

YOUR VILLAGE VOICE

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what's on in November

- Sunday 30 October Iris Show
- Monday 31 " Landcare day
- 2 VTAG meets
- 6 Seed Savers meet
- 7 Probus meets
- 11 RSL Armistice Day service
- 12 Market Day & historic train
- 12 Goulburn Valley History Day
- 13 Garden Ideas, Sunnyside
- 16 Fitness Centre meeting
- 18 Paddock trees, Warrenbayne
- 20 C'wealth Games warm up day
- 21 Garden Club meets
- 24 VTBC Ladies Auxiliary meet
- 28 70's+ Christmas luncheon

date grabbers

- Thurs 1 Dec. Senior Cits Xmas lunch
- Monday 27 & Tuesday 28 February next 70's + luncheons

Violet Town Village Voice

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A History of the Goulburn Valley as a Man-Made Rural Environment

Saturday 12th November 2005, 11.00 am to 4.00 pm
Community Complex, Cowslip Street, Violet Town

Bring Your Stories, Your Records or Just Yourself

The University of Melbourne's Professor Janet McCallman, Ass. Professor Don Garden & PhD students will be visiting the region on Violet Town Market Day & they want to hear from you! They are developing a history of the Goulburn Valley as a man-made rural environment & need the input of local community members.

This history of the making of the Goulburn Valley will be developed from the ground up, beginning from farms & properties, using families own records & recollections in combination with Lands Dept records in the Public Records Office, as well as local archives & newspapers
MORE INFORMATION: Robin Landvogt, Uni of Melb, Shepparton. Ph: 5823 6600 Fax: 5822 0675, email: robinl@unimelb.edu.au

FIELD DAY

Is This You?

Interested in local & environmental history?

From a family that has been in the Goulburn Valley a long time?

Own a farm that was a selection or a soldier settler's block?

Have rainfall records that date back a long time?

Have farm diaries or records of yields from year to year?

Own photographs of work on the farm?

Have a family story of working the

WE NEED YOU

Win Tickets to Commonwealth Games

At Warming Up For the Games Day
20th November from 1.00pm
Violet Town Recreation Reserve

Free fun, games and BBQ
Awards for participants



Violet Town Garden Club IRIS & FLOWER SHOW



Sunday 30 October
Community Complex
Violet Town

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VTAG MEETS WEDNESDAY 2 NOVEMBER,
7.30PM, MEETING ROOM

HREP REPORT

Another busy month. We have now fully acquitted 2 of our grants- the Enviro funds from the Federal Government, which has paid for much of the planting, plants, matting, mulch etc, and the Helen McPherson Trust Alliance Grant. The second grant, which has been administered by the shire, (and big thank you must go to Jodi Bjorkstein for this) has enabled us to do all the work in the market site, shade sails, stage, paths and the entrances to the swimming pool. All the linkage paths to the main walking track have also come from this grant.

The path from the north side of Caulfield St to the track went in last week, and hopefully has settled after the rain. This has improved access for this area.

The last 2 grants will be acquitted by the end of November, so we are getting very close to the end of stage one.

The 10 new seats and signage will complete the works along the track with a bit more planting and mulching. We are still negotiating the extension of the track up to High St. We will know very shortly if this is possible, and we still await the result of our bridge funding application.

We thank everyone who has supported us at one of the 47 working bees we have had in the last 12 months and we have almost 1500 volunteer hours recorded. Not a bad effort Violet Town!!!!

To this end we will shortly be having a community celebration to acknowledge the tremendous effort this has been by the community and to of course thank our funding bodies. A date is not confirmed yet, but it will be in early December. Keep an eye out for notices! A fun time and a social occasion, no matting, mulching or planting!

Before that date we have a few things to complete so there will be a couple more working

bees.

The disappointment has been the vandalism of the new sculpture by Helen Brook behind the Skills Shed and the person who drove the new section of track and caused damage to the track and the grassed area. Both incidents have been reported to police. If anyone knows any information please talk to Trevor Saker. This last rain is great for the new plantings, happy walking, keep an eye out for more working bees, you can just drop in for an hour! And please clean up after your dog and keep it on its lead!

*Robin Landvogt
HREP Project Worker*

HALL COMMITTEE

The Hall Committee has put in an application to the Shire for a Community Grant for external painting of the Community Complex. This would really improve the entrance and the appearance of the complex.

The felting group have now permanently hung the Community felting project in the hall. We thank this group for their efforts, they are just superb. Have a look at the newest one of flowers on the far wall, we have such talent in our community.

The new chairs are in the supper room and the old ones sorted and the broken ones removed. some of the old chairs were in very poor condition, we are glad to remove them before an accident happened!

