



February 2025

The STAG Report

Notes from the (Strathbogie Tableland Action Group) STAG meeting held in the Strathbogie Hall Sunday 19th January

Items discussed:

Standpipe installation at the recreation Ground to provide a quick refill when required

Planning a music event at the Strathbogie Hall

The completion of the LEAP (Local Emergency Action Plan) for the Strathbogie Tableland was tabled. The plan details actions that can be taken by individuals, our community, the CFA, the Strathbogie Shire Council, and other groups after we experience a significant local emergency, in particular bush/grass fire.

Copies of the plan are on line on the Council website, our local community website <https://strathbogie.org> and hard copies are available at the Strathbogie general store, hall, golf club and recreation ground, the Boho South Hall and the Kelvin View School Hall or by contacting kathstuart60@gmail.com

Discussion on the Strathbogie Cup Weekend festival. 2024 was a great success but more volunteers are required to run the 2025 event. It is noted that several of our local groups will benefit from donations coming from income generated from the event.

Safer Roads Strathbogie gave an update of their activities.

This includes working with Council on the strategic positioning of 12 new "SLOW DOWN Wildlife Zone" signs on the Seven Creeks flats and roads across the Tableland. Additionally, SRS has been in communication with Council regarding the Shire's application for TAC funding for upgrades to Euroa-Strathbogie and Harrys Creek Roads. We wait to hear of the outcome of the application and any impact it will have on speed limits on those roads.

Discussion on the Rural Residential Land Use and Urban Growth Strategy which proposes changes to the density in land use and proposed growth in and around local townships and rural residential locations. There was a community consultation held in the Strathbogie township and from the feedback from that, STAG has put together a

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What's On

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Every Last Saturday of the month - Strathbogie Golf Club Community Meals.

Every First Monday of the month - Strathbogie Tableland History Group meets 1.30pm, Strathbogie Memorial Hall. strathbogiehistory@gmail.com

Every Second Wednesday of the month - Strathbogie Memorial Hall Committee meets 7pm in the Soldiers 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 0439 008 500

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. Co-ordinator Kay Righetti 0418 171 439

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

Every Third Sunday 9.30am STAG Committee at the Hall. All welcome.

Tennis at the Recreation Reserve. Enq about social tennis: Secretary Mayra Walsh 0423 475 564

Every Second Thursday 2pm starting. Spinning / Craft. Wajuna 0455 230 317

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Joe Bell M Feb 15 & 16 8.45pm
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Everything went fine MA15+ Feb
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Harold & the Purple Crayon PG
Feb 1 8pm, Feb 2 4pm
The Movie Teller M Feb 7 8pm,
Feb 8 4pm
Gladiator II MA15+ Feb 8 8pm,
Feb 9 4pm
Better Man Feb 15 8pm, Feb 16
4pm
Conclave PG Feb 22 8pm, Feb 23
4pm

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Jokes of the month

Q Why couldn't the pony sing
a lullaby

A She was a little horse

Q What would bears be
without bees?

A Ears

Q What do you call a mouse
that walks on 2 legs?

A Mickey Mouse of course!

I got a new pen that can write
under water.

It can write other words too.

Cartoon by Peta Manning



Sheryl's nose was dripping so
much, she thought "stuff it," and
had a plumber install a tap. But it
still dripped.

Peta

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The Deadline for the March edition of Tableland Talk is Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

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.

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response back to Council. Our response has been sent to the community on BogieTree
A proposal to establish a community shuttle bus was raised and discussed. It is thought that such a service between Euroa and our Tableland would greatly benefit our community, including those who are elderly and/or less mobile. This is an exciting project well worth much investigation. We will be seeking community feedback to gauge support for such a service.

Discussion on Tableland Talk and more input/articles from local groups and individuals is sought. The Communications subcommittee are planning to update our Tableland Community Directory. We discussed how to fund this.

A new Bogie Tree email group is up and running after Goggle Groups shut down Strathbogie Tree. There are presently 371 members on this email group.

