



October 2017

STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND ART EXHIBITION AND SALE

'STAX'

OFFICIAL LAUNCH AND OPENING
Main Street Strathbogie
Friday, November 3rd at 6:30 pm

Public viewing and sales
Saturday, November 4th
10:00 am - 5:00pm

Public viewing and sales
Sunday, November 5th
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Catering available at The Strathbogie Store and Under the Sun Restaurant.

Local and regional artists will be showcased.

Work by bespoke artisans will be on display as will live handcrafting and musicians.

Photography will also be a major feature.

All enquiries, bookings and information

to our Curator Toni Down on 0357908543 or marraweeney@bigpond.com

This is a community initiative in association with the Strathbogie Memorial Hall.



What's on in October

October 6th—10am Strathbogie Pasture Field Day

October 8th—10am Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group AGM

October 19 and 20—"Birdcage Thursdays" Violet Town

November 1st — 5pm Australia Day nominations close

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

November 7th—Strathbogie Golf Club Cup Day lunch

December 16th—Tableland Christmas

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. Newcomers 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.

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

STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND ACTION GROUP

Telstra Shed Design

After allocating three points for first choice, two for second and one for third, Picture No 6 (the panther with the light coming through the trees) was by far the most popular design with 213 points.

Second most popular was Picture No 7 (the platypus) with 89 votes, third was Picture no 5 (the panther with the material background with 73 points. A total of 104 voting slips were received.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

STAG Meetings

At its last meeting, STAG agreed to meet every two months (February, April, June, August, October and December) on the first Monday of the month. These scheduled meetings are attended by Councillor Thomson and are open to all members of the community. (cont'd page 11)

Euroa Cinema in October



Sat 30th to Sun 1st Oct—"Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets" (M)
 Wed 4th—2pm—"The Incredibles" (PG)
 Fri 6th—8pm—"The Salesman" ((PG)
 Sat 7th to Sun 8th—"Gifted" (M)
 Sat 14th to Sun 15th—"An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power" (PG)
 Fri 20th to Sat 21st—"Ali's Wedding" (M)
 Sat 28th to Sun 29th—"Victoria & Abdul" (PG)
 Tues 31st Oct—Halloween Special Event—"It" (MA15+)

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.

Do you need a Justice of the Peace?

Neil Barter
 20 Magilton Dve
 57905349

Chris Thomson
 'Aberdeen'
 57905340

Ross Walker
 Brookleigh Rd
 57905111



SWANPOOL CINEMA

www.swanpoolcinema.com.au

Fri 29th to Sun 1st Oct—"A Dog's Purpose" (PG) & "20th Century Women" (M)
 Fri 6th to Sun 8th—"A Quiet Passion" (PG) & "Neruda" (MA15+)
 Fri 13th to Sun 15th—"Monsieur Chocolat" (M) & "Churchill" (M)
 Fri 20th to Sun 22nd—"My Cousin Rachel" (M) & "Wilson" (MA15+)
 Fri 27th to Sun 29th—"Alone in Berlin" (M) & "Chicken People" (PG)

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



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 All community adverts are free.
 Business adverts are charged at \$5 per issue for a usual size, or \$12 per issue for a half page.
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 The TT team

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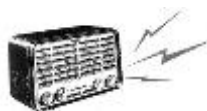
Dates for Strathbogie

(every 2nd Saturday,
 9.30 - 12 noon)

7th & 21st October
 4th, & 18th November



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 Bookings contact:
 Margaret Mactier
 Ph 57908544



Strathbogie Memorial Hall

Available for hire— \$125 with \$250 refundable deposit in case carpet cleaning is required.
 Bookings contact person is Kim Usher
 Ph 5790 5345

Strathbogie Recreation Ground

All bookings are to be made with Kim Usher 57905345



This newsletter is entirely made up of contributions. Contributions to this newsletter are published as a forum for public discussion. The opinions expressed are the opinions of the contributors and obviously not necessarily the opinions of the TT team. By publishing contributions this newsletter does not give its authority to the truth or validity of the material contained in contributions. Readers are reminded that all contributions **MUST** be submitted with the name and address of the writer.