The Pudding Stirrers used the kitchen for the puddings this year, do remember it is a fully registered kitchen now if you ever need to use the facility.

The door to the main hall has caused some concern but it is rarely locked (if ever). It is difficult to turn the handle but turn it both ways and push, we are trying to get it fixed. We are also looking at fire safety at the complex.

We are also in negotiations with the shire to decide if we are to become a section

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Village Voice Trading Post

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FOR SALE

Victa motor mower, good condition, 3hp, \$100; Singer sewing machine, zig zag etc, exc cond, \$40; Roller door, 8ft long, \$30; Trimlite whipper snipper, \$30; Swing seat for 2 people, vgc blue/grey, \$60.
For all above ring 5798 1814

3 seater couch w. 3 matching cushions, vgc, \$50; wooden single beds/bunks, vgc, \$70; 2 single bed mattresses & electric blankets (near new), vgc, \$15 the lot; 5 fitted single bed patterned sheet sets, exc cond \$5 each; 2 single bedspreads, exc cond \$7.50ea; 1 single bedspread, exc cond, \$10; heavy metal (grey) 7 piece dining/kitchen set, vgc, \$100; wooden & rattan 7 piece kitchen set, vgc, \$80.
For all above ph Julie on 0415 439 272

Simpson medium size chest freezer, good condition, inspection invited, \$180
5798 1376 after 5.00pm

Farm trees & garden shrubs, acacias, eucalypts, callistemons, tube stock, \$1.00 each
Phone 5798 1410

Cabana 10ft pop top caravan, has annex, fridge, microwave, comfortable unit, \$6000 or best offer;
Honda motor bike, 1980, blue colour, best offer;
Kelvinator airconditioner Sweepair, best offer
Phone 5798 1238 for the above.



Tatong Village Market

Make it /Bake it/ Grow it
Saturday 5th November
(1st Sat. of every Month)
8am to 1pm
Tatong Tavern Hotel

Martin Doxey 03 5767 2201 or
Andy Varnik 03 5767 2210

Violet Town Garage & Engineering

2 Cowslip Street, Violet Town Ph: 5798 1452

Tanya & Luke Doidge would like to thank everyone for their support over the 12 months our business has been operating.

We now offer windscreen fittings, auto electrics, wheel alignments, tyres & repairs, general mechanical repairs, engineering, machining & welding.

We are also agents for Genquip power products.

SHOP LOCAL & SAVE UP TO 12 CENTS OFF YOUR PETROL BY SPENDING \$30 AT VT HARDWARE, IGA & THE VT HOTEL

Violet Town Seed Savers and Permaculture Group

Last meeting day we welcomed Fred & Mary Ward from the Victorian Dowsing Society. They spoke about their dowsing work and experiences, the many applications for which it may be used (and not used), how to formulate clear questions to avoid inconclusive answers and much more as well. Some people found a pendulum worked best for them, others found rods most suitable. A most interesting day, and thanks to our hosts Annabelle & Dave.

We also welcomed Margaret, Leonie, Richard & Lucy from Seymour, hope to see you again!

Next meeting day on Sunday 6 November will be at Virginia & Noel's new home at 10 Tulip Street, Violet Town (5798 1774) at 1.30 pm. As most know Virginia & Noel have retired from the farm into town, and are now busy giving their backyard a good makeover.

A garden shed has gone up, new vegie beds constructed, and many seedlings are in and blooming.

As well as having a look around the new garden, the day will consist of a 'seedling swap' - so please bring along any extra seedlings, plants, produce, seeds etc to share around. I have quite a few extra tomato seedlings of numerous varieties (some in too small a quantity to put on that last list) available to go to good homes! and some varieties need to have the seed saved - so, we'll show you how easy it is to maintain purity in tomatoes for seed saving as well! Also there are seeds in the collection which need regenerating, so I'm hoping members can take a variety each for growing on & saving the seed from. Hope to see you on the 6th

In December we will be visiting Roberta & Barry's property in Long Gully Road, more about this next issue.

Pick early and often
Studies show that cucumbers harvested on the young side will out yield plants that are left to grow more mature fruits by a long shot. Seems the chemical balance in the plant changes once it produces mature seed and this tells it its reproductive job is done and it can start to slow down --same for zucchini and green beans.

Transfer Station / Violet Town Landfill fee increase

Due to cost increases of waste disposal Strathbogie Shire Council has increased the cost of waste disposal at its transfer stations and landfill. There has been no fee increase since 2000 but due to the national wage increase on operator fees for contractors, Council have had to change the waste disposal fee costs.

