



September, 2022

## Enhancing Community Groups: Free Workshop Series

Strathbogie Shire Council is hosting a series of free workshops to assist community groups in building their skills. The Community Capacity Building Workshops will be held online covering two topics across four workshops.

Strathbogie Shire Council Mayor Cr Laura Binks says the first workshop Valuing Our Volunteers provides a simple framework for best-practice volunteer management and support. "The session will cover how to recruit the best people to do the best job for your organisation, the essentials of supporting your volunteers to be their best and best-practice people management for working with volunteers."

Cr Binks says the second topic Fundraising 101 will focus on a simple step-by-step approach to strategic fundraising for organisations. "This session covers how to assess your needs, and the best approaches to fundraising, how to develop an effective fundraising plan to help you move forward and where to go if you need further help to find funding."

There will be a day and evening session for both topics at the end of this month.

Event and booking details are as follows:

• Monday 26 September, 1pm-4pm, Valuing Our Volunteers | Join via:

<https://events.humanitix.com/valuing-our-volunteers-strathbogie-shire-council>

• Tuesday 27 September, 6.30pm-9.30pm, Valuing Our Volunteers | Join via:

<https://events.humanitix.com/valuing-our-volunteers-strathbogie-shire-council-tejexjxw>

• Wednesday 28 September, 1pm-4pm, Fundraising 101 | Bookings via:

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• Thursday 29 September, 6.30pm-9.30pm, Fundraising 101 | Bookings via:

<https://events.humanitix.com/fundraising-101-strathbogie-shire-council-6nyo6lpr>

For further information:

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## What's On

**Sept 4** Suzie Bates' Exhibition "Sanctuary". Bush Gatherings See p13

**Sept 9** Geology Talk. See p3

**Sept 11** Drawing Workshop. See p13

**Sept 17 & 18** Yea Garden Expo. See p3 & 13

**Sept 18.** Granite Trek. See p3

**Sept 25** Experimental Painting. See p9

**Sept 26, 27, 28, 29** Shire Volunteer Workshops. See p1

**Oct 14** Landcare Field Day, See p9

**Sunday Oct 30** Strathbogie Tableland History Group Heritage Day Plaques Unveiling. See p4

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**Every First Monday** of the month - Strathbogie Tableland History Group meets 1.30pm, Strathbogie Memorial Hall. [strathbogiehistory@gmail.com](mailto:strathbogiehistory@gmail.com)

**Every Second Wednesday** of the month - Strathbogie Memorial Hall Committee meets 7pm in the Soldier's Room. 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.

## Euroa Cinema

**Maigret** M Sep 2 7.30pm, Sep 3 3.30pm  
**The Phantom of the Open** M Sep 3 7.30pm, Sep 4 4pm  
**Ali and Ava** M Sep 10 7.30pm, Sep 11 4pm  
**St Kilda Film Festival** Sep 17 7.30pm, Sep 18 4pm  
**Bullet Train** MA15+ Sep 17 7.30pm, Sep 18 4pm  
**Minions. The Rise of Gru** PG Sep 21 11am (sensory), 3pm (regular)  
**Best Birthday Ever** G (\$5) Sep 28 11am (sensory), 3pm (regular)  
**Thor Love & Thunder** M Sep 30 6pm

Tix \$10. Book online at <https://www.trybooking.com/CAQIS>

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Ph 0458 328 873

### Got something to say?

Send us a

*Letter to the Editor*

## Swanpool CINEMA

**Top Gun** M Sep 3 6pm, Sep 4 5pm  
**Top Gun: Maverick** M Sep 3 8.15pm, Sep 4 7.15pm  
**Farewell Mr Haffman** M Sep 10 6pm, Sep 11 5pm  
**Maigret** M Sep 10 8.15pm, Sep 11 7.15pm  
**Mothering Sunday** MA15+m Sep 17 6pm, Sep 18 5pm  
**Ali & Ava** M Sep 17 8.15pm, Sep 18 7.15pm  
**Encanto** PG Sep 18 1.30pm  
**Elvis** M Sep 23 1.30pm  
**Elvis** M Sep 24 6pm, Sep 25 5pm

**Tickets \$14 / \$12 / \$8 via [trybooking.com](https://www.trybooking.com)**

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### Check YOUR Local Event Doesn't Clash With ANOTHER Local Event.