Deadline for the November edition of Tableland Talk is Friday the 26th October. Email: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, ph 57905203, post PO, Strathbogie, or leave contributions at the Strathbogie Store. The TT team.



Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group (STLG)

STLG is currently engaged in a number of activities around the Tableland.

Tree planting

Every year, President Bert Lobert compiles a bulk buy of indigenous tube stock for sale to Tableland residents at the discounted price of \$1 each. This year we have also purchased 3 Hamilton planters for loan. This will make the task of getting the plants into the ground easier. Over the past 4 years, our stock of guards, weed mats and stakes has been depleted. This stockpile is being increased to cater for the next 1000 plantings.

Track Management and Weed Control

If you happen to bump into Landcare members Barry Hall, Sean Mathews or those on a working bee using their mowers, chainsaws or whipper snippers to keep the Bridge to Bridge track open, don't forget to give them a pat on the back. This work goes on all year. Without it the track would quickly succumb to overgrowth and tree falls.

Complementing this work, cooperation with Parks Victoria has resulted in regular summer slashing between the township and the riparian zone.

If you have walked along the Bridge to Bridge track at all this year, you would be hard pressed not to notice the significant reduction in woody weed infestation. Continuing STLG funded weed control is paying dividends, particularly in the suppression of blackberry, holly and honeysuckle.

With this success in mind, last year STLG extended the weed control program along the northern bank of Spring Creek through to Magilton Creek. Our plan is to keep up the attack again this year, with the intention of reestablishing the dominance of local indigenous flora. We hope to see you at the Spring Creek Reserve, 1000hrs, for our Oct 8 AGM to do a group assessment of the results to date and flagging for areas to tackle next.

Roadside Weed Management

Landcare groups collaborate with Strathbogie Shire to plan for roadside conservation management, as is required of local government. STLG Committee member David Jamieson assists with contractor direction, weed management and vegetation conservation. A roadside evaluation of specific weed infestations and significant trees are amongst the initiatives undertaken in this area.

Alternate Fertiliser Trials

David Jamieson has also been the driving force behind this long term research comparing different fertilisers in real time under local conditions. This project is soon to be concluded. Watch out for the Field Day (TBA) and some very interesting results.

STLG financial support for Tableland Community Actions

The production of the Strathbogie Walking Track brochures
Polly McQuinn's information signage with STAG and Parks Victoria
The Save Strathbogie Forests campaign

Membership

You can express your support for Landcare by signing up for the small sum of \$10pa.
By EFT BSB 633108 Acc 126079870 using your name as reference
By sending a cheque to STLG PO Box 33 Strathbogie 3666
By contacting Secretary Sean Mathews Mob: 0400019607



Wanted Wanted

Someone who is a handyman and can also do farm work in Strathbogie.
Call Matt Busby—
0409 078 368



Defaced

by Donmil

The Pauline Hanson drama:
Do you share my thoughts about it? –
She's less scary in a burqa
Than she ever is without it.

Strathbogie Landcare Group invites you to come and see what species germinate and persist in highly acidic soils with high Aluminium levels at 28%

Date : Friday 6th October 2017

(please wear appropriate clothing for paddock walk)

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm at the trial site :

Carpenters Lane Strathbogie.

We will look and discuss

- 9 Acid Tolerant pasture species(replicated 5 times)
- Sowing for persistence and vigour after 16months
- Growth rate in 3 different lime rates

Species sown: Holdfast, Advance AT Phalaris. Yarck, Savy, Vision Cocksfoots. Impact, Matilda, Avalon and Kingsgate rye grasses.

This field day is being run in conjunction with the Gecko Clan landcare network ,Strathbogie Landcare group and Agriculture Victoria.

This is a free event. Please RSVP to Kerri Robson M 0418 140 710

Email: landcare2@inet.net.au

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Councillor News

Hello Again,

In this month's Councillor news, I thought I would touch on the concept of participation.