Charges

Industrial / Commercial Garbage (Shire Residents) from \$21/m³ to \$23/m³

Industrial / Commercial Garbage (Non Residents) from \$42/m³ to \$45/m³

Residential/Municipal Garbage (Shire Residents) from \$19/m³ to \$20/m³

Residential/Municipal Garbage (Non Residents) from \$38/m³ to \$40/m³

RYDER-CHESHIRE FOUNDATION

A not for profit organisation dedicated to the relief of suffering. Their Home at Ivanhoe offers low cost accommodation to country & Interstate people needing to stay in Melbourne for an extended time while undergoing treatment for cancer or other serious illnesses. Ryder-Cheshire staff are meeting an increasing number of relatives of family members severely injured by accidents, particularly on our roads. Some family members stay for months, away from other family & work. Fortunately they are able to find some peace & rest in the quiet & restful rooms & surroundings of the lush garden.

Jane, Resident Carer, phone 9254 2400

Win tickets to Commonwealth Games Warm Up in Violet Town

You have a chance to win tickets to the Commonwealth Games Closing Ceremony by coming & participating at Violet Town. A free afternoon is planned for our whole community on Sunday 20 November with entertainment, food, fun & awards for all ages at the Rec Reserve from 1pm. Warming Up for the Games Day will be celebrated throughout Victoria for the lead up to the Melbourne 2006 Games. VicHealth & Go For Your Life are major participants in this day. Violet Town has led the way by organising free fun activities for our whole community to enjoy. Come & try your hand at tennis, 20/20 cricket, tunnel ball, walk the new 'tan' walking track, try golf on the oval. Then you can relax and watch a free BBQ, watch the model aeroplanes zoom through the air, play tunnel ball & take pride in our community's achievements. This day is for everyone—the young and the old and the in between. Our town has a lot to offer & great people make Violet Town special. So let's celebrate and have fun together. For information contact Julie Blyth, Events Coordinator on 5794 2599.

Natural Gas Extension Program

Strathbogie Shire Council recently applied to the State Government's Regional Infrastructure Development Fund to subsidise the extension of the natural gas network in the townships of Avenel, Nagambie and Violet-Town.

The State Government committed \$70 million to the extension of the natural gas network and believes that the Natural Gas Extension Program has the potential to deliver gas to up to 100,000 households and businesses.

The tender process has now been completed



and 34 Victorian towns will now be reticulated with natural gas. Unfortunately Avenel, Nagambie and Violet Town were not chosen as part of the program.

Mayor of Strathbogie Shire Council, Robyn Machin said,

"Council is greatly disappointed that Avenel, Nagambie and Violet Town were not included in the natural gas extension program. I will be responding to the Minister by letter and asking when the next round of extensions will be. The benefits that reticulation of natural gas can provide include a lower cost of energy for local industries, the local hospital and all the community. Another benefit is that it helps reduce the need for constantly increasing unsustainable electricity generation."

Low Cost Internet Access

Technical Aid to the Disabled (TAD) Australia with Internet provider ISPOne have negotiated a partnership to provide aged, veterans and people with a disability throughout Australia with access to a low cost internet service.

The reduced cost internet service will be available for people with a disability (who hold a Disability Support Pension) and people who have an Aged Pension or Department of Veteran Affairs entitlement card.

People who qualify for this service can go online at a reduced cost of \$5.50 per month, including:

- Unlimited Downloads
- Free Email Account
- Unlimited Time (in 4 hour sessions)
- \$12.00 Once off connection fee ss
- Local Call anywhere in Australia

People are requested to phone the toll free number of **1300 735 439**; or can access the TAD website for details: <http://www.tadaustconnect.org.au/> Goulburn Rural Access Officer, Kate Segafredo 5795

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86 Committee or VTAG stays as a Committee of Management. It will be good to formalize the agreement.

Please use the complex for any of your functions as we come to the busy time of the year!

*VTAG Hall Sub Committee
Robin Landvogt*

CONGRATULATIONS! To the V.T. Kindergarten Committee on receiving a \$250,000 grant for Kindergarten / Childcare extensions—fantastic!

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

With the cost of fuel & vehicle running expenses, why not consider our Community Transport on Wednesdays & Thursdays?

Shepparton service, leaves VT 10.00am, departs Shepparton 3.00pm, \$10.50

Wednesdays 2nd, 16th & 30th of November

Benalla Service, leaves VT at 10.00am & departs Benalla 1.00pm, \$7.00

Thursdays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th Nov & 1st Dec

Special Days

Tues 8th Nov. to Albury, \$25, deposit \$12

Fri. 2nd Dec. to Vic. Market, \$25, deposit \$12

Bookings to VTBC on 5798 1324 between 9.30am & 4.00pm.