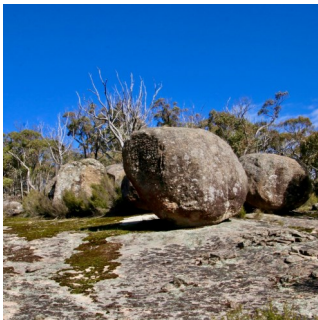
The generator at the golf club has been updated and needs to be housed in a different enclosure. We discussed holding a movie night at the Strathbogie Hall utilising the new projector and screen. We discussed the ongoing issue with rubbish put in and around the recycling bins at the recreation ground. We are looking for solutions to this issue.

The exact location of the proposed footpath from the Recreation Ground and Main Street, Strathbogie, is being assessed by the relevant Council Officers.

The next STAG meeting will be on 16th February 9:30 am at the Strathbogie Memorial Hall

Stuart Bridgman

Strathbogie Granite Project 2025



Field work, walks and talks, and data interpretation continue to improve our understanding of the Strathbogie granite; and enable us to share our learnings with the community. However, with the granite being 100 km long and 2000 sq km in area, we still find new places to visit with hidden surprises.

Collaborations have been an important part of this project for several years and will continue into 2025. The International Granite Symposium in Benalla in 2017 made many geologists aware of how interesting our granite is, and several then supported us when we advocated for the government's gravity survey to extend

over the granite. This airborne survey has been completed, and we are looking forward to the release of the data soon.

Alex Kisters visited in early 2024 and continues his contributions from his home base at Stellenbosch University in South Africa. We hope to see him in the field again in mid-2025. Caitlin Jones provided some new field insights during her brief Spring visit, and John Clemens visited in late 2024 to extend his sample collecting to various granites in Victoria. John's work on granites throughout Victoria and beyond helps us understand the exceptional features of Strathbogie compared to other global examples.

Colleagues at the University of Porto in Portugal have a strong granite team and we continue to exchange ideas. This included a face-to-face workshop in Porto in late 2025 where our discussions included Strathbogie granite. And then quite separately a community group in NE England invited me to speak by video about the Strathbogie granite which I did in mid-January.

Closer to home, plans are underway for some Avenel Granite Treks, and hopefully some other community walks covering the many interesting areas farther east. Field work will continue to fill some of the areas where we have significant gaps.

We continue to be grateful for the support and hospitality from landowners and the community who make this research work possible and enjoyable. Comments from our overseas visitors always mention how obliging and friendly everyone is, and they have asked [me to convey their combined thanks](#).

Neil Phillips

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Bogie Tree is our unofficial Strathbogie Tableland bush telegraph. It is an email list based on Gaggie Mail 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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Helping Gardens Thrive



From left to right: Strathbogie Shire Council Director Community and Planning Rachael Frampton, Cr Laura Binks, Costa Georgiadis, Cr Vicki Halsall and Mayor Cr Claire Ewart-Kennedy at Costa's Climate Ready Gardens: Thriving Through Change event.

Climate Ready Gardens Series Launches to Support Sustainable Gardening Following the success of the Costa's Climate Ready Gardens: Thriving Through Change, Strathbogie Shire Council is excited to launch the Climate Ready Gardens Series, a free program of workshops designed to help local gardeners create sustainable, resilient gardens capable of thriving in a changing climate.

This series offers practical advice, hands-on learning, and expert guidance to address challenges like extreme weather, droughts, and floods, empowering community members to take action for a greener, more sustainable future.

The series features the below workshops: Climate Ready Gardens: Taking Action A 2-hour interactive workshop with facilitator Louise Costa One of Victoria's foremost advocates on drought tolerant gardens and a celebrated figure with the Gardens for

protect the environment. This session

Wildlife program. The workshop will cover how gardening can help protect the environment. This session is open to all, with limited spaces available.

