



November 2017



BUSH FIRE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2017 TIME 10AM

Fire season is rapidly approaching and it is expected that restrictions will be declared in early November.

It is important that all fireguard groups and indeed the wider community are prepared for what promises to be a very warm, dry and possibly fiery summer.

With that in mind the CFA are organising this special event for the whole community to attend, young and old alike.

10am Community Fire ready

12 Noon Fireguard groups

If you are not already in a Fireguard group you will be able to join.

A presentation will be given by representatives of the CFA to discuss your personal fire plan or to assist you in making a plan that suits your circumstances.

Weather permitting it is anticipated the event will be held at the Strathbogie Rec Reserve.

Special features of the event will be displays of CFA vehicles and equipment.

FREE BBQ & DRINKS PROVIDED

Kim Usher

On Behalf of the Strathbogie CFA



Strathbogie Tableland Christmas—
at the Recreation Ground
16th December
See advert in this issue

Strathbogie Forest Celebration

Dinner & Trivia Night

Thurs Nov 30, 2017

Under the Sun, delicious two-course meal with tea/coffee nibbles

6.30 pm (for 7 pm start) to 10.30 pm

\$40 pp, kids under 15 half-price

Support this campaign & the community that makes it happen.

For details: Our Strathbogie Forest FB page



What's On in November

November 1st — 5pm Australia Day nominations close

November 3rd to 5th — STAX Art Show, Strathbogie

November 4 & 5 - Mosaic Workshop

November 4 to 29 - Victorians in WWI Exhibition, Longwood

November 5 - Gardens for Wildlife, Euroa Arboretum

November 7th—Strathbogie Golf Club Cup Day lunch

November 10 - Targa Rally

November 11 - Permaculture Design Course

November 12 - CFA Bushfire Sunday

November 18 - RuffArtz

November 18 - Shire Battery Storage Seminar

November 19 —Landcare Working Bee

November 19 - Forest Hills Open Garden

November 25 - Storyweaving Workshop

November 30 - Strathbogie Forest Trivia Night Dinner

December 16 —Tableland Christmas

December 17 - Carols by Candlelight

First Monday of every second month (next meeting Dec) - 7.30pm STAG meeting at Strathbogie Hall

Every Tuesday—10am Tennis at Strathbogie Rec Ground.

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 Thursday—6pm Strathbogie Rec Ground Summer of fun, and tennis too.

First Sunday every second month - Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group 9-11am Contact Sean Mathews Mob: 0400019607

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

First Wednesday of the month - 1.30pm Strathbogie Garden Group. Contact Wendy 57908523

Every Fourth Saturday of the month—Australian Plant Society Group meeting - contact Pete 0402 882 959

Every first and third Sunday of the Month - 4pm SCOFF at the Rec Ground

On behalf of the whole community, we wish to thank you for delivering our mail over the past few years Di Eberhardt, and wish you the very happiest in your retirement with Rolf!!!

Euroa Cinema in October



Friday 3rd November at 8pm
It (135 mins, MA15+, Horror/Thriller)
 Halloween Special Screening
 Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th November
Battle of the Sexes (121 mins, PG, Biography)
 Friday 10th November at 7:30pm
The Case of Christ (112 mins, PG, Drama)
 Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th November
Tommy's Honour (112 mins, PG, Biography)
 Sat 18th & Sun 19th—Marathon—
"Blade Runner"(M) and **"Blade Runner 2049"**(MA15+) (see guide for details)
 Wed 22nd 6.30pm—"Freedom Stories"
 Sat 25th to Sun 27th—"The Mountain Between Us" (M)

If you wish to receive a weekly email update, then send your details to

euroa.cinema@strathbogie.vic.gov.au Screening Times—Sat 8pm, Sun 4pm. Tickets \$10, school age kids free.

