

## YOUR VILLAGE VOICE

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C/- 661 Upper Boho Rd, Violet Town 3669.

## what's on in May

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# Violet Town Village Voice

May 2011

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No. 352

## Mother's Day Special Event Learn to make Pizzas and run a pizza stall at the market\*

In the new Wood Fired Oven

With Thomas Moritz

from Boondaroo Farm

**Sunday 8th May, 10am**

Invite your mother—and your kids—to come and share the pizzas, that you help make, for lunch



**Plus, if you also want to learn to fire and operate the oven, come in the afternoon on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> to set the fire and light it.**

**Book your place with Robin 5798 1735 or Sue 5798 1435**

\*The EcoLiving Project and the Community House will support community groups to take turns to run a pizza stall at the Market and raise funds.

### VIOLET TOWN HALL BOOKINGS

Pam Ellis 0418 571 419



### TIP OPENING HOURS

Saturday, Tuesday & Friday 8.30am to 12 noon  
Wednesday & Thursday 1.00pm to 4.00pm  
Sunday 10.00am to 3.00pm

**MARKET COORDINATOR:** Catherine McMillan 0416 233 584

**CREDIT UNION OPENING HOURS:** Phone 5798 1761

Tuesday 9.30am to 1.30pm  
Friday 12.30pm to 4.30pm

**COMMUNITY HOUSE:** 5798 1288 (leave message)

Monday & Tuesday 9.30am-3.00pm; Wednesday 4pm-7pm

**LIBRARY HOURS:** TUES. 2.30-4.30pm (5.00pm-7.00pm - Daylight Saving months)

WED. & FRI. 2.30-5.30pm; THURS 10.30-1.30p; SAT 10am-12pm

### DOCTOR

Dr. T. Wang  
Ph: 5736 6310  
Monday—Thursday  
8.30am-5.00pm  
Friday  
8.30am-12.00noon  
Market Saturdays  
9-12noon

## “Use it or Lose it” Golf Day

**Sunday 22 May 2011**

Violet Town Golf Course, Shiffner St Violet Town

**Fun day.....this is not serious golf, dress up or dress down**

18 holes ambrose hit off at 12 noon

9 holes hit ambrose hit off at 1pm

\$10 golf and continuous BBQ all day.



**Sponsored by VTAG. Prizes! Prizes! Prizes and a whole lot more!**

If you don't play golf, come and try! If you don't want to try come and walk the course! If you are a past member come for maybe one last time. Enjoy the BBQ and catch up with friends We would love to see anyone who was at the club 50 years ago, or more recently, come on the day!

More information Robin 57981735

Bring your own sticks if you have them, share with others if you don't!

See posters around town for more details

Working Bee Sunday 15 May 9am -noon to clean up the course.

Please come if you are free even for a short time

## HREP News

It is wonderful to walk along the track lately in the cooler air, see the plants thriving and lots of water in the creek. At night there have been barking owls, tawny frog mouths and mopokes heard.

The flood repairs and other work along the creek and track is proceeding slowly – more slowly than we would like but unforeseen problems insist on cropping up. The large logs at the end of the Hurt Street reserve were not milled when planned because the machine broke down. By the time of this issue of the Village Voice we hope that it is finally done. Some of the timber will go to the Men's Shed to use in their projects.

New bollards were put in at the railway overpass end of the track and near the tennis courts. Underground power lines and pipes are delaying the completion of this. Extra gravel has been added to some of the washed away and low areas of the track - more of this is still to be done.

A big working bee in beautiful weather last month, got rid of almost all of the weeds in the planted area behind the bowls club and on either side of the red bridge. In this warm and wet weather though, weeds will always be cropping up.

We are still waiting on the GB Catchment Management Authority to work on trees and erosion repair in the creek itself.

Meanwhile enjoy your walks along our lovely creek.

Last month in the VTAG notes, we omitted to thank Michael McLaughlin and the Lions for their efforts in helping clean up the wood at the top end of Hurt St. Sorry guys, my mistake.  
Editor

## VTAG Notes

### Golf Day

50 years ago almost to the day the Violet Town Golf Course opened at its present site. The old course was located in the recreation reserve and the golf was played across the creek. For some years in the late 1950's there was no golf course in Violet Town. The present course opened on Sunday May 28 1961. The club is now very close to closing. Once it is closed it will be very difficult to get it back again. This will be sad for the town but the dedicated few that maintain the course cannot continue if people are not playing. So please come and support the our Golf day on 22 May (see Poster) Bring family and friends It will be a lot of fun.