APOLOGIES! The last 2 or 3 editions of the VV have been very packed & sometimes we have to edit articles & leave out an ad here & there. So if this has happened to you we do apologise & you will be given an extra month for your advertisement.

Last month the op shop had their thank you's omitted, so am including that paragraph now, also Frank's letter.

continued from October.....

Welcome home to Ted & Peg Armstrong from up north & John & Julie Ryan from their extended trip to England, Scotland & Ireland. Hope Pam is well on the road to recovery after

a second foot operation. We also wish her well on her new course. This has changed her roster from Friday to Saturday.

Frank (little green taxi) still doing his job of picking up & delivering, and his songs keep us all amused.

And the fantastic volunteers—Lorna, Joan, Janet, Ann, Kay, Brian, Dot, Marion, Julie, John, Carol & last but not least Thelma.

Also the lovely Jane Murphy who gives us our shop rent free, without Jane the op shop would not operate. Perhaps you might like to add your name to the above list?!

Remember next month's takings will be donated to our favourite charity 'Children with Cancer'.

The Op Shop Crew

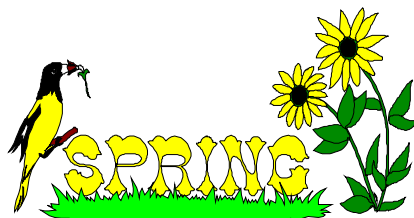
Honeysuckle Creek

Those that haven't yet walked along the newly constructed paths are missing on one of Violet Town's great beauties. The numerous plantings have been blessed with rain & are responding vigorously.

On a recent walk with my quadruped friend George, I was dismayed to see that a very large branch had fallen among some newly planted shrubs. Expecting to find that a number of these had been crushed I was delighted to find that all had survived & the back of our primary school will soon benefit from these recent plantings.

Once again I must congratulate all those involved with this beautification scheme. You are a credit to our town.

Frank McMahon



Probus Notes



Sorry we missed last month's VV. We have inducted 2 new members since then. In the meantime we have had two guest speakers. The first was Helen Downsborough who spoke about 'Rivers of Life'. Essentially this was about how to achieve a balance of mental, physical, emotional & spiritual well being in our lives. She highlighted the necessity to maintain healthy circulatory & lymph systems so that toxins in our blood & lymph systems are disposed of through our lungs, liver & kidneys. Her message was that if we want to be healthy we may need to change some of the things we have done in the past—if we keep doing what we have always done, we will keep getting what we always got!

The second speaker was Wallace Bruce who told us about his trip to Antarctica via South America, in particular the crossing from Tierra del Fuego to Antarctica by cruise ship. Wallace had a very descriptive way of relating his adventures which made it very easy to see in one's mind the things he was talking about. In a few short weeks he had crossed the equator in stifling heat & had set foot on Antarctica in the freezing cold.

Imagine travelling on a ship when the outside temperature is 30 below freezing & the air-conditioning on board was working at capacity to keep the temperature at 5 degrees above freezing & where you had to have someone awake in your cabin at all times to make sure you were still breathing.

Each passenger was allowed 20 minutes on Antarctica & was warned that they had to keep moving or their feet would freeze despite wearing 3 pairs of special socks.

American tourists were noted for asking dumb questions such as "Do the crew sleep on board?" (the crew were 'coloured'). It would be hard to resist saying "No we put them ashore on the nearest ice flow overnight" or

"Do you generate your own power?" "No, we have a great big cable stretching back to the mainland".

Between speakers a number of our members attended the annual dinner of the North East Victoria Probus Group at the Benalla Bowls Club & had a great day of fellowship, fun & entertainment.

Our next meeting will be held in the supper room on Monday 7 November. The meeting starts at 10.00 am & as always visitors and/or prospective new members are always welcome.

Bob Sinclair



The Importance of Paddock Trees

Are you interested in finding out more about the productive & ecological values of paddock trees?

This upcoming field day will cover
Farm Productivity & Paddock Trees
Paddock Trees & Invertebrates
Bats

Options for Paddock Tree Protection

Here is an opportunity to learn more about these familiar natural features of our landscapes & help contribute to the sustainability of our productive environment.

Friday 18 November, 4pm to 8pm

Property of Alan Neander, 'Spengue'
Baddaginnie-Warrenbayne Road
VicRoads—Map 47 F4. CFA—Map 294 F39A

BBQ dinner included

For catering requirements please RSVP to
Kim Wilson, DPI on phone 5784 0623 or
kim.wilson@dpi.vic.gov.au



Violet Town 70's + Strathbogie Shire Community Services

Hard to believe the year of 2005 is nearly over. 70's Christmas meal will be 'all in together' at the VT Hall on Monday 28 November. We look forward to enjoying our Christmas meal provided by the Nursing Centre kitchen. Please RSVP by Tues 22nd Nov for catering to the 'purple book' at Delaheys or to Pam Ellis 5798 1368. If any extra volunteers are available to help serve the meal on this day we would appreciate your assistance.

