

The GRETA BUNYIP

"YOUR GRETA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER"

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CALENDAR OF LOCAL EVENTS

August

Sat 27th 6:30 – 8:00 pm Storm and Flood safety
Greta-Hansonville Hall

Wed 31st 7.30 pm. Greta Comm Safety Gp Meeting.

September

Fri 2nd 7.00 pm Men of the Valley Dinner

Sun 4th 10.00 am Direct Seeding Info
44 Moloneys Road, Greta West.

Sat 17th 7.00 pm Greta FNC Presentation night

October

Sat 8th King Valley Fun Run Walk.

Fri 14th Articles due for Bunyip Edition 33

Sat 15th Moyhu Lions Club Annual garden Expo

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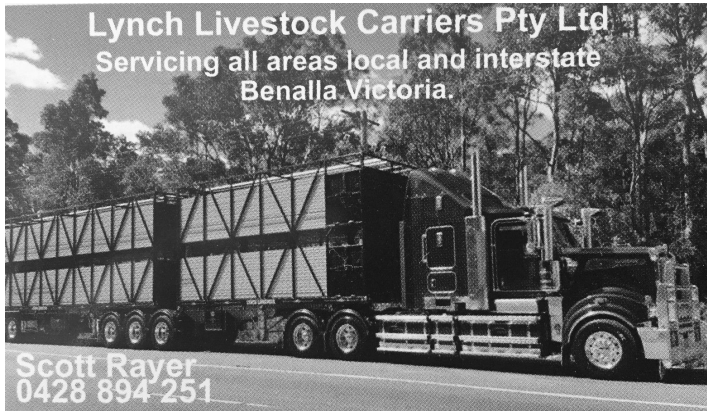
The King Valley Fun Run Walk is a fundraiser for the King Valley School's Kitchen Garden Program (including your local and lovely Greta Valley PS of course!) and is held concurrent with the King Valley Challenge, October 8th.

Fun and Well being and participation is an important priority in this fundraising event – it is a great family day out. In previous years the vibe has been great and children & adults alike have shared the day with competitors of the King Valley Challenge.

Info & entry www.kingvalleychallenge.com.au.

The School program raises funds from 6km entry fees, Marshalling, and a Kitchen Garden Café at Lake William Hovel.

Kate Gilson on behalf of the King Valley School's Kitchen Garden program.



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Greta Cemetery Trust Update

The cemetery trust has been busy over the last few months following our public consultation meeting held on the 11th May. Fifteen members of the community were present at the meeting and as a result of discussions determined a number of priorities to be included in our master plan.

Major priorities included the provision of a toilet facility, memorial/ ashes wall, landscaping, seating and interpretive signage, storage shedding and improved roadside parking.

We have been extremely fortunate in having gained the services of Helen Davidson who is currently in the process of designing the master plan. When the plan is completed it will form the basis for future submissions and funding applications that will underpin the resourcing of planned facilities.

The priority focus remains the provision of a toilet facility. In considering all developments, the trust has confirmed the need to

- maintain the cultural and heritage values of the cemetery
- ensure our community needs and values remain foremost
- respect the needs and values of all families
- acknowledge the cemetery as a community (volunteer supported) asset
- recognize increased tourism and the need to balance this with the above points

It is intended at this stage to have the plan completed over the next few months in order align with funding opportunities opening up in November.

For further information, contact secretary

Christine Magee 5727 6264 or

David Salau 0408 387 582

Greta FNC Presentation Night

Saturday 17th September 7pm at Wangaratta
Oaks.

Tickets can be purchased from
Jarrod Franklin on 0423 628 942
\$45 per person.

Greta Valley Landcare Group

August News

Thank you to all our members and residents who recently attended our Chemical Users Course, Farm Dams for Wildlife workshop and our Winter Fruit Tree Pruning workshop. It was great to see so many landholders braving the winter weather to attend these events.

Direct seeding information session –

Sunday the 4th of September

Direct seeding is a commonly used technique for revegetation. Our group has had much success using this technique and this will be an opportunity to have a look at some successful sites, talk to a direct seeding contractor and see a demonstration of how it all works (weather permitting). Sunday 4th of September from 10am, at 44 Moloneys Road, Greta West. Lunch provided. Please RSVP to Mary Anderson (Secretary) on 0438 537 462 or greta.valley@landcarevic.net.au

Farmers like trees – but do trees help to increase property value?