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

Ask Tableland Talk. Many local events are promoted through our local Newsletter.

If you want to find out if another event is being promoted on a date you are planning for, get in touch.

We will tell you if another local event has already been promoted on the same day /time:

[tablelandtalk@gmail.com](mailto:tablelandtalk@gmail.com)  
m: 0400 019 607

### Shire Healthy Ageing Newsletter

Free hard copies available at participating supermarkets, POs, libraries, pharmacies, medical centres, community houses and op-shops or via <https://www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/community/seniors-active-ageing>

### *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:

September 3 and 17  
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  
5790 5345

**The Deadline** for the October edition of Tableland Talk is Monday September 26, 2022.

e: [tablelandtalk@gmail.com](mailto:tablelandtalk@gmail.com), m: 0400 019 607

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

# Let's do our Community Proud – Help Wanted!

As we hope most of you are aware by now, the Strathbogrie Tableland History Group is running a Heritage Day on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October (Cup Weekend).

It shapes up to be a BIG day for the community with St Andrews celebrating 100 years, the General Store 120 years and the School 50 years. Numbers on the day are expected to be in the vicinity of 150 people. As Irene Jones stated, “they are coming from far and wide,” and we even have individuals travelling from interstate.

You may not however be aware that this event is being run by a group of 7 individuals and the logistics dictate that we are going to need community support.

The CFA has kindly offered to co-ordinate parking on the day and the Golf Club are generously allowing parking at the course to minimise pedestrian and vehicular interaction. A BBQ is being organised by the General Store and the School are running an afternoon tea/light lunch at the hall as a fundraiser, but WE NEED YOU!

Jobs to be completed on the weekend include, but of course are not limited to:

- Overseeing the setup of hired toilets
- Overseeing the installation of potable water stations and hand sanitisation stations
- Erecting barricade and signage at Spring Creek Picnic area
- Erecting signage at the intersection of Spring Creek and Main Street, Armstrong Avenue and Main Street and for parking areas.
- Decorating the main street fences with bunting
- Decorating the Hall with hand quilted bunting made by local residents
- Setting up seating at various locations
- Setting up marquees, tables etc.
- Setting up photographic displays and memorabilia
- The dreaded pack-up!

We have many proud ex-residents attending as well as direct descendants of those families that contributed to the development and success of this town/community, so we are going to need to band together as they did in the day.

If you can help in any way, please do reach out to [strathbogriehistory@gmail.com](mailto:strathbogriehistory@gmail.com) or by phone to Lisa Duggan 048005622.

Thanks in advance,

*The Strathbogrie Tableland History Group*

## Yea Garden Expo



The Rotary Club of Yea is again hosting a Garden Expo on Sat/Sun 17-18 September, 9am – 3pm. This is an opportunity to view garden related products at the Yea Saleyards (Flat Lead Road), a flat, sealed and easily accessible site. \$10 entry (free parking), with food available on site. Dogs on leads welcome! Over 70 vendors with all things related to gardens on display plus daily speakers. Website ([www.yeagardenexpo.com.au](http://www.yeagardenexpo.com.au)) or [www.yearotary.org.au](http://www.yearotary.org.au) or Facebook. Bookings at [www.trybooking.com/BZOYD](http://www.trybooking.com/BZOYD) or pay at the gate.

## Geology Events

### 1. Geology of the Warranbayne district.

Short talk by Neil Phillips on 9th September Friday in the Warranbayne Hall.

Details Kerrie Robson: [landcare2@iinet.net.au](mailto:landcare2@iinet.net.au)

### 2. Booroola Granite Trek.

Sunday 18th September near Avenel and the Hughes Creek Valley.

Details Kevin Whithear of the Avenel Nature Conservation Group.

Kevin Whithear: [kqwhithear@gmail.com](mailto:kqwhithear@gmail.com)



*Neil Phillips*

## STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND HISTORY GROUP

PROTECTING, PRESERVING, PROMOTING

The Strathbogie Heritage Day on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October being organised by the Strathbogie Tableland History Group will include the unveiling of a Heritage Trail. We are reaching out seeking families who are directly descended from original owners of the site, or who have a direct link with such.