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 57905349

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Fri 3rd to Sun 5th Nov — "Ali's Wedding" (M) & "The Country Doctor" (M)
 Fri 10th to Sun 12th - "Dunkirk" (M) & "The Zookeepers Wife" (M)
 Thurs 16th - "An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power" (PG) Free, courtesy Swanpool Landcare
 Fri 17th to Sun 19th— "Maude" (PG) & "Tommy's Honour" (M)
 Fri 24th to Sun 26th— "I Am Not Your Negro" (PG) & "A Ghost Story" (M)
 Thurs Nov 30 - Matinee 1.30pm "Victoria & Abdul"
 Fri Dec 1st - 2 course Food & Film "Victoria & Abdul" \$30

Screentimes Fri & Sat 7.00pm, and Sun 6pm.
 Tickets \$13.50/\$11

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Dates for Strathbogie

(every 2nd Saturday, 9.30 - 12 noon)

4th, & 18th November
 2nd & 16 December



A reminder that Tableland Talk is a community newsletter run by a volunteer group.

All community adverts are free.

Business adverts are charged at \$7 per issue for a usual size, or \$12 per issue for a third to half page.

We would appreciate it if all invoices for advertising are paid in full, and promptly - we have to pay for the photocopying.

This will be going up soon!

The TT team



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 Bookings contact:
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Strathbogie Recreation Ground

All bookings are to be made with Kim Usher 57905345

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Deadline for the December edition of Tableland Talk is Friday the 24th November. Email: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, ph 57905203, post PO, Strathbogie, or leave contributions at the Strathbogie Store. The TT team.

STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND ACTION GROUP

Community Action Plan

Every four years STAG is required to consult with the community to develop the Community Action Plan. Our current Plan was developed in 2015 and is therefore not due to be revised until 2019. At its last meeting STAG decided to seek input from the community to expand the existing Plan and identify any additional projects that would tie in with the current Plan. A copy of the Plan is available on the community website www.strathbogie.org and the following actions have been or are currently being undertaken:

- Painting of the sides and rear of the hall
- Telstra exchange will shortly be painted with the design recently chosen by the community
- Plans for picnic facilities at the Spring Creek Bridge car park area are being developed with the Shire and will be available to the community prior to construction
- Quotes have been received to install new signage on the three main entrance roads to the township
- Following professional advice the trees in the main street were relocated to the rec ground and new trees planted
- The community pizza oven has been completed and is fully operational
- STAG contributed to the upgrade of sporting facilities at the rec ground for the recent Peranbin sports
- Following a request from STAG, a pathway from the Spring Creek bridge area to the rec reserve is on the current Council Plan
- Two new picnic tables have been installed at Pollys, safety measures have been addressed, the old noticeboard has been refurbished and a new noticeboard (with information re the source and use of the water, history of the wall and bridge, how it was named, species of fish, etc) will be installed in the next few weeks
- Assisted with the purchase of a photocopier for printing Tableland Talk
- The community directory is regularly updated on the website
- A Personal Fire Plan was developed and distributed to the community prior to the last fire season.
- Conducted community lunches to replace the previously Shire run Seniors lunches
- STAG's Roads sub-committee constantly monitors road issues and draws them to Council's attention

Suggestions may be emailed to stag@strathbogie.org or delivered to STAG, C/- the Store by Sunday 12th November. Suggestions may also be brought to the Fireready meeting at the Rec Ground on Sunday 12th November.

Council Meeting

Committee members also regularly attend Council meetings and the annual budget information meeting. Several committee members attended the Council meeting in Avenel on 17th October where two motions were discussed at length.

The first "That the Strathbogie Shire Council supports the retention of Australia Day celebrations on the 26th January each year" was ultimately passed four to two with one Councillor abstaining.

The second motion is still unresolved.

a) That the Strathbogie Shire Council start the statutory process under the Local Government Act 1989 to reappoint the current CEO Steven Mark Crawcour without advertising the position for a period of no longer than 18 months from the completion of the current contract which is 31st August 2018.

b) That the Strathbogie Shire Council commence discussions with the current CEO Steven Mark Crawcour in relation to contract terms and conditions.

The meeting was adjourned until Monday 23rd October to enable legal advice to be sought. This second was adjourned shortly after commencement to enable further advice to be sought in relation to "conflict of interest". This motion will now be discussed at a meeting on Monday 13th November commencing at 6pm at the Euroa Council Chambers and will be open to the public.

