecko Clan Landcare Network said the "program is undoubtedly the most successful in the State, due to good communication and a real team effort between the Shire, DEDJTR and Landcare Groups."

"Funds are going directly into the areas where it needs to be delivered. Landcare groups have the practical knowledge needed to manage the areas – on the ground, they know what the problems are and can identify priorities and get the job done."

DEDJTR Biosecurity Area Leader, Greg Wood said "the Strathbogrie community was quick out of the blocks with an innovative partnership program that has already achieved significant reductions in roadside pests, despite the impact of the 2014 Creighton's Creek Fire."

"It is expected that the same partnership arrangement between Landcare Groups and the Shire will continue for the next program."



Above: David Jamieson, Kerri Robson & Neil Devanny

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Strathbogie Campus

AUGUST 2015

Back at school again and term 3 is already tearing along with lots of exciting activities in the pipeline. We have welcomed Laura and Civanah Armstrong to our campus; they are staying with their poppy in Tames Road for a while. We hope you enjoy your time with us girls!

Last term finished with a bang with our Healthy Breakfast and Jump Off on the last day of term. Thanks to everyone who sponsored our skippers, we raised the fantastic sum of \$255.25 for the Heart Foundation, and had a really fun day in the process.





We all enjoyed the **NED** show at Violet Town, where we learnt about -

- N** Never giving up
- E** Encouraging others
- D** Do your best

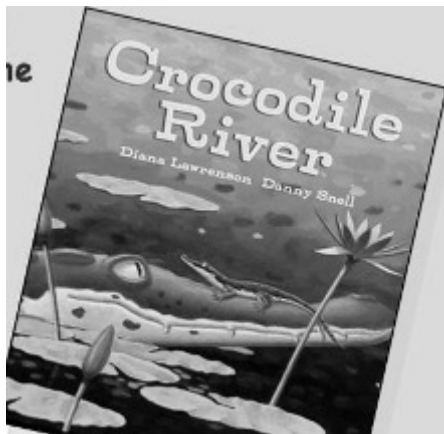
It was fun and everyone enjoyed the session.

In a couple of weeks Peranbin campuses are heading off to Quantum Victoria in Macleod West for a science excursion. The P-2 students will be participating in a QV Bean Story program, and the 3-6 students will take part in a Mini-beasts program. This is a free excursion funded by the Department of Education.

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