When: Thursday, February 13 | 6-8pm

Where: Euroa Community Conference Centre and Online

Climate Ready Gardens: 2-Day Design Course A 6-hour intensive course for individuals who want help designing their garden space to be Climate Ready, including information on drought and flood resilient gardens, attracting native wildlife and working with local soils. whether you have a new blank garden or an existing garden that just isn't working this course will give you the tools, knowledge and plans you need to design your climate ready garden. Participants bring in their existing garden schematics and you will walk away with a plan bespoke for your garden and new knowledge and skills for garden design. Nagambie

When: Thursday 6 March and Thursday 13 March, 4-7 PM

Where: Nagambie Lakes Regatta Centre

Euroa When: Wednesday 26 March and Wednesday 2 April, 10 AM-1 PM

Where: Euroa Community Conference

By offering these free workshops, Strathbogie Shire Council are not only helping individuals make a difference in their own backyards but also strengthening our community's collective resilience to climate challenges.

Places are limited and bookings are essential via <http://tiny.cc/5b46001> or by calling (03) 5795 0000 These events are supported by the Circular Economy Organics Council and the Community Recovery Hub, the Community Recovery Hub is jointly funded by the Australian and Victorian Governments through the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA). For more information visit <https://www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au/>

For further information:

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Help shape the next stage of public art in Euroa



Strathbogie Shire Council is excited to announce Stage Two of Euroa's public art journey.

Collectively the Euroa Chamber of Business and Commerce and the Euroa Action Group received \$50,000 through the Council's 2024 Pitch My Project grant to install one or more new public art pieces in Euroa.

Building on the success of the Euroa's Magpie 'Swoop the Big Barrwarrang' sculpture at the Euroa Seven Creeks Park, this project seeks to strengthen the connection between this iconic work, businesses in and around Binney Street, and existing art within the community garden.

Strathbogie Shire Council Mayor Claire Ewart-Kennedy said the idea of public art and this opportunity particularly, is to create a cohesive and vibrant public art experience across multiple spaces in Euroa. We are a vibrant and growing tourism destination along with high liveability attractiveness so public art is important to our economic and community development.

'I encourage everyone to share their ideas and feedback on our Share Strathbogie engagement site. Your input will help shape a detailed brief that we can provide to prospective artists in

February, ensuring the final artworks capture the character and stories of our community,' said Cr Ewart-Kennedy.

Here's how you can get involved:

- **Possible Locations:** Tell us where you'd like to see the new art. Suggested locations include Seven Creeks Park, Binney Street, or other areas of Euroa on Council-managed land.

- **Artwork Themes:** Rank your favourite focus areas from history, local flora/fauna, First Nations art, abstract, or your own ideas!

Other Ideas: Share your vision, thoughts, or even images of inspiring public art you've seen elsewhere.

In line with Council's **Public Art Policy**, the final artwork will be selected by a consultative panel, including representatives from the Euroa Chamber of Business and Commerce, Euroa Action Group Inc., Council's Art and Culture Officer, and an independent arts professional. This process ensures that the chosen works meet criteria such as relevance to local stories, artistic quality, and enhancement of public spaces.

It's important to note that, unlike the Euroa Magpie sculpture, there will not be a public vote on the final submissions. This change ensures a professional, consistent approach to public art selection.

'We do want you to share your ideas and help shape a vibrant, connected, and meaningful public art experience for Euroa,' Cr Ewart-Kennedy added.

Feedback on www.share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au

For further information: Michelle Harris Michelle.harris@strathbogie.vic.gov.au
Ph: 0419 386 082



Recipe of the Month **Chive and Pepper Chicken**

Ingredients

4 chicken thigh cutlets (600g)
1/4 cup seeded mustard
2 tbs drained green peppercorns
chopped
2 cloves garlic crushed
2 tbs lemon juice
1/4 cup fresh chives chopped

1 tbs olive oil
1 small brown onion chopped

Method

Remove skin and place in large bowl to coat with mustard, peppercorns, garlic, juice, chives and half the oil
Pan cool onion til soft. Add chicken turning once and brushing with mixture til cooked through and brown.

Strathbogie Recreation Ground

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VT Honeysuckle Art Festival March 2 – March 16th 2025

It's on again soon! – the next Honeysuckle Art Exhibition! The Honeysuckle Arts Collective (HAC) has been working behind the scenes to prepare for our next Honeysuckle Art Exhibition which will happen in the backART Gallery, 20 Cowslip Street from March 2 – 16, 2025.