Spring Creek Picnic Facilities

At its recent meeting STAG was advised by representatives of the Working Party that:

- the building will most likely be oblong in shape and will accommodate two picnic tables
- the location will be on Council land above the creek fence on a level similar to path access
- a bar-b-que will be provided

The meeting was advised that Landcare is currently undertaking a project in this area and details of this have been forwarded to Council. Concern was expressed by several members of the committee in relation to issues of traffic management and rubbish removal if there is an increased use of this area. Cr Thomson advised that final recommendations will come out to the community for comment but not for approval. The path to from the Spring Creek bridge area to the rec ground will now be included in the future footpath and trails strategy. It has been rated as medium priority at an estimated cost of \$31,000.

Community Telephone Directory

It is anticipated that the community phone directory will be updated and reprinted in the coming months however this is quite a large task and we will need to rely on community input to identify residents who are new to the Tableland and those who no longer live here. The electronic version of the directory is available on the community website (strathbogie.org) and is updated whenever new information is received.

NBN Tower

Following a question at a recent STAG meeting re the status of the NBN tower, Cr Thomson advised that there were no objections at VCAT and the tower will go ahead.

Christmas Decorations

There have been some suggestions Christmas decorations be put up in the township. Kim Usher has agreed to liaise with residents – please contact him if you would like to assist.

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Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group (STLG)

Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group AGM Report

As part of the 2017 STLG AGM, Landcare members gathered at Spring Creek Bridge to walk along Spring Creek to Magilton Creek and assess the effectiveness of last season's Landcare sponsored woody weed treatment. The impact has been positive and significant. With a view to improving indigenous habitat and access for walkers, this work paves the way for further treatment this season.

Following the walk, members gathered at Under the Sun for the formal part of the meeting, accompanied by hot soup, fresh bread and beverages. Acting President Bert Lobert presented the annual report outlining other STLG projects: Lime Trials, Bridge to Bridge maintenance, roadside weed and rabbit control, indigenous plant sales and collaboration with local community groups and authorities.

Julian Trescowthick's Treasurer's Report showed STLG to be in good financial health, with adequate surplus available to continue planned expenditure for the ongoing projects outlined above in the coming financial year. Committee member David Jamieson reported on STLG collaboration with Strathbogie Shire regarding assessment of roadside condition and a move to November spraying that is designed to prolong the knockdown of roadside weeds. David also reported on this month's Lime Trial Field Day at David Hamilton's. These trials are designed to investigate the best application models for acidic soils.

The 2017 Committee was unanimously elected.

Acting President: Bert Lobert

Secretary: Sean Mathews

Treasurer: Julian Trescowthick

Member: David Jamieson,

We also gratefully welcome 2 new committee members: Sharon Collins and Hayley Shields.

Other items discussed included:

The regular inclusion of an STLG article in Tableland Talk as a substitute for the STLG Newsletter.

A motion regarding improvement of the Spring Creek picnic ground and riparian zone.

After the most recent STAG meeting, where Cr Alistair Thomson indicated Council interest in better utilising Council land along the creek, STLG has written to Council seeking to cooperate in improvement and consistent management of these areas.



STLG Working Bee: November 19, 9 - 11. All welcome. Meet at Smith's Bridge

- Mowing and whipper snipping
- Woody weed treatment—particularly of honeysuckle and periwinkle overgrowth
- Boardwalk construction below Haley St

Strathbogie Community Fuel (Diesel) Proposal Survey

Several community members have been talking with a fuel supplier about the possibility of a diesel fuel point in Strathbogie. This would be an unmanned above ground system with a swipe card system for payment. The idea is to get good fuel up here (including winter diesel so we don't have issues with fuel freezing on those frosty mornings) that will be around 4c per litre cheaper than nearby places, and for some of the profits to go back to our community. There obviously needs to be a lot of work done before this will happen, and the first thing is to find out how many people would purchase fuel up on the tableland. A survey has been sent out on Bogie Tree, and there are paper copies of the survey at the Strathbogie Store and Under The Sun for those who are not on Bogie Tree.

Please make sure you complete the survey by Monday 13th November.

"Forest Hills", Tames Road Open Garden

Strathbogie's old time favourite garden, Strathbogie, is having a sneak peak open garden day in aid of the Strathbogie Primary School.

