



April, 2022



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For further enquiries contact:

Ps. Bob Bruce, Euroa Baptist Church
or Joan Wood 57905297

What's On

**Please check with organisers
regarding current covid-19
arrangements.**

Every Second Tuesday of the
month - Strathbogie Memorial Hall
Committee meets 6pm in the Hall.
Enq Mary Wynne 0419 592 211

Every Wednesday - Material Girls -
usual times 10am - Rec Ground -
BYO lunch. Newcomers welcome
Ph: Jill Smith 5790 5159.

Every Wednesday - 7.30pm
Strathbogie Singing Group -
St Andrews Church
Ph: Di Mackrell 5790 5241

Every Second and Fourth Sunday
Church service at St Andrews
Church - Strathbogie 11.00am

Every First Wednesday of the
month - 1.30pm Strathbogie Garden
Group. Contact Wendy 5790 8523

Every Fourth Saturday of the
month - Australian Plants Society
Group meeting
Pete 0402 882 959

Every Thursday - 5pm. Tennis at
the Recreation Reserve. All
welcome. Secretary Mayra Walsh

Every Sunday & Wednesday -1pm
Strathbogie Croquet - Fernhills, Hills
Rd. Dennis Taylor on 0429 190 807

NOTE: The **Strathbogie has
SPOKEN** event advertised in the
previous edition of Tableland Talk
and on bogietree has been
cancelled due to an absence of
response to the call for participants.

Euroa Cinema

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Letter to the Editor

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Blue Bayou M Ap 2 8.15pm, Ap 3 7.15pm
Limbo M Ap 9 6pm, Ap 10 5pm
Supernova M Ap 9, 8.15pm, Ap 10 7.15pm
King Richard M Ap 16 6pm, Ap 17 5pm
House of Gucci MA15+ Ap 23 6pm, Ap 24 5pm
Death on the Nile M Ap 29 11.00 am, Ap 30 6pm, May 1 5pm
Tolkein M Ap 30 8.45pm, May 1 7.45pm

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www.swanpoolcinema.com.au

Check web site for covid restrictions that apply.

For information regarding the Violet Town Village Voice or to get an emailed copy each month contact Abbey Ferguson at villagevoice@violettown.org.au online at www.violettown.org.au

Joke of the Month

A man wants a divorce. He tells the Judge, "I just can't take it anymore. Every night she is out until way after midnight, just going from bar to bar."

The Judge asks, "Why is she doing that?"



The man answers, "She is looking for me!"

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Do you want to get the most people to your planned local event? Is your local event going to clash with another local event?

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m: 0400 019 607

Shire Healthy Ageing Newsletter

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Tableland Talk is a community newsletter run by volunteers.

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 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.

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

The TT Team

Mobile Library

Dates for Strathbogie:

April 5, 16 and 30
10.00 - 12 noon

Every 2nd Saturday



Strathbogie Memorial Hall

Available for hire— \$150 with \$250 refundable deposit in case carpet cleaning is required.

Bookings contact person is Mary Wynne
Ph 0419 592211

Strathbogie Recreation Ground

All bookings are to be made with
Kim Usher
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The Deadline for the May edition of Tableland Talk is Monday April 25, 2022.

e: tablelandtalk@gmail.com, m: 0400 019 607

Preferred formats: Word or Publisher files, font Arial 11, convert pdf to jpeg, images <250k. *TT Team.*

Airborne gravity survey in 2022 includes Strathbogie Ranges

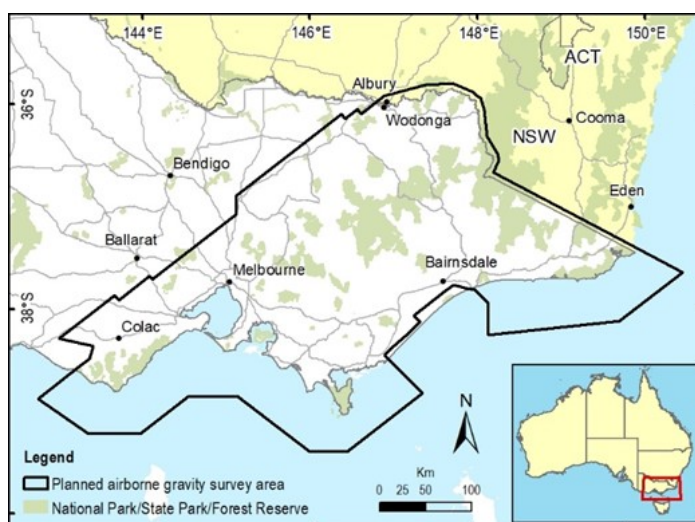
Airborne gravity data is being collected over large regions of Victoria including the central coast, Melbourne, the Australian Alps and eastern Victoria (see Figure 1). The surveys require flights over diverse land types including urban and rural areas, mountainous and coastal terrain and national and state parks and reserves. There is no ground disturbance, and stakeholders and the general public are being advised of the surveys before they occur in specific areas.