The theme for this Exhibition is **LUMINOUS** and our Feature Artist is the well known Tim Bowtell.

Invitations have been sent out to past exhibiting artists to invite them to be part of the LUMINOUS exhibition.

If you are an artist or an artist on L plates and would be interested in participating in this exhibition, get yourself an Entry Form and a Terms and Conditions Form at the Strathbogie Store, the Violet Town Museum or the backART Gallery or on www.violettown.org.au Whats On.

Thanks to the wonderful generosity of VTAG, HAC has been able to offer substantial awards to encourage and inspire artists to enter – see the Entry Form for particulars about the Awards. VTAG has sponsored the Honeysuckle Art Exhibition Awards since the first exhibition over 10 years ago.

Thanks also to the VT Op Shop for their great donation towards our advertising expenses and to VAMP for their assistance and support.

More information will be in the February Tableland Talk for those interested in visiting the Luminous exhibition in March.

Other enquiries - email honeysuckle3669@gmail.com

Join us for some fabulous aqua party fun

Strathbogie Shire Council is excited to deliver the 2024-25 summer aqua funfest. From February to March there will be Splash Park activities at Nagambie and pool parties at the Violet Town, Euroa, Avenel and Nagambie featuring fun inflatable games, free barbeques and outdoor cinema screenings.

Strathbogie Shire Council Mayor Cr Claire Ewart-Kennedy said this was a great opportunity for families to come along and be immersed in these fun-filled activities. The pool party series promises activities for young residents with inflatable on-land games, free entry, outdoor cinema screenings and food provided by the Friends of the Pool volunteers,' Cr Ewart-Kennedy said. 'Best of all, each pool party is entirely free of charge as Council is committed to providing inclusive and engaging events for the youth in our community,' she added.

The dates for the inflatable attraction pool parties are as follows:

2 February 2025 - Nagambie Pool- 3pm-6:30pm

The dates for the outdoor cinema pool parties are as follows:

16 February 2025- Violet Town Pool – 7pm-10pm

23 February 2025- Avenel Pool- 7pm-10pm

9 March 2025- Nagambie Pool- 7pm-10pm

With the expected warm and sunny weather this summer it will be perfect swimming conditions for everyone to enjoy, however, if the temperature drops below 23 degrees on the day prior, the pool party will be rescheduled, and the pool will be closed, as per the Strathbogie Community Pools Strategy 2019-2029.

For more information visit the council website www.strathbogie.vic.gov.au or check updates via Council's Facebook and Instagram pages.

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Violet Town 2025 Honeysuckle Art Festival

LUMINOUS

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“Hi” to all newcomers to our beautiful Strathbogie Tableland & Community

STAG (Strathbogie Tableland Action Group), has prepared a number of Strathbogie Tableland Welcome Packs, which are available for all newcomers to our Tableland community.

The pack contains information on local committees and community groups, local events, bushfire emergency information, an edition of Tableland Talk (our local monthly newsletter), our local website (strathbogie.org), a local business directory, maps, some local goodies, etc.

If you would like one of these packs, please contact:

Kath Handasyde: kathstuart60@gmail.com

or

Pennie Beard: claneypenne@gmail.com

ARTBOX – Calling Artists of Strathbogie Shire

Would you like to showcase your art or craft in Strathbogie Shire’s travelling ARTBOX?

Following the success of this year’s exhibitions, when 30 artists throughout the year inspired the Strathbogie community with their work, we are now seeking artists to exhibit in this amazing space in 2025.

The exhibitions this year included internationally renowned artists alongside our up-and-coming local artists including pupils from Peranbin Primary College, Strathbogie Campus.

Since its launch in July 2023, ARTBOX has created a space for many local artists to exhibit their artwork.

This innovative travelling exhibition space promotes the skills of both established and emerging artists, providing a dynamic way to connect communities and visitors to our region through arts and culture.