We recently read an article that proved that farmers and other rural landholders, on average, pay more for land that includes a proportion of woody native vegetation on it compared with land that is fully cleared. The article was based on the statistical analysis of 7 580 rural property sales in the North Central region of Victoria between 1992 and 2011.

The key findings were:

- For a small 1-hectare property, land value is highest when it includes about 45% woody native vegetation (like native forests or woodland). Such land is about 25% more valuable than fully cleared land.

- For large landholders (e.g. 1000 hectares), land value is highest when it includes about 20% native vegetation. These farmers are probably mostly undertaking commercial agriculture. For these farmers, land with anything up to 40% tree cover is worth more than fully cleared land.

- The optimal area of native vegetation is 0.45 ha on a 1-ha property, 4 ha on a 10-ha property, 30 ha on a 100-ha property and 200 ha on a 1000-ha property.

So what does this mean? This suggests that existing remnant patches of forest or woodland on your property are both an environmental and economic asset. Protecting and restoring native vegetation on your property can not only benefit farm production, but can also help increase your property value in the long term.

How our Landcare Group can help

We can potentially help landholders with land management or biodiversity issues that you would like to address, depending on our current funding. This might include protection of remnant vegetation, developing riparian corridors, addressing erosion sites, protecting paddock trees or providing advice on other issues that you may have. So please get in touch with us by contacting Sally Day, the Group's Project Officer on 0437 136 162 or sally.day@landcarevic.net.au



invite the

Men of the Valley

to a dinner just for them.

Hearty home cooked 2 course Meal

Auction and Door Prize

Entertainment – Tim Cossor

\$25^{pp}

Friday 2 September, 2016

Moyhu Bowling Club Dining Room

Dinner Served at 7pm

Drinks @ bar prices - proceeds from bar goes to the Moyhu Bowling club

Contact Biddy on 035727 9360 for bookings

Greta Football and Netball Club

With the Ovens & King Football & Netball Season coming to an end. The Greta Football & Netball Club would like to thank the support of the community and players for the efforts in the 2016 season. With congratulations going all 4 netball teams on making it in to the final series.

Sunday 14th September saw the 2016 Club vote count be held with congratulations to the following. Under 17s netball Best and Fairest was Jorja Reidy and Runner Up Georgia Pryor. The under 17s had a great season this year form finishing second last in the 2015 season to finishing second this year. Coach Lindsey Humphries is very proud of the girl's efforts and we look forward to watching these girls build a strong future for the Greta netball sides in the coming season. Also a special mention to Jorja Reidy and Runners up in the league along followed by Georgia Pryor Third. A fantastic effort on having two girls in the top three! B Reserve had another good season with Holly Clarke taking out Best and fairest this year followed closely by Emily Naish. Thank you to Jackie Perkins and Netty Atteridge for coaching the girls this season.

The Greta B Grade had tough season but managed to sneak in to the top six at the end of the season to secure a spot in finals. Allyson Naish look out B Grades Best and Fairest just in front of Melissa Way. The girls have had a fun season under the watch of Ashton Tanner.

The Greta A Grade saw some new faces make their way in to the team this year with young local Katey Pryor taking out Best and Fairest just in front of Rebecca Duyrea. The A Grade girls have had another strong season seeing a lot of success and close games this year under the watch of Heather Harding.

We would also like to congratulate Katey on winning Ovens & King Rising star for the 2016 Season. Along with Amanda Coote, Rebecca Duyrea being named in side of the year with Coach Heather Harding.

The Reserve side finished on a win against Goorambat which was good to see for all the hard work by Paul "Frog" Duyrea and Scott Wallace on their efforts to field a team each week. The reserves saw local brothers Brad and Shane Graham take out Best and Fairest and Runners Up.

The Senior Side had a tough year however coaches Daniel McLaughlin and Harley Delglis stepped in to help the club out and did a great job. Senior Best and fairest was won by Chris Dube with Runner Up Stewart McLeod.