The following sites are being marked on the Heritage Trail and being unveiled on the day, Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October. The following 11 Plaques will be unveiled in the township of Strathbogie.

1/ Strathbogie Links - Golf Club (original course)

2/ Memorial Hall

3/ Strathbogie Original Post Office

4/ RH Grahams Store Strathbogie Hotel

5/ TJ Nolan's Sale Yards

6/ Orangemen Protestant Hall - Public Hall - Service Station

7/ Wesleyan Church / Methodist Church

8/ Presbyterian Church / Uniting Church

9/ Blacksmith's Residence - and Lolly Shop

10/ Strathbogie Butter Factory

11/ Co-operative Store - General Store

*Did any of your ancestors have connections with these sites?  
If so, would you like to be part of the unveiling ceremony and tell their story?*

If so, please contact Jill Smith on 0414 364 382 or [strathbogiehistory@gmail.com](mailto:strathbogiehistory@gmail.com)  
Or come and join the History Group. We meet on the first Monday of each month.  
1.30pm at Strathbogie Memorial Hall

*Irene Jones & Lisa Duggan*

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## My Favourite Tree - a Magnificent Strathbogie Manna Gum

My favourite tree is a magnificent Manna Gum, the largest tree located on our property. It is beautiful from any angle, but best viewed from the Bridge to Bridge walking track in the late afternoon, when the fading sun highlights the branch structure and lush foliage. While Manna Gums have always been associated with koalas, we have only ever observed one attempt the climb – but he gave up, unable to get a grip on the wide girth and shedding bark ribbons.

Channeling our inspiring tree mentor Kath Handasyde now, (and Costermans), the scientific name for Manna Gum is *Eucalyptus viminalis*, meaning 'willow-like', due to their drooping narrow leaves. They are widely distributed in Victoria, mainly along watercourses in hilly country, and on deep fertile soils. They vary greatly in appearance, from tall, with smooth white trunks in mountain forests, to small and spreading with rougher bark in flat open country.

Mary Mathews



A late afternoon photo highlights trunk, foliage and scale.



There are many hollows, often occupied by native animals.

## New Strathbogie Tableland Action Group Committee Elected

A well attended August 7 STAG AGM saw the election of the new committee ready to liaise with Council, provide support for local interest groups and fund raise for community projects.

Andrew Townsend was elected as Acting STAG Chairperson to move the action group forward, with Henry O'Connor continuing in the role of Treasurer. They have been joined by two Secretaries, Pennie Beard and Allison Angus.

There were two nominations for Deputy Chair. It was discussed at the meeting that either of these could then step up to the Chairperson position as soon as Andrew Townsend vacated the acting role. Andrew Gooding will now take on the Chairperson role. Sim Ayres will continue as Deputy. Andrew Townsend will resume his role within the Safety and Emergency sub committee where he sees his skill set to be better suited.

The Shire has requested that all local Action Groups send up to three members to a combined briefing with the Shire this coming week to discuss current and future projects with Shire staff. Sim, Andrew G and Pennie volunteered to attend. They will report back to STAG and the community after the meeting.

Until this meeting is held and STAG learns how the Shire sees its position we will tread water. The new STAG is keen and willing to enhance services and facilities for our Tableland community.

Andrew Townsend

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## Strathbogie Ranges

- Nature View -

*Stories, activities & more.*

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## The Bogie Tree

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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 share the following information and more:

- 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 other Tablelanders about

- Information on your local business or service

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To learn more or join the Bogie Tree, please send an email to Stuart on [stuartb446@gmail.com](mailto:stuartb446@gmail.com) or call on 0422 408 915



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## Another Strathbogie “Elder” Passes On

Edna Mackrell (nee Hobbs) passed away on July 25, 2022 at Granite Hill Aged Care in Euroa, just one month short of 97 years. Edna lived most of her life at “Roseburne” Kithbrook, and as the family had heard many times, was born in the jinker at Sheans Creek on the way to Euroa in 1925. She was the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 5 children of Tom & Azelia Hobbs, along with Merle, Lyle (died in WWII), Eileen and youngest sister Margaret, who is now the only surviving sibling.