On Monday, 11 September, I was very pleased to attend the Peranbin School Sports Day. What impressed me most was how the students enthusiastically participated in all the events. Students had the opportunity to perform at their best, but just as importantly all participated in a supportive and encouraging environment. I don't think I have ever been to a sports day where everyone competed with a smile. Congratulations to the staff and parent organisers and, of course, all the participants.

In a local government sense, participation is also very important. I believe citizen engagement and participation results in better service delivery outcomes. At the first meeting of this Council, I moved a motion to decentralise the conducting of Council Meetings away from Euroa only. The motion passed by the narrowest of margins on the night, but now I think the whole Council would agree that taking Council out to where the residents live is a good strategy. The September Council Meeting was held in Graytown. It was the first time Council has ever convened in that part of the Shire and over 20 locals came and told Council what needed to be done to lift service standards in that area.

The Shire needs to do more to make itself accessible to residents. The Customer Service Request System needs upgrading, so that residents can be kept informed about the progress of their request after they have submitted it. Council will consider improvements to the computer software later this year.

We have our own current example of participation here on the Tableland, with the construction of a picnic shelter on Shire land near the corner of the Euroa Road and Spring Creek Road. I believe, when completed, this facility will be a valuable addition for locals and visitors.

The project started because a resident, Tony Dawson, put in the time and research to convince Council that spending funds on a shelter in that area would have value. Council wants to ensure that the project meets the community need, which is why it is going about it in a participatory way. A project team of a Shire Project Manager, Tony Dawson, Doug Watson (representing STAG) and myself will oversee the project (scope, design, implementation, etc.). The recommendation of the project group will come back to the community in coming weeks. I would like to thank Tony and Doug for making their expertise, perspective and time available. A great example of participation.

People, of course, participate in all different ways. For anyone who has an interest in Community Planning (identifying and implementing actions important to the local community, acting as a point of reference when Council seeks public input, advising Council on initiatives for the Council Plan and Budget) then I recommend participating in the Shire's Community Planning Reference Group. The Strathbogie Tableland Action Group meets every two months—the next meeting will be the first Monday in December, 7.30pm at the Strathbogie Hall. A great way to get involved.

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 necessarily 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.

The Storyweaving Workshop is part of Life Writing, a community program from Access Health & Community

The Life Writing Program is coordinated by Carolyn Cuming

For further details about Storyweaving please contact Carolyn

Phone: 03 9819 5758

Email: carolyn.cuming@accesshc.org.au

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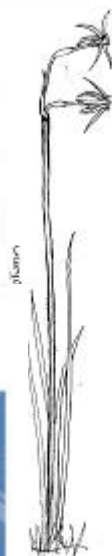
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Tableland Talk update— due to increases in costs of printing and paper, the cost of advertising in Tableland Talk is going to be increased slightly. The charges will be increased from \$5 to \$7 for regular sized adverts, and \$12 for 1/3 to 1/2 a page. This is still remarkably inexpensive. In other news, we would like to welcome Sean Mathews back to the communications team. He will be helping to compile TT each month, and will add his expertise to those who already do such a huge amount. 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!

Miracles of surgery

by Donmil

Poor Mr T and Mr T –
They've suffered dreadful cuts:
One of them's without a brain,
The other's got no guts.



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.