The objective is to collect consistent and evenly distributed gravity measurements. The new survey data will significantly improve Victoria's gravity model and the accuracy of real-world heights from GPS (global positioning systems). The data will also be used by geoscientists to further their understanding of southeast Australia's geological architecture and how it has evolved over time. The data and gravity model will improve height determination from GPS positioning to an accuracy of a few centimetres. The changes will support productive and effective land management and technological innovation and meet community expectations of reliable GPS positioning in Victoria.

The new data will advance the geoscience that assists the Victorian Government to manage its earth resources, infrastructure, and natural hazards. It will also assist the State's resources sector, which contributes to regional jobs and economic growth.

My additional comments: The survey will include the whole extent of the Strathbogie granite including to just northwest of the Hume freeway. We are expecting the gravity data will be valuable within the Strathbogie Granite Project to help resolve some longer-term geological issues, and eventually the results can be shared with the public through community lectures, field trips and short articles. I am not involved in the survey itself but might be able to explain more details if that would be helpful. The above is a precis of information received from the Victorian Government.

Neil Phillips



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The Bogie Tree

The Bogie Tree is our unofficial Strathbogie Tableland bush telegraph. It is an email list based on Google Groups and covers a fair percentage of the Tableland population and friends (both transient and permanent). Through this, we practice civil sharing of the following types of information:

- Lifts / rides / car shares
- Requests for assistance
- Offers of assistance
- Local job advertisements
- Lost / missing animals or people!
- Announcements of social activities / get-togethers
- Fire sightings / road washouts
- Any other thing you might want to contact Tablelanders about
- Information on your local business or service

To learn more or join the Bogie Tree, please send an email to Johnno on strathbogan@bigpond.com or call on 0439 818 366



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Walk of the Month

Town and Country Walk - Ruffy



Start: corner of Nolans and Longwood Ruffy Rd., Ruffy

Distance 4.2km Difficulty easy

This is an attractive family farmland walk or romantic ramble. The loop adopts a road reserve of open woodland as a corridor to connect both sides of Ruffy Township.

With a population of only 112, Ruffy might sound like a small place. This is not the case. Sitting atop the south western granite mass of the Strathbogie Tablelands, it is a big place. The landscapes are grand, the rocky outcrops extensive and the waterways beautiful.

Park anywhere in Ruffy's main thoroughfare, Nolans Rd. Outside the Ruffy Produce Store (open for bookings only), the Ruffy Hall or Community Centre are all convenient. The Community Centre used to be the Primary School (1886 – 2005) and still has the advantage of a playground out back for kids to enjoy. Many students rode horses to school and tethered them at the sale yards that were opposite. Keep your eyes open within the Township for information signs and plaques honouring local residents.

As you walk through town, a challenge is to spot the one standing remnant of the Ruffy Hotel (next to the Hall). Built in 1888 and burnt in 1963, in its time the Hotel served as everything from accommodation and general store to drinking establishment and Post Office. Just what do you think this small concrete wall might have been for? Take your time to inspect the town along the way. It is endearing and inviting, with a charming rural outlook in every direction.

Once you leave the township the walk takes you onto sweeping vistas of the undulating Ruffy Tableland countryside. The walk closes a loop of 3 roads. The active public roads, Longwood – Ruffy Rd and Nolans Rd, may not carry much traffic, but there will be vehicles from time to time. Be mindful and keep to the shoulder on the right.

The Eddy Lane turnoff is marked by a sign post. However, there is no longer a sign. The Lane itself is not used as such, so look for the opening into the beginnings of a wooded corridor between grassy grazing properties.

This is an opportunity for a close encounter farmland walk, without worrying about entering private land holdings. With kookaburras guiding the way, contented sheep to either side and bucolic views, it is a very pleasant way to spend a couple of hours. The track is grassy, dry most of the time and lined with beautiful eucalypt forest. Along the way there is a small rise of granite boulders at the track zenith that makes for an agreeable picnic spot. Bird watching, photography, painting, rest and respite are suitable ways to enjoy this space.