### Meet and Greet

Thank you to community House and Lorraine Sinclair for organizing a meet and greet at the community centre on 27<sup>th</sup> March. 14 residents enjoyed a cuppa and Dot Rae's delicious scones. This is a great opportunity for new and old residents to get to know one another. The next meeting will be in June (date in next months VV)  
All new and old residents are welcome

### Up dates on Projects

The bench seats for the community complex are here and hopefully will be installed in the next couple of months.

### Street Trees

At present the plan for the street trees is being organised with planting to follow.



# Village Voice Trading Post

Use this page to post your FREE ad

## FOR SALE

Shed heaters, \$250, ph Bill Wood 5798 1410

Farm & garden trees, tubestock, ready now, \$1.25 each, 5798 1410

Kero fridge, Electrolux, works well, good cabinet, best offer;  
Gas fridge, Morphy-Richards, works well, good cabinet, holds 3 slabs, best offer;

New bull nose gal corrugated iron, 6' long, enough to cover 38';

Curved gal iron sheets, 8'6" long, enough for 10-12'

Call Dennis 0402 148 236

VALCO Rebel 3 wheeler pram, includes bassinet & stand, toddler seat, boot& rain covers. Black /grey in colour. Cleaned & in excellent condition. Best offer to Kerry 5798 1732.

Firewood U-Haul \$70 /metre, cut to length, Red Gum and mixed plantation, grown at Murrnong, pick up right at the edge of town, ph David 5798 1679

## WANTED

Good home for an 8 month old kelpie pup. Very friendly and vaccinated. Contact David on 03-5798-1373 or 0403 166 846

## WANTED TO BUY

**OLD & ANTIQUE BOTTLES**—marble bottles, stone ginger beers, torpedo bottles, demijohns, soda siphons, Chinese ginger jars etc etc

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Please phone Gary 5762 1842

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# Violet Town Seed Savers and Permaculture Group

It was an early start on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April for the Violet Town Seedsavers. Members from Violet Town, Strathbogie, Sheans Creek, Benalla, Goomalibee, Swanpool and Wangaratta travelled by bus to Albury/Wodonga for a Seed Exchange hosted by the Seedsavers of Albury/Wodonga.

A tour of the TAFE's permaculture gardens was given together with a talk on their Stephanie Alexander garden, its pests, an in depth fruit fly discussion followed by an extremely interesting presentation on seed propagation by Alistair Rooke.

A special thank you to Reg Davis for driving the bus on the day.

On Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> May at 12.30 pm, VT Seed-savers will be treated to Thai Cooking at Joanne Matthews & Scott Campbell's home, together with discussing the growing requirements of some of the ingredients.

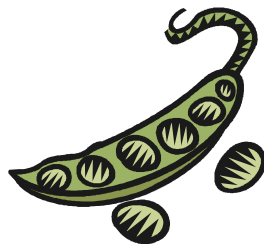
## THINGS TO DO:

Plant garlic, bulb shallots, divide and/or plant strawberries. Tidy up asparagus beds. Harvest pumpkins. Spray stone fruit trees with bordeaux after leaf fall against leaf curl disease.

## SOW NOW:

Broad beans, corn salad, endive, lettuce, mibuna, mizuna, mustard, peas, snow & sugarsnap peas, spinach, spring onions, radish, onions, turnip.

SANDRA  
Tel: 57 95 1109



## ENVIRONMENTAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES 2 DAY WORKSHOP

Dates: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May 2011

Would you like to know more about sustainable farm and land management practice?

Are you interested in reducing greenhouse gas emissions through modified farm management practices?

This innovative planning approach will allow participants to easily identify issues that they would like to improve on their individual properties to improve sustainable and productive farming of their land and in their local area.

### Environmental Best Management Practices (EBMP)

Program is FREE to participants, and includes a copy of the EBMP workbook and software. (Please bring along your computer to download the programs).

