TAMBO RAMBLER

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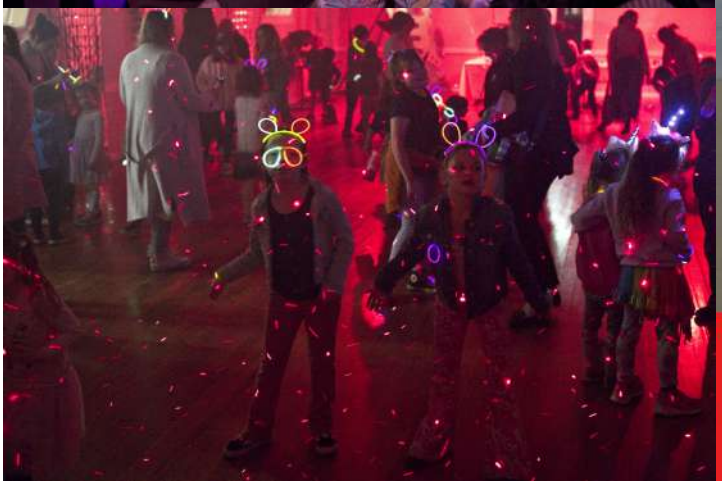
DISGLOW Dance

The Tambo Rambler is proudly sponsored this month by Elders Real Estate Lakes Entrance & Metung

The Tambo Rambler would like to acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai People, the Traditional Owners of the land on which we gather, and pay our respects to their Elders both past, present and emerging.



Dancing the night away at the DISGLOW presented by the Bruthen and District Neighbourhood House.

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DISGLOW 2023!

150+ locals attending

What a great night! So many smiles and funky dance moves - We hope you all had as much fun as we did!

The team from Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House would like to thank all of the SUPERSTARS that helped to make it such a grooving success.

Special thanks to:

- Superstar DJ Rachel Kennedy- you were AMAZING!
- Barista Fiona Jennings from Bushfire Recovery Catholic Care Victoria- your drinks and company were an absolute highlight!
- Tattoo Artists Lucy & Sally Whillance
- Kitchenhand Extraordinaire Angela Pizzi
- Popcorn Poppers Faye Brooks & Tiffany
- Sausage Chef James Nicholas
- Fire pots Jon Whitfield

Life's a Garden

The Bruthen Neighbourhood House has started up a bi-monthly Gardening Group meeting on the second and fourth Fridays of the month at 10am.

The first day was a success with lots of people and lots of ideas of what the Garden Group can accomplish. One of the aims is to have a swap table for excess plants/seeds/produce that people have. The idea being that you would bring your excess to swap and take whatever you need. Please bring your own bag/box. This is open to the whole Bruthen community so please bring your extras.

Initially we are building some vegie and herb gardens around the House and brightening up the front area.

Other ideas are guest speakers, one-off workshops, garden visits and working with the children at Boorai/ Kindergarten and local schools, and maintaining a garden at the Cemetery, which we can develop as we grow.

Everyone is welcome to join in so please come along to our mornings and share your gardening wisdom, have a cuppa and pick up some produce/plants.

Garden Tips for August

Sow seeds in a propagator to raise, planting out in the spring, once our frosts have gone.

Chitting seed potatoes: make sure you have bought your seed potatoes by the end of this month and spread them out in egg cartons or seed trays in a cool, light room. Within a few weeks the eyes will begin to sprout and form new shoots called "chits".

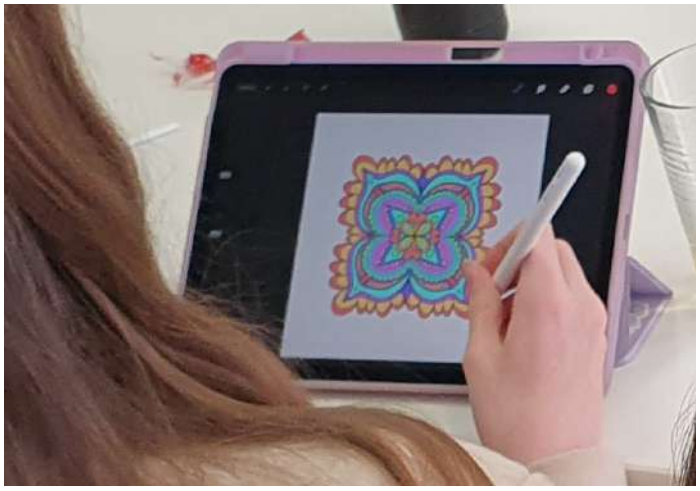
Seeds to sow include Capsicum, Cucumber, Eggplant, Kohlrabi, Lettuces, Peas, Radishes, Rhubarb, Salad Leaves, Salad Onions, Spinach, Tomatoes.