Victoria Walks version: <https://walkingmaps.com.au/walk/4559>

Cautions

Walkers must be self reliant. Dogs must be leashed.

Eddy Lane is sometimes used for grazing sheep.

Please make sure you close off any temporary fencing.

Carry water and something to eat, be sun smart, wear closed shoes and a hat.

Sean Mathews

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Quiz Question of the Month

In 1858, pioneer and athlete Henry Colden Anthill Harrison and his cousin, champion cricketer Thomas W. Wills formed a sporting club in Melbourne which was the first of its kind. What sport did their club represent?

Answer Page 11.



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Beautiful Bogie Trees April 2022 – red box

This grand old red box, *Eucalyptus polyanthemos*, is standing roadside on Harry's Creek Road, approximately 6.5 km up towards Marraweeny from the bridge over the Hume Highway. Every time we drive to Violet Town this tree catches my eye, even though there are quite a number of lovely old eucalypts, of various species, along this stretch of road. Initially I was not sure about my identification because I am not accustomed to seeing red box of such a large size, plus this particular tree has not set buds and fruit for a while, so I struggled to find any on the ground (my normal approach if I am not sure about the species). I did find some on my next visit! There are many red boxes, set in lovely grassy woodland, on the unsealed road down to Merton – for me they are such a lovely part of that drive. This species occurs in a band on the slopes and tablelands of NSW and down into Victoria, extending west to around Bendigo, and is fairly drought tolerant. It generally grows to about 20m and often on shallow soil. The smaller stems carrying the leaves are often a dark reddish-brown, which contrasts beautifully with the greenish-grey foliage.



Photos & text: Kath Handasyde

I know that many of you must be seeing some wonderful native trees around the Strathbogies, so why not contribute a photo of your favourites for Tableland Talk? Please send photos, and indicate the locality, plus a short paragraph if you wish, (or contact me and I can write something for you).

Email to: kathstuart60@gmail.com a few days before the last Friday of each month or send directly to the Tableland Talk team at: tablelandtalk@gmail.com

Cheers, Kath Handasyde

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Geology of the Swanpool district and Strathbogrie Ranges

• A public lecture and discussion led by Neil Phillips •

Universities of Melbourne and Stellenbosch RSA



The Strathbogrie granite fills the large area between the Hume freeway, Goulburn Valley highway and Midland highway. This triangle between Benalla, Seymour and Mansfield is an iconic landscape of boulders, slabs, cliffs, gorges and numerous waterfalls carved into the granite. The same granite extends east to the Samaria plateau placing Swanpool and Lima in more fertile gaps where the granite has been eroded by the ancestral Goulburn River and now the Broken River.

THE STRATHBOGIE GRANITE PROJECT is a long-term collaboration amongst researchers led by John Clemens and Neil Phillips involving particularly the University of Melbourne, and Stellenbosch University in South Africa. John has a global granite perspective and leads the laboratory work; Neil leads the field work covering much of the ground from Tallarook to Mt Samaria. This field work has been supported through the generous co-operation of many hundred landowners who have provided land access, and many others who have shared their knowledge during the community walks on the Tallarook, Highlands and Seven Creeks plateaus. Community presentations such as this one at Swanpool are opportunities to provide feedback on the research findings. An aim of the project has been to develop the geological platform to assist in understanding the whole natural environment including groundwaters, soils, vegetation, agriculture and geomorphic landforms.

The Strathbogrie Granite is recognised globally amongst granite experts for its widespread mineral

(cordierite) and for the exceptional period of violence when it formed 370 million years ago. The research continues to pose challenging questions, and we might be able to answer some of these such as why the Broken River valley is so broad, and what role the granite has played in the quarry at Lima South adjacent to the granite. There are also puzzles such as why gold is found adjacent to the granite but not in it, and how quartz crystals form.

The evening will include a small display of some typical rocks, and a presentation by Neil Phillips followed by general discussions.

For details on the field work, contact
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**Swanpool
Landcare**

This presentation sponsored by Swanpool Landcare

WHERE: Swanpool Memorial Hall, Swanpool. **TIME:** 7.30pm for 8pm

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Recipe of the Month

Melanzane Alla

Parmigiana, an old and delicious family favourite from the Valmorbida Family and a great way to use some of those eggplants and tomatoes ready to harvest right now!