Tom Hobbs took over the farm from his father Joshua Hobbs, who was the original settler on the property. Wilton & Edna Mackrell purchased the farm from Tom when they were married in 1947, and the property is now farmed by Dennis Mackrell, the 4<sup>th</sup> generation of the Hobbs family on this property. Edna & Wilton raised 4 children at “Roseburne” – Garry, Dennis, Wayne (dec) and Leanne.

After Edna died, the family discovered in her papers, a collection of poetry written by Edna under the pseudonym Krista Lee (she always said she did not like her name!). Three of the poems were used for her funeral & burial services, including the following poem “Spring in Strathbogie” which the family feels needs to be shared with Strathbogie residents. Edna was a “Strathbogie-ite” through and through and really sums up the essence of Strathbogie in this poem.

### Spring in the Strathbogie Hills

The peace of it all up here in the hills,  
I love it all, I know I always will  
The cool of the night, the warmth of the day,  
Please bring me back if I ever stray.

The chirp of the birds you hear every day,  
The rustle of leaves & branches of trees, they swing and they sway,  
The dear little lamb when it is born,  
May not live to be shorn.

The sheep, the cows, they graze away,  
The winter, the summer, come what may,  
The farmer toils for little pay,  
But he still loves it, day after day.

Come to the hills in the middle of spring,  
The joy of it all will make you sing,  
The rocks, the trees, wild flowers and ferns by the creek,  
You can take in its beauty, week after week.

Beautiful timbered hills appear everywhere,  
There are echidnas, rabbits, foxes, wallabies and koala bears,  
You will enjoy its beauty without even a care,  
And the wonderful people you meet, you don't meet everywhere.

Krista Lee (aka Edna Mackrell)

*Edna Irene Hilda Mackrell*



*27 August 1925 – 25 July 2022*

## Recipe of the Month

### Boiled Chocolate Cake

1 cup water  
1 1/2 cups sugar  
125g butter  
2 tbs cocoa  
2 eggs  
1 1/2 cups SR flour  
1/4 tspn bicarb soda

Preheat oven to 180.



### Method

Place the sugar, water, butter, cocoa, and bicarb soda into a saucepan and stir over a low heat until the butter has melted. Bring to boil and simmer for 5 minutes.

Remove from heat and allow to cool. Mix in the beaten eggs and flour. Pour into a prepared cake tin and bake in a moderate oven until cooked through.

Ref: Delish. Peranbin Primary College. Our Favourites. 2012

# The Weekend Local

Euroa's gourmet providore stocking produce from the Strathbogrie Ranges and surrounds. Relax over a great coffee or tea from Mansfield Coffee Merchant, take away a local bottle of beer, wine or Sassy Sister

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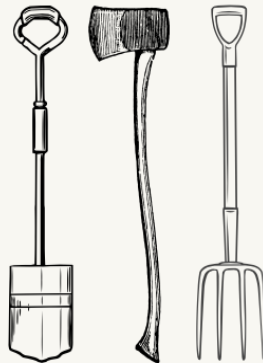
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# Are you working to improve your pasture ?

## Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group

Open Day – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022 from 2.00pm – 4.00pm

466 Galls Gap Road, Strathbogie 3666



History of the Site: Soil tests at our soil trial site showed that after 9 years of spreading lime a number of times and at different rates, the soil below 10cm has still highly acidic – in fact regular liming had increased the pH in the top 5 – 8 cm but below that, little had changed.

We therefore decided to try deep cultivation (ripping) of part of the site and then to use pelletised lime and run it through the seeder (rather than just spread it on the surface) to try to get better penetration of the lime.

Results of the trial, which has been supported by Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority, have been interesting although not altogether what we had hoped for.

At our Open Day we will cut a trench on the trial site so that attendees can see the soil profile and the actual pH at different levels from the ground surface to around 70cms deep. Hopefully we will also see how the roots of Phalaris and Chicory, which we planted after the deep ripping, have grown and to what depth – both on the ripped section of the site and the non-ripped.

We will have several soil experts on site to explain about Strathbogie soils and to discuss ways of improving your soils so as to grow better pasture.

- ⇒ The Open Day is free, presented by Strathbogie Tableland Landcare Group and will include afternoon tea.
- ⇒ Follow signs in Galls Gap Road. We would like some idea of numbers so would appreciate an email to [prighetti@macsfield.com.au](mailto:prighetti@macsfield.com.au) advising us of numbers please.