The old time garden created by Ken & Helen Dunachie, is being revitalised by the current owners Les and Leanne Margrie, and welcomes you all to come and experience this fascinating and beautifully designed collectors garden.

Strathbogie Shire Battery Storage Seminar

Date: Saturday 18 November 2017

Time: 10.30am

Venue: Under the Sun café, Strathbogie

To make a booking, visit:

<https://www.trybooking.com/SGCK>

WHEN: Sunday 19th November

TIME: Open from 10am

ENTRY: \$5 (100% of proceeds going to the Strathbogie school)

Coffee, tea and drinks available along with the Bogie parents homemade cakes... yum, yum!



Councillor News

Hello Again,

Local government is an easy target for criticism, and sometimes it is well deserved. The target is even bigger when Council finds itself on the front page of the Euroa Gazette discussing items such as Australia Day celebrations and the process for appointing the Shire Chief Executive (CEO).

Over the past fortnight, I have had around 30 residents email or telephone me about these matters, so I would like to clarify what has gone on. The

most common criticism when these topics come up is why is the council not spending its time focussed on roads, rubbish and other essential services? Well, I can assure everyone, that the vast majority of Council's time is focussed on infrastructure maintenance, service delivery, planning permits, etc. However, the legislation outlining what Councils need to do is very broad and covers economic growth, social issues, quality of life strategies, etc. It is because of this requirement that Council does need to discuss matters like the celebration of Australia Day. To be very clear, Council at no point proposed to alter the date of celebrating Australia Day. At the Council meeting on 17 October, Councillors who had not supported a motion in September to consult with the Shire's Indigenous community about how the day is celebrated, moved a motion to reaffirm celebrations being on 26th January. I asked for this motion to be withdrawn and abstained from voting because, regardless of the motion passing or failing, nothing would have changed about the Australia Day celebrations. Motions that serve no purpose do waste Council time. With regard to the process for appointing the Shire's CEO, my position is very clear. The Shire needs to embark on a professional process that ensures the best candidate is appointed.



Back now to the more important matter of local government doing better. We interact with local government many times each day through using roads, roadsides, rubbish collection, street lights, parks, pools, libraries, etc. Council wants to deliver these services to the standard expected by the community.

The community alerting Council to problems, is an important way of improving service. Whether it's potholes, trees down, or any other problem, there are a number of ways to report the issue:

- Direct online at the Council's website www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au
- By email to info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au
- By telephone on 1 800 065 993
- Over the counter at the Shire Office

Photos of the problem are always helpful. When you report the issue you will be given a reference number. This number enables you to check progress on the resolution of the matter.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Council matters, please feel free to contact me at Alistair.Thomson@strathbogie.vic.gov.au or on 0427 335 766.

Please note that the comments in this article are my own as Ward Councillor and should not be taken as the official view of Strathbogie Shire Council.



STORYWEAVING From My Life to the Page

Everyone has a story!

This workshop will provide inspiration, encouragement and practical suggestions to help you bring your life to the page.

Tablelands Community Centre

27 Nolans Road, Ruffy VIC 3666

Saturday 25th November 2017

From 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

Cost: \$48.00

Morning tea provided

BYO lunch or purchase next door from the Ruffy Produce Store



Our tutor, Janine Johnston will conduct our workshop and has been involved with our Life Writing Program since 2010.

Encouraging people to share their stories is close to her heart. Janine has conducted life writing workshops, completed a diploma of Professional Writing & Editing and her poetry has been published in several anthologies.

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Thanks to all those who do help in this voluntary capacity. We think that TT has now been going for about 17 years, although we may have to check the archives at some stage!

Victorians in the First World War: Longwood Exhibition

The Shrine of Remembrance and the Longwood Community Centre are proud to present - The "Australia Will Be There" Exhibition, a collection of images and stories of Victorians during the First World War to be presented at the Longwood Community Centre in Down Street Longwood from November 4th to November 29th - Tuesday to Thursday and Saturday and Sunday from 11am to 3pm or by appointment. For further information contact: Anne mob: 0458 110 711.