Artists have reported strong interest in their work, resulting in multiple sales. ARTBOX continues to create opportunities for regional and remote communities in the Shire to experience and engage with the creative arts.

Artists can choose the town and exhibition dates that best suit them by talking with our Arts and Culture Officer Therese Thompson by phoning 1800 065 993 or by emailing info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au.

This touring ARTBOX is supported by Creative Arts Victoria.

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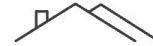
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by the cool soothing brown water of the swimming
hole
we can lounge in the shade all day if we want too
maybe you will want to take some sun in your
bathers for a spell
before a refreshing plunge into that oasis below the
weir
I'll watch you admire and love you the whole while
I'll reflect on where we have been and where we are
going

I will even venture in for a swim with you
because this moment in this water will change
everything
when I meet you in the slow eddies
embrace you forehead to forehead nose to nose
shoulder to shoulder chest to chest hip to hip
our legs gently treading water together
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burst
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I will ask you to marry me
and I will softly kiss the earthy water from your lips
until I hear your reply

Sean Mathews

Our Community Our Future: Help Shape Strathbogie Shire's Tomorrow

Ever wanted to put into words what you love about the town you live in? Even better, have input to Council's direction for the next four years? You have the opportunity to do this right now. Council is in the early stages of reviewing and updating several key strategic documents: Community Vision, the Financial Plan, the Asset Plan and the Council Plan 2025-29. This planning work enables Council to balance competing community needs and make decisions that are fair for all as well as being required under the Local Government Act 2020. Council is excited to launch 'Our Community Our Future' with a series of community engagement sessions to inform the development of these plans and we are inviting all community members to share their insights and help shape the future of our vibrant community.

The feedback Council receives through community engagement will help identify the priority focus areas for Strathbogie Shire over the next four years. It will help guide the organisation and highlight how we will work with the community, key stakeholders, and other levels of government to deliver on community aspirations. Community involvement at an early stage is critical to ensure these priority areas represent the community's hopes over the life of the plan.

Engagement sessions offer a valuable opportunity for residents to share their perspectives and priorities on a range of important topics. Together, we will explore key questions such as: • What would you want our Shire to look like 10 years from now? • What are your biggest concerns for Strathbogie Shire's future? • What would you like Council to achieve in the next four years? • What would a great partnership between Council and you, our community look or feel like? • How could Council support healthier lifestyles for you and your community? • What does great customer service from Council look like to you?

If people are interested in being a part of this process engagement sessions are being held at the following times and locations: • 1 Feb – Nagambie Lakes Community Market – 9am - 1pm • 8 Feb – Violet Town Market – 8:30am - 1pm • 9 Feb – Avenel Farmers Market – 9am - 1pm • 12 Feb – Euroa Cattle Sale – 8:30am – 9:30am • 13 Feb – Nagambie Senior Citizens Centre – 4pm - 6pm • 15 Feb – Euroa Village Farmers Market – 9am - 1pm • 19 Feb – Longwood Rec Reserve – 4pm - 6pm • 20 Feb – Strathbogie Hall – 10am - 12noon • 23 Feb – Nagambie Farmers Market Tahbilk – 10am – 2pm • 24 Feb – Avenel Memorial Hall – 4pm - 6pm • 26 Feb – Euroa Conference Room – 4pm - 6pm • 27 Feb – Violet Town Hall – 4pm - 6pm

Alternatively, if community members would like to participate but can't make it to an engagement session, they can jump onto www.share.strathbogie.vic.gov.au and provide input online. For further information:

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Strathbogie Memorial Hall Report



The Strathbogie Memorial Hall had a very successful fundraising session on Thursday nights at the Rec Ground during November & December. For five weeks the Hall committee and friends made the pizzas for all to enjoy. In total, \$2,941.80 was made and will go towards the installation costs of a new generator. Our thanks go out to all who helped, whether it was in the kitchen, serving or purchasing pizza.