The EBMP program produces a priority action plan which is comparable to an introductory level Environmental Management System (EMS). The implementation of an EMS framework can enhance the profitability and environmental performance of your farm through the planned allocation of resources according to priorities and capabilities.

The EBMP work book guides you through a self-assessment of environmental management for your farm and covers:

- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Fine readiness
- Vegetation and Biodiversity
- Pest Plant and Animals
- Pasture and Livestock
- Farm Forestry
- Nutrients
- Property Management Planning
- Cropping
- Irrigation
- Farm Wastes
- Mapping
- Soils and Water
- Chemicals

The course will be presented by Geoff McFarlane

DATE: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May, 9.30am to 2.30pm

Lunch and morning tea provided on both days

COST: No Charge

VENUE: Benalla DPI Offices, Sydney Rd

REGISTER BY: 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2011, for workbooks, software and catering

FOR BOOKINGS: Kerri Robson, Landcare Support Officer

Phone: 5763 2465 Mob: 0418140710

Email: landcare2@inet.net.au

## Market Report



With a record 210 stalls booked in to the April market we were virtually at capacity, with an fantastic array of goods on offer for market goers browsing to the dulcet tones of InkaMarka's South American tunes.

Congratulation to Committee stalwart Kerry Wilson who starred on Southern Cross Ten's "Weeknights" at 6pm on Tuesday prior to the market. Violet Town had been chosen as the feature town for the station's new Current Affairs program which focuses on regional towns and local issues.

The Sustainable Communities group enjoyed a good crowd for gardening guru Vasilli who spoke at the Football Club from 10am. Filming continued throughout the morning at various locations for his Channel 31 show, including at the new wood fired (pizza) oven, Seed Savers and other sustainably friendly stalls. The market also featured in the Herald Sun last Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April as part of Vasilli's connection.

Another great promotion this month was the April Homescape magazine which featured a beautiful nine page lift out on all that is unique about Violet Town – including the market of course! Everyone in town should have received one in their letterbox, if not the IGA has some spare copies I believe. People wishing to continue to receive this high quality quarterly magazine can subscribe to it if they wish as it's not normally delivered in the Violet Town area.

## Tin Rattle

The Friends of the Pool were thrilled to raise \$1660 in their tin rattle, while Anzac Day badges were also sold inside the gate by the RSL.

After much discussion the Committee has determined that every Violet Town community group who applied to tin rattle at the market will

be allocated a date. However due to the large number of applicants, it will mean that groups will now have to be rotated over an 18month-2 year period, (rather than the annual rotations of the past.) This was felt to be the fairest outcome for all. A formal notification of each groups allocated date for 2011/12 will be sent directly to the group concerned.

## Volunteers Roster

We are so grateful to our volunteers who give up a couple of hours to assist with money collection or sittings each market, and while we don't want to make it a life sentence, we could do with some more! I'm looking for anyone willing to donate an hour or so of their time once a quarter to assist at the market. If you would like to put your hand up, please be assured it is not a life sentence and you can choose the month/s which you would be available well in advance. In the meantime I'd love to hear from you if you'd like to find out more. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you'd like to put your hand up for an hour or more.

Tel: 0416 233 584 or email  
[info@market.violettown.org.au](mailto:info@market.violettown.org.au)

## LOST at the April Market

-prescription glasses in a pale copper colour. If you have any information about lost or found items please call 0416 233 584 or email [info@market.violettown.org.au](mailto:info@market.violettown.org.au)

We look forward to welcoming you to our next market on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> between 8.30am-1pm. Be sure to remind your friends about it too!

Kind regards Catherine

## YALCA FRUIT TREES

new catalogue now on line at  
[www.yalcafruittrees.com.au/](http://www.yalcafruittrees.com.au/) or phone  
5868 2101 to request a print version  
Lots of new varieties in stock!  
Campbell & Tanya Holt

## Public Meeting

Violet Town Fire Brigade invites community members, organisations and businesses to a public meeting to discuss the implementation of a "Town Protection Plan" and all that that will entail.

The meeting will take place on the 30th May at the Fire Station at 7pm.

Currently plans are being developed for the 52 high risk communities across the state.

We feel the need to be pro-active in this matter and look forward to a good response from within our community.

With thanks in anticipation of your attendance.

Violet Town Fire Brigade volunteer members.