Dig over your plot and add plenty of well-rotted organic matter/compost.

Cover seedbeds with polythene to warm up the soil.

Finally, some hints for deterring snails and slugs. Employ baits such as upturned grapefruit halves or beer traps, and barriers such as sharp gravel or crushed egg shells. Keep down weeds to minimize hiding places for slugs.

Digital Illustration Workshop



On the 5th of July, young people from Bruthen & District took part in a digital illustration workshop, in which they used iPads and the illustration program Procreate to unleash their creative potential.

The workshop was facilitated by local artist, Anli Vuong, who is quickly becoming well-known in the region for her unique and fascinating work in digital and mural mediums, as well as her involvement in local creative events, such as the Winter Festival and collaborative exhibitions and workshops at Iceworks in Lakes Entrance.

The young people were shown techniques for creating intricate and mesmerizing mandalas (pictured above), as well as the broader possibilities of creating on a digital platform.

Gippsland East Local Learning and Employment Network (GELLEN) funded the workshop as part of their Reimagining the Future program, which aims to showcase a range of industries across science, technology, engineering, maths and the arts, demonstrated by locals.

Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House wish to thank Anli and GELLEN for making possible this great opportunity for local young people.

Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

LLEN GIPPSLAND EAST Local Learning & Employment Network

Bruthen & District Senior Citizens Xmas in July

Members of the Bruthen and District Senior Citizens enjoyed a wonderful feast for their July 19 'Christmas in the Middle' gathering at the Bruthen Bowls Club, courtesy of their trusty team of volunteers in the kitchen.

Those attending also got to meet Fiona Jennings of Catholic Care Victoria, who spoke about ways of maintaining your well-being, as well as information about navigating services available to older people. Copies of brochures provided by Fiona on the day are available at the Bruthen and District Neighbourhood House.

The Senior Citizens group is a very supportive and easy-going bunch which meets up on the first Wednesday of each month at the Bowls Club, and on the third Wednesday has an outing somewhere further afield for lunch. New members always welcome! Contacts are President Peter Bowlen 0447 168 629 or Secretary/Treasurer Sue Smith on 0407507849.

Pictured far right:
Pamela Boyd was the lucky winner of the $100 gift voucher from Tambo Valley Honey.

Phoenix Art Studio & Gallery
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10.30am –3.30pm

BRUTHEN ARTS AND EVENTS COUNCIL INC.

COMING EVENTS 2023

SASS AND SECRETS CABARET
Saturday 12th August at 6.30pm

CROW KIDS
September Friday 22nd
A Shadow Puppet Show for families.

FINUCANE AND SMITH
September 28th
Multi award winning travelling Dance Hall

FAT'AZZ JAZZ BAND
Saturday October 7th.
An exciting contemporary Melbourne based jazz quartet.

THE ZOMOPOCALYPSE.
November (date to be confirmed)
The Zombies will be back to do battle with Bruthen's humans.
Partnering with Bruthen Primary School at the school.

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NAIDOC Week celebrations

This year's NAIDOC Week celebrations theme was "For Our Elders."
A large number of people attended the parade held last month.

Pictured Right enjoying the day are locals Grattan and Lizzy Mullett and their grandchildren Quade and Rhani.

Vandalism on East Gippsland Rail Trail disappointing

Volunteer committee members of the East Gippsland Rail Trail Committee of Management were disappointed to learn a set of newly installed gates on the trail at the Simpsons Creek Road crossing were deliberately rammed by a vehicle last month.
The recently installed gates are part of a multi-million dollar upgrade to the 96km long trail and are designed to prevent illegal vehicular access to the trail, as well as a visual reminder to trail users they are approaching a road crossing and need to slow down and approach the crossing with care.
This latest vandalism comes on the back of a water fountain being deliberately damaged at Mossiface last year shortly after it was installed, and the theft of gates at Joiners Road, Newmerella in March this year.
A reminder the only vehicles permitted on the East Gippsland Rail Trail are committee of management vehicles and those approved by the committee (ie contractors working on the trail).
Orbost Police are working with the rail trail committee in an attempt to avoid further damage to the community asset.
Police are investigating the collision damage believed to be caused by a vehicle and other damage caused by recreational motorcyclists.
If you've witnessed or know of any details regarding the damage, contact Crimestoppers or 000.