Mosaic Weekend Workshop

Sat 4th & Sun 5th November 2017

Spend a weekend at Pomona Art House Hosted by Helen Bodycomb

Helen is an Australian contemporary mosaic artist who is currently a Graduate Researcher at La Trobe University undertaking a PhD in visual art.

Learn Mosaic Essentials

The workshop is designed for beginners and based around learning the important essential skills of this art, Helen will give an overview of materials & demonstrate the essential cutting skills & knowledge of mosaics to get you started. We will supply a range of vitrified glass & unglazed ceramic and stone, some small wooden panels, fibreglass mesh, hammer, hardie & hand tools. If you have your own tools we encourage you to bring these along.

Helen is an established, highly accomplished mosaic artist, you will learn from one of the best.

The workshop costs \$390 and includes your working materials.

Coffee & tea facilities available, with an enjoyable lunch being supplied.

Limited to a maximum of 8 people, spaces filling quickly

Overnight accommodation can be sourced from local BnB's at your additional cost. Please enquire with Lynda. 0419200719

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<https://www.pomonaarthouse.com.au/>



The poster features a yellow background with various illustrations: a pile of potatoes, a chicken, a sun, a tree, a water tap, and a landscape with trees and hills. The text is centered and reads: "murrnong farm in violet town", "Make the most of the", "PRESENT", "While you DESIGN for the", "FUTURE", "Join our Permaculture Design Course", "Learn to retrofit or create your own", "ecological work, home, garden or farm", "Starts Nov 11, seven weekends through to May 2018", and "visit murrnong.com for more information". A QR code is in the bottom right corner.



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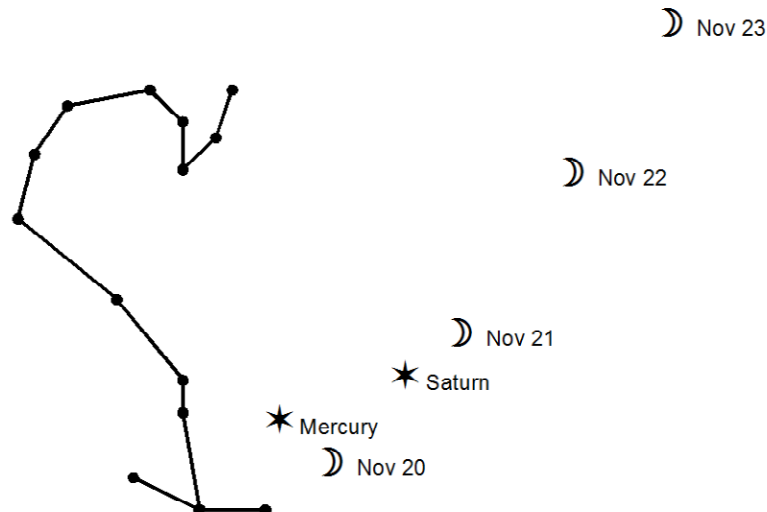
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Stargazing in Strathbogie



The view from Strathbogie looking West just after sunset showing Mercury, Saturn and the new moon during mid November. It's this time of year when the Scorpion can be seen disappearing over the western horizon being chased from the sky by Orion (Saucepan) rising in the East.

Information from Australian Sky and Telescope (David Joyce)



Dialogue by Donmil

It's my trademark, said Tony the Abbott:
Any chance to be noxious: I'll grab it!
Said Malcolm, And I
Will sit idly by –
It's my firm and unshakeable habit.

Pomona Art House, located next to Polly McQuinn's, is open for business. The Art House will run open craft days and structured tutored sessions by local artisans wanting to share their passion in the arts. Classes will initially run from Wednesday to Sunday with two sessions per day and some open craft days in between. The type of classes to be held will be but not limited to mosaic works, sketching and drawing, painting, wool spinning, knitting and croqueting, quilting, garden art and much much more.

I am calling for local artisans who would be interested in taking classes here at Pomona to make contact with me. It is also intended that the craft store will showcase and sell local products and produce and is therefore calling on local food producers, handcrafted products and homewares to make contact with me. I look forward to hearing from you all.