A safe & happy Christmas to participants & volunteers.

Monday 27 & Tuesday 28 February, 11.30am at the VT Community Complex will be the first lunch dates for 2006.

We gratefully acknowledge the help from volunteers & school students who help serve meals, wash dishes, drive, chat & socialize with participants. These lunch days would not happen without you.

Pam Ellis

Traveller's Aid Society of Vic.

This society formed in 1916, has had a remarkable history as it adapted throughout the century to provide relevant assistance. TASV has helped women & girls arriving from o'seas, interstate & country Vic; also deserted wives of soldiers & their children; accommodation and employment found for those in need; help was provided with applications for War Gratuity Pensions; migrants; hospital visits, correspondence etc.

As well as its traditional role in supporting non-commercial travellers & people with employment & accommodation needs, TASV's role in establishing a disability service has set a precedent in promoting empowerment of disabled users. TASV is poised to expand its services to include provision on Flinders St station for a Mobility Centre & one-stop shop

where wheelchairs, motor scooters & other mobility aids may be hired by visitors.

The Traveller's Aid Centre at Spencer St Railway Station / Southern Cross Railway Station is a vital support to travellers with special needs, including older travellers, families with young children & people with disabilities, assisting people on & off trains & around the station.

Hours of operation: 7.30am to 7.30pm Monday to Friday; 7.30am to 11.30 am Saturday & Sunday.

Traveller's Aid Disability Access Service (TADAS) assists people with disabilities to achieve maximum independence & to access the CBD.

9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday
11.00am to 4.00pm Saturday & Sunday

More information about other services offered eg. Homeward Bound (crisis emergency welfare program), City Centre Café, Trading Gift Table, Traveller's Aid Function Room can be obtained by ringing 03-9654 2600, fax 03 9654 1926, email info@travellers-aid.com.au

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VTBNC Ladies Auxiliary

Our market stall at the VT Market in October was busy. The beautiful wildflower quilt made & donated by the Strathbogie Material Girls was won by Mr Anderson of Glenburn, a delighted winner who has the perfect spot to hang the quilt. \$1100 was raised so we are very grateful to the Material Ladies, our ticket sellers & purchasers.

Next Auxiliary meeting will be on Thursday 24 November, 1.30pm at the Nursing Centre with a mystery outing & Christmas afternoon tea.

Plum puddings have all been stirred, made, cooked & are now hanging. Remember we sold out well before Christmas last year, so make your purchases early. The VT school, Kinder & Nursing home combine to produce these Christmas puddings in cloths.

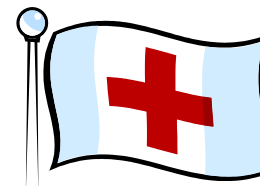
Pam Ellis, Sec.

Violet Town Red Cross

Our October meeting was an interesting one. After a quick meeting we were lucky to have a guest, Kerry Wilson to tell us about her recent trip to India. Kerry talked of her experiences there & the interesting places she visited & people she met.

We were lucky to be shown many of the lovely saris, jewellery, materials & dresses that Kerry brought home with her, such beautiful colours in all the articles she showed us. The afternoon finished with afternoon tea & a friendly chat about her experiences. Many thanks to Kerry.

On Sunday the group catered for the Fire Brigade training day meals with all proceeds to the Red Cross appeal for earthquake victims.



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Violet Town Market Train & T320's 50th Anniversary Tour

Saturday 12th November 2005

On **Saturday 12th November 2005** the next Heritage Train heads out on the N. East line providing the opportunity for enthusiasts to again enjoy a day out on the rails.

Comfortable wooden bodied classic "E" class passenger carriages (built circa 1907 to 1910) will be hauled solely by T 320, thus recreating a railway scene that would have been quite familiar to country rail travellers in the 1960's & 1970's.

T 320 was the first T class diesel locomotive to enter service on the Victorian Railways & is now preserved and maintained by the Seymour Railway Heritage Centre.

The train departs Seymour Railway Station at **9.30 am** for the journey to Violet Town and Wangaratta. The train is scheduled to return to Seymour at **4.10 pm**. V/Line Services from Melbourne interconnect in the morning as do late afternoon services for returning to Melbourne.