Brown Falcon

This striking bird has been spotted a number of times perched in one or other of the trees along the road between Wiseleigh and Bruthen, from where it scans the paddocks and verges below for prey. The Brown Falcon is one of the more commonly seen falcons, usually found in open woodland and tree-scattered paddocks and plains. They are quite variable in colouring, but all have a 'tear-stripe' below the eyes. The close-up shot here is not too sharp, as it was *very* heavily cropped to show identifying features.

On July 10 members of Birdlife East Gippsland enjoyed an outing surveying the Bruthen walking trails and river walk.

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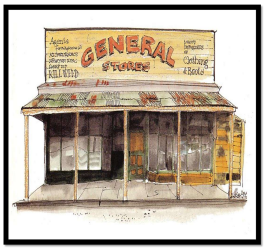

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Joint agency patrols in the High Country mark the start of seasonal road closures

Parks Victoria and Game Management Authority (GMA) Authorised Officers in northeast Victoria have recently begun patrols to mark the beginning of seasonal road closures in the Alpine National Park and adjoining state forest.

The cost of seasonal road closure breaches is significant, from replacing broken locks, gates, chains and fencing to repairing damage to roads, tracks and drainage. There is also associated damage to vegetation and cultural sites. Rehabilitating damaged areas takes time and resources away from visitor services and protecting the environment.

Seasonal road closures are important to minimise damage to roads and tracks over the wetter months and allow for rehabilitation and other works to occur in some cases. It's imperative that some tracks are closed during the wetter season as they become unsafe, impassable and pose a significant safety risk to drivers.

In previous years, there has been evidence of visitors, including hunters, illegally entering or passing through the Alpine National Park to undertake hunting activities. GMA Authorised Officers joined patrols checking hunting and firearms licences and ensuring hunting hounds meet the proper requirements in adjoining state forest.

"Authorised Officers have been encouraged to see the majority of visitors and hunters in state forests and adjoining national parks have been respecting seasonal road closures- we hope this will continue throughout the winter months," said Andrew Dean, Senior Enforcement Officer Parks Victoria.

"Information from the community is a key part of our intelligence and evidence gathering and we encourage community members to report any suspicious behaviour to Parks Victoria on 1319 63. But please remember your safety is most important- don't put yourself at risk to gather information."

Hound hunters are reminded to respect land boundaries, only hunt in legal areas and start hunts well away from private property or public land where hound hunting is not permitted.

"With the hound hunting season well underway, we are reminding hunters to use GPS collars and make sure their hounds remain inbounds," said Paul Stevens, Compliance and Intelligence Director, Game Management Authority.

"When hunting Sambar with hounds, hound possessors need to ensure their hounds conform to the Australian National Kennel Council breed standards and maximum height specified in the regulations."

On-the-spot fines for breaching a seasonal closure and for interfering with or damaging a gate or sign is $925 per offence. Those found to be hunting illegally or behaving irresponsibly can also be fined or prosecuted, have their equipment seized and/or lose their Game and Firearms Licences.

To find out more about seasonal road closures, go to the Parks Victoria website https://www.parks.vic.gov.au/get-into-nature/safety-in-nature/seasonal-road-closures. To find out where you can legally hunt in the Victorian high country, go to the Game Management Authority website https://www.gma.vic.gov.au/hunting/hunting-maps

Game Management Authority Authorised Officers measuring the size of a hound used for hunting.

Book now for Sass and Secrets Cabaret Night

If you are wondering what Bruthen Arts and Events Council has in store for people who love to get out and about you will not be disappointed.

Sass and Secrets will be coming to town on August 12, for a cabaret night of magic, singing and comedy.

Expect a wickedly funny cabaret featuring awe inspiring magic, mentalism, fabulous singing, and physical comedy mayhem!