Pomona Art House, Lynda Sloan
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"TARGA HIGH COUNTRY RETURNS TO STRATHBOGIE SHIRE"

One of the biggest road rallies in Australia is coming back to the Strathbogieshire this November.

Three short-term road closures have been approved by Council for the eighth annual Targa High Country rally on Friday, 10 November.

All vehicles involved in the competitive rally will stop in Binney Street, Euroa for lunch and a public car display, as they have done in previous years.

The roads affected by the event (and the times they are closed) are:

- Galls Gap Road (between Euroa-Mansfield Road and Kippings Road) – 9am-3pm
- Harry's Creek Road (between Creek Junction Road and Hays Road) – 9.35am-3pm
- Binney Street, Euroa (between Railway Street and Brock Street) – 10.08am-2.38pm

Strathbogieshire Mayor Amanda McClaren said Targa Australia have sent letters to each resident/ratepayer with properties in the 3666 and 3669 postcodes informing them of the closures and event.

"In addition to this, Council will arrange letters to be mailed to specific properties located on both the Galls Gap Road and Harry's Creek Road legs where the property address and mailing address do not match," she said.

"Council reminds residents who live on the closed roads that they will not be able to leave their homes or access their properties during this time until the roads are re-opened."

She said the entire region would be promoted around the world during the event.

"This is a very big thing for our community and will do wonders for the local economy as well as showcase what our beautiful Shire has to offer in terms of scenery and attractions," she said.

In the case of medical emergencies occurring for affected residents during the road closure period, the race will be stopped to allow access of emergency vehicles. Targa will also have an intensive care paramedic on site which will enable faster than normal access to medical treatment. Marshals will be stationed at all road closure points during the closures, providing advice to drivers of approaching vehicles of alternative detour routes to the specific destination they are seeking. For more information on the event, visit www.targa.com.au or call (03) 6221-8800. (Press Release—Anthony Cini—Strathbogieshire Council)



Carols by Candlelight

in Strathbogieshire

A Christmas Celebration

Sunday 17th December 2017

8pm-9.00pm

St. Andrews Uniting Church

Main Street Strathbogieshire

All are invited to enjoy

Christmas Carol Singing

including special items from

THE STRATHBOGIES SINGERS

Come and see the beautifully decorated church

Enjoy a time of peace and goodwill

as we prepare for Christmas.

Supper from 9.00pm onwards Bring a plate to share if you can.

NOMINATE A LOCAL YOUNG ACHIEVER

Nominations for the Victorian Young Achiever Awards are now open and Labor Upper House Member for Northern Victoria, Jaclyn Symes, wants local young achievers to be recognised.

Ms Symes is encouraging all residents to nominate a local young person into the Victorian Young Achiever Awards.

"We all know many young children and teenagers who contribute to our communities and these awards are a fantastic way to celebrate commitment and achievements to the local community," Ms Symes said.

Nominations are being sought in the following categories:

- Bartercard Online Achievement Award
- Saward Dawson Community Service and Social Impact Award
- The Victorian Government Group Achievement in the Community Award
- The Coffee Club Arts and Fashion Award
- Berry Street Create Change Award
- Academy Graphics Regional Achiever Award
- Kangan Institute Inspirational TAFE Student Award
- Royal Flying Doctors Service Victoria Regional and Rural Health Award
- First National Real Estate Leadership Award

The Awards will culminate with a Gala Presentation Dinner on Friday 18th May 2018 at Flemington – The Event Centre.

Category winners will each receive \$1,000 into an account in their name from Bank of Melbourne; a \$1,000 Bartercard Account and a magnificent trophy. One of the ten category winners will be chosen as the Victorian Young Achiever of the Year and will receive a \$2,000 flight voucher from Jetstar and a State trophy.

To submit a nomination, simply go online to www.awardsaustralia.com/vicyaa and click 'Nominate Now.'