## Moglonemby Community Hall Centenary

The Centenary of the Moglonemby Community Hall will be celebrated on Sunday, May the 15th, 2011 from 2.30 pm at the Moglonemby Community Hall, Moglonemby Hall Road, Moglonemby. The afternoon will consist of the official unveiling of the centenary plaque, launch of the Moglonemby Hall history book and afternoon tea will be available for \$5. The hall will be open for inspection with many interesting photos and artefacts on display. Everyone is most welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Stuart Belcher on 5798 9661, Tony Kellock on 57989638 or Lyndal Dean on 5798 1262.



## HELP WANTED

Violet Town Football Club has a proud record especially since 1946 when, in the Benalla District League, they were runners-up to Benalla. Then again in 1991 when they lost the flag to Thornton / Eildon. On both occasions after these premiership deciders, the club changed leagues. I would love to know why, so if someone can help me I would greatly appreciate it.

Neil Barter [barterken@bigpond.com](mailto:barterken@bigpond.com) or 57905349

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## COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

### 2010/2011 CALL FOR ACQUITTALS

Reminder: Projects awarded a 2010/2011 Community Grant are due for completion and acquittal **31 May 2011**. Please contact Mel Keogh, Grants Coordinator on 03 5795 0016 or [mel.keogh@strathbogie.vic.gov.au](mailto:mel.keogh@strathbogie.vic.gov.au) for an Acquittal Form.

### 2011/2012 CALL FOR FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Applications are now sought from not-for-profit groups based within Strathbogie Shire under Council's Community Grants Program 2011/12 in the following categories:

Category	Maximum \$	What will be funded (incl. but not limited to)
Minor Capital Works	\$10,000	Minor upgrades to buildings, eg painting or minor construction works
Minor Capital Purchases	\$10,000	Equipment – eg dishwasher, furniture or sporting equipment
Community Events – Ongoing	\$10,000	Publicity, presenter fees, specific activities
Community Events – One off or Start up/ Initial	\$2,000	Publicity, presenter fees, specific activities
Art and Culture	\$10,000	Publicity, presenter fees, specific activities, minor purchases
Sponsorship/ Support – Events	\$500	Perpetual trophies
Sponsorship/ Support – Individual	\$500	Focus on youth – sponsorship for interstate travel when representing area

Consideration may be given to funding amounts above the maximum limit on a case by case basis. To be eligible for funding, all intending applicants must contact Mel Keogh, Grants Coordinator on 03 5795 0016 or [mel.keogh@strathbogie.vic.gov.au](mailto:mel.keogh@strathbogie.vic.gov.au) to discuss their project and obtain a copy of the Application Form and Guidelines.

Only applications on the prescribed form will be accepted.

Applications will be received until **5:00pm on Friday 8 July 2011** addressed to:

Strathbogie Shire Council  
 PO Box 177  
 EUROA  
 or via email to

[info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@strathbogie.vic.gov.au)

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered. Applications will be assessed and awarded by Council in August 2011.  
 Kevin Hannagan, C. E. O.

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<b>Phone Ivan 5798 1485</b>	

## Senior Citizen Register

Violet Town residents who live alone should consider registering under the above scheme. The Euroa or Violet Town Police will hold the information to assist in tracing and contacting relatives, next of kin, key holder's etc in an emergency. It can be very frustrating for the Police or Paramedics to contact whom **you** would like them to, should the need arise.

Please take a little time out to collect a form and lodge it at the Police Station.

"The information supplied is confidential and for authorised use only."

You can obtain a form to complete from the Police Station.

At the market in September we shall see if we can have the NHW trailer with one way screws available to stop theft of numberplates.

If you require a label for your front gatepost or letterbox please contact the undersigned we have a new supply.

We shall be having our next meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 71 Tulip Street, at 7-30 pm.

We need your help so please come along. The meetings are quite short and business like with a tea or coffee after.

Regards (Jevan Dartnall) Violet Town 57981668  
Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator

## Violet Town Golf Club Inc

I would like to thank everyone who took the time to fill out the questionnaire last month that went out to 550 households around Violet Town and district. However, due to the lack of returns the club decided not to open the course this year, instead playing certain events in Euroa and Strathbogie. The club is still open to

receive new memberships which remain at Adults: \$75.00 and Juniors: \$55.00. We will still maintain the course to an operational level, so if anyone would still like to play a few holes or more or would like a social day amongst a few friends please let us know.