Featuring Australia's multi-award-winning illusionist and mentalist Cath Jamison and comedy cabaret star Aurora Kurth, this wickedly funny, original theatrical cabaret features awe inspiring magic, mentalism, fabulous singing, and physical comedy mayhem. This interactive and fun show is driven by two flamboyant characters and their relationship with the audience, and is a highly entertaining, engaging and moving performance piece that will evoke your childhood wonderment!

Recognised worldwide for her captivating brand of magic and mind-reading, Cath Jamison has appeared on Sunrise, Today, Ch10 – 9am with David & Kim, KIIS101.1, and The Melbourne International Comedy Festival Gala. Jamison has received countless ovations and astounded the likes of Tim Burton, Dawn French and Melissa Etheridge.

Aurora is equal parts vixen and comedienne. With a career in the performing arts spanning over two decades, this critically acclaimed artist has wowed audiences across the globe. She's an entertainer, a raconteur, and a hell of a singer! Brace yourselves for an unbelievable night of sharp wit, reality bending illusion, and a healthy dose of audience interaction!

In the usual Arts and Events style there will be yummy platters of finger food, cake and a bar with Bullant beers, mid strength beer, wines and mulled wine.

Tickets are on trybooking at $30 per adult and $10 for secondary students. Younger children will be free but they will not have a seat. A movie and toys will be set up in the supper room to help keep them happy.

This event has been made possible due to funding from Bushfire Recovery Victoria and Regional Arts Victoria.

St Matthew's Anglican Church Bruthen

Services every Sunday at 9.30am except the fifth Sunday.

Services also at St Columb's Swan Reach on the second and fourth Sundays at 11.15am, & at St Mary's Buchan on the third Sunday every second month at 2.30pm commencing in February of each year.

Volunteers always welcome at the Bruthen Op Shop.

ALL WELCOME!! Please come and you are most welcome to contact: The Rev'd Brian Norris on 0418 633446

Bruthen Inn Hotel

Kitchen is open 7 days

Lunch 12-2pm (excl. Tues) Dinner 6-8pm

Tuesdays open from 5pm

Friday night raffles supporting local sporting clubs—10 draws.

Catering for private functions and community meetings

Courtesy bus operates Wed, Fri, Sat nights only

For enquires or bookings contact Bruthen Inn Hotel.

Cheers and beers, Stretch

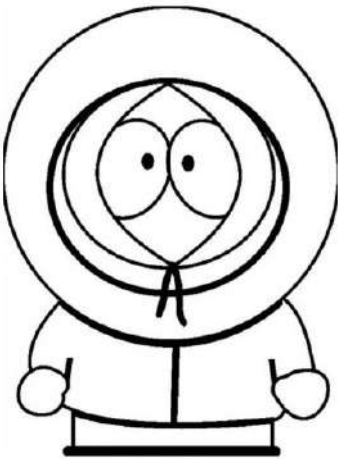
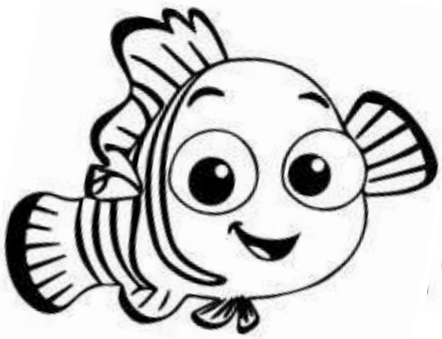
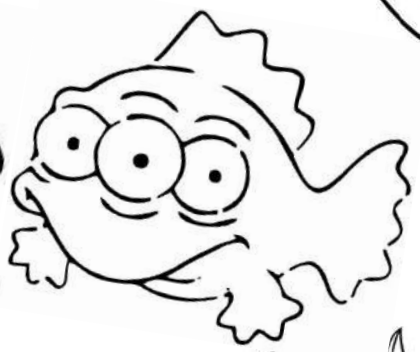
Phone (03) 51575201

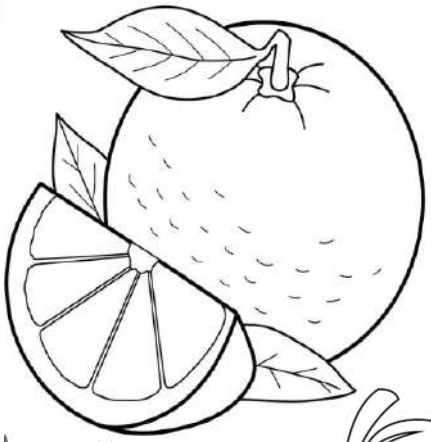
Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