Nominations close Monday, December 18, 2017. For assistance please feel free to contact the Awards Office on 9720 1638 or email vicyaa@awardsaustralia.com

(Submitted by the office of Jaclyn Symes)



Melbourne Cup Luncheon 7th November 2017

From 11.30 am

On Arrival—Nibbles

Cash Bar, No BYO

Lunch

Smorgasbord (chicken, ham and salads)

Fruit salad and pavlova with strawberries

Afternoon Tea

Small cakes, tea and coffee

\$25.00 per person

\$10.00 students

**Prizes for best dressed lady and gentleman,
sweepstakes, raffles and our famous "fishing
reel"**

horse race

**9 holes golf – shot gun start at 9.00 a.m –
\$5.00**

**To register your interest contact either:
Helen Hill – 0407718873
or Ria Pearce – 57787424**



A committee of young people aged 12 to 25 years old, from across the Shire that meet to discuss, plan and manage a number of events catering to the diverse needs and interests of youth in our community.

MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER- NAGAMBIE

MONDAY 13TH NOVEMBER- EUROA

MONDAY 20TH NOVEMBER- NAGAMBIE

MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER- EUROA

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Location: Fox Hole, 275 High St,

Nagambie OR Evolve, Bury St, Euroa

Time: 5:00pm onwards

Contact: Milla Morris

(03) 57950000



The Strathbogie Park (corner of Euroa-Strathbogie Rd & Spring Creek Rd) Picnic Structure

The Strathbogie Park (corner of Euroa-Strathbogie Rd and Spring Creek Rd) picnic structure project team: Rob Collyer (Shire Project Manager); Doug Watson (STAG); Tony Dawson and Cr Alistair Thomson, has produced a recommendation regarding the appropriate picnic structure for the park area. We are now welcoming comment from the community.

At right is a picture of a similar structure. Larger colour versions of the structure are available for inspection at 'Under the Sun' and on the noticeboard at the Strathbogie store.

Key points of the structure are:

- Measures 6 metres x 4 metres (to fit two table & chair sets & barbecue)
- Posts will be either timber or galvanised steel to ground level (not on a visible stirrup)
- Colorbond roof
- Muted colour (probably green/grey)
- Concrete slab base
- Located on low profile terrain between the old saleyards and creek



Above—example of a similar structure to that proposed.

Comments from the community are now sought (until 30 November). Please email comments to Alistair Thomson at alistair.thomson@strathbogie.vic.gov.au, or drop them in to Doug at 'Under the Sun'.

Thank you for your participation.

Strathbogie picnic structure project team.

CHRISTMAS ON THE TABLELAND SATURDAY DECEMBER 16th

VENUE "STRATHBOGIE REC RESERVE"
START TIME 5.30pm

**A FUN NIGHT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
YOUNG & OLD**

**INCLUDING A VERY SPECIAL VISIT FROM
SANTA CLAUS & HIS EVER RELIABLE
HELPERS**

**A FREE BBQ AND FREE DRINKS WILL BE
PROVIDED FOR THE KIDS**

**A SCRUMPTIOUS 2 COURSE MEAL FEATURING
WEBER COOKED BEEF, LAMB
AND PORK, DELICIOUS SALADS AND
MELT IN YOUR MOUTH SWEETS WILL BE
SERVED**

COST OF THE MEAL IS \$20 PER PERSON

DRINKS AVAILABLE AT BAR PRICES
(NO BYO)

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR CATERING PURPOSES SO PLEASE CONTACT
KIM USHER ON 57905345 OR EMAIL
TO CONFIRM: Kim.usher@bigpond.com

BRING YOUR
OWN CHAIR



RuffArtZ "A Season of Saturdays 2017"

Saturday 18th November, 8.00 pm

Doors Open 7.30pm

Ruffy Community Hall, Nolans Rd

The Wikimen play Hawaiian blues, pop, samba, Western Swing & Mills Brothers' songs – to name a few - complete with heavenly harmonies.

Don't miss this upbeat & fun final show for the year. BYO drinks and nibbles.

Tickets \$25. Please book early to ensure your seat.

Bookings: Kym 0409 172 595

email: ruffartztickets@gmail.com

Euroa Arboretum — November November 5 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Gardens for Wildlife - Botanical Illustration with Margaret Zaal \$45

Join us at the picturesque Euroa Arboretum for this botanical art workshop. From beginner to intermediate levels – join us in this outdoors/undercover space to get inspired by nature.