Fares – Violet Town Market (Seymour/Avenel to Violet Town & Return)

Adult \$35, 2 Adult Saver \$60, Concession \$27, 2 Concession Saver \$50,
Child (4 years & Over) \$15, Family \$85.

Fares – T320 50th Anniversary Tour (Seymour to Wangaratta & Return)

Adult \$50, 2 Adult Saver \$80, Concession \$40, 2 Concession Saver \$70,
Child (4 years & Over) \$20, Family \$110.

Save 10% on Early Bookings!

How To Make A Booking

Telephone 03 5787 2064 (AH) or 0429 832 095 or 03 9017 7737

RAINFALL TOTALS VIOLET TOWN (to 20th to fit with publishing dates)

September to 20th—36 mls

26th 2.5

29th 16.0

September total 54.5 mls

October

6th 1

9th 10

20th 20

21st 19.5

Total to 21st October 50.5mls

KAKADI DESIGNS

New container arriving late October

Beautiful sandals—high heels, flats & wedge heels
beaded & sequined

Summer bags—floral, striped, beads & more



! Lots of great Christmas gift ideas !



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Wednesday to Sunday
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**Violet Town
Community Playgroup**

Thursday afternoons
(During School Terms)

2.30pm - 4.00pm at the Violet Town Kindergarten
Cost: \$2.00 per family & a piece of fruit to share
Ages 0 - 5 years

~ All Welcome ~

Contact: -
Heather - 1800 065 993 or Jenny - (03) 5798 1477
(03) 5795 2010

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presents

Market Weekend in November
Wu Tao Dance Workshops
with Rick Harrison
Saturday 12th 2 - 3.30
for kids aged 10-ish and up; \$10 ea
Sunday the 13th 9.30 -12.30pm
Adults \$30, \$20 Conc,
Bring a plate
for a shared lunch afterwards.

December please think of us
when organising your
Xmas Party

January Saturday 7th

Women's Dance Day,
Including Wu Tao and African
Dance Workshops
Places limited so book early.

January Sat 14th & Sun 15th JoJo Smith Singing Sleep- over

for young people ages 14-18 years.
Phone Helen for details

Saturday 11 February
FULL MOON
COSTUME DANCE PARTY

WORK WANTED

Slashing, grading, rotary
hoeing, general garden
maintenance, labouring.

All equipment supplied
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HOW TO SURVIVE A HEART ATTACK WHEN ALONE

Since many people are alone when they suffer a heart attack, and without help the person whose heart is beating improperly & who begins to feel faint, has only about 10 seconds before losing consciousness.

However these victims can help themselves by coughing repeatedly & very vigorously. A deep breath must be taken before each cough, and the cough must be deep and prolonged, as when producing sputum from deep inside the chest.

A breath & a cough must be repeated about every two seconds without let-up until help arrives, or until the heart is felt to be beating normally again. Deep breaths get oxygen into the lungs & coughing movements squeeze the heart & keep the blood circulating. The squeezing pressure on the heart also helps it regain a normal rhythm. In this way heart attack victims can get to a hospital.

Tell as many people as possible about this—it could save their lives.

Ingrid Eggers (from a Probus article)

STRATHBOGIE TABLELAND
LANDCARE GROUP

Creekside Meeting

INFORMATION DAY & DEVELOP FUNDING

Smith's Bridge, Strathbogie
11am, Monday 31st October
BBQ, WINE TASTING (red)

Greg Bekker DPI—Farm Planning
Peter Burns DPI—General Issues
Vanessa Keogh DPI—Native Grasses

RSVP to Bill Wells 5790 8563 ph/fax

*Come and be a part of a new
Landcare challenge*

Son of Epicurious

....The veggies that sprout in the spring tralala
....with apologies to Sir W.S. Gilbert....

This is a simple asparagus soufflé for a family meal. Serves 4

Utensils and method

We use a 1.5 litre Pyrex casserole, well greased. A blender is handy but not essential. You will also need two saucepans of different sizes, a small one for sweating the asparagus tips and a larger one for mixing and cooking the soufflé. (Sorry about the washing-up)

Ingredients

*1 bunch of asparagus [best eaten very fresh]
450 ml chicken stock
50 gm. butter
45 gm flour
50 gm grated tasty cheese
3 egg yolks
4 egg whites
1 tablespoon grated parmesan
Seasoning to taste – salt, pepper, nutmeg*

Preheat the oven to 200 deg C

Cut off and reserve for soup or other purpose the tough end of each stick of asparagus.

Cut 2 or 3 x 1 cm pieces from the tip ends and gently sweat in a little butter until tender but not browned.

Cut the rest of the stalks into 2 cm. pieces and cook until tender in the chicken stock then puree in a blender or a mouli or sieve.