(Eggplant Parmigiana)

Serves 6

Ingredients

4 medium eggplants

Olive oil

Sugo di Pomodoro (tomato sauce)

1 onion finely chopped

1 garlic clove chopped

700g tomato puree (passata sauce)

Salt and pepper

Fresh basil chopped 1/3 cup

Fresh parsley chopped 1/3 cup

Fresh oregano chopped 1/3 cup

Combine herbs

500g Mozzarella, sliced or shredded

100g Parmesan grated

Method

Preheat oven 180 degrees

Slice unpeeled eggplant no greater than 1cm thick

Brush slices with olive oil and grill under an overhead griller or on a chargrill pan for 3-5 minutes each side

Sugo di Pomodoro (sauce)

Prepare well ahead

Heat a little olive oil

Add finely chopped onion and garlic and fry until soft

Add tomato puree and bring to boil, cook until lightly thickened

Season to taste and add half a cup of chopped herbs

To assemble smear the bottom of a baking dish with sugo

Layer the eggplant slices

Dot with Mozzarella

Sprinkle with Parmesan and herbs and repeat

Finish with sugo topped with cheese

Sprinkle with a little water

Bake 20-25 minutes until the top is golden

Note: peak season for eggplants of November to March. Always choose eggplants that are smooth, shiny and heavy for their size. If you find, having cut the eggplant, that the seeds are very hard and too pronounced, the eggplant is over mature. The seeds will be hard and taste unpleasant. Discard these eggplants.



(Eggplant Parmigiana)

Ref: Delish Peranbin PS Family Favourites 2012



Are you a landowner in Strathbogie district or town? Do you ever wish you could take care of weeds with a flick of your wrist? What about learning the latest tech to monitor your soil moisture from home? Well then, have you ever thought it would be good to do a Whole Farm Planning course? Or best of all,

using the subsidies for weed spraying and rabbit control, and the free Super Spreader and Indian Myna traps! Not to mention checking out a good old sausage sizzle at a field day every now and then.

Membership to the Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group is only \$5 annually per person or family until June. But due to increased insurance fees we have to raise this to \$10 from July, and we don't want the committee

posing for a nude calendar to pay for the insurance. SO PLEASE JOIN!

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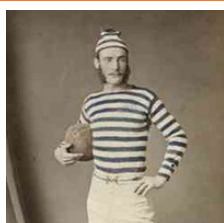
Regards,

Carole Hammond

0466 961112

Secretary

Strathbogie Tableland Landcare



Quiz answer:

Australian Rules Football.

The sport was supposedly created to keep cricketers fit during the winter.

Peranbin Primary College Strathbogie Campus

Clean Up Australia Day this year was down at the creek. We also had Grace from the Strathbogie Shire Council come in and talk to us about different types of rubbish and the hazards these pose. Grace helped us sort through the items we collected and identify which items go in which bins. It was a really useful exercise for all involved and we found out some interesting things about waste management in our Shire. For example; that even broken glass can be recycled in our Shire because it is re-used for road base! As well as the fact that aluminium cans can be recycled an infinite amount of times!



We went for a walk down by the creek before Grace arrived to collect some rubbish and also had a mini Bogie Backyard session whereby the students learnt about ephemeral (seasonal) waterways and about native flowers and how they attract native birds and bees. We will be building on these skills further as the weeks go on and the students will be working further on their identification skills and taking polaroid pictures of animals and plants to annotate when they get back to class.



As part of our well being program, in the afternoons, the children have been doing some simple meditation and yoga exercises to help with their relaxation after lunch.

In Literacy students have been working hard on their comprehension and prediction skills and we have started reading the book "Penguin Bloom", which is a beautiful story about a family going through a difficult time who adopt a magpie.

In Maths we looked at measuring ingredients when we made our pancake batter for Shrove Tuesday.

We have also worked on time and calendars, learning about 24 hour clocks, quarter to and quarter past time, how to read a calendar and am and pm.

We also have had another Upcycle session where the students did a fantastic job decorating our bench seats. Thanks very much to Envisage Furniture in Shepparton for cutting the timber for the bench seats. They will be well loved and used over the years.

Congratulations and thank you to all the senior students from across Peranbin for the wonderful drawings submitted for the design of the front cover for our 2022 Camp Booklet. Carissa from Strathbogie was awarded with the winning design. Unfortunately the camp has been postponed until the 6th of June.