I would like to thank our valued sponsors for their advertising signs around the various tees and Richard Byrnes for his sponsored day.

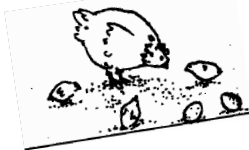
Hopefully we can obtain a few new junior and adult members to continue the club after 50 years.

Thank you for your continued, and looking forward to your future support. Please support the 22 May Fun Day, more to come about that.  
Garrie Moore, President, 57981 469

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## PROBUS NEWS



At our last meeting we were entertained by Bill Crocker our speaker with his various wooden instruments that he has made over several years. The intricate workmanship and knowledge had most of us full of admiration.

Bill began by playing a mouth organ with a few Scottish tunes Kingdom Come, Old Joe Clarke. Then he played a 150 year old Chapel Hill March on a small bagpipe meant for playing indoors, the bag fitted under the arm and was blown up by squeezing it with his arm.

The next instrument was a hand made fiddle with 4 synthetic strings that helped make a resonate sound, Bill played Hangman's Reel and Black Mountain Rag both very fast. A second fiddle he made in 1981 set our toes tapping with more tunes. The next instrument was a work of art called a Duduk 2,000 years old like a flute made from cane.

There is a full report in our Newsletter, which will be available at our general meeting, which is to be on Monday 2nd May 2011. At 10am in the Violet Town Community Hall.

Our next outing is on the 19<sup>th</sup> May to the Chocolate Factory at Shepparton East. More details will be at our general meeting mentioned above. If you would like to come along please do so.  
Jevan

**VIOLET TOWN AUSKICK  
COMMENCES  
WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY  
at 5.00pm at Violet Town  
Recreation Reserve**

Register online

For further information contact  
Lyndon Kubeil 0418 532 085

## STRATHBOGIE RANGES APS (Australian Plant Society)

April 30 saw us in Bendigo where Ian Evans, president of the Bendigo APS group gave us a tour of some interesting areas of the native bushland of the Brisbane Ranges. The tour culminated at the Goldfields Nursery where we did a spot of plant collecting.

On the weekend of the 4/5th June Wangaratta APS is hosting the quarterly Victorian gathering. Tours of gardens, nursery, bushland.

Saturday 25th June we are off to visit the Australian Garden at Cranbourne.

Please contact Val Kneebone  
5798 5453 for further details  
on these activities.



## St Dunstons Hall Film Society

Monthly – third Friday

The Society's next screening is  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May @ 7.30pm



### "South Solitary" – 2010

Meredith and her officious, proper and demanding Uncle are sent to the isolated lighthouse on remote and rugged South Solitary island shortly after World War I, to take over after the death of the headlight keeper

Starring :Miranda Otto & Barry Otto

Snack bar open

Bring your own chair

New members invited

Details on notice boards around town

[www.violettown.org.au/groupsclubs/  
film-society](http://www.violettown.org.au/groupsclubs/film-society)

Information: Lynn Parker ph 57981858

## UNITING CHURCH NEWS

### SERVICE TIMES

First Sunday of the month at 11.15am a family service with finger food lunch to share

Other Sundays at 9.30am

Strathbogie Service Time -11.30am on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

### COMING EVENTS

Weekly Craft Fridays 1.00pm except school holidays

Coffee Morning Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am.

K.Y.B. Bible Studies Thursdays 8.00pm for more information ask a Uniting Church member.

Hymn – a – long 15<sup>th</sup> May Bring Tea to share at 6.00 pm Hymns and Reflections start at 7.00pm

### Social Afternoon

at The Uniting Church Hall on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 1.30pm Guest Speaker -- All Welcome

### Ecumenical Service

On the 29<sup>th</sup> May at the Catholic Church at 6.00pm – with a Tea to share after the service. Come and join us for Services +Social Events you will be made most welcome.

## ✠ May at St Dunstons

Services fortnightly  
Sunday at 11.30am.