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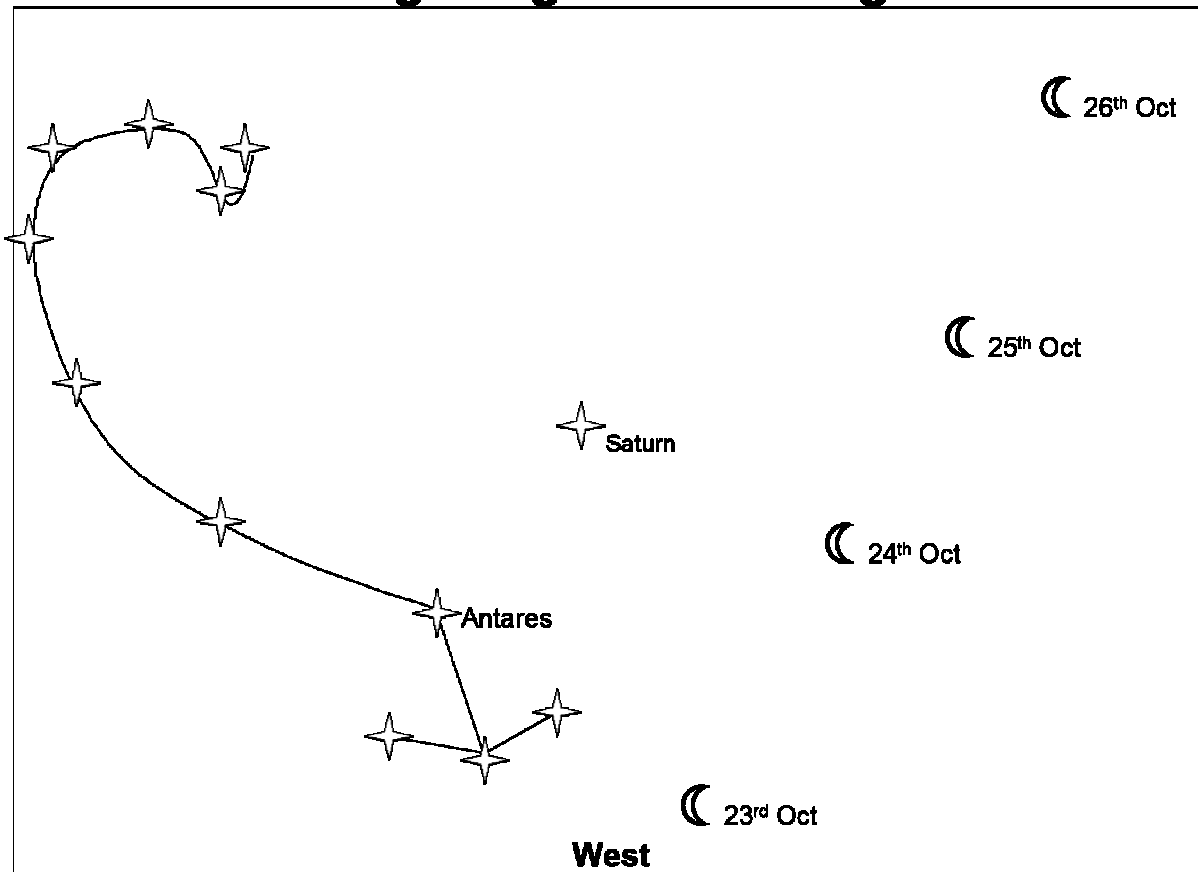
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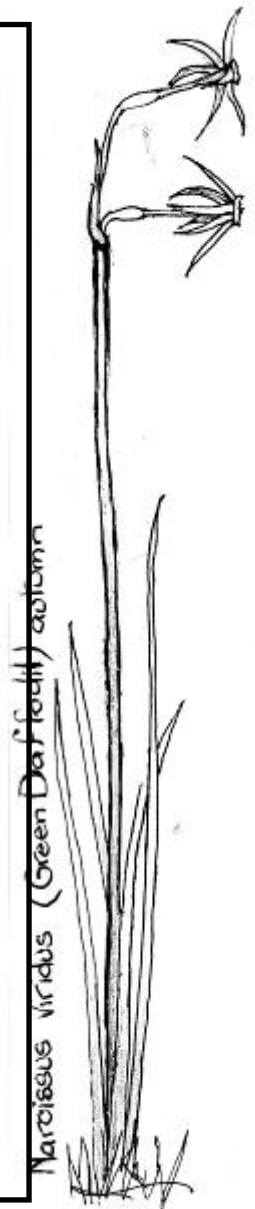


Stargazing in Strathbogie



The view looking West from Strathbogie at around sunset showing the position of the Scorpion, Saturn and the Moon.

Information from Australian Sky & Telescope (David Joyce)



Territory Test'n'Tag

Workplace electrical testing for
Worksafe compliance.

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Freeway fury

by Donmil

I meet them again and again and again –
They're an ongoing source of frustration and pain:
Those who never get out of the right-hand lane!