### EXPERIMENTAL PAINTING with Ann Cremean amongst granite outcrops on the Tableland

A day with acrylic paints using collage to create images (both real and imaginary) of the local granite.  
No art experience is necessary just a desire to have fun.  
Ann loves the granite-tors of the Strathbogie region and uses them as inspiration for her abstract landscape art practice.



Sunday  
25th  
September

10am-3pm

at Ruffy  
Mitre Rock

Cost \$28

Materials  
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includes  
afternoon tea  
BYO Lunch

#### Awe and Wonder in Nature Art Workshops

The Strathbogie Ranges Conservation Management Network offers this workshop as part of their series aiming to bring new insights and connections into the natural world.  
The Awe and Wonder project is funded by a Landcare grant.

Further information email [admin@strathbogieranges.org](mailto:admin@strathbogieranges.org)  
Bookings on Eventbrite (Numbers limited)  
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/acrylic-and-collage-workshop-tickets-390775178077>



## Croquet update

After an absence because of the weather croquet is on again starting this Sunday at 1 pm onwards. All ages & abilities welcome. BBQ facilities & kettle available. Hope to see you all there. For more information or direction ring Dennis 0429190807



# We're here for you

Monday:	9:30am - 4:30pm*
Tuesday:	9:00am - 12:00pm
Wednesday:	9:30am - 4:30pm*
Thursday:	9:30am - 4:30pm*
Friday:	9:00am - 12:00pm

(\* Closed for lunch 12:30pm - 1:30pm)

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# Walk of the Month

## Lake Benalla walk

Start: 1 Bridge St., Benalla 3672

Time: 1.5 hours. Length 5km. Difficulty easy.



This excellent waterside walk has something of interest for every generation. From the traditional Benalla Botanical Gardens to an innovative outdoor art trail. From nature, BBQs and picnics to a press to play children's splash park and free to enjoy cultural riches.

That is to say, this walk isn't just about the walking. Take the time to dwell on the many pleasurable sights and activities your walking will take you to. The landscapes include broad lake views and a forested River Red Gum floodplain. The activities vary from various children's playgrounds to birdwatching, the Benalla Art Gallery to time on the wooded BMX track or the art laden skate park.

Lake Benalla provides natural habitat for indigenous birds and fauna including pelicans, echidnas, platypus and gliders. The parklands are home to ornamental garden beds and groves of mature trees. Diverse indigenous and exotic plantings can be enjoyed. A dedicated Aboriginal Garden includes its own unique design, plantings, walking tracks and special places.

Amenities abound. Car parking is available at many locations around the walk. Sheltered BBQs, potable water and the many picnic tables and seats make re-energising, rest or contemplation easy. Cultural and recreational installations are many. There is much public art to discover. The whole family will love the play and sports opportunities including as mentioned - water play, exercise stations, playgrounds, cycling and saking.

The walking tracks are both sealed and unsealed. All are smooth and firm. Prams and pushers can be managed easily.

Lake Benalla is perfect for dog walking. Dogs must remain leashed except in specified areas identified. This is a walk suitable for all seasons. Make sure you carry food, water and are SunSmart - in summer in particular.



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Ann loves the granite tors of the Strathbogie region and uses them as inspiration for her abstract landscape art practice.

**Sunday 11th September**  
10am-3pm  
on Balmattum Hill

Cost \$28  
Materials supplied & includes afternoon tea  
BYO Lunch

#### Awe and Wonder in Nature Art workshops

The Strathbogie Ranges Conservation Management Network offers this workshop by Ann Cremean as part of their series of art workshops that aim to bring new insights and connections into the natural world.

The Awe and Wonder project is funded by a Landcare grant.

Further information email [admin@strathbogieranges.org](mailto:admin@strathbogieranges.org)  
Bookings on Eventbrite (Numbers limited)  
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/charcoal-and-ink-workshop-tickets-390773643487>

A **Violet Town** must see this September is **Suzie Bates's Exhibition "Sanctuary"**  
**Bush Gatherings Gallery** 208 High St.  
Opening Sunday September 4th at 5pm.  
Then open every Saturday/Sunday 10am to 2pm or by appointment.

I hope you enjoy these mixed media explorations of Shadow and Light, Earth and Sky, Archetypes and Prototypes, Metaphor and Narrative in Nature and the Inward and Outward Paths we journey.