May 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> VBNC Chapel 2.30pm Thursday

8<sup>th</sup> Mothers Day

14<sup>th</sup> St Pauls Parish Fete- Euroa

19<sup>th</sup> St Dunstons Day

St Dunstons Hall Film Society Friday

20<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm

“ South Solitary”

2010

BYO Chair- snack bar open.

New members invited.



## Community Op Shop

Our Mad March / April sale has been a great success with big Market days.

We have had a lot of comments about the shop coming from the Homescape magazine which can only be beneficial to the town. Great to see the Violet Town cafe open again; good luck to Anne and David.

A BIG THANK YOU to the school mums for a terrific job they have done helping in the Op shop; hope all the children had a good time in Canberra.

We are as always after knick knacks for our treasure room.

WE also have bags of rags for sale for the handyman or just in your shed.

Hope every body had a safe and happy Easter, And wishing all the MUMS a very Happy Mothers day

from all the Op Shop Crew.

## Violet Town Hairdressing

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5798 1427

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### Trading Hours

**Monday—mobile for clients  
unable to come to the shop**

**Wednesday 9 am – 5 pm**

**Thursday 1 pm – late**

**Friday 9 am – 5 pm**

**Saturdays by appointment for  
special occasions**



## CELEBRATING VOLUNTEERING IN VIOLET TOWN

**Saturday May 14 & Sunday May 15**

As part of National Volunteering Week, the Community House and Men's Shed are celebrating Volunteering in Violet Town with 4 special events:

At the May Market, Saturday, 10am-12noon – drop by the Community Woodfired Pizza Oven for fresh-baked scones with jam and cream

◆ 'Open House' at the Community House, Saturday, 10am-2pm – drop in for a cuppa and scones fresh from The House's woodfired baker's oven, and check out the activities on offer at The House – there's something for everyone

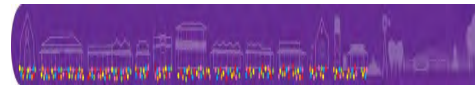
◆ Saturday, 6-8pm – Volunteer Award Presentation and BBQ at the Community House

◆ Sunday, 2pm – 4pm – Open Day at the Men's Shed. Come and have a look at all the changes and new things to do. It's an exciting time at The Shed, and John just loves talking about it all! The wood fire heater will be crackling away, the kettle will be on, and there'll be homemade yummy things to eat

**EVERYONE'S WELCOME! WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU**

And we'd also love to hear your ideas and suggestions for The House & The Shed In the meantime, remember to register your volunteer group to ensure it receives its certificate of recognition and thanks, and is in the running for the 'Violet Town Volunteer Group of the Year Award'

It's easy, just contact Margaret at [mhvt3669@gmail.com](mailto:mhvt3669@gmail.com) or 5798 1885



## Violet Town Men's Shed

**Open Wed & Thurs mornings 8am to 1pm**

The shed had it's own Monster Move last month with the 1924 Sunshine Harvester being moved to a better position. (It can be seen now) We plan to restore it & would love to hear from anyone who has any information about it, a manual, or something about it's history.

There was a brush tailed possum killed by a car recently, just up from the shed. We were able to rescue the baby still on its mother's back. Perhaps there should be more signs around the creek area warning of wildlife crossing as since the creek plantings of native species the wildlife is returning.

The shed received more tools & materials last month from local people; thank you so much, you are so generous. We need some more hands to use them. We received a vintage heater which we are restoring & it will go in our lounge area.

We have also bought a shed heater for the workshop so we will be warm this winter.

The shed is applying for a grant for a wheelchair ramp & decking between the two buildings. This will enable us to have more people from the hospital attend the shed. We have already changed things around to get more floor space for a wheelchair to get around the workshop.

You may have noticed some changes around the outside of the buildings, this is the start of our landscaping project. We intend to have a small seasonal creek on the Nalinga Rd side to stop water from going under the shed & through the veggie patch. This will be followed by the planting of indigenous small plants, groundcovers and wild flowers.

A special thanks to the VTAG committee for their very generous donation. It will be used to further our aim to create a well set Men's Shed, working with men in & around the district in worthwhile community projects.

We welcome John from Qld to our group. We hope you & Beverley grow to love the town as we do & look forward to working beside you.