The Greta FNC have had some great time off the ground this year. With the season kicking off the first Annual Great Carp Classic, Annual Cancer Night with thanks to supporter David Wilson getting the big shave by local hairdresser Sarah Murphy. We would like to thank everyone that supported and helped in the 2016 season. Also saw the new change rooms for the netball near completion with a big thank you to all that have given up time to help out to get this done. Also the completion on the netball surrounds with the Holden Grant with the hard work done by Greg and Kathy Tanner and Geoff White in the off season. Thank you for your efforts it has given all spectators a fantastic area to view the netball from.

Lastly we would like to thank everyone that helps with the Thursday night meals which is a hit every week. The club is very thankful for this and the way it supports the club. To stay up to date with what is happening around the club please follow our Facebook page for more up to date information on the 2017 season.

Written by Ash Tanner

Greta Community Safety Group

Our team met again last week and we were able to welcome Tracy Harper and Roy Fuller to the group both of whom have extensive SES experience. We resolved that the main focus of the group is to "build on the strengths and safety of our Greta and district community by working together" "build on the strengths" ... recognises the great things we currently have going on in Greta and district "safety" ... our primary focus "our community" ... reflects individuals, groups and the wealth and skills and knowledge that we can tap into as well as a sense of ownership and belonging "working together" ... acknowledges the groups that already exist, the idea of the strength in working together and a sense of shared responsibility We are still working on an appropriate name for our group.

Our next scheduled meeting is set for Wednesday 31st August at 7.30pm. **A venue is still being confirmed. If you are interested in attending, please contact David Salau 0408 387 582.**

Safety Tips....

1. Emergency call takers often have trouble establishing the precise location of an incident or emergency from the information provided by callers on 000 especially if the caller is travelling or unfamiliar with the area. "Emergency + " is a free smartphone app created by Australian emergency services , their governments and industry partners. The app uses the mobile phones GPS function to provide precise location information and quick dial capability to call the correct emergency service. Well worth installing on your smartphone.
2. Were you aware that every km along the Hume freeway there are markers on the small white posts showing km distances from Melbourne? Another great way of establishing your location in the event of accident or emergency.



MOYHU
& District Preschool Inc.
NERPSA North East Regional
Pre School Association

Community 'Thank You' Notice

Moyhu Occasional Child Care (OCC) is a Non-Government supported Program, which runs a professional child care service (0 to 5yrs) on a Friday, during school terms, from 9am until 2pm.

Moyhu OCC recently sent out an urgent 'enrolments required' community notice explaining that the program was running at a financial loss and was in jeopardy of closing. Due to an amazing response from the community and local families, enrolments have significantly increased to allow the program to continue to run. There are also new children on the waiting and casual list, which is encouraging for the long term viability of the program.

The Moyhu and District Preschool Committee send out a huge thank you to the community and local families for supporting the Moyhu OCC program.

We recently had the annual High Tea Fundraiser, which was a great day, coordinated and run wonderfully by our Moyhu OCC and Kinder families. The Moyhu Hall looked amazing with tables set beautifully, sweet and savoury treats abound and cups of teas flowing. The Auction and raffles were vibrant and overall monies raised will support each and every child at Moyhu OCC and Kinder.

Enrolments are still being taken and any other support always welcome.

Please contact Kerrie Evans – Moyhu OCC Booking Officer on 03 5727 9338 for more information.



The Lions Club of Moyhu invites expressions of interest for stalls and displays to attend

The 2016 Annual Garden Expo

Saturday 15th October 2016

Inquires to
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ARE YOU FLOOD & STORM SAFE?

Wangaratta SES Presents Flood & Storm

Safety Information Evenings

A series of FloodSafe and StormSafe Information Evenings will be held across the Rural City of Wangaratta during July and August to hand out information and advice on how to prepare your homes, businesses and Communities for Floods and Storms.

Each Evenings will go for 90 minutes and members of the Communities can come and go as they please. Each evening will include;

- Information on how to prepare for flood and storm events.
- A map display of areas within the Council that are prone to flooding.
- An information pack for each person to take home.
- An equipment display for flood & storm events
- Tea, coffee and light refreshments

Greta-Hansonville Hall
Saturday 27th of August 2016
6:30 – 8:00pm

For more information, contact;
Carina Heppell phone 0400502146
carina.heppell@members.ses.vic.gov.au

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