Message me if you are coming to the opening or if you have any queries. Suzie 0400598609

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# *Peranbin Primary College Strathbogrie Campus*

It's been action-packed at Strathbogrie, we have had our first transition day for the year, 100 days of Prep and 100 days of learning for all, Many Mobs Walk and our first Peranbin play session.

For our 100 days learning the students dressed up as what they want to be when they grow up and we had all sorts of fantastic outfits to match various professions such as; gold prospector, professional computer gamer, vets, fairy, artist, explorer, model and road safety workers (Miss Johnson and Roxy) and a full time skier (Mrs Wilson). We had a special cake with 100 mm's that were diligently counted out by the Juniors. Thank you to all of the parents that came in for the afternoon to see some of the fabulous work that our students have done so far this year.

The students had a fantastic experience in Yarrawonga at the Many Mobs Walk. The day began in Mulwala with a smoking ceremony to recognise the Bangerang culture and unification of European settlers and all Indigenous peoples. We then walked across the bridge until we reached Kennedy park, whereby we were treated to a fantastic cultural dance and artwork unveiling. Many Mobs then ran some traditional games and much fun was had playing "Goori" which was similar to run the gauntlet. We finished up the day by painting some native animals and rocks. Our students were fantastic role models for our school and should be very proud and we would like to thank Many Mobs, Yarrawonga Health and Bunnings for putting on such a wonderful day for us.

In Art we have been lucky enough to have Katie Van Hooten re-join us to continue with the mosaic mural that will become a wonderful addition to our building once completed.

In the week of 22nd—26th of August, we are celebrating Book Week with lots of fun and educational activities organised. On Thursday of this week we also have a Sports Day at Swanpool Campus, it will be a great day with our friends from across the Peranbin campuses.

We have had an excursion to Euroa. The students had a fun and educational day with a private viewing and ride on the Euroa miniature railway. We learnt a lot about both steam engines and electric engines. This tied nicely into our Inquiry topic of transport this term. The students also visited and helped pack food boxes at the Euroa Foodshare, which distributes dozens of boxes of essential items to those in need each week. Foodshare always welcome donations of non-perishable items, even if they are right on the use by date. We finished off the day after some lunch by the creek with a private tour at the Euroa vets with a mini lesson on puppy training and behind the scenes tour of the surgical equipment.

We would like to welcome Holly (Ms O'Dea) to our Strathbogrie teaching team. Holly was the successful applicant for Ms Barratt's maternity leave position. We wish Ms Barratt all the very best and can't wait to hear of the new addition to her family. Holly comes with a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm. She has 14 years of experience teaching primary students and is currently study a bachelor of Health Science (Nutrition). We know that the students will appreciate her love of good cooking and she also enjoys horse riding, so we know she will have lots in common with many of our students.





## Join the ACF / Strathbogie Tableland Platypus Monitoring September Snapshot

Did you know that platypus monitoring over recent years has revealed Seven Creeks near Polly McQuinn's to be one of the most likely locations to spot a platypus in Victoria?

The Australian Conservation Foundation (ACF) are organising a September snapshot of platypus numbers across the state.

This is a good opportunity for we Tableland residents to check for platypus more widely across the Tableland as well. You can choose anytime during September to observe for platypus on the Tableland and report your findings. You don't have to travel far, a waterway near your residence is likely to be worth a look.



This short ACF video guide provides pointers for platypus observation and links to the registration details: [https://youtu.be/zOKM\\_sDgJuA](https://youtu.be/zOKM_sDgJuA)

You can participate in the program independently, or if you like, you can be part of a collective survey effort. Strathbogie Landcare can help coordinate the local survey, suggest monitoring locations and help collate and submit results. For example, the map below shows some easy-to-find monitoring locations along the Seven and Spring Creeks. Monitoring along some of the minor creeks on the Tableland would also be useful.

If you'd like to be part of the Landcare platypus monitoring, just email either Sean or Bert to let them know where you intend to monitor, or how you'd like to be involved. The more people that get involved and the more sites we monitor, the better the results will be.

There's a well-used saying - if you don't measure, you can't manage. That's as true for agriculture as it is for nature conservation and this is our chance to improve our understanding the health of the Tableland platypus population.

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