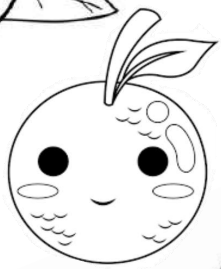
Orange Fair colouring competition

Name: Age:

Entries collected & displayed at Bruthen General Store. Winners will be announced at Bruthen's Orange Fair Sat 16th September 2023 . Please leave contact details on the back so we can notify winners.





What's on in August

Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

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Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6	7 **9:00-1:00pm Bruthen Men's Shed** BDNH	8 **10:30-12:00pm Bruthen Remembers** BDNH (2nd Tuesday of the Month)	9 **9:30-12:30am Digital Essentials "Using Apps"** Online, connect from BDNH **1:00-3:00pm Sew What** BDNH Creative Space **4:30-7pm Young People's Project** BDNH	10 **1:00-3:00pm Bruthen Bookies** BDNH	11 **9:30-11:00am Bruthen Mums n Bubs** BDNH **10:30am Life's a Garden** BDNH (2nd & 4th Fridays)	12
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URINE	EUCALYPT	REGENERATED	BUSHLAND	CLAWS
BUCHAN	MARSUPIALS	POUCH	MALLACOOTA	ICONIC
WEDGE	BOTTOM	SLEEP	TERRITORIAL	DIET

Target Words

L	D	P
O	E	D
E	E	V

How many words of at least four letters can you make? Each word must include the centre letter. And can you find the 9-letter word? No abbreviations, no capitalised nouns.

KOALA

Phascolarctos cinereus

About

Koalas are one of the most iconic Australian wildlife species. Their fluffy grey and white ears, large nose and their roundish body-shape make them look just like a cuddly teddy bear. However, don't be fooled by their cute appearance, their claws are strong and sharp, enabling them to climb trees and hold on tight for long periods of time. Their bottoms are also tough to help them to wedge themselves into the forks of trees. Also, the males territorial calls may have helped developed stories about Yowies and other creatures in the forest.

A koala's diet consists mainly of eucalypt leaves but can included other similar species such as *Corymbia*, and *Melaleuca*. Although toxic to many animals, koalas have the ability to filter out water and a small amount of nutrients from the leaves while discarding the oils and fibrous material in their urine and poo. The little nutrients that they get from the leaves means they sleep for large portions of the day. If they're not sleeping, they're eating.

Koalas are marsupials, which means they have a pouch for their young (or joey). Joeys will stay in the pouch for about 6 months before venturing out and clinging to the mother's back for another 6–12 months.

Koalas of East Gippsland

Most of the koala population in Victoria is concentrated in the south-west region with isolated populations in East Gippsland, such as in Gelantipy to Buchan, Mallacoota and on Raymond Island. Since the 2019-20 bushfires, it is unsure how many koalas now remain across the region.

In December 2020, 14 koalas that were badly burned in the bushfires were nursed back to health and released back into the bush in eastern Victoria. Six of these koalas were released in East Gippsland, close to where they were found, while the other eight were released into regenerated bushland around Mallacoota.

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Give us a hand to protect your community.

We're looking for help in a number of volunteer roles. Full training and ongoing support is provided, so you can learn new skills to fulfill a vital role in your community.

Bruthen Fire Brigade, has positions for up to five new Fire Fighters. We are recruiting **NOW** (ends mid-August).

New members will require a Police and Working with Children Check (free for volunteers), and be assessed by the Brigade.

If selected, you will commence a General Fire Fighter Course with both on-line and face to face learning (about one hour per week) during September & October (either at home or at the Brigade). By mid-November you will complete the final phase of consolidation training and assessment and then be ready to be mentored on-the-job helping protect our community. New members must be available for ongoing monthly skills maintenance training and call-outs (when available), as they occur.

Joining the Bruthen Fire Brigade is the most rewarding way you can give back to our local and neighbouring communities – each volunteer makes a valuable contribution to community safety – and this could be **YOU** 😊 .