Gardens for Wildlife - Botanical Illustration with Kate Jevney \$45

Techniques of layering and blending pencil to achieve an exciting and realistic drawing.

For more information go to our website and to book tickets online:

www.euroaarboretum.com.au/events

Email: events@euroaarboretum or call Carolena on 0401514253

Strathbogie Campus School News

Sports Day

What a great day the Athletic Sports Day turned out to be! The beautiful grounds of the Strathbogie Rec Reserve stretched before us most invitingly and the sky stayed in place all day! The atmosphere was terrific and we were very proud of the effort and sportsmanship the children displayed as they threw themselves into competing with and encouraging each other. Responsibility, respect and high expectations, three of our school values, were on display wherever you looked along with excitement and happiness.

So many thanks to all the wonderful people of the Strathbogie Rec Reserve Committee, the Strathbogie community members and Peranbin parents who put in time and energy to make this lovely experience possible for our children. A special thank you to Katie Hill, the dynamo behind it all! Your long hours and constant efforts really paid off for the children. Thank you also to the students from Euroa Secondary College for their assistance, they were a fantastic help.



ATHLETIC SPORTS RESULTS

House Results

First: Red House

Second: Green House

Third Yellow House

Fourth: Blue House

Writers Festival

The second annual Peranbin primary College Writers Festival was held in the last week of term 3. Students worked hard to complete pieces of finished work to display how they work through the writing process from planning to editing and publishing. Students from the Strathbogie campus shone this year with 7 of the 8 year level prizes going to Strathbogie student and the poetry prize also going to one of our students. Well done to them all.

Camps

Grade 5/6 are going to Melbourne for their school camp, from Tuesday 31st October until Friday 3rd of November. This is an action packed camp with students visiting the Melbourne Museum, Old Melbourne Gaol, Science Works, Victoria Market, IMAX, Eureka Tower, Parliament House, Hosier Lane Street Art, Yarra River Cruise, Shrine of Remembrance, Federation Square, and the Aquarium.

Grade 3-6 students are attending the Rubicon Writers Camp from Wednesday 8th until Friday the 10th of November. This is a wonderful opportunity and the students are looking forward to working with children's author Anja Wondra.



Foundation Student Transition Days

We have had the first of our transition days for our 2018 Foundation (prep) students. Alex and Carissa spent the morning reading and playing and getting used to the classroom and the school. Grade 6 (for 2018) Buddies Ada and Jess supported our two new students with kindness and care.



Transition dates for 2018 Foundation students
Wed 8th Nov – including recess
Wed 22nd Nov - until and including lunch
Wed 6th Dec – all day



Looking forward to 2018..... we would love to hear from people who would like to commit to 1 ½ hours a week to help with the Kitchen Garden Program anyone who would like to be reading helpers.

Please contact the school on 5790 5250 if you would like to volunteer in any way.



Our end of year Concert is being held on Monday 18th of December at a time to be advised. Please keep the date free and look out for a poster in the shop with more details on it.

RAR-STRATHBOGIE SHIRE SUPPORTING RED CROSS MYANMAR CRISIS APPEAL

FILM FUNDRAISER – EUROA CINEMA – WED NOV 22

Giving voice to asylum seekers' experiences

This thoughtful, quietly involving documentary from director, Steve Thomas, gives us stories of freedom and tales of the everyday. Its subjects all came to Australia seeking refuge, and all spent time in detention, some for months, some for years. All are now Australian citizens. *Freedom Stories* focuses on what has happened to them since then, and its participants relate their experiences with candour and self-awareness. It's an uplifting experience.

The **Rohingya** people are a Muslim minority group residing in the Rakhine state of Myanmar. According to historians, "Rohingyas have been living in Arakan (now known as 'Rakhine') from time immemorial." The Rohingya people are considered 'stateless entities', as the Myanmar government has been refusing to recognise them as one of the ethnic groups of the country. For this reason, the Rohingya people lack legal protection from the government of Myanmar and face strong hostility in the country. **The Rohingya are described as one of the most persecuted people on earth.**



PLEASE JOIN US ON WED NOV. 22 TO SUPPORT THE ROHINGYA