Pomona Art House, located next to Polly McQuinn's, will be open for business in October 2017. 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
[708 Galls Gap Road, Strathbogie](#), 0419200719



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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)



"SECOND ROUND OF GRANTS PROGRAM ANNOUNCED"

Community groups, event organisers and everyday Strathbogieshire residents have another chance to apply for Council's 2017-18 community grants program.

Council has awarded close to \$30,000 to community groups as part of the 2017-2018 Community Grants Program.

The entire grant funding allocation, worth \$56,500 was spread out into four categories:

Community Matching Grants, Events Grants, Quick Response Grants and the William Pearson Bequest.

Eight applications were received and the successful grant recipients are:

- Nagambie Mechanics Institute – sanding and re-sealing of the hall flooring - \$4450
- Strathbogieshire Golf Club – outdoor furniture and BBQ - \$3140
- Euroa Agricultural Society – NR Ralston Pavilion, flexible exhibition and event improvements - \$5000
- Avenel Recreation and Cricket Reserve – seating and undercover area at the new skate park redevelopment - \$5000
- Avenel Tennis Club – kitchen refurbishment - \$4898
- Strathbogieshire Memorial Hall – Strathbogieshire Arts Show - \$1680
- Violet Town Business Group (auspiced by VTAG) – The Nightmare Continues - \$3000
- Euroa Citizens Band – funding stipends for musical directors and some annual expenditure - \$2500

Due to there being significant funding still available Council have decided to offer Strathbogieshire residents another opportunity to benefit from community grant funding with a second round opening on **Monday September 11th 2017**.

Mayor Amanda McClaren encouraged all Strathbogieshire residents and community groups to take advantage of this second round of the Community Grants Program.

This round will be open for applications for **Community Matching Grants and Events Grants only** and will close on **Friday 27th October 2017**.

"Council's Community Grants Program is very worthwhile as it gives residents from all walks of life a chance to complete a project that may have been in the pipeline for a long time or to make community events the best they can be, supporting social cohesion," Cr McClaren said.

"I strongly encourage anyone to apply for either a Community Matching Grant or Events Grant before October 27 this year."

Quick Response Grants will continue to be open at any time for applications.

For assistance in applying for a grant, visit our website at www.strathbogieshire.vic.gov.au/community-funding/community-grants-program or contact a member of Council's Liveability team on 1800 065 993.

(Press Release—Anthony Cini—Strathbogieshire Council)



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
- Seward 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)



THE WHISTLE BLOWERS WILL

Once there was a mob owned by rich man Bill
Who paid the biggest polli in town to cut red tape at
his will

And for years the system stayed, the locals knew it so
But no one would front them and tell Bill and Polli-
NO!

Land was sub-divided then sold to make new roads
And dollars were exchanged between Bill and polli Joe

With all their power and might they thought they
owned the place
They then bought everything like gold, people and lace

But alas a confused soul who had no price on his head
For they forced the whistle blower to whistle or be
dead

Yes, rich man Bill and polli Joe had their fingers in the
till
But their reputations forever tarnished...
By the whistle blowers will....

Tony Russell Dawson
Strathbogie Victoria Australia



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, sweep-
stakes, 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 please contact either:

**Helen Hill – 0407718873
or Ria Pearce – 57787424**

CFA News



It is the end of September! Which means there is not much longer until our fire season is upon us. Please make sure that you clean up your property of any obvious fire hazards.

And, although there is no guarantee that you will have a fire truck attending your property in the event of a bush fire, the image below shows that size the trucks now are—and they will need in excess of this clearance for a fire truck to be able to access your house, sheds and property along your driveway.

The usual truck is 3m tall, 3m wide and 8m long, and weighs 13 tonnes. It requires a turning circle of in excess of 22m. Trucks cannot access any property without adequate clearance.

Clean ups are really important! Due to multiple out-breaks around Victoria, expect fire restrictions to come in VERY EARLY this fire season. It is NEVER too early to clean up!



STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND ACTION GROUP (cont'd)

Action Plan Update

STAG is required to review and update its Action Plan every four years. The current Plan was developed in 2015 and a number of projects have been completed. At its October meeting STAG will identify projects to be undertaken during the next twelve months.

Picnic Facilities at Spring Creek

The Steering Committee for this project has had its initial meeting where the location and type of building were discussed. The Project Manager, Robert Collyer, will develop some draft plans for the next meeting.

Acknowledging our Volunteers

Not everyone is aware of the enormous amount of time and effort that a number of residents contribute to our small community. Most have jobs or farms to run but make time to involve themselves in a range of ways:

CFA members are constantly looking at ways to improve the safety of our environment, are on call at all hours, particularly during the summer when they may be called away from home for long hours.

Where would we be without the volunteers who keep us informed through Tableland Talk, the Community Website and Bogie-tree

The Hall and Rec Ground each have committees that manage these facilities: take bookings, arrange cleaning, organise events, etc.

It was particularly nice to see volunteers from a range of our community groups pulling together to ensure that the recent Peranbin Sports Day was such a success. Both STAG and the Rec Committee made a donation towards works on the ground which were then undertaken by residents and parents.

Only a few of these groups have been mentioned – there are many more. These volunteers are not seeking individual recognition but all need to be applauded.

"Birdcage Thursdays" is on in Violet Town

La Mama Theatre is proudly supported by the Violet Town Community House in presenting "Birdcage Thursdays" Thursday evening 19th Oct, Matinee Friday 20th Oct as a part of Mental Health Week.

This is a very humorous and poignant play about hoarding and not to be missed.

Tickets are limited. \$25, concession \$15. Tickets to be paid for in person at VT Community House or on line with La Mama. Ph

RED GUM—ART + ECOLOGY—local artist Penny Algar, and Lorraine Connelly-Northey and Damien Wright.

at the Wangaratta Art Gallery is a celebration of the River Red Gum as a tree of immense importance to Aboriginal Australians and one of the most loved and admired of the hundreds of eucalypt species in Australia. This exhibition acknowledges the importance of science and ecology in particular, with a comprehensive public program, including talks by experts such as Dr Greg Moore, David Watson, Jo Bell, Ian Lunt and others will take place during the two month long exhibition. The exhibition opened on Saturday September 23 and concludes on Sunday November 19. Enquiries and bookings phone 5722 0865 or see www.wangarattaartgallery.com.au.

Australia Day Awards 2018—Nominate Now!

Nominate a person who has shown considerable dedication or a group / event that supports our local communities!

How to Nominate

Online at www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au

(under Community > Community Resources)

Or pick up a form:

Euroa - Council Office or Euroa Hub

Strathbogie - Strathbogie Store, or Under the Sun Café

Violet Town - Post Office

Nominations close

5pm sharp Wednesday 1 November 2017. Late nominations will not be accepted.



Award Categories

Community Organisation of the Year

Community Event of the Year

Junior Citizen of the Year

Young Citizen of the Year

Citizen of the Year



Town winners will be chosen by the town Australia Day committee, while the Shire-Wide winners will be chosen from the list of town winners by Strathbogie Shire Councillors.

Shire-wide winners will receive their award at their town ceremony. There will not be a separate Shire-wide award ceremony.

For further information, contact the Economic Development Officer, Strathbogie Shire Council, 03 5795 0000, info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au



Euroa Arboretum

Upcoming events—October and November

Gardens for Wildlife – Backyard Ponds and Frogs with Phillip Johnson and Jo Wood

October 6 @ 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Euroa Flour Mill \$40

We invite you to join us to launch our new local garden program to encourage wildlife into your garden. The night includes a two-course meal and speakers who will educate and inspire you into thinking about how to use water in your garden to encourage birds, insects and frogs.



Gardens for Wildlife - Botanical Illustration with Margaret Zaal

November 5 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Euroa Arboretum \$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

November 5 @ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Euroa Arboretum \$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



Euroa Arboretum
Growing Back the Bush

Please note— Unfortunately no school news was received for this edition. It will be back next month, and you will be able to read all about the wonderful Peranbin School Sports held here at the Rec Ground.