So if you think you have what it takes, we invite you to become a CFA volunteer

Go to https://www.cfa.vic.gov.au/volunteers-careers/volunteer-with-cfa/apply-to-volunteer or.....

Scan the QR code to find out how you can help.

Or.... If you want to have a chat, call 0418-349-698 and speak to the Brigade Captain James Nicholas who can also be contacted via Bruthen.Capt@members.cfa.vic.gov.au

Bruthen - Bairnsdale Bus Timetable Dysons Bus Lines Ph: 5152 1711

Bruthen to Bairnsdale Morning	**Monday & Friday AM**	**Tues, Wed, Thurs AM**
Bruthen (opp) General Store	08:10 am	09:50 am
Bairnsdale, Corner Main & Bailey St	08:30 am	10:20 am
Bairnsdale Train Station	08:35 am	10:30 am
Bairnsdale to Bruthen Afternoon	**Mon to Thurs PM**	**Friday PM**
Bairnsdale Train Station	1:25 pm	3:40 pm
Corner Chemist (Service & Main Street)	1:30 pm	3:45 pm
Bruthen, Station & Great Alpine Rd	2:00 pm	4:15 pm

Mobile Library

The mobile bus service provides an opportunity to not only use the library service, but to engage with them on Council matters. All community members welcome. See the schedule below for when one of our busses is visiting your community.

What you can do at the mobile service

- Borrow books
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- Lodge a report or request
- Pay an account / make electronic payments
- Make enquiries, collect and lodge application forms
- Register your dogs and cats
- Access and complete surveys
- Learn about and provide feedback on projects
- Use a computer
- Have a chat and much more

Wed	**Tambo Upper**** (near school)	9.00 am – 9.45 am
	Bruthen (Main Street)	10.00 am – 11.15 am
	Nowa Nowa (Mingling Waters C/park)	1.30 pm – 2.00 pm
Thu	**Bruthen**** (near kinder)	10.45 am – 11.15 am

*Sites marked** are not visited during school holidays*

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www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au

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GP Clinic: Wednesday by appointment only. Call 5155 8300 and select option '1'. Please make sure you let our Customer Service team know you would like your appointment in Bruthen.

Community Health Nurse: Monday and Wednesday, $12 per consult or $6 concession. Note: services will not be denied if you are unable to pay. Call 5155 8300 and select option '1'.

Maternal & Child Health: Once a month on a Tuesday by appointment only. Call 5155 8300 and select option '4'.

Room & Bus Hire: all bookings are to be directed to our Customer Service team on 5155 8300.

Pathology collection: Monday and Wednesday from 8.00 to 11.00am. Nurse fees apply.

These services are for Bruthen and district residents. For more information about GLCH, our services and programs, please visit glch.org.au or find us on social media.

GIPPSLAND LAKES COMPLETE Health

NEW MEETING DATES!!

Bruthen & District Landcare Group

Group meetings
1st Saturday of the month
@ 9 am

Venues to be confirmed closer to the date

New members welcome

For details contact
landcare.bruthen@gmail.com

EVENTS & NOTICES

Injured Wildlife Rescue

When you find injured wildlife please keep these details in case of emergency:
WILDLIFE SHELTERS
Jade Whittingham
Wombat Wisdom, (Bairnsdale), 0473 446 161
Holly Corbett
Holly's Wildlife Rescue (No bats) (530 Bairnsdale Dargo Rd Hillside 3875), 0432 539 408
Suzie
Waterholes Wildlife Shelter Clifton Creek Koala specialist, 0447 470 905.
Geoff Nicol
Treehouse Wildlife Refuge Metung, 0419 345 820
Birds, wombats, kangaroos, etc

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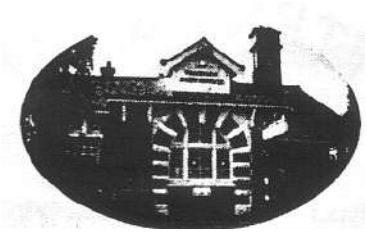

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Bruthen Police Station
Note: under 24/7 video surveillance

Tai Chi

For all those people wanting to warm up this winter, Tai Chi is a series of gentle movements to encourage flexibility and mindfulness. Yes, the space is heated, and classes are on Mondays from 10.30 to 11.30am in the Bruthen Mechanics Hall. Increased patronage is needed for the class to continue, so please think about trying it out. Any enquiries please call 0439 812 166.