In another pan, melt the remaining butter and add the flour to make a roux, then gradually mix in the asparagus puree and simmer until thickened. (It should be a bit thicker than white sauce)

Season well because the eggs will dilute the flavour.

Add the grated tasty cheese and allow to melt. Remove the pan from the heat and add the egg yolks, mix, then add the asparagus tips. Beat the egg whites with a pinch of salt until

stiff but not dry (a whisk or rotary beater is best)

Fold in half the egg whites first then the remainder and pour into the casserole. Sprinkle with grated parmesan and bake for about 30 minutes until set and golden on top.

Serve straight away. Accompaniments could be a slice of ham or bacon cooked to your liking or smoked salmon if it's a special day. Another suggestion is savoury lentils.

Barrie Mather

Hume Corridor Community
Outreach Health Service



If you have a dog or puppy and are interested in having obedience training in Violet Town please ring 5798 1238.



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Senior Cits news

Our October meeting decided to celebrate Christmas on Thursday 1st December at the Deli—12/12.30 onwards.

Subs for the coming year remain at \$7 per head, due at the lunch meeting. Office bearers to be appointed—need fresh blood if possible.

Indoor Bowls

This activity continues to appeal & the new mat & bowls are in regular use with a 3 months average attendance of 20.

Aggregate winners

June—Keith Plozza

July—Tony Kingma

August—Warwick

Sept—Ken Harrison

Congrats to all the winners—only wish I could join you!

Laurie Connors
Facilitator

Violet Town Pudding Stirrers

The puddings are all cooked & hanging out to dry—what a wonderful roll up of helpers we had each cooking day, young and not so young! A jolly band of workers, we finished earlier than anticipated on our last day— many thanks to the young mums who turned up & we couldn't find a job for! Please come again next year! With all the helpers it made life easier & a great team to clean up the community centre afterwards. We made 600 puddings, large, medium & small. Once again—many thanks.

Dot Rae

To Alf, John, Laurie & Harold—we do appreciate your wonderful effort with the cooking of the puddings—a big 'thank you' to you all.



Rosen Method Bodywork

8 Day Intensive with Gloria Hessel- lund (Senior Teacher) U.S.A. and Vicki Jones

19th - 26th November, 2005
Parish Perfumery, Violet Town
Let Penny know if you are able to bring a
massage table

*"This work is about transformation - from
the person we think we are to the person
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founder of Rosen Method Bodywork.*

It will be of special interest to those who are currently doing massage, or other health professionals. It is also intended to benefit those people from all walks of life who want relief from stress, greater physical and emotional aliveness and more access to self-acceptance.

Two Day Workshop

19th & 20th November
9.00am—4.00pm
Cost \$180, \$160 if paid before 5th Nov.
To bring: lunch, sheet, rug, pillow
& wear comfortable clothing

For enquiries contact Penny Long at
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I have 80 client practice hours to
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more expensive!!)

Something for Your Garden at Sunnyside



Join us at the Oak Tree Restaurant on Sunday 13 November for a
Garden Ideas Day

See

- ◆ Rustic adornments by Leonie Dyson, potter from Beechworth
- ◆ Rural paintings by Peter Gasson from Bendigo
- ◆ Lavender products, plants, mulch (and much more) for sale

Stall sites available, cost is a \$5 donation which will go to the Strathbogie School to help fundraise for their trip to the 'Lion King'

Kidsname a tree and plant it at Sunnyside

Luncheon & Refreshments available

10.00am to 4.00pm

RMB 3074, Bonnie Doon Road, Boho South

Ph: 5790 8510 Fax: 5790 8661

Violet Town Walking Group

Our group had a lovely day & BBQ at Jean & Jevan's home last month. After lunch we walked along the Honeysuckle and great praise was given for the many people who have put the time and effort in to forming this scenic walk amongst the trees.

A visit to Ivan & Sheryl's lovely home & garden on the way back was a pleasant break, well worth a visit.

Our next outing at the end of October is our weekend away to Waranga Basin Holiday Camp. These weekends are always a success with good walks, good food and good company.

Dot Rae



Council Immunisation Sessions 05/06

Violet Town Kindergarten, Hyacinth Street,
Violet Town - 1:30pm to 2:00pm

On the following days:

Wednesday 16 November 2005

Wednesday 21 December 2005

Wednesday 18 January 2006

Wednesday 15 February 2006

Wednesday 15 March 2006

Wednesday 19 April 2006

Wednesday 17 May 2006

Wednesday 21 June 2006

Changes to Vaccination Schedule

18 mth Triple antigen dose is
no longer required



SES moves to 132 500

The Victoria State Emergency Service (SES) has a new telephone number for members of the public to call if they require emergency flood and storm assistance.