John Broadhurst 5798 1626 0407 812 489

## ELLEN FRANCES HOTEL / MOTEL

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### Mother's Day Lunch & Dinner

Come along to the Bistro on Mother's Day, Sunday 8th May, for lunch or dinner  
Complimentary glass of wine, beer or soft drink for mums

### Pool Teams doing well in Competition

Both of VT's Ellen Frances teams are doing very well in the Benalla & district 8 ball comp with the Cobras two games clear on top, and the Towners going well in the middle of the pack, and improving every week.

The pub darts team is also doing well so far this season, having beaten several top sides along the way.

Good Luck to them all in the coming months.

### Market Day Live Music

The last two market days have seen huge crowds back at the pub for lunch along with free live music on the lawn at the front and later on in the bar all evening.

## Honeysuckle Festival News

It has been decided to hold the main activities of the festival on the October market day, Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October rather than on the Sunday. With the new school term starting on the Monday it would not be a good idea to have the children up late on Sunday evening.

So following on from the market will be a wide variety of activities for young and old – creek walks, fun games, historical activities about Major Mitchell, a multi media local film, a family communal dinner from the woodfired oven, poetry by the creek, the fabulous children's puppet show and more.

During the holidays, a large troupe of young puppet-makers created frog puppets at the Community House Holiday Program. Each individually named, many of these frog puppets will make up a frog chorus for the main Festival puppet play. Some of the participants at the

holiday program will continue working with Helen Keighery to develop ideas, puppets and scripts for the main puppet play.

If you or your child would like to be part of this, please phone Helen – 57981381 - and we will keep you informed about the next workshop.

## COOINDA GROUP

Brenda Hoare, guest speaker on April 18th, delighted everyone with her collection of reminiscing articles which she uses in the Day Care Centre of the Nursing Centre.

Jo Bell was unable to attend so Brenda obligingly altered her night to help us out. Jo, an archaeologist will now be the guest speaker on Monday 16th May at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.

New members and visitors welcome.

Enq. Marg Block 5798 1214

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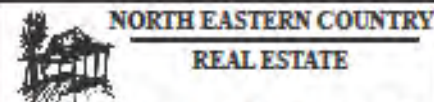
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## COMMUNITY FORUM

### "Managing Water for a Healthy Catchment"

EUROA FLOUR MILL  
FRIDAY 6TH MAY 2011

PROGRAM

9.30am –registration, cuppa, displays  
10.00am—Welcome, Background, Cath Botta  
10.15am—Dr Ian Rutherford, Director of Integrated River Health, Office of Water, DSE  
10.50am—Simon Gowan G.M.W.  
11.10—Richard Anderson V.F.F.  
11.30am—Wayne Tennant G.B.C.M.A.  
11.50AM—Questions to speakers  
12.10pm—participants discuss & list concerns  
12.30pm—summarise input from tables & document—Cath, David, Kerri  
12.45pm—Lunch  
SUMMARY HANDOUT AVAILABLE AFTER 1.00PM  
REGISTRATIONS ESSENTIAL BY 4TH MAY 5790 8563

## Violet Town Red Cross

We will be holding a casserole luncheon on Thursday 16th June at 12 noon in the Supper Room of the VT Hall.

Cost is \$12 which includes a ticket in the lucky door prize. There will also be a \$1 / ticket raffle. Come in out of the cold, share some yummy casseroles & enjoy a pleasant afternoon.

Our next meeting is Monday 2nd May at 1.30pm in the Meeting Room at the hall. Followed by a chat & a chat with afternoon tea. We are a small but friendly bunch & would make new members most welcome.



## Violet Town Community House News

Office Hours: Mon & Tue 9:30am-3pm, Wed 4pm-7pm

[violettowncommunityhouse@gmail.com](mailto:violettowncommunityhouse@gmail.com) Ph 57981288

### May at the Community House:

May 14th & 15th sees The Community House & The Men's Shed celebrate National Volunteering Week with 4 special events.

**Music & Movement for Children** 3-6 will be starting on Tuesday the 10th of May. 10:15am-11am. Cost \$5 per child.

**Tiny Tumblers** will be back for Term 2 starting Monday May the 3rd. 11am-11:30am. Cost \$5 per child.

Fitness passes are now available for purchase to use in any of the Children's or Adult movement classes. You pay \$45 which entitles you to 10 sessions, which is a saving of \$5!