Also, during December, a new solar & battery system was installed at the Strathbogie Memorial Hall. It consists of 10.5kW array of Winaico 450W panels on the north facing roof. This is fed into an 8kw Fronius hybrid inverter, which is coupled to a 5kWh bank of BYD batteries. When it is not recharging the battery bank or powering the Hall's loads, the system exports excess power to the grid and can provide backup power if the grid goes down. Installation was by the team at SolarGain in Wangaratta and designed by Martin Nichol from Sun Real.

When I joined the Hall committee, one of my goals was to install a solar system, so I began to search for appropriate grants for this project. This solar installation was funded generously by the Reduced Emissions Community Grant for \$20,000 from the Strathbogie Shire Council. One more community building that is heading towards energy efficiency and reduced emissions.

Whilst the solar at the Hall currently provides power for the hall, the dream of a community-scale micro grid to share the solar power to the whole Strathbogie township neighbourhood is now achievable and a new goal. [The current array takes](#) up a small fraction of the roof space available. This array has great potential to be increased in size. Coupled with a town battery, the system could provide reliable and clean power to the township.

Dana Last

Welcome to the new Bogie Tree

Many Tablelanders will be aware of the new Bogie tree. Our previous Strathbogie Tree was shut down (without warning) by Google groups, just like they did about 18 months ago to the original Bogie Tree. To stop this from reoccurring, I set up a new Bogie Tree on another service provider called Gaggle Mail.

Here are some tips on how to use this group.

If you wish to post a message on BogieTree use this address: bogie-tree@gaggle.email

Gaggle Mail allows us to more easily modify how we see our emails, allows us to add or change our name on an email, reply to the whole group or just to the sender, unsubscribe from the group and it also allows each of us to not be part (mute) of any thread of conversation. All of this can be done by clicking on the options which are at the bottom of the emails you receive via the group.

The following footer is at the bottom of each email. Clicking on ***My Membership Preferences*** will take you to a page that will allow you to edit your name and set how you receive Bogie Tree messages.

The footer also gives you the opportunity to respond to an email to the whole group or just to the sender. I ask that if you wish to respond to the sender when buying/swapping/receiving something/etc, **PLEASE tap on Reply to sender, so your response does not go to the whole group.**

[Reply to group](#)

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What's worth finding out on

www.strathbogie.org?

The Share Shed.



The Share Shed is a small cob folly on the Main Street in Strathbogie. It was built in January 2021 by Dana Coleman and some local children during the first Covid lockdown.

It's built with local mud and formed into cob walls, all materials were donated and salvaged.

Building the Share Shed was Dana's idea of a Victory Garden. She felt it was important to have a space to enable the community to share during Covid which was keeping people isolated and preventing gatherings.

The idea is to use it as a drop off, pickup, sharing point in Bogie. So far it has been well used to share excess produce like vegies, fruit, preserves, plants, seeds and seedlings. Books, local seeds and handmade cards have been shared by so many across the Tableland.

Link: [Share Shed – Strathbogie Tableland](#)

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When you are first added to Bogie Tree, you will be sent a welcome message (shown below). Note that this contains links to a quick start guide and to your page where you can change your member settings.

Hi Tablelander,
Welcome to the "Bogie Tree" mailing list.

HOW THE LIST WORKS

When you send an email to bogie-tree@gaggle.email, every member of the list will get the email. That's all there is to it.

CHANGE YOUR SETTINGS

You can change the email address where you receive these messages or unsubscribe here: [My Member Settings](#)

QUICK START GUIDE

[Quick Start - Members Guide](#)

ANY QUESTIONS?

If you aren't sure why you're on the list, or if you have any questions about how it works, you can contact the list administrator here bogie-tree+admins@gaggle.email.

Welcome!

If you are one of the few who are still not connected to the group (some emails were not carried across from Goggle groups when I transferred the email list) and wish to join, please email me directly and I will add you.

stuartb446@gmail.com

And always remember

Bogie Tree is a message board for Strathbogie Tableland residents and friends, to socialise with, or help each other out. It is another way to foster the already strong bonds in our local community. This is not a forum for expressions of political, religious, divisive, or contentious views.

Keep well and safe over this fire season.



Stuart Bridgman (Bogie Tree administrator)

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