Firewood collection should be re-opened

A re-opening of the domestic firewood collection season has been requested by Gippsland East Nationals MP, Tim Bull.
He has written to the Minister outlining the present shortage of firewood supply, for many in our community, their sole source of heating this winter.
Mr Bull said there was a range of factors causing the shortage, the most profound being the cessation of the timber industry due to legal action.
"With many senior residents relying on solid fuel heating, we are hearing of an increasing number of cases where they are shivering through the nights due to firewood either not being accessible at all or being too costly to purchase.
"For those who have an alternate power heating source, electricity prices are making it unaffordable, so pensioners and low-income households are not using this alternative.
"Public firewood collection is closed in winter seasonally due to concerns over damage being caused, but this year has been unseasonably dry in East Gippsland and re-opening the season would provide a solution for many in this predicament."

TRADES AND SERVICES

Green Waste Charge

EAST GIPPSLAND SHIRE COUNCIL

Council transfer stations and landfill will start charging for green waste from 1st September as adopted by Council in this years financial budget.
Moving to a 'user pay' system will make disposal of green waste fair and equitable for all.

Fees:
$12 m3 with a minimum charge of $3

Council will offer free green waste disposal through-out November each year to assist residents prepare for the bushfire season.
Rate payers will also be offered one Green Waste Voucher annually, allowing disposal of up to 1.5m3 of green waste at applicable transfer stations or landfill.

There are many ways to manage green waste at home. For more information of composting or mulching at home refer to the East Gippsland Shire website or use the QR code. Mulching is an easy and sustainable way to minimise garden waste and bring nourishment to the soil.

For more information on green waste charges please contact the Shire on 03 5153 9500

YOUTH ART PRIZE

AGES 12-25 YEARS

ENTRIES OPEN: JULY 10, 2023

CALLING CREATIVE ARTISTS IN EAST GIPPSLAND

Artworks can include drawings, paintings, photographs, digital illustrations or 3D visuals, and '2-3 minute' films.
Photographs of large physical works will be accepted

2022 Youth Art Prize Winners

Dreams - Imrahn Canary

Escape to the Arty Loft - Christy Lanyon

Innocence - Danielle Moss

CASH PRIZES TO BE WON!

*Artwork will be judged in Age Groups & Art Categories

Need more information?
Andrea Court - Arts and Culture Coordinator or
Chloe Peters - Youth Project Support Officer
Feedback@egipps.vic.gov.au
03 5153 9500

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⇒ **Cost - $65 per edition**

Closing date for September issue is August 25.

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(Word, Publisher, JPG or PNG format with photos please **PDF format will also be accepted**.)

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Weeds: Are they the black rats of the planet?

Have you ever wondered where weeds come from or how they evolved?
I am not talking about the weed found in rockstars pockets when they go through customs, I am talking about good old-fashioned weeds that pop up unexpectedly in your veggie garden or flower bed.
Well, it depends on what you call a weed!
The best description is perhaps that they are unwanted plant visitors rather than malicious intruders.
They like what you have done in your patch and decide to settle where conditions are favourable.
The seeds or spores are basically bundles of DNA with accidental wanderlust and they travel as passengers with birds, the wind, water, cars, people and with every other form of movement that happens on the planet.
Sometimes they colonise their new home to the extent that it is destroyed by their rampant overgrowth that occurs in the absence of predators or balancing factors that exist in their original homeland.
Sometimes they become naturalised and fulfil a useful role in human endeavour. Think of wheat, tomatoes and potatoes and most domestic fruit trees.
Australia would be a different country if we didn't have these "weeds" although people do not think of them in the same way as typical pest weeds like Prickly Pear or Blackberry.
So are weeds like rats that are a single troublesome species that colonise the planet?
No way!! In fact one person's weed is another person's food.

Geoff N

Photos courtesy of Ken Russell.

Please note: Do **NOT** eat these types of Fungi if encountered in the wild.

Fungi are beautiful and stunning organisms and can be researched at the Victorian Royal Botanical Gardens website.

Recently at the Bruthen & District Neighbourhood House a Kids Craft Day was held as part of the school holiday program.

The children had a fun day creating fantastic crafty creations. Who knew there were so many talented artists in town!