Do you have any of your handcrafted goods, artwork, produce that you would like to display at the Community House? We would love to help you sell your goods in **our new gift shop** proudly displaying and selling our local craft. Please call for more information.

### Regular Programs:

**Zumba @ The Violet Town Community Complex** every:

Sunday 4:30pm-5:30pm

Wednesday 10am-11am

**Zumba @ The Strathbogie Memorial Hall** every:

Sunday 6:15pm-7:00pm

No bookings required just come along and join in the fun for \$5 per session.

**Tiny Tumblers:** Exercise program for children aged 2-6 @ the Violet Town Community Complex on Mondays 11am-11:30am. Register your interest for Term 2 classes. \$5 per session.

**Music & Movement:** Instruments, Voices and lots of Action! Children aged 3-6 are encouraged to express themselves through the art of Music & Movement. Sessions will be held

weekly on Tuesdays starting May 10th 10:15am-11am at a cost of \$5 per child.

**Yoga in The Ranges:** Three YOGA classes are currently being offered in Strathbogie at the Memorial Hall on Wednesdays 9:15 am Start, Thursday's 6pm start & Friday's 6:30am start. BYO Yoga mat & blanket cost is \$5 per session.

Call 57981288 for more information.

**Scrapbooking:** Traditional scrapbooking workshops held on a Wednesday please call for dates

**Digital scrapbooking classes** will be held fortnightly on a Saturday afternoon. Call for more information.

**BYO Laptop or use one of ours!** Come along on a Tuesday from 12:30pm-2:30pm and learn how to get the most out of your laptop or desktop. Patient tutors and fun are promised! \$5 per session.

**Reiki & Homeopathy with Karen:** Come and have your own private and confidential session with Karen, a qualified consultant. Karen has the amazing ability to make you feel relaxed and safe when you spend your time with her. She brings her experience and time to you at a special community discount rate of \$15 per session. Please call the community house for more information or to make a booking. Appointments are available every Wednesday from 4pm-7pm.

**Youth Group:** Every Wednesday from 5pm – 6pm at the community house. 12 years and over.

### Expressions of interest for:

Starting school Term 2- **Children's Creative Guided Meditation class** suitable for children 3 years +. Day & Time to be confirmed

**Mosaic classes for adults**

**Mosaic classes for children**

**Chainsaw maintenance and operation course:**

This course will be going ahead shortly. Due to popular demand we will be running a weekend course and one through the week, hurry register now!

Course description: This program includes manual: The Course in Chainsaw operation (Level 1) provides instruction in the safe operation and maintenance of chainsaws. Topics covered during the program include: Safe use of chainsaws, The bush worker, The work site, Personal protective equipment, Occupational hazards of bush work, The Chainsaw, Chainsaw safety features, Starting procedure, Chainsaw control, Tools and equipment, Trimming, crosscutting, ripping, Chainsaw maintenance – power head and guide bar, saw chain and drive sprocket, carburettor tuning.

Workplace First Aid Level 2- This will be running shortly and will be held on a weekend, hurry register now!

Supervisors Food Handling Certificate

Learn how to Massage- Certificate courses available

Register interest now for a **Family Fun Day to MT Buller!** When the snow season starts.

So much happening in May, we would love to see you join in! You're always welcome at the Community House!

## VT Bush Nursing Centre Ladies Auxiliary Mothers Day Raffle & Street Stall

To be held at Delaheys supermarket on Friday 6th May from 8am.

The raffle is a lovely cake made by Josie Burton & beautifully decorated by Barbara Ramage. Sincere thanks to these ladies.

Tickets will be on sale at \$1 each.

The VT BNC Ladies Auxiliary meets on the last Thursday of the month in the Nursing Home Chapel at 10am for a cuppa & 10.30am for the meeting.

ALL WELCOME

## Australia's Biggest Morning Tea Thursday 26th May, 10.30am, at the Supper Room

The VTBC Ladies Auxiliary is hosting the Big Cuppa to raise funds for cancer research. \$5 admission and there will be a trading table so saleable goods are welcome. Bring a handkerchief - large, small, lacy, novel etc for display. Guest speaker will be Jean McKinnon—come and hear Jean's story. We welcome everyone to help support the valuable work the Cancer Council does.

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