132 500 is now the number to call from anywhere in Victoria, 24 hours a day, for emergency assistance if you or your property is affected by a flood or storm. SES volunteers (recognisable in their orange overalls) are trained to provide temporary emergency assistance to help people protect themselves and protect their property from further damage. They assist with such incidents as a tree down on a building, damaged roofs, rising floodwater, general building damage, trees down and blocking access, and any storm damage that may be a threat to life or property.

The role of the SES volunteer team is to make the scene safe. It is the property owner's responsibility to arrange for the removal of debris and permanent repairs to their property.

When you phone 132 500 from a landline phone your call will automatically be directed to the closest SES Unit, or an emergency communications centre, where a trained call-taker will dispatch your local SES Unit to the incident. Callers phoning from mobile phones or near the Victorian border may be asked to identify the State they are calling from before their call is directed to the Unit or an emergency communications centre.

132 500 replaces a range of callout numbers including local SES Unit numbers, regional headquarters and the general callout number in the Melbourne and Geelong metro areas. It is the same cost as a local call in Victoria, although calls from mobiles may be higher.

There is no cost for SES assistance and all our volunteers are trained to national standards. The SES is a community-based organi-

sation meaning that the volunteers are locals with local knowledge and are aware of the critical rescue requirements of your area.

132 500 is for flood or storm emergency calls only. Triple zero (000) is for fire, police or ambulance and should be used in a life-threatening emergency. Write these numbers down and update your emergency services contacts list. You can still contact your SES Unit with general queries on their non-emergency office number.

SES Units are always on the look out for new volunteers so check out the SES website, or contact your nearest SES regional office, if you would like more information. If you would like to learn more about 132 500, and the Victoria SES, please visit www.ses.vic.gov.au



VALE CINDY

Our Sensitive New Age Urbanites will be relieved to know that there is one less dog in the park they will have

to worry about. Our dog Cindy, after living full on for three years suddenly developed acute renal failure and had to be put down. Its hard enough to do this to an old dog let alone to a young one.

Her daily walk was her greatest joy, racing around at full speed. She did her civic duty by burying every carcass that she found (after rolling in it), terrorised the rats and chased the rabbits. She caught one (and buried it). Those who don't like confronting the droppings left by the dogs - I know how you feel. I don't like treading on the broken glass left by the humans.

Cindy, life will not be the same without you. Cushions can rest easy on their chairs, no more bones hidden behind the pouffe and we won't have to retrieve our slippers from the compost bin.

Rhonda Misson

Violet Town Garden Club

For the October meeting, Gwenda Stephens welcomed us to her home & garden at Kar-ramomous. It was a lovely Spring day & Gwenda has a great collections of roses about to bloom.

Beth Stewart brought lots of her weaving and basket making work & explained how it was all made from plants in her garden.

With only a short time now to the Iris Show on the 30th October, most of the business meeting was organizing & setting up for that day. Are we ready? Yes we are!

The next meeting on 21st November at 9.30am will be at the home of Ivan & Sheryl Taylor, 79 Hurt Street.

Kath Utber



Violet Town R.S.L.

The Violet Town R.S.L. will hold a 3 way service at the Memorial Hall on Armistice Day 11th November.

1st Armistice Day Service

2nd Dedication Service & unfurling of the Korean Plaque

3rd Sub branches monthly meeting

It is hoped to have local school students along, plus Robyn Machin Shire Mayor, and other political identities.

A cuppa, plus eats will be available in the Club Rooms.

A large assembly is anticipated.

D.G. (Ted) Armstrong
Sub-branch President

Your opportunity to create! Will you help build another Violet Town Community project?

Local artist David Broadhurst has created the winning design for the Shire of Strathbogie Commonwealth Games Arts Project. It is to be built on the scoreboard at the Violet Town Recreation Reserve and you can help!

The Shire's Games program and the Arts project were launched at the October Market by state parliamentary member Robert Mitchell and Shire Mayor Robyn Machin. Participating in the event was Joseph Fombason President of the Cameroon Australia Association. He looked grand in colourful national dress and spoke of the warmth extended by our community to their small Melbourne community of 30 members. This warmth is also expressed by the heart symbol in David's design.

During the presentation David gave an interpretation of his work. Full details will be in Decembers Village Voice. He is offering the opportunity for residents to assist in its construction.

Work to be done includes sorting the tiles, cut from local granite, into colour and size prior to being fixed to the wall. David requires 2 or 3 people at a time to assist and you can leave your name and contact details with Helen Keighery and you will be notified closer to the date.

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